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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	Guam
COUNTY:	N/A
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ENTRY DATE	OCT 10 1974

**1. NAME**

COMMON: Taelayag Spanish Bridge

AND/OR HISTORIC: Taelayag Tolai Acho

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER: W of Route 2  
1800 feet Southwest of Route Two

CITY OR TOWN: Agat CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: Guam

STATE: Guam CODE: 66 COUNTY: N/A CODE: 410

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) NONE

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNER'S NAME: Government of Guam claim

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Agana STATE: Guam CODE: 66

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.: Department of Land Management, Government of Guam

STREET AND NUMBER: Administration Building

CITY OR TOWN: Agana STATE: Guam CODE: 66

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

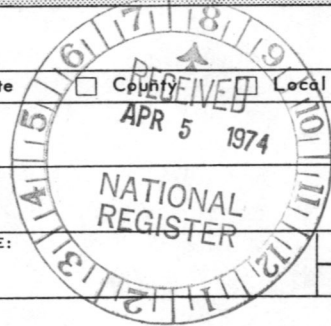
TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY:  Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE:



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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Spanish Bridge over Telayag Creek south of Agat is an example of Spanish stone and mortar bridge construction of the nineteenth century. The bridge consists of one arch eight feet, ten inches wide spanning the stream with the arch rising five feet, five inches above the stream surface. The road surface of the bridge is twenty-seven feet long and nine feet, five inches wide with the road surface located six feet, eight inches above the water level.

To the north of the bridge structure is an embankment for the approach road to the north end of the bridge. On the western edge of this embankment is a low cut stone wall extending twenty-nine feet north of the bridge.

The bridge is in excellent condition with no stones of the arch or walls missing. The road surface is now sodded over with a few stones missing along the edges of the road surface of the bridge.



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**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- |  |                                       |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 18th Century            | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century  | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century |                                       |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal              | <input type="checkbox"/> Education              | <input type="checkbox"/> Political                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy       | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic                | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry               | <input type="checkbox"/> Science                   | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture             | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention              | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture                 | _____  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian       | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature             | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater                   | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce                | <input type="checkbox"/> Military               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications          | <input type="checkbox"/> Music                  |  | _____  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation            |   |  | _____  |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

At one time a coastal road connecting Agana and Umatac traversed the Agat area. This road was originally constructed in 1785 under the administration of Governor Cerain utilizing wooden bridges. By the administration of Governor Felipe de la Corte Calderan (1855-1866) the road had deteriorated and the Governor subsequently declared it should be rebuilt utilizing stone bridge instead of wood bridges. One of these stone bridges was constructed over the Taelayag Creek between 1866 and the American takeover of Guam in 1898. By 1917, certain segments of the original road was still being used. However, the Spanish bridges had fallen into disuse by this time.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Beaty, Janice J., Discovering Guam, Faith Book Store, Agana, Guam, 1967.

EXACT TITLE & AUTHOR

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

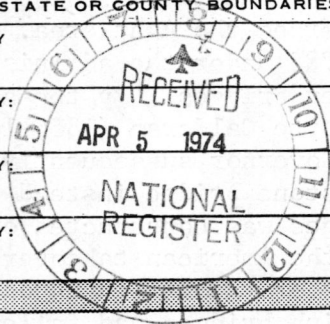
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SW	° ' "	° ' "				

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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: David T. Lotz, Planner

ORGANIZATION: Parks and Recreation Resources Division DATE: March 22, 1974

STREET AND NUMBER: Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 682

CITY OR TOWN: Agana STATE: Guam CODE: 66

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name [Signature]

Title Director of Commerce

Date March 29, 1974

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

[Signature]  
Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date 10/10/74

ATTEST:

[Signature]  
Keeper of The National Register

Date 10-7-74

PROPERTY Taelayag Spanist Bridge STATE Guam

74002305.

WORKING NUMBER 4.5.74.544

TECH REVIEW  
PHOTOS 1  
MAPS 1

CONTROL REVIEW #10 Acreage is missing. ~~Wag~~  
OK

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HISTORIAN

ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN I'd like to know how many (or if any) of the other bridges on the road are still extant, & what condition they are in, but since this is Guam, I guess it's ok as is.

Accept  
JCT  
8/12/74

ARCHEOLOGIST TOTHAR

BB

Accept  
M. BARNES  
71 Jun 74

REVIEW UNIT CHIEF

Accept  
COLE  
8/8/74  
9/12/74

BRANCH CHIEF

KEEPER

accept  
for Muntosh  
10.4.74

National Register Write-up 11-13-74

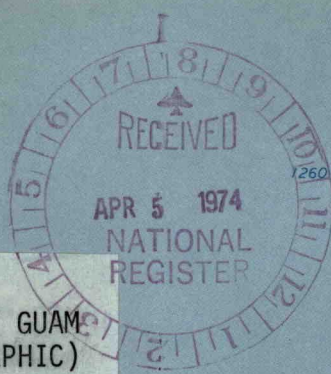
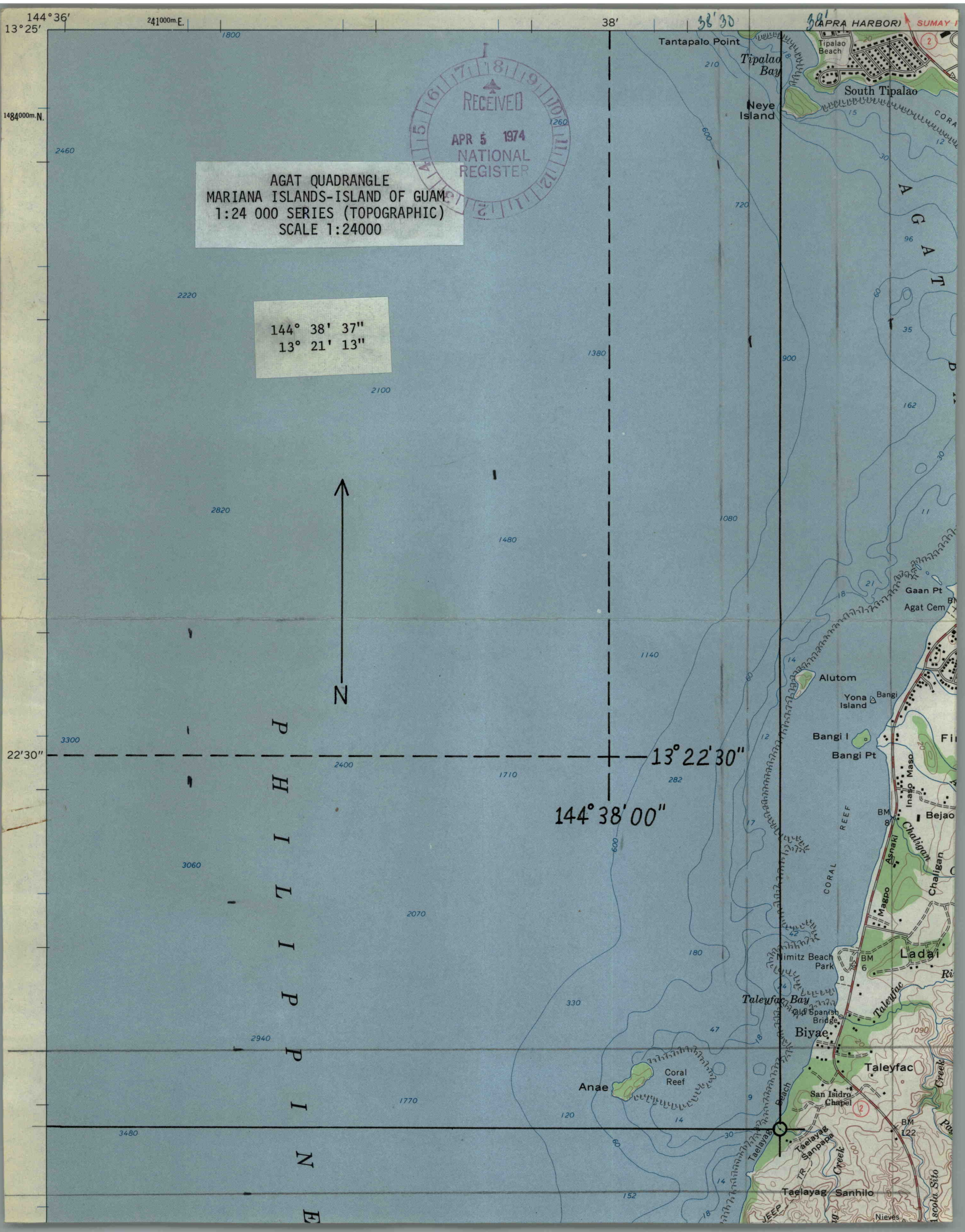
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Federal Register entry 12/3/74

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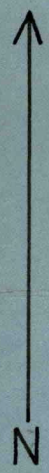
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AGAT QUADRANGLE  
MARIANA ISLANDS-ISLAND OF GUAM  
1:24 000 SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)  
SCALE 1:24000

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13° 21' 13"



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APRA HARBOR SUMAY I

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Tipalao Bay  
Tipalao Beach  
Neye Island  
South Tipalao

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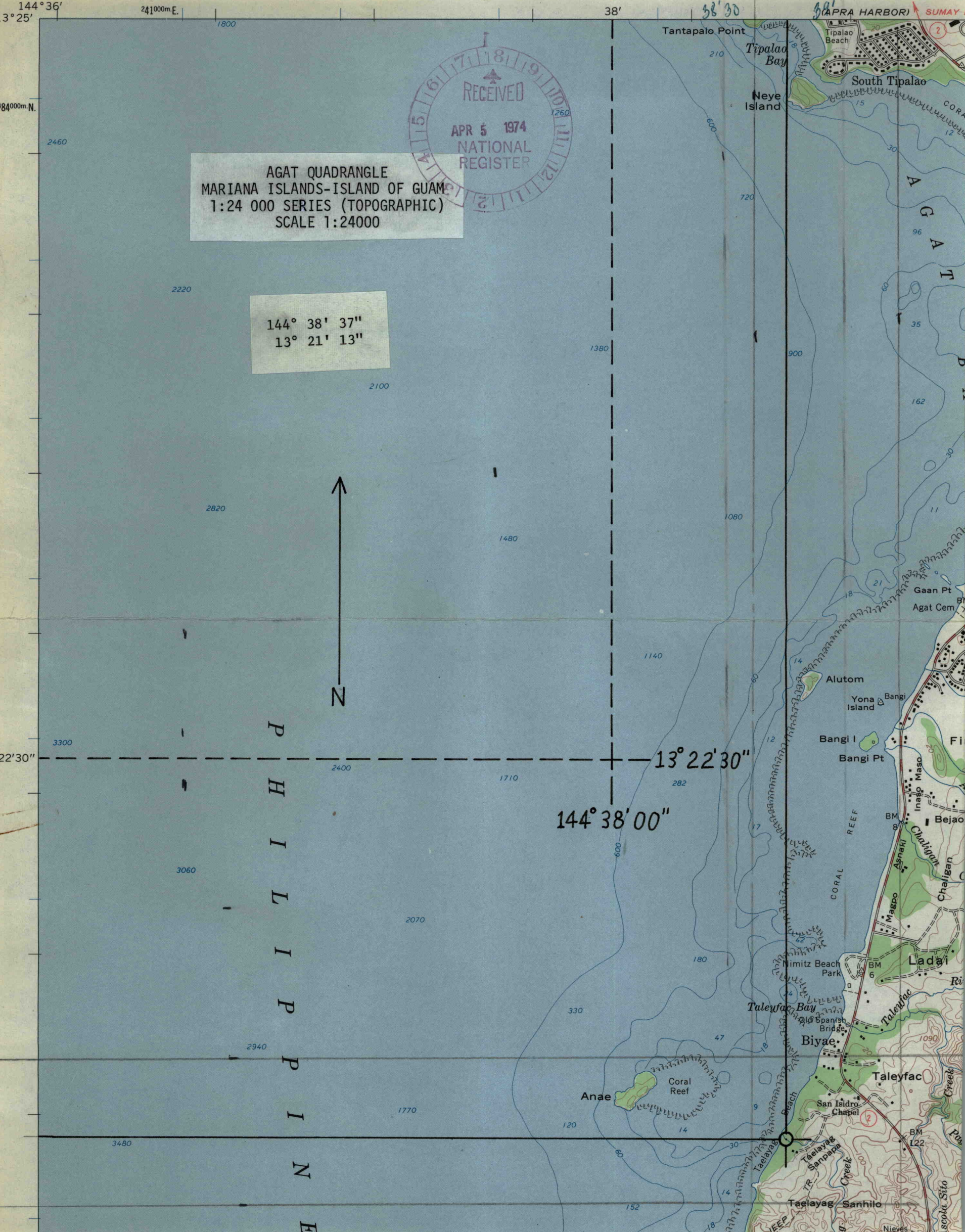
Taleyfac

Taelayag Sanpapa

Taelayag Sanhilo

San Isidro Chapel

Nieves



UTM correction 3/19/08

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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE GUAM

Date Entered OCT 10 1974

Name

Location

**Taelayag Spanish Bridge**

**Agat**

Also Notified

Hon. Antonio Borja Won Pat  
Regional Director, Western Region

State Historic Preservation Officer  
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