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WAR DIARY

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PLACE	DATE Mar	SUMMARY OF EVENTS Routine training details and information given in Casualty Returns are NOT required	REFERENCES TO APPENDICES
H.M.T. 313	1	R.A.F. personnel disembark. R.A.A.F. personnel remain on board. Leave is again granted to a limited number.	
	2	2 M.O's, 26 Nurses and 14 Orderlies tranship to H.M.T. Andes. 1500 hrs we leave Colombo in Convoy with Andes, Orcades and Durban Castle—expect to reach Fremantle 13 Feb	
	3	Cabins are reallotted owing to more accommodation being available after disembarkation of R.A.F. 1100 hrs Boat Drill. The normal routine of the daily conference with Group Comds and the Ship's inspection is resumed. 1 Aust Corps begins series of lectures - see Routine Orders.	
	4	Weather is still very humid. 1100 hrs Emergency Stations 1900 hrs Convoy separates - each ship travels alone.	
	5	Maj Long speaks to AA Officers on his experiences in Java	
	6	Somewhat cooler today. Sea is rather choppy but few have been ill to date. The situation re monkeys brought on board at Colombo is becoming serious.	

C.O.'s REPORT AND COMMENTS ON MONTH
(On Operations, Equipment, Movement, Health, Administration, etc.)

As OC Ths "Strathallan" I would like to record the following points:-

(1). The efficient & careful navigation of the ship by its staff. This mainly due to the excellent leadership of Capt. Biggs the Master, with whom my official relationship was most cordial at all times.

(2). Lack of discipline in certain units on board - due mainly to the basic fault that Junior Officers were not trained to look after the simple needs of their men - eg. cleanliness of clothing KRs, their quarters etc. These officers in the main failed to appreciate that their men's minds were in their province.

(3). Gambling was again somewhat of a bug bear though little resentment was shown to form deterrent steps.

(4). AWL Personnel at Fremantle. 1.5% in the circumstances remarkably small.

E M Barclay Brig

Signature .....

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H.M.T. 313	6	The S.M.O. has advised that the monkeys should be destroyed in the interests of health. One is in captivity but at least one is still at large. See Field Officers Report	Appx "I"	
	7	Still cooler today and we are out of the Trade Wind Zone.		
	8	Sunday. Church Parades as usual		
	9	Emergency Stations Practice. Gun Drill with 3" and 6".		
	10	Much cooler today. Arrangements are made for possible disembarkation at Fremantle where we expect to arrive to-morrow. Boat Station Practice. O.C. Troops speaks to Officers and thanked those who had assisted with the administration or rather pulled their weight on board. Medical Inspection for Small Pox.		
	11	1100 hrs we anchor in the roads outside Fremantle Harbour. 1545 hrs we berth at Fremantle for provisions. E.S.O. comes aboard. We learn that all ranks can send a telegram free of charge to their home address, advising their return to Australia.	Appx "2"	

Signature E. M. Mayberry Brig

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H.M.T. 313	11	We also learn that leave might be granted until midnight to **all ranks not on duty.** A group Commanders Conference is held and arrangements made re above. Note **Two Boats came from** Fremantle to the ship while we were anchored in the roads. It seems a great pity that details re telegrams and leave etc could not have been made available prior to the ship pulling into the wharf. This would have saved considerable administration difficulties which arose. The few hours leave was appreciated and although some personnel returned rather inebriated it served as a safety valve as most of the troops had not been off the ship since they embarked. Some mail is received.		
	12	We move from wharf and anchor in the roads. 1600 hrs we move on to Adelaide with an American Destroyer as escort.		
	13	1100 hrs Emergency Stations Practice. Charges are heard of men returning late from leave in Perth. Rain fell during the night.		
	14	Dull day with heavy sea and rain		
	15	Still dull and cloudy.		

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H.M.T. 313	16	1000 hrs arrive Outer Harbour Adelaide E.S.O. comes aboard with disembarkation Instructions. Special Order of the day by Lt-Gen Lavarack promulgated. We are all to disembark tomorrow commencing 0800 hrs. Conference of Group Commanders is held and details of disembarkation are passed on. R.O.M.	Appx "3" Appx "3a" Appx "4"	
	17	0800 hrs Units commence to disembark. All personnel move off in trains between 0900hrs and 1200 hrs when O.C. Troops and Staff leave the Ship. The disembarkation was good and in the circumstances the ship was left in a fair state of cleanliness. O.C. Troops was not satisfied that Unit Comdrs had seen to it that their mens clothing and equipment were in a clean and neat condition. The Ship's Staff stated that the voyage had been a happy one and they were sorry to see us go. It is just a month since we embarked at Suez. Bde HQ moves by train to Adelaide thence by car to Mrs Whitlock-Jones residence at Campbelltown where the Officers are billetted. The Billetting system has worked most efficiently today. Maj Pritchard (2/6 Fd Regt) was of assistance in our disembarkation and billetting. Comdr, Maj Long and Maj Rushton visited R.H.Qs and later Corps HQ where they conferred with R.O.M.		

Signature E. A. Bayley Brig

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H.Q. 1 Aust AA Bde	17	Col Cleland (DAQMG) 1 Aust Corps who produced Signal from Army HQ stating that Comd was to proceed to Melbourne forthwith. Comdr returned to Campbelltown and called conference of Regimental Commanders to advise them that the Bde is on short notice to move and collect personnel together as soon as possible.	Appx "5"	
	18	1000 hrs Maj Rushton, Capt Bowen and Lieuts Black and Mosley proceed to 1 Aust Corps HQ Adelaide. Capt Bowen to obtain particulars of shipping movements and vehicles thereon. Maj Rushton to obtain authority to release AA Bde vehicles as required. Lieut Mosley to contact "I" re silhouettes and particulars of Jap Army. Later all to V.R.P. at Morphetville to see equipment and arrange for Bde M.T. to be released. 1650 hrs Comdr telephoned Maj Long from Melbourne and advised he would return A.M. 20 Mar. Opp Insts No 2 refers to details of conversation.	Appx "6"	
	19	Nothing to report.		
	20	0900 Lieut Mosley is detd to R.A.A. 1 Aust Corps.		
	20	Comdr returns to Adelaide 1100 hrs conference called by Comdr. Present were Lt-Cols Gibson, Hammer and Rhoden, Majs Scorer and Polglaze, Capts Godding and Bowen and Staff.		

Signature F.H. Berryman Brig

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[illegible]	20	Instructions No 2 are discussed - See Appx 6 Nominations of personnel for seconding to A.M.F. discussed and decided - See List Appx "7" telephoned by Commander to A.H.Q. Melbourne Arrival of equipment and remaining personnel discussed. Transport N.C.O. L/Sgt Walker reports with certain vehicles.	Appx "6" Appx "7"	
	21	Commander and S.C. attend daily conference at 1 Aust Corps HQ Adelaide. Maj Long leaves for Melbourne tonight. Sig from Gen Lavarack as to 10% priority leave for A.A. personnel 5 & 6 Btys, 3 & 9 Btys. Signal received from A.H.Q. for Officer to Instruct R.A.A.F. personnel in ground defence Lieut Shore of 4th Bty detailed to leave Adelaide 22 Mar 42		
	22	Comdr. B.M.(L) and S.C. attend Corps HQ Conference Maj Long telephoned from Melbourne with warning Order for movement. (1) 3 Bty to move to Port Moresby not before 24 Mar 42 (2) 1 Regt (Guns 58 Bty) to Darwin. Guns and M.T. etc to load at Terowie 24 Mar 42 (3) 1 Regt advance party of 2 Officers and 22 O.Rs to go by air to Alice Springs. Thence by road and air to Darwin Following signal from Melbourne - Commander decides only 5 and 6 Btys can have leave on 10% basis.		

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	23	Commander attends conference at Corps HQ. Leave is not definite in view of Gen Allen. Maj Long telephoned from Melbourne re composition of parties and loading to Darwin. Capt Bowen telephones information to Maj Long. Lt Col Gibson sees Commander finally before move.		
	24	Commander and S.C. attend daily conference. 1 and 2 Btys move to Darwin. Lieut Burrowes becomes attached to this HQ		
	25	0900 hrs Commander, S.C, and I.O. attend daily conference at Corps HQ. 1000 hrs Commander, S.C. and O.M.E. leave for Trowie to see entrainment of 1 and 2 Btys and Equipment for Darwin. Maj Rushton leaves on evening train for Melbourne 2015 hrs Trowie party returns.		
	26	Commander, S.C. and S.C.(L) attend daily conference. Maj Long leaves Melbourne for Sydney to make general recce and find our future HQ under Eastern Command		
	27	Commander, S.C. and S.C.(L) attend daily conference then V.R.D. Morphetville and also visited R.H.Qs		

Signature E R Berryman

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	27	Note In spite of the fact that it would be an excellent opportunity to give a number of troops interstate leave, it is not permitted except on compassionate grounds. Maj Polglaze moved to Mrs Jones residence with HQ staff. Lab		
	28	Commander and S.C. attend daily conference then to Wayville to see entrainment of that portion of personnel of 1 and 2 Btys who are leaving by train for Darwin. Also called at 4 M.D. to see Brig Bundock to arrange shoot at Pt Largs to test locally manufactured 40 mm Charger Guides, shoot to be at 1400 hrs 31 Mar 42. Commander rang Maj Rushton at Melbourne re movement and advised only portion of 5 Bty could move by rail. Capt Blunden becomes attached 1 Aust AA Bde Wkshop and leaves for Melbourne tonight. Lab		
	29	Commander and S.C. attend daily conference then to movement control. Could obtain no further information re 5 Btys move. Lab		
	30	S.C. Attends daily conference Commander and S.C. to 4 M.D. (Mvts) Maj Swash and ascertained that move of 5 Bty was commencing on approx 5 Mar. Commander receives signal from Maj Long. Lab		

Signature E N Mayo Lt Col Brig

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	31	S.C. attends daily conference and then to movement control, was advised 5 Bty M.T. would load at Mile End 3 Apr with two men per vehicle Commander ascertained position re leave for 3 Regt and telephoned AHQ Melbourne about same. 1030 hrs Commander and S.C. attend 3 Regt parade. 1400 hrs Commander and Maj Polglaze and S.C. attend Test Shoot at Pt Largs - locally manufactured chargers functioned satisfactorily but require one or two adjustments. Maj Scorer leaves for Melbourne tonight. RAB.		

Lt. Col. Hanby Lord
I.O. 1 Aust AA Bde

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SECRET

Headquarters,
Swan Barracks,
Francis Street,
PERTH.

10 Mar 42

O.C. Troops,

FREE TELEGRAMS.

Reference A.H.Q. telegram copy of which was forwarded to you dated 9 Mar 42. It is requested that the lists referred to be compiled in accordance with the following pro-forma :-

"TELEGRAMS FOR (State) - (CHARGE DEPT. OF ARMY).

Name & address of addressee. Name of Sender.

(Insert Reg.No. & Surname)

(Lists to be prepared in triplicate for each State with the exception that telegrams for Canberra and Tasmania can be listed on the Victorian List.) "

D.A.D.Posts or an Officer of Army Postal Service will contact your postal officer on arrival and arrange for the collection of the lists.

In the event of your postal authorities requiring further information, an Officer of D.A.D.Posts is stationed in the Embarkation Staff Office, "E" Shed, Victoria Quay.

Major.
Movement Control Officer, Western Command.

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PERTH. W.A.

9 Mar 42.

O.C. Troops,

TELEGRAMS ON ARRIVAL TO NEXT OF KIN, ETC.

The following telegraphic instructions have been received from Army Headquarters in regard to the despatch of telegrams by troops on arrival at first Australian port.

" ALL RANKS MAY SEND ONE TELEGRAM AT DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSE TO THEIR HOME ADDRESS FROM FIRST PORT OF CALL READING 'ARRIVED SAFELY IN AUSTRALIA LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU WHEN LEAVE IS GRANTED' PLEASE ADVISE C.O. TROOPS EACH VESSEL AND ARRANGE FOR LISTS SHOWING IN RESPECT EACH "FREE" MESSAGE NAME AND ADDRESS OF ADDRESSEE AND NAME OF SENDER TO BE DELIVERED TO D.A.D. POSTS AT PORT OF CALL D.A.D. POSTS WILL PASS LISTS TO P.M.G's DEPARTMENT WHO WILL TAKE ALL SUBSEQUENT STEPS TO PREPARE AND DELIVER TELEGRAMS AND RECOVER CHARGES FROM DEPARTMENT OF ARMY "

£1 £ = 25/- Aus.

Major.
Movement Control Officer, Western Command.

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APPENDIX 3

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
4th MILITARY DISTRICT.

SECRET

COPY NO 28

14 MAR 42

MOVEMENT CONTROL ADELAIDE -

DISEMBARKATION ORDER No 6

INFORMATION

1. STRATHALLAN is expected to berth at No 3 OUTER HARBOUR A M 17 MAR 42.

INTENTION

2. Disembarkation of troops and discharge of stores will commence as soon as ship is berthed as follows.

TRAIN ALLOTMENT AND TIME TABLE

3. Allotment of troops to trains and timetable is attached as Appendix "A" Troops will disembark in the sequence shown and entrain forthwith for the destinations shown.

QUARTERING

4. In general units will be quartered -

7 AUST DIV - in CAMPS

6 AUST DIV
CORPS BASE and L of C UNITS
including 1 AUST A A BDE
} In Billets

Units billeting in the inner suburbs of ADELAIDE at CAMPBELLTOWN, PAYNEHAM and BURNSIDE are being railed to ADELAIDE for assembly at ADELAIDE OVAL for service of mid-day meal under arrangements 4 M D and onward move by TRAM to Unit billeting area.

Units billeting in the outer suburbs of ADELAIDE will be railed direct to those localities.

H Q, A I F BASE AREA ADELAIDE are issuing full instructions covering BILLETING and LEAVE etc.

A A N S

5. NURSES will be railed to ADELAIDE by special train from BERTH No 3 departing 1100 hrs and arriving at ADELAIDE at 1145 hrs. Nurses will be billetted under arrangements made by the SOUTH AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY set out in detail at APPENDIX "B".

PERSONNEL

6. All troops will disembark wearing full personal equipment. Rifles will be slung on the left shoulder muzzle downwards. Sea kitbags will be carried.

OFFICERS BAGGAGE AND UNIVERSAL KIT BAGS

7. Officers baggage will accompany units in troop trains. Universal kit bags will be stacked in separate unit lots and a minimum unit baggage party detailed to remain with them. Units proceeding to CAMPS and BILLETS in the OUTER SUBURBS will load universal kit bags into troop trains

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Units billeting in the inner suburbs will have their KIT BAGS delivered to UNIT H Q in BILLETING AREAS under arrangements A D S T 4 M D.

UNITS 1st LINE AMMUNITION

8. Unit G 1098 amn will be landed and stowed in separate unit lots under direction E S O. LOTS will be marked with UNIT name and will be despatched by road to UNIT H Q in due course under arrangements M C, ADELAIDE.

LANDING RATIONS

9. Five days LANDING RATIONS will be landed and bulk stowed in TRANSIT SHED or otherwise. LANDING RATIONS will be cleared to SUPPLY DEPOT or otherwise, under arrangements A D S T 4 M D.

DOCUMENTS

10. Voyage reports, Disembarkation States and all other documents will be delivered to E S O at SHIPS ORDERLY ROOM.

SHIPS ACCOUNTS

11. All ships accounts will be settled before disembarkation.

MEDICAL

12. Senior Medical Officer will report to ship to the E S O (MED) on berthing.

D D M S 4 M D is arranging -

(a) An R A P in DOCKS AREA to serve

(b) Evacuation of ships HOSPITALS to WAYVILLE CAMP HOSPITAL by ambulance transport. Patients will be accompanied by personal baggage, steel helmets and respirators. ARMS AMN and EQUIPMENT will be moved to unit destination in unit charge.

PAY

13. (a) O C Troops will turn over SHIPS IMPREST ACCOUNT to the boarding CASHIER.

(b) Foreign currency will NOT be exchanged until after arrival in CAMPS or BILLETS.

POSTAL

14. (a) Mail for despatch is being collected from SHIPS ORDERLY ROOM under arrangements POSTAL 4 M D.

(b) Unit mail will delivered to units in CAMPS or BILLETS

(c) Future address is -

ARMY NO, RANK, NAME, UNIT, A I F.

(d) Existing unit Censorship stamps will continue in use.

(e) Approval is given for the following standard advice to be communicated to NEXT OF KIN at the public expense from first port of call in AUSTRALIA -

"ARRIVED SAFELY IN AUSTRALIA LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU WHEN LEAVE IS POSSIBLE".

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Commanding Officers are to prepare schedules of next of kin with addresses against unit nominal roll for delivery to POSTAL 4 M D to enable the above provision to be actioned.

PROVOST

15. Soldiers under sentence will be taken over from ships together with commitment warrants under arrangements D A P M 4 M D.

CUSTOMS

16. There will be NO formalities.

SECURITY

17. The strictest secrecy must be observed in connection with this move. Officers commanding detachments will impress this on all concerned and emphasis that carelessness in this requirement may endanger the lives of their comrades still in transit.

A. A. Campbell
Maj,
A Q M G (M) MVT CONTROL, ADELAIDE.

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APPENDIX "A"

STRATHALLAN 426 DUE 17/3

TRAIN ALLOTMENT AND TIMETABLE.

UNIT	Strength			Train	Time Table		Destination and Remarks
	Offs	O Rs	Total	Serial	Depart	Arrive	
HQ,1 Aust Corps	34	266	260				ADELAIDE for ADELAIDE OVAL by march route for movement by TRAM to BILLETS at PAYNEHAM
HQ Air Support Control	3	10	13				
Air Support Control Sigs	1	35	35				
1 Aust Corps Emp Pl		25	25				
"A" Sec FSS	1	8	9				
2 DR Sec Corps Sigs		24	24				
5 DR Sec Corps Sigs		25	25	1	0900	0945	
1 Aust Corps AIL Sec	1	1	2				
1 Aust Corps Cipher Sec	1	6	7				
H Q R A A 1 Aust Corps	4	11	15				
H Q Aust B A D	-	12	12				
2/1 Aust Ord Amn Coy	1	52	53				
2/2 Aust Ord Amn Coy	-	25	25				
TRAIN TOTAL			505				
H Q 1 Aust Corps Sigs	23	338	361				
Aust Ord Provision Sec	2	37	39				
2/4 Aust Ord Store Coy	3	125	128				
H Q Aust Base Ord Depot	2	22	24	2	0930	1015	do.
2 A G H	1	5	6				
1 Sec Aust Kit Store		13	13				
Censorship Unit	5	7	12				
2nd Echelon		3	3				
TRAIN TOTAL			586				
1 Aust Corps Tps Petrol Coy	5	255	260				ADELAIDE for ADELAIDE OVAL by march route for movement by TRAM to BILLETS at BURNSIDE
9 A G H	21	152	173	3	1000	0145	
14 Aust Spec Hosp	7	63	70				
TRAIN TOTAL			503				
2/1 C C S		1	1	4	1030		
1 Aust M A C	1	53	54				
3 Aust Con Depot	8	45	50				
1 Aust AA Bde Coy A A S C	1	37	38				do.
1 Aust Corps Tps Amn Coy	6	237	243				
TRAIN TOTAL			389				

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A A N S	303	-	303	5	1100	1145	ADELAIDE to BILLETS in accordance with APPX "B"
2 Aust Hy A A Regt less Det in Train Serial No 7	26	574	600	6	1130	1215	ADELAIDE for ADELAIDE OVAL by march route for movement by TRAM to BILLETS at CAMPBELLTOWN
H Q 1 Aust AA Bde	5	14	19				
" " " Sigs	3	46	49				
" " "W/shop	1	2	3				
1 Aust Lt AA Regt	1	1	2				
1 " " " W/shop	1	30	31	7	1200	1245	do.
Det 2 Aust Hy AA Regt)	1	84	85				
2 Aust Hy AA Sigs	1	30	31				
2 " " " Wkshop	3	40	43				
Aust Printing & Stationery Depot	1	5	6				
6 Aus Div Special Party	-	27	27				Both Parties transfer at ADELAIDE to ORD TRAIN departing 1304 hrs for GOODWOOD. Detrain GOODWOOD and march to TRANSIT CAMP WAYVILLE. 6 Aust Div Special Party will entrain at GOODWOOD at 1625 hrs for BILLETING Area, BALHANNAH where party will be met and allotted accommodation. CAMP COMMANDANT, WAYVILLE will arrange entraining GOODWOOD.
A A P C	1	14	15				
1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	2	26	28				TRANSIT CAMP OUTER HARBOUR by March Route. BAGGAGE by M T under. I C arrangements. UNIT to relieve 4 M D Staff of Transit Camp as soon as possible

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APPENDIX "B"

ORDERS FOR DISEMBARKATION AND ONWARD MOVE OF

A A N S

1. Sisters will travel by special train to ADELAIDE leaving OUTER HARBOUR at 1100 hrs and timed to arrive at PLATFORMS 11, 12 or 13 at 1145 hrs.

2. Sisters will disembark together and march to the special train under direction E S O conercerned.

3. Baggage, Light, consisting of SUIT CASES and DILLY BAGS will be bulk stowed in ships and carried ashore and loaded into special train under arrangements O C, TROOPS concerned. Two FREIGHT VANS are included in the train to carry this baggage.

4. HEAVY BAGGAGE will consist of -

CABIN TRUNK, VALISE, KIT BAG

and will be landed and stowed in TRANSIT SHEDS.
M C, ADELAIDE, will arrange for heavy baggage to be delivered to RED CROSS HOUSE, 61 Gawler Place, to the custody of Mr CAVE between the hours of 0830 and 1730. Notice of delivery to be given to RED CROSS HOUSE before despatch
Vehicles conveying this baggage to be provided with two LOADERS per vehicle.

5. 2 AUST GEN HOSP will supply 20 other ranks to meet special train on arrival at ADELAIDE to unload, stow up and distributelight baggage to cars as required.

6. Sisters will identify their baggage, collect if if necessary, and be prepared to enter cars provided by SOUTH AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY.

7. Cars being loaded with personnel and baggage; clerks under RED CROSS arrangements will compbete SISTERS TRANSPORT and BILLETING FORM in ... DUPLICATE to the attached pro forma by entering the names of sisters in each car.

8. One copy of the Billeting form will be handed to the driver of each car and the other will be retained by the RED CROSS Clerk.

9. Under RED CROSS arrangements the officer i/c DISTRIBUTION CENTRES will compile a nominal roll to show ARMY NUMBER and UNIT of SISTERS, together with address and telephone number of persons billeting.
Copies of nominal roll will be forwarded to -

H Q, 4 M D (2)
H Q, Red Cross Society (Mrs Stow)
Drafting Officer
Principal Matron 4 M D
D M S A I F C/o D D M S 4 M D
Mr Stewart C/o A Q M G, 4 M d

10. 2 AUST GEN HOSP will detail two officers to supervise the above arrangements in conjunction with M C, ADELAIDE.

11. RED CROSS Cars will be marshalled in the first instance at the PARADE GROUND, NORTH TERRACE, and will be moved to pick up point under control PROVOST, 1 AUST CORPS.

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APPENDIX "B"

SISTERS' TRANSPORT AND BILLETING FORM

Car Owner :

Car Number :

No of Passengers :

	Hostess' Name and Address	Phone Number	Nurse's Identity		
			Regtl No	Name	Unit
1					
2					
3					
4					
5					

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION, RECEPTION AND STAGING IN 4 M D.

---- The att instructions are issued for the guidance of C Os of Troopships on arrival in 4 M D, as follows :-

PART I - GENERAL.

PART II - BILLETTING ARRANGEMENTS.

---- 2. The following Appxs are also att :-

'A' Location Statement.

'B' Medical Sups to R M Os.

'C' Camp Arrangements.

---- 3. In addition, a "Special Order of the Day" by Major- General A.S. ALLEN, C B, C B E, D S O, V D, is attached, for promulgation to all ranks.

Colonel,
Temp Comd, A I F Base Area.

Enc.

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2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR DISEMBARKATION, RECEPTION & STAGING IN 4 M D.

PART I - GENERAL.

Introduction.

1. Part of the 2nd A I F (the exact composition of which is NOT specified for security reasons) is returning to defend Australia; and this operational requirement governs the more important instructions which follow.

2. Certain Formations and Units will, after assembly in 4 M D, move to other parts of Australia under separate instructions.

Comd and Control.

3. The A/Comd, 1 Aust Corps will, until further orders, comd all parts of the A I F arriving in Australia, and is responsible, in collaboration with the Commandant, 4 M D, for receiving and holding or staging those parts of the A I F which disembark at ADELAIDE.

4. A temporary A I F Base Area Staff has been organised to assist Comd, 1 Aust Corps in this process, until H Q, 1 Aust Corps and H Q, A I F Base Area proper are available. This temporary staff is located at 'KALYMNA' 28 Dequettville Terrace, KENT TOWN.

Security.

5. The general public do NOT yet know what parts of the A I F are returning to Australia and it is essential, in the interests of the security of the tps who are still at sea, to safeguard all information as to the nature and extent of the movement of the tps. C Os of Troopships will therefore ensure that the C Os of Units warn all ranks :-

(a) Against any disclosure of any information of the sea movement of tps.

(b) Against disclosing, particularly to the press, any other information in connection with their recent service.

6. C Os Units will ensure that the same standard and degree of censorship is maintained in Australia as was maintained abroad. In particular they will ensure that no mention is made of the locations or movement of any A I F Units returning to Australia.

4 M D Orders & Arrangements.

7. A I F Units will adhere to arrangements made and to standing orders issued by 4 M D.

Disembarkation & Move to Camps.

8. The M.C. Staff, ADELAIDE, will control the disembarkation, entrainment and move to Camp sites.

9. The tps will disembark at the OUTER HARBOUR, ADELAIDE, and move by train to WAYVILLE CAMP, or by train to ADELAIDE by thence by trams to KENSINGTON GARDENS CAMP, NO. 1 CAMP SITE, PARKLANDS, and billetting areas. A quartering location statement is issued separately to those concerned.

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2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR RECEPTION & STAGING THE A I F IN THE 4 M D.

PART II - BILLETTING.

OUTLINE NOTES.

General.

1. 6 Aust Div and parts of the Corps, Base and L of C Tps will be billetted in N E and EASTERN suburbs of ADELAIDE or the outer S.E. suburbs in the MT. LOFTY RANGES until camp accommodation is available.

2. The A I F will use the existing machinery of the Civil Defence Force for obtaining billets.

3. Billetting facilities will consist of accommodation (including IF POSSIBLE, bed and bedding) and subsistence.

4. The allocation of billets will, in general, be on the basis of one billet per offr or two O Rs. Wherever possible the offrs of a unit will billet together.

5. The subsistence rate is :-

Offrs	..	4/-
O Rs.	..	3/6

Co-operation with the Civil Defence Force.

6. The A I F will make use of eight of the existing civil areas, each of which is under a civilian Area Controller.

7. Each civil area is sub-divided into four or five 'sub-divisions' each of which is under a civilian Deputy Controller (Quartering and Claims Officer) and each of which will accommodate about 1,000 tps.

8. Each sub-division is sub-divided into four or five Districts, each under a District Billetting Officer.

9. Each District is sub-divided into Wards, under a Ward Billetting Officer.

A I F Billetting Organisation.

10. H Q, A I F Base Area (representing the Commandant, 4 M D) will control the A I F arrangements for billetting, and will arrange matters of policy with the Civil Defence Organisations.

11. Billetting Areas allotted conform with the Civil Defence Billetting Areas.

12. A Chief Billetting Officer is appointed on the staff of H Q, A I F Base Area, to be responsible for all Army aspects of billetting, in conjunction with the civil Director or Quartering.

13. A I F Base Area has appointed an Area Commandant, assisted by a staff, who will, in each Area :-

(a) Make all Army billetting arrangements, through the normal unit channels.

(b) Co-operate with the civil area controller.

(c) Arrange billetting areas for the allotment of units or parts of units at the entraining station, with the C O Tp train.

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(d) Guide units to their civil receiving points.

(e) Select and allot unit H Q, Assembly Areas, and vehicle parks.

(f) Be a member of the Area Quartering and Claims Board.

14. Each Area Commandant will be assisted by four or five sub-division (Army) Offrs, who will be responsible to him for :-

(a) Allotting units to accommodation, in conjunction with civil billetting authorities.

(b) Carrying out all necessary supervision of their respective sub-divisions.

15. The Area Commandant will be assisted by the civil Area Controller.

16. The Comds of formations and C Os of Units will administer (subject only to billetting requirements) their formations in the normal manner in matters of discipline, leave, pay, etc.

17. A map of the billetting area will be furnished to C Os of Units utilising the Area.

18. Billetting staffs in outer suburban areas will have to make special arrangements regarding water for tps' showers and ablutions requirements.

19. Units will send an additional copy of daily strength return to Area Commandant for transmission to D F O.

Duties of Parties being Quartered.

20. The following duties are to be performed by tps being quartered:-

(a) Folding of bedding and laying out of equipment daily.

(b) Sweeping and dusting of quarters, daily.

(c) Washing or scrubbing of floors of quarters, as directed, or at least twice a week.

(d) Assisting in preparation of food.

(e) Assisting in washing of cooking utensils and dishes, after meals.

Changes of Membership of Parties.

21. Changes of membership of parties being quartered will be reported to Area Commandants DAILY, through sub-division offrs, by the C O of the Unit concerned or the senior member of the party. Likely changes may be caused by sickness or leave. No changes from one billet to another will be made without authority of a sub-division officer.

Water Sup.

22. Unit water duties will regularly test water, which is being drawn from wells and cisterns. This is most necessary in country districts where septic tanks are used.

R A Ps.

23. (a) R M Os will establish R A Ps immediately on arrival, even if their unit medical equipment is NOT to hand.

(b) Expendable Medical Stores may be drawn as shown in Appx 'A', which also details stock mixtures available. In the event of Unit Medical Stores NOT being to hand, R M Os may also indent for minimum essential non-

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expendables which will be provided if possible.

(c) If feasible, R M Os should establish up to 8 or 10 beds at R A Ps for minor cases to relieve the strain on hospital accommodation. These cases could be accommodated on stretchers. In the case of billetted units, it should be possible to treat minor lying cases in their billets.

Transport of Cases Requiring Admission to Hosp.

24. (a) Arrangements will be made to provide Motor Amb Tpt for patients who will be conveyed to the nearest hosp at which beds are available. Until further notice, requests for transfer to hosp should be made to the acting A D M S, A I F Base Area H Q, giving the exact location of the R A P.

(b) Field Medical Card W.3118 will be forwarded with all cases.

V.D. Prophylactic Arrangements.

25. (a) Short-arm parades should be held by all units immediately on disembarkation and once weekly for three weeks.

(b) Condoms and Prophylactic outfits are available on indent direct to District Depot of Med & Vet Stores (Corner Waymouth or Morphett Sts). Indent will be submitted as shown in Appx. 'A'.

(c) Prophylactic Depots have been established and are open at the following locations -

(i) At back of Parliament House on Eastern side of Adelaide Ry Sta; approach is from King William St, or North Terrace or Platform level of Ry Sta.

(ii) In Molton St, which lies just east of Victoria Square; entrance is from Flinders St.

(iii) In Frome Road at back of Royal Adelaide Hosp.

26. Billetting Area Comds and Camp Commandants will arrange for A I F R M Os to provide medical attention for units, sub-units or dets who have no R M Os.

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O C Ship	1, 2.
H Q 1 Aust Corps	3, 4.
1 Aust Air Support Control Army Staff.	5.
1 " " " " Sigs	6.
A Sec F S S.	7.
Sigs 1 Aust Corps	8.
1 Aust Corps A I L Sec	9.
1 Aust Corps Cypher Sec	10.
H Q, R A A 1 Aust Corps	11, 12.
1 Aust C Tps Pet Pk	13.
2/1 Aust Ord Amn Coy	14.
Aust Ord Provision Sec	15.
1 Aust Corps Ord Fd Pk	16.
2/4 Aust Ord Store Coy	17.
H Q, Aust B O D	18.
2 Aust Gen Hosp	19.
9 Aust Gen Hosp	20.
14 Aust Special Hosp	21.
1 Aust M A C.	22.
3 Aust Con Depot	23.
H Q, 1 Aust A A Bde.	24, 25.
H Q Sigs, 1 Aust A A Bde.	26.
H Q 1 Aust A A Bde Wkshop	27.
1 Aust Lt A A Regt	28.
1 " " " " Wkshop Sec.	29.
2 Aust Hy A A Regt.	30.
2 " " " " Sig Sec.	31.
2 " " " " Wkshop Sec.	32.
1 " A A Bde Coy A A S C.	33.
1 " C Tps Amn Coy	34.
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APPX 'A'.

LOCATION STATEMENT.

WAYVILLE CAMP.

Dets Finance Sec A I F.

BURNSIDE AREA.

1 Aust C Tps Amn Coy
1 A A Bde Coy A A S C.
9 Aust Gen Hosp
14 Aust Special Hosp
3 Aust Gon Depot
2/1 Aust M A C.
2/1 Aust C CS.
1 Aust Corps Tps Pet Pk
1 Aust Corps Ord Fd Pk

PAYNEHAM AREA.

H Q 1 Aust Corps
1 Aust Corps Cipher Sec.
A Sec F S S.
1 Aust Corps Emp Pl
H Q R A A 1 Aust Corps
Sigs 1 Aust Corps
2 D/R Sec
2/1 Aust Ord Amn Coy
2/2 Aust Ord Amn Coy.
1 Aust Air Support Control Army Staff
1 " " " " Sigs
A I F A I L Sec
Press Relationship & Censorship Unit
2 Aust Gen Hosp
Dets Ord Provision Sec
Dets 2 Ech A I F.
5 D/R Sec.
H Q B O D.
2/4 Ord Store Coy
H Q B A D.
A I F Kit Store.

TRANSIT CAMP OSBORNE.

1 Aust Corps Reception Camp.

BALHANNAH AREA.

6 Aust Div Special Party.

CAMPBELLTOWN AREA.

H Q, 1 Aust A A Bde.
2 Aust Hy A A Regt.
1 Aust Lt A A Regt
H Q Sigs 1 Aust A A Bde
2 Hy A A Regt Sig Sec
1 Aust A A Bde Wkshop
2 Hy A A Regt Wkshop Sec
Det Printing & Stationery Depot
1 Aust Lt A A Regt Wkshop Sec.

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APPX. 'B'.

MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO R M Os.

INDENTS for expendable stores will be submitted direct to District Depot Medical & Vet Stores: Corner Waymouth & Morphett Streets (adjacent to Light Square).

INDENTS will be submitted Weekly, in duplicate, and will show unit strength, and will be prepared on A A F D.50, if obtainable. (Failing D.50, legible Indent with unit stamp will be accepted).

INITIAL INDENT will be supplied as soon as possible, and subsequent indents two days after receipt by D D M & V Stores.

SIMPLE PREPARATIONS:

Iodine S.V. Meth S.V. Meth. Lysol
Condoms, Blue Light Outfits.
Dressings, etc.

and the following stock preparations are available :-

Cremor Zinci
Garg Ferri Perchlor
Inhalatic Simplex
Linctus Camph Co
Lin Terebinth
Lotio Calamine
Nebula Ephedrine Co
Mist. Bismuth Co
" Diarrhoea
" Gent Ac et Strych
" Potass Brom
" Rhed et Soda
" Tussi

Tabs Aspirin
" Dover
" Cascara
" Cathartic No. 9
" Cough
" Sulphanilamide (693s will not be supplied to R M Os).

Ungts Gallae c Opio
Hydrag Ammon Dil
Whitfields
Zinc Oxide

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APPX 'C'.

CAMP ARRANGEMENTS.

Fostering - WAYVILLE CAMP.

1. (a) The following is a list of Fostering Offrs for locations as shown :-

Chief Fostering Officer - Maj F. CAWLEY, M C.
Assistant Fostering Officer - Lieut A.H. DALZIEL, M C.

WAYVILLE CAMP. -

Finance Sec, A I F - Lieut O'CONNOR, M C, M M.
- Lieut MITCHELL, M M.

(b) Senior A I F Comd in each camp will detail Area Comds for each Camp Area.

Fostering - GENERAL.

2. (a) Fostering Offrs are to meet units on arrival at WHARF.

(b) Camp Stores are being made available to units on unit location.

(c) C Os Units will take over all camp stores from fostering units as soon as possible after arrival.

(d) Fostering Units are preparing meals for incoming units for the first and second days in camp.

(e) Cooks from Fostering Units are being made available to give instructions in the use of the Wiles steam cooker.

(f) Balance of Fostering Party is meeting units on arrival at CAMP sites.

Gds Picquets Etc.

3. Os C Units will obtain instructions from the respective Camps on :-

(a) Security gds and picquets.

(b) Local Adm arrangements.

Ord.

4. Os C Units will submit requisitions (F.20 or equivalent) for essential requirements only, immediately on arrival at Camps or billets.

Adm M T.

5. A small number of vehicles will be made available to Os C, A I F Units, for local unit adm within camps.

One Day Leave.

6. (a) The senior A I F Comd in each camp or billetting area may grant 25% leave according to train arrangements, on each of the first four days in camp. He will also arrange town picquets on a basis of 7½% of the number of tps on leave, half of which will be stationed in ADELAIDE, and half in GLENELG.

(b) Leave trains have been arranged for the first four days in camp. Particulars of train times will be issued separately.

(c) The senior A I F Comd in each camp or billetting area will detail train parties.

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7 Day Leave.

7. C Os unit may grant leave to personnel returned from abroad, subject to the following conditions :-

(a) The maximum period of leave will be 7 clear days at home excl travelling time.

(b) The total period of leave and travelling time will NOT exceed 21 days.

(c) Tpt to and from homes will be a charge against public funds.

(d) Leave is restricted to personnel who enlisted in South Australia or whose next-of-kin is permanently resident in South Australia.

(e) Leave will only be granted within the boundaries of 4 M D.

(f) Personnel who are granted leave in accordance with this instruction will NOT be granted similar leave in the event of movement to another M D.

8. It is desirable that as many Offrs and O Rs as can be spared from duty be now despatched on leave as above, in order to save Tpt and reduce future absence figures.

9. 4 M D are issuing the necessary instructions to enable leave to commence immediately.

Quartering.

10. Tents - 8 personnel per tent 12 x 14 will be allotted.

Camp facilities - WAYVILLE.

11. (a) The camp is situated in WAYVILLE SHOWGROUNDS about 2 miles from the centre of ADELAIDE.

(b) Recreational facilities include Canteen and Y M C A Hut.

Camp Standing Orders.

12. Copies of Standing Orders are available on application to Camp H Q.

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Headquarters, A I F.

3 Mar 42.

To all Commanders
and Commanding Officers.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY.

BY MAJOR-GENERAL A.S. ALLEN, C B, C B E, D S O, V D.

I am to deliver herewith, copies of the special Order of the Day by Major-General A.S. Allen, Acting Cond, A I F.

I am to say that the special Order of the Day is to be read to all tps on parade, if possible before disembarkation. The printed copies of the Order are to be treated as SECRET documents, and are NOT to be communicated to the Press or any unauthorised person whatsoever.

C. M. LLOYD,

Colonel,
General Staff, A I F.

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S E C R E T.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

by

Major-General L.S. ALLEN, CB, C B E, D S O, V D.

Acting Comd, A I F.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

We disembark in Australia today under conditions which demand that we be ready and available to fight at short notice. All our training and experience abroad is now disposable for the defence of our native land, which lies menaced by the advance of an exultant enemy.

In these circumstances, I know you will all realise that the safety of Australia precludes your immediate dispersal to your homes on leave. There is much ahead of us and time is the essence of our contract.

As and when the situation permits, leave will be granted to offrs and men returned from overseas, to enable them to visit their homes.

I am confident that in the tasks ahead, the Australian Imperial Force will demonstrate once again those military virtues and fighting qualities which have so distinguished it on foreign fields.

L. S. ALLEN,

Major-General,

Acting Comd, A I F.

Headquarters,
1st Aust Corps.
March 42.

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Headquarters,
1 Australian Corps.
3rd March, 1942.

To All Commanders
and Commanding Officers.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

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Colonel,
General Staff, A.I.F.

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J. Lavarack

Lieutenant-General,
Commanding 1st Australian Corps.

Headquarters,
1 Australian Corps.

March, 1942.

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MOST SECRET.

1 AUST AA BDE OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO. 1

17 Mar 42.
COPY NO. 1

1. Comd 1 Aust AA Bde will move by train to MELBOURNE on 17 Mar 42.

2. All AA Regts will be ready to move at not less than 24 hrs notice.

3. Regts will submit before 0900 hrs 19 Mar 42 figures of strengths of following:-

   1. Recce parties.
   2. Advanced parties.
   3. Main body.

This return will be submitted in two parts:-

(a) For deployment as a Regt.
(b) For deployment by independent batteries.

C. E. Long Maj.,
(C.E. Long)
B.M. 1 Aust AA Bde.

DISTRIBUTION:
1 Comd
2 B.M.
3 Staff Capt
4 1 Aust Lt AA Regt
5 2 " Hy AA Regt
6 3 " Lt " "
7 - 8 War Diary ✓
9 File.
10. AA Bde Sqn

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APPENDIX 6

WAR DIARY HQ I AUST AA BDE

MARCH 1942

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1 AUST AA BDE OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO. 2.

18 Mar 42.
COPY NO. 7

1. Comd telephoned information as follows. He will return to ADELAIDE a.m. 20 Mar 42.

2. All Regts will remain at 24 hrs notice except 9 Aust Lt AA Bty which is on immediate call.

3. Regts will deploy as follows:-

1 Aust Lt AA Regt
2 Btys - TASMANIA
1 Bty - TOWNSVILLE

2 Aust Hy AA Regt
2 Btys - SYDNEY
1 Bty - MELBOURNE

3 Aust Lt AA Regt
7 & 8 Btys - FREMANTLE
9 Bty - PORT MORESBY.

Maj.,
(C.E. Long)
B.M. 1 Aust AA Bde.

DISTRIBUTION:
1. Comd.
2. B.M.
3. S.C.
4. 1 Aust Lt AA Regt
5. 2 " Hy AA Regt
6. 3 " Lt AA Regt
7 - 8 War Diary
9 File
10. HQ 1 Aust AA Bde Wkshops
11. HQ 1 Aust AA Bde Sigs.

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H.Q. 1 AUST A.A. BDE

APPT	1 AUST LT A.A. REGT	2 AUST HY A.A. REGT	3 AUST LT. A.A. REGT
C.O. (1) Designate	Maj. P.W.A. KELSO	Maj. K. DALTON	Maj. J.A. HIPWORTH M.M.
B.C's (1) DESIGNATE	Capt. F.W. THOMSON	Capt A.V. SMITH	Capt S.A. FLETCHER
Tp Comd Lt. (1)	Lieut C. BACKHOUSE		Lieut R.V. HARRY
Sec. Comds Hy, (1)		Lieut J.H. LINDON	
N.C.O. (1)	Sgt M.I. McLENNAN	Sgt K.A. QUINN	WO 11 W.C. CONNORS

Condition :- (1) Seconded to A.M.F.. Step in Promotion.

(2) Seconded from A.I.F.

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SHIP'S ROUTINE ORDERS

Original

by

COL. E. M. NEYLAN M.C.

O.C. TROOPS - H.M.T. STRATHALLAN.

No. 13
1 Mar 42.

Part 1.

1. DUTIES. To mount at 1630 hrs 1 Mar 42.

Duty Gp. - Gp. 5
Next for Duty Gp. 7

To mount at 0915 hrs 2 Mar 42.

Field Officer - Major Blamey.
Subaltern - Lieut. O'Brien.
Orderly Sgt. - Sgt. Costolloe.
Orderly Cpl. - Cpl. Phelan.

2. WASHING. The swimming pool on "E" Dock has been filled with fresh water, for the use of troops to wash clothes. Dirty water is NOT to be tipped back into the pool, but is to be emptied into the drains or thrown overboard.

H. C. Reid Capt.
Ship's Adjt
H.M.T. Strathallan.

- N O T I C E S -

LOST

Wallet containing Photo, Glass, Comb etc.
Pair Boots with Socks - Lost on "A" Deck.
Watch
Small Brown Purse containing money and keys.
1 pair spectacles - probably left in W.Os Lounge.
Webbing Belt lost on "A" Deck
Fountain Pen (Three Gold Bands) REWARD
Respirator - Marked QX3303 Barber T.D.
Wristlet Watch - Initials "R.D.L"
Notebook A.A.C.S.
1 Black Money Belt containing Money.

FOUND

1 Pay Book VX30646 Cudlipp R.A.
1 Prayer Book.
Identity Discs.
Bunch of Keys.

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SHIP'S ROUTINE ORDERS

by

COL. E.M. NEYLAN M.C.

O.C. TROOPS H.M.T."STRATHALLAN.

Part 1

No 14
2 Mar 42

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1. DUTIES. To mount at 1615 hrs - 2 Mar 42.

Duty Gp - Gp 7
Next for Duty - Gp 9

To mount at 1915 hrs 3 Mar 42.

Field Offr	-	Major Kiel
Subaltern	-	Lieut Pinniger
Orderly Sgt	-	Sgt Cassidy
Orderly Cpl	-	Cpl Reid

2. BLACKOUT ~~As for Blackout Instructions for Port.~~
1916 - 0650 hrs - 2 Mar 42

3. SHIP'S STANDING ORDERS. Amendments :- Para 3 - Delete Gp 1 and Gp 6.
R.A.A.F. Personnel are attached to Gp 2 for admin.

4. RUBBISH CONTAINER. Rubbish containers are not to be removed from companionways.

5. GUN MANNING Ship's armament will be manned as from 1500 hrs, 2 Mar 42, as detailed by Gunnery Offr.

6 MEDICAL The following times for Sick Parades will be observed :-

Morning.

Gps 2	0800 hrs	Maj Lancaster	Cabin 342
" 3 & 4	0830 "	" Jackson	" 200
" 5 & 7	0900 "	Capt Booth	" 203
" 8	0930 "	" Dunn	" 260
" 9	1000 "	Maj Kyle	" 205

Afternoon

All Gps 1600 hrs Orderly Medical Offr for the Day

The Orderly Medical Offrs for the Day are as follows :-

Mon 2 Mar 42	Maj	Lancaster	Cabin 342
Tue 3 "	"	Jackson	" 200
Wed 4 "	Capt	Booth	" 203
Thur 5 "	"	Dunn	" 260
Fri 6 "	Maj	Kyle	" 205
Sat 7 "	"	Wheeler	" 204
Sun 8 "	"	Gurner	" 263

These Offrs will be available to see urgent cases during the day at times other than those laid down for Sick Parades.
After Blackout urgent cases will be seen by the O.M.O. in their quarters.
Personnel reporting sick must report under the charge of an N.C.O. with the Sick Report filled in correctly in triplicate.

The following Amendments are made to "Medical Arrangements" para 2 :-

(c)	For	Maj Miller	substitute	Maj Kyle
(d)	"	Maj Becke	"	Maj Lancaster
(f)	"	Maj Kyle	"	Maj Gurner

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7 SPORTING GEAR. Some Gps are not returning Sporting Gear issued. Gp Comds are asked to ensure that all Sporting Gear is returned to Mr Geddes Y.M.C.A. immediately after use. A roste for the issue and return of Sporting Gear is being arranged by Mr Geddes.

8 LECTURES Lectures will be held in the Offrs Mess Fwd at 0945 hrs and 1030 hrs daily terminating at 1115 hrs.

In addition to the Offrs of HQ 1 Aust Corps an Offr, from each serial No may attend, unless special arrangements are made.

3 Mar	1	Direct Air Support	Maj Molloy
	2	Writing of Messages	Lieut McDonald
4 Mar	3	Functioning of an Armd Div	Lt-Col Spry
	4	Organisation of Ord Services	Maj Inglis
5 Mar	5	Re-Organisation of AASC	Capt Mills
	6	Functioning of an Army in the Field	Maj Blamey
6 Mar	7	Writing of Messages	Lieut McDonald
	8	R/T Procedure	Offr of Sigs
7 Mar	9	Lessons from Campaign in Malaya	Lt Col Spry
8 Mar	10	Salvage Organisation	Capt Brain
	11	New Weapons	Lt Col Spry
9 Mar	12	Modern development in Medical Organisation in the Field	[illegible]
	13	C/B Generally	Lt Col Klein
10 Mar	14	A.A. Generally	Maj Long
	15	Organisation of Corps Sigs	Offr of Sigs

[signature] Capt.

Ship's Adjt H.M.S. "STRATHAIRAN"

- NOTICES. -

MASONIC GATHERING

This gathering which was to have been held on Tuesday Mar 3 . . will now be held on Thur Mar 5 . . at 1000 hrs in Sgts Mess "F" Deck. All names of Brethren attending must be left at Cabin No 303 by 1400 hrs Tues 3. Mar. These personnel are exempted from parades on this morning.

SPORTING

Boxing A Ship's Boxing Tournament will be held. Gp Comds will obtain entries all weights by 100 hrs Thur 5 Mar, when same will be collected by Capt Forster, and the tournament programme arranged and published by the Boxing Sub Committe.

Tug-O-War Gp Comds are aked to select and train a Tug-O-War team by Thur 5 Mar when Mr Geddes of Y.M.C.A. will interview Gp Comds and arrange the Inter Gp Competition

Use and Booking of Quoit Tennis Courts Offrs and AANS using Quoit and Tennis Courts are earnestly asked to play only one game at a time. The practice of playing the best of three (or five) games is very unfair to others waiting.

Courts cannot be promised or booked in advance.

Courts can only be booked by waiting personnel asking playing personnel to hand the court over on completion. Waiting personnel must wait at the court so arranged.

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CONCERTS

Tuesday 3 Mar - "F" Deck - Gps 2 & 3 - 2000 hrs 6 Div Concert Party

Wednesday 4 Mar - "F" Deck Gps 4 & 7 - 2000 hrs 6 Div Concert Party

Friday 6 Mar - "F" Deck Gp 5 - 2000 hrs 6 Div Concert Party

Saturday 7 Mar - Saloon Concert for Offrs and AANS - 2115 hrs

Sunday 8 Mar - (a) "B" Deck Dance Area Open Air Concert All Ranks 1430 hrs.
(b) Community Song Service - All Ranks "B" Deck 1930 hrs.

NOTE On Concert nights on "F" Deck vide above the duty Gp will supply a picquet of 1 N.C.O. and 4 O.Rs to report to W.O. Young at 1930 hrs "F" Deck Foyer.

MUSIC

Daily - Tea Music in Fwd Lounge 1530-1700 hrs Offrs and AANS.

Thursday 5 Mar - Fwd Lounge, after dinner music 2030-2130 hrs Offrs and AANS.

Monday 9 Mar - Fwd Lounge, after dinner music 2030-2130 hrs Offrs and AANS.

LOST

Khaki Shorts containing cloth Bag, Fld Dressing, money, identity discs.
1 Webbing Belt
Water Bottle and Carrier
Money Belt containing sum of money, keys, etc.
Hammock containing 4 blankets, pyjamas.
Hat fur felt (Corps Sigs Colour Patch)
Watch
1 Pair of Shoes

FOUND

1 Cigarette Case and 1 Bunch Keys.
Fountain Pen "Presto" on clip.
Webbing Belt and Water Bottle.

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SHIP'S ROUTINE ORDERS

by

COL. E.M. NEYLAN M.C.

O.C TROOPS - H.M.T."STRATHALLAN"

Part 1 — No 15 — 3 Mar 42.

I DUTIES To mount at 1615 hrs 3 Mar 42

Duty Gp - Gp 9
Next for Duty Gp 8

To mount at 1915 hrs 4 Mar 42

Field Offr	Maj Inglis
Subaltern	Lieut Thomas
Orderly Sgt	S/Sgt Morgan
Orderly Cpl	Cpl Davis

2 BLACKOUT 1920 hrs - 0630 hrs 3 Mar 42

3 SWIMMING POOL ALLOTMENT Swimming Pools will be reallotted as follow :-

	"E" Deck	"B" Deck
0630 - 0800 hrs	Gp 8	Offrs & AANS
0800 - 0930 "	" 7	" "
0930 - 1100 "	" 9	Gp 8
1100 - 1230 "	" 5	Gps 2 & 3
1230 - 1400 "	Closed for clearing	Closed for cleaning
1400 - 1530 "	Gp 2	Gps 4 & 5
1530 - 1700 "	" 3	" 7 & 9
1700 - 1830 "	" 4	Gp 8

The allotment of "E" Deck Pool will apply to periods in which it is used for washing

4 DECK SPACE ALLOTMENT Deck Space is reallotted as follows :-

	Morning 0900-1230	Afternoon 1230-1600
"A" Deck Port	Gp 8	Gp 8
"A" Deck Starboard	" 4	Games Space
"A" Deck Aft	" 4	" "
"B" Deck Port	" 2	Gp 7
"B" Deck Starboard	" 3	" 5
"B" Deck Dance Space	Gps 2 & 3	" 5
"C" Deck Aft	Gp 9	" 9

Games Space allotment - "A" Deck Starboard and Aft

Mar 4 & 9	Gp 2
" 5 & 10	" 3
" 6 & 11	" 5
" 7 & 12	" 7
" 8 & 13	" 9

5 MEN'S BEDDING Bedding must not be carried up to "A" Deck prior to 1900 hrs, "A" Deck is out of bounds to O.Rs between the hours of 1600 and 1900 hrs. This instruction includes the bedding of A.A. Gun Dets.

6 LECTURE ROOM ALLOTMENT Men's Mess "F" Deck is allotted to Gp 5 from 1000 hrs to 1030 hrs daily.

7 T.T. AND T.A.B. INOCULATIONS All personnel in Gps 3 and 2 (Gp 3 first) who are due to receive these inoculations will parade on "E" Deck aft at 1400 hrs 4 Mar. Paybooks must be carried and sleeves rolled up.

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8 SWINGING OF HAMMOCKS — Hammocks will on no account be tied to or swung from Ship's Water Pipes.

9 DISPOSAL OF RUBBISH — As from the date of these orders floating rubbish can only be dumped twice daily from "F" Deck Aft at the following times :-

0900 hrs
2100 "

Owing to the danger of Submarines following floating rubbish it is most important that this instruction be strictly obeyed.

IO COMMUNICATIONS. — Lieut C Woodward is responsible for inter Ship Comms Personnel to be supplied from 1 Aust Air Support Control Signals and 11 W/T Sec HQ Signals.

Capt.
Ship's Adjt H.M.T. "STRATHALLAN".

- N O T I C E S -

LOST

Shaving Wallet
Pipe G.B.D.
Wallet containing - Paybook, Coins, Canteen Order Etc.
A.A. Pugaree
1 Khaki Fur Felt Hat
Money Belt with Knife attached.
Wallet containing Money, Stamps, etc.
Water Bottle
Pack containing Blankets, O'coat Groundsheet.

FOUND

1 Steel Helmet VX40I04
Singlet W.Fisher
Webbing Belt and Shoulder Strap.
AANS Hat (Felt)
Small Leather Pouch containing Rosary Beads.

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O.C. TROOPS., "H.M.T. STRATHALLAN "

Part 1. No 16

4 MAR 42

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1. DUTIES

To Mount at 1615 hrs - 4 MAR 42

Duty Gp - Gp 8.
Next for Duty - Gp 2.

To Mount at 0915 hrs - 5 MAR 42.

Field Officer	-	Major	OXLEY
Subaltern	-	Lieut	NEWLAND H.J.
Orderly Sgt	-	Sgt	WILSON P.
Orderly Bdr	-	Bdr	WATTS W.

2. BLACK-OUT

1903 hrs - 0607 hrs - 4 MAR 42.

3. SICK PARADE

The following amendments are made to times of parade :-

Gp 2 to parade at 1000 hrs - instead of 0800 hrs.
Gp 9 to parade at 0800 hrs - instead of 1000 hrs.

4. OFFENCE

NX4676 Pte McNICKLE H. of 2/4 Ord. Stores Coy., was charged with -

1. WOAS Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. AA40.
2. WOAS Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline. A.A. 40.
3. WOAS Without leave, before he was relieved, going from the place of parade appointed by his C.O. A.A. 15(2)
4. WOAS Failing to appear at the place of parade appointed by his C.O. A.A. 15 (2)

AWARD - Charge 1,2,3 and 4 - Fined £5 and 28 days detention, by Lt Col Hobbs A.J. HQ 1 Aust Corps O.C. Gp 2.

5. SWIMMING POOL.

As the Swimming Pools must be cleaned Before Blackout and it takes approximately 1 hr to drain the water out, the following amendments are made :-

"E" DECK

Amend times to read Gp 4 - 1700 hrs-1800 hrs instead of 1700 hrs-1830 hrs.

"B" DECK

Amend times to read Gp 8 - 1700 hrs-1800 hrs insetad of 1700 hrs-1830 hrs.

Capt.
Ship's Adjt. "H.M.T. STRATHALLAN"

NOTICES

LOST -

1 complete Set Hairdressing Gear.
Jewelex Chronium wrist watch.
1 Towell, Pullover, Pugaree and Shirt.
2 Felt Hats.
Silver Pocket Watch "Waltham"
Gold Wristlet Watch.
1 A.A.N.S. Hat.
3 Webbing belts.
1 water bottle and Emergency Ration
1 spectacle case, containing compact, and 10/- note.

FOUND

1 Khaki Fur Felt Hat - Sig Colour Patch.
1 Cap (W.Os)
1 Water Bottle and Carrier.
Money Belt with Knife attached.
Webbing Belt with Shoulder Strap
Wallet - NX37883 Gnr Marshall.
Cigarette Case
AACS Note Book
Sml Photo Album
keys

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by

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Part 1. No 17
5 MAR 42

1. DUTIES

To mount at 1615 hrs, 5 MAR 42.
Duty Gp - Gp 2.
Next for Duty - Gp 3.

To mount at 0915 hrs, 6 MAR 42.
Field Officer - Major ROBERTSON
Subaltern - Lieut WHEELER.
Orderly Sgt - Sgt WILSON G.
Orderly Cpl - Cpl DONELLY A.C.

2. BLACK-OUT

1850 hrs - 0548 hrs - 5 Mar 42.

3. MEDICAL INSPECTION - MEN IN CUSTODY

Orderly Medical Offr of the Day, during his tour of duty, w
inspect personnel, held in custody in the Guard Room.

4. INNOCULATIONS

Gps are to parade all personnel, yet to receive T.A.B., and
innoculations, at 1400 hrs, Fri., 6 MAR 42, on "E" Deck aft

5. LATRINES & BATHROOMS

Latrines and Bathrooms on "D" Deck are allocated as follows
Fwd and Amidships - Officers.
Aft. - WO's and Sgts.

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Ship'sAdjt., H.M.T. STRATHALLAN"

NOTICES

LOST -

1 Hat Khaki Fur
1 water bot. & carrier
Ivory elephant necklace
Chrome wristlet watch
1 Hat Khaki Fur
1 Eversha rp pencil "branded D.E.PA TERSON"
(reward)

FOUND -

1 Belt - webbing

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No. 18
6 Mar 42

Part 1.

1. DUTIES

To mount at 1615 hrs - 6 Mar 42.
Duty Gp. - Gp 3
Next for Duty - Gp 4

To mount at 0915 hrs - 7 Mar 42.
Field Officer - Major Sadlér
Subaltern - Lieut. Fay, K.
Orderly Sgt - Sgt. Cross, J.
Orderly Cpl. - Cpl. Smith, W.H.O.

2. BLACK-OUT

1838 hrs - 0604 hrs - 6 Mar 42.

3. TIME

Clocks will be advanced as under:-
10 minutes at 2200 hrs 6 Mar 42
10 " " 0200 hrs 7 Mar 42
10 " " 0500 hrs 7 Mar 42

4. PURCHASES

All purchases with the exception of Drinks, from Ship's Bars, Canteens and Barber's Shop must be made on or before 1930 hrs on SUNDAY 8 Mar 42 owing to Australian Customs requirements and stocktaking - Date of re-opening, if any, of the above, will be notified in Routine Orders.

Capt.
Ship's Adjt. "H.M.T. STRATHALLAN"

NOTICES

BOXING. All contestants for Boxing Competition must be present at Ship's Orderly Room at 1100 hrs on Sat. 7. Mar for "weighing in".
Preliminary bouts will be held on Sat Mar 7 at 1400 hrs & will be notified to contestants at the "weighing in".
Groups are responsible for the provision of "seconds" for their respective representatives.

TUG OF WAR. Tug of War contests will be held immediately following the Boxing
Tomorrow's contests will be:-
Gp 2 V Gp 3(a) Gp 4 V Gp 5 Gp 8 V Gp 9
Gp 3(b) V Gp 9(b) Gp 7 Bye.
Teams will consist of 8 men and one anchor man.
Winner to be best of three - one minute pulls.

$10 REWARD will be paid to:-
(a) The person returning the LEICA CAMERA in good order and conditio stolen from the ca bin of Maj C L SOUTHWELL, Signals 1 Aust Cor or,
(b) The person supplying information which leads to its immediate return in good order and condition - For further details refer Gp 5 orderly room.

LOST.
A book "Broken Pledges"
A book "The Mixture As Before"
Hat -fur felt.
A metal match box cover (keepsake)
A brown tobacco pouch
A book "Death Wears a Mask.

FOUND.
A tobacco pouch (genuine calf)
Spectacle case
A pipe "sea dog"
A gold pencil (initials MCLH)
A pencil "Onoto"

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O.C. TROOPS - "H.M.T.STRA THALLAN"

Part 1. No. 19
7 Mar 42.

1. DUTIES. To mount at 1615 hrs - 7 Mar 42.
Duty Gp. - Gp 4
Next for Duty - Gp 5

To mount at 0915 hrs - 8 Mar 42.
Field Officer - Major Synott
Subaltern - Lieut. Lewis, K.E.
Orderly Sgt. - Sgt. Tallentire, W.E.
Orderly Cpl. - Cpl. Gorman, W.

2. BLACK-OUT 1855 hrs - 0612 Hrs - 7 Mar 42.

3. TIME Clocks will be advanced as under:-
10 minutes at 2200 hrs 7 Mar 42
10 " " 0200 " 8 Mar 42.
10 " " 0500 " 8 Mar 42.

4. CREW'S QUARTERS - The Crew's Quarters are Out of Bounds to ALL ranks.

Capt
Ship's Adjt. "H.M.T. STRATHALLAN"

NOTICES

Church Services; Church of England -
3rd Sunday in Lent 8 Mar 42.
Holy Communion (C.of E.) W.Os Lounge 0630 hrs
NB. On Last Morning of Voyage there will be H.C. (Thanksgiving for Safe Voyage) 0630 hrs.
Holy Communion (United Other Protestant Denominations) W.Os Lounge at 0700 hrs

General Church Parades

Gps	3 & 10	Offrs' Lounge	1030 hrs.	Gp 2	"B" Deck	0930 hrs.
"	5 & 7	"B" Deck	1030 hrs.	Gps 4 & 9	"F" Deck Mess	0930 hrs.
"	8	"F" Deck Mess	1030 hrs.	Song Service (All Welcome)	"F" Deck Mess	2000 hrs.

Holy Mass will be celebrated tomorrow morning Sunday 8 Mar at 0630 hrs and 0930 hrs in Offrs' Lounge "B" Deck.
Each morning during the week at 0630 hrs and 0645 Hrs.
Confessions will be heard each evening from 1400 hrs until 1600 hrs in Asst Purser's Room, "D" Deck - S/Chaplain J.Owen

Unauthorised Animals.
It is known that certain animals are being carried without authority.
These will be disposed of at an early date.
Should owners desire any particular action to be taken they must submit names, and proof of ownership to the Ship's Orderly Room by 1800 hrs 7 Mar 42.

LOST.
1 Blanket (army)
Water Bottle & carrier
Steel Wrist Watch engraved "Kyle"
Playing Cards 3 packs.

Found.
1 cap F.S.
A money belt.

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No. 20
8 Mar 42.

Part 1.

1. DUTIES

To mount at 1615 hrs - 8 Mar 42.
Duty Gp. - Gp. 5
Next for Duty - Gp. 7

To mount at 0915 hrs - 9 Mar 42.
Field Officer - Major Stephens
Subaltern - Lieut Vardon
Orderly Sgt. - Sgt. Thorne
Orderly Cpl. - Cpl. Mulcahey

2. BLACK-OUT

1900 hrs - 0540 hrs - 8 Mar 42

3. MEDICAL INSPECTION

Ref Medical Inspection Circular-- Para 2. For Gp 5 substitute Gp 7.
Para 3 for Gp 7 Substitute Gp 5.

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Ship's Adjt., H.M.T. STRATHALLAN"

NOTICES.

LOST.

Wrist Watch (R.D.L.make) REWARD £1
Hat - Fur felt
An Army Watch
Money belt containing money & keys and engraved "SX 11367 L J WARREN"
Pr shorts, identity discs on silver chain, nine shillings cash and Rosary Beads.

FOUND

A pencil "onoto"
Water bot. & carrier (R.G.Quinn
A sewing bag
Propelling pencil

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SHIP'S ROUTINE ORDERS

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O.C. TROOPS - H.M.T."STRATHALLAN"

No. 2 1
9 Mar 42.

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1. DUTIES

To mount at 1615 hrs	-	9 Mar 42.
Duty Gp.	-	Gp. 7
Next for Duty	-	Gp. 9
To mount at 0915 hrs	-	10 Mar 42.
Field Officer	-	Major TURNER
Subaltern	-	Lieut. KNIGHT
Orderly Sgt.	-	Sgt. PLUNKETT
Orderly Cpl.	-	Cpl. WILLIAMS

2. BLA CK-OUT. 1848 hrs - 0622 Hrs - 9 Mar 42.

3. TIME Clocks will be advanced as under:-

10 minutes at	2200 hrs	- 9 Ma r 42
10 "	" 0200 "	- 10 "
10 "	" 0500 "	- 10 "

4. MAIL Mail will close at 1600 hrs , 10 Ma r 42, at Cabin 283 "D"Dec

5. DIS-EMBARKATION
In the event of any disembarkation at next Port of Call, Disembarkation Orders, a s issued for Colombo, will be carried o Date of Disembarkation will be notified to Cps.

6. NOMINAL ROLLS.
Nominal Disembarkation Rolls will not be re-issued to Units. Any last minute alterations will be submitted to Ship's Orderly Room on W3010 or W3011 (in triplicate) ; Alterations embrace, only personnel not disembarking with their Unit, e.g. Disembarke to a Shore Hospital.

7. MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.
The playing of gramaphones or any other musical instruments on the Fwd end of "A" Deck between 1400 hrs and 1600 hrs and after 2000 hrs is forbidden.

8. TRADING HOURS CANTEENS ETC.
Bars, Canteen, and Hairdresser's Shop will NOT be open for sale on Wed 11 Mar 42 until after the Customs have finished.

9. LIBRARY BOOKS.
All Ship's Library Books MUST be returned to Library Steward on Tuesday morning 10 Mar 42 between 1000 hrs and 1100 hrs.

10. BATH PLUGS Rubber bath plugs will be replaced immediately in baths and a llowed to remain there.

11. ORDERLY MEDICAL OFFR The Orderly Medical Offrs for the Day are as follows :-

Mon 9 Mar 42	Maj	Lancaster	Cabin 262
Tue 10 Mar 42	"	Jackson	" 251
Wed 11 Mar 42	Capt	Booth	" 203
Thur 12 Mar 42	"	Dunn	" 260
Fri 13 Mar 42	Maj	Kyle	" 205
Sat 14 Mar 42	"	Wheeler	" 204
Sun 15 Mar 42	"	Gurner	" 295

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LOST Wallet containing Paybook. Wallet containing Syrian Pound.80 photos, Light Brow[illegible] - Egyptian Engravings - Reward
Cigaretta[illegible]

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O.C. TROOPS - H.M.T. "STRATHALLAN"

No. 22
10 Mar 42.

Part 1.

1. DUTIES

To mount at 1615 hrs - 10 Mar 42
Duty Gp. - Gp. 9
Next for Duty - Gp. 8

To mount at 0915 hrs - 11 Mar 42
Field Officer - Major McLEAN
Subaltern - Lieut. LADD H.R.
Orderly Sgt. - Sgt. CARR K.
Orderly Cpl. - Cpl. McGREGOR D.

2. BLACK-OUT

1900 hrs - 0643 hrs - 10 Mar 42.

3. TIME

Clocks will be advanced as under:-
20 minutes at 2200 hrs - 10 Mar 42
20 " " 0200 " - 11 Mar 42
20 " " 0500 " - 11 Mar 42

Capt.
Ship's Adjt.

NOTICES

LOST

Hat fur felt
Wristlet Watch
Pocket knife - stainless steel
Pencil - blue - propelling BMB
Water bot. ca rrier
Hat - fur felt Reward 5/-
Spectacle case
Wallet - pa ybook etc.
Pencil - Conway Stewart
Hat AANS
Wallet
Shirt, paybook, fld dressing etc

FOUND

Pay-book - J.S.Parker
Toba cco pouch
Pullover- khaki
Key

CURRENCY CONVERSION.

Soldier	Amount of Currency handed in			Converted to ..... currency		Specification of ..... currency required						Signature.

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O.C. TROOPS - H.M.T."STRATHALLAN"

No. 23
11 Mar 42.

Part 1.

1. DUTIES

To mount at 1615 hrs - 11 Mar 42.
Duty Gp. - Gp. 8
Next for duty - Gp. 2

To mount at 0915 hrs - 12 Mar 42.
Field Officer - Major BLAMEY
Subaltern - Lieut. MORT, E.J.L.
Orderly Sgt. - Sgt. BERCHERVAISE, N.H.
Orderly Bdr. - Bdr. TIPPLE, W.E.

2. BLACK-OUT (To be complete as at sea)
2009 hrs - 0657 hrs - 11 Mar 42.

Capt.
Ships Adjt H.M.T.Strathallan

- N O T I C E S -

LOST

1 Felt Hat 17 Bn Colour Patch
Wristlet Watch - Lost "M" Sec "D" Deck
Watch (Chrome) Initials W.Pearson
Hat Felt Wkshop Colour Patch
Wallet VX19249 McCann
1 Blue Black Purse containing money
Tobacco Tin containing snaps Reward £ 1-0-0
Hat Fur Felt

FOUND

Water Bottle VX24276 M.Ellis
Water Bottle NX42543
1 Offrs Cap - less Badge
1 Cardigan AANS (Grey)
Water Bottle Web Carrier
Offrs Cap F.S.
Field Dressing
Purse containing small sum of money

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by

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O.C. TROOPS - "H.M.T. STRATHALLAN.

Part 1. No. 24,
12 Mar 42.

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1. DUTIES

To mount at 1615 hrs :- 12 Mar 42.
Duty Gp. :- Gp. 2.
Next for Duty :- Gp. 3.

To mount at 0915 hrs :- 13 Mar 42.
Field Officer :- Major Kiel.
Subaltern :- Lt. Wheeler.
Orderley Sgt :- S/Sgt Patterson G.D.
Orderley Cpl. :- Cpl Froggatt R.A.

2. BLACK-OUT. 2005 hrs - 0655 hrs - 12 Mar 42.

3. WIRELESS SETS. It is known that at least one unauthorised Wireless Set is in use by personnel on board ; all ranks in possession of sets will notify the Orderly Room forthwith. Failure to comply with this instruction will involve serious disciplinary action, as the use of any unauthorised set is not only strictly forbidden, but also likely to endanger the lives of the whole of the ship's complement.

Capt.
Ship's Adjt H.M.T. Strathallan.

- N O T I C E S -

LOST

Wallet (Pigskin) containing photos IO/- Reward
Water Bottle AANS
1 Pair Spectacles in case (Brown Horn Rimmed)
Life Jacket, Field Dressing, Ration Chocolate - Lost in Canteen
Wallet containing Letter and Paybook

FOUND

Watch (Gold) no Strap
Web Belt and Paybook QX19924 James L.D.
Wallet (no money) Lieut R.R. Yunken

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SHIP'S ROUTINE ORDERS

by

COL. E.M. NEYLAN, M.C.

O.C. TROOPS - H.M.T. "STRA THALLAN"

Part 1

No. 25
13 Mar 42.

1. DUTIES

To mount at 1615 hrs - 13 Mar 42
Duty Gp. - Gp. 3
Next for duty - Gp. 4

To mount at 0915 hrs - 14 Mar 42
Field Officer - Major Gwyther
Subaltern - Lieut. Fay, K.
Orderly Sgt. - S/Sgt. O'Neil, F.J.
Orderly Cpl. - Cpl. Tucker, R.J.

2. BLACK-OUT

1955 hrs - 0706 hrs - 13 Mar 42

3. TIME

Clocks will be advanced as under:-
10 minutes at 2200 hrs - 13 Mar 42
10 " " 0200 " - 14 Mar
10 " " 0500 " - 14 "

4. LECTURE ROOM

The Men's Mess, "F" Deck is allotted for the duration of the voyage, to Gp 8, from 1430 hrs - 1530 hrs daily, for lectures.

W.A. Reed Capt.
for Ship's Adjt.

Notices

MUSIC Friday 13 Mar Tea Music Fwd Lounge 1600 hrs
After Dinner Music in Fwd Lounge 2100 hrs.

CONCERTS Sat 14 Mar Offrs & AANS concert - Saloon 2115 hrs.

Sun 15 Mar All Ranks - Deck concert "B" Deck - 1415 hrs.
Community Song Service - all ranks "B" Deck 1930 hrs

CHURCH SERVICES

5th Sunday in Lent - 15 Mar 42.
Holy Communion (C of E) W.Os Lounge 0630 hrs
Holy Communion (United Other Protestant Denominations) W.Os Lounge 0700 hrs

General Church Parades

Gps 3 & 10	Offrs Lounge	1030 hrs	Gp 2	"B" Deck	0930 hrs
" 5 & 7	"B" Deck	1030 "	Gps 4 & 9	"F" Deck Mess	0930 hrs
" 8	"F" Deck Mess	1030 "	Song Service (All Welcome)		
				"F" Deck Mess	2000 hrs

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Part 1 — No. 26
14 Mar 42

1. DUTIES

To mount at 1615 hrs - 14 Mar 42.
Duty Gp. - Gp. 4
Next for duty - Gp. 5

To mount a t 0915 hrs - 15 Mar 42.
Field Officer - Major Inglis
Suba ltern - Lieut. Wilson, B.J.
Orderly Sgt. - S/Sgt. MacGregor, J.C.
Orderly Cpl. - Cpl. Theodore, W.E.

2. BLA CK-OUT

1952 hrs - 0702 hrs - 14 Mar 42.

3. TIME

Clocks will be advanced as under:-
10 minutes at 2200 hrs - 14 Mar 42.
10 " " 0200 " - 15 Mar 42
10 . " " 0500 " - 15 Mar 42.

4. LECTURES

Ref R.O No.14 - para 8, 2 Mar 42, Future Lectures held in Offrs Mess Fwd by HQ 1 Aust Corps, are for Offrs of HQ 1 Aust Corps only.

5. LIBRARY BOOKS

All ship's library books a re to be returned to the library steward betwee n 1700 hrs and 1730 hrs on Sunday 15 Mar 42

6. SLEEPING IN ALLEYWAYS

As the Ship's Staff cannot ca rry out its cleaning duties Troops will NOT sleep in any alleyways or corridors of "B" Deck a nd decks below.

Capt.
Ship's Adjt.

NOTICES

Church Services 15 Mar 42.
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CHURCH SERVICES 4th Sunday in Lent.
Holy Mass will be celebra ted tomorrow, Sunday, 15 Mar at 0630 hrs and 0930 hrs
Both Masses will be off ered in thanksgiving to God for the safe arrival of this Convoy in Australia .
All Ca tholics are requested to make a general Holy Communion.
Confessions will be heard on Sat evening from 1400 hrs until 1600 hrs in Asst Purser's Cabin "D" Deck . S/Chaplain J. Quinn

Lost
Webbing,water bot.,shirt,money & photo
Ring - oval
Nickel match-box holder-Rising Sun.
Greatcoat
Hat - fur felt
Webbing - complete
Water bottle
one pair "Zeiss" binoculars 8x30 "Demetrein" engraved "Presented to Clifford Ellis"
Reward - £5
Leather lettercase
Paybook NX19920 Sig.C.A.Mountain

Found
1 Cap F.S. NX45077
1 set Rosary beads
1 pr sun glasses
1 pr gaiters NX 58944
1 tobacco pouch FM NX10244
1 pouch "Zipp" fastener
1 Album photo
1 set keys
1 propelling pencil
Shirt,paybook and diary (Watson
Overcoat J.Kiddell

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Part 1. No. 27
15 Mar 42.

1. DUTIES

To mount at 1615 hrs. - 15 Mar 42.
Duty Gp. - Gp. 5
Next for duty - Gp. 7

To mount at 0915 hrs. - 16 Mar 42.
Field Officer - Major Oxley
Subaltern - Lieut. Spowart, S.
Orderly Sgt. - Sgt. Beaton, A.H.
Orderly Cpl. - Cpl. Hecaath, D.

2. BLACK-OUT

1950 hrs - 0721 hrs - 15 Mar 42.

3. TIME

Clocks will be advanced as under:-
10 minutes at 2200 hrs - 15 Mar 42
10 " " 0200 " - 16 "
10 " " 0500 " - 16 "

4. CAMERAS

Cameras will be drawn from Ship's Orderly Room before 1100 hrs, 16 Mar 42.

5. MAIL

No mail will be accepted after 1600 hrs, 16 Mar 42.

6. ORDERLY MEDICAL OFFICERS

The Orderly Medical Offrs of the Day are as under:-
MON - 16 Mar 42 - Major Lancaster cabin 202
Tues- 17 Mar 42 - Major Jackson cabin 251
Wed - 18 Mar 42 - Capt. Booth cabin 203

A Boothby Capt.
Ship's Adjt.

NOTICES

LOST

Offrs Cap (VX150)
Hat AANS
Silver penfnife
Water Bot. webbing belt & ration
Brown leather wallet
Fountain pen (green)

FOUND

Shirt Khaki NX24687 J.K.Whitbread
Water Bot & carrier QX 20565
" " etc TX 1964
Rosary beads pearl
Hat fur felt

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Adj

SHIP'S ROUTINE ORDERS

by

COL. E.M. NEYLAN, M.C.

O.C. TROOPS., "H.M.T. STRATHALLAN

Part 1. . . . . No 28
16 MAR 42

1. DUTIES. To mount at 1645 hrs - 16 MAR 42
Duty Gp - Gp 7.
Next for Duty - Gp 9.

To mount at 0915 hrs - 17 Mar 42.

Field Officer - Major Robertson.
Subaltern - Lieut Wright A.J.
Orderly Sgt - Sgt Plunkett.
Orderly Cpl - Cpl Robertson.

2. BLACK-OUT 2001 hrs - 0650 hrs - 16 MAR 42.

3. DRESS Dress S.D. will be worn by all ranks from Reveille, 17 MAR 42.

Capt.
SHIP'S ADJT., H.M.T STRATHALLAN.

- N O T I C E S -

LOST

Water Bottle with webbing carrier, and ration chocolate
Respirators (2)
Silver Penknife
1 Hat AANS
1 Pr Gaiters
Water Bottle, Carrier, Field Dressing and Ration Chocolate.
1 Pr Tan Brogue Shoes (size 9)
Hats fur felt (2)
1 Rug Brown
Blue Propelling Pencil
Gold Wristlet Watch
Money Belt containing £ 3-0-0
1 Hat size 7, Pugaree, Colour Patch Base Area Sigs.

FOUND

Water Bottle - NX30047
Tobacco Pouch marked F.M. NX10244
Tobacco Pouch - Zip Fastener
Hat Fur Felt branded Russell
2 Sets Rosary Beads (1 in case)
1 Pullover Khaki Sleeveless
1 Photo Album
2 Finepoint Pencils
1 Bunch Keys
1 Leather Belt VX3033
1 Fd Dressing.

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SHIP'S ORDERLY ROOM
H.M.T.STRATHALLAN.
27 Feb 42

- NOTICE -

While in Port Blackout begins nightly at 1900 hrs and ends at 0630 hrs each morning (Times as given in Ship's Routine Orders No 11 do not now apply)

During Blackout hours no light is to show directly outboard that is to say that where scuttles are fitted with "Jalousies" (Venetian Shutters) the scuttles may be left open and the "Jalousies" closed to prevent any direct light showing outboard. Smoking is permitted on the open Decks.

In the event of an air raid alarm all scuttles must be closed immediately and the Ship properly blacked out.

K.C. Fahey Capt.
Ships Adjt H.M.T.STRATHALLAN.

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C O N V E N I N G O R D E R

by

COL. E. M. NEYLAN., M.C.

O.C. TPS., H.M.T.313

COURT OF INQUIRY

The following Offrs will assemble as a Court of Inquiry to sit at such times and places as the President may deem necessary, to inquire and report upon an alleged loss on 2 MAR 42 of goods valued at £12-5-7, the property of the P & O Steam Navigation Coy, or on charge to that Coy, on H.M.T. 313.

PRESIDENT

Lt. Col T.P. FRY, H.Q., 1 Aust Corps.

MEMBERS

Maj M.A.R. SYMOTT, H.Q., 1 Aust Corps.
Capt R.R. SMITH , 2 Aust H.A.A. Regt.

Evidance will be taken on oath. Completed proceedings are to reach Ship's Orderly Room by 1800 hrs, 10 MAR 42.

M C Neylan

Capt,
Ship's Adjt., "H.M.T. STRATHALLAN"

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H.M.T. STRATHALLAN.

5 Mar 42.

O.C.,
Troops.

ANIMALS ON BOARD SHIP.

Several members of the A.I.F. on board ship have monkeys in their possession.

This may prove a danger to the health of personnel on board.

It is recommended that, as these animals will not be allowed in Australia, and they may be the cause of Rabies or other disease, they be destroyed.

COLONEL,
S.M.O. H.M.T. STRATHALLAN

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UNIT HQ 1 Aust AA BDE

GPP. 13988—25.000—30.10.41 1919/S.

PLACE	DATE Apl	SUMMARY OF EVENTS Routine training details and information given in Casualty Returns are NOT required	REFERENCES TO APPENDICES	C. O.'s REPORT AND COMMENTS ON MONTH (On Operations, Equipment, Movement, Health, Administration, etc.)
Adelaide	1	For location of Units 1 Aust AA Bde in Australia see Location Statement attached. 0900 hrs Lieut Burrowes attends daily conference at Base Area. 1400 hrs Commander interviews Col Hopkins of A.H.Q. Melbourne re leave for 3 Aust Lt AA Regt. Kthr	Appx "A"	
	2	Lieut Burrowes attends conference as above - it is ordered that troops will not go to Adelaide on leave except in special cases. Capt Bowen to Base Area (Col Legge) re administration of Corps Troops in Adelaide it had been proposed that Commander should be i/c all Corps Troops in Adelaide - later to Maj Summerfield to arrange split up of Bde A.A.S.C. to serve Batteries. Commander leaves for Melbourne on evening train. Kthr		
	3	Good Friday. 5 Hy A.A. Bty leave Adelaide for N.S.W. Kthr		
	4,5,6	Nothing to report. Kthr		
	7	Maj Polglaze and S.C.(L) to see Lt-Gen Allen who stated that there were too many Bde Troops in Adelaide. It was pointed out to the Gen that other Corps Artillery personnel were now in Adelaide. Signal received from A.H.Q. re move of 4 Aust Hy A.A. Bty. Kthr	Appx "A2"	

F. M. Bayley Brig.
Comd. A.A. Defence H.Q. N.S.W. & of C Area

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UNIT HQ 1 AUST AA BDE

GPP. 13988—25.000—30.10.41 1912/8.

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Adelaide	8	Lieut Black to Mvts Adelaide (with Adjt 2 AA Regt) to arrange details of move 4 A.A. Bty. Maj Hipworth rang to report that the movement of 3 Aust Lt AA Regt was being arranged by him.		
	9	Reinforcements for 1 Aust Lt AA Regt (Less 3 Bty) and 1 Lt AA Regt Sig Sec leave by road for Terowie en route for Darwin. See Signal.	Appx "B"	
		4 Aust Hy AA Bty entrain for Melbourne. Det 3 Aust Lt AA Regt (Less 9 Bty) move by rail for Perth - See Appx for details of move of remainder	Appx "C"	
	10	Commander rang from Melbourne for Lieut Thomas to leave for Melbourne to arrange ~~for~~ communications for the G.O.R. there. Booking was refused by Base Area without authority from A.H.Q. - No authority received so Lieut Thomas remains.		
	11	Nothing to report.		
	12	Warrant is eventually obtained for Lieut Thomas and he moves to Melbourne.		
		9 Aust Lt AA Bty leave Adelaide for Townsville 5 Aust Lt AA Bty leave Ingleburn for William town aerodrome.	Appx "D"	

Brig
Comd. A.A. Defence H.Q. N.S.W. L of C Area

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Sydney	13	Col Neylan arrives in Sydney to take over A.A. Defence N.S.W. L of C Area from Col Wallace. Maj Long phones Bde HQ from Sydney and orders balance of Bde HQ to move by road to Sydney along with HQ 2 Aust Hy AA Regt, 6 Aust Hy AA Bty and all available services.		
Adelaide	14	Maj Polglaze and Lt-Col Hammer to Base Area to arrange for signal from A.H.Q. to authorise move as above. 5 Aust Hy AA Bty in action Williamtown Aerodrome.		
	15	Maj Rushton and Lieut Mosley arrive Sydney from Melbourne and are stationed at Georges Heights where HQ A.A. Defences N.S.W. L of C Area is now established. Lieut Mosley is re-attached to HQ 1 Aust AA Bde after one months attachment to R.A.A. 1 Aust Corps. 1030 hrs Col Neylan arrives at Georges Heights and holds conference at which arrangements re-change over were discussed - In attendance Col Wallace, Maj Shrimpton, Maj Long, Maj Bootle, Maj Rushton, Capt Bowen and Lieut Mosley.		
	16	HQ 2 Aust Hy AA Regt, 6 Aust Hy AA Bty and balance of HQ I Aust AA Bde leave Adelaide for Sydney - movement orders - Commander to Newcastle to inspect AA Defences.	Appx "E"	

J.M. Neylan Brig.
Comd. A.A. Defence H.Q. N.S.W. L of C Area

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	17	Adelaide convoy stage at Bordertown night 16/17 move on to Ararat today.		
	18	Adelaide convoy moves from Ararat to Seymour		
	19	Convoy moves to Hume Camp Albury.		
SYDNEY	20	Lt-Col Hammer, Lieuts Black and Burrows arrive at Georges Heights. Location for HQ A.A.Defences N.S.W. L of C Area is chosen - 19 Coolong Rd Vaucluse. Adelaide Convoy moves to Yass.		
	21	Balance HQ I Aust AA Bde, HQ 2 Aust Hy AA Regt, and 6 Aust Hy AA Bty arrive Ingleburn from Adelaide. Only mechanical trouble with Bde HQ vehicles was due to petrol, trouble with 15 cwt Ford. This was repaired in a short time and the vehicle arrived at Ingleburn with the main convoy.		
	22	HQ AA Defences moves from Georges Heights to 19 Coolong Rd Vaucluse. Personnel from Ingleburn move in to new HQ.		
	~~23~~	~~6 Hy AA Bty take up positions covering the~~		

E W Dey Brig.
Comd. A.A. Defence H.Q. N.S.W. L of C Area

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Sydney	23	6 Aust Hy AA Bty take up positions covering the Bankstown aerodrome which is occupied by U.S. Air Force with three sqns of P.400s. 1 Aust Lt AA Regt Wkshops Sec leave Adelaide for Darwin.	Appx "F"	
	24	Nothing to report.		
	25	Col Neylan inspects 6 Aust Hy AA Bty at Bankstown. 1800 hrs. On receipt of message of Maj General Fewtrell, Col Neylan calls on Wing Comdr Hughes at No 2 Training Group R.A.A.F. Point Piper and sees signal re possibility of Jap attacks with aircraft from carriers. R.A.A.F. somewhat apprehensive as considerable quantities of explosives are being unloaded at Glebe Island. Additional AA protection is required Commander undertakes to put 6-40 m.m. Bofors in Glebe Island area. 2000 hrs Commander calls on Col McColl (G.I. N.S.W. L of C Area) to discuss the protection of Glebe Island. Later both confer with Wing Comd Hughes.		
	26	Comd and Maj Bootle do recce of Glebe Island Area. Lt-Col Hammer and Maj Shrimpton confer with Commander.		

F.W. Neylan Brig.
Comd. A.A. Defence H.Q. N.S.W. L of C Area.

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Sydney	27	6-40 m.m. Bofors go into position in the Glebe Island Area. 2000 hrs. Commander attends conference with Maj-Gen Fewtrell to discuss organisation pursuant to recent changes in Comd		During the month recommendation was made to G.H.Q. that three Officers and 30 O.Rs of each Bty of 1 Aust A.A. Bde should be selected and assembled in Sydney or Melbourne, with a view to their allocation to A.M.F. A.A. Units as considered advisable. It was considered that the withdrawal of personnel above would enable Regts to give merited promotions therein, and also provide somewhat experienced personnel to assist in instruction and where suitable exercise command. A certain % of 1 Aust A.A. Bde personnel will be too old to proceed ex Australia if required. The above would have provided a satisfactory means of replacing these and at the same time provide personnel with Active Service experience where their bearing and experience would have been of great value.
	28	Comd confers with G.O.C. N.S.W. L of C Area and G.S.O.I. 2 Corps re Air Raid warning system for Sydney. Orders are received for the following moves, 4 Aust Hy AA Bty from Melbourne to Townsville (perhaps Port Moresby), 17 Lt AA Bty from Sydney to Townsville.		
	29	Commander attends conference at HQ N.S.W. L of C Area where arrangements are made for passing of warning of approach of enemy aircraft.		
	30	Maj Polglaze arrives from Adelaide.		

R.H. Moseley Lieut.
I.O. 1 Aust A.A. Bde

F.M. Bayley Brig.
Comd. A.A. Defence H.Q. N.S.W. L of C Area

Signature .....

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1 AUST AA BDE - LOCATION OF UNITS etc.

Serial No.	UNIT	LOCATION	Vehicle NO.
61205	HQ 1 Aust AA Bde	Mrs. Whitlock-Jones Montacute Rd, Hectorville, F.8218	
61209	HQ 1 Aust AA Bde Wkshops	Montacute Road	
61228	HQ 1 Aust AA Bde Sigs	Mrs. Koll Montacute Rd Hectorville F.8118	
61225	RHQ 1 Aust Lt AA Regt	Mr. Nightingale Woodford Rd Magill F.1084	90
	do. 1 Bty	Mrs. Coleman Moules Rd Campbelltown F.3042	
	do. 2 Bty	Mrs. Barr, Magill Rd Woodford, (No phone)	
	do. 3 Bty	Mrs. Jenkins, Moules Rd, Stradbroke Pk F.4121	
61016	Wkshops, 1 Lt Regt	Mr. Nightingale Woodford Rd, Magill F.1084	90
61229	Sig Sec " "	Mrs. A.G. Fox, Margbank. F.8282	90

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LOCATIONS - 2

61196	RHQ 2 Aust Hy AA Regt	Mr Mathews Kings Ove TRANMERE F 5430	56
	4 Bty	6 Brougham St MAGILL F 3793	56
	5 Bty	J.S. Jeffs 6 Montacute Rd HECTORVILLE F 8122	56
	6 Bty	Mr Galt Lorne Ave MAGILL F 5177	56
61197	Wkshop	Mr Brooks 12 Birkinshaw St TRANMERE	56
61198	Sigs	do do	56
61173	RHQ 3 Aust Lt AA Regt	Mr Emery North East Rd CAMPBELLTOWN	73
	7 Bty	Mr Frisk-Smith James St CAMPBELLTOWN F 8191	
	8 Bty	Mr A Cray Darling Rd PARADISE	
	9 Bty	Mr Fry George Rd PARADISE	
61182	Wkshops	Mr V Donaldson George Rd PARADISE	73
61173	Sigs		73

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN	No of Groups GR	DATE STAMP
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TO

1 AA Bde rptd 2 Hy AA Regt, Mildistrict ADELAIDE, MC ADELAIDE

Copies to: Comd, "G" "A" "Q" Q(m) ADES, ADST, ADMS, ADOS, Base Posts Base Area Sigs, Finance Sec, 2 Ech

FROM	Originator's Number	DATE	In reply to number
AUSBASE ADELAIDE	Q 7/B	2	

5 Aust Hy AA Bty strength 13 Offrs 320 ORs 40 vehs 5 m/cs move ADELAIDE to NSW on 3 Apr as follows (.) First (.) Vehs by rail strength 1 Offr 60 ORs 40 Vehs 5 m/c load vehs MILE END 0900 hrs depart 1430 hrs destination LIVERPOOL (.) Second (.) Personnel by rail strength 12 Offrs 260 ORs depart special trams GLYNDE HOTEL HECTORVILLE 1515 hrs arrive GOODWOOD RD CROSSING 1600 hrs depart rail GOODWOOD RY STA 1645 hrs destination INGLEBURN (.) Admin Consignment Notes Rail Warrants Meals under arrangements Mov ADELAIDE

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Comd.
B.M.
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S.O.
O.M.E.
W.O.

H.Q. I.A.A. SDC
02 APR 1942
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To— AUSTBASE. ADELAIDE. MILCOMMAND. MELBOURNE. MILBASE. MELBOURNE. R.T.O. HOMEFORCE. MELBOURNE MILDISTRICT. ADELAIDE.

Time of origin 0200/7

Time of receipt 1620

From— ARMY. MELBOURNE.

Originator's No. G13090

Date 7/4

SECRET. IMPORTANT

FOLLOWING WILL MOVE FROM ADELAIDE TO MELBOURNE FOR LOCATION PT COOK LAVERTON(.) 4 AUST HVY AA REGT(.) DET 2 HVY AA REGT WEAPONS SECTION (.) DET 2 HVY AA REGT S&O AASC (.) DET 2 HVY AA REGT SIGNAL SEC (.) TOTAL OFFRS 9 OR'S 401 (.) VEHS BY RAIL 41 MC 4 (.) VEHS BY ROAD 10 GUNS 8 TRACTORS 8 MC 8 (.) PERSONNEL RAIL AND ROAD PARTIES ALREADY DETAILED (.) MOVEMENT AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE WILL BE ARRANGED AHQ MOV SEC (.)

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for
Cipher Officer A.H.Q. Base Area

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Re. PS. Thanks
Ant.:

Capt Hobson
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6.3.17.

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Serial No

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TO 1 Aust AA Bde rptd 4 Aust Hvy AA ~~Regt~~ Bty, Mildistrict ADELAIDE, MC ADELAIDE

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FROM	Originator's Number	DATE	In reply to number
AIF Base Area ADELAIDE	Q 30/B	9	

Confirming verbal instns (.) 4 Aust Hvy AA ~~Regt~~ Bty plus dets wkshop AASC and Sig Sec total strength offrs 9 ORs 403 vehs 58 move ADELAIDE to LAVERTON as follows (.) FIRST (.) Rail party strength 306 all ranks 28 vehs depart MILE END 0550 rs 9 Apr (.) SECOND (.) Rail party strength 32 ORs 16 vehs depart MILE END 0910 hrs (.) THIRD (.) FIRST and SECOND link up at TAILEM BEND depart 1400 hrs for LAVERTON (.) FOURTH (.) Road party strength offrs 2 ORs 55 vehs 15 depart 0700 hrs POL 500 miles rations 4 days (.) FIFTH (.) Adm normal rail warrants consignment notes FIRST and SECOND arranged by MC ADELAIDE rail parties carry 2 days rations

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From—	Originator's No.	Date
ARMY MELBOURNE	G 13342	8/4

IMPORTANT

REF G 13090 OF APR 7th 4 HY AA BTY WESHOP SEC AACC SEC AND SIG SEC ADELAIDE TO LAVINGTON MOVEMENT ORDER (.)
NO PARTY LEAVES ADELAIDE APR 9th FIRST STAGE ADELAIDE TO BORDER TOWN SECOND STAGE BORDER TOWN TO ARARAT THIRD STAGE ARARAT TO LAVINGTON RAIL PARTY LEAVES ADELAIDE APR 9th TIMETABLE WILL BE ADVISED LATER

R Cawthra Sgt.
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TO

1 Aust Lt AA Bde rptd 1 Aust Lt AA Regt. Mildistrict ADELAIDE. MC ADELAIDE MC PORT ADELAIDE

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FROM	Originator's Number	DATE	In reply to number
AIF Base Area ADELAIDE	Q 29/B	9	

Sig Sec and reinfts 1 Aust Lt AA Regt strength offrs 1 ORs 56 vehs 11 will move by road ADELAIDE to TEROWIE 9 Apr (.) FIRST (.) Depart ADELAIDE 0700 hrs (.) SECOND (.) Depart TEROWIE 1205 Apr 10 Apr (.) THIRD (.) One days ration and POL for 150 miles to be carried

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	D. A.G. Sal Capt	IMPORTANT	0840

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1 Aust Lt A.A. Bde

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Montacute Rd
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MESSAGE FORM

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TO I Aust AA Bde rptd 3 Aust Lt AA Regt, Mildistrict ADELAIDE, MC ADELAIDE

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FROM	Originator's Number	DATE	In reply to number
AIF Base Area ADELAIDE	Q 36/B	9	

CONFIRMATION (.)

7 & 8 Btys 3 Lt AA Regt will move ADELAIDE to W.A. by rail ex MILE END as follows (.) FIRST (.) Det strength 150 personnel 38 vehs depart 2340 hrs 9 Apr (.) SECOND (.) 158 personnel depart 2340 hrs 11 Apr (.) THIRD (.) Remainder personnel 2340 hrs 13 Apr (.) Adm normal

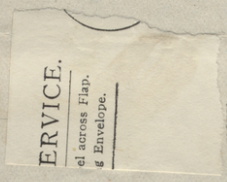
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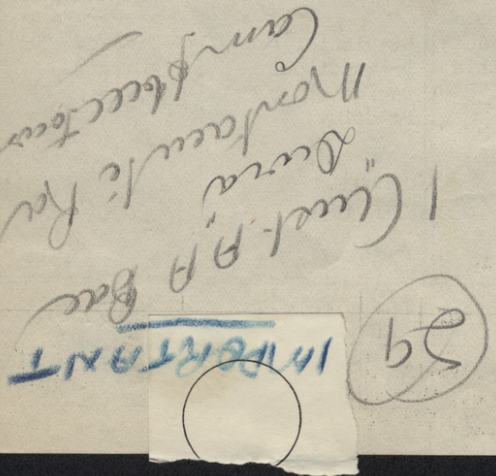
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AUSTBASE.ADELAIDE. 4 MD.

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From—	Originator's No.	Date
ARMY.MELBOURNE	CM13236	8/4

RHQ 108

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AS NOTIFIED IN AUSBASE SIGNAL 1/4 ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE MOVE MT.ISA. ~~60~~ 150 ALL RANKS 14 BOFORS 15 TRACTORS 2 LORRIES 3 ton 3 MOTOR CYCLES 3rd LT AA REGT TO WESTERN COMD. COMMENCING THURSDAY APRIL 9(.) ADVISE IMMEDIATELY PARTICULARS REMAINING AND WHEN READY TO MOVE

34 vehs.

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3 LT AA REGT

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TO—

MILBASE MELBOURNE MILDISTRICT ADELAIDE MILCOMMAND

PERTH RPTD AUSBASE ADELAIDE

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From—	Originator's No.	Date	
ARMY MELBOURNE	SM 13572	9/4	0455/10 LT

IMPORTANT

SECRET MOVEMENT ORDER SM 6362 APL 7th AMENDED AS FOLLOWS (.)

NUMBER 1 SPECIAL FROM MILE END APL 9 CONVEYS DETAILS 3 LT A/A

REGT ONLY 160 ALL RANKS WITH VEHICLES TRACTORS GUNS EQUIVALENT

TO 32 M T (.)

NUMBER 2 SPECIAL FROM GEELONG DELETE 16 MT TO LOAD MILE END AND

A/A PERSONNEL AMENDED TOTAL 144 ALL RANKS 16 MT (.)

FROM PORT PIRIE JUNCTION NUMBER 1(b) SPECIAL CONVEYS 115 A/A

PERSONNEL WITH EQUIVALENT 16 MT AND 30 RAAF (.)

NUMBER 2(a)SPECIAL CONVEYS ALL PERSONNEL AND MT ARRIVING BY

NUMBER 2 SPECIAL FROM GEELONG (.)

NUMBER 2(b) SPECIAL FROM PORT PIRIE CANCELLED (.)

OTHER TRAINS UNALTERED (.)

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MESSAGE

To MILCOMMAND 10

For Lt Col Rhoden(.)First train despatched 2340 hrs 9 Apr O.C. Train Purcell(.)Composition R.H.Q. 1 officer 3 O.Rs 7 Bty.3 officers 74 O.RS 8 B ty. 2 Officers 56 O.Rs Sigs 1 O.R. W/Shops 2 O.Rs (.) Vehicles R.H.Q. one 1ton one Office truck one water truck(.) 7 Bty seven guns seven tractors twelve 3ton lorries four 15cwts three water trailers(.) 8 Bty one 15cwt(.)Second Train 11 Apr personnel only incl all advance party(.) Third Train personnel with probably some M.T.Further Trains NOT yet scheduled(.) I will move on last train(.)
Lieut Neal Sgt Little Sgt Grice Sgt Canning transfered 112 Lt A.A. Regt Authority Bde Comd(.) These personnel now on leave in Victoria will NOT return

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W Bickworth Major

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To—

MILBASE MELBOURNE MILDISTRICT ADELAIDE rptd
MILCOMMAND PERTH (AUSBASE ADELAIDE ?)

Time of origin

0005/14 GMT

Time of receipt

1940/14 LT

From—	Originator's No.	Date
ARMY MELBOURNE	QM 14159	14/4

SECRET (.) CONTINUATION MOVEMENT TO WESTERN COMD SM6362 NUMBER 6 SPECIAL TRAIN TO PORT PIRIE JUNCTION DEPART MILE END 2310 TUESDAY 14th APR DETS 3rd LT AA REGT 138 ALL RANKS DET 2/16 BN 118 ALL RANKS PROCEEDING ON LEAVE TOTAL 156 ARRIVING 0500 15th APR (.) BY ROAD CONVOY TO PORT PIRIE JUNCTION TUESDAY 14th APR AS ARRANGED BY 4th MILITARY DIST DETS 3rd LT AA REGT 60 PERSONNEL 22 MT 11 BOFORS 2 PREDICTORS (.) FROM PORT PIRIE JUNCTION NUMBER 6 (A) DEPARTING 0900 15th APR CONVEYS DETS AA REGT (40 ?) 2/16 BN 118 AND EQUAL PORTION MT GUNS ETC NUMBER 6 (B) DEPARTING 1700 15th APR CONVEYS BALANCE (.) NUMBER 7 SPECIAL DEPARTS MORNINGTON 1320 TUESDAY 14th APR WITH DETS 4th DIV SIGS 270 PERSONNEL 13 TONS STORES ARRIVE GEELONG 1625 EVENING MEAL PICK UP DET 6 INF BDE UNITS HQ 8 PERSONNEL 4 MT AASC 34 PERSONNEL 19 MT ORD WKSHOPS 8 PERSONNEL 4 MT DEPART 1805 HRS 14th APR THENCE AS FOR NUMBER 2 SPECIAL SM6362 (.) BY ROAD CONVOY MILE END TO PORT PIRIE WEDNESDAY 15th DET 3rd LT AA REGT 24 PERSONNEL 5 MT (.) FROM PORT PIRIE JUNCTION NUMBER 7 (A) DEPARTING 0900 16th CONVEYS DETS 4 DIV SIGS 126 PERSONNEL 6 BDE HQ 8 PERSONNEL 4 MT AASC 14 PERSONNEL 7 MT AA REGT 24 PERSONNEL 5 MT (.) NUMBER 7 (B) CONVEYS BALANCE 172 PERSONNEL 16 MT (.)
LEAVE PERSONNEL 2/16 BN COMMENCE LEAVE UPON ARRIVAL WESTERN COMD 18th AND REPORT CLAREMONT RECEPTION DEPOT 1000 HRS 26th FOR RETURN TO 4 MILITARY DIST

Sgt. Lieut
Cipher Officer HQ AIF BASE AREA

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FROM	Originator's Number	DATE	In reply to number
AUSBASE ADELAIDE	Q 60 /B	15	

2/11 Bn moving 4 MD Western Command as follows (.)

First (.) 16 Apr all ranks 70 vehicles 32 by rd for PORT PIRIE (.)

All ranks 40 entrain MITCHAM 2230 h s dep 2257 hrs (.) Second (.) 17 Apr

all ranks 50 vehs 20 by rd for PORT PIRIE (.) All ranks 70 entrain MITCHAM [illegible] dep

2230 hrs dep 2257 hrs (.) 21 Carriers load SMITHFIELD a m 17 Apr (.)

3 Persons travel each carrier (.) Departure time to be notified (.)

Third (.) 18 Apr all ranks ~~157~~ 107 entrain MITCHAM 2230 hrs dep 2257 hrs (.)

Fourth (.) 7 Aust Div W A leave Party all ranks 240 each 16 and 17 Apr

~~130~~ 180 on 18 Apr entrain MITCHAM 2230 hrs (.) Fifth (.) 12 Vehs 3 Hy AA Regt

Sig Sec Move with rd convoy PORT PIRIE 17 Apr (.) 1 AA Bde arrange

direct 19 Bde (.) Sixth (.) All trains arrive PORT PIRIE 0532 hrs dep

0900 hrsand 1700 hrs (.) Strengths all ranks 140 vehs 16 each train

ex PORT PIRIE (.) SEVENTH (.) Rd Party dep art 0800 hrs daily (.)

Eighth (.) 4 rpt 4 days rations carried both rd and rail parties (.)

POL sufficient 150 miles

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MILBASE ADELAIDE MILBASE PERTH AUSBASE ADELAIDE	0725/15GMT
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From—	Originator's No.	Date	
CMF MELBOURNE	MG14801	15	0130/16 LT

CONTINUATION MOVEMENT TO WESTERN COMD SM6362 AND SM14159 APR 14 (.)
BY No3 SPECIAL TRAIN DEPARTING MILS MND NKKIXMXX 2340 HRS THURS
16 APR DET 2/11 BN 30 ALL RANKS 7 DIV LEAVE PERSONNEL 240 ALL RANKS
ARRIVING PORT PIRIE JUNCTION 0455 HRS FRIDAY 17 APR BY RD CONVOY
ADELAIDE TO PORT PIRIE THURS 16 APR DET 2/11 BN 70 ALL RANKS 32 MT(.)
BY No 2 SPECIAL TRAIN DEPARTING MILS MND 2340 FRI 17 APR DET 2/11
BN 40 ALL RANKS 21 CARRIERS 7 DIV LEAVE PERSONNEL 240 ALL RANKS
ARRIVING PORT PIRIE JUNCTION 0455 HRS SAT 18 APR (.)
BY RD CONVOY ADELAIDE TO PORT PIRIE JUNCTION FRI 17 APR DET 3rd Lt
AA REGT AND 2/11 BN 50 ALL RANKS 20 MT (.)
BY No 10 SPECIAL TRAIN DEPARTING MILS MND 2340 HRS SAT 18 APR DET
2/11 BN 30 ALL RANKS 7 DIV LEAVE PERSONNEL 240 ALL RANKS ARRIVE
PORT PIRIE JUNCTION 0455 HRS SUN 19 APR (.)
BY RD CONVOY ADELAIDE TO PORT PIRIE JUNCTION SAT 18 APR DET 3rd Lt
AA REGT AND 2/11 BN 65 ALL RANKS 30 MT ENTRAIN PORT PIRIE BY
SPECIAL TRAINS 8(a) 8(b) ON FRI 17 APR 9(a) 9(b) ON SAT 18 APR AND
10(a) 10(b) ON SUN 19 APR AS ARRANGED BY NTO PORT PIRIE JUNCTION (.)
LEAVE PERSONNEL REPORT (CLARENCE 7) RECEPTION DEPOT FOR RETURN
MOVEMENT ON 8th DAY AFTER ARRIVAL PERTH

Lieut.
Cipher Officer
HQ AIF Base Area.

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1 AUST AA BDE rptd 3 AUST AA REGT, 9 AUST LT AA BTY, Mildistrict ADELAIDE M.C. ADELAIDE.

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FROM	Number	DATE	In reply to number
AIF BASE AREA ADELAIDE.	Q 42/B	11	

9 Aust AA Bty will move MILE END to TOWNSVILLE by rail 12 Apr as follows (.) FIRST (.) Personnel 140 MT 14 Tractors 6 Bofors 6 load MILE END 0600 hrs 12 Apr depart 0910 hrs (.) SECOND (.) Personnel 141 MT 14 Tractors 6 Bofors 6 load MILE END 0800 hrs depart 1135 hrs (.) Two persons travel in each MT and Tractor (.) Adm normal rail warrants consignment notes arranged MC ADELAIDE (.) Two days rations to be carried

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AUSBASE ADELAIDE MILDISTRICT ADELAIDE MILBASE BRISBANE
rptd MILBASE MELBOURNE MILBASE SYDNEY

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From— ARMY MELBOURNE | **Originator's No.** QM 13957 | **Date** 12/4

IMPORTANT

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REF C10979 9 OF 22nd MAR MOVEMENT ORDER 9 LT AA BTY ADELAIDE AREA TO TOWNSVILLE (.)

NUMBER 1 TRAIN 136 REPEAT 136 PERSONNEL 14 REPEAT 14 MT 6 REPEAT 6 TRACTORS 6 REPEAT 6 BOFORS SUNDAY APR 12th ADELAIDE DEPART 0910 TAILEM BEND ARRIVE 1308 DEPART 1400 SERVICETON 1910 1950 EASTERN STANDARD TIME MONDAY APR 13th BALLARAT 0605 0715 SUNSHINE 1145 1220 SHEPPARTON 1800 1900 TOCUMWAL 2110 TUESDAY APR 14th DEPART 0010 (.)

NUMBER 2 TRAIN 135 REPEAT 135 PERSONNEL 14 REPEAT 14 MT 6 REPEAT 6 TRACTORS 6 REPEAT 6 BOFORS ADELAIDE DEPART 1135 12th APR TAILEM BEND ARRIVE 1552 DEPART 1709 SERVICETON 2140 2315 EASTERN STANDARD TIME MONDAY APR 13th ARARAT 0700 0800 SUNSHINE 1315 1400 SEYMOUR 1655 1755 TOCUMWAL 2310 TUESDAY APR 14th DEPART 0310 (.)

MEALS NUMBER 1 SUNDAY TAILEM BEND ARRANGED BY 4MD SERVICETON EVENING MEAL MONDAY MEALS AT BALLARAT SUNSHINE SHEPPARTON (.)

DATE OF DEPARTURE OF 2 SUNDAY AS FOR NUMBER 1 MONDAY ARARAT SUNSHINE SEYMOUR (.) ONWARD TIME-TABLE ADVISED LATER

Lieut
Cipher Officer HQ AIF BASE AREA

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TO* AUSTBASE ADELAIDE RPTD MILBASE SYDNEY MILDISTRICT ADELAIDE MILBASE BRISBANE MILBASE SYDNEY

FROM* ARMY MELBOURNE | Originator's Number QM 14205 | Date 14 | In reply to Number and Date

SECRET MOVEMENT ORDER 9 IF AA BTY
(.) FURTHER TO QM 13957 12 Apr
(.) NUMBER 1 TRAIN TUESDAY
APR 14th JUNEE 0846-0940 HARDEN 1302-1400
GOULBURN 1907-2000 WEDNESDAY APR 15th NEWCASTLE
0646-0725 GLOUCESTER 1235-1315 KEMPSEY 2040-2115
THURSDAY APR 16th CASINO 0813-0905 SOUTH BRISBANE
1640 MEALS AT STATIONS MENTIONED
ONWARD MOVEMENT TO TOWNSVILLE TO
BE ARRANGED BY N COMD AND
PROVISION OF HOT TEA AT
CASINO (.) NUMBER 2 TRAIN
TUESDAY APR 14th NARRANDERA 0839-0935 JUNEE
1214-1305 HARDEN 1627-1720 WEDNESDAY APR 15th
GOSFORD 0637-0724 GLOUCESTER 1417-1510 KEMPSEY
2150-2240 THURSDAY APR 16th SOUTH GRAFTON 0655-0755
CASINO 1200-1300 SOUTH BRISBANE ARRIVE 1915
INSTRUCTIONS AS FOR NUMBER 1
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1 Aust A A Bde

MOVEMENT ORDER — SECRET

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ADELAIDE
15 Apr 42

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2 Aust. Hy. A.A. Regiment and
1 Aust. A.A. Bde. attached;
less: 4 Aust.Hy.A.A.Battery
5 Aust. Hy. A.A. Battery
Detachment Signal Section
Detachment Workshops Section

1. Convoy as detailed in (2) will move from ADELAIDE to SYDNEY 16 Apr 42 by road.

2.

Units	Total Personnel	(Lt.Crawford i/c) First Convoy	(Maj.Dalton i/c) Second Convoy
R.H.Q.	4 Offr & 43		1 Car D.S. 3 3-ton Lorries 1 1-ton 2 Utilities 2 M/C's.
6 Battery	12 Offrs& 341	1 Car D.S. 3 3-ton Lorries 3 Trailers 1 M/C	3 Cars D.S. 8 GTV's & Guns 29 3-ton Lorries 1 Utility 2 1.Ton 5 M/C's.
Sigs. Sec.	33		2 3-ton Lorries 2 1-ton
W/Shops Sec	10	-	-
Bde. H.Q. Sigs W/Shops	2 Offr & 77		2 Cars D.S. 2 3-ton Lorries 1 1-ton 6 30-cwt Lorries 3 Utilities 11 M/C's.
Total	18 Offr. & 504 O.R.		

Convoy will form up in above order.

3. TIME TABLE: 16 APRIL 42:

Reveille			0445 hrs
Breakfast (M/T Park)			0515
Personnel & vehicles assemble vehicle park			0600
Complete Loading			0630
Assemble in convoy order in Birkinshaw Ave by			0650
Move off			0700
Stage 1st night	BORDERTOWN	-	181 miles
2nd night	ARARAT	-	157 miles
3rd night	SEYMOUR	-	167 miles
4th night	ALBURY	-	129 miles
5th night	YASS	-	187 miles
6th night	INGLEBURN	-	110 miles

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4. ROUTE: From assembly point to MELBOURNE RD. via Magill Road, turn left to Kent Terrace at Maid and Magpie Hotel and proceed past Racecourse to Glen Osman Rd.

5. SPEED & DENSITY: First Convoy - 12 m.i.h.; 18 v.t.m.
Second Convoy - 20 m.i.h.; 18 v.t.m.
Halt 10 minutes in hour.

6. LOADING: Excess loading will be distributed over whole convoy. Personnel to be at M/T Park by 0600 hrs.

7. FIRST (SLOW) CONVOY: Will move off at 0400 hrs under orders to be issued by Lieut.Crawford. 4 O.Rs. from W/Shops Sec will travel with slow convoy and will carry rifles.

8. SECURITY: Will be responsibility of Section etc Commanders.

9. DRESS: S.D. with hats, fur, felt looped. Webbing equipment, water bottle filled.

10. ADMINISTRATION: (a) P.O.L. & water etc. will be picked up at staging are
(b) Rations will be supplied at staging camps. Midday ration will be carried on the person for midday meal 16 Apr 42.
(c) Medical arrangement will be in hands of R.M.O.
(d) COMMUNICATION en route will be per D/R.
(e) Time - watches will be synchronised with C.O. before moving off.
(f) Telephones All private and official calls must be finalised at billet by evening 15 Apr 42.

11. ACK

12. Time of Signing.....

Capt.
Adjt. 2 Aust. Hy. A.A. Regiment.

DISTRIBUTION:
(1) C.O. 2 Aust. Hy. A.A. Regiment
(2) H.Q. 1 Aust. A.A. Bde.
(3-8) 6 Aust. Hy. A.A. Battery
(9) 2 Aust. Hy. A.A. Regiment Signals Section
(10) 2 Aust. Hy. A.A. Regiment Workshops Section
(11) R.M.O.
(12) Q.M.
(13) Adjt.
(14) War Diary.
(15) File.

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R.A.F. Form 96A
S.575A. (Naval)
(Amended A.I.F.)

MESSAGE FORM

Office Serial No.....

Call IN and :— Preface OUT	Copies to :- Comd. A. Q. 1 AA Bde. ✓	No. of Groups GR	Office Date Stamp

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TO* PADDINGTON AUSTBASE ADELAIDE MILDISTRICT ADELAIDE MILCOMMAND MILCOMMAND

FROM* | Originator's Number | Date | In reply to Number and Date

MOVEMENT	ORDER	HQ	ONE	AUST
AA BDE	SIGNAL	SECTION	WKSHOP	SECTION
(.)	HQ	2 AUST	HY AA	REGT
6 BTY	SIGNAL	SECTION	AND	WKSHOP
SECTION	LESS	DETAILS	(.)	MOVEMENT
BY	ROAD	APPROXIMATELY	CARRIED	PERSONNEL
WITH	108	VEHICLES	COMPRISING	MATADORS 8
~~xx~~ GUNS 8	2 TRAILERS 11	12 LIGHT	VANS 15	15 LORRIES 66
~~XX~~ (.)	DEPART	ADELAIDE	AREA	THURSDAY
APR 16th	PROCEED	BY	FOLLOWING	STAGES
1st DAY	ADELAIDE	TO	BORDERTOWN	181 MILES
2nd DAY	ARARAT	157 MILES	3rd DAY	SEYMOUR
167 MILES	4th DAY	ALBURY	129 MILES	5th DAY
YASS	187 MILES	6th DAY	ARRIVE	INGLEBURN
110 MILES	(.)	RATIONS	AND	FUEL
WILL	BE	SUPPLIED	AT	STAGES
SOUTHERN	AND	EASTERN	COMDS	(.)
AUSTBASE	TO	ADVISE	NUMBER	PERSONNEL
TO	BE	MOVED	BY	RAIL
(.)				

This message must be sent **AS WRITTEN** and may§.....be sent by **W/T**
Signature

This message must be sent **IN CIPHER** and may §.....be sent by **W/T.**
Signature

Originator's Instructions* Degree of Priority*
IMPORTANT

TIME OF ORIGIN 0720/GMT

T.O.R.

T.H.1 2315

§ Originator to insert "NOT" if message is not to go by W/T over any part of the route. (Below this line is for Signals use only)

System in	Time in	Reader	Sender	System out	Time out	Reader	Sender	System out	Time out	Reader	Sender

* **The Signal Department** is responsible that these details are transposed to the appropriate portion of the message form and that all possibility of compromising distinguishing signals, etc., by omitting to remove their signification from the address, etc., is avoided. Before delivery of the message these details are to be re-inserted in P/L.

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No 32

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS		No of Groups GR	DATE STAMP
	IN 1AA BDE		15 APR 1942
	OUT		

TO 1 Aust AA Bde rptd 2 Aust Hy AA Regt , Milbase Adelaide, MC Adelaide, ADST Milbase Adelaide

~~Copies direct to :- Comd, "G", "A", "Q", "Q(M)", ADOS, ADES, ADAS, ADST, 2 Sch, Finance Sec, Base PO, Base Area Sigs~~

FROM	Originator's Number	DATE	In reply to number
Ausbase Adelaide	59/B	15	

HQ 1 Aust AA Bde Sig Section and Wkshop Section plus HQ 2 Aust Hy AA Regt 6 Bty Sig Section and Wkshop Section will move by road ex ADELAIDE beginning 0700 hrs on 16 Apr (.) First (.) strength main body personnel 524 vehs 82 M/C 20 rear party personnel 24 vehs 13 M/C 1 (.) Second (.) Route D1 BORDERTOWN 181 miles D2 ARARAT 157 miles D3 SEYMOUR 167 miles D4 ALBURY 129 miles D5 YASS 187 miles D6 INGLEBURN 110 miles (.) Third (.) Adm normal carry 3 days reserve rations POL sufficient 200 miles

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means.	If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands this message must be sent IN CIPHER.	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time of Origin
	B H Downes Capt.	IMPORTANT	1515

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APPENDIX "F"

WAR DIARY - HQ I AUST AA BDE

APRIL 1942

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Appx F.

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No 14

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN / OUT	No of Groups GR	DATE STAMP

TO

1 Aust AA Bde rptd 1 Aust Lt AA Regt Wkshop

Copies direct to : Milbase A DELAIDE, A DST Milbase ADELAIDE, MC ADELAIDE, Traffic Mgr S.A. Rys, Comd, 'G', 'A', 'Q', Q (M), ADOS, ADES, A DSI, A DMS, 2 Ech, Base P.O., Base Area Sigs, Finance Sec

FROM	Originator's Number	DATE	In reply to number
Ausbase ADELAIDE	Q 75/B	21	

1 Aust Lt AA Regt wkshop strength personnel 20 vehs 3 trailers 2 M/Cs 1 move by rd and rail to DARWIN as follows (.)

Rd party move ADELAIDE to TEROWIE 0800 hrs Thursday 23 Apr (.)

Onward move TEROWIE to DARWIN, consignment notes, rail warrants arranged by MC ADELAIDE (.) Adm normal 2 days reserve rations POL sufficient 200 miles to be carried

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means.	If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands this message must be sent IN CIPHER.	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time of Origin
	B. H. Travis Capt.	IMPORTANT	1100

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											T.O.R.

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July and Sept 1942

A stock-take of war diaries commenced in 1956 revealed that an ORIGINAL diary covering the above period was missing. This diary, previously registered as a DUPLICATE, has therefore been re-registered as an ORIGINAL.

An entry to this effect has been made in the War Diary Register.

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DUPLICATE

Unit SIGS.1 AUST A. A. BDE *Date and Time.—From* 8 JUL 42 *To* 18 JUL 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
SYDNEY	8 Jul 42		Controlled Signal Stores and personal equipment released from Ordnance for Signal Detachment moving to MORESBY.	
	9 Jul 42		Communications established with new G.L. at site G2 SYDNEY.	
	10-11Jul 42		Maintenance carried out on Searchlight communications in KEMBLA area.	
	12 Jul 42		Authority received to raise 111 Lt. A. A. Regt. Sig. Section on amended strength of 1 and 38 (C.S.O. N.S.W. L of C.7382) S.O. in C. inspected SYDNEY G.O.R.	
	13 Jul 42		Improvements to KEMBLA G.O.R. proceeding.	
	14 Jul 42		Detachment of 16 men including and in charge of Lieut. D. Maguire ~~embarked for PORT MORESBY.~~ S.O. in C. inspected G.L. site G2 and Gunsite H3	
	15 Jul 42		Signal diagrams for G.O.R's SYDNEY, NEWCASTLE and KEMBLA submitted to C.S.O. N.S.W. L of C. area for approval.	
	16 Jul 42		Routine maintenance carried out. Training of personnel of 111 Lt. A. A. Regt. Sig. Section continued.	
	17 Jul 42		Maintenance carried out on all vehicles and equipment at KEMBLA.	
	18 Jul 42		Two candidates sent to school for telephone mechanics, Sigmn. Bateman and Jacombs.	

D L Smith Maj.
Comd. Sigs. 1 Aust. A.A. Bde.

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Unit SIGS, 1 AUST A. A. BDE. Date and Time.—From 19 Jul 42 To 22 Jul 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
SYDNEY	19 Jul 42		Major Smith left for L. H. Q. Proposed new war establishments for Sigs. 1 AUST. A. A. BDE and Sigs, A. A. FIXED DEFENCES submitted to C.S.O. N.S.W. L of C. Area.	
	20 Jul 42		Classes commenced for N.C.O's and prospective N.C.O's including practical training and lectures, (MON & WED.) Morses classes for all ranks commenced (Tues.& Fri.) at premises of W.E.S.C. Work suspended in connection with new KEMBLA G.O.R. owing to decision of L.H.Q. not to proceed with building.	
	21 Jul 42		Authority given by C.S.O. N.S.W. L of C. area for use of two pairs of Fortress Sigs. Cable for alternative gun lines at KEMBLA. Proposals for new war establishments for Sigs. 1 AUST A. A. BDE, and Sigs. A. A. FIXED DEFENCES, N.S.W. L of C area submitted, at L.H.Q. - also requests for trained reinforcements, allocation of W/T sets and transport for N.S.W. A. A. defences.	
	22 Jul 42		101 Hy. A. A. Regt. Sig. Sec. disbanded and personnel allotted to 110 and 111 Lt. A. A. Regt. Sig. Secs. 110 Lt. A. A. Regt. Sig. Sec formed (authority - C.S.O. N.S.W. L. of C. Area 21 Jul 42, 141753). S/Sgt. Dimmack detached for duty as A. i/c of 110 Lt. A. A. Regt. Sig. Sec. Total available strength 20 ORs. HQ located at 129 Macquarie Street, SYDNEY. 111LT. A. A. Regt. Sig. Sec. formed,(authority C.S.O. N.S.W. L of C Area 11 July 42 7382). Lieut. R.W. Sawyer detached for duty as A.O/C. Total strength available 1 offrs. and 28 ORs. HQ. located at NEWCASTLE.	

D.B. Smith Maj.
Comd. Sigs. 1 Aust. A.A. Bde.

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DUPLICATE

MONTH

YEAR

A.I.F. FORM C 2118A

WAR DIARY

(RENDER UNDER SECRET COVER)

UNIT

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PLACE	DATE	SUMMARY OF EVENTS Routine training details and information given in Casualty Returns are NOT required	REFERENCES TO APPENDICES	C.O's. REPORT AND COMMENTS ON MONTH (On Operations, Equipment, Movement, Health, Administration, etc.)

SIGS, 1 AUST A. A. BDE.

23 Jul 42 — 30 Jul 42

SYDNEY

23 Jul 42

Information received that SYDNEY No. 1 Fighter Sector H.Q. was to be moved within one week to BANKSTOWN.

24 Jul 42

Arrangements made with C.S.O. for installations of essential lines between G.O.R. and S.O.R. and the new Fighter Sector H.Q. No information yet available as to exact date of change-over but Signals,(R.A.A.F.) indicated 4 Aug. 42.

25 Jul 42

Lieut. S. Hardy, formerly in charge of NEWCASTLE detachment returned to Sigs. SYDNEY FIXED DEFENCES.

26 Jul 42

Commenced installing apparatus loud speaking for Gun Sites at KEMBLA.

27 Jul 42

12 OR's from 111 Regt. (gunner telephonists) sent to 111 Regt. Sig. Sec. for training as telephonists under control O.C. Sig. Sec.
Administrative communications installed for new A.A.D.C. H.Q. at WOLLONGONG.

28 Jul 42

Copies of L.H.Q. instruction SM 9993 (Signal Security) distributed to all A.A. groups and units in N.S.W. L of C. area.

29 Jul 42

Request received from 25 Hy. A.A. Bty RICHMOND for communications to light guns.
Apparatus loud speaking completed at gun site Hl. Tested and working satisfactorily.

30 Jul 42

Capt. Woodward visited RICHMOND re communications from Bomber Ops Rm. to Bofors guns.
Request received from 2 A.A. Regt. Sig. Sec. BRISBANE for keys for switchboards for BRISBANE, G.O.R.

Signature D.S. Quick Maj
Comd. Sigs. 1 Aust A.A. Bde

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JULY Month
1942 Year

A.I.F. Form C 2118A

WAR DIARY

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SIGS. 1 AUST A.A. BDE
Unit

PLACE	DATE	SUMMARY OF EVENTS Routine training details and information given in Casualty Returns are NOT required	REFERENCES TO APPENDICES
SYDNEY	31 Jul 42	Liasion with P.M.G. re urgent construction of switchboard equipment for QUEENSLAND L of C. Indication point to a three months programme before BRISBANE area communications reconstructed in accordance with this H.Q. ideas. Lieut. D. Maguire taken on strength of Sigs. 1 AUST. A. A. BDE as from 26 April 42.	

ATTACHMENTS.
Monthly return to C.S.O. N.S.W. L. of C. area ref. R/21/4.

Field returns 4 Jul 42
11 Jul 42
18 Jul 42
25 Jul 42

C.O's. REPORT AND COMMENTS ON MONTH
(On Operations, Equipment, Movement, Health, Administration, etc.)

See copy of report for month of July attached

Signature A. Smith Maj
Comd. Sigs. 1 Aust. A.A. Bde

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H. 100M 2/42

Unit Sigs 2/1 Aust A.A. Bde H.Q. with attached Sig Secs. 110 Aust Lt. AA Regt Sig Sec 111 " " " " " Date and Time.—From 1st September To ~~26th~~ 30 September 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
SYDNEY	Sep. 42 1		Maj. Smith visited Kembla and inspected A.A. Comns in that area.	
NEWCASTLE) KEMBLA)			General maintenance work on lines and instruments.	
SYDNEY	2		Maj. Smith attended C.S.O's conference re new G.O.R. comns.	
			Maintenance and Routine work.	
NEWCASTLE			Lieut Sawyer went to Muswellbrook for Sig stores.	
KEMBLA			Routine maintenance work.	
SYDNEY	3		Maj. Smith, Capt Thomas and R.A.A.F. Sig Officers reconnoitred	
			Bankstown Area in connection with line routes for new G.O.R.	
			Also carried out W/T tests.	
NEWCASTLE	3		Conference with P.M.G. mechanics re new lines to alternate GOR.	
KEMBLA	"		New S/L sites visited, and survey of new lines required made.	
SYDNEY	4		Men manning A.A.D., H.Q. switchboard, replaced by A.W.A.S.	
NEWCASTLE			Routine maintenance. Mr. Sawyer left for Sydney to confer with C.O.	
			Sgt. Peterson and 10 men left for Canterbury to join 157 Aust	

A.C. Smith Major
Comd. Sigs. 2/1 Aust. A.A. Bde.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
cont'd.	Sep 42.			
NEWCASTLE	4		Lt. A.A. Bty as their signal detachment.	
KEMBLA			Personnel and P.M.G. linesmen working on lines to new	
			searchlight positions.	
SYDNEY	5		Routine line work.	
NEWCASTLE			do	
KEMBLA			do	
SYDNEY	6		Capt. Thomas left for Newcastle with Mr. Sawyer. Proposed	
			new gun site at Roseville inspected.	
NEWCASTLE			Capt. Thomas arrived and checked records with Mr. Sawyer.	
KEMBLA			Routine maintenance	
SYDNEY	7		R.A.A.F. FSHQ commenced operations at Bankstown with 8 tie	
			lines to G.O.R.	
			H.Q. Section moved to new quarters in next door building	
			Macquarie Street, recently taken over by the Army.	

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Cont'd. NEWCASTLE	Sep 42. 7		Capt. Thomas and Lieut Sawyer spent day making a tour of	
			inspection of A.A. Signal installations. Regimental	
			telephonists School completed.	
KEMBLA			P.M.G. and our own personnel still working on new Searchlight	
			lines.	
SYDNEY	8		Capt. Thomas returned from inspection at Newcastle School of	
			Telephonists from 108 Aust Lt. A.A. Regt and 110 Aust Lt. A.A.	
			Regt commenced.	
NEWCASTLE			Members of Regimental Telephonists School, returned to unit.	
			Capt. Thomas returned to Sydney.	
KEMBLA			Routine Signal work.	
SYDNEY	9		Maj. Smith and Lieut Dimmack visited Garden Island and conferred	
			with Captain Spurgeon R.A.N., regarding provision of lines to	
			selected points on the waterfront, to allow naval vessels of	

E.E. Smith Major
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Cont'd. SYDNEY	Sep 42. 9		certain type to be connected direct to G.O.R. when in Port.	
			Maj. Smith left for Brisbane to visit 2/2 Aust Hy A.A. Regt.	
			Sig Sec.	
NEWCASTLE			Routine signal work.	
KEMBLA			do do	
SYDNEY	10		A.W.A.S. used on G.O.R. switchboards for first time. Capt.	
			Thomas and Lieut Dimmack saw Lt-Col Robinson re new positions	
			of majority of Sydney Searchlights.	
NEWCASTLE			Practice shoot by 3.7" A.A. guns. Provided R/T communication	
			with plane towing target.	
KEMBLA			Prepared Flagstaff heavy gun site for Loudspeaker control	
			system.	
SYDNEY	11		Capt. Thomas on behalf of C.S.O contacted P.M.G. Engineers	
			regarding the stationing of enough mechanics at G.O.R. to	

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Cont'd.	Sep 42.			
SYDNEY	11		enable a 24 hour shift to be maintained. Lieut Dimmack	
			Maj. Robinson and Maj. Wortham met at Willoughby C.O.R. to	
			discuss new internal layout.	
NEWCASTLE			Practice shoot with 3.7" A.A. guns. Provided R/T communication	
			with plane towing target.	
KEMBLA			Installed Gun Control Loudspeaker system at Flagstaff heavy	
			gun site.	
SYDNEY	12		C.S.O. rang regarding the loan of an officer to N.T. Force	
			Sigs. Maj. Smith with Brig Neylan's approval submitted	
			Lieut Sawyer's name. Installation of new wiring at Willoughby	
			Searchlight C.O.R. commenced.Lieut Diggins warned to be	
			ready to move to Newcastle with his section to take over from	
			Lieut Sawyer.	
NEWCASTLE KEMBLA			Routine signal work.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Cont'd.	Sep 42.			
SYDNEY	13		Lieut Diggins went to Newcastle to take over from Lieut.	
			Sawyer. New indicator light system at Willoughby Searchlight	
			C.O.R. completed.	
NEWCASTLE			Lieut Diggins arrived and commenced taking over from Lieut	
			Sawyer. Section on routine maintenance.	
KEMBLA			Routine maintenance.	
SYDNEY	14		Maj. Smith returned from visit to 2/2 Aust Hy A.A. Regt. Sig	
			Sec at Brisbane Q'land. Cable party sent to Clarendon to	
			lay line to new Command Post. Lieut Sawyer arrived from	
			Newcastle.	
NEWCASTLE			Lieut Sawyer left for Sydney en route to Darwin.	
KEMBLA			Routine Line work.	
SYDNEY	15		Advance party of 110 Aust Lt. A.A. Regt. Sig Sec. moved to	
			Newcastle. Lieut Sawyer leftfor Darwin on loan to N.T. Force	

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SYDNEY	15		under instructions from L.H.Q. School for telephonists from	
			110 & 108 Aust Lt. A.A. Regts completed.	
NEWCASTLE			Lieut Diggins completed checking and taking over of stores	
			in use, with Sgt. Marsh of 111 Aust Lt. A.A. Regt. Sig Sec.	
KEMBLA	15		Completed laying and connection of temporary line to new G.L.set.	
SYDNEY	16		Rear party of 110 Aust Lt. A.A. Regt. Sig Sec marched out to	
			Newcastle. 111 Aust Lt. A.A. Regt. Sig Sec rejoined the Regt.	
			at Canterbury Racecourse from Newcastle.	
NEWCASTLE			Lieut Diggins had conference with Lt-Col Manning, and Mr.	
			Leonard (P.M.G. Dept) re A.A. Communication.	
KEMBLA			Routine line maintenance.	
SYDNEY	17		Routine maintenance work.	
NEWCASTLE			Mr. Entwhistle (P.M.G. Dept Sydney) inspected internal	
			installation work at G.O.Rs & C.O.Rs with Lieut Diggins.	

D.S. Smith Major
Comd. Sigs. 2/1 Aust. A.A. Bde.

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Cont'd.	Sep. 42.			
KEMBLA	17		Routine line maintenance.	
SYDNEY	18		Lieut Macdougal of 2/1 Aust Lt. A.A. Regt. called to report	
			on his section's work at Darwin. Routine maintenance work.	
NEWCASTLE			Mr. Entwhistle (P.M.G.) continued his inspection with Lieut	
			Diggins.	
KEMBLA			Sigs Kembla Fixed Defences advised that lines granted to us in	
			a new P.M.G. cable to be used by us as alternate routes to	
			gun sites, would not be available after all.	
			Line laid to new Searchlight position.	
SYDNEY	19		Recce made of new H.Q. of 221 Aust Lt. A.A. Bty and lines	
			required to their gun sites.	
NEWCASTLE			Routine maintenance work.	
KEMBLA			do do	
SYDNEY	20		Routine maintenance.	

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NEWCASTLE	20		Lieut Diggins and Line Sgt. made recce of new Searchlight position.	
KEMBLA			Routine maintenance.	
SYDNEY	21		Maj. Smith took Lieut Macdougal (from Darwin) on inspection of Sydney G.O.R. Line party laid lines from Lt. A.A. guns in Bankstown Area to new local H.Q.	
NEWCASTLE			Routine maintenance.	
KEMBLA			On behalf of C.S.O. discussed alterate line routes with local line foreman (P.M.G.)	
SYDNEY	22		Routine signal maintenance	
NEWCASTLE			Do Do	
KEMBLA			Do Do	
SYDNEY	23		Recce of Broken Bay Area with a view to line routes for possible new Searchlight Coy establishing sites in that area.	

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Cont'd. NEWCASTLE	Sep 42. 23		P.M.G. mechanics commenced re-wiring of plotting tables in Searchlight Coy Ops Room, Hamilton.	
KEMBLA			Routine maintenance.	
SYDNEY	24		Advice received of proposal to discontinue P.M.G. mechanics maintaining a 24 hour shift in G.O.R. Matter immediately referred to C.S.O's office with the opinion that a 24 hour service is ESSENTIAL in G.O.R.	
NEWCASTLE			Routine line maintenance	
KEMBLA			Do Do	
SYDNEY	25		Line parties given instruction and tests on cable work.	
			5-12 cwt trucks released for use in N.S.W. Areas.	
NEWCASTLE			Commenced laying lines to new Searchlight positions.	
KEMBLA			Recovered temporary line to Searchlight position at Koon-awarra which is now connected by P.M.G. Private line.	

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SYDNEY	26		Inspected site of a new GL and arranged for necessary	
			lines from G.O.R.	
NEWCASTLE			Routine maintenance	
KEMBLA			Do Do	
SYDNEY	27		Routine maintenance	
NEWCASTLE			Line to new Heavy A.A. gun site at Tomago from G.O.R.	
			connected.	
KEMBLA			Routine line work.	
SYDNEY	28		Routine maintenance work.	
NEWCASTLE			Do do	
KEMBLA			Do Do	
SYDNEY	29		Recce at Bankstown area for location of new FSHQ and G.O.R.	
			attended by the following:-	

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SYDNEY	29		Group Capt. Wiggins RAAF	
			Wing Commander Bloomfield RAF	
			" " Curnow RAAF	
			Sqd. Ldr. Rose RAAF	
			Pilot Officer Sollieux RAAF	
			Brig. Neylan AADC NSW	
			Col. Tinkler CSO NSW	
			Maj. Smith SIGS AAD	
			Lieut Joy CSO'S Branch.	
			Lieut Turnbull L. OF C SIGS	
			Lieut Burrows O.C. G.O.R. AAD SYDNEY	
			Mr. Greenhalz P.M.Gs Dept.	
NEWCASTLE			Lieut Diggins and Mr. Turnbull (P.M.G.) conferred,	
			under instructions of C.S.O.s office, re lines to new Searchlight sites.	

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KEMBLA	29		Routine maintenance.	
SYDNEY	30		Temporary line laid from H.Q. AAD NSW L. of C. Area. to	
			Neilson Park gun site. Inspected gun site communications	
			in Bankstown Area.	
NEWCASTLE			Portion of line to one searchlight position destroyed	
			by fire. Line crew arrived; put fire out and relaid	
			burnt section.	
KEMBLA			Routine line maintenance.	

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