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ref maps: TOROKINA 1:63360. SOUTH BOUGAINVILLE SERIES 1:25000. RHQ 993387 LOB 595961	AUG 1		RHQ: Maj Mackay moved to A Sqn, stayed overnight and retd to RHQ on 2 Aug. Official Visitors: Maj Taylor (2 Corps) staying at RHQ. LOB: Tpr White M/C Hosp ex 16 Tp - Tpr Davies replaced Tpr White with 16 Tp. Lt Richards & Batman arrived ex TOKO. Tpr Wright M/C Hosp ex 16 Tp. Stand down afternoon - pers to beach for swimming. Weather: Overcast and showery.	
	2		RHQ Picquet reported 3 Nips outside wire at 0300 hrs night 1/2 Aug - camp stood to but no further action taken. Weather: Light rains all day. LOB KIA (16 Tp): NX 80188 Tpr Mitchell A.R. NX 117039 Tpr West L.J. NX 104148 Tpr Hardy L.W. WIA (16 Tp): QX 21967 Sgt McDonald L.G. Weather: Fine warm	
	3		RHQ: CO arrived back at RHQ from LOB ex C Sqn (WEWAK AREA). Lt Willmott (Sig Offr) arrived - staying at RHQ. SX 15063 Lt Thorpe T.S. rejoined LOB ex 8 US ARMY. NX 70894 Lt Ross H.R.M. (A Sqn) exac to Hosp. LOB: 1 OR M/C to 16 Tp, 23 Inf Bde. 21 OR M/L from B Sqn for rest period. Weather: Fine warm.	
	4		RHQ: Maj Taylor dept for TOROKINA. Adjt (Capt Allard) moved to LOB - probable return 10 Aug. 2 i/c(Maj Mackay) moved to LOB en route to 16 Tp 23 Bde. RO Part 1 Serial No.11 promulgated. W 3008 & W 3009 submitted. Weather: fine, overcast.	att. Appx 'A' " " 'B'

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	Aug 4		LOB: 19 OR M/O to B Sqn; 1 OR M/O to A Sqn. Tpr Herford E.C. M/I ex Hosp (Battle cas) 1 OR M/O to hosp ex 16 Tp. Weather: Fine, warm.	
	5		RHQ: ~~Lt Willmott moved from RHQ back to B Sqn.~~ Weather: Fine morning, lt showers in afternoon. LOB: 1 OR (A Sqn) m/i ex Home Leave. Stand Down day - pers to beach morning and afternoon. Weather: Fine, warm.	
	6	1315 L	RHQ: Capt Williams (TO) arrived RHQ from A Sqn - to visit B Sqn and then return to LOB. 8 Tp (B Sqn) arrived 3 Div Area - in Div protective scheme. Tp is camped in RHQ area and under RHQ for adm, eating etc. Padre O'Sullivan visited RHQ - stayed overnight. NX 35124 Maj Mackey det to 23 Bde - on visit to 16 Tp. LOB: Maj Mackay & Batman dept LOB for 16 Tp (SORAKEN). Weather: Fine, warm.	
	7		RHQ: CO dept for A Sqn - to stay there night 7/8 Aug. Weather: Fine, warm. LOB 1 OR M/I from B Sqn; Tpr Hardy N. M/I from 16 Tp; Sgts Halcombe and Farland M/I ex Hosp. Weather: Fine, warm.	
	8		RHQ: CO arrived back from A Sqn. Regtl Gp LOCSTAT submitted. att..... Weather: Fine, warm. LOB: ~~Capt Beyer retd to B Sqn~~ Capt Allard & Lt Richards retd to RHQ; Lt Yorath retd to B Sqn. 1 OR TOS from B Sqn - 1 OR SOS to B Sqn; 1 OR M/O to TOKO. Stand down afternoon - pers to beach.	Appx 'C'

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	Aug 9		RHQ: Adjt (Capt Allard) and IO (Lt Richards) retd having spent night 8/9 Aug at B Sqn. Lt Yorath (8 Tp Ldr B Sqn) rejoined his tp at RHQ. RQM (Capt Green) to B Sqn. Lt Thorpe T.S. arrived from LOB and remains at RHQ pending posting to either A or B Sqns. 3 Aust Div 00 20 dated 8 Aug 45 received .. att.... Weather: Fine, warm.	Appx (D'
			LOB Capt Beyer M/O to B Sqn; 2 OR tsfrd to A Sqn; Lt Thorpe M/O to RHQ; W011 KNEHR M/O to TOKO. Weather: Fine warm.	
	10		RHQ: RQM retd from visit to B and A Sqns. Visiting Offrs: Capt Rowley and Lt Frazell (offrs from the War Office Trials at TOROKINA) visited 3 Div HQ and RHQ. Div are considering bringing their two M 24 lt tks down for protective role along the L of C - the Nip is becoming increasingly active along our L of C. Weather: Fine warm; rain night 10/11 Aug.	
			LOB: 1 OR TOS ex hospital. Weather: Fine warm.	
	11		RHQ: Capt Williams (TO) deptd RHQ for B Sqn. Capt Rowley and Lt Frazell deptd for TOROKINA. RQM deptd for A Sqn. W 3008 and W 3009 submitted. Maj Mackay retd to LOB ex 16 Tp, 23 Bde. Weather: rain in morning; fine afternoon.	Appx 'B'
			LOB: Capt Harris TOS (att) from 1 Aust Corps (to instruct on the use of flame throwers. 18 OR M/I from B Sqn; 1 OR M/I from TOKO; 1 OR SOS ex hospital. Maj Mackay retd from 16 Tp. Weather: cloudy and showery.	

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	Aug 12		RHQ: CO (lt-col Mills) deptd for LOB, TORKINA. Weather: Fine, warm.	
			LOB: 19 OR M/O to B sqn. 18 OR M/I from 1 Aust Armd Regt and att - these pers are for the flame throwing tks. CO arrived from TOKO. Stand down day - pers to beach in morning and afternoon. Weather: Fine, hot.	
	13		RHQ: ~~RQM retd from A Sqn.~~ AFV Users Report submitted - att..... Weather: Fine morning; hy rain in afternoon.	Appx 'E'.
			LOB: 2 pers M/O to school (Course No.5 D& M Conversion at LHQ AFV Schl PUCKAPUNYAL). Weather: Cloudy and showery.	
	14		RHQ: CO arrived back from LOB. Adjt and IO visited A Sqn and retd same day. Signal recd from 3 Div stating no offensive actions pending news of the Peace Negotiations. Maj Lawson (OC Fd Pk) arrived at RHQ. Road from RHQ to A Sqn is much improved - one hour going time by jeep. Engrs are making good progress with 3 ton rd. Going time RHQ to B Sqn by jeep - approx ½ Half hour. Weather: morning fine: afternoon overcast and showers.	
			LOB: ~~Tpr Wright M/I from Hospital.~~ Lt Callaghan rejoined ~~16 T~~ LOB from 16 Tp 23 Bde. Weather: Fine, warm.	
	15		RHQ: Maj Mackay deptd LOB for 16 Tp. Capt Humphries (OC Wksps) retd to RHQ ex LOB. RO Part 1 Serial No. 12 promulgated. att....	Appx 'A'

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	Aug 15		SX 5816 Lt Callaghan rejoined LOB from det 16 tp, 23 Bde. Following days of speculation, rumour and anxious waiting the news of the Japanese official surrender was received. All ranks rejoice in the fact that peace has come. Celebrations in this area were a very sober affair as liquor is not permitted in this locality. There will be no relaxation of security measures for it is thought small isolated parties of enemy are still operating in this vicinity. Weather: Fine, warm, windy. -	
			LOB Maj Mackay and 2 OR M/O to 23 Inf Bde. Sgt McDonald (16 tp) rejoined from hospital. Pers were stood down in afternoon when news of Japanese surrender was received. Weather: Fine, warm.	
	16		RHQ Notification received of promotion of Lt Dent G.C. to substantive Capt dated from 2 Aug 45.	
		1900	Special orders by Lt-col T. Mills (CO Regt) to C Sqn.. att Pers attended picture show in 3 Aust Div area. Weather: -Fine, warm, windy.	Appx 'F'
			LOB 2 Offrs 13 OR M/I from A and B Sqns to attend Gracie Fields concert held at 2 Aust Corps. Sgt Parkes (16 Tp) died of injuries. Sgt Cain (16 tp) evacuated to hospital. Weather: Fine, warm.	
	17		RHQ Maj Robinson and Lt Humphries D.P. (A Sqn) stayed night 17/18 en route to A-Sqn from LOB. Lt-col Hassett (G1 3 Aust Div) was guest of offrs mess for evening meal. Disturbed night - intermittent SA fire and grenades 300/400 yds south of area. Weather: overcast, showers.	

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	Aug 17		LOB 5 OR M/I from B Sqn for rest period. Weather: Fine and warm.	
	18		RHQ W 3008 & W 3009 submitted.. att NX 6961 Lt Gately W.J. arrived at LOB ex C Sqn (reposting) NX 35124 Maj Mackay J.H. retd to LOB from 23 Bde and TOS. Maj Lawson (OC 2/4 Ord Fd Pk) deptd for LOB. SX 8691 Lt Forsyth L.E. (B Sqn) retd from hospital and remains at LOB. Maj Robinson & Lt Humphrys deptd to rejoin A Sqn. 3 Aust Div moved out of this area today - leaves RHQ isolated and on difficult piece of ground to defend if need be. Additional picquet post dug, scrub cleared and the wiring of the area was 'thickened up'. Weather: Fine, warm; hy rain in afternoon.	Appx 'B'
			LOB Brig MacArthur-Onslow (Comd 4 Aust Armd Bde) arrived in the LOB area. Weather: Fine, warm.	
	19	1530	RHQ Brig MacArthur-Onslow and Maj Mackay arrived from LOB. Portion of accumulated beer ration was brought down from LOB area - max 12 bottles per man. In future normal weekly ration of 2 bottles per man will be made in this area; same applies for both A and B Sqns. Weather: Cool, overcast.	
			LOB 20 OR M/O to B Sqn following rest period etc. Sgt Brooks (16 Tp) exacuated to hospital. Stand down day - pers to beach in morning and afternoon. Weather: Fine and warm.	
	20		RHQ Adm Instr 35/45 promulgated - refers to 2 days leave and one free bottle of beer forVP Day. att.....	Appx 'G(

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	Aug 20	1015	Brig MacArthur-Onslow, CO, 2 i/c, Adjt and IO went fwd to A Sqn where the Brig addressed the Sqn; from there all went fwd, together with Maj Robinson (OC A Sqn), to the MIVO RIVER to have a look at the Xing which would have been the next tk Xing if ops had continued. The river appeared to be no obstacle to tks. 6 Nips were unconcernedly bathing on the far bank. Weather: Fine, hot.	
			LOB 5 OR M/O to 23 Inf Bde (16 Tp) Capt Green and 3 OR M/I from TOKO	
	21		RHQ Brig, CO, 2 i/c and Adjt moved to B Sqn where the Brig addressed the Sqn Gp. Brig and Maj Mackay moved through to LOB, whilst CO and Adjt retd to RHQ. Weather: Fine, hot.	
			LOB 11 General rfts M/I. Weather: Fine and warm.	
	22		RHQ GOC 3 Aust Div (Maj-Gen Bridgeford) addressed B Sqn at 0815 hrs and then moved through to A Sqn and addressed that Sqn at 0915 hrs. CO and Adjt were present at both parades. Capt Humphries (OC 2/4 Wksps) deptd RHQ for LOB. Beer - weekly issue of 2 bottles plus 1 free bottle distributed to pers in this area.	
		0830	16 Tp (SORAKEN) - 1 Offr 16 OR, 1 tk, 1 jeep and trailer deptd SORAKEN and arrived TOROKINA. Weather: Fine, warm.	
			LOB Tpr Martens tsfrd to 63 Aust Tpt. Stand down afternoon - pers to beach. Weather: Fine, warm.	

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	Aug 23		RHQ Adjt (Capt Allard) visited A Sqn. Regtl Gp LOCSTAT submitted ... att Weather: Fine hot.	Appx 'C'
			LOB Capt Williams (TO) retd from period duty TOKO area. 9 OR M/I from 16 Tp, 23 Inf Bde. Weather: Fine warm.	
	24		RHQ Working parties collected one 3 ton load of sawn timber, malthoid, fly wire etc from the old 3 Div HQ area. These materials are in short supply in the TOROKINA area and are needed for the fitting up of the new Regt area there. Materials to be taken to TOROKINA on 25 Aug. Weather: Fine, hot.	
			LOB Capt McGrath (RMO) and Capt Beverley (2 i/c A Sqn) arrived at LOB. Weather: Fine, warm.	
	25		RHQ W 3008 and W 3009 submitted. att CO visited HQ 3 Aust Div and attended Sqn Dinner at B Sqn; also the Adjt. Lt Yorath and pers of 8 Tp moved to B Sqn to attend the Sqn Dinner. SX 24890 Lt Humphrys D.P. (A Sqn) admitted to hospital. VX 51261 Lt Young J.E. rejoined B Sqn from 2/3 Comdo Sqn and moved to LOB for rest period. Weather: Fine, hot; hy rain in evening.	Appx 'B'
			LOB Lt Gatley M/O to B Sqn where he takes over a troop. WO11 Knehr (Caterer) returned from period in TOKO area. Sgt Cain (I Sgt) returned to LOB from hospital. Weather: Fine, warm.	

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	Aug 26		RHQ Nothing of note. Weather: cool, hy showers.	
			LOB Stand down day. 16 OR M/I from A Sqn; 14 OR M/I from B Sqn. Weather: Very wet.	
	27	0800	RHQ CO departed for LOB. 8 tp moved back from RHQ to rejoin B Sqn at KEKRO CREEK. Top of a large tree fell during a windy afternoon and demolished the mens latrine and fell across a jeep which was parked nearby - jeep damaged beyond repair. Notification received of promotion of Capt E.C. Millikin to substantive Major = to date from 11 Aug 45. Weather: Fine morning; hy rain in afternoon.	
			LOB 17 OR M/I from A Sqn and 14 OR M/I from B Sqn; these parties are to assist in the construction of the new Regtl Gp area. Weather: Fine and warm.	
	28		RHQ Nothing of note. Weather: Fine, cool.	
			LOB Decision made for construction of new camp at BOSLEY FIELD (TOROKINA) and construction commenced. Sgt Thame (pay sgt) and Sgt Lloyd M/O to RHQ. Weather; showery.	
	29		RHQ Maj Robinson-(A Sqn) called at RHQ. Adjt made official visit to HQ 3 Div at TOKO. Weather: Cool, overcast.	
			LOB Lt Young (B Sqn) evacuated to 2/1 AGH. Weather: Fine, hot.	
	29		RHQ CO arrived back from LOB. QX 16140 Lt Couchman D.R. taken on posted str ex 15 Mot Regt. Beer issue 2 bottles p.man arrived. Weather: Fine, warm.	

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	Aug 30		LOB Lt Adamson and 7 OR returned from 16 Tp, 23 Bde, also the memaining two tanks returned. Weather: Warm, overcast.	
	31		RHQ NX 70984 Maj Vernon P.V. arrived RHQ - TOS as on 1 Sep ex LHQ. Capt Feer (MGO's Branch) staying at RHQ and visiting nearby units on eqpt matters. 3 B Sqn offrs guests of offrs mess for evening meal. Pers from RHQ attended pictures in B Sqn area. Weather: Fine morning, hy rain in afternoon. LOB 2 OR M/O to RHQ. 2 OR rejoined unit from 16 tp, 23 Bde. 3 OR M/I from B Sqn and 4 OR M/I from A Sqn. Weather: Warm, overcast.	
			Str of Regt (incl att) (less C Sqn-Gp) as at 31 Aug 45:- Offrs 34. OR 393. CO 2/4 Aust Armd Regtl Gp — Lt-col Mills T. 2 i/c " " " — Maj Mackay J.H. OC HQ Sqn " " — Maj Millikin E.C. OC B Sqn " " — Maj Arnott K.M. (on leave) Capt Stone F. is adm comd during his absence. OC A Sqn " " — Maj Robinson M.R. OC 2/4 Sigs Tp — Lt. Willmott R. OC 2/4 Ord Fd Park — Maj Lawson W. OC 2/4 Wksps — Capt Humphries C.E.	
			Narrative for month of Aug 45 is att..... List of Appendicies is att...	Appx 'H'

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LIST OF APPENDICIES - WAR DIARY AUGUST 45.

a. R.O. Pt.1 Serial Nos 11 and 12.

B. Field Returns (W3008 & W3009).

C. Regtl Gp LOCSTAT of 8 Aug and 23 Aug 45.

D. 3 Aust Div 00 20 dated 8 Aug 45 and Op Instr 38 of 8 Aug 45.

E. AFV Users Report.

F. Special Orders to C Sqn by Lt-col Mills (Comd 2/4 Armd Regt).

G. Adm Instr 35/45.

H. Narrative for month of August 45.

I. 3 Aust Div Daily Summary of Ops and Int Reports.

J. MAPS - 1/25000 -(BARARA, HIRU HIRU, RUMIKI, MONOITU, MUSARAKA, (MAMAGOTA, MIVO RIVER.

1/63360- TOROKINA, PURIATA RIVER, AITARA, KARA.
(These maps show coverage of Regtl Ops in Southern Bougainville.)

k. AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHS -(Used in compiling topo infm for ops in adv east along BUIN ROAD).

L. Translation of Captured Document - 'Japanese Lessons from Ops'.

M. A Sqn War Diary for month of August 45.

N. 16 Troop " " " " " " ".

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

31 45/..... (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 8 /1945. 2/4 Aust Armd Regt (Less C Sqn) (Unit)

W.E. 1 / 50 / 2. OFFRS. 26 O.R's. 335 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 21 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
1	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
4	NR	1	-	3 Majors					
7	-	-	-	7 Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	- 1
14	-	-	6	20 Lieutenants	AACHD	1	-	-	- 1
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
26	-	1	6	31		2	-	-	2

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A.		33	(All Med Class A)								33
E.(1)											
E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX3574	Lt	YORATH L W		28.7.45	From Tk Dozer Demo US 8 Army
WX70310	"	DENT G C		28.7.45	" " " "

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO .....(Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../...../194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday ...../...../194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
	NX174	Lt-Col MILLS	T	CO	Yes		
Maj	NX35124	MACKAY	J H	2 ic	Yes		
Maj	NX7o790	ARNOTT	K H H	OC B	No	Home Leave	25.7.45
Maj	NX34656	ROBINSON	W	OC A	Yes		
Capt	NX70429	HILLIKEN	E C	OC HQ	Yes		
Capt	NX57140	STONE	F S	2ic B	Yes		
Capt	NX70754	BEVERLEY	G D	2ic A	Yes		
Capt	VX65491	WILLIAMS	C B	T O	Yes		
Capt	VX112070	BEYER	L	L O	Yes		
Lt (T/Capt)	NX7o738	CROSS	E D B	Q M	Yes		
Lt (T/Capt)	VX51524	ALLARD	J M	Adjt	Yes		
Lt	SX23486	RICHARDS	E R	I O	Yes		
Lt	VX51592	SALMON	C	TpLdr	Yes		
Lt	NX57154	CURLEY	S T	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX113736	BENNETT	F C	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX67oo6	JOSS	G F	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX42034	HOLLIDAY	H W	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX7o894	ROSS	H R M	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX16404	HAWKES	M R	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX24390	HUMPHRIES	D P	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX2o937	ADAMSON	J B	" "	No	Det 23 Inf Bde	3.7.45
Lt	SX15063	THORPE	T S	" "	No	Tk Dozer Demo U S 3 Army	1.7.45
Lt	SX5316	CALLAGHAN	D G J	" "	No	Det 23 Inf Bde	7.7.45
Lt	SX17193	NICHOLLS	P M	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX11347	SCOTT	R C	" "	No	Det 23 Inf Bde	2.7.45
Lt	VX51261	YOUNG	J B	" "	No	Det 2/3 Commando Sqn	1.7.45
Lt	NX3574	YORATH	L W	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX70110	DENT	G C	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX70303	ROBERTSON	D R	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX44721	HARR	E L	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX113771	FRASER	D W	" "	Yes		
Capt	NX2oo5oo	MCGRATH	D H	RMO	Yes		
Chap	QX56164	O'SULLIVAN	R P	Chap	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lt	QX16140	COUGHRAN D R	15 Mot Regt	5.7.45	Att for one month (3 Div A/760 of 4 Jul 45)

4 AUG 45
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander Capt
2/4 Armd Regt.

A.W. 2m bks 7/44

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OFFRS ON "X" LIST

NO	RANK	NAME	REASON
VX136137	Lt	TAUNTON E.A.	Hosp
SX3691	Lt	FORSYTH L.E.	Hosp

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

31 /45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 /2 /194 5 2/4 (Unit)

W.E. 1 /5 /2 . OFFRS. 26 O.R's. 335 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 21 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.					
		1	6	W.Os. Class II.		1			
			3	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
		1	1	Staff Sergeants					
		4	32	Sergeants	1 2 3 1 –	7	1		
		4	45	Corporals	1 3 3 – 1	8			
10		10	267	Troopers, Privates, etc.	– 7 – –	8	2		
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
7 *	–	20	355 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		24 *	3		*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	24 354	(All A.I. Class)					[redacted]	[redacted]		378
B(1)	1	(A.I. Class)								1
B(2)						[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	DRO		
23	16 Tp 2/4 Mot Amb Regt att 23 Inf Bde.		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. /194

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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NOMINAL ROLL - SURPLUS NCO's.

No	Rank	Name		Age	Med Class	Posting
QX 23998	S/Sgt	CLARK	J.H	36	A 1	Clerk
NX104845	Cpl	PETHERIDGE	D.W	27	A 1	Clerk
SX 23250	Cpl	ROLINSON	R.J	25	A 2	Clerk
SX 20188	Cpl	[illegible]	R	25	A 1	Clerk
SX 23863	WO II	McLEOD	H.I	28	A 1	[illegible]
NX 42664	Cpl	BUCHANAN	G.C	33	A 1	Dvr Op
NX 49130	Cpl	JUDSON	F	36	A 1	Dvr Op
SX 24572	Cpl	HUNT	V.C	24	A 1	Dvr Op
NX 71367	Sgt	MORTSON	I.A	31	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX 44774	Sgt	WALMSLEY	V.E	35	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX102892	Sgt	PREST	C.J	27	A 1	Tp Sgt
SX 20302	Sgt	McLEOD	J	28	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX113886	Sgt	SMITH	W.T	32	A 1	Tp Sgt
SX 14312	Cpl	BALL	E.J.V	34	A 1	Dvr MT

NOTE: Sgt PREST, Sgt McLEOD and Sgt SMITH (Tp Sgts); also Cpl BALL (Dvr MT) are added to list due to cancellation of authority to carry 1st Rfts - ref 3 Div Signal A14/16 of 20 Jul 45.

ATTACHED.

VX 64248	Sgt	EVANS	J.W	31	A 1	Postal
SX 23446	Cpl	BARTLETT	H.V	25	A 1	Med Orderly

1st RFTS.

Authority for Regt to carry 1st Rfts has been withdrawn - ref Signal 3 Div 14/16 of 20 Jul 45.

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2/4 Aust Inf Regt (Less 2 Coy) ..... Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday / /194 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		*	*

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

4 Dec 45
Date of Despatch

Finlayson Capt
(J. W. FINLAYSON)
Actg 2/4 Aust Inf Regt.
Signature of Commander

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APPENDIX "A".

Trade	Rank.	W.E.	P.S.	Def	Sup	Rfts read
TG 2.						
Carpenters	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Dvr Ops	Cpl	4	7	-	3	-
	Tpr	71	66	5	-	5
Gun Ops	Tpr	36	42	-	6	-
"I" Duties	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	2	1	1	-	NR
Dvr Mechs AFV	Cpl	13	13	-	-	-
	Tpr	41	44	-	3	-
TG 3.						
Butchers	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Clerks	S/Sgt	-	1	-	1	-
	Sgt	2	1	1	-	NR
	Cpl	4	7	-	3	-
	Tpr	7	3	4	-	NR
Dvr Mechs MV	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Tpr	7	9	-	2	-
Equipt Rep	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Tech Storemen	WO II	1	1	-	-	-
	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	3	3	-	-	-
	Tpr	2	2	-	-	-
Tailor	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
Non Specialists.						
RSM	WO I	1	1	-	-	-
RQMS	WO II	1	2	-	1	-
SSM	WO II	3	3	-	-	-
SQMS	S/Sgt	3	3	-	-	-
Tp Sgt	Sgt	20	25	-	5	-
Sig Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Pro Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Dvr MT	Cpl	13	14	-	1	-
	Tpr	48	59	-	11	-
Storemen	Tpr	4	4	-	-	-
Watermen	Tpr	3	3	-	-	-
Hygiene	Tpr	4	3	1	-	1
Gen Dutymen	Tpr	3	3	-	-	-
Batmen	Tpr	28	24	4	-	4
Miscellaneous	Tpr	-	2	-	2	-
		335	355	18	38	10
Attached.						
AAMC Hyg Inspector	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Med Orderly	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	2	3	-	1	-
AAOC Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
AAPC Clerk	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
AAPS Postal	Sgt	-	1	-	1	-
	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
AACC Caterer	WO II	1	1	-	-	-
Cook	Sgt	3	3	-	-	-
	Cpl	3	3	-	-	-
	Pte	6	7	-	1	-
AAChD Batman	Pte	-	1	-	1	-
Total.		356	379	19	42	10

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

32 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11 / 8 / 1945. 2/4 Aust Armd Regt (LESS 'C' SQN) (Unit)

W.E. 1 / 5D / 2. OFFRS. 26 O.R's. 335 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 22 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
WE Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required. WE
				*					
				*					
1 -	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
4 NR	1	-	3	Majors					
7 -	-	-	7	Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	- 1
14 -	-	6	20	Lieutenants	AAChD	-	-	1	NR 1
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
26 -	1	6	31			1	-	-	2

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A.	32	(All Med Class A)									
E.(1)											
E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
SX15063	Lt	THORPE T.S.		3.8.45	From Tk Dozer Demo US 8 Army
~~NX70894~~	~~Lt~~	~~ROSS H R M~~		~~3.8.45~~	~~Hosp~~
~~NX35124~~	~~Maj~~	~~MACKAY J H~~		~~6.8.45~~	~~Det to 23 Aust Inf Bde~~

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX70894	Lt	ROSS H R M		3.8.45	To Hosp
NX35124	Maj	MACKAY J H		6.8.45	Det to 23 Aust Inf Bde

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../...../194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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T ARMD REGT
([illegible] Sqn) Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday ...../...../194. (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LT COL	NX174	MILLS	T	C O	Yes	-	
MAJ	NX35124	MACKAY	J H	2 ic	No	Det 23 Inf Bde	6.8.45
MAJ	NX70790	ARNOTT	K M H	OC B	No	Home Leave	25.7.45
MAJ	NX34656	ROBINSON	M	OC A	Yes		
CAPT	NX70429	MILLIKIN	E C	OC HQ	Yes		
CAPT	NX57140	STONE	F G	2ic B	Yes		
CAPT	NX70754	BEVERLEY	C D	2ic A	Yes		
CAPT	VX65491	WILLIAMS	C E	T O	Yes		
CAPT	VX112070	BEYER	L	L O	Yes		
LT (T/CAPT)	Nx70738	GREEN	E D B	QM	Yes		
LT (T/CAPT)	VX51574	ALLARD	J M	Adjt	Yes		
LT	SX23436	RICHARDS	E R	I O	Yes		
LT	VX51592	SALMON	C	TpLdr	Yes		
LT	NX57154	CURLEY	S T	" "	Yes		
LT	NX113786	BENNETT	F C	" "	Yes		
LT	NX67006	JOSS	G F	" "	Yes		
LT	NX42084	HOLLIDAY	H W	" "	Yes		
LT	NX70894	ROSS	H R M	" "	No	Hosp	3.8.45
LT	SX16404	HAWKES	M R	" "	Yes		
LT	SX24390	HUMPHRIES	D P	" "	Yes	-	
LT	SX20837	ADAMSON	J B	" "	No	Det 23 Inf Bde	8.7.45
LT	SX15063	THORPE	T S	" "	Yes	-	
LT	SX5816	CALLAGHAN	D G J	" "	No	Det 23 Inf Bde	1.7.45
LT	SX17198	NICKOLLS	P M	" "	Yes	-	
LT	SX11347	SCOTT	R G	" "	No	Det 23 Inf Bde	2.7.45
LT	VX51261	YOUNG	J E	" "	No	Det 2/8 Commando Sqn	1.7.45
LT	NX8574	YORATH	L W	" "	Yes		
LT	NX70810	DENT	G C	" "	Yes		
LT	NX70808	ROUGHTON	D R	" "	Yes		
LT	NX44721	MARR	E L	" "	Yes		
LT	NX113771	FRASER	D W	" "	Yes		
CAPT	NX200500	MCGRATH	D H	RMO	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
LT	QX16140	COUCHMAN D R	15 Mot Regt	5.7.45	Att for one month (3 Div A/760 of 4 Jul 45)

11 AUG 45
Date of Despatch

[signature] Capt.
Adjt. 2/4 Aust. Armd. Regt.
Signature of Commander

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NO	RANK	NAME	REASON
VX136137	LT	TAUNTON E.A.	Hosp
SX8691	LT	FORSYTH L.E.	Hosp
QX56104	CHAP	O'SULLIVAN R.P.	Hosp

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11/8/1945. 2/4 Aust Armd Regt (Less C Sqn). (Unit)

W.E. 1/5D/2. OFFRS. 26 O.R's. 335 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 22 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
1			1	W.Os. Class I.					
5		1	6	W.Os. Class II.	- - 1 - -	1			1
3			3	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
-		1	1	Staff Sergeants					
28		5	33	Sergeants	1 2 3 1 -	7	1		6
41		5	46	Corporals	1 3 3 - 1	8			8
257 16		9	266	Troopers, Privates, etc. 1	- - 7 - -	8	1		7
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
335 16		21	356	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	A A A A A A P M C P C C C S C	24*	2		*22

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	Att AIF	A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	24	355	(All A 1 Class)					[redacted]	[redacted]		379
B(1)		1	(A 2 Class)								1
B(2)							[redacted]				380

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	DRO		
23	16 Tp 2/4 Aust Armd Regt att 23 Inf Bde.		
1	Det 3 Aust Div Rest Camp		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To.....(Unit) is Particularly Requested. ...../...../194.....

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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NOMINAL ROLL - SURPLUS NCO's.

#	Rank	Name		Age	Med Class	Posting
QX 23998	S/Sgt	SPEARE	J.H	36	A 1	Clerk
NX104845	Cpl	PETHERBRIDGE	D.W	27	A 1	Clerk
SX 23250	Cpl	ROBINSON	R.J	25	A 2	Clerk
SX 20188	Cpl	BELCHER	R.	25	A 1	Clerk
SX 23863	WO II	McLEOD	H.I	28	A 1	RQMS
NX 42664	Cpl	BUCHANAN	G.C	33	A 1	Dvr Op
NX 49130	Cpl	JUDSON.	F.	36	A 1	Dvr Op
SX 24572	Cpl	HUNT	V.G	24	A 1	Dvr Op
NX 78891	Cpl	FULLER	D.D	34	A 1	Dvr Op
NX 71367	Sgt	MORRISON	I.A	31	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX 44574	Sgt	WALMSLEY	V.E	35	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX102892	Sgt	PREST	C.J	27	A 1	Tp Sgt
SX 20302	Sgt	McLEOD	J.	28	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX113866	Sgt	SMITH	W.T	32	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX 50303	Sgt	FARLAND	R.J	38	A 1	Tp Sgt

NOTE: Cpl BALL R.J.V has been absorbed into WE.
Sgt FARLAND R.J becomes surplus upon his return from "X" List.

ATTACHED.

VX 64248	Sgt	EVANS	J.W	31	A 1	Postal
SX 23446	Cpl	BARTLETT	M.V	25	A 1	Med Orderly

1st RFTS

Authority for Regt to carry 1st Rfts has been withdrawn - ref Signal 3 Div 14/16 of 20 Jul 45.

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2/4 Aust Armd Regt (Less C Sqn)
Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 11 / 8 /1945 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		*	*

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(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
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APPENDIX "A".

Trade	Rank	W.E	A.S	Def	Sur	Arts read
TG 2.						
Carpenters	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Dvr Ops	Cpl	4	8	-	4	-
	Tpr	71	60	11	-	11
Gun Ops	Tpr	36	48	-	12	-
"I" Duties	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	2	1	1	-	NR
Dvr Mechs AFV	Cpl	13	13	-	-	-
	Tpr	41	42	-	1	-
TG 3.						
Butchers	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Clerks	S/Sgt	-	1	-	1	-
	Sgt	2	1	1	-	NR
	Cpl	4	7	-	3	-
	Tpr	7	3	4	-	NR
Dvr Mechs MV	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Tpr	7	8	-	1	-
Equipt Rep	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Tech Storemen	WO II	1	1	-	-	-
	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	3	3	-	-	-
	Tpr	2	2	-	-	-
Tailor	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Non Specialists.						
RSM	WO I	1	1	-	-	-
RQMS	WO II	1	2	-	1	-
SSM	WO II	3	3	-	-	-
SQMS	S/Sgt	3	3	-	-	-
Tp Sgt	Sgt	20	26	-	6	-
Sig Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Pro Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Dvr MT	Cpl	13	13	-	-	-
	Tpr	48	61	-	13	-
Storemen	Tpr	4	4	-	-	-
Watermen	Tpr	3	3	-	-	-
Hygiene	Tpr	4	3	1	-	1
Gen Dutymen	Tpr	3	3	-	-	-
Batmen	Tpr	28	24	4	-	4
Miscellaneous	Tpr	-	2	-	2	-
		335	356	23	44	16
Attached.						
AAMC Hyg Inspector	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Med Orderly	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	2	3	-	1	-
AAOC Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
AAPC Clerk	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
AAPS Postal	Sgt	-	1	-	1	-
	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
AACC Caterer	WO II	1	1	-	-	-
Cook	Sgt	3	3	-	-	-
	Cpl	3	3	-	-	-
	Pte	6	7	-	1	-
AAChD Batman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
	Total	357	380	24	47 48	16

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

33 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18 / 8 / 1945. 2/4 Aust Armd Regt (Less "C" Sqn) (Unit)

W.E. 1 / 5D / 2. OFFRS. 26 O.R's. 335 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 22 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
1 -	-	-	1						
4 NR	1	-	3	Lieut.-Colonels					
7 -	-	1	8	Majors					
14 -	-	4	18	Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	- 1
				Lieutenants	AAChD	-	-	1	NR 1
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
26 -	1	5	30			1	-	1	2

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	A.		31	(All med class A)								
	E.(1)											
	E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX35124	Maj	MACKAY J.H.		11.8.45	From 23 Aust Inf Bde
SX3816	Lt	CALLAGHAN D C J		15.8.45	From 23 Aust Inf Bde

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX35124	Maj	MACKAY J.H.		15.8.45	Det to 23 Aust Inf Bde

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18 / 8 /1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	NX174	MILLS	T	CO	Yes		
Maj	NX35124	MACKAY	J H	2ic	No	Det 23 Inf Bde	15.8.45
Maj	NX70790	ARNOTT	K M H	OC B	No	Home Leave	25.7.45
Maj	NX34656	ROBINSON	M	OC A	Yes		
Capt	NX70429	MILLIKIN	E C	OC HQ	Yes		
Capt	NX57140	STONE	F S	2ic B	Yes		
Capt	NX70754	BEVERLEY	G D	2ic A	Yes		
Capt	VX65491	WILLIAMS	C E	T O	Yes		
Capt	VX112070	BEYER	L	L O	Yes		
Capt	NX70810	DENT	C C	2icHQ	Yes		
Lt (T/Capt)	NX70738	GREEN	E D B	OM	Yes		
Lt (T/Capt)	VX51574	ALLARD	J M	Adjt	Yes		
Lt	SX23486	RICHARDS	E R	I O	Yes		
Lt	VX51592	SALMON	C	TpLdr	Yes		
Lt	NX57154	CURLEY	S T	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX113786	BENNETT	F C	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX67006	JOSS	G F	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX42084	HOLLIDAY	H W	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX16404	HAWKES	M R	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX24890	HUMPHRIES	D P	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX20837	ADAMSON	J B	" "	No	Det 23 Inf Bde	8.7.45
Lt	SX15063	THORPE	T S	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX5816	CALLAGHAN	D G J	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX17198	NICKOLLS	P M	2 "	Yes		
Lt	SX11347	SCOTT	R G	" "	~~Yes~~ No	Det 23 Inf Bde	2.7.45
Lt	VX51261	YOUNG	J E	" "	No	Det 2/8 Commando Sqn	1.7.45
Lt	VX8574	YORATH	L W	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX70808	ROUGHTON	D R	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX44721	MARR	E L	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX113771	FRASER	D W	" "	Yes		
Capt	NX200500	MCGRATH	D H	RMO	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lt	QX16140	COUCHMAN D R	15 Mot Regt	5.7.45	Attached for duty
Maj					
~~VX88179~~	VX88179	HARRIS L A C	1 Aust Corps	11.8.45	Attached for duty

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[signature] Capt.
Signature of Commander
2/4 Aust Armd Regt.

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OFFRS ON "X" LIST

NO	RANK	NAME	REASON
SX3691	LT	FORSYTH L.S.	Hosp
QX56104	CHAP	O'SULLIVAN R P	Hosp
NX70894	LT	ROSS H R M	Hosp

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W.E. 1 / 5R / 2. OFFRS. 26 O.R's. 335 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 23 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
1			1	W.Os. Class I.					
5		1	6	W.Os. Class II.	- - 1 - -	1			1
3			3	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
-		1	1	Staff Sergeants					
28		6	34	Sergeants	1 2 3 1 -	7	1		6
41		4	45	Corporals	1 3 3 - 1	8			8
257 14		11	268	Troopers, Privates, etc.	1 - - 7 - -	8	1		7
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
335 14*		23	358 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	A A A A A B B B B B	24*	2		*22

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces. 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	Att. A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	24 357	(All A 1 Class)					[redacted]	[redacted]		381
B(1)	1	(A 2 Class)								1
B(2)						[redacted]				382

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
18	1 Aust Armd Regt.		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	DRO		
23	16 to 2/4 Aust Armd Regt att 23 inf bde.		
1	3 Aust Div Rest Camp - Det.		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. / / 194

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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NOMINAL ROLL - SURPLUS NCO's.

No	Rank	Name		Age	Med Class	Posting
QX 23998	S/Sgt	SPEARE	J.H	36	A 1	Clerk
NX104845	Cpl	PETHERBRIDGE	D.W	27	A 1	Clerk
SX 23250	Cpl	ROBINSON	R.J	25	A 2	Clerk
SX 28863	WO II	McLEOD	H.I	28	A 1	RQMS
NX 42664	Cpl	BUCHANAN	G.C	33	A 1	Dvr Op
NX 49130	Cpl	JUDSON'	F.	36	A 1	Dvr Op
SX 24572	Cpl	HUNT	V.G	24	A 1	Dvr Op
NX 78891	Cpl	FULLER	D.D	34	A 1	Dvr Op
NX 71367	Sgt	MORRISON	I.A	31	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX 44574	Sgt	WALMSLEY	V.E	35	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX102892	Sgt	PREST	O.J	27	A 1	Tp Sgt
SX 20302	Sgt	McLEOD	J.	28	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX113866	Sgt	SMITH	W.T	32	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX 50303	Sgt	FARLAND	R.J	38	A 1	Tp Sgt
NX 54935	Sgt	GRACE	D.B	34	A 1	Tp Sgt

NOTE: Sgt GRACE D.B has become surplus due to return of one Tp Sgt from X List.

ATTACHED.

VX 64248	Sgt	EVANS	J.W	31	A 1	Postal
SX 23446	Cpl	BARTLETT	M.V	25	A 1	Med Orderly

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2/4 Aust Armd Regt (Less C Sqn) Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 18 / /194 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
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Signature of Commander
Capt
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APPENDIX "A".

Trade	Rank	WwE.	P.S.	Def	Sur	Rft Afts Reqd
TG 2.						
Carpenters	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Dvr Ops	Cpl	4	8	-	4	-
	Tpr	71	61	110	-	10
Gun Ops	Tpr	36	48	-	12	-
"I" Duties	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	2	1	1	-	NR
Dvr Mechs AFV	Cpl	13	13	-	-	-
	Tpr	41	43	-	2	-
TG 3.						
Butchers	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Clerks	S/Sgt	1	1	-	1	-
	Sgts	2	1	1	-	NR
	Cpls	4	6	-	2	-
	Tprs	7	3	4	-	NR
Dvr Mechs MV	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
	Tpr	7	8	-	1	-
Equipt Rep	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Tech Storemen	WO II	1	1	-	-	-
	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	3	3	-	-	-
	Tpr	2	2	-	-	-
Tailor	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Non Specialists.	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
RSM	WO I	1	1	-	-	-
RQMS	WO II	1	2	-	1	-
SSM	WO II	3	3	-	-	-
SQMS	S/Sgt	3	3	-	-	-
Tp Sgt	Sgt	20	27	-	7	-
Sig Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Pro Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Dvr MT	Cpl	13	13	-	-	-
	Tpr	48	61	-	13	-
Storemen	Tpr	4	4	-	-	-
Watermen	Tpr	3	3	-	-	-
Hygiene	Tpr	4	3	1	-	1
Gen Dutymen	Tpr	3	3	-	-	-
Batmen	Tpr	28	25	3	-	3
Miscellaneous	Tpr	-	1	-	1	-
		335	358	21	44	14
Attached.						
AAMC Hyg Inspector	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Med Orderly	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	2	3	-	1	-
AAOC Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
AAPC Clerk	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
AAPS Postal	Sgt	-	1	-	1	-
	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
AACC Caterer	WO II	1	1	-	-	-
Cooks	Sgt	3	3	-	-	-
	Cpl	3	3	-	-	-
	Pte	6	7	-	1	-
AAChD Batman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
	Total.	357	382	22	47	14

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / 8 / 1945. 2/4 Aust Armd Regt (Less "C" Sqn) (Unit)

W.E. 1 / 10 / 2. OFFRS. 26 O.R's. 335 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 22 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
1 -	-	-	1	Lieut.-Colonels					
4 NR	1	-	3	Majors					
7 -	-	1	8	Captains	AAMC	1	-	-	- 1
14 -	-	6	20	Lieutenants	AAChD	-	-	1	NR 1
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
26 -	1	7	32			1	-	1	2

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	A.		33	(All Mod Class A)								33
	E.(1)											
	E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX6961	Lt	CATELY W.J.		18.8.45	TOS from "C" Sqn
NX35124	Maj	MACKAY J H		18.8.45	Rejd from 23 Inf Bde
SX3691	Lt	FORSYTHE L.E.		18.8.45	TOS ex hospital

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ... / ... / 194...

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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2/4 AUST ARMD REGT (LESS [illegible]) ..... Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / 3 /194[illegible] (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	NX174	MILLS	[illegible]	CO	Yes		
Maj	NX[illegible]124	MACKAY	[illegible]	2ic	Yes		
Maj	NX[illegible]799	ARNOTT	K M H	OC B	No	Home Leave	25.7.45
Maj	NX34656	ROBINSON	H	OC A	Yes		
Capt	NX[illegible]439	MILLICAN	B C	OC HQ	Yes		
Capt	NX57140	CROWE	P S	2icB	Yes		
Capt	NX[illegible]754	BEVERIDGE	G D	2icA	Yes		
Capt	VX[illegible]491	WILLIAMS	C E	TO	Yes		
Capt	VX112070	BEVEN	L	LO	Yes		
Capt	NX2o[illegible]10	DENT	C C	2icHQ	Yes		
Lt (T/Capt)	NX2o738	GREEN	E D D	O W	Yes		
Lt (T/Capt)	VX51574	ALLARD	J H	Adjt	Yes		
Lt	SX23436	RICHARDS	B R	I O	Yes		
Lt	VX51[illegible]98	SALMON	C	Tplair	Yes		
Lt	NX57154	CURLEY	S T	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX113736	BENNETT	F W C	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX67oo6	JOSS	G P	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX42o34	HOLLIDAY	H W	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX16404	HAWKES	H R	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX24390	HUMPHRIES	D P	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX2o837	ADAMSON	J B	" "	No	Det 23 Inf bde	8.7.45
Lt	SX15o63	THORPE	T S	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX5816	CALLAGHAN	D C J	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX17193	NICKOLLS	P M	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX11347	SCOTT	R G	" "	No	Det 23 Inf Bde	2.7.45
Lt	VX51261	YOUNG	J E	" "	No	Det 2/3 Commando Sqn	1.7.45
Lt	WX3574	YORATH	L W	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX70303	ROUGHTON	D R	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX44721	WARD	E L	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX113771	FRASER	D W	" "	Yes		
Lt	SX9691	FORSYTH	L.R.	" "	Yes		
Lt	NX6961	GATELY	S.J	" "	Yes		
Capt	NX2oo5oo	MCGRATH	D H	RMO	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lt	QX16140	COUCHMAN D R	15 Mot Regt	5.7.45	Attached for duty
Capt	VX33179	HARRIS L A C	1 Aust Corps	11.8.45	Attached for duty

25.8.45
Date of Despatch

[signature] Capt
Signature of Commander [illegible] Regt.

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OFFRS ON "X" LIST

NO	RANK	NAME	REASON
QX56104	Chap	O'SULLIVAN R P	Hosp
NX70394	Lt	ROSS H R M	Hosp

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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W.E. 1 / 5D / 2 . OFFRS. 26 O.R's. 325 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 22 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
W.E. Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required. W.E.
1			1	W.Os. Class I.					
5		1	6	W.Os. Class II.	- - 1 - -	1			1
3			3	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
-		1	1	Staff Sergeants					
28		3	31	Sergeants	1 2 3 1 -	7	1		6
41		4	45	Corporals	1 3 3 - 1	8			8
257 14		22	279	Troopers, Privates, etc.	1 - - 7 - -	8	1		7
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
335 14 *		31	366 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	A A A A A A F F F F F C C C S C	24*	2		22*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	Att AIF	A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	24	365	(all A1 class)					[redacted]	[redacted]		389
B(1)		1	(B class)								1
B(2)							[redacted]				390

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
17	1 Aust Armd Regt		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	D.R.O.		
23	16 Tp 2/4 Aust Armd Regt att 23 Aust Inf Bde.		
1	3 Aust Div Rest Camp.		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ..... (Unit) is Particularly Requested. ..... / ..... /194.....

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

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NOMINAL ROLL -- SURPLUS N.C.O's.

No	Rank	Name		Age	Med Class	Posting.
QX23998	S/Sgt	SPEARE	J.H.	36	A 1	Clerk.
NX104845	Cpl	PETHERBRIDGE	D.W.	27	A 1	Clerk.
SX23250	Cpl	ROBINSON	R.J.	25	A 2	Clerk.
SX23863	WO 11	McLEOD	H.I.	28	A 1	R.Q.M.S.
NX42664	Cpl	BUCHANAN	G.C.	33	A 1	Dvr Op.
NX49130	Cpl	JUDSON	F.	36	A 1	Dvr Op.
SX24572	Cpl	HUNT	V.G.	24	A 1	Dvr Op.
NX78891	Cpl	FULLER	D.D.	34	A 1	Dvr Op.
NX71367	Sgt	MORRISON	I.A.	31	A 1	Tp Sgt.
NX44574	Sgt	WALMSLEY	V.B.	35	A 1	Tp Sgt.
SX20302	Sgt	MC LEOD	J.	28	A 1	Tp Sgt.
NX113866	Sgt	SMITH	W.T.	32	A 1	Tp Sgt.
NX50303	Sgt	FARLAND	R.J.	38	A 1	Tp Sgt.
NX54935	Sgt	GRACE	D.B.	34	A 1	Tp Sgt.
NX119560	Cpl	AHEARN	C.W.	32	A 1	Gun Op.

NOTE: Sgt PREST O.J. absorbed in W.E. owing to a Tp Sgt X listed.

Cpl AHEARN C.W. taken on strength from Gen Rfts A.I.F.

ATTACHED

VX64248	Sgt	EVANS	J.W.	31	A 1	Postal.
SX23446	Cpl	BARTLETT	M.V.	25	A 1	Med. Order 1

Authority to carry the following personnel supernumerary to W.E. L.H.Q. A 52813 of 10 JUL,45.

- 1 Cpl and 10 Tprs. -

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2/4 Aust Armd Regt (Less C San) ..... Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 25 / 8 /194 45

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computors								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Fattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.		*	*

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

25 AUG 45
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
Adjt 2/4 Aust Armd Regt.

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APPENDIX "A"

Trade	Rank	W.H.	P.S.	Def.	Sur.	Rfts Read.
T.G. 2						
Carpenters	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Dvr Ops	Cpl	4	8	-	4	-
" "	Tprs	71	59	12	-	12
Gun Ops	Cpl	-	1	-	1	-
" "	Tpr	36	49	-	13	-
I Duties	Sgt	1	-	1	-	NR
"	Cpl	2	1	1	-	NR
Dvr Mechs AFV	Cpl	13	12	1	-	NR
" " "	Tpr	41	44	-	3	-
T.G. 3						
Butchers	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Clerks	S/Sgt	-	1	-	1	-
"	Sgts	2	1	1	-	NR
"	Cpls	4	6	-	2	-
"	Tpr	7	3	4	-	NR
Dvr Mechs AFV	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
" " "	Tpr	7	8	-	1	-
Equipment Repairer	Tpr	1	1	-	-	-
Tech Storemen	WO II	1	1	-	-	-
" "	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
" "	Cpl	3	3	-	-	-
" "	Tpr	2	2	-	-	-
Tailor	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Non Specialists.						
R.S.M.	WO I	1	1	-	-	-
R.Q.M.S.	WO II	1	2	-	1	-
S.S.M.	WO II	3	3	-	-	-
S.Q.M.S.	S/Sgts	3	3	-	-	-
Tp Sgts	Sgt	20	26	-	6	-
Sig Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Prov Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Dvr M.T.	Cpl	13	13	-	-	-
"	Tpr	48	70	-	22	-
Storemen	Tpr	4	4	-	-	-
Watermen	Tpr	3	3	-	-	-
Hygiene	Tpr	4	3	1	-	1
General Dutymen	Tpr	3	3	-	-	-
Batmen	Tpr	28	26	2	-	2
Miscellaneous	Tpr	-	1	-	1	-
		335	366	24	55	14
Attached						
A.A.M.C. Hyg Inspector	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
Med Orderly	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
" "	Cpl	2	3	-	1	-
A.A.O.C. Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
A.A.P.C. Pay Postal Orderly	Sgt	1	1	-	-	-
	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
A.A.P.S Postal Orderly	Sgt	-	1	-	1	-
	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
A.A.C.C. Caterer	WO II	1	1	-	-	-
Cooks	Sgt	3	3	-	-	-
"	Cpl	3	3	-	-	-
"	Pte	6	7	-	1	-
A.A.Ch.D. Batman	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
		357	390	25	58	14

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APPX 'A'

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A M R & O 1587

ROUTINE ORDERS

-by-

LT. COL. T. MILLS

COMD 2/4 AUST ARMD REGT GP

SERIAL NO 11

PART I

1. AMF CENSUS:

Sqns and Sub Units will ensure that the AAB 83's of all members who have completed AMF Census ~~xiii~~ are correctly endorsed in accordance with para 15 (IX) of GRO 152/45. This HQ will be advised when action has been completed.

2. PERS PROCEEDING TO L O B AREA:

(a) Pers will NOT proceed to the L O B area without prior approval of this HQ.

(b) Sqns will ensure that all pers proceeding to the L O B area are in possession of a Mob 3 showing their Sqn posting.

3. ~~The~~ APPLICATIONS FOR COMPASSIONATE LEAVE:

The attention of all Sqns and Sub Units is directed to Unit R/O No 10 para 10. In addition, applications for Compassionate Leave must contain particulars of the applicant's family including their present addresses.

4. REGT AUDITORS:

NX70809 Lt ROUGHTON D.R. and SX17198 Lt NICKOLLS P.M. are appointed Regt Auditors.

5. DESTRUCTION OF COCONUT PALMS & PAW PAW TREES:

Sqns and Sub Units will ensure that NO unnecessary or wilful destruction of coconut palms and paw paw trees takes place in their areas.

6. CENSORSHIP:

Owing to recent relaxations in censorship, pers may now disclose their locations in base and forward areas and mention topographical place names or features in the area provided that:

(a) the unit of each member concerned has either been in the area for one month or has been in action.

(b) Local restrictions may be imposed by Formation Commanders.

7. RATION COUPON BOOKS:

No restrictions exist on the despatch of clothing coupon books by members of the forces from this area.

8. AIRGRAPH SERVICE:

The Airgraph service to all countries participating in the scheme will be discontinued as from 31 JUL 45. Airgraphs will not be accepted after that date. This is in consequence of the falling off in the airgraph traffic, coupled with the increased aircraft accomodation now becoming available for the carriage of overseas mails.

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9. HOOKWORM

The contents of 3 Aust Div "A" Circular No 61/45 concerning the risk of hookworm infection will be promulgated to all ranks.

10. IDENTIFICATION OF PMF MEMBERS SERVING IN THE AMF:

(a) Instances have occurred recently in which PMF pers serving in the AIF have passed through GDD's for discharge from the AMF without GDD staff being aware of their PMF identity and status, thus jeopardising their rights under PMF status for superannuation benefits, pay in lieu of furlough etc, on discharge.

(b) To prevent the PMF status of such pers being overlooked in future, CO's will ensure that, in respect of every member of the PMF under command, the member's PMF army number is inserted in page one of the soldier's Pay Book and on page four of the Record of Service Book. Such entries will be made in red ink immediately after the member's name.

(c) Sqns and Sub Units will notify this HQ when action has been completed, and will forward No Rank and Name of PMF pers under comd. Nil returns required.

4 AUG 45

J. Maitland Capt.
Adjt. 2/4 Aust. Armd. Regt.

NOTICES

GMC - FAILURE TO SUPERVISE MALARIA PRECAUTIONS:

NX52067 Lt G.A. CUREY 42 Aust Inf Bn was on 27 Jun 45 charged with neglecting personally to supervise the taking of atebrin and the carrying out of other malarial precautions by personnel under his command. He was convicted and ordered to suffer a reprimand.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

-by-

LT. COL. T. MILLS

COMD 2/4 AUST ARMD REGT GP

SERIAL No 12

Part 1

1. FREMANTLE BY ELECTION - 13 AUG 45:

Pers eligible to vote in the FREMANTLE by-election will do so before NX70910 LT DENT G.C. at "B" Sqn between the hrs of 0300 and 1000 on Sat 13 AUG 45.

2. CONTROL OF SKIN DISEASE:

R 2 Aust Corps R O A177 is republished hereunder:

(a) Skin disease in the tropics is the principal cause of personnel wastage both permanent and temporary.

(b) All offrs and NCOs in charge of units or parties, however small, will ensure that a regular daily inspection is made of the skin conditions of all men under comd. The slightest abrasion or sign of skin complaint will be reported immediately to unit HQ and arrangements will then be made for the earliest possible diagnosis and treatment.

(c) RMOs will make a regular inspection of all tps incl offrs. If this is not possible because of the temporary absence of tps on patrols etc these tps will be inspected by RMO immediately they return.

(d) COs and OCs are responsible that all pers are fully aware of the action to be taken to prevent skin disease and will, as far as lies in their power, implement arrangements for the washing, boiling and drying of clothes and the provision of adequate bathing facilities.

(e) Disciplinary action will be taken against any officer or NCO who fails to obey this order.

3. DEPENDANTS ALLOWANCE FOR CHILDREN OVER 16 YEARS OF AGE RECEIVING FULL TIME EDUCATION:

(a) Approval has been given for continuing the payment of dependants allowance in respect of children dependent upon a member after they have reached the age of 16 until they are 18 years of age if they are receiving fulltime education at a school or university

(b) The approval will take effect on and from 11 JUL 45 and will apply to children who have reached the age of 16 at that date or who subsequently attain that age.

(c) As regards children who have not yet reached the age of 16, the DFO paying the allotment will advise the allottee of the extension now notified some time prior to each child attaining the age of 16 and the allottee will be invited to make application for payment if applicable.

(d) Any member whose children have already attained the age of 16 and who are entitled to receive dependants allowance in accordance with this approval should arrange for his allottee to make application to the DFO paying his allotment

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4. CONTROL OF NATIVES:

The basis of ANGAU control of natives is respect by the native for the European. It has been found that, with pers untrained in the handling of natives, the best method of engendering and maintaining this respect is to refrain from any unnecessary conversations or contact with natives.

When it is necessary for Army pers to supervise the work of natives, and when ANGAU supervision is not available, unit comds will ensure such pers confine their activities to necessary supervision of the task in hand, and avoid any action liable to adversely effect the respect of the native for the European.

Cases have been observed recently of tps fraternising to the extent of embracing, jesting and general skylarking with natives. This will cease immediately.

5. ANA RADIO SERVICE TO AUSTRALIA:

A radio telegraphic service is now operating between LAE and the mainland and overseas. Members may avail themselves of this service; the rate for immediate traffic to Australia is 6d per word and to places within the British Empire 1/3d per word. Details of rates for messages in other categories and to places outside the British Empire are available at all FPOs.

Normal censorship requirements apply in respect of radiograms.

Messages originated in BOUGAINVILLE will be despatched by air to LAE for onward transmission by radio from that point. A special radio gift service whereby flowers and books may be delivered to addressees in Australian capital cities and CANBERRA is also provided for. Details of gifts and rates are available at all FPOs.

6. DOCUMENTATION:

Recently several cases have occurred where incorrect regimental numbers of pers have been given in returns submitted to this HQ. Sqns will ensure that regimental numbers are checked and found correct before forwarding returns.

J.M.Allard Capt
(J.M.Allard)
Adjt 2/4 Aust Armd Regt Gp

15 AUG 45

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(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

APPX 'C'
~~Register No.~~ 52

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator: 2/4 ARMD REGT

Date—Time of Origin: 080900L

Office Date Stamp: 2/4 sig office

- AUG 1944

For Action: 3 DIV

TO

(w) For Information (INFO.): A Sqn. 2/4 ARMD REGT

Message Instructions

GR 98

ORIGINATOR'S No.

G1 137 ⊙ SECRET ⊙ LOCSTAT 6 as at 080630L ⊙
Locstat, of 2/4 Armd Regtl Gp (less C Sqn) ⊙
Ref Maps TOROKINA MONOITU MIVO R HIRU HIRU
1/25000 ⊙
RHQ 993387 HQ Sqn 595961 A Sqn 069353
B Sqn 918441 ⊙
Sigs ⊙ HQ 2/4 Sigs Tp 918441 A Sqn (det) 069353
B Sqn (det) 918441
Ord ⊙ HQ 2/4 FD PK 595961 A Sqn 595961
B Sqn 918441 ⊙
AEME ⊙ HQ 2/4 WKSP 918441 A Sqn (det) 918441
less (A Sqn Light Sec WKSPs) 072351
B Sqn (det) 918441 ⊙ all infm

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except ____ Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Signed Clarke RA Spr.

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority: Important

Time	System	Op
THI or TOR 0945	2/4	Dr
Time Cleared 0950	F	Dr

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(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

War Diary 72

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) Originator: 2/4 ARMD REGT.

Date—Time of Origin: 230700 L.

Office Date Stamp: 2/4 sig office 2 AUG 194

For Action: 3 DIV

TO

(w) For Information (INFO.)
A SQN 2/4 ARMD REGT
B " " "
LOB " "

Message Instructions

GR 83

ORIGINATOR'S No. G1 153 CONFIDENTIAL ⊙ LOCSTAT 7as at 222359 L ⊙
LOCSTAT of 2/4 armd regtl gp (less C Sqn) ⊙
ref maps TOROKINA 1:63360 MONOITU MIVO R
HIRU HIRU 1/25000 ⊙
RHQ 993387 HQ sqn 595961 A sqn 069353
B sqn 918441 ⊙
Sigs ⊙ HQ 2/4 Sigs tp 918441 A sqn det 069353
B sqn det 918441 ⊙
ORD ⊙ HQ 2/4 fd park 595961 A sqn det 595961
B sqn det 918441 ⊙
AEME ⊙ HQ 2/4 wksps 918441 A sqn det 918441 (less
lt sec 072351 B sqn det 918441 ⊙ all infm

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Signed

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Signed E R Richards Lt.

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority: Important.

Time	System	Op
THI or TOR 2120	L/R	Dm
Time Cleared 0700	F	Dm

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APPX 'D'

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SECRET
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3 AUST DIV OP ORDER 20

(3 Aust Div Op Order 19 of 24 Jun excl Trace R is cancelled)

8 Aug 45

Ref Maps : BOUGAINVILLE 1/25000 Series

Received
Time 1130hrs
Date 9 AUG 1945

INFM

1. Enemy - Gen str and disposns

(a) Estimated enemy str and disposns in area rivers MIVO - MULIKO as at 8 Aug 45 are shown on Trace "P" att. Rfts from KIETA and SHORTLAND ISLANDS have raised the estimate in SOUTH BOUGAINVILLE to 8300 with an effective fighting str of 75%. A proportion of the remainder is considered fit for lt L of C duties.

(b) Units WEST of River MIVO committed to the role of harassing our L of C are :-

(i) Area MONOITU - RUNAI - 13 Inf Regt with att elements sundry units.

(ii) Area SOUTH of BUIN RD between rivers MIVO - MOBIAI - 23 Inf Regt with att elements sundry units.

(c) (i) Approx 730 enemy are believed located between rivers MIVO and OAMAI. Excl 300 naval tps, those at present WEST of SILIBAI have been in action against our tps. Those EAST of SILIBAI are believed fresh but untried in an inf role.

(ii) There are no known large def posns in this area.

(iii) COMMANDO RD is believed clear excl 90 4 South Sea Grn Unit and irregular food foraging parties moving NORTH from BUIN RD.

(d) PW reports indicate that a delaying action will be fought at river SILIBAI but main enemy force is deployed between rivers UGUIMO and MULIKO in def lines through KARA and KAHILI airfds with MALABITA HILL in centre and KANGU HILL on SOUTH flank.

(e) Approx 2500 acres of garden area river SILIBAI - BUIN considered large enough to give enemy self-sufficiency.

(f) Recent PW have stated that four lt naval tks are moving fwd to river MIVO area.

2. Enemy Arty

(a) Estimated enemy arty is :-

(i) AKU - OAMAI river area

2 x 150 mm fd guns
5 x 75 mm fd guns
1 x 70 mm bn gun

(ii) EAST of River SILIBAI

9 x 75 mm dual purpose AA guns
10/12 x 75 mm mtn guns
40 med calibre (20 - 40 mm) AA guns - five believed 40 mm twinbarrelled.
30 lt calibre AA guns.

(b) Guns believed located are shown on Trace "P" att.

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3. Likely Enemy Action

(a) Continue harass our L of C and disrupt comns particularly WEST of river HARI. It is considered that the following factors will limit the ops of 13 Inf Regt :-

(i) limited amount of amn which can be carried on the man.

(ii) Our further adv will force a withdrawal. This is likely to be delayed because of his poor comns.

(b) Fight a delaying action by patrol clashes WEST of river OAMAI with stiffening opposition from OAMAI to SILIBAI where a determined stand will be made.

(c) Launch a large scale counter offensive WEST of river SILIBAI using fresh tps from BUIN area. It is estimated that 2000 tps could be used in this role without seriously weakening his main def lines.

(d) Use extensively, small raiding parties to :-

(i) harass our lenghtening L of C.

(ii) attack tk harbours and gun posns.

(iii) mine and booby trap existing rds and tracks, using the large sup of aerial bombs and shells believed available in the BUIN area.

INTENTION

4. 3 Aust Div will secure the line of the river SILIBAI from the coast at 178213 to incl PALIDONON 2342, destroying enemy forces as far EAST as that line.

METHOD

5. 29 Aust Inf Bde

(a) 29 Aust Inf Bde will secure the line of the river SILIBAI from the coast at 178213 to incl PALIDONON 2342.

(b) The adv will be made on the following gen axes -

(i) SOUTHERN - BUIN RD.

(ii) NORTHERN - ASTILLS CROSSING 106399 - KOKOPA 1638 - KIKIMOGO 2337.

6. 15 Aust Inf Bde

(a) 15 Aust Inf Bde will :-

(i) provide op and adm sp for 29 Aust Inf Bde.

(ii) Protect the L of C and destroy enemy parties within its area of responsibility.

(b) As decided with comds 15 and 29 Aust Inf Bdes, 15 Aust Inf Bde will sp 29 Aust Inf Bde by occupying the following def localities :-

(i) On D - 1 - areas 100366 and 108335.

(ii) On D + 6 - area 148363.

(c) At a date to be notified, but NOT before D + 6 15 Aust Inf Bde will est a force of minimum str two coys on the EAST bank of MIVO FORD and will secure the MIVO FORD area.

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(d) 15 Aust Inf Bde will maintain posts of minimum str one pl at each of the following VPs, and will be responsible for their security :-

(i) OGORATA BR

(ii) MOBIAI BR

(iii) DONALDSON STRIP.

7. 61 Aust Inf Bn

(a) 61 Aust Inf Bn will protect the L of C and destroy enemy parties within its area of responsibility.

Amended GO 7213 of 10/10/15L (b) Orders for the above task are contained in 3 Aust Div OP Instr No 3839 att as Appx "A".

8. RAFFLES Force

(a) RAFFLES Force will come under comd 29 Aust Inf Bde at 101000L for emp on the NORTHERN axis,

(b) The retention of 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn and C Coy PIB as a composite Force will be at the discretion of Comd 29 Aust Inf Bde.

9. Protection

Within their areas of responsibility formations will ensure that:-

(a) All minor units, adm installations, brs and other vulnerable pts are adequately protected.

(b) Inf escort is provided for engr working parties and sig line parties operating in isolated areas.

(c) All vehs are accompanied by escorts and, where stretches of the L of C are isolated and dangerous, vehs move in convoy.

10. Bdys

(a) Inter-Bde

(i) Until D Day the present inter-bde bdy - the line of the MOBIAI from coast at 025276 to junc TOHODO and MOBIAI rivers thence north along line of river TOHODO all incl 15 Aust Inf Bde - remains unchanged.

(ii) The following will become effective on the dates given:-

From 0600 hrs D Day - Line of river MIVO incl 29 Aust Inf Bde.

From 0600 hrs D + 6 - Line of river MIVO from coast to river junc 114337 thence north along line of river WAPIAI all incl 15 Aust Inf Bde.

(b) 15 Aust Inf Bde - 61 Aust Inf Bn - Line of river HARI incl 61 Aust Inf Bn from 1200 hrs 10 Aug.

(c) 29 Aust Inf Bde - AIB - Line from MORONEI 104465 - TUGIU 203456 - river SILIBAI at 238462 thence SOUTH along line of SILIBAI to coast at 178213 - all incl 29 Aust Inf Bde.

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11. Timings

(a) D Day will be the day on which 29 Aust Inf Bde crosses the river MIVO in str.

(b) For planning purpose D day will be 21 Aug subject to signal confirmation.

12. Tks

(a) A Sqn 2/4 Aust Armd Regt remains under comd 29 Aust Inf Bde.

(b) B Sqn 2/4 Aust Armd Regt will move to MAMAGOTA JUNC area on instrs from this HQ at a date to be notified but NOT before 12 Aug.

13. Arty

(a) RAA 3 Aust Div will sp the adv from localities shown on Trace "R" to 3 Aust Div Op Order 19 of 24 Jun 45.

(b) Details of arty control sp and liaison as per RAA 3 Aust Div Op Order 3.

14. Engrs

(a) Present engr responsibilities in regard to mine detection, engr tk sp and rd and track constr remain unchanged.

(b) 11 Aust Fd Coy remains in sp 29 Aust Inf Bde.

(c) On completion present tasks 15 Aust Fd Coy will be withdrawn from ops for a period of rest and rehabilitation.

(d) 7 Aust Fd Coy will be placed in sp of 15 Aust Inf Bde at a date to be notified.

15. Rd Maint

(a) The immediate maint and improvement of BUIN RD EAST of river MIVO will be the responsibility of RAE 3 Aust Div assisted as required by working parties from 29 Aust Inf Bde.

(b) From D day 15 Aust Inf Bde will be responsible for maint of corduroyed jeep track between rivers MOBIAI and MIVO.

16. Air

(a) No change from normal procedure for requests for air strikes.

(b) Arrangements have been made for the mov of AUSTEROPS to new base at DONALDSON STRIP NOT before 17 Aug.

ADM

17. Sups

(a) FSD OGORATA 035363 by 15 Aug.

(i) 70,000 SWPA rations and Expense Stores.
(ii) 3,000 Fd Op Rations.
(iii) 20,000 Native Rations to include commodities for conversion to native soldier rations.
(iv) 2,000 Hospital Rations.

(b) DID MOBIAI 079344 by 16 Aug.

(i) 35,000 SWPA rations and Expense Stores.
(ii) 2,000 Fd Op Rations.
(iii) 7,000 Native rations to include commodities for conversion to native soldier rations.

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(iv) Hospital rations as required on est of med installations.

(c) DID MIVO 115335 est D + 7.

Target holdings :-

(i) 35,000 SWPA Rations and Expense Stores.
(ii) 2,000 Fd Op Rations.
(iii) 7,000 Native Rations to include commodities for conversion to native soldier rations.
(iv) Hospital rations as required on est of med installations.

18. Amn

(a) AP OGORATA 035363 by 15 Aug:-

(i) 10 days WUR, SAA for the following :-
two inf bdes, one cdo sqn, two sqns tks, two fd regts, one hy bty, three fd coys, one PIB less two coys.

(ii) 12,000 rds 25 Pr amn.

(iii) 10 days WUR one Hy Bty.

(b) AP MOBIAI 079344.

(i) 7 days WUR, SAA by 16 Aug for the following :-
one inf bde, one sqn tanks, one fd regt, one fd coy.

(ii) 10,00 rds 25 Pr amn by 17 Aug.

(Note:- These holdings may be varied on est AP MIVO.)

(c) AP MIVO 115335 est D + 7.

Initial target holdings as for AP MOBIAI less Arty amn.

19. Dumping Programme - Arty Amn

(i) 1000 rounds to each of 5 Bty at 083345 and 6 Bty at 081344 on deployment east of MOBIAI River. RAA 3 Aust Div will notify HQ 3 Aust Div when amn can be received.

(ii) 1000 rounds will be dumped at A Coy 15 Aust Inf Bn 104333 by D + 1 and 6000 rounds by D + 6. 29 Aust Inf Bde will be responsible for off loading, stacking and maint pending deployment of btys in that area when RAA 3 Aust Div will assume responsibility. AASC 3 Aust Div will supply one Amn Examiner to 29 Aust Inf Bde to advise ref storage.

20. POL

(a) PP OGORATA 035363 by 15 Aug.

10 days usage for force detailed in para 18(a)(i) above plus:-

Two FT Tks, one Mech Eqpt Pl, one Jeep Tpt Pl.

(b) PP MOBIAI 079344 by 16 Aug.

7 days for force detailed para 18(b)(i) above.

(c) PP MIVO 115335 est D + 7.

Target holdings as for PP MOBIAI.

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21. Air Maint

DZs at 150363, 167383 and 157334 have been approved for use when required. Distinguishing letters will be allotted prior to commencement of dropping.

22. Div Maint Area

A Div Maint Area consisting of AASC, Med, Ord, AEME, Sal, Postal and AA Canteen Service installations will be est in general area sq 1532 at a date to be advised.

23. Med

(a) MSP 7 Aust Fd Amb 073350.

(b) ADS 15 Aust Fd Amn 954419.

(c) ADS incl surgical team 15 Aust Fd Amn est 078344.

(d) MDS 7 Aust Fd Amb 816453.

(e) MDS 15 Aust Fd Amb 030364.

(f) 109 Aust CCS 707597.

(g) 7 Aust Fd Amb will est following med installations fwd MIVO River :-

(i) MSP att 47 Aust Inf Bn from D minus 2

(ii) ADS in general area 115335 by D plus 7.

(h) On est ADS fwd of MIVO River, HQ Coy 7 Aust Fd Amb will close MDS 816453 and stage at MSP 073350. 15 Aust Fd Amb will est MSP at 816453.

24. Traffic Control

Instructions will be issued as required.

25. Ord

Ord dump will be est at 035363 by 15 Aug 45.

26. Repair and Recovery

129 Aust Bde Wksp AEME 017369.

27. Engr Stores

Engr stores dump for 29 Aust Inf Bde will be maintained as from D DAY by 11 Aust Fd Coy at 079344.

All other units EAST of POROREI River will draw from HARI Engr Depot 003382 and issues will be controlled by HQ 3 Aust Div.

28. Sal

One Sec 3 Aust Div Sal Unit at present att 29 Aust Inf Bde will operate under Bde direction.

Sal Depot 035363.

29. Postal

FPO 035363.

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30. PW

Cage HQ 3 Aust Div.

31. Canteens

CIP 7 opens 035363 15 Aug.

INTERCOMN

32. No change.

ACK.

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Issued through SDS

Signed at 8154

F. G. Hassett
Lt.Col
GS 3 Aust Div (AIF)

SECRET
Copy No 7

3 AUST DIV OP INSTR 38

Ref Maps : BOUGAINVILLE SOUTH 1/25000 Series — Aug 45

(Issued as Appx "A" to 3 Aust Div Op Order 20 of 8 Aug 45)

To : Lt.Col T J FARRELL
Comd 61 Aust Inf Bn

INFM

1. During mid Jul 13 Inf Regt, approx str 190 moved to HARI - TAITAI area with a view to harassing our L of C.

2. Since this date guer[illegible] activity in rear areas has increased considerably, the main centre of activity being the BUIN RD between MAMAGOTA JUNC 992381 and HAMMER RD JUNC 958417. In addition the enemy has attempted to destroy the HONGORAI BR.

3. It is considered that 50 to 190 enemy are located in the area bounded by COMMANDO RD - TAITAI RD - BUIN RD - HAMMER RD. No fwd base has bee[n] located and patrols have NOT contacted enemy parties.

4. It is believed that the enemy could be sustained in the local garden areas, but that sup of amn may limit the duration of 13 Inf Regt's activities.

TASKS IN GENERAL

5. You will be responsible for the protection of the L of C from incl McKINNA BR 829475 to incl river HARI 0038.

TASKS IN PARTICULAR

6. Your tasks in particular will be :

(a) protect the following VPs with sub-units of the str detailed:

(i)	OXLEY FIELD	with one coy less two pls
(ii)	McKINNA BR	one p[l]
(iii)	HONGORAI BR	one pl
(iv)	HARI BR area	one coy
(v)	POROREI BR	one pl
(vi)	RUNAI	one coy less one pl

(b) provide protective escorts for all engr and sig parties working on the BUIN RD between rivers POROREI and HARI.

(c) Patrol at first light, mid-afternoon and at irregular intervals throughout the day on both sides of the BUIN RD from river POROREI to MAMAGOTA JUNC.

(d) maintain a p[l] from coy detailed in para 6 (a) (iv) above in a defended locality in the vicinity of MAMAGOTA 9632 to maintain an alert watch for any enemy approaching to surrender. It will be necessary to :-

(i) Accommodate and gd any enemy who may surrender until they are collected by pro personnel. Offrs will be segregated from OR. Security instrs will be forwarded to you by GSO 3 Int HQ 3 Aust Div.

(ii) Post such standing patrols, and despatch such security patrols which you think necessary.

(iii) Be prepared to combat treachery by taking advantage of the escape route to pass raiding parties.

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(iv) Convey any infm in ref to prisoners surrendering, to both G 3 (Int) and DAPM at HQ 3 Aust Div.

(e) Despatch daily patrols into the area bounded by rivers HARI and PURIATA both NORTH and SOUTH of BUIN RD.

7. Details of the engr tasks in para 6 (b) above will be arranged direct with OC 7 Aust Fd Coy.

ADM

8. Sups POL Amn

(a) from DID POROREI

(b) Unit Res - 1st line amn
Rations 3 days.

9. Med

Evacuation to ADS POROREI or MDS TOKO as expedient.

10. Ord

(a) until 15 Aug - ADOS dump TOKO

(b) after 15 Aug - Ord dump 035363

11. Repair and Recovery

202 Aust LAD att HQ 3 Aust Div

12. Engr Stores

On demand to HQ 3 Aust Div

13. Sal

Evac to Sal Depot TOKO

14. Postal

FPO 084 at HQ 3 Aust Div

15. Canteens

(a) until 15 Aug - CIP 6 TOKO

(b) after 15 Aug - CIP 7 035363

16. PW

Cage HQ 3 Aust Div

INTERCOMN

17. Line to coys and det pls less pl at MAMAGOTA under arrangements Sigs 3 Aust Div.

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Lt-Col
GS 3 Aust Div (AIF)

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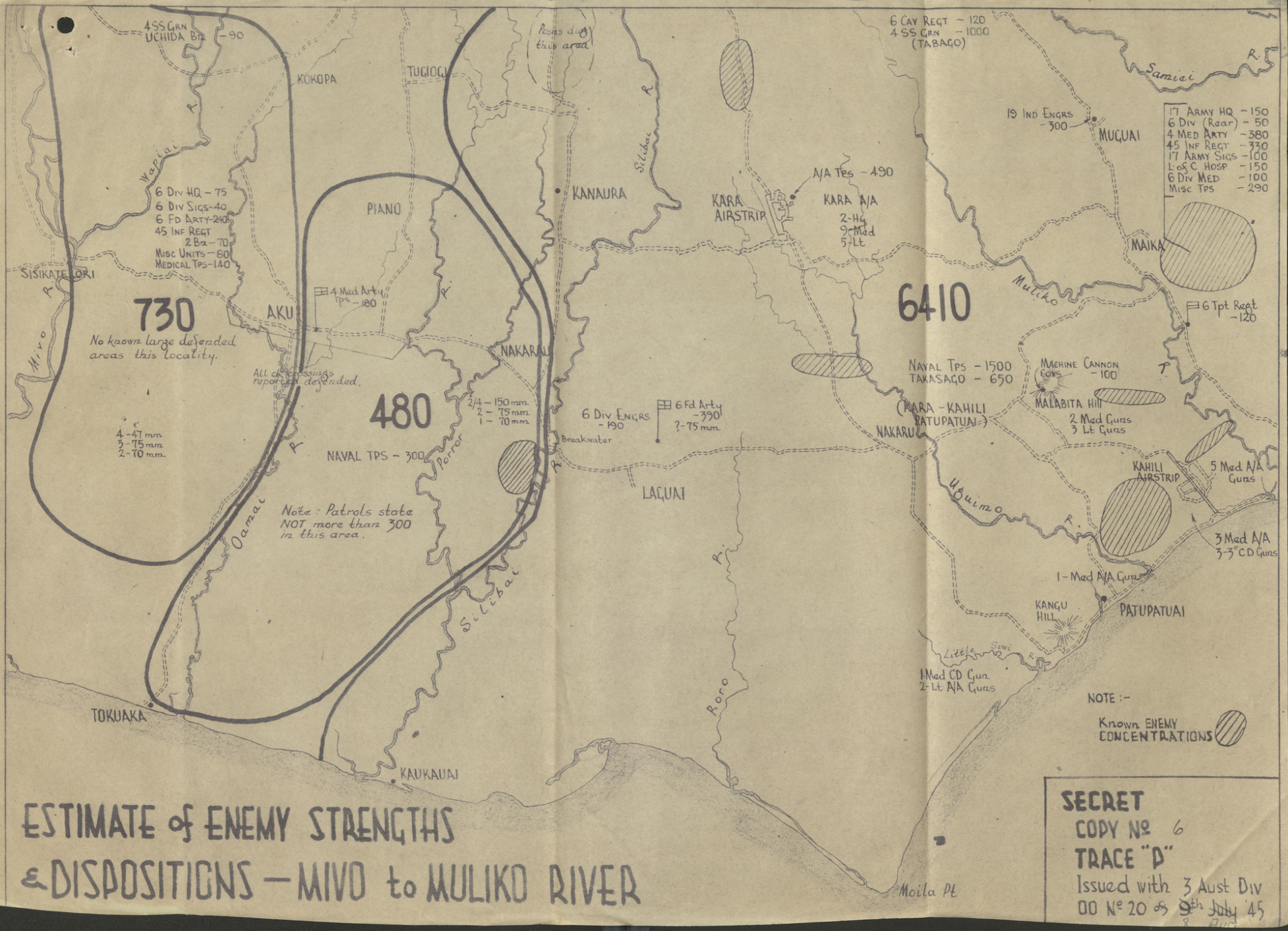
Signed at 21151



ESTIMATE of ENEMY STRENGTHS & DISPOSITIONS — MIVO to MULIKO RIVER

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APPX 'E'

2/4 Aust Armd Regtl Op.

AFV USERS REPORT

10 Jul 45 to 10 Aug 45.

PART I TACTICAL.

(a) OPS. WEWAK. "C" Sqn have remained in res in WEWAK area.

NORTH BOUGAINVILLE. (Chabai 1:25000)

Early in July a small force consisting of 4 tks, 30 regtl pers, 11 wksp pers, 2 sigs pers, 2 fd pk pers, was despatched to SORAKEN PENINSULA to sp 8 Bn and 27 Bn of 23 Bde in their ops on BONIS PENINSULA. After a period of trg with the inf bns and engrs, the tks were committed for the first time on 23 July, when two tks sp C Coy 8 Bn in an attack on COMMO RIDGE 292708. Ground was very boggy and neither tk reached objective although sp fire was given during the inf assault.
Later tks were used on several armd patrols, which accounted for numerous enemy cas, and also to est firm patrol bases. The terrain in this area is generally unsuitable for tks being very boggy. Thus movt has been limited mainly to tracks.

SOUTH BOUGAINVILLE.

"A" Sqn remain in sp 29 Bde. However, no general adv has been made since reaching the MIVO early in July. Tk tps have been located one at each of river MOBIAI and river MIVO Crossings for the purposes of strengthening our perimeters and to be used for intercomn and opening L of C should it be necessary. The remainder of the Sqn has carried out mechanical repairs and installations of modifications in an area West of the MOBIAI. Br layer was used to provide br during hy rains which interrupted L of C.
"B" Sqn - whose role is div armd res - have remained at KEKRO CK.

(b) LESSONS LEARNT FROM OPS.

The difficulties involved when a small tk force is detached, have been fully demonstrated by the force at BONIS. Difficulty of keeping spare parts up - Ord Sug Pk located TOROKINA, barge service three times per week; difficulty in maintaining spare crews to replace cas. Particularly, the fact that a small number of tk cas completely cripples the force; on 8 Aug after one tk had been destroyed by mines, one tk disabled but repairable, one tk with engine trouble, the force was virtually useless.

(c) NATURE OF ENEMY EQUIPT ENCOUNTERED.

Other than SA, the only equpt encountered has been mines. Most have been small, improvised types similar to those encountered previously. However, on BONIS PENINSULA on 2 Aug a tk detonated what is thought to have been a 500 lb aerial bomb which destroyed tk (particulars of damage shown under technical). Most small mines were located and lifted by engr party accompanying tks, or destroyed by 2 pdr fire from tk.

PART II TECHNICAL.

(a) Performance of vehs - no change.

(b (b) Weaknesses - nothing further to previous reports.

(c) Effect of enemy weapons.

(i) Mine (thought to be 500 lb aerial bomb) destroyed tk on BONIS PENINSULA. Tk was lifted clear of ground and turned on to turret. Hull fwd of turret was blown off; idler wheel guards blown 20 ft; idler and track [illegible]

Track blown into small fragments like shrapnel, floor of hull blown to within 2'6" of top of turret, engines blown fwd into turret.
Although tk was upside down, engines continued running for approx 6 mins, when they seized.
The crater blown was approx 8 ft by 8 ft. All occupants of tk were instantly killed, driver being blown to bits.
It is interesting to note that ~~xxx~~ power unit of wireless set was removed from tk immediately after accident and used in another set in place of a faulty unit.

(ii) Mine sheared bolts of final drive banjo casing. Tk repairable. Nature of mine not known.

(d) Enemy equipt - NIL.

(e) Effect of climate on crew - Nothing further.

(f) Repair org - Nothing further.

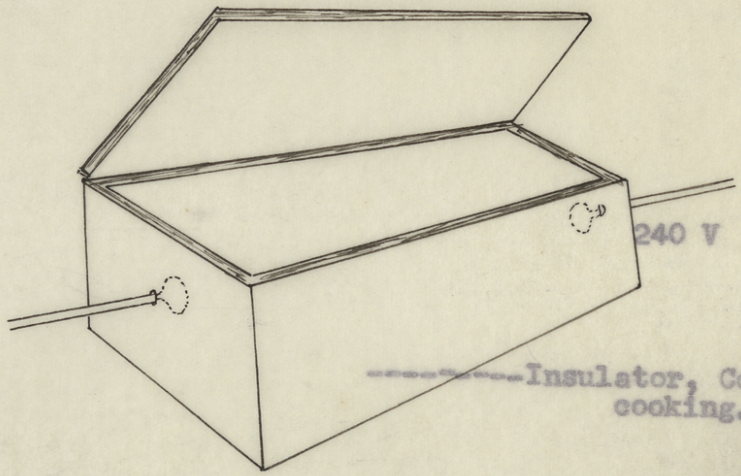
Recovery:
~~xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx~~ Need for D 8 tractor or similar rec veh was again proved when, after CRIMSON RIDGE op, it was necessary to leave bogged tk in enemy territory for one night owing to it being impossible to rec it immediately. No damage done by enemy.

Modifications: Boxes Tele Armd, Turret ring deflectors, Aust Wireless sets have at last reached C Sqn in WEWAK area. Two Dozer tks have been converted in BOUGAINVILLE.

Wireless Maintenance - Attached as Appx "A" is drawing of Hot Box eqpt used for drying out SCR 536.

APPENDIX "A".

"HOT BOX" DRYER FOR WIRELESS SETS SCR 536.



NOTE: SCR 536 is particularly sensitive to damp and most troubles experienced were due, in part, to set becoming wet. The hot box shown above was used both for drying out sets which had become damp, and for storing set when not in use. Box was filled with both 240 V and 12 V lamps.

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APPX 'F'
1.0

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

R H Q
2/4 AUST ARMD REGT

SPECIAL ORDER

-by-

LT COL T MILLS

COMD 2/4 AUST ARMD REGT

Officers, N C Os, and men of "C" Sqn,

On the occasion of the cessation of hostilities with Japan, I would offer my congratulations and appreciation for the manner in which you have carried out your role in the WEWAK campaign.

Your courage, determination, and untiring effort reflects great credit, and your exploits have been watched with interest and pride by the remainder of the regiment.

I do not doubt that, however long we have to wait before discharge, you will continue to uphold the high standards of discipline which you have maintained in the past.

.....Lt Col
(T.Mills)
C O 2/4 Aust Armd Regt

16 AUG 45

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APPX 'G'

~~Sy~~ 9/0

R.H.Q.
2/4 Aust Armd Regt Gp.

ALL Sons & Sub Units.

ADM INSTRUCTION 34/45

C in C's grant of HOLIDAY and BEER

1. On the occasion of cessation of hostilities the C in C has directed that one free bottle of beer be issued to all ranks. R.Q.M. will arrange distribution.

2. In addition, two days holiday will be granted. As this cannot be taken immediately a credit of two days will be entered in AB 63 and AAF A 63.

3. Auth L.H.Q. AG 63548 of 14 AUG,45.

J.M. Allard
.....Capt.
(J.M. ALLARD)
Adjt. 2/4 Aust Armd Regt Gp.

20 AUG,45.

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Appx 'H'

NARRATIVE FOR MONTH OF AUGUST 1945.

ref maps: TOROKINA 1"
SOUTH BOUGAINVILLE SERIES 1/25000.
SORAKEN, CHABAI 1/25000.

1. OPERATIONS.

A SQN. (fwd under comd 29 Aust Inf Bde.)

On 1 Aug the sqn had 4 Tp fwd 400 yds west of the MIVO RIVER with D Coy 15 Inf Bn, and FHQ Tp were with 11 Fd Coy on east bank of MOBIAI RIVER, while the remainder of the Sqn Gp were concentrated at 068353.

Ops were generally at a standstill and activity was confined to inf patrolling.

4 tp was subjected to hostile shelling but no enemy attacks against the inf perimeter; on 4 Aug 4 and FHQ tps exchanged positions.

No active ops were carried out by the sqn during the month. Following the peace negotiations and the Japanese surrender, both 4 and FHQ tps were withdrawn to Sqn HQ later in the month.

For full details see A Sqn War Diary ... att as Appx 'M'

B SQN.

On Aug 6, 8 tp was sent fwd to 3 Div HQ area to act as a mobile reserve for at that time the enemy were harrassing the L of C in rear of Div HQ. On 27 Aug the tp rejoined B Sqn at KEKRO CREEK having made no contact with the enemy during their period at 3 Div.

For full details see B Sqn War Diary (rendered separately).

C SQN.

No operational activity. For full details of sqn activity see C Sqn War Diary (fwd separately).

16 TROOP. (under comd 23 Aust Inf Bde - SORAKEN)

Operations were confined solely to armd patrols.

Full actitity is outlined in War Diary ... att as Appx 'N'

RHQ and LOB.

Nothing to report on of an operational nature.

2. TRAINING. Nil.

3. EXPERIMENTS - see AFV Users report att as Appx 'E'.

4. GENERAL UNIT ACTIVITIES.

The unit and sqn roles remain unchanged.

16 Tp - previously under comd 23 Aust Inf Bde, were, at end of the month, in process of rejoining LOB. On 1 Sep the whole of 16 Tp force had rejoined LOB at TOROKINA and as from that date the tp was disbanded and absorbed into Regt.

In preparation for concentration of the Regt Gp in TOROKINA area work was commenced on construction of new camp at 'BOSLEY FIELD'. Carpenters, builders, etc were sent from fwd sqns to LOB to assist in this camp construction. Prelimiary reports indicate the new area as being very good; several buildings erected by US Forces are still standing in the area. LOB is expected to move into new area early in September.

Pers arrived from 1 Aust Armd Regt to man and instr on 'FROG' and 'HEDGEHOG'. Neither 'FROGS' nor 'HEDGEHOGS' have arrived and when they do, they wont be of any use to Regt at this stage.

5. ADM.

Road Accidents - nil.

AWL - nil.

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5. ADM (Continued)

Health - appears to be a general improvement in health throughout the Regt.

Discipline within the Regt is good and no proceedings for breaches thereof have been reported.

General Notes of Interest on Functioning of Unit Adm:

Capt Williams (TO) completed his inspection of MT with A and B Sqns and retd to LOB. RMO has retd to LOB after a period of duty at A and B Sqns.
2 i/c (Maj Mackay) is now living in LOB area where his activity is confined mainly to the construction and setting up of new camp area and other regtl matters.
RQM has also returned to LOB area.

6. MORALE.

The inactivity during the early part of the month began to tax the morale of pers. However, since the Japanese surrender, the morale of all has been exceptionally high.

'Home By?' is the question on everybodys lips now; every effort to keep pers fully occupied at sports,etc. will have to be made during the waiting period or otherwise restlessness and dissatisfaction will become evident. Steps are being taken in that direction to give pers every facility for sports, education, studies, etc. on their return to the TOROKINA area.

7. SECURITY - Nothing to report - no breaches of regulations reported.

8. G & I PUBLICATIONS - Nil

9. OFFICERS.

Visiting Offrs:
Maj-Gen Bridgeford (Comd 3 Aust Div) addressed A and B Sqns on 22 Aug.
Brig MacArthur-Onslow (Comd 4 Aust Armd Bde) arrived at RHQ on 19 Aug. He addressed A Sqn on 20 Aug and B Sqn on 21 Aug and returned to TOROKINA.
Maj Taylor (2 Aust Corps) visited RHQ and fwd Sqns and obtained infm of regt ops.
Lt-col Hassett (G1+3 Aust Div) at RHQ.
Capt Rowley and Lt Frazell (War Office Trials) at RHQ.

Unit Offr Activity.
CO returned to RHQ on 3 Aug following visit to C Sqn at WEWAK.
2 i/c Maj Mackay moved to LOB on 4 Aug and on 6 Aug he deptd on visit to 16 Tp at SORAKEN. On 11 Aug he retd to LOB to arrange for stores for 16 Tp and on Aug 15 he retd to 16 Tp. Rejoined RHQ on 19 Aug from 16 Tp and on 21 Aug he moved to LOB where he will remain.
OC A Sqn (Maj Robinson) moved to LOB on 17 Aug and retd 18 Aug.
Capt Millikin (OC HQ Sqn) promoted substantive Major to date from 11 Aug 45.
NX 70984 Maj Vernon P.V. arrived Regt and TOS (1 Sep) ex LHQ. - appointed Unit Educational and Loan Offr.
Adjt (Capt Allard) and IO (Lt Richards) retd to RHQ from LOB on Aug 8.
Lt Thorpe T.S. rejoined LOB ex 8 US Army on Aug 3 and arrived RHQ on 11 Aug where he will remain.
Lt Yorath (B Sqn) arrived RHQ on Aug 9 where he joined 8 Tp - retd to B Sqn on Aug 27.
Capt Harris TOS on 11 Aug (att from 1 Aust Corps to instr on use of flamethrowing tks.)
Lt Callaghan rejoined LOB on 15 Aug ex 16 Tp - SORAKEN.
Lt Dent G.C. (B Sqn) promoted substantive Capt to date from 2 Aug 45.
Lts Scott and Adamson rejoined LOB from det 23 Bde (16 Tp) on 1 Sep and 30 Aug respectively.

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9. OFFICERS (contd)

Unit Offr Activity:
Lt J.E. Young (B Sqn) rejoined Sqn from 2/8 Comdo Sqn on 25 Aug.
QX 16140 Lt Couchman D.R. TOS ex 15 Aust Mot Regt - posted to B Sqn.
Lt Forsyth L.E. (B Sqn) rejoined from hospital 18 Aug and remains in LOB.
Following were admitted to hospital:
Lt Ross H.R.M. (A Sqn) on 3 Aug.
SX 24890 Lt Humphrys D.P. on Aug 25 (A Sqn).
VX 51261 Lt Young J.E. (B Sqn) on 29 Aug.

Offr Observer Duty.
Lts Roughton, Yorath and Richards observed War Office Trials on M 24 Lt Tks in TOROKINA area - duration approx 10 days.

Changes in Offr Posting:
NX 6961 Lt Gately W.J. arrived LOB ex C Sqn on 18 Aug and is posted to B Sqn as Tp ldr.
Capt Dent G.C. becomes A/2 i/c B Sqn.

10. EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES.

Pers are continuing with AES courses while others are contemplating what courses,etc. they will commence on return to TOROKINA where there will be every opportunity and facility for educational studies.

11. SPORTING ACTIVITIES.

During the lull in ops and following the cessation of hostilities pers of A Sqn have been able to spend more time at various sports. Bashball, deck tennis, football are the most popular.

In B Sqn various organized sports competitions have been run. All pers have had ample time to play and take part in the troop competions.

Sporting eqpt appears to be sufficient for present needs.

12. AMENETIES.

LOB pers are well catered for by the numerous picture shows in the area.

B Sqn had weekly screening of pictures, also two concerts.

A Sqn and RHQ pers have been able to attend picture shows at nearby units.

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PART I

Received
Time 1630hrs
Date -2 AUG 1945

1. LAND - OWN

General Review Operations 31 Jul/1 Aug

The only patrol contact west of the MIVO today took place 2500 yards NE of RUSEI.when an unknown number of enemy were contacted by a 58/59 Aust Inf Bn patrol and withdrew.

(a) KILIPAIJINO area

RAFFLES FORCE. 1 Section bivouacked the night 31 Jul 1 Aug at 218517 and advanced on to KOOMBAROONA today.

The TUGIOGU OP reported 40 enemy, ex KIKIMOGU, in the MOAKE area (203378).

A contact patrol to OKEMA (206478) did not sight enemy.

No reports were received from 5 Section operating in the SILIBAI RIVER area.

(b) RUSEI Area

15 Aust Inf Bde

58/59 Aust Inf Bn. A D Coy patrol contacted an enemy party of unknown strength at 061376 and outflanking the enemy withdrew to HQ 24 Aust Inf Bn. Reinforced with mortar personnel the patrol returned to engage the enemy who were found to have vacated the area.

6 Aust Mechanical Equipment Coy. At 312330L enemy penetrated the perimeter of 2 Pl and blew up a three ton vehicle.

(c) BUIN ROAD - MOBIAI to OAMAI

29 Aust Inf Bde

15 Aust Inf Bn: During the night 31 Jul 1 Aug 69 hostile shells fell in the Bn area, all were of 75 mm calibre and considered to have been fired from two guns.

A B Coy patrol across the MIVO today established a base at 131352.

Security patrols found a white blanket with a red anchor in the corner at 108330. One hundred yards north, the patrol found one enemy who had been killed by mortar fire.

(ii) 42 Aust Inf Bn. A B Coy standing patrol on the NANA RIVER sighted and fired on four enemy.

(iii) 47 Aust Inf Bn. Nothing to report.

(d) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. A total of 140 rounds counter battery were fired on to suspected enemy gun localities during the night.
61 Bty engaged an enemy defensive area at 135335 with 24 rounds and 21 and 61 Bty fired 32 rounds on to 167319.
At 0630, 0730, 0800 and 1000 hours harassing fire of 68 rounds was put down on the BUIN ROAD from 162319 to 165330.

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(ii) 2 Aust Fd Regt. A defensive position at 117339 was engaged with 24 rounds.

(iii) U Aust Hy Bty. Four rounds were fired on a suspect enemy gun area at 170317.

(e) Amendments to Locations

58/59 Aust Inf Bn	C Coy	amended location	064358
	D Coy		068353.

2. AIR - OWN

For the third day in succession weather prevented all Corsair and Boomerang missions being flown.

Two missions were flown by the Austers. Both sorties delivered mail to DONALDSON and during the second sortie a search was made for footprints or movement along the beach between MAMAGOTA to the MIVO River. At the mouth of the OGORATA River two sets of fresh boot prints were observed on the beach on the east side of the river mouth and to the west 6 to 8 tracks were seen. From observations it was assumed persons were moving EAST.

At 163318 a new bridge is in course of construction over a creek crossing the BUIN ROAD. The bridge has now almost been completed and all main supports are in position as well as some of the cross bearers. The remainder of bearers are ready cut on either bank.

FELO leaflets were dropped along the BUIN ROAD from the MIVO to a point east of the OAMAI River.

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Received 1600hrs
Time
Date 3 AUG 194

PART I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations 1/2 Aug

58/59 Bn patrols today made contact with two strong enemy parties 2,500 and 3,000 yards ENE of RUSEI.

A PIB patrol across the MIVO to the OAMAI River killed three enemy in two contacts.

Elsewhere patrol activity continued but resulted in only minor contacts.

(a) KILIPAIJINO area

RAFFLES FORCE. 1 Section was last reported to be at KONIGUOU (245503) A contact patrol to the TUGIOGU OP (202399) did not sight enemy.

No report was received today from 5 Section operating in the PIANO MISSION area

(b) COMMANDO RD

15 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 24 Aust Inf Bn. Recent enemy footprints were sighted at 052427, 048427, 042409 and 044407.

(c) TAITAI - HARI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

57/60 Aust Inf Bn. A B Coy patrol sighted recent enemy footprints at 991379. A leanto at 023361 was believed to have been occupied by three enemy last night.

(d) RUSEI - MOBIAI River

15 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 58/59 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol sighted 40 enemy with packs moving EAST at 066372. Fire was exchanged and the patrol moved to outflank but contact was lost. Contact was regained 150 yards EAST and the patrol engaged but the enemy withdrew.

Freshly cut timber was found at 083387.

Seven enemy were located in a hut at 075368 and two were killed and two wounded. Immediately the enemy opened fire from an old defensive position nearby and the patrol recrossed the MOBIAI River to 068371 where enemy footprints led south from a garden area.

(e) BUIN RD - MOBIAI to OAMAI

29 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 15 Aust Inf Bn. A C Coy patrol located 15 enemy armed with LMGs at 107324 and engaged killing two and probably two more. Further enemy encircled the patrol which fought its way out and returned to C Coy.

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A PIB patrol found a camp area occupied by 20 enemy at 146340 and engaged killing two and wounding one. At 147324 the patrol set an ambush and killed one enemy.

(ii) 42 Aust Inf Bn. A D Coy security patrol sighted two unarmed enemy who fled when engaged at 085333. At 090326 a further three enemy sighted fled when engaged. Bloodstains indicated casualties.

(iii) 47 Aust Inf Bn. Nothing to report.

(f) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Fd Regt. Between 021300L and 021700L 22 Bty harassed the BUIN RD at 165320 expending 40 rounds.
(ii) 2 Fd Regt. Nothing to report.
(iii) U Hy Bty. " " "

(g) Amendments to Locations

42 Aust Inf Bn	C Coy	091334

2. AIR - OWN

Two Corsair missions were flown in the KAHILI sector before the weather closed down and prevented further flying for the day. A bivouac area on the MULIKO River (340346 and 343348) was bombed and strafed by 24 aircraft. Results were unobserved.

At MAIKI (404310 and 415318) 19 Corsairs attacked a cluster of huts. Two huts were seen to be destroyed.

In Northern BOUGAINVILLE at CHABAI, 4 Corsairs each with 1 x 1000 lb bombs attacked an enemy tank. One direct hit was scored turning the tank on its side. The vehicle was heavily strafed.

Three Tac R missions scheduled for the Boomerangs were completed. One of these sorties at the request of 29 Aust Inf Bde carried out a further search of the coastal sector between the MIVO River and the OAMAI River in an endeavour to locate any signs which may suggest barge activities in this sector. Sounds suggesting barges in the vicinity of the OAMAI River mouth have been reported on successive nights by battalions of 29 Aust Inf Bde.

The Auster activities were limited to two sorties flown from OXLEY and DONALDSON fields.

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for Lt Col
GS 3 Aust Div (AIF)

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TYPE	No OF SORTIES	TOTAL TIME HRS	MINS
ARTY/R	26	51	25
TAC/R	10	15	35
MORTAR/R	2	5	5
EVACUATION WOUNDED	1		30
FELO LEAFLET DROP	5	7	15
CONTACT/R	6	9	10
ARTY/R - SPOTTING FOR ENEMY GUN	13	22	20
COMMUNICATION FLIGHTS	14	11	25
MAIL FLIGHTS	13	10	25
AREA RECCE	4	5	30
MEDICAL SUPPLY DROP	1		45
T O T A L	95	139	25

PART II

Enemy Strengths

3 Aust Div estimates of strengths by areas at 1 August 45 are as follows :

(a) MIVO River and West of River 770

13 Inf Regt) Between MOBIAI and HARI Rivers		140
6 Tpt Tps) North of BUIN Road		50
23 Inf Regt		240
45 Inf Regt		
	2 Bn	130
6 Div Engrs		80
	(Including TANIGUCHI Coy)	
4 Med Arty		
	KUSANO Bn	40
4 South Seas Grn		
	UCHIDA Bn (probably COMMANDO Road)	90

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(b)	MIVO - OAMAI Rivers		835
	6 Div HQ	75	
	6 Div Sigs	40	
	6 Fd Arty	240	
	4 Med Arty	20	
	Miscellaneous Units	80	
	Medical Units	140	
	6 Cav Regt (doubtful)	120	
	45 Inf Regt (doubtful) Bn	120	

Casualties for July have been deducted from the above areas.

(c)	AKU - NAKARU - TOKUAKA		490
	4 Med Arty	190	
	Naval Troops	300	
(d)	BUIN area (Including TAKASAGO Units)		6280
	Total SOUTH BOUGAINVILLE (Including TAKASAGO		8375

PART III

TOPOGRAPHICAL

DONALDSON Field (RAAF Auster Strip)

Location: Western bank MOBIAI River - SOUTHERN BOUGAINVILLE

Ref Map : MIVO River 1/25000

Map Ref : 080346

Latitude	155°	30"	10'	EAST
Longitude	06°	44"	50'	SOUTH

Length at 31 Jul 45 1200' being lengthened to 1350'

Width Overall 100' Hard sand surface 60'

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PART I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations 2/3 Aug

In two successful contacts patrols of 15 Aust Inf Bn killed 14 enemy and captured an amount of equipment.
Operating from a patrol base 2500 yards NE of the MIVO ford, patrols searched tracks north of the BUIN ROAD to the OAMAI RIVER without sighting any enemy or defensive preparations.

(a) KILIPAIJINO area

RAFFLES FORCE. The TUGIOGU OP reported that 14 enemy with an LMG moved NORTH along the track from TUGIOGU (195480) on the morning of 3 Aug. Later firing was heard EAST and SE of the OP.

This afternoon a patrol at 206477 heard firing from the direction of KUKUGAI (247470) and PIARINO (229406).

3 Section departed today to establish a base at TUGIU (185438).

9 Pl PIB bivouacked the night 2/3 Aug at 117410 and a reconnaissance of the area from 128427 to 117410 today did not locate any enemy.

(b) TAITAI area

PIB. Patrols covered the area bounded by the TAITAI track on the WEST, the KAPANA KINGORI ROAD to the NORTH, KAPANA HARI 3 track on the EAST and grid line 39 on the SOUTH. All gardens and tracks were observed but no movement was seen.

Local security patrols through the gardens in squares 9939 0039 9940 and 0040 did not sight enemy.

(c) RUSEI area

15 Aust Inf Bde.

58/59 Aust Inf Bn. An A Coy patrol observed seven enemy, with packs, moving EAST at 063337 and moved to outflank but contact was lost.

(d) BUIN ROAD - MOBIAI to OAMAI

29 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 15 Aust Inf Bn. An A coy patrol attacked 15 enemy resting at 104324 and achieving complete surprise killed six and the remainder fled leaving all their gear. Captured equipment included an LMG, rifles, two pistols, Australian and Japanese grenades, three Australian packs, eight Japanese packs and medical gear. The packs were full of food including biscuits, rice, brown sugar and potatoes. Each man carried waterproof cover and spare clothes some of which were quite new.

Patrols from the B Coy base at 132552 reconnoitred all tracks from the WAPIAI to the OAMAI RIVER NORTH of the BUIN ROAD. No defences were in evidence nor had the tracks been used heavily recently.

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At 133330 ten enemy were ambushed; eight were killed and one wounded. Investigation of the bodies showed that the enemy was not carrying documents or means of identification. Two of three enemy contacted at 131338 were killed.

Another patrol from this base moved to the junction at 137353 but found no evidence of recent enemy activity.

(ii) 42 Aust Inf Bn. Nothing to report.

(iii) 47 " " " An A Coy patrol with PIB encountered 10 enemy at 100378 and wounded two.

(e) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. In support of 47 Aust Inf Bn 24 rounds were fired on to an enemy defensive area at 076368.

(ii) 2 Aust Fd Regt. 5 Bty twice engaged the MIVO RIVER crossing at 109323 with 16 rounds.

(iii) U Hy Bty. Nothing to report.

(f) Amendments to Locations

42 Aust Inf Bn	Bn HQ	089335

2. AIR - OWN

All Corsair Boomerang and Auster aircraft were grounded for the day owing to unsuitable flying conditions.

PART II

Propaganda

Based on the PW statement that there were some 20/30 enemy deserters along the coast between the MIVO and HARI RIVERS it has been decided to attempt to induce these to voluntarily surrender.

Several weeks ago a "Reception Committee" was established at MAMAGATA to receive surrenderaes. FELO produced special leaflets instructing the enemy desirous of desertion to report to this Committee. To date eight have "reported in".

It is now proposed to place signposts at intervals along the beach all pointing towards MAMAGATA and containing phrases and directions which it is hoped will entice these 20/30 enemy to surrender. Some of the phrases are : -

"To the New Japan"
"The only way out for you who have already deserted is to surrender"
"Make up our mind. Come to MAMAGATA"

With these signposts will be boxes containing white flags, surrender leaflets and a small amount of food

for Lt.Col
GS 3 Aust Div (AIF)

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PART I

1. LAND-OVN

Received
Time 1030 hrs
Date 5 AUG 194

General Review of Operations over 3/4 Aug

A 15 Aust Inf Bn patrol operating on the east bank of the MIVO apparently sprung a mine at 115354. A section searching for a missing member of the patrol was engaged with an enemy 75mm gun.

NE of RUSEI a 58/59 Aust Inf Bn patrol killed two of seven enemy encountered, and in the same locality a 47 Aust Inf Bn patrol located an enemy party occupying an Australian defence position, however, when disturbed, the enemy withdrew.

(a) KILIPALLIMO area

RAFFLES FORCE The TUGIOGU OP reported that the 14 enemy who moved north yesterday were apparently following the footprints of our contact patrol. The enemy moved to 192424 then returned south.

9 Pl PIB crossed the MIVO River at 113410 and moved along the west bank to 115443 and returned west via main L of C to MOROKAIMORO.

An OP patrol departed for the KUMILOGU area square 2243.

(b) HARI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

57/60 Aust Inf Bn. Leantos examined at 024382 showed signs of use three days ago.

(c) RUSEI area

18 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 24 Aust Inf Bn. No signs of recent enemy activity were found in the old enemy position at 060414.

At 045365 a dump of 350 rounds of 37mm AP ammunition was found.

(ii) 58/59 Aust Inf Bn. At 065383 a patrol killed three and wounded two of seven enemy encountered.

(d) BUIN Road - MOBIAI to OAMAI

29 Aust Inf Bde

15 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol from A Coy attempted to cross the river at 106320 but because of the rate of flow only three troops got across. These three moved up the east bank covered by the rest of the patrol from the west bank. At 115354 the three men commenced to move west when a large explosion occured, meanwhile the main body encountered an enemy position at 112332 and killing one enemy outflanked and reached a point of the river where they could cover the crossing of the men east of the river. This was achieved except for the Section leader and a Section moved back across the river to locate him. Reaching the area of the explosion the Section was shelled by 17 x 75 mm rounds and withdrew across the MIVO. Whilst recrossing an enemy HMG engaged from the west bank.

A D Coy patrol crossed the MIVO and reconnoitred the tracks in square 1333. At 119336 15 enemy were heard moving north and an ambush was set at 120341 but no contact was made.

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(ii) 42 Aust Inf Bn. An A Coy security patrol sighted three enemy 400 yards south of the Coy moving east. An interception patrol moved out but no contact was made.

Five enemy dead were found at 095320.

(iii) 47 Aust Inf Bn. At 078369 a C Coy patrol sighted 17 enemy cutting timber in an old Australian position. Further movement in the area indicated more enemy, and whilst making a closer reach the patrol was sighted and the enemy dispersed. 150 yards further east four more enemy were sighted and the patrol returned to the Coy area. At 1415 hours a fighting patrol with an FOO departed to investigate but found the area vacated.

(e) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. Following enemy shelling 90 rounds were fired on to six suspected enemy gun areas this morning. At irregular intervals from 0900 to 1400 hours 22 Bty harassed the BUIN ROAD at 173318.

Following enemy shelling again this afternoon six suspected enemy gun areas were engaged with 36 rounds.

(ii) 2 Aust Fd Regt. Nothing to report.

(iii) U Aust Hy Bty. Suspect enemy gun areas at 177324, 177310 and 183318 were each engaged with two rounds. From 1000 to 1400 hours the enemy position at 191318 was harassed with 10 rounds.

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PART I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations 4/5 Aug

OPs report that enemy troops continue to move in the KILIPAIJINO area. These enemy combine patrolling/the raiding of gardens.

The enemy made two further attacks on our L of C this evening.

Our troops continued patrol activity but no large contacts resulted.

(a) KILIPAIJINO area

RAFFLES FORCE KUMILOGU OP report the establishment of a base at 219433. On Aug 3 an enemy patrol strength ten, patrolled north to KUMILOGU 224438 and returned south the same day.

TUGIOGU OP report that the enemy patrol reported 3 Aug bivouaced night 3/4 Aug at approximately 194379 and on 4 Aug raided the garden west of this point.

At 051300L 1 section left 245508 for RAFFLES Force. The engineer recce patrol returned to RAFFLES at 051530L.

A patrol crossed the MIVO at 114408 and moved north along the track to 133450, bivouaced night 4/5 Aug at 142417, and reported no movement seen.

(b) MAMAGOTA Junction

A Jap party on two occasions ambushed single 3 ton vehicles west of the junction shortly before dark.

(c) COMMANDO Road - KINGORI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

24 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol observed 5 enemy moving east at 057425 but were unable to make contact.

(d) BUIN Road - MOBIAI to OAMAI River

29 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 15 Aust Inf Bn. An A Coy patrol crossed the MIVO and recovered the body of the section commadner killed by an explosion on 4 Aug. A second patrol contacted 47 Aust Inf Bn and returned reporting no movement seen.

A D Coy patrol moved south through 108326 and returned without having made any contact.

(ii) 42 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol was fired on by LMGs rifles and mortars at 120344.

(iii) 47 Aust Inf Bn. An enemy body was found at 098362.

(e) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. 22 Bty engaged area 100372 with 22 rounds of HE at 041942L.

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(ii) 2 Aust Fd Regt. Apart from registration of targets, nothing to report.

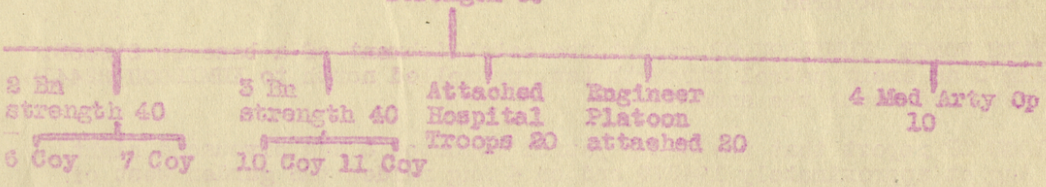
(iii) U Aust Hy Bty. Nothing to report.

PART II

1. Changes in Enemy Organisation

Recent PW have given information on the steps taken by the enemy to reorganise following on recent casualties.

(a) 23 Inf Regt. A member of this unit states that during their attack on SHISHIGATANI, 1 and 2 direct coys suffered heavy casualties, only four men surviving in 1 Coy. These coys were subsequently disbanded and the PW believes that organisation now is :



(b) 4 Med Arty. A KUSANO Bn PW says that 11 Coy has now been disbanded and the Bn now consists of 12 and 13 Coys total strength 56. It is known that at present KUSANO Bn total strength is less than that figure.

SATO Bn with a strength of 30 is stated to now be under command of 6 Engr Regt and as the PW making this statement came from the Bn it is probably correct.

2. Artillery Observation Patrols

Interrogations reveal that a patrol from a Bty of 4 Med Arty located in the AKU area is attached to 23 Inf Regt. Arty is to bring down fire on our forward positions using telephone communications.

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PART I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review Operations 5/6 Aug

Last night the enemy unsuccessfully attempted to blow up the HONGORAI RIVER bridge.

A party of 15 enemy was sighted 100 yards east of the junction of the HAMMER and BUIN ROADS but dispersed when engaged.

Only two patrol clashes occured in the 29 Aust Inf Bde area today both just SW of the main MIVO ford.

(a) KILIPAIJINO Area

RAFFLES FORCE. The TUGIOGU OP reported an enemy patrol moved south from TUGIOGU (195480) on 5 Aug.

At 061030L 1 Section returned from the KOOMBAROOWA area and reported that there had been no enemy movement in these areas in the past two months.

A recce patrol to PALIDONON (229405) did not sight any enemy.- Firing was heard from t he direction of BARILO between 051000L and 061800L.

(b) HONGORAI RIVER

Three enemy attempted to blow the HONGORAI RIVER bridge last night but were frustrated by NCO who engaged dispersing them then dropped the charge, which was still fused, into the river.

(c) RUNAI Area

7-Aust Fd Coy. At 061412, five men who were sanding the road at 960415 sighted 15 enemy and engaged dispersing them.

(d) COMMANDO ROAD

15 Aust Inf Bde

24 Aust Inf Bn. Footprints of five enemy were observed at 053428.

A contact patrol from C Coy to B Coy was ambushed by 6/10 enemy near B Coy. The patrol moved south, reformed, and moved to regain contact but the enemy had vacated the area and moved east. The patrol followed the footprints to a garden at 063416 but no contact resulted.

(e) MONOITU Area

15 Aust Inf Bde

57/60 Aust Inf Bn. An old enemy position, estimated to have been used by two enemy three days ago, w as located at 985399.

A patrol investigating the enemy party sighted by the engineers at 960415 found that the enemy had mov ed south.

(f) BUIN ROAD - MOBIAI to OAMAI

29 Aust Inf Bde.

(i) 15 Aust Inf Bn. An A Coy patrol crossed the WAFIAI RIVER and

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proceeded South along the east bank to 114337 to an old CF position.

While attempting to recross the MIVO RIVER back to Bn a patrol was fired on by a JUKI on the west bank in the vicinity of 112332, and an LMG from 114333.

A C Coy Section patrol reached 114331 where it found tracks of 10 enemy and natives. At 115331 the patrol was fired on by at least three rifles and 15 Australian and Japanese grenades. A stronger fighting patrol sent out to investigate found signs of enemy activity but made no contact. Firing was heard to the north and the patrol moved to investigate. The JUKI position was engaged by mortars.

(ii) 42 Aust Inf Bn. One dead enemy was found outside B Echelon.

(iii) 47 Aust Inf Bn. Nothing to report.

2. AIR-OWN

Weather permitted targets at MUNUAI TOBAGO and SOHANA ISLAND to be attacked by Corsairs and Venturas.

At MUNUAI (355286), 17 Corsairs bombed and strafed a concentration of huts; twelve huts were destroyed. Huts at TOBAGO (326409) were later attacked and the 16 Corsairs taking part destroyed a total of ten huts.
5 JACQUINOT based Venturas bombed gun positions on SOHANA ISLAND with unobserved results.

The area between the CAMAI River and SHINBAI River and north of the BUIN ROAD was searched by two Boomerang sorties for indications of enemy activity.

Two artillery targets were registered by an Auster sortie and mail was flown into and out of DONALDSON on two occasions.

PART III

TOPOGRAPHICAL

Auster Ops reconnaissance of 4 Aug gives the following report :

At 053259 a sand bar has closed off the mouth of the creek from the sea.
To the WEST side of mouth a spur of land is covered with secondary growth.
The EAST spur has a small coconut plantation on it also secondary growth.
On the extreme tip of EAST side are two worn patches of ground approximately 20 yards square. Footprints were seen from these patches to surf.
Three patches which appeared to be oil on the water were to the NORTH of this land.
Approximately 50 yards WEST of the bare patches of earth a footpad runs from beach inland to an old U/S hut, and a possible track continues WEST for approximately 1000 yards.
From the NORTH of these bare patches of earth a rope or vine is stretched across creek, connecting it to the NORTH bank. Attached to this rope on NORTH bank is a small log raft.
Dense jungle comes down to waters edge on NORTH bank and approximately 50 yards from bank under heavy timber are three practically new medium sized huts.
Around these huts the undergrowth has been cleared.
These buildings tracks and other items may be associated with the reported barge movement along the coast. Possibly being the off-loading point.
(See Tac R sketch attached as Appendix 'A'.)

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TAC/R SKETCH MAP

Appx "A" to 5 Aust Div Summary of Operations and Intelligence Report No 251

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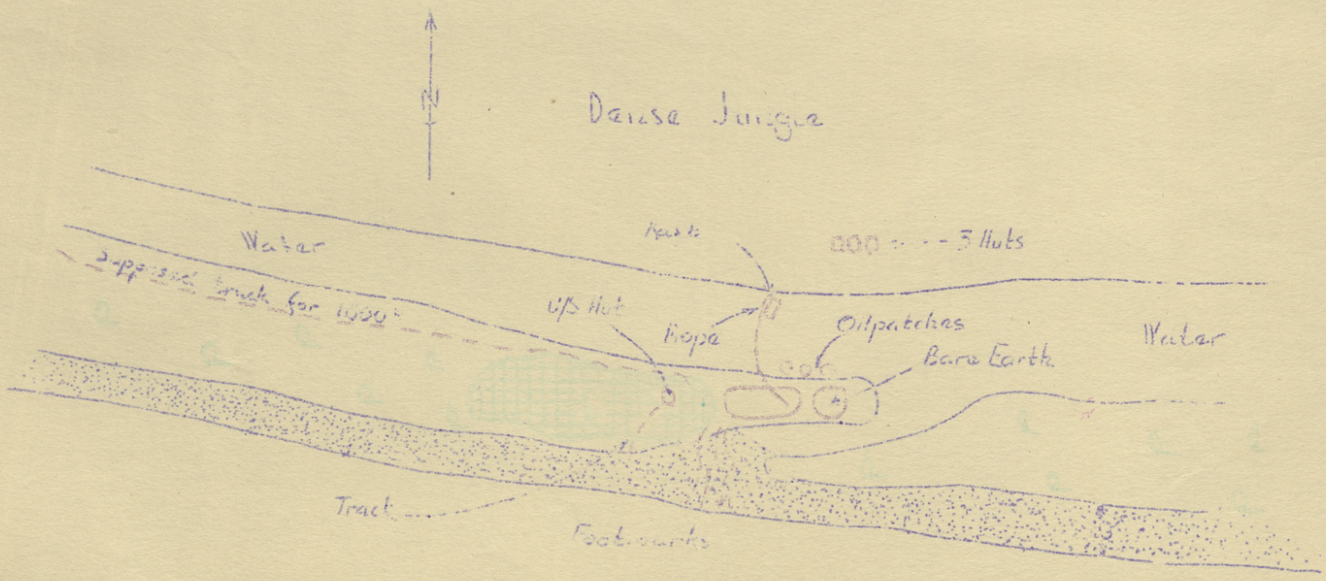

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1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations 6/7 Aug

At 0730 hrs this morning 30/50 enemy ambushed 7 Fd Coy vehicles loaded with personnel at the HAMMER Road junction. After the engagement the enemy broke contact and moved north. Extensive patrolling failed to locate the enemy. Elsewhere patrol activity continued.

(a) KILIPAIJINO area

RAFFLES FORCE 2 Section departed to relieve 8 Section standing patrol at 207477 and 7 Section departed from KILIPAIJINO to rescue the KOKOPA area (1638)

During an air drop at 183466 LMG fire was heard north of the DZ.

(b) MOMIAMORO area

RAFFLES FORCE A 9 Pl FIB patrol moved along the L of C to 118443 and returned without sighting enemy.

10 Pl FIB moved along COMMANDO Road from 064425 to 066419 and returned via 087451. No enemy were seen.

(c) COMMANDO Road

15 Aust Inf Bde

24 Aust Inf Bn. B Coy less 12 Pl moved to 051371, 12 Pl located 055427.

(d) BUNAI area

7 Aust Fd Coy

A 3 ton vehicle convoy taking engineers to work was ambushed 300 yds east of the HAMMER Road junction by an estimated 30/50 enemy with LMGs and grenade dischargers. After the ambush the enemy dispersed northwards.

During the ambush nine shots were fired on HQ 7 Aust Fd Coy at 956430 from upstream on the POROKEI River.

15 Aust Inf Bde

57/60 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol to investigate the scene of the ambush at 950415 reported that approximately 30 enemy moved NE after the ambush. Two other patrols north and south of the BUIN Road from MOMAKOTA junction to HAMMER Road junction, reported no movement seen.

FIB

Four FIB patrols searched the area bounded by COMMANDO Road, BUIN Road, TAITAI Road and HAMMER Road without contacting enemy.

Armed kunakas and FIB from ANGAU searching the same area did not sight enemy.

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(e) RUSSI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

58/59 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol fired on one enemy at 059370.

(f) BUIN Road - MORIAI to CAMAI

29 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 15 Aust Inf Bn. At 061835L and 061920L 22 and 14 x 75mm shells, estimated fired by four guns, fell in D Coy area and on KILLENS Track between B and C Coys.

An A Coy patrol moved south to 108324 without contacting enemy. At 107324 enemy were located in huts and engaged. However, results were unobserved.

At 1400hrs a B Coy patrol returned from searching the area squares 1233 and 1133. No enemy were sighted.

(ii) 42 Aust Inf Bn. Nothing to report.

(iii) 47 Aust Inf Bn. A column of smoke 400 yds NW of C Coy was engaged with mortar fire.

One enemy dead was found in old position at 095359. A C Coy patrol reported sighting four enemy moving west on COMMANDO Road at 109399 and hearing much movement and talking in the area.

(g) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. 22 and 61 Btys engaged an enemy defended locality at 115331 expending 78 rounds.

Following hostile shelling last evening six enemy suspected hostile battery areas were engaged with 36 rounds.

(ii) 2 Aust Fd Regt. From 062000L to 062015L three suspected hostile battery areas were engaged by the Regiment less one troop.

(iii) U Aust Hy Bty. 13 rounds were put down on suspected gun areas at 145333 158332 and 144326.

Today the Battery engaged the bridge over the OROWAN River at 167320 with an air OP. No direct hits obtained with the 51 rounds expended.

(h) Amendments to Locations

24 Aust Inf Bn	B Coy less	051371
	Pl	055427
57/60 Aust Inf Bn	A Coy	985401
	B Coy less	002383
	Pl	975329
	15 Pl	871486
3 Aust Div Reception Camp Area Cmnd MOTUPENA		715596
		715596

2. AIR - OWN

A series of hut targets in the BUIN area were attacked by a total of 65 Corsair sorties. The targets were as follows :

(i) 17 Corsairs KIKIBATSIAGO 320400

Results: 4 huts destroyed and large explosion observed. Strafing killed one Jap.

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(ii) 16 Corsairs EAST of MULIKO River 340346 - 343348

Results: Unobserved

(iii) 16 Corsairs MAIKA 345349

Results: Unobserved

(iv) 16 Corsairs MAIKA 348354

Results: 4 huts destroyed and 2 damaged

The routine search by Boomerangs east of the CAMAI River to the SILIBIAI River for targets of opportunity was flown.

Auster aircraft engaged with "U" Aust Hy Bty a newly constructed bridge on the BUIN Road at AKU (163319). Two sorties carried mail to DONALDSON Field.

PART II

Enemy Casualties

Documents which were captured at 146340 belonging to an unknown unit contained a list of casualties from 14 May to 29 July. These casualties were detailed by types and a summary of same is as follows :

	KIA	Died Later	Hospitalized
Shell splinter wounds	7	1	6
Bomb splinter wounds	1	-	1
Penetrated bullet wounds	12	3	9
Lodged bullet wounds	6	1	7
Hand grenade wounds	4	1	3
	30	6	26

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PART I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations over 7/8 Aug

Although many signs and sounds of enemy movement were reported between the HONGORAI and and HARI Rivers no contacts resulted.

10 Pl PIB killed 12 of an estimated 100 enemy encountered in the MUSARAKA area.

(a) KILIPAIJINO area

RAFFLES FORCE Patrols from the KUMILOGU OP to OMISARO (207438) PALIDONON (229405) and PIARINO (229391) did not sight enemy but two graves were found at 206445.

The remnants of a USA aircraft estimated to have crashed 12/18 months ago, were found at 217433.

10 Pl PIB bivouaced night 7/8 Aug at 139425 and this morning engaged an estimated 100 enemy at 116401 killing 12 and wounding 12.

No reports were received from other patrols or OPs.

(b) RUNAI - TAITAI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

57/60 Aust Inf Bn. Patrols today found signs of recent enemy movement at 960400, 952405, 954404, 959405 and 007419.

PIB Enemy footprints estimated to be made last night or early this morning were seen 700 yds west of MAMAGOTA junction on the old BUIN Road.

ANGAU An ambush set at 016419 did not contact enemy but tracks and sounds of movement were heard at 007416. At 021425 tracks of an estimated 10/15 enemy were sighted.

(c) RUSEI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

58/59 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol reported two small parties having moved east at 083385.

(d) BUIN Road - MOBIAI to OAMAI

29 Aust Inf Bde

15 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol found and destroyed 100 x 75mm shells at 114335.

A patrol established a patrol base at 153353.

Operating south from D Coy a patrol reached 107323 where it sighted two enemy digging foxholes. LMG and rifles engaged the patrol from old hut and pillbox area. Mortar fire was put down on the area and the patrol moved north and at 113329 contacted an estimated 30 enemy who showered the patrol with grenades.

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Automatic fire was returned but the nature of the ground prevented observation of results.

(e) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. 22 Bty engaged the bridge over the BUIN Road at 167320 and secured two direct hits.

A Regt concentration was put down on reported enemy activity at 104398 with 48 rounds.

(ii) 2 Aust Fd Regt. 5 and 6 Btys registered targets and later 4 and 5 fired a concentration on an enemy bivouac at 103389.

(iii) U Aust Hy Bty. Enemy activity was heard around U Aust Hy Bty perimeter at 080300L. Sentries threw grenades but a security patrol in the morning did not sight enemy.

2. AIR - OWN

Strikes scheduled against targets in the south of the island were all weathered out with the exception of one.

For this attack enemy concentrations north of the KARA Airfield (280368) were bombed and strafed by 33 Corsairs. Results were unobserved.

At the request of 29 Aust Inf Bde two Boomerang sorties searched the area from MUSARAKA on the MIVO River east to the GURU River.

Sightings around 103389 104396 106385 suggested enemy activity as lean to's and fallen palm trees were observed.

Two communication flights from OXLEY to PIVA and one Arty R sortie were flown by Austers.

During the Arty R sortie our 25 pounders scored a direct hit on the newly constructed bridge at 163319, holing it and causing the structure to list, thus rendering it temporarily unserviceable.

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PART I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations 8/9 Aug

A longe range patrol to the OAMAI RIVER patrolled south to the BUIN road and towards AKU area contacting isolated enemy parties but not locating any large defended areas.

An ANGAU patrol to the mouth of the MOBIAI killed three of 10 enemy and found two large occupied huts at 053260.

(a) KILIPAIJINO area

RAFFLES FORCE. 5 Section returned to 208477 from the KOOMBAROONA area today and reported no movement seen.

Prolonged firing was heard to the NE of KILIPAIJINO.

A C Tp patrol recce of the area square 1648 did not contact enemy but saw indications of a small party in the area.

(b) COMMANDO ROAD

15 Aust Inf Bde

24 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol reported sighting 30 sets of bare footprints at 079389, direction of movement east. More indications of 30 enemy having moved east were seen at 074384.

Very recent footprints of three enemy were sighted at 052427.

(c) TAITAI - RUNAI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

57/60 Aust Inf Bn. At 968426 a patrol sighted recent signs of SW movement on parallel tracks by small enemy parties each approximately 3 strong.

ANGAU. An ANGAU native followed a party of 10 enemy and two BUIN natives from AMIO - KINGORI ROAD junction towards KINGORI, PANAKEI and back to SIROI area.

(d) BUIN ROAD - MOBIAI to MIVO

29 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 15 Aust Inf Bn. During the night 10 x 75 mm shells fell at 104334.

Between 0400 and 0420 hours 20 to 30 explosions were heard in the distance on a bearing of 30 degrees.

A patrol killed two of three enemy sighted at 108328. The area of the air strike was later examined and found devastated.

Operating from a base at 155355 C Coy patrols reported an enemy position at 150350 and engaged it with artillery. Another patrol reached 155320 moved east to 165321 thence north and back to base. One enemy was killed at each of 155332, 156327 and 165321. At 163320 patrol ambushed an enemy ration party killing five.

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These patrols did not locate any largely defended areas. The track from 165321 to 153353 had not been recently used.

A total of 18 x 75 mm shells fell in C and D Coy areas this afternoon.

(ii) 42 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol base was established at 135323.

(iii) 47 Aust Inf Bn. Sounds of digging were heard south of Bn HQ at 0400 hours but investigation revealed no signs of enemy activity.

At 097363 a C Coy patrol moving east was fired on by enemy using an LMG and 2 or 3 SMGs from the north side of the track. The patrol withdrew SE and a party from A Coy cleared the track.

(iv) ANGAU. A patrol to the coast between the MOBIAI and MIVO RIVERS killed three of 10 enemy at 028277. Two large huts occupied by an unknown number of enemy were sighted at 053260.

(e) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. From 082000L to 082020L 22 Bty twice put down counter battery fire on suspect enemy gun areas at 171316 and 164323.

Regimental concentrations of 48 rounds were put down on 107396.

Enemy defended areas at 105324 and 109323 were engaged with 32 rounds by 21 and 61 Btys.

An FOO with A Coy 15 Aust Inf Bn patrol engaged a defended area at 150348.

(ii) 2 Aust Fd Regt. At 092135L a regt concentration was put down on an enemy bivouac at 106389.

(iii) U Aust Hy Bty. Suspected hostile battery areas at 184319 (twice) and 175334 (twice), were engaged with 8 rounds each.

(f) Amendments to Locations

61 Aust Inf Bn	Bn HQ	991387
	A Coy less	872383
	7 Pl	938430
	9 Pl	838478
	B Coy less	968400
	11 Pl	955418
	C Coy less	003382
	14 Pl	973329.

2. AIR - OWN

At the request of 29 Aust Inf Bde 15 Corsairs bombed an enemy defensive location on the MIVO River south of the BUIN Road from 112329 to 114329. Although results were unobserved ground patrols reported very accurate bombing, causing the destruction of the positions holding up our patrols.

Concentrations of KARA were again attacked by 15 aircraft. Results were unobserved.

RNZAF Ventura medium bombers again attacked AA positions on SOHANA ISLAND. During the attack our heavy AA guns also engaged these positions.

Three Boomerang sorties covered the area east from the OAMAI River through PLANO MISSION to the PORROR and from AKU south of the BUIN Road to the OAMAI River.

At 157315, 155320 154318 signs of enemy activity were noted.

Austers flew three sorties. Two suspected gun positions with fire lanes were noted at 166317 and 164317.

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The bridge at 163319 rendered U/S by our shelling on 8 Aug was found to have been repaired overnight.

The Jap concentration on the coast between the MOBIAI and MIVO River mouth at 053259 located by Austers on 4 Aug and since confirmed by ground patrol, was again checked and further signs of activity were observed.

RAFFLES Force have reported locating a second crashed aircraft at 178393. It is reported as being a RNZAF Corsair number NZ3188. Natives reported this aircraft about 3 months ago crashed after striking a tree on a strafing pass, the pilot being killed instantly. He was later buried by natives after the Japs had examined the wreckage.

PART III

TOPOGRAPHICAL

During the week detailed reconnaissance of the area north of the BUIN Road west of the SILIBAI was carried out. The reconnaissance included engineer and tank parties. Copies of full reports will be forwarded to appropriate units.

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Part I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review Operations 9/10 Aug

A 58/59 Aust Inf Bn patrol killed five enemy in two huts 2500 yards NE of RUSEI.

A patrol from the 15 Aust Inf Bn base on the OAMAI moved south along the west bank of that river. Two enemy parties were sighted but again no defended areas or bivouacs were located.

(a) TAITAI

ANGAU. Scouts reported that the 10 enemy and two natives last located in the SIROI area moved on to HUKUHA and SW towards USO today.

61 Aust Inf Bn. All patrols reported no movement seen.

(b) MAMAGATA

61 Aust Inf Bn. 14 Pl crossed the HARI RIVER and moved SE along the coast. One enemy was observed at 990304 and four sets of foot-prints at 993301. Two enemy were observed on the beach 003293.

This patrol erected FELO signposts at 975313, 982308, 990304 and 993301.

(c) RUSEI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

58/59 Aust Inf Bn. A patrol located an enemy position on a knoll 100 yards north of the garden at 061376. Whilst the patrol was investigating the area seven enemy lying in a hut opened fire. Fire was returned and enemy in a second hut opened fire; total enemy strength was estimated to be 20 of which five were killed.

Later the same patrol with an FOO and mortars moved out to regain contact.

(d) BUIN ROAD - MOBIAI to OAMAI

29 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 15 Aust Inf Bn. Operating from the base at 153353 a patrol moved to 145346 to the track at 147334 and returned to base along the west bank of the OAMAI.

20 enemy were seen moving NW at 145346 and numerous felled trees in the area. No defence or bivouac areas were found. An ambush set at 147323 killed three enemy.

(ii) 42 Aust Inf Bn. A Security patrol fired on one enemy 200 yards SE of B Coy area.

(iii) 47 Aust Inf Bn. One enemy dead was found at 097363.

(iv) 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn. The Sqn and C Coy PIB came under command 29 Aust Inf Bde at 101000L.

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(e) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. 22 and 61 Bty engaged suspected gun and defended area at 165318 expending 96 rounds.

A total of 32 rounds were put down on a defended locality at 101323.

(ii) 2 Aust Fd Regt. 4 Bty put down 48 rounds on a enemy gun area at 165318.

(iii) U Aust Hy Bty. Suspected enemy gun and defended area at 165318 was engaged with 12 rounds.

(f) Amendments to Locations

24 Aust Inf Bn	13 Pl	042361
57/60 Aust Inf Bn	Bn HQ	020370
	A Coy	017375
	B Coy	017372
	C Coy	019372
	D Coy	020369.

2. AIR - OWN

A large hut concentration located by Boomerang tac R during the week in the PIANO MISSION area (173340) was bombed and strafed by 16 Corsairs. One large column of black smoke resulted.

Personnel areas at KARA were attacked by 32 Corsairs. A large explosion followed.

Much debris was seen to rise into the air at KIETA when 16 aircraft bombed enemy concentrations.

10 Jacquinot based RNZAF Venturas attacked AA positions on SOHANA ISLAND. Good coverage was obtained but results were unobserved.

Boomerangs checked a previous Auster sighting of an enemy concentration on the coast between the MOBIAI River and MIVO River at 053259.

The Auster dropped smoke grenades and later the Boomerang after locating the concentration went in and strafed.

Other Boomerangs searched the PORROR and SILIBAI areas.

Austers completed three sorties which included arty R and tac R and mail delivery to DONALDSON.

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PART I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations over 10/11 Aug

Other than security patrols and contact patrols no offensive activities were undertaken by units of 3 Aust Div. Long range patrols at the OAMAI River were contacted and returned to Company areas.

A contact patrol moving north along BARRETTS Track was ambushed by 10 enemy and a further 50 enemy were located to the north.

(a) TAITAI - RUNAI area

61 Aust Inf Bn None of the Company patrols sighted enemy movement today.

(b) RUSEI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

24 Aust Inf Bn. A contact patrol from C Coy to 12 Pl was ambushed at 055402 by an estimated 10 enemy.

A fighting patrol escorting Artillery Signallers to 12 Pl passed through the original ambush, but when at 055403, came under heavy fire from a JUKI, three LMGs and grenade dischargers. The patrol estimated that there were 50 enemy well dug in positions at this point astride BARRETTS Track. On contact, movement was heard on both flanks and the patrol returned to Bn HQ to avoid encirclement.

A Patrol with an Artillery FOO moved out to engage the enemy at 055403 and register with artillery.

(c) BUIN Road - MOBIAI to OAMAI

29 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 15 Aust Inf Bn. The C Coy patrol base returned from the OAMAI River area. The personnel reported that no further enemy positions were encountered but tracks of a prime mover and MT were observed from 147323 to 165320.

(ii) 42 Aust Inf Bn. The patrol to the OAMAI River returned at 1540 hrs. Single enemy were killed at 139323 and 155312. A 37mm gun and huts were located at 145324 but while moving to destroy the gun the patrol was fired on. Two unoccupied pillboxes were found at 145324.

(iii) 47 Aust Inf Bn.
PIB. A patrol of PIB escorting an ANGAU party north along BARRETTS Track contacted the patrol of 24 Aust Inf Bn which was ambushed at 055403. During the engagement PIB killed three enemy.

(d) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. Nothing to report.

(ii) 2 Aust Fd Regt. Movement heard outside 6 Bty perimeter at 102225L was engaged with grenades and automatic fire.

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(iii) U Aust Hy Bty. Nothing to report.

2. AIR - OWN

With the exception of a 16 plane attack on enemy concentrations at KIETA the results of which were unobserved all other scheduled missions were cancelled on account of the weather.

Austers flew one Contact R at the request of 29 Aust Inf Bde.

A.M.D. McMichael
for Capt.
Lt-Col
GS 3 Aust Div (AIF)

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3 AUST DIV SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS
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PART I

Received
Time 1705hrs
Date 13 Aug 44

1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations 11/12 Aug

The enemy reported at 053403 evacuated the position during the night 11/12 Aug. One portion of the force moved north and attacked the position of 12/24 Aust Inf Bn.

(a) TAITAI

61 Aust Inf Bn. All patrols reported no movement seen.

(b) COMMANDO ROAD

15 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 24 Aust Inf Bn. At 120600L 12 Pl position at KINGORI was attacked by approximately 20 enemy using automatic weapons rifles and grenades. After a sharp engagement the enemy withdrew.

A patrol to investigate the enemy position at 053403 reported that the position was vacated during the night 11/12 Aug. The enemy had moved off in two parties one of twenty going north and another approximately 40 strong moving south-west.

(c) BUIN ROAD. MOBIAI to OAMAI

29 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 15 Aust Inf Bn. A mine sweeping party from A Coy located and deloused a newly laid mine of 3 x 81 MM mortar bombs at 093332.

(ii) ANGAU. Natives fishing in the MOBIAI River square 0633 were fired on by enemy.

(d) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. 21 Bty harassed the area 051402 throughout the night 11/12 Aug and during the day. 300 rounds were expended on the target.

2. AIR - OWN

Routine two plane patrols only were flown throughout the day both north and south of the Island.
Austers flew one sortie in an endeavour to locate enemy activity on BARRETT S TRACK but no sightings were made on account of the dense jungle.

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PART I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations 12/13 Aug

At 131710L a single enemy fired two shots at a Provost on duty at MAMAGATA Junction.

(a) TAITAI area

61 Aust Inf Bn. All patrols reported no movement seen.

3 Aust Div Provost Coy. Movement heard outside the Coy perimeter during the night was engaged with rifles and grenades. Investigation in the morning revealed footprints of an estimated two/three enemy in the area.
At 1710 hours this evening a Provost on duty at MAMAGATA Junction was twice fired on by one enemy with a rifle. Fire was returned and the enemy fled.

(b) MAMAGATA

61 Aust Inf Bn. Felo signposts have been placed at each of the following points - 965320, 969317, 971316, 974314, 976311, 981308, 990305 and 993300. No movement was seen in the area.

(c) RUSEI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

24 Aust Inf Bn. Signallers repairing a cable at 067376 heard movement on both sides of t he r oad.

(d) BUIN ROAD - MOBIAI to MIVO

29 Aust Inf Bde

15 Aust Inf Bn. At 122115L sounds of a prime mover were heard on a bearing of 92° and at an estimated distance of from 1000 to 2000 yards.

(e) Artillery

(i) 2/11 Aust Fd Regt. At 122100L 21 Bty engaged the enemy bivouac area at 050405 with 60 rounds.

2. AIR - OWN

Air activities for the second successive day were confined to Corsair patrols and supply dropping missions.

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PART I

1. LAND - QWN

General Review of Operations 13/14 Aug

From RAFFLES and ANGAU are reports of a large enemy party moving east north of COMMANDO Road and PIB patrol reported killing 12 of 50/60 enemy encountered in the HANUNG area. Taking the initiative the enemy attacked A and D Coys of 24 Bn last night and this morning respectively.

(a) KINGORI area

ANGAU Natives who moved from MOROKAIMORO to MONOITU reported sighting an estimated 100 enemy north of KINGORI 22 leantos, all of which had been occupied overnight were also in this area. Investigation today revealed that this party had moved east across the MOBIAI.

(b) TAITAI area

61 Aust Inf Bn Patrols reported no movement seen.

(c) RUSEI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

24 Aust Inf Bn. At 131840L the enemy fired six rounds from a grenade discharger into A Coy. Fire was returned and the enemy withdrew.

At 0630 hours this morning an enemy party attacked D Coy locality using LMGs, OSMG and grenades. Fire was returned and the enemy withdrew. One enemy was wounded.

(d) BUIN Road - MOBIAI to MIVO

29 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 15 Aust Inf Bn. At 140542L a red flare was fired outside C Coy wire.

A Coy security patrol was fired on by two enemy with an LMG 150 yds north of the Company; one enemy was wounded.

(ii) RAFFLES. At 067441 prolonged LMG, mortar and rifle fire was heard to the SE. A large enemy party slept the night 13/14 Aug at 067441 and robbed the nearby garden.

A C Coy PIB patrol engaged 50/60 enemy in a garden in the HANUNG area (082438) killing 12 and wounding one.

At 141100L automatic fire was heard from the direction of MOROKAIMORO.

(e) Artillery

Nothing to report.

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2. AIR - OWN

For the third successive day our activities were confined to Corsair patrols and supply dropping missions.

PART II

Captured Documents and Equipment

All troops should bear in mind that the value of captured documents and equipment does not cease in the event of a general surrender.

Captured documents will be of great assistance in the handling of surrendered enemy troops and may contain information which will enable us to trace our own and Allied airmen etc., captured in this area.

The information to be gained from the examination of captured enemy equipment will also be of military value.

Therefore the present high standard of effort in the collection of documents and equipment should be maintained if our troops in the near future take over enemy areas and police any surrender terms. All troops should be instructed accordingly.

(2 Aust Corps Weekly Intelligence Summary No 38)

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PART I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations over 14/15 Aug

A small enemy party attempted to blow the bridge over the PEPERU River last night but were unsuccessful.

Further reports have been received of the large enemy movement east north of COMMANDO Road.

(a) TAITAI area

61 Aust Inf Bn. Following an enemy attempt to blow the PEPERU Bridge (996380) early this morning a patrol located two 81mm mortar bomb mines 75 yds east of the bridge. One other bomb, two coils of wire and several picric blocks were found in the area. Footprints of three enemy were seen at 997380.

(b) BUIN Road - MOBIAI to MIVO

29 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 47 Aust Inf Bn. At 150930L a ration party escort sighted two enemy who fled east at 085359.

(ii) 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn. ANGAU natives sighted 100 enemy, heavily armed, with a wireless and charging motor on the MAROLINA KINGORI Track.

A second enemy force was seen moving in the direction of HANGUNG (082438)

(c) Artillery

Nothing to report.

PART II

English Phrases and their Japanese Equivalents

HALT, STOP	tomare
ADVANCE	susume
ADVANCE FORWARD	mae (front) e susume
RETREAT	ushiro (back) e sagare
HANDS UP	te wo age
THROW AWAY YOUR WEAPONS	buki wo sute
THROW AWAY YOUR ARMS AND AMMUNITION	buki to danyaku wo sutero
OC ADVANCE	taicho susume
SIT DOWN	suware
ATTENTION	ki wo tsuke
AT EASE	yasume
QUIET	seishuku
FALL IN	
SINGLE RANK	ichi retsu ni narabe
DOUBLE RANK	ni retsu ne narabe
SINGLE FILE	ichi retsu jutai ni narabe
DOUBLE FILE	ni retsu jutai ni narabe
FALL OUT (BREAK OFF)	kyukai

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DISMISSED	kaisan
RIGHT	migi
LEFT	hidari
UP	uye
DOWN	shita
FRONT	mae
BACK	ushiro
WHY	naze
WHEN	itsu
WHERE	doko
OFFICER	shoko
NCO	kashikan
ORs	heishi
MEAL	shokuji
WATER	mizu
COME OVER HERE	koko ni koi
LATRINE OVER THERE	benjo wa achira
DO YOU WANT MEDICAL TREATMENT?	guni no teate ga hoshī ka?
ONE ONLY ADVANCE	hitori mae e susume
GO TO SLEEP	netamae
SMALL PARTIES AT A TIME	shigonin zutsu mae e dero
KEEP AWAY	chikayoru bekarazu
STRIP OFF YOUR CLOTHES	fuku wo nugitamaye
ONE AT A TIME	shitori zutsu (advance) mae e dero
WASH YOURSELVES	karanda wo araetamaye

PART III

TOPOGRAPHICAL

The following place names have been approved :

DOOKS TRACK - Track 163387, 150350, 157338, 165321.

ASH TRACK - Track 185378, 194341, 184320.

BEAVER JUNCTION - 184320

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PART I

1. LAND - OWN

General Review of Operations over 15/16 Aug

Just after midnight last night the enemy blew up the PEPERU River bridge.

(a) TAITAI - RUNAI area

61 Aust Inf Bn. At 151845L one enemy was disturbed whilst attempting to blow up the POROREI bridge at 956418. When fired on the enemy fled leaving behind a 50mm mortar bomb.

At 160145L the enemy blew up the PEPERU bridge at 995380. Movment was heard, shots were fired, and the enemy fled.

A patrol along the BUIN ROAD discovered enemy foot prints at 969399.

(b) RUSEI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

24 Aust Inf Bn. At 161230L voices were heard on east flank of A Coy but on investigating patrol reported no movement seen.

A contact patrol from D Coy to Bn HQ sighted three armed enemy at 057375. The patrol was unable to establish contact as the enemy fled.

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(a) TAITAI area

61 Aust Inf Bn. All patrols reported no movement seen.

(b) RUSEI area

15 Aust Inf Bde

(i) 24 Aust Inf Bn. Footprints of eight enemy were seen between 057376 and 066380; direction of movement was EAST.

(ii) 57/60 Aust Inf Bn. Three enemy were seen moving SOUTH of the Bn picture site at 017370. The enemy fired one shot then disappeared.

A first light patrol from B Coy located a 75 mm mine at 017370. Footprints were in evidence in the area.

(c) BUIN ROAD - MOBIAI to MIVO

29 Aust Inf Bde. Nothing to report

(d) Artillery. Nothing to report

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Received Time 1700hrs Date 19 AUG 194

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MIVO RIVER

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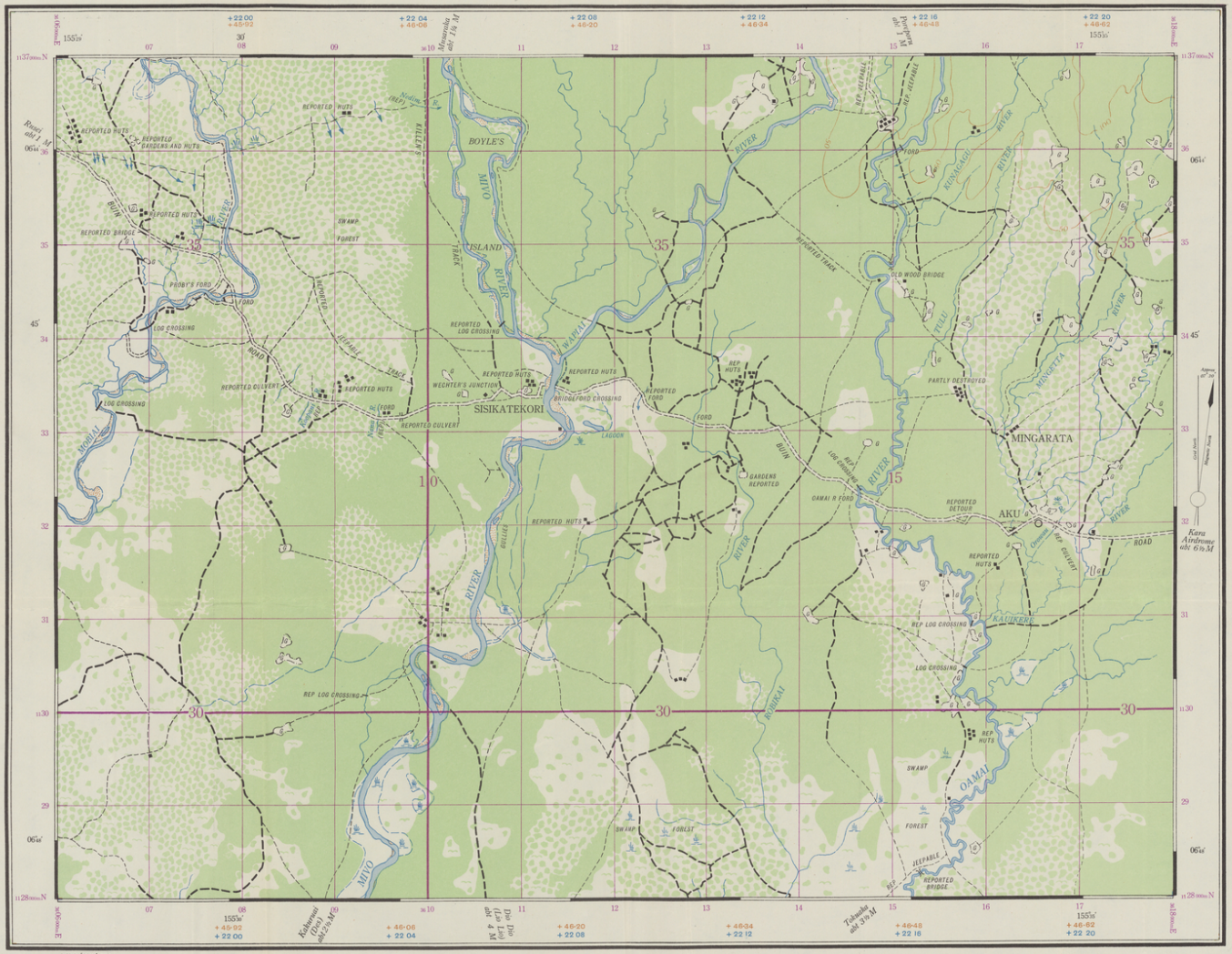

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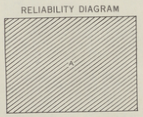

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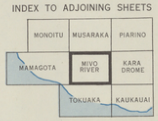

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Mission Station	
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Native Villages		
Reported Native Village (probable position)		
Buildings		
River or perennial Stream		
Non perennial Stream		
Fathom Line		
Coral Reef		

Swamp (subject to inundation)	
" (permanently inundated)	
Spring Well, Waterhole	
Mangroves	
Jungle or Dense Forest	
Open Forest to Scattered Timber	
Plantation (rubber cocoanuts)	
Scrub (dense to light)	
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BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND
MAMAGOTA

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NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES GRID
SOUTHERN NEW GUINEA ZONE

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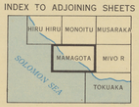

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BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND
MUSARAKA

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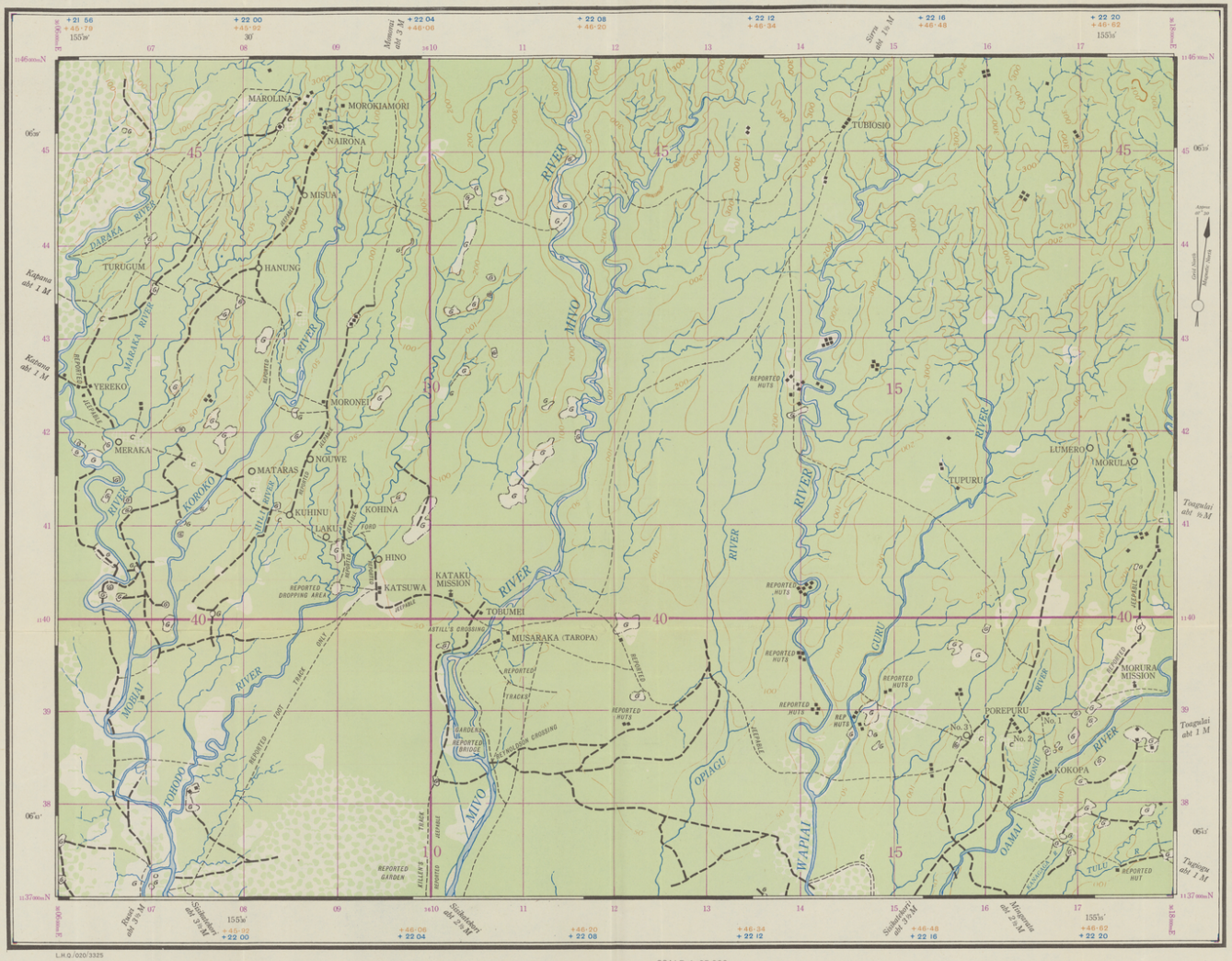

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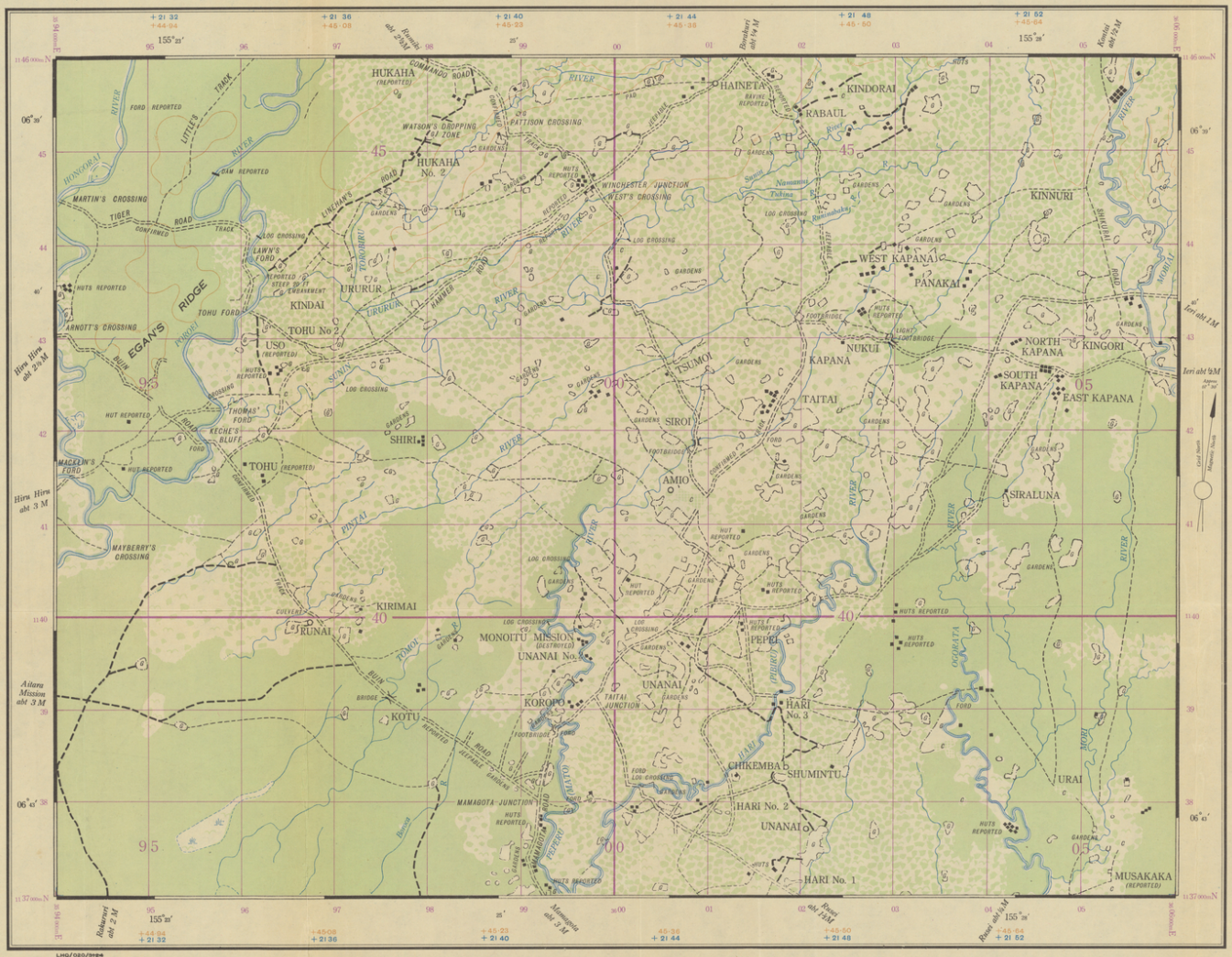

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BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND
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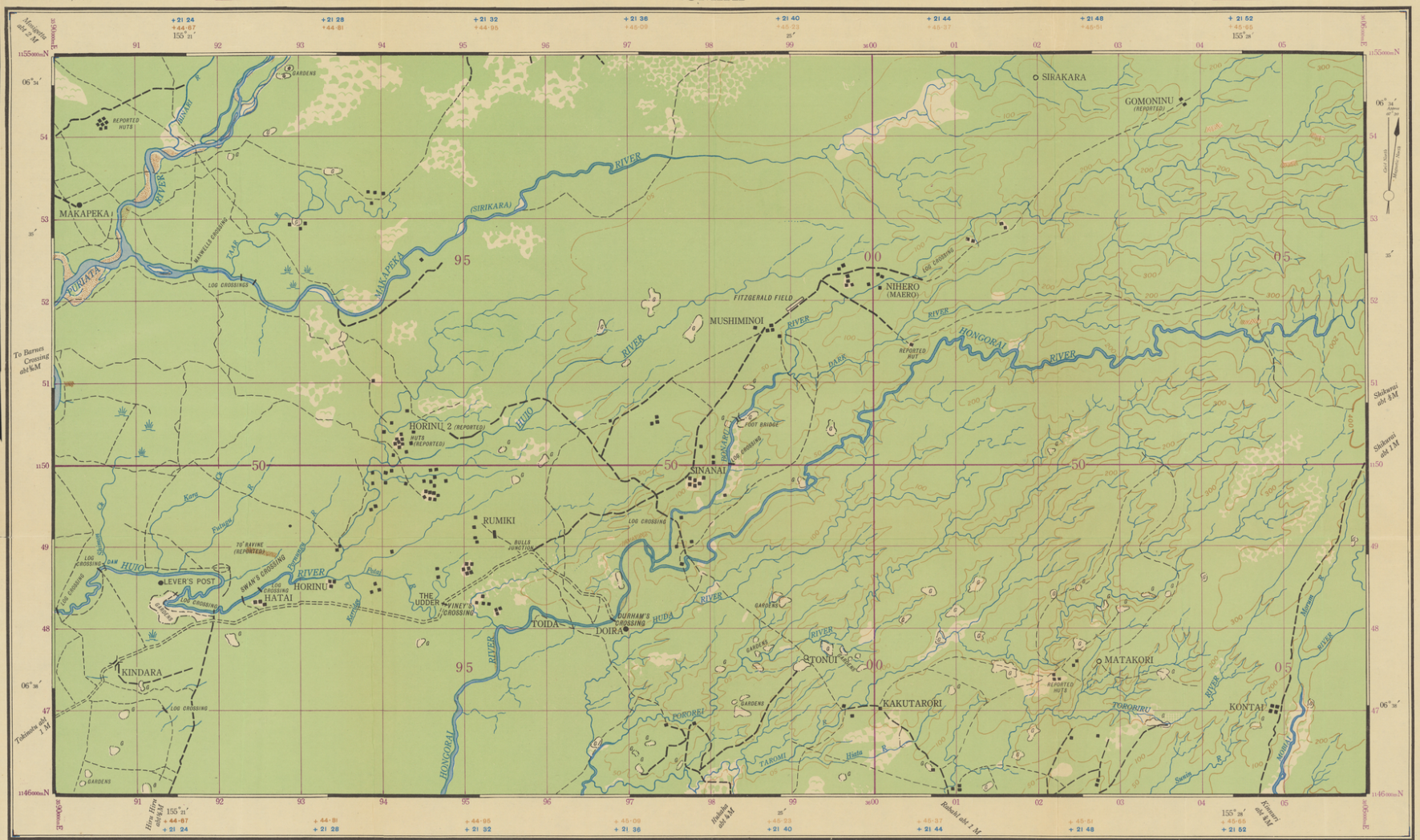

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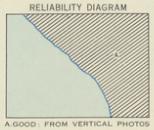

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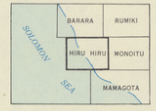

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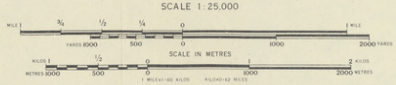

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Cemetery
Mission Station
Spot Height
Native Garden

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Reported Native Village (probable position)
Buildings
River or perennial Stream
Non perennial Stream
Fathom Line
Coral Reef

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Spring Well, Waterhole
Mangroves
Jungle or Dense Forest
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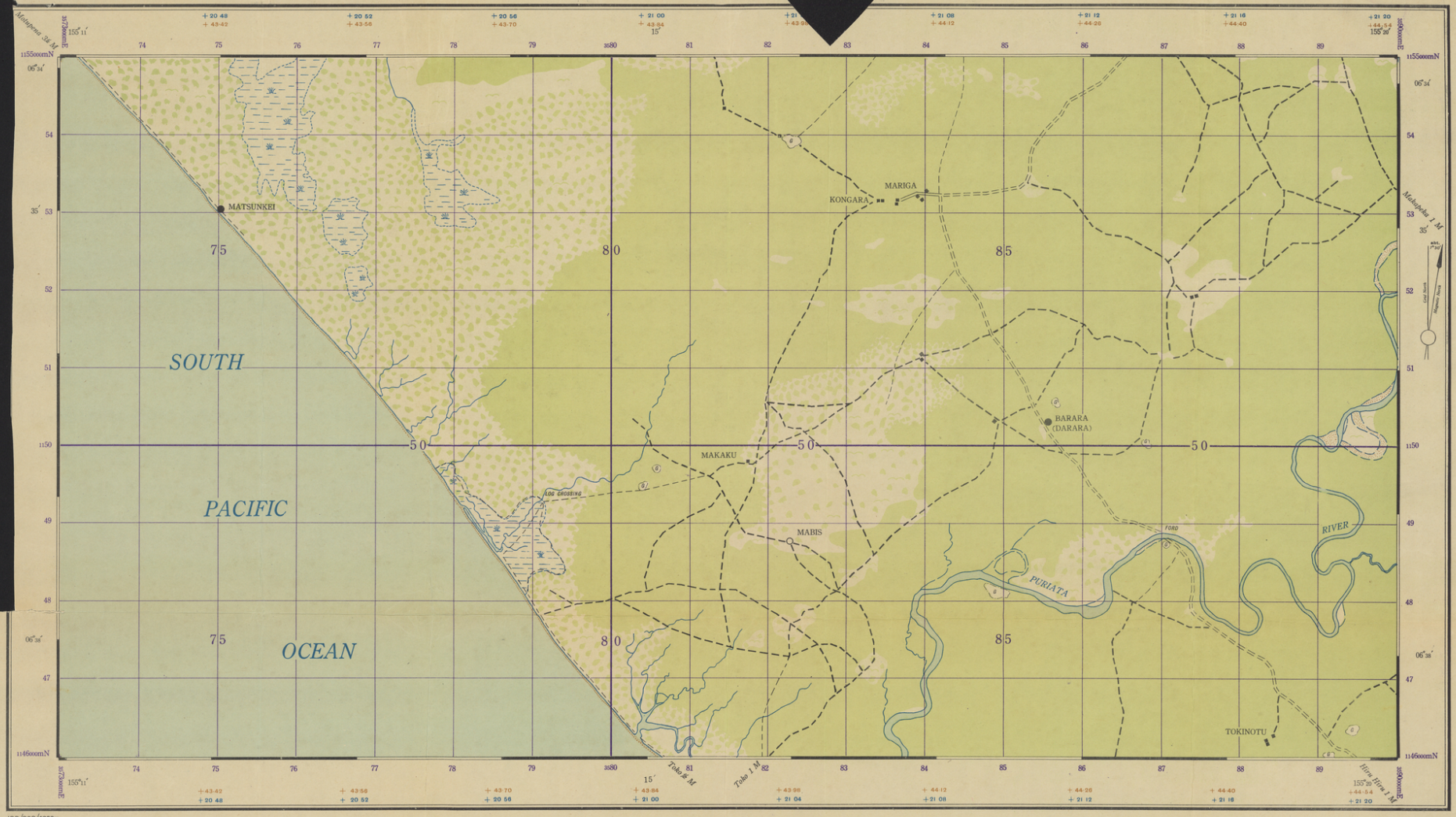

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Jeep Track
Impassable in wet weather
Embankment-Cutting
Identified Track
Reported Track (probable position)
Telegraph Line
Airfield
Anchorage
Cemetery
Mission Station
Spot Height
Native Garden

LOCALITY DIAGRAM



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APPX 'L'

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LANGUAGE DETACHMENT
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DRAFT TRANSLATION OF CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

7 Aug 45

BATCH NO 606. Docs. 1 only. Captured MIVO River (146340), BOUGAINVILLE by 15 Aust Inf Bn on 3 Aug 45. Rec'd L-RAC 6 Aug 45.

Doc No 1. 7 bound mimeographed sheets. Lessons learned from the RUSKI area battle. Translator Nos 293, 314.
Full translation:

AKIRA Combat instructions No 6 .

Lessons of the RUSKI area battle. 16 Jun 45.
AKIRA Staff.

I. Features of enemy tactics:

For progress of this operation see accompanying diagram. The following features of enemy tactics should be noted.

1. Preparations for an attack are made most carefully. There is usually a period of preparation for the attack which lasts for 10-15 days after the enemy reaches his objective, but in the attack on the HAYAMA position, preparations for attack lasted only about three days. An intensive artillery bombardment commenced on 9 Jun, and the infantry attack commenced on 13 Jun. This shows how good the roads are and how well the supplies are brought up from the rear.

2. Apparent trend to break through in depth. Previously the depth of the break through in one attack has generally been three or four kilometres at most, but in this operation the first, second and third lines of defence were simultaneously engaged by a thorough artillery bombardment and in carrying out the attack the enemy penetrated the area between BUIN and COMMANDO road by an outflanking move with tanks, and then broke through the second line of defence while infiltrating units got in behind the third line positions.

3. Tanks venture to penetrate jungle country. Enemy tanks fearing our mines and also because they could not capture our strong position at HAYAMA, opened a path, with accompanying infantry through the jungle terrain between BUIN and COMMANDO ROADS and so broke through. It is very dangerous to conclude that enemy tanks cannot operate on account of the jungle.

II. Instructions for anti-tank battles:

1. Anti-tank weapons must have a well cleared field of fire, and ranging fire must have been carried out.
The 7k Attack medium artillery at No 60 bridge lobbed two shells in front of a tank and both exploded without scoring direct hits.

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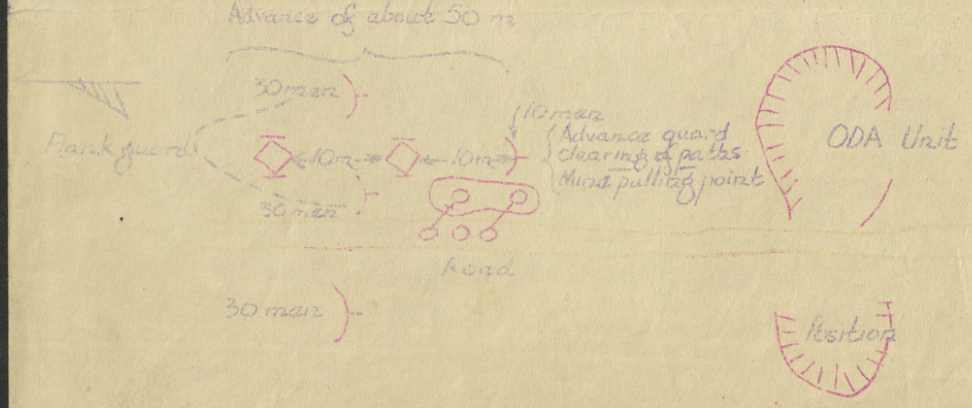
Instead, the commander of the special attack unit and his men were killed by tank guns, and weapon was destroyed. However in spite of this fiasco, the Tk/A medium artillery at No 56 bridge as a result of the clearing of a field of fire by the fierce fighting of IWA force, the fine attacking spirit of the special attack force led by 2nd Lt YOKOBAYASHI of TAKE force and in consequence also of the preparations for completing ranging fire, completely destroyed and set on fire an enemy tank at 1340 on the 16th and frustrated the plan of the enemy to break through.

2. Mines laid on a large scale with complete camouflage will bring good results.
IWA Force introduced an innovation and the pressure type mines laid under incessant bombardment in front of No 56 bridge (pit type), at 0800 today 16th blew up and put an enemy tank out of action. (Cpl TAKAMATSU the survivor of the FUYO Tank Special Attack Unit witnessed this.)
A diagram showing how to instal these pressure mines which were successful today 16th (devised by IWA Force) is given in attached diagram number two. The most important thing about these mines is camouflage. When they were laid in front of No 56 bridge the earth dug out was all carted at least ten metres off the road and the surface was made so like the rest of the road that even mine detectors personnel failed to pick them out, and the tanks were blown up successfully. As these mines require considerable technical and constructional ability, it is desirable to get the aid of specialist units from the engineers.

3. Points to be noted in connection with laying land mines (combat instructions submitted by IWA Force) will be found in the appendix.

4. Points to be noted in using AA pointed shells. (TN. One page missing).

Enemy tanks do not use the road, probably from fear of our mines. They proceed by breaking a way through the jungle accompanied by infantry. The formation is as follows :



Lessons which can be learned from the above:

1. Tanks do not operate solely along roads. Therefore do not neglect to keep a lookout in the jungle.
Also do not lay mines only on roads, but lay them also in jungle in front of positions where tanks could penetrate.

2. Pull wires of the mines being ordinary wire, the noise it makes when pulled will arouse the enemy's suspicion, and the results hoped for cannot be obtained.

3. Compared with an attack on tanks advancing along a road, a hand to hand encounter with tanks operating in the jungle is very easy. A unit equipped with one LMG fires on the advance and flank protecting troops at close quarters and taking advantage of the confusion, fires AA pointed shells or makes a human bomb by carrying the bomb in a knapsack, and so destroying the tank.

Points to remember in concealing positions.
The enemy not only concentrate their barrages on the front line, but also engage the second and third lines at the same time. Once the positions are spotted by the enemy, not only does the barrage seriously impede construction work, but from then on fighting becomes difficult. Therefore, observe the following points carefully and take every precaution in concealing the position.

1. Before commencing construction of a position reconnoitre the neighbourhood and clear out enemy patrols.

2. Materials used in constructing a position must be cut at a spot at least 800 metres from the position, and try not to display any signs to enemy reconnaissance planes by cutting trees stupidly.

3. When constructing a position, never fail to camouflage it as you go along. New earth must not be exposed. The enemy "TOMBO" (TN. Dragon Fly) observation planes are very good indeed for reconnaissance.

4. Watch movements of personnel and supervise them carefully. To walk nonchalantly along a road or cross a river at the risk of detection when enemy aircraft approach is asking for a concentration of fire. As troops are very careless in regard to this, it must be impressed upon them by the officers.

5. When occupying a position near a river or astride both banks of a river, set up a transit post on the south bank of river crossing to control river traffic.

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The detection of a river crossing usually leads to an artillery bombardment which not only makes traffic impossible but gives away our positions. Troops must be prohibited from washing in the river or coming out on the river bank for water for cooking before 1600 hours.

6. Maintenance of silence in positions.
The enemy put out many patrols and natives in the locality of suspected positions to reconnoitre and can detect our voices, particularly at night. So don't think you are safe and say "It's all right, we're in the second or third line". Troops must be warned of the danger of making a noise by chopping wood, talking loudly, rattling dishes and of neglecting to shade light from cooking fires.

7. Prevention of smoke from cooking fires.
Naturally smoke from cooking fires is strictly prohibited during the day, but cooking after 2400 hours also is absolutely prohibited. Smoke from cooking at 0100 or 0800 in the morning persists through the night and as it is not dissipated, hangs around until dawn when enemy aircraft comes over, and is picked up by them.

IV The success of the grenade-launching rifle.

It has been highly successful and each unit is very pleased about it. Yesterday, the 15th, SAKAMA Unit of MUNA Force used it in the action north of No 56 bridge against a large enemy force, blasted about 50 men and captured a large quantity of enemy equipment. As a result, the morale of our men has risen greatly. The grenade launching rifle is also effective against tanks when tied to the trunk of a tree and made to fire horizontally. Highly encourage its use.

It is expected that we will be able to further equip each unit sometime in the future.

V Battle instructions of Coy CO, 2nd Lieut SASAKI of TAKE Force:

1. In the selection of individual positions, it is wrong to occupy in a stereotyped manner prominent objective sites as rivers and streams. Rather make it inconspicuous, conform to the terrain and conceal it from the enemy.

2. When a small enemy force closes in on the position, the best tactics are to make a surprise attack, increase your fire power and repulse them. When the enemy main force attacks, it is difficult to inflict heavy damage on them.

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B. Yellow powder is second to the pale blue powder in its resistance to moisture. If covering is not damaged in any way, use as it is.

C. As gray powder is very hygroscopic, damp proof equipment must be complete.

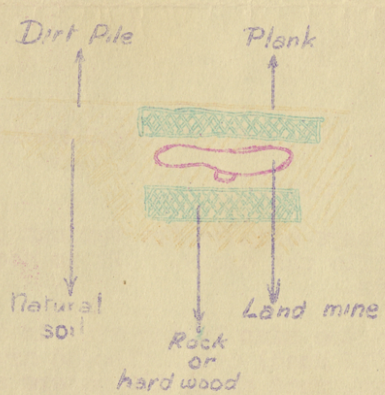
3. Pull type land mine:

In pull type land mines there have been several cases of failure due to the wire being cut so special care is necessary in the selection of the wire. Burn insulated wire to remove the covering. Flexible and dull coloured ones are the best while rusted wires being weak are undesirable.

III Important points in laying:

1. Type 93 Tank mine:

When only one is used, place it fuse downwards on rocks or hard wood. Place another plank of wood over it and cover with dirt. When two mines are used, place them facing each other and carry out the same instructions.



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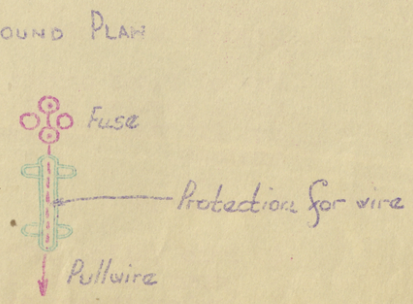

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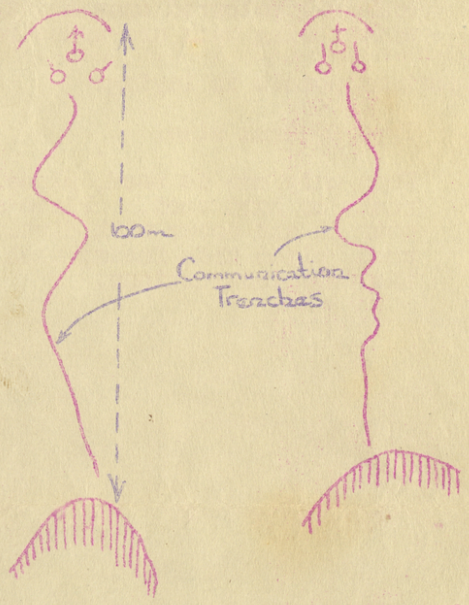
5. Dispose the sentries as follows and retreat while concealing our plans; or increase the fire power of the sentries, engage the enemy at the sentry posts and confuse him as to the location of our positions.



AKIRA Combat Instructions No 6 (Supplement).

The laying of land mines:

In mine laying always compare the various plans and devise one that will baffle the enemy. It is necessary to avoid well known methods.

I In selecting the mine laying site in the case of "A" Road (TN. BUIN Road) avoid flooded areas and slopes; Select a level road about 100 meters away from the positions and also one convenient for camouflaging.

II Inspection of materials:

Make a thorough inspection of the materials and use the fuses to make certain of detonation.

1. Type 93 tank mine:

Rusted fuses cannot be used. Mines with the metal portion bent and on which the cover will not fit when the fuses are attached, are also useless.

2. Explosives:

A. Pale yellow powder has superior explosive power and even if the coverings and so on are broken it can still be used.

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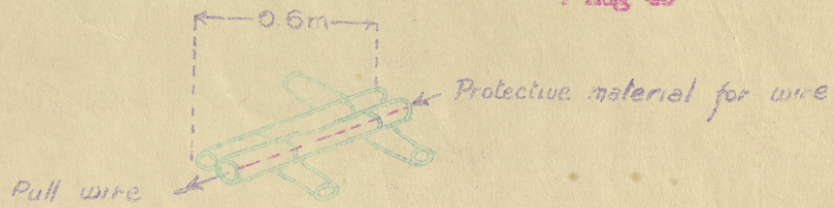

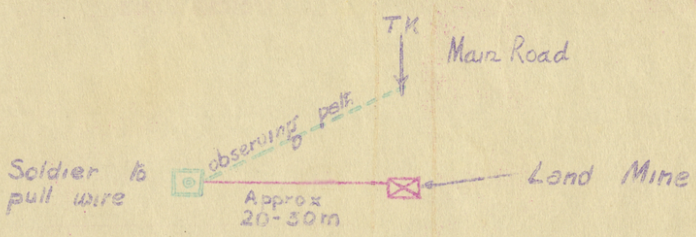

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For the mine body, bind together three mountain artillery shells, or four or five light mortar shells and attach two fuses. The protective material for the wire will come in contact with the tank track. It is important to face the safety pin of the fuse in the direction of the pull.

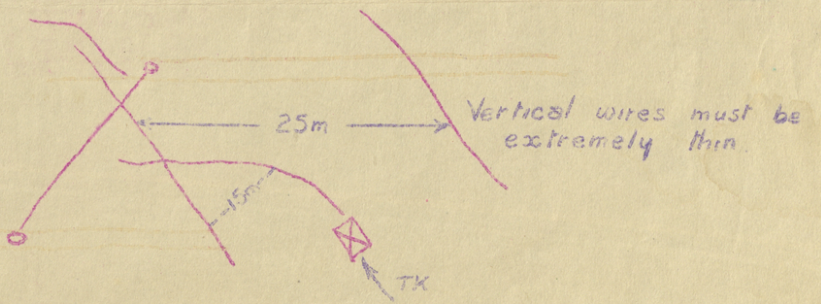
3. Example of pressure mine: (See attached sheet No 2)

(In laying this type mine engineers should be used).

Are you concealed from aerial view? Unless work is done at night, it will be exposed to aerial observation. Excavated dirt should be concealed in the jungle (at least ten metres from the road).

4. Trip wire type mine:

Easy to install and requires no observer on duty.



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Attached Diagram No 2

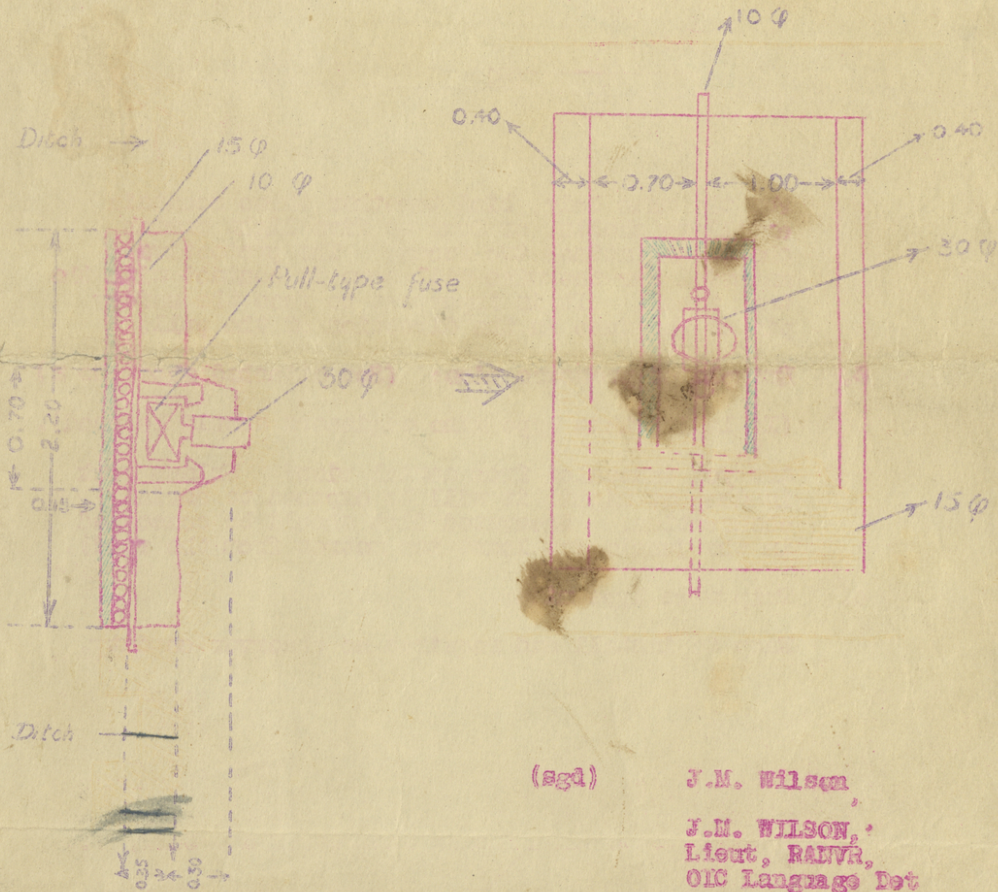
Pressure type land mine:

Materials required:

Explosives	(20kg 30-40Kg/is insufficient)
Pull type fuse	4
Detonating cap	2
Clamps or nails	several

Cross Section

Ground Plan



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