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# WAR DIARY

2/2 7D Regt.

Stationed at Amiriya — Capt Rebsamen RMO — December 1940

Dec 3-5

Divisional Exercise. "Box formations" again formed differently from previous exercises. R.A.P situated in centre of Box between rear & flank Battalions. As no casualties were allotted no difficulties were encountered.

Dec 12th

Regiment moved to Maaten Baggush by road. RAP truck at end of columns followed by motor ambulance from 2/1 7D Amb.

Dec 13th – 18th

At Maaten Baggush R.A.P. situated in Splinter proof dugout just to right of main road opposite ADS of 2/1 7D AMB. R.A.P. roomy and well constructed but in poor position for evacuation of casualties from 3rd Bty which was close to the sea. R.A.P. did not shift as stay at this area was not expected to be long.

Dec 16th

16th Aust Inf Brigade moved out with 2/1 7D and leaving 2/2 7D Regt in the "Cold" with respect to instructions for evacuation of sick and wounded. As no sick deemed, no difficulty was encountered practically, but R.M.O. was in a "cold sweat" thinking what might happen. 2/2 7D REGT R.H.Q. endeavoured to remedy situation without ~~other~~ rumour.

Dec 17th

Two toothache patients hurled at a British CCS four miles away. Could only make appointment for next day however.

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Dec 19th

½ 7th RegtS moved to SIDI BARRANI by road. Still no word with regard to Medical Arrangements. On arrival Bivouac Area found that 3 gunners had travelled from Maaten Baggush with 7th as they were eager to carry on with Regiment. After some difficulty in finding a Dressing Station the three patients were evacuated to a M.D.S in Sidi Barrani.

Dec 20th

Moved to Fort Capuzzi by road. Still no orders on medical side / situation. ~~Camp~~ R.A.P. situated 1000yds North / Fort and to left of main road.

Dec 21st

Found Batteries to be about 4 miles distant and about 2 miles apart. R.A.P. seemed to be definitely in wrong situation. Visited 3rd Bty A.id Post and found the area to be most uninviting, with regard to shelter. Ground was rocky which made digging hard. B.A.P. situated near Bty Command Post in rear / guns. 4th Bty shelled rather heavily. NO casualties excepting one case / nerves. Given some brandy, two Phenobarb Tabs and a warm "bed" for the night

Dec 22

Visited by A.D.M.S. Very comforting fact / he visited by A.D.M.S as all worries seem to evaporate after his visit. C.O. decided to shift R.A.P. up towards 3rd Bty positions about 2 miles north / Fort. Area bleak and lonely. Commenced to dig in the R.A.P.

4 Stretcher Bearers attached to R.A.P. from 2/1 FD AMB. These helped valuably with the work.

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Dec 23rd (contd) Area allotted to R.A.P. was in rear of 51st 7th Regt R.A. and about 2 miles from 3rd Bty.

Dec 23rd Six casualties (one chest, remainder leg wounds) from playing with an aerial bomb.

Digging in R.A.P. and sand bagging same.

Dec 24th 51st 7th Rgt moved out and 4th Bty moved into approximately that area evacuated by the 51st Fd Regt.

Still Digging in.

Dec 25th Xmas Day spent finishing off R.A.P.

Two "Pneumonia" cases one evacuated, the other kept in R.A.P. overnight.

Dec 26th Large amount of Medical "loot" brought to R.A.P. by enthusiastic gunners — Italian thermos splints dumps and Bexpted.

Dec 27th Bad tea given out to the Batteries, splints and dumps sent back to the Ambulance.

Visited 3rd Bty Med Post. 3rd Bty has been shelled heavily for past 4 days without any casualties but "nerves" of the gunners on edge. Sticking it out like Britons however.

Dec 28th Bde Medical Orderly recalled to R.A.P. and 3rd Bty orderly sent up to the R.A.P.

Dec 29th Visited by A.D.M.S. Very comforting.

Visited 4th Bty Med Post. Medical Orderly very relieved to find he had not been forgotten. 4th Bty have so appreciated their orderly that they made

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Dec 29th contd | him a Lance Bombadier with 1/- a day extra pay. At last Batteries are beginning to realise worth of their orderlies!

Dec 30th | Visited both Batts, Aid Posts. Nothing found important happening.

Dec 31st | Visited by Major Salter

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| El Amiriya. | Dec. 3,4,5. | 2/2 Fd Regt took part in 6 Aust Div exercise in Bahig area. Ma General McKay Divisional Commander C.O.Lt-Col Cremor.O.C. 4Bty Major Anthur A.E. Capt Jaboor,Capt Hiscock and Capt Wood acted as umpires. |
| El Amiriya | 6 | Major Arthur and Capt Jaboor left at 1130 Hrs for recce of D.F area and N.D. |
| El Amiriya | 9 | Advance party under Capt Bleby marched out of camp to Baquish area. Composition 42 all ranks. |
| El Amiriya | 12 | 2/2 Fd Regt came under 16 Inf.Bde. 2/2 Fd Regt moved to defens ive area distance of 140 kilos. Regiment arrived dusk same day. |
| | 13 | Regiment settled in. Swimming part held on beach. C.O. with major Arthur,Capt Jaboor and Lieut Lee left on recce of Western areas as far as Sidi-barrani and safafi. |
| | 16 | C.O. and party arrived back from recce. Unit received move- ment order,which was cancelled at 1900 Hrs. We were to have moved with 16 Inf.Bde. |
| | 17 | 16 Bde moved out to Sidi-barrani area. |
| | 18 | 2/2 Fd Regt put on two hours notice to move in warning order issued by Western Desert Force HQ. |
| SIDI-BARRANI | 19 | 2/2 Fd Regt moves by road to Sidi-barrani. Bivouaced at night about three miles west of town which was in ruins after the action of a few days previous. |
| | 20 | Move Eastward and Regiment issued with orders to occupy a position at night fall and be ready to shoot at first light. A little distance to cover,but the Unit was held up by much traffic on the road,and did not reach their position until dusk. RHQ established approx one mile north of Fort Capuzzo. The map spot of each Battery is at the moment. Ref. Salum 1,100,000. Third Battery 5160 3840 4 Bty. 5130 3850 RHQ 5140 3770. The Regiment marched with other Regiments in this order:- 51 Fd Regt. 2/2 Fd Regt. 104 Fd Regt. 237 Med.Bty(4.5 Guns) 27 Med.Regt(6" Hows). |

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Dec. 21. First day for Regiment in action. Enemy is holding Bardia defences with approx one Division and 20 Field guns and some medium guns. 3 Bty handicapped by range but 4 Bty using harrasing fire. O.P's shelled, OP.O's were forced to leave while ~~xxxxx~~ shelling lasted. Night of 21/22 Dec warning received that 16 Inf.Bde are patrolling the point up to Bardia defences from evening up till first light. Batteries ordered not to fire in their sectors during these hours. Harrasing fire shoots carried out until 2400 Hrs.

Dec. 22. No shooting this morning until first light. Batteries heavily shelled in two bursts at 0600 Hrs and at 0620 Hrs. No casualties from either of these. During last night O.P's were dug in and at noon today. 4 Bty Commander reported good shooting being done from them.

Dec.23. Nothing to report. Both Batteries manning O.P's and usual work proceeding. Lieut. D.G.Cox had some excitement when about 50 enemy were seen very close by O.P. he was occupying. Contact made with Bty. 17 Inf. Bde releived the situation by sending Bren Carrier to keep them away.

Dec. 24 Today the Regt spent a quiet morning the ammunition now being to 10 R.P.G. O.P.O's have been very disappointed at this but shooting has been good from reports. 4 Bty claim to have one high angle gun clouted which was seen firing. Both Btys still in same position as that occupied 21 Dec. First Canteen supplies arrived this afternoon. These are far under requirements but troops very pleased to see them. At 0800 hrs Regt fired harrassing fire along wire defences in conjunction with other regiments. Seemed taking back a bit of fire from enemy artillery.

Dec. 25 Xmas Day and it started with a heavy shelling of 3 Bty position. Rest of day was spent moderately quiet. O.P's had little to report. 4 Bty (DUCO) moved their position to these co-ordinates :-

D Troop - 517004 381619 185
F Troop - 516329 381628 185

Each of the troops have put a decoy gun approx 1000 yds ahead. ~~These~~
These are placed as indicated :- D Tp decoy 517041 382424 185

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Dec. 25 (contd) F Tp decoy 516331 382501 185. These guns are used for ranging purposes and they are connected by wire to remainder of the troop and fire for effect if fired by these. This may lead to confuse the enemy and to the real position, and as the number of guns in that part.

In the evening the Regt fired a harrassing fire at 1800 hrs in amongst the wire defences. During the night 4 Bty dug in an O.P. on the forward slope of the ridge at ~~1533~~ 5133 3862 (ref. Map BARDIA SOUTH 1.50,000).

Dec. 26 Another fairly quiet daywith a little more air activity. Formation of 9 bombers escorted by many fighters flew over our area bombing the BARDIA - CAPUZZO Road as they passed. O.P's report that they have had very little activity and any movement seen was mainly made by small targets of infantry which were really not worth while targets. Lieut. C.R.Nethercote to H.Q. 2 Queens (16 Bde Brit) as Liason Officer.

Dec. 27 During the night 26/27 both Btys dug in and camouflaged O.P's on the forward slope of ridge. These new O.P's are situated as follows :- 4 Bty 5212 3845 - 3 Bty 5202 3843. By daylight however these O.P's did not give a decent note of observation and from 3 Bty Lieut. Cox crawled forward another 200 yds approx. almost to some earthworks said to be unoccupied.

Lieut. C.R.Nethercote still ~~XXXX~~ L.O. with 2 Queens. Other than above it has been another quiet day as far as gunnery is concerned. About 1600 hrs a strong formation of Italian Bombers with large escort of fighters flew over area. At least two bombers came to earth in flames much to the enjoyment of everyone here. It looked as if one was brought down by our fighters and the second by A.A. fire. As far as can be seen all our A.A. guns opened fire whether in large range or not, including two BOfer guns attached to the Regt. These guns have been allotted one each Bty for A.A. purposes. They belong to the 1 Light A.A. Regt R.A.

Dec. 28 Quiet day with nil reports both morning and night. Usual counter Bty flash spotting from O.P's continued through the day. A high wind was blowing from the South which caused a gale of dust which obscured the front from the O.P's.

Dec. 29 The restriction in ammunition makes life dull for O.P's. Today however 4 Bty reports the knocking of two observation ladders and 3 Bty an O.P. on a slight rise suspected of trying to flash spot on gun positions. In the afternoon R.H.Q. moved its position to the site of 17 Inf Bde at 5170 3777

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Dec 29 (contd) alongside LIBYAN-EGYPTIAN Frontier fence. This Regt is now in support of 17 Inf Bde. Major Young has transferred to 2/1 Fd Regt, and Major Dyke becomes 2 i/c.

Dec. 30 Another dusty day and unfavourable for O.P. work. During the evening an enemy fighting patrol came into contact with D Coy, 2/6 Bn and a short scrap ensued. The conclusion made was that the patrol may have been sent out to look for A Troop 3 Bty. The whole Bty was withdrawn to a position 1000 yds in rear of 4 Bty as it was considered unsafe for them to remain there.

Dec. 31 3 Bty moved up at first light to the old position. Again today the Lysander of the R.A.F. an army co-operation plane passed over these lines to spot for Medium Bty. It is quite a familiar site now, and there have been many expressions of admiration for him. From where we are we can see A.A. bursting around him but no noticeable effect. Nil report.

Jan. 1 41. New Years day but still very little doing. Everyone anticipates the battle to come but the front is still quiet. During the day Lieut. D.F.Eddy took 6 tractors out to get Italian Guns for use as dummies. He managed to get back with 2 - 8.5 CMs and 1 - 105 mm. Nil report.

Jan. 2 During day C.O. and Adjutant attended conference for preparation for Battle

Jan. 3 of Bardia. Zero hour Battle of Bardia 0530 hrs today (Task tables and traces in the appendix). Regt had two F.O.O's, Lieut. C.R. Nethercote and Lieut. A.M.Henderson with 2/5 and 2/6 Bns respectively. Lieut. Henderson equipped with Vickers Carrier. During morning Lieut. Nethercote whilst working with forward Coy of 2/6 Bn was killed by shellfire. Lieut. Crute took his place. Also missing Major A.E.Arthur, Lieut. J.Crawford and Gnr. P.Russell. At moment news of these is very vague but there is a possibility of them having been wounded by grenades and taken prisoner. O.P's were manned by Capt. Bleby for 4 Bty besides F.O.O., and Capt. R.E.McPherson and Lieut. A.Mair besides F.O.O. for 3 Bty. 3 Bty was heavily shelled during firing of the task in the morning by medium btys but although there were many narrow shaves there were no casualties.

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Jan.4. 1941. Battle of Bardia continues, but besides doing their bit during the battle itself the Batteries seem to have had a quite day as far as enemy shelling is concerned. Day mostly spent in support of 2/6 Btn. which is having a tough time on right of sector. Most trouble save ~~enemy~~ part of enemy front line is around Post.11. which is said to be inpregnable from the front. During the day however parts of the 2/5 Btn. got well to the rear of the pest. O.PO's during the day were Lieut A. Mair 3 Bty Capt Bleby and Lieut Barnden of 4 Bty as F.O.O. with 2/5 Btn. was Lieut Henderson, but owing to trouble with wireless, communication was bad and not use because of it. During the morning with the Vickers carrier he was able to rope in prisoners and, hand them over to the 2/5 Btn. Sometime after that his engine broke down and he was able to transfer his set to Italian Artillery tractor. There were no casualties during the day from this Regiment.

Jan.5. Still with 17 Inf Bde and in support of 2/6 Btn. Post 11 still holding out. With 0900 Hrs as zero hour the Regiment took part in series of concentration to coincide with attack of 19 Inf Bde which was brought up during the night. After this, resistance by the Italians ended quickly and by noon ~~friday~~ fighting was finished. Three missing members of the Regiment were found. Major A.E. Arthur wounded in the legs, Lieut J.Crawford wounded in several places by the splinters and Gne.P.Russell was unhurt. Major Arthur had gone forward to improve his range of observation and ~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ occupied a sangar with a roof With the other two beneath with the phone he was observing from the roof until forced into sangar with machine-gun fire. Soon after a hand grenade was flung in and the two officers were carried away wounded, and Russell unharmed as a prisoner. They were all found today and Russell returned to the Unit.

Jan.6. Spent in cleaning and maintenance. We have obtained many Italian vehicles Units can claim these vehicles to replace ~~xxx~~ unserviceable ones or to make up number to war establishment. Owing to among other things, casualties among officers there has been a reshuffle of jobs. This is the position as from 7.1.41.

R.H.Q. Lt-Col. W.E. Cremor.
2 i/c Major L.G.H. Dyke.
Q.M. Capt. J.T. Duncan.
Adjt. Lieut. G.Mc.L. Lee.
O.O. Lieut. A.M. Henderson
Survey officer ~~xxxx~~ Capt. L.G. Parkinson

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Jan. 7. Spent in bivouac at Bardia.battle position.
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3 Bty.

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| B.C. | Capt. R.F. Jaboor. |
| B.Capt. | Capt. F.H. Wood. |
| C.P.O. | Lieut. C.V.I. Barnden. |
| A/CPO | Lieut. P.S.Whitelaw. |
| W.L.O. | Lieut. D.F.Eddy. |

A TROOP

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| Capt; | R.E. McPherson. |
| Lieut. | H. Sutton. |
| Lieut. | M. Edwards. |

B. TROOP

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| Lieut. | A. Mair |
| Lieut. | J. Fetherstonehaugh |
| Lieut. | D. Kater. |

4 Bty.

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| Capt. | W.R.G. Hiscock. |
| Capt. | G. Bleby. |
| Lieut. | J.A.R.K. Strong. |
| Lieut. | J. Fleming. |
| Lieut. | E.R. Crute. |

D TROOP

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| Lieut. | D.G. Cox. |
| Lieut. | A.E. Pitts. |
| Lieut. | R.T. Eason. |

F. TROOP

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| Lieut. | J.C. Tatchell. |
| Lieut. | H.C Hamilton. |
| Lieut. | F.J. Young. |

Jan. 10. Regiment moved to Bivouac area 37 kilos from Tobruck. Constant recce for four days by C.O. 2 i/c and B.C's,both south of main road and north of it.

Jan. 13. 3 Bty occupied positions on north of road. Move commenced 0800 Hrs.

Jan. 14. R.H.Q. moved into position commencing at 1600 Hrs. 4 Bty moved in commencing at 2300 Hrs.

Jan. 15. No registration. Recce of O/P's. Too dusty to shoot. One O.P. occupied by both batteries at night.

Jan. 16. One gun of 4 Bty sent into position south of road to shoot up POLE SITTERS One ladder O.P. definately shot down. Very little shooting.

Jan. 17. Task carried out by Regiment at 0530 Hrs.

Jan. 18. Very little activity due to dust. R.H.Q. less Q branch,R.S.M. and clerks moved over to 17 Bde H.Q.

Jan. 19. Some shooting in the morning,but conditions too bad in afternoon.

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Jan. 19. Battery areasslightly shelled during afternoon.
(Contd). Vicinity of R.H.Q. bombed at 2200 Hrs.
Jan. 20. Preparation for battle of Tobruck.
Jan. 21. Zero hour, battle of Tobruck 0540 Hrs. Ref.Map. 1,50,000 Red Overprin Verbal orders, task table and traces in appendix. Regiment sent Lieut Tatchelland Lieut Cox as F.O.O's working with 2/7 Btn patrol in Wadi Zelia area, fire of one Battery if required also Lieuts Mair, Crute and working with 2/6 Btn patrol to engage enemy Battery post near coast, and to exploit Wadi Cheteitra. O.P's were manned by Capt McPherson of 3 Bty and Lieut Cox for 4 Bty. Infantry moved forward capturing objectives as schedule. F.O.O. 3 Bty reported through to coast and post 101 capitulated. No enemy left in Wadi Zitundelia, also reprted prisoners captured including some sailors. R.H.Q. moved forward at 1000 Hrs to post 75 inside perimeterwith 17 Bde HQ. Afternoon was quiet with Infantry proceeding on all points towards Tobruck.

Jan. 22. Regiment remained in support of 17 Bde. F.O.O's Lieuts Tatchell and Mair who ~~recorded shots~~ received splinters through his carrier, he captured 40 prisoners. 3 Bty were shelled and F Troop was shelled by heavy stuff. O.P. occupied by Capt McPherson and Lieut Cox. Few rounds fired by 3 Bty at fleeting opportunity targets and 4 Bty targets. Infantry ordered to bottle up heads of Wadis and 2/2 to lay fire when necessary and cover the moves of the patrol of the 2/6 Btn, who moved on west side of Wadis. The whole resistence od Italians ended quickly. No casualties during battle of members of Regiment. R.H.Q. ordered to move from post 75 at 1700 Hrs to point on the Tobruck road inside perimeter. New R.H.Q. to be established in H.B. buildings on coast, darkness cauded arrival delay.

Jan. 23. Conditions improved area R.H.Q. and Batteries moved nearby. Carried out maintenance and reconditioning and cleaning.

Remained in this area. Pay drawn from D.A. at Tobruck area.

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Jan. 25. Pay distributed during morning and canteen obtained and sent for goods.

Jan. 26. Church service at 1100 Hrs held in R.H.Q. buildings. Report confirmed that German dive bombers in Libya. Cautions taken received warning order to be ready to move 27 Jan.

Jan. 27. Bivouac recce parties moved 0550 Hrs and contacted staff captain at Gazala. Regiment followed and occupied allotted area. Road movement difficult, traffic congestion and dust ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ bad. R.H.Q. established in hut usual dispersion of all vehicles. Canteen supplies difficult to obtain. Wind and dust continued till after mid-night. Time spent in settling in.

Jan.28. Wind and dust cleared by 0800 Hrs. Maintenance by Batteries. C.O. Adjt and B.C's moved 1330 Hrs with two days rations in direction of Machilli. Information of enemy land mines near this area. Orders received 1830 Hrs. Units to be prepared to move first light 29 Jan, all preparations made. Orders received 2100 Hrs. Recce party each battery R.V. at advanced H.Q. 19 Aust Inf Bde astride road north of MATUBA to meet C.O. Both parties arranged to leave 0900 Hrs 29 Jan. Latter orders advised Units to be prepared to move at 0700 Hrs 29 Jan; all preparations made and batteries advised of all details.

Jan. 29. Move commenced 0845 Hrs in direction of MARTUBA, interval ordered between vehicles not maintained caused delay to Infantry. Arrived area south of Derna, and bivouaced for night by 1800 Hrs 30 Jan.

Jan. 30. Enemy reported retreat in direction of ~~Crovenni~~ GIOVANNI Berta, our Infantry moved swiftly in their advance west. Lack of information caused day to be quiet on R.H.Q. 1545 Hrs. C.O. ordered R.H.Q. for approx 5 miles. Both Batteries had previously moved forward in bound by troops. A Troop remained half a mile forward of R.H.Q. Bivouac area one mile further west. 2/1 Fd Regt were noticed also engineers who reported mine fields exploded along the road.

Feb. 1. R.H.Q. complete move 0800 Hrs 6 miles west and joined 17 Bde. reported to C.O. who was with them for night. Both batteries

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Feb.1. (Contd) concentration in Wadi north of its position caused 400 P.W. to come out and head to our Infantry. Day otherwise quiet.

Feb.2. Conference of officers at 0540 Hrs with C.O. who moved forward and contacted batteries who were in action and fired a few ranging rounds on Fort approx 5 miles south of ~~Grovammi~~ GROVANNI Berta. R.H.Q. moved forward before mid-day and passed through bath batteries and reported to C.O. at Grovanni Berta at 1630 Hrs. The town was evacuated and Fort deserted R.H.Q. Passed through Infantry out side-the town. Slight bombing by foreign planes took place in area south of fort with no damage. Brigade were contacted at 1930 Hrs, and early move ordered. Road traffic was intense all the way into Grovammi Berta, and Infantry using road held up advance. Bivouaced for the nigth with orders to be ready to move at 0830 Hrs.

Feb.3. Order of march arranged 2/2 Btn, 3 Bty, 4 Bty R.H.Q. etc, but long delays occured by Infantry not crossing start line on time, and other vehicles breaking into convoy. Eventually moved along good road to El Gehab and bivouaced in area allotted. Heavy rains at 2000 Hrs caused STORES to suffer.

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TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

Army Form W.3008.
(Page 1.)
(Adapted.)

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/2 Fd. Regiment.
.....(*Unit*)

## PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

| 1 Ranks. | 2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | 3 Surplus to Establishment. | 4 Reinforcements required (*i.e.* deficits on establishment). |
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| Lieut.-Colonels ... ... | 3 | - | - |
| Majors ... ... ... | 6 | - | 3 |
| Captains ... ... ... | 24 | 5 | - |
| Lieutenants ... ... | - | - | - |
| 2nd Lieutenants ... ... | 1 | - | - |
| Quartermasters ... ... | | | |
| TOTALS ... ... ... | 35 | 5 | 3 |

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

## PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

### Officers JOINED during week.

| Rank. | Name. | Corps. | Date. | Cause. |
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| Lieut | Hamilton R.C. | A.I.F. | 2.12.40. | Marched in from Arty. Trng. Regt. T.O.E. 2.12.40. |
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### Officers QUITTED during week.

| Rank. | Name. | Corps. | Date. | Cause. |
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## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

| Rank. | Name and Initials. | Corps. | Remarks (*e.g.*, present whereabouts, if known) |
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## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

**(i) Officers posted to Unit** (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

| 1 Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held. | 2 Personal Number. | 3 Name and Initials. | 4 Corps. | 5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No). | 6 If not present with Unit, state how employed. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lt.-Col. | VX 86 | Cremor W.B. C.O. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Major. | VX 90 | Young J.C.L. 2 i/c | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Major. | VX 89 | Dyke L.G.H. B.C. | A.I.F. | No. | H.M.T.S. ARTABRIA |
| Major. | VX 83 | Arthur A.S. D.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 84 | Blamey M.R. Adjt. | A.I.F. | No. | H.M.S.S. HAIFA. |
| Capt. | VX 90 | Jaboor R.F. B.Coy. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 65 | Wood F.H. A/B.Coy. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 87 | Duncan J.T. Q.M. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 107 | Syme J.D. Tp.C. | A.I.F. | No. | Attached to R.A.A for duty. |
| Capt. | SX 1454 | Bleby G.W. Tp.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 102 | Hiscock W.H.G. D.Coy. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 77 | Tatchell J.C. MLO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 70 | Coz R.G. CPO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 54 | Parkinson L.G. S.O. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 69 | Muir A. CPO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 94 | Nethercote C.N. Tp.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 85 | Brendon C.W.I. ADC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 86 | Eddy D. WTO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 100 | North J.A. Tp.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 102 | Strong L.A.R.K. SO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 351 | Macpherson R.E. CPO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 350 | Henderson A.M.D. CPO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 325 | Lee C.H. A/Adjt. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 13928 | Pitts A.E. S.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3306 | Fleming J. S.C | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 5154 | Kater D.E. S.C | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3205 | Edwards M.B. S.C | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3395 | Sutton R. S.C | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3411 | Fetherstonehaugh R. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3315 | Crawford J.M. S.C | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 998 | Kabos R.T. SC. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 873 | Young F.J. S.C | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 1531 | Crute E.W. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 97 | Whitelaw P.S. CO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 14683 | Hamilton A.C. S.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |

**(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.**

| Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held. | Personal Number. | Name and Initials. | Corps | Date of attachment. | Nature of attachment. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capt. | VX 220 | | | | |
| ~~VX 220~~ | ~~Capt.~~ | Refshange H.D. | A.I.F. | 11.12.39. | R.M.O. |
| Lieut. | VX 304 | Gurnett L.G. | A.I.F. | 29.2.40 | L.A.D(40) |
| Chaplain. | VX 319 | Tyler W.R. | A.I.F. | 11.11.39. | |
| Asst.Lieut. | VX 1277 | Roberts J.E. | A.I.F. | 17.6.40. | "G" Sec.Sigs. |

2/2 Fd.Regiment. (Unit.)

(Signature of Commander.)

7 December 1940 (Date of Despatch.)

R.A.A. 6 Aust.Div. A.I.F. (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Unit). 19 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units)

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

| Detail. | Posted strength (existing against Authorised establishment (excluding attached). | Surplus to Establishment. | Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments). |
|---|---|---|---|
| W.Os. Class I. | | | |
| W.Os. Class II. | | | |
| Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Sergeants OR Colour-Sergeants | | | |
| Staff Sergeants | | | |
| Sergeants | | | |
| Buglers, Trumpeters, etc. | | | |
| Corporals | | | |
| Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc. | | | |
| TOTALS | | | |

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W. 3009.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

| Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. | Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. |
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## Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials | Corps. | Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known). |
|---|---|---|---|---|
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# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/2 Fd.Regiment. (Unit). 7 December 1940 19 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Detail. | Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | Surplus to Establishment. | Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments). |
| W.Os. Class I. | 1 | - | - |
| W.Os. Class II. | 8 | - | 1 |
| Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants | 2 | - | - |
| Staff Serjeants | - | - | - |
| Serjeants | 24 | - | 8 |
| Buglers, Trumpeters, etc. | 5 | - | 4 |
| Corporals | 56 | - | 5 |
| Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc. | 406 | - | 37 |
| TOTALS | 502 | * - | * 55 |

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

| Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. | Detail. | Units and Corps to which they belong. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sgt. Melrose F. | L.A.D.(40) | Sgt. Harnett J. | "G" Sec.Sigs. |
| Cpl. Muffett C.W. | " " | Cpl. Brodie W.D. | " " " |
| Pte. French L. | " " | Cpl. Roberts R.N. | " " " |
| " Brown J.C. | " " | Sig. Warren T. | " " " |
| " Arnold C.P. | " " | " Maley A.T. | " " " |
| " Alexandria A. | " " | " Coe J.D. | " " " |
| Cpl. Hoskin A.R. | " " | " Roberts J.P. | " " " |
| Pte. Ripper W.D. | " " | " Schurman R. | " " " |
| L/Cpl. Barlow F.J. | " " | " Roberts J. | " " " |
| Pte. Byrne G.J. | " " | " Keylock A.J. | " " " |
| " Cuddihy | " " | " Miller A.W. | " " " |
| | | " Porter R.B. | " " " |

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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|---|---|---|
| Sig. Hudges R.T. | "G" Sec. | 6 Aust.Div. Sigs. |
| " Roberts E. | " " | " " " |
| " Fitzpatrick J.C. | " " | " " " |
| " Jackson G. | " " | " " " |
| " Meares A. | " " | " " " |
| " Mitchell F.W. | " " | " " " |
| " Simpson J.C. | " " | " " " |
| " Wood F. | " " | " " " |
| " Colgan O.F. | " " | " " " |
| " Crutchley A.J. | " " | " " " |
| " Field D. | " " | " " " |
| " Roberts J.A. | " " | " " " |
| " Roberts J.A. | " " | " " " |
| " Leggett N.L. | " " | " " " |
| Sgt. Murray C.S. | 6 Fd.Cash.Office. | |
| Pte. Brown C.F. | 6 Aust.Div. Postal Unit. | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| VX 14631 | Gnr. | Hately K.V. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX ~~960~~ | Gnr. | O'Bryan B.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 17054 | Gnr. | Walton E.S. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 10534 | Gnr. | White R.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 6467 | Gnr. | Hilder K.J. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 11826 | Gnr. | Grainger E. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 588 | L/Bdr. | Price J.S. | A.I.F. | " | " |

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2/2 Fd.Regiment. (Unit). 7 December 1940 19 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

| 1 Detail. | 2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | 3 Surplus to Establishment. | 4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments). |
|---|---|---|---|
| W.Os. Class I. | 1 | - | - |
| W.Os. Class II. | 8 | - | 1 |
| Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants | 2 | - | - |
| Staff Serjeants | - | - | - |
| Serjeants | 24 | - | 8 |
| Buglers, Trumpeters, etc. | 5 | - | 4 |
| Corporals | 56 | - | 5 |
| Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc. | 406 | - | 37 |
| TOTALS | 502 | * - | * 55 |

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

| Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. | Detail. | Units and Corps to which they belong. |
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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| VX 969 | W.O(11) | Hanstead G.A. | A.I.F. | "X" LIST | |
| VX 1015 | Bdr. | McDonald F.N. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 644 | Bdr. | Stark W.J. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 721 | L/Bdr. | Kennedy J.F. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 4892 | L/Bdr. | Gleeson A.J.T. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 481 | Gnr. | McArthur A.E. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 552 | Gnr. | Bowins C.H. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 624 | Gnr. | Balfour E. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 695 | Gnr. | Patterson G. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 4312 | Gnr. | Towner J.E. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 461 | Gnr. | Campbell T.R. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 652 | Gnr. | Eastman A.J. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 11849 | Gnr. | Boxshall A. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 800 | Gnr. | McPherson S.G.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 699 | Gnr. | McLister J. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 14831 | Gnr. | Hately K.V. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 960 | Gnr. | O'Bryan B.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 17054 | Gnr. | Walton E.S. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 10534 | Gnr. | White R.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 6467 | Gnr. | Hilder K.J. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 11826 | Gnr. | Grainger E. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 588 | L/Bdr. | Price J.S. | A.I.F. | " | " |

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## Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

| DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC. | SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT. | | | | | | | | | REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED. | | | | | | | | | REMARKS. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | W.Os. Class I. | W.Os. Class II. | S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Serjeants. | Staff Serjeants. | Serjeants. | Buglers, Trumpeters, &c. | Corporals. | Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c. | TOTAL. | W.Os. Class I. | W.Os. Class II. | S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants. | Serjeants. | Buglers, Trumpeters, &c. | Corporals. | Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c. | TOTAL. | |
| Bricklayers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Butchers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Carpenters and Joiners | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ,, (trained in wheeling duties). | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Clerks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Despatch Riders | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Draughtsmen (topo) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Drivers H.T. and/or I.C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Electricians | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Farriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fitters | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Masons | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Painters and Decorators | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Plumbers and Gasfitters | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saddlers and Harness Makers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saddle Tree Makers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Signallers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Storemen technical | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vickers Machine Gunners | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wheelers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| General duty personnel | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 8 | 4 | 5 | 37 | 55 | | |
| TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A). | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 8 | 4 | 5 | 37 | 55 | | |

2/2 Fd.Regiment.
*Unit.*

*Date of Despatch* 7 December 1940

Lieut
*Signature of Commander.*

R.A.A. 6 Aust.Div. A.I.F.
*Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.*

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# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/2 Fd. Regiment. (*Unit*)

## PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

| 1 Ranks. | 2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | 3 Surplus to Establishment. | 4 Reinforcements required (*i.e.* deficits on establishment). |
|---|---|---|---|
| * | | | |
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| Lieut.-Colonels ... ... | 1 | - | - |
| Majors ... ... ... | 3 | - | - |
| Captains ... ... ... | 6 | - | - |
| Lieutenants ... ... | 24 | 5 | 3 |
| 2nd Lieutenants ... ... | - | - | - |
| Quartermasters ... ... | 1 | - | - |
| TOTALS ... ... ... | 35 | 5 | 3 |

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

## PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

### Officers JOINED during week.

| Rank. | Name. | Corps. | Date. | Cause. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
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### Officers QUITTED during week.

| Rank. | Name. | Corps. | Date. | Cause. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
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## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

| Rank. | Name and Initials. | Corps. | Remarks (*e.g.*, present whereabouts, if known) |
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## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

**(i) Officers posted to Unit** (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held. | Personal Number. | Name and Initials. | Corps. | Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No). | If not present with Unit, state how employed. |
| Lt.-Col. | VX 66 | Cremor V.E. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Major. | VX 90 | Young [illegible] | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Major. | VX 89 | [illegible] | A.I.F. | No. | M.F.T.C. ABBASSIA |
| Major. | VX 88 | [illegible] | A.I.F. | Yes. | M.F.T.C. HAIFA. |
| Capt. | VX 86 | Bailey T.R. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 90 | Jabcor R.F. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 87 | Duncan J.T. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 101 | Hiscock W.H.G. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 65 | Wood V.E. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 107 | Lyne J.D. | A.I.F. | No. | attached to D.A.A. for duty. |
| Capt. | VX 145 | Bleby G.W. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 70 | Cox D.G. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 77 | Ratchell J.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 74 | Parkinson L.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 69 | Blair A. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 94 | Hetherington C.R. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 85 | Duncan C.V.L. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 88 | Eddy R. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 100 | North J.A. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 102 | Strong J.A.R.K. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 352 | Mortimer R.E. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 350 | Macarthur A.M.D. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 225 | Lee C.W. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 15958 | Little A.E. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3506 | Fleming J. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 5458 | Slater D.E. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3496 | Hutton R. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3211 | Featherstone-Hough R. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3215 | Campbell I.W. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 998 | Roach R.T. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 873 | Young F.L. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 1531 | Cuttle E.J. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 91 | Whitelaw T.H. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 14667 | Hamilton A.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |

## (ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

| Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held. | Personal Number. | Name and Initials. | Corps | Date of attachment. | Nature of attachment. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capt. | VX 220 | Refshetge V.D. | A.I.F. | 21.12.40. | R.M.C. |
| Capt. | VX 304 | Garnett L.G. | A.I.F. | 20.6.40. | L.of.C.(40) |
| [illegible] | VX 915 | [illegible] | A.I.F. | 17.6.40. | [illegible] |
| Lieut. | VX 1917 | Roberts J.B. | A.I.F. | 17.6.40. | [illegible] |

22/2 Field Ambulance. (*Unit.*)

14 December 1940
(*Date of Despatch.*)

Chief Lieut. A/Adj.
(*Signature of Commander.*)

[illegible] (*Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.*).

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# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/2 M.Regiment. (Unit). 14 December 19.... (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

| 1 Detail. | 2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | 3 Surplus to Establishment. | 4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments). |
|---|---|---|---|
| W.Os. Class I. | 1 | - | - |
| W.Os. Class II. | 8 | - | 1 |
| Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants | 2 | - | - |
| Staff Serjeants | - | - | - |
| Serjeants | 24 | - | 8 |
| Buglers, Trumpeters, etc. | 5 | - | 4 |
| Corporals | 30 | - | 5 |
| Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc. | 466 | - | 37 |
| TOTALS | 502 | * - | * 55 |

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

| Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. | Detail. | Units and Corps to which they belong. |
|---|---|---|---|
| gt. Melrose F. | L.A.D(4C) | Sig. Warren T. | "G" Sec.Sigs. |
| Sgt. MacGott C.W. | " " | " Haley A.T. | " " " |
| tc. French L.L. | " " | " Coe J.D. | " " " |
| " Brown J.H. | " " | " Roberts J.B. | " " " |
| " Arnold C.R. | " " | " Schurman R. | " " " |
| " A. [illegible] | " " | " Roberts J. | " " " |
| C pl. Hoskin A.R. | " " | " Keylock A.J. | " " " |
| /C pl. Darlow C.R. | " " | " Miller A.W. | " " " |
| tc. Bryne G.J. | " " | " Porter R.B. | " " " |
| " Cuddihy | " " | " Huges R.F. | " " " |
| Sgt. Bamford J. | " G" Sec.Sigs. | " Roberts E. | " " " |
| C pl. Brodie W.D. | " " " | " Fitzpatrick J.C. | " " " |
| C pl. Roberts R.W. | " " | | |

## Part C. Description of other ra...

| Army No. | Ra... | Nan... | Corp... | sent... | ...). |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 969 | W.O... | | | | |
| 1015 | Bdr. | | | | |
| 644 | Bdr. | | | | |
| 721 | L/Bd... | | | | |
| 4892 | L/Bd... | | | | |
| 481 | Gnr. | | | | |
| 752 | Gnr. | | | | |
| 624 | Gnr. | | | | |
| 695 | Gnr. | | | | |
| 4312 | Gnr. | | | | |
| 467 | Gnr. | | | | |
| 652 | Gnr. | | | | |
| X 11849 | Gnr. | | | | |
| 800 | Gnr. | | | | |
| 699 | Gnr. | | | | |
| 831 | Gnr. | | | | |
| 960 | Gnr. | O'Bryan D.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 19054 | Gnr. | Walton E.S. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 11534 | Gnr. | White R.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |

Sig. Jackson G. "G" Sec.Sig. 6 Aust.Div.
" Mears A. " " " " " "
" Mitchell F.W. " " " " " "
" Simpson J.C. " " " " " "
" Wood F. " " " " " "
" Colgan O.F. " " " " " "
" Crutcheley A.J. " " " " " "
" Field D. " " " " " "
" Roberts J.A. " " " " " "
" Leggett N.L. " " " " " "
Sgt. Murray C.S. 6 Fd.Cash.Office.
Pte. Brown C.F. 6 Aust.Div. Postal Unit?

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# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/2 G.Regiment. 14 December

.....(Unit). .....19..... (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Infantry, Royal Tank Corps, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarter units).

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

| 1 Detail. | 2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | 3 Surplus to Establishment. | 4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments). |
|---|---|---|---|
| W.Os. Class I. | 1 | - | - |
| W.Os. Class II. | 8 | - | 1 |
| Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants | 2 | - | - |
| Staff Serjeants | - | - | - |
| Serjeants | 24 | - | 8 |
| Buglers, Trumpeters, etc. | 5 | - | 4 |
| Corporals | 30 | - | 5 |
| Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc. | 466 | - | 37 |
| TOTALS | 502 | * - | * 55 |

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

| Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. | Detail. | Units and Corps to which they belong. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Sgt. Melrose F. | L.A.D(40) | Sig. Warren T. | "O" Sec.Sigs. |
| Pte. MacGott C.W. | " " | " Haley A.T. | " " " |
| Tpr. French L.L. | " " | " Coe J.D. | " " " |
| " Brown J.H. | " " | " Roberts J.E. | " " " |
| " Arnold C.F. | " " | " Schurman R. | " " " |
| " A. Robertson A. | " " | " Roberts J. | " " " |
| C pl. Hoskin A.R. | " " | " Keylock A.J. | " " " |
| L/C pl. Barlow C.F. | " " | " Miller A.T. | " " " |
| Tpr. Bryne G.J. | " " | " Porter R.E. | " " " |
| " Cuddihy | " " | " Huges R.T. | " " " |
| Sgt. Nesbett J. | " "O" Sec.Sigs. | " Roberts E. | " " " |
| C pl. Brodie W.D. | " " " | " Fitzpatrick J.C. | " " " |
| C pl. Roberts R.E. | " " " | | |

## Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

| Army No. | Rank. | Name and Initials. | Corps. | Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known). |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 969 | W.O(II) | Ranstead G.A. | A.I.F. | " X" List. |
| 1015 | Bdr. | McDonald F.N. | A.I.F. | " X" List. |
| 644 | Bdr. | Stark W.J. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 721 | L/Bdr. | Kennedy J.F. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 4892 | L/Bdr. | Gleeson A.J.T. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 481 | Gnr. | McArthur A.F. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 552 | Gnr. | Beaine C.H. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 624 | Gnr. | Balfour E. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 695 | Gnr. | Patterson G. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 4312 | Gnr. | Towner J.R. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 467 | Gnr. | Campbell T.R. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 652 | Gnr. | Eastman A.J. | A.I.F. | " " |
| X 11849 | Gnr. | Boxshall A. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 800 | Gnr. | McPherson S.G.C. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 699 | Gnr. | McMister J. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 831 | Gnr. | Hately K.V. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 960 | Gnr. | O'Bryan B.C. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 19054 | Gnr. | Walton K.S. | A.I.F. | " " |
| 11534 | Gnr. | White R.C. | A.I.F. | " " |

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## Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.

| DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC. | SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT. | | | | | | | | | REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED. | | | | | | | | REMARKS. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | W.Os. Class I. | W.Os. Class II. | S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants. | Staff Sergeants. | Sergeants. | Buglers, Trumpeters, &c. | Corporals. | Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c. | TOTAL. | W.Os. Class I. | W.Os. Class II. | S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S., or Colour Sergeants. | Sergeants. | Buglers, Trumpeters, &c. | Corporals. | Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c. | TOTAL. | |
| Bricklayers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Butchers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Carpenters and Joiners | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ,, (trained in wheeling duties). | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Clerks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Despatch Riders | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Draughtsmen (topo) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Drivers H.T. and/or I.C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Electricians | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Farriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fitters | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Masons | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Painters and Decorators | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Plumbers and Gasfitters | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saddlers and Harness Makers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saddle Tree Makers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Signallers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Storemen technical | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vickers Machine Gunners | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wheelers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| General duty personnel | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 8 | 4 4 | 5 | 37 | 55 | | |
| TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A). | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 1 | - | 8 | 4 | 5 | 37 | 55 | | |

2/2 Fd. Regiment.
*Unit.*

[signature] Lieut — Lieut adjt
*Signature of Commander.*

*Date of Despatch* 14 December 1940

D. A. A. & Q.M.G. 6 Aust. Div. A.I.F.
*Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.*

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# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/2 Fd. Regiment. (Unit)

## PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

| 1 Ranks. | 2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | 3 Surplus to Establishment. | 4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment). |
|---|---|---|---|
| * | | | |
| * | | | |
| Lieut.-Colonels ... ... | 1 | - | - |
| Majors ... ... ... | 3 | - | - |
| Captains ... ... ... | 6 | - | 3 |
| Lieutenants ... ... | 24 | 5 | - |
| 2nd Lieutenants ... ... | - | - | - |
| Quartermasters ... ... | 1 | - | - |
| TOTALS ... ... ... | 35 | 5 | 3 |

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

## PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

### Officers JOINED during week.

| Rank. | Name. | Corps. | Date. | Cause. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
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### Officers QUITTED during week.

| Rank. | Name. | Corps. | Date. | Cause. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
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## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

| Rank. | Name and Initials. | Corps. | Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known) |
|---|---|---|---|
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## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

**(i) Officers posted to Unit** (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

| 1<br>Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held. | 2<br>Personal Number. | 3<br>Name and Initials. | 4<br>Corps. | 5<br>Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No). | 6<br>If not present with Unit, state how employed. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lt.-Col. | VX 86 | Cremor W.R. CO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Major. | VX 98 | Young J.C.L. 2 i/c | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Major. | VX 89 | Lyke L.C.H. BC | A.I.F. | No. | M.E.T.S. ABBASSIA |
| Major. | VX 83 | Arthur A.N. BC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 86 | Blamey T.R. Adjt. | A.I.F. | No. | M.E.S.S. HAIFA. |
| Capt. | VX 87 | Duncan J.T. QM | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 90 | Jaboor R.F. B.Capt. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 101 | Hiscock W.R.G. B.Capt. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 107 | Syme J.D. Tp.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | Attached to R.A.A. for duty. |
| Capt. | VX 69 | Wood F.H. A/B.Capt. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 1425 | Digby G.W. Tp.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 77 | Tetchell J.C. SLO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 70 | Cox D.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 84 | Parkinson L.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 69 | Muir A. CRO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 94 | Rothercote C.R. Tp.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 85 | Fardon C.V.I. ACP | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 88 | Fry D. SLO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 100 | North J.A. Tp.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 102 | Strong J.A.R.K. CRO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 351 | Mcharagn R.E. CRO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 350 | Henderson A.M.D. CRO | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 325 | Lee G.Mc.L. A/Adjt. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 13928 | Pitts A.R. C | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | NX 3506 | Fleming J. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | NX 5154 | Peter D.E. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | NX 5205 | Edwards M.B. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | NX 3395 | Sutton R. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | NX 3411 | Fetheretonhaugh R. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | NX 3315 | Crewdord J.M. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | NX 990 | Bacon R.T. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 873 | Young P.S. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | NX 1531 | Crute E.W. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 97 | Whitelaw P.S. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 14685 | Hamilton A.C. SC | A.I.F. | Yes. | |

**(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.**

| Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held. | Personal Number. | Name and Initials. | Corps | Date of attachment. | Nature of attachment. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capt. | VX 220 | Retshauge W.D. | A.I.F. | 11.12.39. | R.M.O. |
| Lieut. | VX 304 | Cunnett L.C. | A.I.F. | 29.2.40. | L.A.D(HQ) |
| Chaplain. | VX 319 | Tyler W.H. | A.I.F. | 11.11.39. | |
| Lieut. | VX 1277 | Roberts J.B. | A.I.F. | 11.12.39. | Sec. Offr. |

2/2 Fd. Regiment. (*Unit.*)

21 December 1940 (*Date of Despatch.*)

(*Signature of Commander.*) Lieut Col

R. (*Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.*)

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# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/2 Fd. Regiment. (*Unit*)

## PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Ranks. | **Posted** strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | Surplus to Establishment. | Reinforcements required (*i.e.* deficits on establishment). |
| * | | | |
| * | | | |
| Lieut.-Colonels ... ... | | | |
| Majors ... ... ... | 1 | - | - |
| Captains ... ... ... | 3 | - | - |
| Lieutenants ... ... | 6 | - | 3 |
| 2nd Lieutenants ... ... | 24 | 5 | - |
| Quartermasters ... ... | - | - | - |
| | 1 | - | - |
| TOTALS ... ... ... | 35 | 5 | 3 |

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

## PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

### Officers JOINED during week.

| Rank. | Name. | Corps. | Date. | Cause. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | |
| Major. | Pyke L.C.M. | A.I.F. | 7.12.16. | From M.M.I.S. Melbourne |
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| | | | | |
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| | | | | |

### Officers QUITTED during week.

| Rank. | Name. | Corps. | Date. | Cause. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
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| | | | | |
| | | | | |
| | | | | |

## PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

| Rank. | Name and Initials. | Corps. | Remarks (*e.g.*, present whereabouts, if known) |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | | |
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| | | | |

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## PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

### (i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

| 1 Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held. | 2 Personal Number. | 3 Name and Initials. | 4 Corps. | 5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No). | 6 If not present with Unit, state how employed. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Lt.-Col. | VX 56 | Cresor W.B. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Major. | VX 98 | Young J.C.L. 2 i/c | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Major. | VX 85 | Hyne M.C.M. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Major. | VX 82 | Trumm A.H. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 84 | Blaney [illegible] | A.I.F. | No. | H.R.S.S. HAIFA |
| Capt. | VX 87 | Duncan [illegible] | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 101 | Hiscock W.R.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 107 | Hyne J.M. | A.I.F. | No. | Attached R.A.A.S. for duty. |
| Capt. | VX 65 | Wood F.H. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 1[illegible]4 | Digby C.J. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Capt. | VX 90 | Jaboom R.P. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 70 | Cox D.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 77 | Tetchell J.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 94 | Parkinson L.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 95 | Hethercote C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 69 | [illegible] | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 85 | Reardon G.W.L. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 88 | Eddy D. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 100 | North J.A. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 10[illegible] | Strong J.A.R. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 97 | Whitelaw P.S. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 351 | McPherson R.K. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 1[illegible]31 | Cruse R. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX [illegible] | Masterson [illegible] | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 325 | Lee G.C. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 1[illegible]23 | Pitts A. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 998 | Mason R.F. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 873 | Young F.H. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 1[illegible]05 | Hamilton A.D. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX [illegible] | Fleming J. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX [illegible] | [illegible] | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 9[illegible]5 | Edwards E.A. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3[illegible]5 | Sutton P. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3[illegible]11 | Fotheringhough R. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |
| Lieut. | VX 3[illegible]13 | Crawford J.H. | A.I.F. | Yes. | |

### (ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

| Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held. | Personal Number. | Name and Initials. | Corps | Date of attachment. | Nature of attachment. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Capt. | VX 220 | Hutchinson [illegible] | A.I.F. | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Capt. | VX 30[illegible] | Garnett [illegible] | A.I.F. | [illegible] | [illegible] (30) |
| Chaplain. | VX 319 | Tyler [illegible] | A.I.F. | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| Lieut. | VX 1277 | Roberts [illegible] | A.I.F. | [illegible] | Sec. Pigs. |

2/2 Fd [illegible] Regiment. (*Unit.*)

Lieut. Adj. (*Signature of Commander.*)

25 December [illegible] (*Date of Despatch.*)

R.A. [illegible] (*Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.*)

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# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

[illegible] Fd. Regiment. 21 December 40.

..... (Unit) ..... 19 ..... (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Detail. | Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | Surplus to Establishment. | Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment). |
| W.Os. Class I. | 1 | - | - |
| W.Os. Class II. | 8 | - | - |
| Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants | 2 | - | 1 |
| Staff Serjeants | - | - | - |
| Serjeants | 30 | - | - |
| Corporals | 74 | - | 1 |
| Troopers, Privates, &c. | 387 | 9 | - |
| TOTALS | 502 | - | 65 |
| | | * 9 | * 67 |

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

| Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. | Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Melrose F. | L.A.D.(40) | Cpl. Brodie W.D. | "C" Sec. Sigs. |
| Sgt. Muffett C.W. | " " | Sig. Warren T. | " " " |
| Hoskin A.R. | " " | Maley A.T. | " " " |
| Cpl. Barlow F.J. | " " | Coe J.D. | " " " |
| Brown C.P. | " " | Roberts J.B. | " " " |
| French L.L. | " " | Schurman R. | " " " |
| Alexander A. | " " | Roberts J. | " " " |
| Arnold C.P. | " " | Keylock A.J. | " " " |
| Byrne G.J. | " " | Miller A.W. | " " " |
| Cuddihy | " " | Porter R.B. | " " " |
| Harnett J. | "C" Sec. Sigs. | Fitzpatrick J. | " " " |
| Roberts R.N. | " " " | Hughes R.T. | " " " |

## Part C [illegible] of [illegible] nit [illegible] -y

| | Arm | | | | Whereabouts if known). |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 969 | | Sig. Jackson G. | "C" | Sec. Sigs. 6 Aust. Div. | |
| 1015 | | " Mears A. | " | " " " " " " | |
| 644 | | " Mitchell F.W. | " | " " " " " " | |
| 721 | | " Simpson J.C. | " | " " " " " " | |
| 4892 | | " Wood F. | " | " " " " " " | |
| 481 | | " Colgan O.F. | " | " " " " " " | |
| 552 | | " Crutcheley A.J. | " | " " " " " " | |
| 624 | | " Field D. | " | " " " " " " | |
| 695 | | " Roberts J.A. | " | " " " " " " | |
| 12 | | " Anderson | 2 | " " " " " | |
| 461 | | Sgt. Murray C.S. | 6 | Fd. Cash. Office. | |
| 652 | | Pte. Brown C.F. | 6 | Aust. Div. Postal Unit. | |
| 849 | | | | | |
| 800 | | | | | |
| 699 | | | | | |
| 831 | | | | | |
| 960 | | | | | |
| 9034 | | [illegible] | | A.I.F. | " " |
| 1534 | Gnr. | White R.C. | | A.I.F. | " " |

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# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

[illegible] Regiment. 21 December 40.

..... (Unit) ..... 19 ..... (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Detail. | Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | Surplus to Establishment. | Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment). |
| W.Os. Class I. | 1 | - | - |
| W.Os. Class II. | 8 | - | - |
| Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants | 2 | - | 1 |
| Staff Serjeants | - | - | - |
| Serjeants | 30 | - | - |
| Corporals | 74 | - | 1 |
| Troopers, Privates, &c. | 387 | 9 | - |
| TOTALS | 502 | * 9 | 65 * 67 |

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

| Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. | Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. |
|---|---|---|---|
| Melrose | | | Sigs. |
| gt. Mu | | | " |
| Hosk | | | " |
| l. Ba | | | " |
| Brow | | | " |
| Fren | | | " |
| Alexa | | | " |
| Arnold | | | " |
| Byrne | | | " |
| Cuddih | | | " |
| Harne | | | " |
| Rober | | | " |

Army Form C. 2128

IN / OUT

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

TO / FROM

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means.

If liable to be in enemy hands, t sent IN CIPHER

Signed (BELOW)

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Sender

Reader

Signed System / Time in

## Part C

| 969 | Arm | | | | Hereabouts if known). |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1015 | Bdr. | McDonald F.N. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 644 | Bdr. | Stark W.J. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 721 | L/Bdr. | Kennedy J.F. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 4892 | L/Bdr. | Gleeson A.J.T. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 481 | Gnr. | McArthur A.E. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 552 | Gnr. | Bowins C.H. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 624 | Gnr. | Balfour E. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 695 | Gnr. | Patterson G. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 12 | Gnr. | Towner J.E. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 461 | Gnr. | Campbell T.R. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 652 | Gnr. | Eastman A.J. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 849 | Gnr. | Boxhall A. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 800 | Gnr. | Mcpherson S.C.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 699 | Gnr. | McLister J. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 831 | Gnr. | Hately K.V. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 960 | Gnr. | O'Bryen B.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 903 | Gnr. | Walton E.S. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| 153 | Gnr. | White R.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |

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2/2 Fd. Regiment. Unit.

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## Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

| DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC. | SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT. | | | | | | | | REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED. | | | | | | | | REMARKS. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | W.Os. Class I. | W.Os. Class II. | S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S. | Staff-Serjeants. | Serjeants. | Corporals. | Troopers, Privates, &c. | TOTAL. | W.Os. Class I. | W.Os. Class II. | S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S. | Serjeants. | Corporals. | Troopers, Privates, &c. | | TOTAL. | |
| Bricklayers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Butchers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Carpenters and Joiners | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Clerks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Despatch Riders | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Draughtsmen (topo) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Drivers H.T. and/or I.C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Electricians | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Farriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fitters | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Masons | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Painters and Decorators | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Plumbers and Gasfitters | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saddlers and Harness Makers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Signallers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Storemen technical | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vickers Machine Gunners | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cooks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| General duty personnel | - | - | - | - | - | 9 | - | 9 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 65 | | 67 | |
| TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.) | - | - | - | - | - | 9 | - | 9 | - | 1 | - | 1 | - | 65 | | 67 | |

2/2 Fd. Regiment.
*Unit.*

Lt. Adj.
*Signature of Commander.*

*Date of Despatch* 21 December 1940

R.A.A. 6 Aust. Div. A.I.F.
*Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.*

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# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/2 Fd.Regiment. (Unit) 28 December.19 40. (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Detail. | Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | Surplus to Establishment. | Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment). |
| W.Os. Class I. | 1 | - | - |
| W.Os. Class II. | 8 | - | 1 |
| Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants | 2 | - | - |
| Staff Serjeants | - | - | - |
| Serjeants | 29 | - | 2 |
| Corporals | 72 | 7 | - |
| Troopers, Privates, &c. | 384 | - | 68 |
| TOTALS | 496 | * 7 | * 71 |

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

| Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. | Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. |
|---|---|---|---|
| W.O(11) Melrose F. | L.A.D(40) | Cpl. Brodie W.D. | "G" Sec.Sigs. |
| L/Sgt. Moffett C.W. | " " | Sig. Warren A.T. | " " " |
| Cpl. Hoskin A.R. | " " | " Maley A.T. | " " " |
| Cpl./L. Barlow F.J. | " " | " Coe J.D. | " " " |
| Pte. Brown J.C.P. | " " | " Roberts J.B. | " " " |
| " French J.L. | " " | " Schurman R. | " " " |
| " Alexander A. | " " | " Roberts J. | " " " |
| " Cuddihy | " " | " Keylock A.J. | " " " |
| " Arnold C.P. | " " | " Miller A.W. | " " " |
| " Byrne G.J. | " " | " Porter R.B. | " " " |
| Sgt. Harnett J. | "G" Sec.Sigs. | " Fitzpatrick J.C. | " " " |
| Cpl. Roberts R.N. | " " " | " Hudges [illegible].T. | " " " |

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Sig. | Jackson G. | "G" Sec.Sigs..6 Amst.Div. |
| " | Mears A. | " " " " " " |
| " | Mitchell F.W. | " " " " " " |
| " | Simpson J.C. | " " " " " " |
| " | Wood F. | " " " " " " |
| " | Colgan O.F. | " " " " " " |
| " | Crutcheley A.J. | " " " " " " |
| " | Field D. | " " " " " " |
| " | Roberts J.A. | " " " " " " |
| " | Anderson | " " " " " " |
| Sgt. | Murray C.S. | 6 Fd.Cash.Office. |
| Pte. | Brown C.F. | 6 Fd.Postal.Unit. |

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] R.V. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 960 | Gnr. | O'Bryan E.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX [illegible] | Gnr. | Walton E.S. | A.I.F. | " | " |
| VX 11534 | Gnr. | White R.C. | A.I.F. | " | " |

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# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/2 Fd. Regiment. (Unit) 28 December. 19 40. (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

## Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Detail. | Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). | Surplus to Establishment. | Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment). |
| W.Os. Class I. | 1 | - | - |
| W.Os. Class II. | 8 | - | 1 |
| Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants | 2 | - | - |
| Staff Serjeants | - | - | - |
| Serjeants | 29 | - | 2 |
| Corporals | 72 | 7 | - |
| Troopers, Privates, &c. | 384 | - | 68 |
| TOTALS | 496 | * 7 | * 71 |

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

## Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

| Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. | Detail. | Unit and Corps to which they belong. |
|---|---|---|---|
| W.O(11) Melrose F. | L.A.D(40) | Cpl. Brodie W.D. | "X" LIST. |
| VX 969 W.O(11) | Hanstead G.A. | A.I.F. | "X" LIST. |
| VX 1015 Bdr. | McDonald F.H. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 644 Bdr. | Stark W.J. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 721 L/Bdr. | Kennedy J.P. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 4892 L/Bdr. | Gleeson A.J.T. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 481 Gnr. | McArthur A.E. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 552 Gnr. | Bowins C.H. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 624 Gnr. | Balfour E. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 695 Gnr. | Patterson G. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 4512 Gnr. | Towner J.E. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 461 Gnr. | Campbell T.R. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 652 Gnr. | Eastman A.J. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 11849 Gnr. | Boxshall A. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 800 Gnr. | McPherson S.G.C. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 699 Gnr. | McLister J. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 891 Gnr. | Hately K.V. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 960 Gnr. | O'Bryan E.C. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 1995 Gnr. | Walton E.S. | A.I.F. | " " |
| VX 11534 Gnr. | White R.C. | A.I.F. | " " |

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2/2 Fd.Regiment/ Unit.

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## Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

| DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC. | SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT. | | | | | | | | REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED. | | | | | | | | REMARKS. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | W.Os. Class I. | W.Os. Class II. | S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S. | Staff-Serjeants. | Serjeants. | Corporals. | Troopers, Privates, &c. | TOTAL. | W.Os. Class I. | W.Os. Class II. | S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S. | Serjeants. | Corporals. | Troopers, Privates, &c. | | TOTAL. | |
| Bricklayers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Butchers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Carpenters and Joiners | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Clerks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Despatch Riders | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Draughtsmen (topo) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Drivers H.T. and/or I.C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Electricians | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Farriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fitters | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Masons | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Painters and Decorators | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Plumbers and Gasfitters | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saddlers and Harness Makers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Signallers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Storemen technical | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vickers Machine Gunners | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cooks | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| General duty personnel | – | – | – | – | – | 7 | – | – | 7 | – | 1 | – | 72 | – | 68 | 71 | |
| TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.) | – | – | – | – | – | 7 | – | – | 7 | – | 1 | – | 2 | – | 68 | 71 | |

2/2 Fd.Regiment.
*Unit.*

Capt. & Lieut. Adj.
*Signature of Commander.*

*Date of Despatch* 28 December 1940

R.A., 6 Aust. Div. A.I.F.
*Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.*

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# Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

| DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC. | SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT. | | | | | | REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED. | | | | | | REMARKS. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | W.O. Class II | W.O. Class I | Sergeants | Corporals | Drivers (Horse) | TOTAL | W.O. Class II | W.O. Class I | Sergeants | Corporals | Drivers (Horse) | TOTAL | |
| Bricklayers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Butchers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Carpenters and Joiners | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Clerks | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Despatch Riders | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Draughtsmen (topo) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Drivers H.T. and/or I.C. | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Electricians | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Farriers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fitters | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Masons | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Painters and Decorators | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Plumbers and Gasfitters | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Saddlers and Harness Makers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Signallers | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Storemen technical | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Vickers Machine Gunners | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Cooks | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (General) duty personnel | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TOTALS (to agree with Columns 8 and 4 of Part A.) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Unit.

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander.

2/2 Fd. Regt.,
EGYPT.
1 Dec. 1940.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS
BY
LT. COL. W.E. CREMOR, E.D., COMMANDING 2/2 FD. REGT. R.A.A.
Part 1. No. 287.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.

(a)

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER: | Lieut. J.M. Crawford |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Trewarne L. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Cunningham D. |

NEXT FOR DUTY:

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER: | Lieut. Cox D.G. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Smith G.J. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Creed L. |

(b) The Regtl Guard to mount at 1800 hrs 1 Dec 40 will be as follows :-

L/Bdr Brooks J - N.C.O. i/c

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gnr. Allen I. | Gnr. Kennedy A. | Gnr. Cameron K. |
| " Drayton B.F. | " Ford C.H. | " Hawke R.B. |
| " Kelly A.F. | " Baker A. | " Lewtas K. |

2. PARADES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Reveille | 0600 hrs |
| First Parade, Maintenance | 0615-0715 hrs |
| Sick Parade | 0630 hrs |
| Breakfast | 0745 hrs |
| Morning Parade | 0830-1300 hrs |
| Lunch | 1315 hrs |
| Maintenance | 1400-1445 hrs |
| Organised Games, etc | 1445-1600 hrs |
| Retreat | 1700 hrs |
| Evening Meal | 1705 hrs |
| Duty Mounting | 1800 hrs |
| Tattoo | 2200 hrs |
| Lights Out | 2215 hrs |

Lieut.,
A/Adjutant 2/2 Fd. Regt.

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2/2 Fd. Regt.,
EGYPT.
2 Dec. 1940.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS
BY
LT. COL. W.E.CREMOR, E.D. COMMANDING 2/2 FD. REGT. R.A.A.
Part 1. No. 288.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.

(a)

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER: | Lieut. D.G.Cox |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Smith G.J. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Creed L. |

NEXT FOR DUTY:

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER: | Lieut. Fleming |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Milliken R.T. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Cambridge J. |

(b) The Regtl Guard as follows will mount at 1800 hrs 2 Dec. 40 :-

Bdr Swalwell W. - N.C.O. i/c

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gnr Ramsay I. | Gnr. Bennett D. | Gnr Stewart G,K, |
| Gnr Stephens R.T. | Gnr Kelly A.F. | Gnr Weller S. |
| Gnr Barker W.E. | Gnr Bennett E.W. | Gnr Delphine H. |

2. PARADES.

To be notified later.

3. POSTINGS.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| VX 14683 | Lieut. | A.C.Hamilton | to 4 Bty. |
| VX 961 | Sgt. | Morley C.H. | " " |
| VX 856 | Gnr. | Murphy K. | " " |
| VX 795 | " | Dunn J.G. | " " |
| SX 5963 | " | Barnden R.A. | " " |

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A/Adjutant 2/2 Fd. Regt.

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2/2 Fd. Regt.
EGYPT.
6 Dec. 1940.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.
ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

LT. COL. W.E. CREMOR, E.D., COMMANDING 2/2 Fd. REGT., R.A.A.
Part 1. No 289.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED.

1. DUTIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Sutton, R.M. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Vinson, M.B. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Peck, L.L. |

NEXT FOR DUTY.

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER: | Lieut. Barnden, C.V.I |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Morley, C. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Kilburn, C. |

4. PARADES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Reveille | 0600 hrs. |
| First Parade, Maintenance | 0615-0715 hrs. |
| Sick Parade | 0630 hrs. |
| Breakfast | 0745 hrs. |
| Morning Parade | 0830-1130 hrs. |
| Lunch | 1200 hrs. |
| Retreat | 1700 hrs. |
| Evening Meal | 1705 hrs. |
| Duty Mounting | 1800 hrs. |
| Tattoo | 2200 hrs. |
| Lights Out | 2215 hrs. |

4. M.E.T.S.

No officer or W.O. will, in future, be admitted as a student to M.E.T.S. unless he can ride a motorcycle and drive a 15 cwt. truck or its equivalent.

5. HOSPITAL KITS.

Personnel going to hospital are still taking with them such articles of essential war equipment as Rifles and Ammunition, Goggles M.T., and Gloves M.T., etc. It is extremely difficult to obtain replacements of such equipment, and the above practise will cease forthwith.

5. GUARD.

Regimental Guard will be mounted by G. Section Sigs.

G. Lee Lieut.
A/Adjutant, 2/2 Fd Regt.

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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| LT. COL. | CREMOR W. E. | A. |
| MAJOR. | YOUNG J. C. L. | B. |
| CAPT. | DUNCAN J. T. | Q. |
| CAPT. | REYSHAUGH [illegible]. D. | M. |
| CAPT. | GURNETT L. G. | L. |
| LIEUT. | LEE G. Mc. L. | G. |
| LIEUT. | PARKINSON L. G. | S. |
| LIEUT. | HENDERSON A. M. D. | H. |
| LIEUT. | WHITELAW P. S. | I. |
| MAJOR. | DYKE L. G. H. | D. |
| CAPT. | JABOOR R. F. | J. |
| LIEUT. | PITTS A. R. | P. |
| LIEUT. | EDDY D. | E. |
| LIEUT. | CRUTE E. [illegible]. | C. |
| CAPT. | WOOD F. H. | W. |
| LIEUT. | NETHERCOTE C. R. | N, Q. |
| LIEUT. | SUTTON R. | S, U. |
| LIEUT. | EDWARDS M. B. | E, D. |
| LIEUT. | McPHERSON R. E. | Y, |
| LIEUT. | COX D. G. | C, X, |
| LIEUT. | KATER D. E. | K, |
| LIEUT. | FETHERSTONE HAUGH R. | F. |
| MAJOR. | ARTHUR A. E. | X. |
| CAPT. | HISCOCK W. R. G. | Z. |
| LIEUT. | STRONG JA. R. K. | R. |
| LIEUT. | TATCHELL J. C. | T. |
| LIEUT. | BARNDEN C. V. L. | B, A. |
| CAPT. | BLEBY G. [illegible] | V, |
| LIEUT. | EASON R. T. | E, N, |
| LIEUT. | FLEMING J. | F, L, |
| LIEUT. | CRAWFORD F. L. | C, D. |
| LIEUT. | NORTH J. A. | U, |
| LIEUT. | YOUNG F. J. | Y, G, |
| LIEUT. | HAMILTON A. C. | H, A. |

" MAIR, A MR

J. M. Henderson LIEUT.
a/I. O. 2/2 FD. REGIM'NT.

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2/2 Fd Regt.,
EGYPT.
7 Dec 1940.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.
ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

LT. COL. W.E. CREMOR, E.D., COMMANDING 2/2 FD REGT., R.A.A.
Part 1 NO 290

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Barnden, C.V. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT | Sgt. Morley, C. |
| CANTEEN DUTY | Sgt. Kilburn, C. |

NEXT FOR DUTY

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| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Cbute, E.W. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT | Sgt. Jones, W.H. |
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2. GUARD

Regimental Guard will bemounted by 4 Fd Bty.

3. PARADES.

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| Lunch | 1200 hrs. |
| Retreat | 1700 hrs. |
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| Duty Mounting 1800 hrs. | 1800 hrs. |
| Tattoo | 2200 hrs. |
| Lights Out | 2215 hrs. |

4. HOSPITAL KIT.

Further to R.O.'s of 6 Dec 1940. In future disciplinary act... will be taken to make the offender pay for any such articles ... to hospital.

5. TRAFFIC ROUTES - ALEXANDRIA.

D.R.O.
1086 Portion of the Rue Fouad el Ahwal between Rue Gerbel and the junction of Rue Sultan Hussein and Avenue Belgique, will be closed to all traffic for 20 days from 2 Dec 1940.

The following route has been laid down for and will be followed all Military traffic moving to Alexandria or returning.

Rue BELGIQUE.
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Station Square - Cross over Rue NEBI DANIEL and King Osman into
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Rue IBRAHIM LER
Rue KOUBRI EL TARIKH
Rue du MEX

Civil and Military Police will beposted at all important points to assist and direct drivers.

6. FOULED GROUND.

D.R.O.
1089 All areas used as Latrine sites on bivouacs, exercises or secu... posts willbbe properly filled in on leaving with a seal of 6" ... earth, oiled if possible, and clearly marked with an L of stones to denote fouled ground.

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7. GIFTS TO NATIVES.

D.R.O.
1090

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Natives employed in camp areas will not be encouraged by gifts.

8. AMMUNITION - TAMPERING WITH:

D.R.O.
1093

In no circumstances will units attempt to break down ammunition. Any defective rounds which are found will be made the subject of a report to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aust Div.

9. FIELD SECURITY SERVICE:

D.R.O.
1095

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10. SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE:

D.R.O.
1096

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11. VEHICLE MARKING:

D.R.O.
1097

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D.R.O.
1098

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A/Adjutant, 2/2 Fd Regt.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

LT. COL. W.E. CREMOR, E.D., COMMANDING 2/2 FD REGT., R.A.A.
Part 1 No 291

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Crute, E.W. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT | Sgt. Jones, W.H. |
| CANTEENDUTY | Sgt. Powell R.L. |

NEXT FOR DUTY

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Barnden, C.V. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT | Sgt. Richardson, G.A. |
| CANTEEN DUTY | Sgt. Pack, N. |

2. GUARD.

Regimental Guard will be mounted by R.H.Q. at 1800 hrs, 8 Dec 1940, and will be as follows:-

L/Bdr Brooks J - N.C.O.i/c/

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gnr. Allen, I. | Gnr. Stephens, R. | Gnr. Cameron, I |
| " Drayton, B.F. | " Ford, C.H. | " Hawke, R.I |
| " Ramsay, I. | " Baker, A. | " Lewtas, K. |

3. PARADES.

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|---|---|
| Reveille | 0600 hrs. |
| First Parade, Maintenance | 0615-0715 hrs. |
| Sick Parade | 0630 hrs. |
| Breakfast | 0745 hrs. |
| Morning Parade | 0830-1300 hrs. |
| Lunch | 1315 hrs. |
| Maintenance | 1400-1445 hrs. |
| Organised Games, etc | 1445-1600 hrs. |
| Retreat | 1700 hrs. |
| Evening Meal | 1705 hrs. |
| Duty Mounting | 1800 hrs. |
| Tattoo | 2200 hrs. |
| Lights Out | 2215 hrs. |

4. PUNISHMENTS.

4 Bty.
VX 609
SHEWAN, H.W.

Charge; Absent without leave, A.A.15 (1)
Punishment: Fined £1 - Forfeit 2 days pay.
Date of Award: 2 Dec 40.
By Whom Awarded: Lt. Col. W.E. CREMOR, E.D.

5. MAINTENANCE OF M.T. VEHICLES.

D.R.O.
1100

Damage has occurred to Big Ends and Main Bearings when vehicles have been parked in splinter-proof pits on steep slopes in such a way that the oil has drained away from the oil pump. When engines have been started the bearings have run dry quickl

This damage is to avoided by providing gentle slopes in an splinter pits. Where this is not possible, vehicles will be park so that oil runs to, and not away from, the pump.

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6. MAILBAGS - IMPROPER USE OF:

D.R.O.
1101

A report has been received that Mailbags are being used by units as Containers, floor mats, etc., C.O.'s will take disciplinary action in any case where a mailbag is detained or used in a manner contrary to the provisions of 6 Aust Div Adm No 66.

Lieut.
A/Adjutant, 2/2 Fd. Regt.

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NOTICE.

FOOTBALL FIXTURES AND ENTERTAINMENTS

| | |
|---|---|
| Monday, | R.H.Q. v "F" Troop. |
| Tuesday, | 4 Bty. Concert. |

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2/2 Fd.Regt.
EGYPT
9 December 1940

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

LT.COL. W.E. CREMOR E.D. COMMANDING 2/2 FD.REGIMENT. R.A.A.

Part.1. No.292.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL. ORDERLY OFFICER. | Lieut. Barnden C.V.I. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT. | Sgt. Richardson G.A. |
| CANTEEN DUTY. | Sgt. Pack N. |

NEXT FOR DUTY

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Kater D.E. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT. | Sgt. Creed L.C. |
| CANTEEN DUTY. | Sgt. Donaldson D.M. |

2. GUARD. Regimental guard will be mounted by R.H.Q. at 1800 Hrs 9 Dec.1940 and will be as follows:-

L/Bdr. Johnston M.K. N.C.O. i/c.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gnr. Kelly A.F. | Gnr. Weller S.F. | Gnr. Cameron A.K. |
| Gnr. Russell A.E. | Gnr. Bennett E.W. | Gnr. Hawke R.B. |
| Gnr. Towart J. | Gnr. Delphine H.J. | Gnr. Drayton B.F.W. |

3. PARADES.

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| Reveille | 0600 Hrs. |
| First Parade, Maintenance | 0615 - 0715 Hrs. |
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| Breakfast | 0745 " |
| Morning Parade | 0830 - 1300 Hrs. |
| Lunch | 1315 Hrs. |
| Maintenance | 1400 - 1445 Hrs. |
| Organised Games, etc | 1445 - 1600 " |
| Retreat | 1700 Hrs. |
| Evening Meal | 1705 " |
| Duty Mounting | 1800 " |
| Tattoo | 2200 " |
| Lights Out | 2215 " |

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BY
LT. COL. W.E.CREMOR, E.D., COMMANDING 2/2 FD. REGT. R.A.A.
Part 1. No. 293.
NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.
(a)
REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER — Lieut. D.E.Kater
REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT — Sgt. Creed L.C.
CANTEEN DUTY — Sgt. Donaldson D.M.

NEXT FOR DUTY
Regtl ORDERLY OFFICER — Lieut. J.A.R.K. Strong
REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT — Sgt. Batters N.
CANTEEN DUTY — Sgt. Trewarne W.

(b) Regimental Guard will be mounted by 3 Bty at 1800 hrs 10 Dec. 1940.

2. PARADES.

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|---|---|
| Reveille | 0600 hrs |
| First Parade, Maintenance | 0615-0715 hrs |
| Sick Parade | 0630 hrs |
| Breakfast | 0745 hrs |
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3. PROMOTIONS. The following promotions have been forwarded for inclusion in Part 11 Orders and are published for information :-

To be Sgt. VX 1070 L/Sgt Creed L.C.
To be Bdr. VX 1072 L/Bdr Thorp H.

4. TRADE GROUPINGS. The following trade groupings have been forwarded for inclusion in Part 11 Orders and are published for information :-

Trade Group (11) Cook - VX 14587 Gnr McLean F.K.
Trade Group (111) Clerk - VX630 Gnr Donovan R.A.
Trade Group (111) Equipment Repairer - VX 729 Gnr. Cottom F.G.

5. POSTINGS.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| VX 13462 | Gnr. Leggett N.L. | to | 3 Bty |
| VX 17075 | Gnr. Egan J.C. | to | 3 Bty |
| VX 608 | Gnr. Coxon H.R. | to | 4 Bty |
| VX 1036 | Gnr. Perrett R.J. | to | 4 Bty |

6. PUNISHMENT.
R.H.Q.
VX 1090
GUNSTORE C.S.
Charge: Absent without leave, A.A. 15 (1).
Punishment: Fined £2 - Forfeits 2 days pay.
Date of Award: 9 Dec. 1940.
By whom awarded. Lt. Col. W.E.Cremor E.D..

Lieut.,
A/Adjutant 2/2 Fd. Regt.

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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
## ROUTINE ORDERS
## BY
## MAJOR C.L.YOUNG, ADMIN. COMMAND 2/2 FIELD REGT. R.A.A.

Part 1 No. 295

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES. 3 Bty will be the Duty Bty to mount at 1800 hrs 14 Dec. [illegible]

2. BLACKOUT DISCIPLINE. All officers proceeding on leave to PALESTINE are informed that strict blackout regulations are in force in Jerusalem and that disciplinary action will be taken in cases of non-compliance with local P.A.D. orders.

DRO 1115

3. COURTS MARTIAL. The following sentences have been awarded by District Courts Martial and confirmed by G.O.C. 6 Aust [illegible]

DRO 1116

| Name of accused | Offence | Date of offence | Award | [illegible] |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| NX 4903 Sgt. John Hilton SPENCE. 2/3 Bn. | Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline - using Govt vehicle for private purposes. | 7 Nov 1940 | Reduced to Ranks | 10 Dec |
| VX 3873 Pte Basil George BLITZ 2/6 Bn. | (1) Using insubordinate language to his superior Officer (2) Striking his superior officer. (3) A.W.L. | 24 Oct 1940 | 42 days detention. | 10 D[illegible] |
| NX 8362 Pte Victor James Tonks. 2/2 Bn | Disobeying a lawful command given by his superior Officer. | 18 Oct 1940 | 28 Days Detention | 30 Nov |
| NX 1362 Pte Donald MILLS | Disobeying a lawful command given by his superior Officer. | 15 Aug. 1940 | 181 Days Detention | 30 Nov |
| NX 2832 Pte Walter Bernard JOHNSON 2/2 Bn | A.W.L. (two charges) total absence 30 hrs 30 mins. | 3/4 Nov. 1940 | 120 days Detention | 30 Nov |

[illegible] Adjutant 2/2

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BY

MAJOR C.L.TOUNG. A DMIN. COMMAND.2/2 FD.REGIMENT. R.A.A.

Part.1. No. 296.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES

4 Bty will Duty Battery to mount at 1800 Hrs. 15 December 1940.

2. TRADE GROUPINGS

The following trade groupings have been forwarded for inclusion in Part.11. Orders. and are published for information:-

Trade Group.(11) C ook. VX 467 Gnr. Ramsdale. P.A.

Cancellation
Trade Group(11) C ook. VX 737 Gnr. Hopkinson A.L.

3. PUNISHMENTS

R.H.Q.
VX 900
GELL W.F.

Charge: Absen t withput leave A.A. 15(1)
Punishment: Fined £2. Forfeits 1 Days Pay.
Date of Award: 12.12.40.
By whom awarded: Lt.-Col. W.E.Cremor.

R.H.Q.
VX 784
DELPHINE, H.J.

Charge: Absent without leave. aA.A.15(1)
Punishment : Fined £1. Forfeits 1 days pay.
Date of award: 13.12.40.
B y whom awarded: Lt.-Col. W.E.Cremor.

4 Bty.
VX 13359
MITCHELL T.W.

Charge: Conduct to the Prejudice of good order.
Punishment: Fined £5.
Date of award: 13.2.40.
B y whom awarded: Lt.-Col. W.E.Cremor.

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A/Adjutant. 2/2 Fd.Regt.

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Part 1. No. 297.
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1. CAPTURED WAR MATERIAL.
DRO 1124 The system of collection and disposal of captured war material is revised.
It will in future be handed in to the nearest Salvage Dump. Articles of an important nature will be handed over to the Officer Commanding or to a responsible N.C.O. of the Salvage Unit.

2. REPAIRS.
DRO 1127 When proceeding to L.A.D's or A.A.S.C. workshop sections drivers will accompany their vehicles and assist where possible.

3. PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE.
Attention is again drawn to the fact that the place names of operations or location of units MUST NOT be mentioned in correspondence.

4. TRANSFER.
R.H.Q. to 3 Bty - VX 922 Gnr. Towart J.N.

5. PROMOTIONS.
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| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| To beSgt. | VX | 928 | L/Sgt Armstrong S.A. |
| | VX | 809 | Bdr Lees J.H. |
| | VX | 910 | L/Sgt Riseborough A.W. |
| | VX | 1112 | L/Sgt.Pack W.N. |
| | VX | 938 | L/Sgt.Batters N.P. |
| To be Bdr. | VX | 890 | Gnr. Lee J.D. |
| | VX | 10561 | L/Bdr.Nixon F.J. |
| | VX | 5633 | Gnr. Bale E.M. |
| | VX | 1054 | L/Bdr.Barclay J.B. |
| | VX | 633 | L/Bdr.Bale A. |
| | VX | 980 | Gnr. Auton R. |
| | VX | 13802 | Gnr. Barwick M.G. |
| | VX | 1060 | L/Bdr.Herron L.F.W. |
| | VX | 764 | Gnr. McVilly I.W. |
| | VX | 479 | L/Bdr. Jewell F.L. |
| | VX | 760 | L/Bdr.Morris R.R. |
| | VX | 942 | L/Bdr.Lowe R.T. |
| | VX | 861 | L/Bdr.Morris S. |
| | VX | 1021 | L/Bdr.Rose A. |
| | VX | 888 | Gnr. Clarke J. |
| | VX | 12557 | L/Bdr.Hanson A.L. |
| | VX | 510 | L/Bdr.Watson J.B. |
| | VX | 657 | L/Bdr.Drewett A.J. |
| | VX | 905 | L/Bdr.Barker N.A. |
| | VX | 5602 | Gnr. Denham N.L. |
| | VX | 709 | Gnr. Tullock O.P. |
| | VX | 675 | Gnr. Caldwell L.A. |
| | VX | 614 | Gnr. Geddes P. |
| | VX | 626 | Gnr. McEwan W.J. |
| | VX | 15410 | Gnr. Tynan J. |
| | VX | 460 | Gnr. Clough C. |
| To be L/Sgt. | VX | 685 | Bdr. Merlo H.D. |
| | VX | 790 | Bdr. McDonald F.H. |
| | VX | 638 | Bdr. White L.W. |
| | VX | 686 | Bdr. Meates E.A. |
| To be L/Bdr. | VX | 603 | Gnr. Kerr F.R. |
| | VX | 9786 | Gnr. Drake J. |
| | VX | 10700 | Gnr. Pitt J.H. |
| | VX | 978 | Gnr. Dihm J. |

R.T.O.

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6 TRADE GROUPINGS

The following Trade Groupings have been forwarded for inclusion in Part II. Orders, and are published for information:-

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Group(11) | Mechanic M.T. | VX | 820 Gnr Haag C.J. |
| | | VX | 1095 Gnr Wilson W.L. |
| | | VX | 10701 Gnr Westmeat R.L. |
| | O.P.A. | VX | 10700 Gnr Pitt J.H. |
| Group (111) | Driver M.T. | VX | 555 Gnr Cowen C.E. |
| | | VX | 978 L/Bdr Dihm J. |

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A/Adjutant 2/2 Fd.Regt.

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EGYPT
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS

LT-COL. W.E.CREMOR E.D.COMMANDING: 2/2 FD.REGIMENT, R.A.A.
Part.I. No. 298.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. TRADE GROUPINGS

The following Trade Groupings have been forwarded for inclusion in Part.II.Orders, and are published for information:-

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Group(III) | Gun-layer | VX | 687 | Gnr | Milne A.I. |
| | | VX | 10420 | Gnr. | Quittenton W.H. |
| | | VX | 11848 | Gnr. | Nelson H.C. |
| | | VX | 11839 | Gnr. | Reid N.C. |
| | | NX | 13295 | Gnr. | Stevenson G.A. |
| Group(III) | Surveyor | VX | 4884 | Gnr. | Russell P. |
| | | VX | 852 | Gnr. | Findley D.M.C. |
| " | Clerk. | VX | 5568 | Gnr. | Harvey C.H. |
| Group(II) | O.P.A. | VX | 560 | Gnr. | Griffeth G.L. |
| " | Cook. | VX | 665 | Gnr. | Snaith R. |
| " | Signaller. | VX | 5090 | Gnr. | Fry L.K. |
| | | NX | 12908 | Gnr. | Sadler J.R. |
| | | SX | 2000 | Gnr. | Goulding A.J. |
| | | SX | 2211 | Gnr. | Butler T.W. |
| | | VX | 10723 | Gnr. | Seckold G.D. |
| Group(I) | Artificer | VX | 1059 | Gnr. | McWhinney D.I. |

2. APPOINTMENTS

The following Appointments have been forwarded for inclusion in Part.II. Orders, and are published for information:-

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| To be L/Bdr. | VX | 6290 | Gnr. | Wilson R.F. |
| | VX | 614 | Gnr. | Russell A. |
| | VX | 676 | Gnr. | Cowie C. |
| | VX | 5639 | Gnr. | Stevens L.F. |
| | VX | 5568 | Gnr. | Harvey C.H. |
| | VX | 2029 | Gnr. | Blackley J.D. |
| | VX | 560 | Gnr. | Griffeth G.L. |
| | VX | 769 | Gnr. | Roadknight J.D. |
| | VX | 759 | Gnr. | Major G.A. |

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LT-COL. W.E.CREMOR E.D. COMMANDING. 2/2 FD.REGIMENT. R.A.A.
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BY
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Part 1. No. 287.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.

(a)

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER: | Lieut. J.M. Crawford |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Trewarne K. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Cunningham D. |

NEXT FOR DUTY:

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER: | Lieut. Cox D.G. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Smith G.J. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Creed L. |

(b) The Regtl Guard to mount at 1800 hrs 1 Dec 40 will be as follows :-

L/Bdr Brooks J - N.C.O. i/c

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gnr. Allen I. | Gnr. Kennedy A. | Gnr. Cameron K. |
| " Drayton B.F. | " Ford C.H. | " Hawke R.N. |
| " Kelly A.F. | " Baker A. | " Lewtas K. |

2. PARADES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Reveille | 0600 hrs |
| First Parade, Maintenance | 0615-0715 hrs |
| Sick Parade | 0630 hrs |
| Breakfast | 0745 hrs |
| Morning Parade | 0830-1300 hrs |
| Lunch | 1315 hrs |
| Maintenance | 1400-1445 hrs |
| Organised Games, etc | 1445-1600 hrs |
| Retreat | 1700 hrs |
| Evening Meal | 1705 hrs |
| Duty Mounting | 1800 hrs |
| Tattoo | 2200 hrs |
| Lights Out | 2215 hrs |

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A/Adjutant 2/2 Fd. Regt.

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NOTICE

LOST during Exercise 28/29 Nov., Haversock and contents. Finder please return to R.H.Q.

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2/2 Fd. Regt.,
EGYPT.
2 Dec. 1940.

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BY
LT. COL. W.E.CREMOR, E.D. COMMANDING 2/2 FD. REGT. R.A.A.
Part 1. No. 288.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.

(a)

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER: | Lieut. D.G.Cox |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Smith G.J. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Creed L. |

NEXT FOR DUTY:

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER: | Lieut. Fleming |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Milliken R.T. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Cambridge J. |

(b) The Regtl Guard as follows will mount at 1800 hrs 2 Dec. 40 :-

Bdr Swalwell W. - N.C.O. i/c

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Gnr | Ramsay I. | Gnr. | Bennett D. | Gnr | Stewart G,K, |
| Gnr | Stephens R.T. | Gnr | Kelly A.F. | Gnr | Weller S. |
| Gnr | Barker W.E. | Gnr | Bennett E.W. | Gnr | Delphine H. |

2. PARADES.

To be notified later.

3. POSTINGS.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| VX | 14683 | Lieut. | A.C.Hamilton | to 4 Bty. |
| VX | 961 | Sgt. | Morley C.H. | " " |
| VX | 856 | Gnr. | Murphy K. | " " |
| VX | 795 | " | Dunn J.G. | " " |
| SX | 5963 | " | Barnden R.A. | " " |

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

LT. COL. W.E. CREMOR, E.D., COMMANDING 2/2 Fd. REGT., R.A.A.
Part 1. No 289.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED.

1. DUTIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Sutton, R.M. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Vinson, M.B. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Peck, L.L. |

NEXT FOR DUTY.

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER: | Lieut. Barnden, C.V.I |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT: | Sgt. Morley, C. |
| CANTEEN DUTY: | Sgt. Kilburn, C. |

4. PARADES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Reveille | 0600 hrs. |
| First Parade, Maintenance | 0615-0715 hrs. |
| Sick Parade | 0630 hrs. |
| Breakfast | 0745 hrs. |
| Morning Parade | 0830-1130 hrs. |
| Lunch | 1200 hrs. |
| Retreat | 1700 hrs. |
| Evening Meal | 1705 hrs. |
| Duty Mounting | 1800 hrs. |
| Tattoo | 2200 hrs. |
| Lights Out | 2215 hrs. |

4. M.E.T.S.

No officer or W.O. will, in future, be admitted as a student to M.E.T.S. unless he can ride a motorcycle and drive a 15 cwt. truck or its equivalent.

5. HOSPITAL KITS.

Personnel going to hospital are still taking with them such articles of essential war equipment as Rifles and Ammunition, Goggles M.T., and Gloves M.T., etc. It is extremely difficult to obtain replacements of such equipment, and the above practise will cease forthwith.

5. GUARD.

Regimental Guard will be mounted by G. Section Sigs.

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A/Adjutant, 2/2 Fd Regt.

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2/2 Fd.Regt.
EGYPT
9 December 1940

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

LT.COL. W.E. CREMOR E.D. COMMANDING 2/2 FD.REGIMENT. R.A.A.

Part.1. No.292.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL. ORDERLY OFFICER. | Lieut. Barnden C.V.I. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT. | Sgt. Richardson G.A. |
| CANTEEN DUTY. | Sgt. Pack N. |

NEXT FOR DUTY

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Kater D.E. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT. | Sgt. Creed L.C. |
| CANTEEN DUTY. | Sgt. Donaldson D.M. |

2. GUARD. Regimental guard will be mounted by R.H.Q. at 1800 Hrs 9 Dec.1940 and will be as follows:-

L/Bdr. Johnston M.K. N.C.O. i/c.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gnr. Kelly A.F. | Gnr. Weller S.F. | Gnr. Cameron A.K. |
| Gnr. Russell A.E. | Gnr. Bennett E.W. | Gnr. Hawke R.B. |
| Gnr. Towart J. | Gnr. Delphine H.J. | Gnr. Drayton B.F.W. |

3. PARADES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Reveille | 0600 Hrs. |
| First Parade, Maintenance | 0615 - 0715 Hrs. |
| Sick Parade | 0630 Hrs. |
| Breakfast | 0745 " |
| Morning Parade | 0830 - 1300 Hrs. |
| Lunch | 1315 Hrs. |
| Maintenance | 1400 - 1445 Hrs. |
| Organised Games, etc | 1445 - 1600 " |
| Retreat | 1700 Hrs. |
| Evening Meal | 1705 " |
| Duty Mounting | 1800 " |
| Tattoo | 2200 " |
| Lights Out | 2215 " |

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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| LT. COL. | CREMOR W. E. | A. |
| MAJOR. | YOUNG J. C. L. | B. |
| CAPT. | DUNCAN J. T. | Q. |
| CAPT. | RENSHAUGH [illegible]. D. | M. |
| CAPT. | GURNETT L. G. | L. |
| LIEUT. | LEE G. Mc. L. | G. |
| LIEUT. | PARKINSON L. G. | S. |
| LIEUT. | HENDERSON A. M. D. | H. |
| LIEUT. | WHITELAW P. B. | I. |
| MAJOR. | DYKE L. G. H. | D. |
| CAPT. | JABOOR R. F. | J. |
| LIEUT. | PITTS A. R. | P. |
| LIEUT. | EDDY D. | E. |
| LIEUT. | CRUTE E. [illegible] | C. |
| CAPT. | WOOD F. H. | W. |
| LIEUT. | NETHERCOTE C. R. | N, N. |
| LIEUT. | SUTTON R. | S, U. |
| LIEUT. | EDWARDS M. B. | E, D. |
| LIEUT. | McPHERSON R. E. | Y. |
| LIEUT. | COX D. G. | C, X. |
| LIEUT. | KATER D. E. | K. |
| LIEUT. | FETHERSTONE HAUGH R. | F. |
| MAJOR. | ARTHUR A. E. | X. |
| CAPT. | HISCOCK W. R. G. | Z. |
| LIEUT. | STRONG JA. R. K. | R. |
| LIEUT. | TATCHELL J. C. | T. |
| LIEUT. | BARNDEN C. V. L. | B. |
| CAPT. | BLEBY G. [illegible] | V. |
| LIEUT. | EASON R. T. | E, N. |
| LIEUT. | FLEMING J. | F, L. |
| LIEUT. | CRAWFORD F. L. | C, D. |
| LIEUT. | NORTH J. A. | U. |
| LIEUT. | YOUNG F. J. | Y, G. |
| LIEUT. | HAMILTON A. C. | H, A. |
| " | MAIR, A. | MR |

LIEUT.
a/I. C. 2/2 FD. REGIMENT.

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EGYPT.
7 Dec 1940.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

LT. COL. W.E. CREMOR, E.D., COMMANDING 2/2 FD REGT., R.A.A.
Part 1 NO 290

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Barnden, C.V |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT | Sgt. Morley, C. |
| CANTEEN DUTY | Sgt. Kilburn, C. |

NEXT FOR DUTY

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Coute, E.W. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT | Sgt. Jones, W.H. |
| CANTEEN DUTY | Sgt. Powell, R.L. |

2. GUARD

Regimental Guard will be mounted by 4 Fd Bty.

3. PARADES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Reveille | 0630 hrs. |
| Rifle Inspection | 0700 hrs. |
| Sick Parade | 0715 hrs. |
| Breakfast | 0740 hrs. |
| Church Parade | 0845 hrs. |
| Lunch | 1200 hrs. |
| Retreat | 1700 hrs. |
| Evening Meal | 1705 hrs. |
| Duty Mounting 1800 hrs. | 1800 hrs. |
| Tattoo | 2200 hrs. |
| Lights Out | 2215 hrs. |

4. HOSPITAL KIT.
Further to R.O.'s of 6 Dec 1940. In future disciplinary act will be taken to make the offender pay for any such articles to hospital.

5. TRAFFIC ROUTES - ALEXANDRIA.
D.R.O.
1086 Portion of the Rue Fouad el Ahwal between Rue Gerbel and the junction of Rue Sultan Hussein and Avenue Belgique, will be closed to all traffic for 20 days from 2 Dec 1940.

The following route has been laid down for and will be follow all Military traffic moving to Alexandria or returning.

Rue BELGIQUE,
Rue Abdel KADER,
Station Square - Cross over Rue NEBI DANIEL and King Osman into
Rue LER KHEDIVE
Rue IBRAHIM LER
Rue KOUBRI EL TARIKH
Rue du MEX

Civil and Military Police will beposted at all important point to assist and direct drivers.

6. FOULED GROUND.
D.R.O.
1089 All areas used as Latrine sites on bivouacs, exercises or sect posts willbbe properly filled in on leaving with a seal of 6" earth, oiled if possible, and clearly marked with an L of ston to denote fouled ground.

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7. GIFTS TO NATIVES.

D.R.O. 1090

Cases have occurred recently of waster food, etc. being given as gifts to natives in camp areas. Emphasis is laid on the orders excluding natives from camp areas unless employed on Contracts and in possession of passes

Natives employed in camp areas will not be encouraged by gifts.

8. AMMUNITION - TAMPERING WITH:

D.R.O. 1093

In no circumstances will units attempt to break down ammunition. Any defective rounds which are found will be made the subject of a report to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aust Div.

9. FIELD SECURITY SERVICE:

D.R.O. 1095

There have been instances of failure by units to assist personnel of this service when asked to do so. It is emphasised that this is NOT a police service for locating and punishing military offences, but it operates for the safety of the whole Force. Assistance will be given to members of the Service by all units whenever requested.

This order will be repeated in unit and equivalent R.O.'s.

10. SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE:

D.R.O. 1096

Officers and O/Rs may claim 125 millemes per day day when absent from Camp on leave for two days or more. This amount however, is not payable to personnel quartered at the premises conducted by the Australian Comforts Fund at ALEXANDRIA.

11. VEHICLE MARKING:

D.R.O. 1097

The changes in unit signs set out in 1 Aust. Corps G.S. Inst. No 30 will be carried out by unit personnel assisted, where necessary, by L.A.D.s.

Supplies of paint will be available shortly and the changes are to be completed by 17 Dec 1940.

12. RAILWAY CROSSINGS:

D.R.O. 1098

(a) Vehicles must not cross the E.S.R. Railway line except at recognised level crossings.

(b) Level crossings are not to be constructed without prior reference to Div. H.Q., who will arrange for the work to be done by the E.S.R.

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A/Adjutant, 2/2 Fd Regt.

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BY

LT. COL. W.E. CREMOR, E.D., COMMANDING 2/2 FD REGT., R.A.A.
Part 1 No 291

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. DUTIES.

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Crute, E.W. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT | Sgt. Jones, W.H. |
| CANTEENDUTY | Sgt. Powell R.L. |

NEXT FOR DUTY

| | |
|---|---|
| REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER | Lieut. Barnden, C.V. |
| REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT | Sgt. Richardson, G.A. |
| CANTEEN DUTY | Sgt. Pack, N. |

2. GUARD.

Regimental Guard will be mounted by R.H.Q. at 1800 hrs, 8 Dec 1940, and will be as follows:-

L/Bdr Brooks J - N.C.O.i/c/

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gnr. Allen, I. | Gnr. Stephens, R. | Gnr. Cameron, I |
| " Drayton, B.F. | " Ford, C.H. | " Hawke, R.I |
| " Ramsay, I. | " Baker, A. | " Lewtas, K. |

3. PARADES.

| | |
|---|---|
| Reveille | 0600 hrs. |
| First Parade, Maintenance | 0615-0715 hrs. |
| Sick Parade | 0630 hrs. |
| Breakfast | 0745 hrs. |
| Morning Parade | 0830-1300 hrs. |
| Lunch | 1315 hrs. |
| Maintenance | 1400-1445 hrs. |
| Organised Games, etc | 1445-1600 hrs. |
| Retreat | 1700 hrs. |
| Evening Meal | 1705 hrs. |
| Duty Mounting | 1800 hrs. |
| Tattoo | 2200 hrs. |
| Lights Out | 2215 hrs. |

4. PUNISHMENTS.

| | |
|---|---|
| 4 Bty. | Charge; Absent without leave, A.A.15 (1) |
| VX 609 | Punishment: Fined £1 - Forfeit 2 days pay. |
| SHEWAN, H.W. | Date of Award: 2 Dec 40. |
| | By Whom Awarded: Lt. Col. W.E. CREMOR, E.D. |

5. MAINTENANCE OF M.T. VEHICLES.

D.R.O.
1100

Damage has occurred to Big Ends and Main Bearings when vehicles have been parked in splinter-proof pits on steep slopes in such a way that the oil has drained away from the oil pump. When engines have been started the bearings have run dry quickly.

This damage is to avoided by providing gentle slopes in an splinter pits. Where this is not possible, vehicles will be park so that oil runs to, and not away from, the pump.

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6. MAILBAGS - IMPROPER USE OF:

D.R.O.
1101 A report has been received that Mailbags are being used by units as Containers, floor mats, etc., C.O.'s will take disciplinary action in any case where a mailbag is detained or used in a manner contrary to the provisions of 6 Aust Div Adm No 66.

Lieut.
A/Adjutant, 2/2 Fd. Regt.

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NOTICE.

FOOTBALL FIXTURES AND ENTERTAINMENTS

Monday, R.H.Q. v "F" Troop.

Tuesday, 4 Bty. Concert.

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2/2 Fd. Regt.,
EGYPT.
10 Dec. 1940.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
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BY
LT. COL. W.E.CREMOR, E.D., COMMANDING 2/2 FD. REGT. R.A.A.
Part I. No. 293.
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1. DUTIES.
(a) REGTL ORDERLY OFFICER - Lieut. D.E.Kater
REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT - Sgt. Creed L.C.
CANTEEN DUTY - Sgt. Donaldson D.M.
NEXT FOR DUTY
Regtl ORDERLY OFFICER - Lieut. J.A.R.K. Strong
REGTL ORDERLY SERGEANT - Sgt. Batters N.
CANTEEN DUTY - Sgt. Trewarne W.

(b) Regimental Guard will be mounted by 3 Bty at 1800 hrs 10 Dec. 1940.

2. PARADES.

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| Reveille | 0600 hrs |
| First Parade, Maintenance | 0615-0715 hrs |
| Sick Parade | 0630 hrs |
| Breakfast | 0745 hrs |
| Morning Parade | 0830-1300 hrs |
| Lunch | 1315 hrs |
| Maintenance | 1400-1445 hrs |
| Organised Games etc | 1445-1600 hrs |
| Retreat | 1700 hrs |
| Evening Meal | 1705 hrs |
| Duty Mounting | 1800 hrs |
| Tattoo | 2200 hrs |
| Lights Out | 2215 hrs |

3. PROMOTIONS. The following promotions have been forwarded for inclusion in Part II Orders and are published for information :-
To be Sgt. VX 1070 L/Sgt Creed L.C.
To be Bdr. VX 1072 L/Bdr Thorp H.

TRADE GROUPINGS. The following trade groupings have been forwarded for inclusion in Part II Orders and are published for information :-
Trade Group (II) Cook - VX 14587 Gnr McLean F.K.
Trade Group (III) Clerk - VX630 Gnr Donovan R.A.
Trade Group (III) Equipment Repairer - VX 729 Gnr. Cottom F.G.

5. POSTINGS.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| VX 13462 Gnr. Leggett N.L. | to | 3 Bty |
| VX 17075 Gnr. Egan J.C. | to | 3 Bty |
| VX 608 Gnr. Coxon H.R. | to | 4 Bty |
| VX 1036 Gnr. Pennett R.J. | to | 4 Bty |

6. PUNISHMENT. R.H.Q. VX 1090 GUNSTONE C.S.
Charge: Absent without leave, A.A. 15 (1).
Punishment: Fined £2 - Forfeits 2 days pay.
Date of Award: 9 Dec. 1940.
By whom awarded: Lt. Col. W.E.Cremor E.D.

Lieut.,
A/Adjutant 2/2 Fd. Regt.

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2/2 Fd Regt.
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# AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
## ROUTINE ORDERS
## BY
## MAJOR C.L.YOUNG, ADMIN. COMMAND 2/2 FIELD REGT. R.A.A.
Part 1 No. 295

**NOT TO BE PUBLISHED**

1. DUTIES. 3 Bty will be the Duty Bty to mount at 1800 hrs 14 Dec. 40

2. BLACKOUT DISCIPLINE. All officers proceeding on leave to PALESTINE are informed that strict blackout regulations are in force in Jerusalem and that disciplinary action will be taken in cases of non-compliance with local P.A.D. orders.
DRO 1115

3. COURTS MARTIAL. The following sentences have been awarded by Courts Martial and confirmed by G.O.C. 6 Aust
DRO 1116

| Name of accused | Offence | Date of offence | Award |
|---|---|---|---|
| NX 4903 Sgt. John Hilton SPENCE. 2/3 Bn. | Conduct to the prejudice of good order and military discipline - using Govt vehicle for private purposes. | 7 Nov 1940 | Reduced to Ranks. |
| VX 3873 Pte Basil George BLITZ 2/6 Bn. | (1) Using insubordinate language to his superior Officer (2) Striking his superior officer. (3) A.W.L. | 24 Oct 1940 | 42 days detention. |
| NX 8362 Pte Victor Hames Tonks. 2/2 Bn | Disobeying a lawful command given by his superior Officer. | 18 Oct 1940 | 28 Days Detention |
| NX 1362 Pte Donald MILLS | Disobeying a lawful command given by his superior Officer. | 15 Aug. 1940 | 181 Days Detention |
| NX 2832 Pte Walter Bernard JOHNSON 2/2 Bn | A.W.L. (two charges) total absence 30 hrs 30 mins. | 3/4 Nov. 1940 | 120 days Detention |

Adjutant 2/2

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ROUTINE ORDERS
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MAJOR C.L.YOUNG. A DMIN. COMMAND. 2/2 FD.REGIMENT. R.A.A.

Part.1. No. 296.

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1. DUTIES

4 Bty will Duty Battery to mount at 1800 Hrs.
15 December 1940.

2. TRADE GROUPINGS

The following trade groupings have been forwarded for inclusion in Part.11. Orders. and are published for information:-

Trade Group.(11) C ook. VX 467 Gnr. Ramsdale. P.A.

Cancellation
Trade Group(11) C ook. VX 737 Gnr. Hopkinson A.L.

3. PUNISHMENTS

R.H.Q.
VX 900
GELL W.F.
Charge: Absen t withput leave A.A. 15(1)
Punishment: Fined £2. Forfeits 1 Days Pay.
Date of Award: 12.12.40.
By whom awarded: Lt.-Col. W.E.Cremor.

R.H.Q.
VX 784
DELPHINE, H.J.
Charge: Absent without leave. aA.A.15(1)
Punishment : Fined £1. Forfeits 1 days pay.
Date of award: 13.12.40.
B y whom awarded: Lt.-Col. W.E.Cremor.

4 Bty.
VX 13359
MITCHELL T.W.
Charge: Conduct to the Prejudice of good order.
Punishment: Fined £5.
Date of award: 13.2.40.
B y whom awarded: Lt.-Col. W.E.Cremor.

Lieut.
A/Adjutant. 2/2 Fd.Regt.

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W.D.

2/2 Fd. Regt.,
EGYPT.
17 Dec. 1940.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS
BY
LT. COL. W.E.CREMOR, E.D., COMMANDING 2/2 FD. REGT. R.A.A.
Part 1. No. 297.
NOT TO BE PUBLISHED.

1. CAPTURED WAR MATERIAL.
DRO 1124 The system of collection and disposal of captured war material is revised.
It will in future be handed in to the nearest Salvage Dump. Articles of an important nature will be handed over to the Officer Commanding or to a responsible N.C.O. of the Salvage Unit.

2. REPAIRS.
DRO 1127 When proceeding to L.A.D's or A.A.S.C. workshop sections drivers will accompany their vehicles and assist where possible.

3. PRIVATE CORRESPONDENCE.
Attention is again drawn to the fact that the place names of operations or location of units MUST NOT be mentioned in correspondence.

4. TRANSFER.
R.H.Q. to 3 Bty - VX 922 Gnr. Towart J.N.

5. PROMOTIONS.
The following promotions havebeen forwarded for inclusion in Part 11 Ordersand are published for information :-

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| To beSgt. | VX | 928 | L/Sgt Armstrong S.A. |
| | VX | 809 | Bdr Lees J.H. |
| | VX | 910 | L/Sgt Riseborough A.W. |
| | VX | 1112 | L/Sgt.Pack W.N. |
| | VX | 938 | L/Sgt.Batters N.P. |
| To be Bdr. | VX | 890 | Gnr. Lee J.D. |
| | VX | 10561 | L/Bdr.Nixon F.J. |
| | VX | 5633 | Gnr. Bale E.M. |
| | VX | 1054 | L/Bdr.Barclay J.B. |
| | VX | 633 | L/Bdr.Bale A. |
| | VX | 980 | Gnr. Auton R. |
| | VX | 13802 | Gnr. Barwick M.G. |
| | VX | 1060 | L/Bdr.Herron L.F.W. |
| | VX | 764 | Gnr. McVilly I.W. |
| | VX | 479 | L/Bdr. Jewell F.L. |
| | VX | 760 | L/Bdr.Morris R.R. |
| | VX | 942 | L/Bdr.Lowe R.T. |
| | VX | 861 | L/Bdr.Morris S. |
| | VX | 1021 | L/Bdr.Rose A. |
| | VX | 888 | Gnr. Clarke J. |
| | VX | 12557 | L/Bdr.Hanson A.L. |
| | VX | 510 | L/Bdr.Watson J.B. |
| | VX | 657 | L/Bdr.Drewett A.J. |
| | VX | 905 | L/Bdr.Barker N.A. |
| | VX | 5602 | Gnr. Denham N.L. |
| | VX | 709 | Gnr. Tullock O.P. |
| | VX | 675 | Gnr. Caldwell L.A. |
| | VX | 614 | Gnr. Geddes P. |
| | VX | 626 | Gnr. McEwan W.J. |
| | VX | 15410 | Gnr. Tynan J. |
| | VX | 460 | Gnr. Clough C. |
| To be L/Sgt. | VX | 685 | Bdr. Merlo H.D. |
| | VX | 790 | Bdr. McDonald F.H. |
| | VX | 638 | Bdr. White L.W. |
| | VX | 686 | Bdr. Meates E.A. |
| To be L/Bdr. | VX | 603 | Gnr. Kerr F.R. |
| | VX | 9786 | Gnr. Drake J. |
| | VX | 10700 | Gnr. Pitt J.H. |
| | VX | 978 | Gnr. Dihm J. |

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6 TRADE GROUPINGS

The following Trade Groupings have been forwarded for inclusion in Part II. Orders, and are published for information:-

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Group(11) | Mechanic M.T. | VX 820 | Gnr Haag C.J. |
| | | VX 1095 | Gnr Wilson W.L. |
| | | VX 10701 | Gnr Westneat R.L. |
| | O.P.A. | VX 10700 | Gnr Pitt J.H. |
| Group (111) | Driver M.T. | VX 555 | Gnr Cowen C.E. |
| | | VX 978 | L/Bdr Dilm J. |

Lieut.,
A/Adjutant 2/2 Fd.Regt.

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W.D.

2/2 Fd.Regt.
EGYPT
26 Dec.1940.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS

LT-COL. W.E.CREMOR E.D.COMMANDING. 2/2 FD.REGIMENT, R.A.A.
Part.I. No. 298.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

1. TRADE GROUPINGS

The following Trade Groupings have been forwarded for inclusion in Part.II.Orders, and are published for information:-

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Group(III) | Gun-layer | VX | 687 | Gnr | Milne A.I. |
| | | VX | 10420 | Gnr. | Quittenton W.H. |
| | | VX | 11848 | Gnr. | Nelson H.C. |
| | | VX | 11839 | Gnr. | Reid N.C. |
| | | NX | 13295 | Gnr. | Stevenson G.A. |
| Group(III) | Surveyor | VX | 4884 | Gnr. | Russell P. |
| | | VX | 852 | Gnr. | Findley D.M.C. |
| " | Clerk. | VX | 5568 | Gnr. | Harvey C.H. |
| Group(II) | O.P.A. | VX | 560 | Gnr. | Griffeth G.L. |
| " | Cook. | VX | 665 | Gnr. | Snaith R. |
| " | Signaller. | VX | 5090 | Gnr. | Fry L.K. |
| | | NX | 12908 | Gnr. | Sadler J.R. |
| | | SX | 2000 | Gnr. | Goulding A.J. |
| | | SX | 2211 | Gnr. | Butler T.W. |
| | | VX | 10723 | Gnr. | Seckold G.D. |
| Group(I) | Artificer | VX | 1059 | Gnr. | McWhinney B.T. |

2. APPOINTMENTS

The following Appointments have been forwarded for inclusion in Part.II. Orders, and are published for information:-

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| To be L/Bdr. | VX | 6290 | Gnr. | Wilson R.F. |
| | VX | 614 | Gnr. | Russell A. |
| | VX | 676 | Gnr. | Cowie C. |
| | VX | 5639 | Gnr. | Stevens L.F. |
| | VX | 5568 | Gnr. | Harvey C.H. |
| | VX | 2029 | Gnr. | Blackley J.D. |
| | VX | 560 | Gnr. | Griffeth G.L. |
| | VX | 769 | Gnr. | Roadknight J.D. |
| | VX | 759 | Gnr. | Major G.A. |

The above Trade Groupings, and Appointments to take effect as from 18 December.1940.

Lieut.
A/Adjutant.2/2 Fd.Regt.

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# 6 AUST DIV INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 3.

Based on information received between 2000 hrs 25 Dec and 1800 hrs 29 Dec 40

Ref Maps: BARDIA NORTH - 1/50,000 dated 26 Dec 40.
BARDIA SOUTH - 1/50,000

1. ENEMY GROUND ACTIVITY.

In the NW sector of the defences considerable digging has been reported for several days, both inside and outside the perimeter

2. ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY.

Of 10 B which attacked SALUM on 27 Dec, 3 were shot down and it is thought that at least one of these was being used for photographic purposes.

It is reported that delay action bombs are being used. These burst when the Enemy Aircraft are well clear.

3. WATER SUPPLY BARDIA & TOBRUCH.

PW report distilling plants at both BARDIA and TOBRUCH. The former is sited on the inner part of the bay below the rd leading to CAPUZZO 1½ kilos from BARDIA.

4. ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE.

Adv WDF advises that elements of 1 CCNN Div are in BARDIA in addition to unit shown in our Int Summary No. 2 Appendix. Total remains unchanged at between 20/23,000.

5. CAPTURED DOCUMENTS.

Valuable information is being obtained from captured documents, which have included Air Force Signalling Code, Army Code List dated Nov, List of Recommendations for Awards in 2 CCNN (Showing movements of units, and unit comds), and various technical textbooks.

6. OWN PATROLS.

A brief summary of the information of the BARDIA Perimeter defences obtained by our patrols and OPs up to 27 Dec is given on the attached trace. Following are extracts from subsequent reports:-

(a) 7 Armd Div - 22 Dec and 24 Dec.

From the ridge running approx N and S through Pt 206 (507391) Pt 211 (507395) Pt 212 (507396) a fairly good view can be obtained of the western edge only of the BARDIA defences. This ridge had obviously been registered and any movement on it is not encouraged. A reconnaissance up to about 511394 drew accurate shell and probably A Tk rifle fire from the direction of BIR ADET UUAR (511393).

From about Pt 206 (507391) to Pt 211 (507395) the ridge is pretty well defined and there should be no difficulty in getting MT close up behind it (i.e. to the 506 Grid Line). No movement here could apparently be seen from the observation ladders, of which there are 4. Further north, the ridge becomes flatter, bu while any movement along it is subject to accurate shelling agai from the east, movement behind it is not apparently seen.

The going North of E and W Grid Line (397) is very rough and would be an obstacle to MT or AFV movement. Many signs of ener sangars, etc., in the ridge and wadis about 507397 and 508397,

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but these have not been occupied recently. A telephone wire was found, cut and 100 yds of cable removed.

There is no obstacle to MT or AFV movement from the W up to 507 Grid Line. There are a lot of hummocks which restrict the speed of movement. The ridge previously mentioned is negotiable at all points. The going is similar up to the 511 Grid Line and from what can be seen, continues up to the BARDIA wire. In the whole of the area there is much scrub and less dust than usually is raised by movement.

It appears certain that there is no obstacle to AFV movement from the West from incl Grid Line 391 to incl Grid Line 397.

With regards to infantry movement East of Grid Line 507 it is strongly emphasised that the ground is very open and affords no cover. There is a certain amount of ground from about Grid Line 510 that is defiladed from the front but an AFV that was taken in there was heavily fired at from the direction of BIR ADET UUAR (513393). It appears that most of the ground in front of Grid Line 507 is under observation from the East and a little South of East. However, the thick scrub which runs right up to the wire would help to hide infantry movement in a poor light.

From the permanent dust cloud that appears to overhang the BARDIA defences it seems that there is much loose sand and any movement there raises a great amount of dust. It seems probable that shelling would restrict the view of the defenders.

There are several artificial mounds apparently for registration purposes and of recent construction about Grid Line 510 and 511. On 22/12 artillery fire was laid down on a line running N and S through BIR BELCHENFUS (505395). There were no troops within 1 mile at the time, nor at any time during the day.

(b) 2/6 Bn Patrol Reports.

(i) Advanced to Wadi 51863845 on bearingnof 34 deg. Investigated Sangars at entrance and found them unoccupied. Continued advance up Wadi, inspecting numerous sangers on the way. Proceeded about 2600 yds, passing dugouts in the bed of the Wadi - all appeared deserted. Struck road, in bed of Wadi, running up to enemy position. At point where first struck, branched over side of Wadi to East. Advanced along rd for 150 yds and heard engine running and also what I took to be a human voice in the distance. At Trig 176 (51943850) found a very prominent sanger on eastern side of Wadi. Crawled up to same and found it deserted. We heard no enemy during the patrol and saw no movemc t.

(ii) At 0230 hrs, 1 offr 1 Sgt & 6 ORs went on recce patrol on rd Argub about 400 yds then Fl Comdr examined doglog and found digging going on corner 52043861. Run into enemy outpost at 52013851, tried to collect a prisoner and were not fired on till reached about 100 yds of post. Were outnumbered, and Bren out of action. Number encountered, about 70. Were fired on from flanks by a type of Mortar.

(iii) Met main WADI RAMLA. Travelled NORTH and followed approx 500 yds. Then WEST approx 500 yds wadi very deep to this point and practically impassable. At this point a very deep hole and caves - WADI there gets shallower. On NORTH bank wadi immediately above our posn and 50 yds from edge is frontier wire running on bearing 247 deg. Also stone building in heavily wired enclosure. Wire continues EAST to limit of vision. Frontier wire appears to run considerably further towards coast than shown on map.

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(c) 16 Aust Inf Bde report 27/28 Dec.

(i) At 51233950 ditch 15ft wide, 4ft 5 ft vertical bank, with loose stones and rubble, 3ft wall on outside. Holes to take mines on either side of track crossing tank ditch, but no mines.

(ii) 2/3 Bn Fighting Patrol.-

Left at 2000 hrs and proceeded to pt 50973904, and crossed a track leading off on a bearing of 35 deg.; this track did not appear to have much traffic recently. When the patrol reached 51143911 enemy arty opened fire from a bearing of 35 deg, the interval between flash and report of detonation being 17 secs. This occured at 2130 hrs. The patrol then crossed a well-made gravel road, 12' wide at 51233913. At 51343918 an A Tk trench was reached at 2230 hrs, the A T trench at this pt was approx 6 ft deep and 8 yds wide, banks being vertical. 20 yds to the left the trench ran in a semi-circle and immediately on the opposite bank a defence post was located wired in with double apron barb wire. At 51213928 patrol contacted a Tank trench 7 ft deep by 10 yds wide with vertical banks. There was no wire or work of any description in the WADI. The patrol reports that to contact the defensive post at 51223930 it would be necessary to cross the A Tk trench and to proceed in Wadi. The patrol reports that it is likely that the post has fixed lines on both of these approaches.

Time of signature:- 1400 hrs 29 Dec 40.

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for Colonel,
GS 6 Aust Div

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# DESCRIPTION OF DEFENCES BY PATROLS & OPs TO 27 DEC 40.

## MAIN WIRE DEFENCES.

Single apron fence of barbed wire 3 in between barbs, then 7 ft of taut and loose wire and another single apron fence. Wire old but good. Soft to cut. Takes approx 20 min to cut right through wire belt. Mainly wooden posts. Trip wire 6 in. from ground in front of trench.

## STRONG POST.

No description yet obtained.

A Tracks along defences used considerably.

B Breastwork 2 to 3 ft high 30 yds from wire. Ditch has 45 degrees slope on outside 15ft wide at bottom, inside bank vertical, 2½ ft earth 2½ ft stones. Deepest part 10 ft.

C As "B" but 7 ft deep

D 10ft deep, 60 degrees slope outside, inside in 3 vertical steps 3ft, 4ft and 3ft.

E 2 ft deep plus 1 ft spoil, 12ft wide 45 degrees slope outside vertical inside. Earth in wadi made up. Mines suspected.

F 3 ft deep. Number of crossings in wire.

G Row of unoccupied gunpits 1 ft deep.

H Searchlight with 360 Degrees traverse

J Stacks of roots 10 ft square 5 ft high

K 10 ft wide 5 ft deep sheer sides. Some of mines removed from minefield.

L Row of 8 pits - 4ft x 5ft x 1½ft.

M Piles of broken stones 2 ft high 30 yds behind wire. Ditch 4'6" to 6 ft. deep 9ft wide at bottom, 20ft at top, sloping outside vertical inside.

N 5ft 6 ins to 6 ft deep 15ft wide.

O 15ft wide, both sides vertical 4 - 6 feet deep incl spoil, rocky bottom; wire double apron and second row of pickets wired with odd strands only. Between wire & ditch 2 ft squares of newly turned earth.

P 3 to 4 ft deep, 20ft wide.

Q 20ft deep 10ft wide at bottom 30ft at top. Apron fence with concertina wire behind.

R No A Tk ditch. Wire 10ft broad and easily cut

S 8 sangars, 5 occupied halfway up Wadi north bank.

T Rows of pickets planted in thick scrub in Wadi.

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## HOSTILE BATTERY INFORMATION.

Points to be noted to make reporting of Hostile Battery information more effective.

(i) The time of occurence must ALWAYS accompany any report, whether of shelling, flashes, observation, or registration of enemy batteries.
This enables two reports from different units to be connected; the report is often useless without the TIME.

(ii) A report of an enemy gun position is only of real value if it conveys
(a) how it was found, e.g. registered, engaged, actually seen, or its flashes spotted.
(b) whether occupied or not, (if this is not obvious from the text).

(iii) The "area shelled" item is an important one. When connected up these give the arcs of fire of hostile batteries, as well as the enemy's probable counter-prep. and defensive fire areas.

(iv) The location of reporting point must always be definite; e.g. A Tp posn, not BOZI Bty posn. Where a unit has more than one O.P. leave no doubt as to which is the one concerned.

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Headquarters,
6 Aust Div,
In the Field.
28 Dec, 40.

ENEMY WIRELESS ACTION

The following copy of War Office letter No. 32/Wireless/706(SDa) dated 6 Nov, 40, is forwarded for information:-

"I am commanded by the Army Council to inform you that direct evidence is forthcoming of attempts by the enemy to issue false orders to British units by wireless. Cases were reported in FRANCE, and, more recently, in the UNITED KINGDOM. In this latter case the station which transmitted the message continued working for some time afterwards and was located as being well inside GERMANY.

I am to say that all concerned should be warned to be on their guard against attempts of this nature and that messages and orders, especially those transmitted by radio telephony, should be treated as suspect unless the recipient is satisfied that they are genuine."

R. Kerr-Wray
Colonel,
GS, 6 Aust Div.

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IN THE FIELD

28 Dec '40

2/2 Fd Regt R.A.A.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAYOUT - SALUM AREA

Forwarded herewith is copy of 6 Aust Div Admin Instruction No 90 for your information and necessary action.

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.....Capt
S.C. R.A.A. 6 Aust Div.

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6 AUST DIV

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 90.

ADMINISTRATIVE LAYOUT SALUM AREA.

Ref Map SALUM Sheet A 1/100,000

1. DIV. H.Q.

The respective functions of the various administrative Echelons of Div H.Q. are as follows :-

(a) Advanced H.Q. (A.A.&Q.M.G., D.A.Q.M.G.) Map Ref.51603746.

All AQ policy matters and those relating to "Q". A. matters connected with operations, other than routine matters.

(b) Rear H.Q. DAAG., DADOS., DAPM., SOME., Camp, Chaplains. Ref Map 51723711.

All A matters other than those in (a) Ordnance and Provost.

(c) H.Q.,A.A.S.C. and A.D.M.S. Map location 51723737 - all supply and medical matters.

2. "B" ECH. TPT.

The areas allotted to Inf Bdes for "B" Ech tpt are as follows

16 Aust Inf Bde
2/1 Bn 503377
2/2 Bn 50913774
2/3 Bn 50673767

17 Aust Inf Bde
Squares 520371, 521371, 521370 and 520370.

Vehicles will be dispersed so that they are at least 200 yds from each other in any direction.

3. WATER.

(a) All units below the crest of the escarpment will draw water from BUQ BUQ.
(b) Units above the escarpment will draw water at CAPUZZO until other points are available. These will be notified.
(c) The maximum allowance of water for all purposes is 1 gal per man per day.
(d) 16 Aust Inf Bde will supply a guard for the water point at CAPUZZO consisting of One Capt and One Pl.
The duties of this guard will be in accordance with instructions issued separately
(e) Water will be supplied only on the production of a statement showing the date and ration strength of the unit signed by a competent Officer.
(f) Units will ensure that vehicles waiting to draw water are widely dispersed.
(g) D.A.P.M. will provide six M.P. to assist in traffic control and dispersion.

4. SUPPLIES.

At present supplies are being drawn from SIDI BARANI and delivered to units at the Supply Point at 52133731 at 1000 hrs daily. Certain units, as detailed by this H.Q. draw direct from No.8 F.S.D. or Sup Col below the escarpment.

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5. PETROL.

A Petrol Point is established at 51733734 at 1400 hrs daily. Some units as in para 4 draw direct from 8 F.S.D. or Div Pet Coy.

6. AMMUNITION.

(a) An Amn Point is established at 51733740.
(b) R.A.A. and Inf Bdes will submit daily by 1800 hrs a return of Amn expended and on hand as at 1200 hrs that day.

7. MEDICAL.

M.D.S. 51603747
A.D.S. for 16 Aust Inf Bde - in Square 507384
A.D.S. " 17 Aust Inf Bde - " " 522375.

8. ORDNANCE.

No.4 Recovery Sec is at 52403690. Units will report exact location of disabled vehicles to Rear H.Q. at the earliest possible moment. Demands for spares for M.T. and other equipments will be submitted to D.A.D.O.S.

9. PROVOST.

Gaps in the boundary fence have been cut at 51593729 and 51453717.

10. CANTEENT STORES - Other than E.F.I.

It is expected that a small bulk store will be established below the escarpment. Supplies will be intermittent. All concerned will be notified when supplies arrive.
E.F.I. Stores. Details of these will be notified to British Units when information is available.

11. PAY.

The Div Paymaster will be established at Rear H.Q. about 30 Dec. Requirements for cash will be submitted as required.

12. POSTAL.

Letters for posting will be despatched through Bde Sub Post Offices to Sup Col at Sup Pt.

13. P.O.W.

A P.O.W. cage has been established at 51703770. All prisoners will be sent direct to the cage where they will be taken over by 6 Aust Pro Coy.

14. BURIALS.

Burials will normally be carried out at the Div Cemetery at 51853750. R.A.E. are responsible for the digging of graves of which a number are always available and units are responsible for all burial arrangements including marking the grave with the No. Rank and Name only of the soldier. Units which have not a Chaplain will apply to Rear Div H.Q.

15. A.F.W. 3006.

This form will be submitted daily. Inf Bns and Fd Regts (both R.A. and R.A.A.) through inf bdes and C.R.A. respectively. Other units direct to Rear Div H.Q.

27 Dec 40.

G Wasey
COL.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 AUST. DIV.

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rga nisation Due to casualties, Divs in BARDIA have been
ised on strength of 8500.

uns
photos show 96 field guns in BARDIA defences. This figure
es the obsolete 65/17 inf support weapon.

AL BERGONZOLI
35, was promoted from Col to Brig-Gen and [illegible] 11 MOB
LOGNA. In Oct, 1936 appointed 2 i/c 2 DIV, EL BAN. During
ian war, he commanded a mechanised column in SOMALIA under
I. In 1937, he went to the Ministry of War and thence to
VOLUNTEER DIV in SPAIN and was present at the disastrous
of GUADALAJARA; later in the year promoted to Generale di
ne (Maj.Gen). In 1938, he commanded the "Littorio Div in
offensive in March. He was given comd of XXIII CORPS Corps
1939 which comd he still holds.
ys considerable attention to small details and is apt to
e in the administration of minor units having been noted
by the BERSAGLIERI for his propensity for rushing about
urprise visits and rarely being in his office. Known by
iers as Barbellectrica (electric beard).

L AMICO is reported to be in command of 10th Army at TOBRUK.
Div is more probable.

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17 Aust. Inf. Bde. Intelligence Summary,
No. 5.

(Based on Information received up to 2200 hrs 30 Dec.)

Map. Refs: BARDIA NORTH. } 1/50,000 Green Overprint.
BARDIA SOUTH. }

GENERAL: 2/5 Bn. relieved 2nd Liecesters. Relief completed 1310 hrs.

OPERATIONS: Our Patrols were again active during night 29/30, information being obtained on obstacles and strong posts.

Preliminary report Enemey attack on 'D' Coy, 2/6 Bn. :

At 1645 hrs a party of enemy came out from area of point 176 and moved into WADI. Shortly after an enemy pl. came out of the WADI and attacked the right pl. of 'D' Coy, supported by another pl. on their left flank. Our pl. sent a section to their right to try and cut off this pl., but a considerable volume of fire forced our pl. to defend. The enemy continued to fire until dusk when they withdrew. We had some difficulty with our L.M.G's although they had been tested this afternoon. The whole Coy. was engaged, also a pl. of M.M.G's supporting them. Our casualties one hand wound, one shell shock. - Estimated enemy casualties 17. It appears that this area, quarry - point 176 is strongly held as it was from there that yesterday's dawn patrol was fired on and also from there that th attack on artillery O.P. was launched which was repelled by counter-attack from a pl. of 2/6 Bn.

ENEMY DEFENCES: A. Tk. obstacles ~~xxxxxx~~ 51913863 12' to 15' deep - perpendicular sides is very definite obstacle, almost man-obstacle. It was examined for 250x S.E. direction and found not to vary, Although it appeared that a mine field had been laid in front of this no mines could be found. A report from a patrol indicates that the enemy have now drawn field guns close to the wire.

AIR ACTIVITY: No hostile aircraft reported over this area today.

HOSTILE SHELLING: 2/7 Bn report two shells fell 51493849. Heavy shelling between 1615 hrs across left flank 2/6 Bn following our own artillery fire. Little damage done - detailed reports not yet to hand.

ENEMY ACTIVITY: After enemy artillery had covered the front an attack was launched on 'D' Coy 2/6 Bn.

CONCLUSION: It appears that the enmy attack last night may have been designed to threaten section of our artillery or alternatively to investigate the reason for our patrols which had been particularly active in the area in which the attack was made.

V. Ichoffield Lt
B.I.O. 17 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Time of Signature. 2230 hrs.

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10. 'J' Bty.
11. 2/2 Fd Regt.
12. Brigadier.

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31 Dec. 40.

17 Aust. Inf. Bde. Intelligence Summary No. 4.

Based on information at this H.Q. up to 2000 hrs. 31 Dec. 40.

General. 2/7 Bn. moved fwd. to new locations held yesterday by a Coy. in each locality.

The move was not apparently observed by the enemy.

B Coy. 2/6 Bn. pushed fwd. further during night and is consolidating. 52353859

Enemy Operations.

As a result of enemy fighting patrol attack on D Coy 2/6 Bn. one wounded P.W. was taken this morning - "Cried for mercy". Later one further prisoner captured.

Order of Battle. P.W. identified -

6 Coy 11 Bn 157 Regt 65 CIVVY Div.
First Aid Personnel 157 Regt. 65 CIVVY Div.

Enemy Morale. Information from P.W.s. indicates it to be very low, due mainly to lack of food, the non-appearance of the promised large reinforcements and lack of desire to fight. The willingness with which information, if known, was given, indicated either complete lack of spirit, or fear of harsh treatment by us. This great fear at first shown by P.W. indicates that the enemy impress on their personnel that they will be killed or tortured if taken prisoner by us.

Enemy Supplies. P.W. confirm reports of acute shortage of food supplies; water is adequate at present.

Enemy Air Activity.

Right fwd. 2/7 Bn. report that, at 1708 hrs., aircraft, followed by whistling and thuds, were heard and may possibly be TWO 'OS bombs.

Hostile Shelling.

As shown on Shelling trace attached.

Extracts from own Patrol Reports.

PATROL No. 1. :-

Summary of report by Lieut. Sherlock, B Coy., after patrol 29/30 Dec. :- Ref. Map BARDIA SOUTH 1:50,000.

Frontier Post 8 is on bank of WADI South of WADI RAMLA. Leaving F.P. 8 wadi very steep to WEST for 100ˣ then turning NORTH for 500ˣ to F.P. 9 which marks the start of WADI RAMLA. I travelled 600 yds. WEST along bank from where the WADI runs S.E. into the sea. The wadi affords excellent concealment for troops. 50 deg. North there are wire entanglements which run WEST from the sea.

While patrol was moving along wire they heard enemy giving fire orders to Arty which had apparently been moved fwd to vicinity of Frontier wire between Posts 16 and 17. Returned to CARRIER WADI night of 29/30 Dec.

PATROL No. 2. :-

2/7 Bn. Patrol No. 2 reports that the road from their area to BARDIA defences is passable with clearance on either side from shell holes and abandoned vehicles. A stone wall ten to fifteen yards long and three feet wide has been erected across the road in line with angle of tank trap. This trap runs east - west - turns north at this point and is approx 14-16 feet wide and 7-8 feet deep. Several vehicles and what appeared to be a plane were standing in the area formed by stone wall and North-south line of Trap. Personnel working about them crossed the trap by means of a bridge. No firing took place and patrol remained in the area from 0145-0215 hrs and patrol returned at 0320 hrs.

PATROL No. 3. :- Patrol reached point 52023861 - a junction of two wadis, the enemy appearing very active along direct front. At point 52053865 it appeared that the enemy were constructing sangars 70 yds to the front. Fire was being erected to the left. Moved off on a bearing of 255 degrees and stopped at a distance of 200 yds. Area covered with sangars and wadi shallower. At approx 52025862 there appeared to be an enemy strongpost. At point 51993860 numerous sangars.

Remarks. Pt. 162 is a fairly high feature but it is unknown whether it dominates the enemy. The wadi could be crossed easily by inf and carriers 200 yds. from wadi junction 52045862.

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# 16 INF BDE OPERATION INSTRUCTION No. 5.

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Ref Maps : SALUM 1:100.000.
SIDI BARRANI 1:100.000.
BARDIA SOUTH 1:50.000.

1. 16 Inf Bde will be relieved by 17 Aus Inf Bde on nights 27/28 and 29/30 Dec 40 and will move in M.T. to BUQ BUQ 560369 area.

2. On relief 17 Aus Inf Bde will extend existing 16 Inf Bde area by taking over area at present occupied by 2/2 Aus Inf Bn of 16 Aus Inf Bde. New inter-bde bdy has been indicated to 17 Aus Inf Bde.

3. During night 27/28 Dec 40.
(a) 2/6 Aus Inf Bn will relieve 2 Queen's in present posns. 2 Queen's will move back to BUQ BUQ area by coys as soon as embussed.
(b) 2/7 Aus Inf Bn will move into fwd area S.W. of CAPUZZO 514376 preparatory to relieving 2/2 Aus Inf Bn on night 28/29 Dec 40.
(c) HQ 16 Inf Bde, 1 A. & S.H. and 'A' Coy 215 Fd Amb neither of whom will be relieved by incoming units will move back to BUQ BUQ area.

4. 2 Leicesters come under comd 17 Aus Inf Bde on completion of relief and remain in present posns until 2/5 Aus Inf Bn has occupied res posn on night 29/30 Dec 40. Orders for relief will be issued by HQ 17 Aus Inf Bde. On relief 2 Leicesters rejoin 16 Inf Bde in BUQ BUQ area.

5. 1 N.F. comes under comd 6 Aus Div on night 27/28 Dec 40. 'W' Coy 1 N.F. remains in present posns and comes under comd 2/6 Aus Inf Bn on completion of inter-unit relief. No alteration to present role.

6. 'J' Bty R.H.A. comes under comd 17 Aus Inf Bde on completion of relief. Tp at present with 2 Queen's remains in present posns and comes under comd 2/6 Aus Inf Bn on completion of inter-unit relief. No alteration to present role.

7. 2/2 Fd Regt RAA will continue in support of present 16 Inf Bde area after relief. Present D.F. tasks - C.D.F. signal and liaison arrangements will continue.

8. 'A' Coy 215 Fd Amb 1815 moves to ITALIAN HOSPITAL, BUQ BUQ leaving present posn at ~~1715~~ hrs 27 Dec 40 without relief. Casualties occurring after this hr will be evacuated direct to M.D.S. on Rd SALUM - BUQ BUQ at about 531378.

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9. Tp carrying M.T. which brings up 2/6 and 2/7 Aus Inf Bns will carry back 2 Queen's and 1 A. & S.H. respectively to BUQ BUQ area.
Debussing pts will be as follows :-

(a) For 2/6 Aus Inf Bn Rd and track junc 52093752 at which pt 2 Queen's will subsequently embuss.

(b) For 2/7 Aus Inf Bn to S.W. of CAPUZZO from which pt tp carrying M.T. will be guided to 1 A. & S.H. area (para 10 (b) below).

Dispersion at 50 yds between vehicles while waiting.

10. Guides and T.C.P's.

(a) 1 A. & S.H. will picquet track fwd from escarpment end of HALFAYA PASS at about 52653675 to Rd and track junc 52093752 from 1630 hrs 27 Dec 40.
The duty of these picquets will be to ensure that tp carrying M.T. and all unit tpt of incoming Aus units is correctly guided to the Rd SALUM - CAPUZZO at 52093752.

(b) 1 A. & S.H. will detail an offr to join tp carrying M.T. of 2/7 Aus Inf Bn at escarpment end of HALFAYA PASS. He will accompany this M.T. fwd and after 2/7 Aus Inf Bn has debussed will marshal it and lead it back to 1 A.& S.H. area.

(c) 2 Queen's will arrange for pl guides to R.V. at Rd and track junc 52093752 at 1700 hrs 27 Dec 40.
From this pt ingoing coys 2/6 Aus Inf Bn and outgoing coys 2 Queen's will use following routes :-

(i) Bn HQ - right fwd coy and res coy - East track.

(ii) Left and centre fwd coys - West track.

(d) 2 Leicesters will establish a T.C.P. at Rd and track junc 52093752 by 1630 hrs 27 Dec 40.

11. Timings.
Incoming Aus Inf Units will NOT move Northwards from escarpment end of HALFAYA PASS before the following times :-

2/6 Aus Inf Bn - 1700 hrs.
2/7 Aus Inf Bn - 1745 hrs.

12. Rearward movement all units 16 Inf Bde will be at 80 VTM and 5 MIH. No lights of any sort.
Routes - 2 Queen's - Rd CAPUZZO - SALUM - BUQ BUQ.

HQ 16 Inf Bde. )
1 A. & S.H. ) - HALFAYA PASS - Rd SALUM -
'A' Coy 215 Fd Amb. ) BUQ BUQ.

HQ 16 Inf Bde will be clear of escarpment end of HALFAYA PASS by 1800 hrs.

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13. Adm arrangements as follows :-

(a) Supplies for 28 Dec 40 will be drawn by unit 'B' Ech vehicles from Supply Depot SALUM on 27 Dec 40. Supplies for 29 Dec 40 will be drawn by unit 'B' Ech vehicles from S.P. in BUQ BUQ area location of which will be notified later.

(b) 2 Leicesters will draw supplies for 29 Dec 40 from Supply Depot, SALUM thereafter drawing from S.P., BUQ BUQ.

(c) 'B' Ech HQ 16 Inf Bde - 2 Queen's and 1 A. & S.H. will be loaded with cooking gear, etc. on afternoon 27 Dec 40 and will R.V. at present 'B' Ech area by 1730 hrs same date. 'B' Ech as above will then move direct to new area under Bde T.O. 'B' Ech 2 Leicesters remains present posn.

(d) L.A.D. 16 Inf Bde remains present posn and moves to BUQ BUQ area independently 28 Dec 40.

14. Unit recce parties for new area R.V. at present 'B' Ech location at 1300 hrs 27 Dec 40.

15. Intercomn as under :-

(a) HQ 17 Aus Inf Bde opens at 51653775 at 1500 hrs 27 Dec 40.

(b) HQ 16 Inf Bde will remain in present posn until completion of relief and will then move to new posn BUQ BUQ area at which a report centre will be established at 1500 hrs 27 Dec 40.

(c) No change allotment No.11 sets - Wireless silence throughout relief - Cable comn remains - Cable sec will reel in and rejoin Bde HQ in BUQ BUQ area on 28 Dec 40.

(d) Code word "HURRICANE" will be used to indicate completion of relief between 2/6 Aus Inf Bn and 2 Queen's and will be signalled by both bns to their respective Bde HQ's.

(e) On receipt of above code word Comd 17 Aus Inf Bde assumes responsibility for present 16 Inf Bde area and Comd 2/6 Aus Inf Bn for 2 Queen's present area.

ACK.

D.J. [illegible] Major,
B.M. 16 Inf Bde.

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28 Dec. 40.

17 Aust. Inf. Bde. O. O. No. 1.

Ref. Maps : SALUM
SALUM (CYRENAICA)
BARDIA ( " )
} 1 : 100,000.

1. Information.
(a) Enemy disposed as on I map green overprint.
(b) 2/6 Bn. occupying Right Bn. sector, 2/7 Bn. 1000x S.W. of GAPUZZO.
2/5 Bn. at BACCUSH. 2 Leicesters in reserve area SALUM.
16 Aust. Inf. Bde. on our left.

2. Intention. 2/7 Bn. will take over from 2/2 Bn. and right fwd. coy. of 2/5 Bn. on night 28/29 Dec. 40.

3. Method.

3. Boundaries
Inter Bde (incl 17 Bde) PT 177 at X-tracks 51375907 - PT 195 on road at 50993836.
Inter Bn (incl 2/6 Bn.) grid 517.
2/7 Bn. will relieve 2/2 Bn. and right fwd coy 2/5 Bn. during night 28/29 Dec and adjust dispositions to cover area during night 29/30 Dec. Relief will commence in daylight where possible.

4. M.G. One coy 1 N.F. under comd 2/6 Bn.
One coy 1 N.F. " " 2/7 Bn. when relief complete.
One coy 1 N.F. in reserve sighted to cover gap between 2/6 and 2/7 Bns and to cover gaps on left front of 2/7 Bn.

5. Arty 2/1 Fd. Regt. in support 17 Aust. Inf. Bde.

6. Liaison 2/1 Fd. Regt. will arrange for a L.O. with each of 2/6 and 2/7 Bns during hours of darkness.

7. Defensive Fire Only BN Comds are authorized to call for D.F. at present.
Rate : 3 r.p.g.p.m. for 5 mins.

8. Lights No lights will be shown between 1730 hrs. and 0645 hrs. daily.

Admin.

9. As in Div. Admin. Instr. No. 90.

Intercomm.

10. Bde. H.Q. at CISTERNS 51683776.

11. Signal Plan.
L/T to each Bn.
W/T listening set with each Bn.
Wireless silence will hold.

Ack.

Time of Signature 1456 hrs.

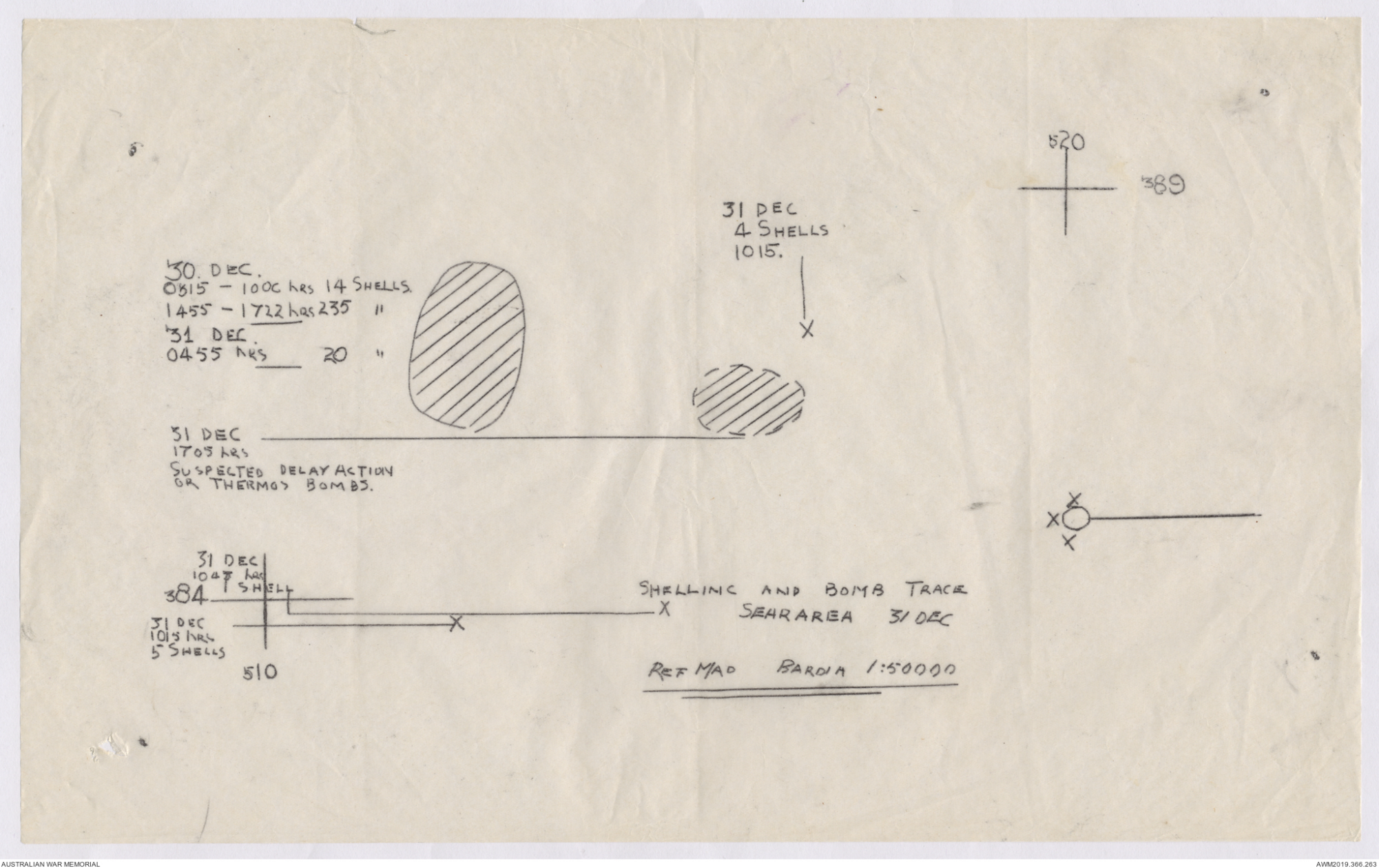
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# 6 AUST DIV INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 4.

Based on information received between 1300 hrs 29 Dec and 1300 hrs 31 Dec 40.

Ref Maps: BARDIA North)
BARDIA South) 1/50,000 dated 26 Dec 40.

## 1. ENEMY ACTIVITY.

At 1630 hrs 30 Dec an enemy patrol of approx 100 approached outposts of our right bn in Southern sector from vicinity of pt 170 (51953849). Fire was opened on them and patrol immediately retired leaving a number of dead, and one wounded man, who was captured.

Arty OP and patrols on our left front report considerable MT activity during night in areas near the perimeter, between the main CAPUZZO Rd and the southern corner of the perimeter.

It is apparent that the enemy is unaware of the position of our fwd posts, and parties of them may be intercepted at any part of our front.

## 2. OUR OPERATIONS.

At dusk 29 Dec, a Naval patrol captured a schooner, which was leaving BARDIA for TOBRUCH. They took 100 prisoners of a Pioneer Bn, who had been working in BARDIA, and released British prisoners recently captured in this area.

These report that the Fortress HQ BARDIA seems to be in the area SE of the loop in the CAPUZZO Rd (sq 516394) in a deep wadi. Italians on board report:-

(i) On 17 Dec a schooner brought 500 land mines into BARDIA.
(ii) The strong points in the defences are mainly open sangars.
(iii) 6 tanks, type M 13, were seen and there are about 35 of this type, and approx 70 It Tanks in the area.
Comment: These figures seem high.
(iv) Gun which fires at SALUM is 149 mm.

A patrol of right Bn investigated WADI MUATERED on night 30/31 Dec, about 52013861 and found a large party of enemy building sangars on the north bank.

## 3. IDENTIFICATIONS.

In addition to the wounded prisoner, a Red Cross Corporal was captured whilst searching for the wounded man.
Both belonged to 157 Regt of 63 DIV.
It is possible that 63 and 64 DIVs have taken up the positions they held in BARDIA in August last with 63 DIV on South and 64 DIV on North.

## 4. ENEMY MORALE.

Both PW captured confirm statements made by British prisoners that food rations in BARDIA Garrison are extremely short and morale of men is poor.
PW also state that our arty fire has caused a number of casualties.

TIME OF SIGNATURE: 1500 hrs 31 Dec 40.
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[signature]
Colonel,
GS 6 Aust Div.

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# APPENDIX 'A' SECRET

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Dated 26 Dec 40
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HEAVILY WIRED

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# SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

by

BRIGADIER E.F. HERRING, D.S.O., M.C., E.D.,

C.R.A. 6 AUST DIV.

5 JAN. '41

On this day of victory I want to thank you all for and congratulate you all upon the splendid part you have played in the success achieved.

It is our job to support the other arms and in this battle we have succeeded in giving first class support.

Strenuous days lie ahead, but the experience gained during the past few days is going to help us all to do even better next time.

Let us hope the day of our next success is not far off.

E.F. Herring Brig.

C.R.A., 6 AUST DIV.

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