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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C 118 (adapted.)

Unit D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC *Date and Time.—From* 1 Jan 46 *To* 31 Jan 46

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LABU near LAE	1 Jan		56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY was raised and commenced operations as from 0001 hrs 1 Jan 46.	
	9 Jan		RABAUL det disbanded - high point personnel made available for demob - low point personnel transferred to other water Tpt units in RABAUL area.	
	10 Jan		Advice received from 53 PORT CRAFT COY as to postings and groupings of of 50 reinforcements to this Coy.	
	11 Jan		3 Water TPT GROUP requires return of all craft in LABU area.	
	12 Jan		CAPT. J.D.McDONALD departed LAE for RABAUL to attend conference at 3 WATER TPT GROUP.	
	13 Jan		LAE BASE SUB AREA SD 123 notifies Redundancy of 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY as from this date - warning order for movement to mainland.	
	16 Jan		LAE BASE SUB AREA advises (Q35/2/5057) - all unit vehicles will be transferred to 12 ORD. VEHICLE PARK, when Coy ceases operations.	
	18 Jan		LAE BASE SUB AREA A 86/1/296 of 17 Jan notifies - change in allotment of	

734—N.G. Press Unit—10/43—10m.

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Unit D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AAINC - *Date and Time.—From* 1 Jan 46 *To* 31 Jan 46

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	18 Jan (cont)		duty of CAPT J.D.McDONALD TO Pln Comd. LAE det 13 SMALL SHIP COY and	
			LIEUT E.LEWIS to CAPT H.Q. 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY. - - 14 sect WATER	
			AMBULANCE CONVOY made redundant - AH 1568 returned to 4 ORD. SMALL CRAFT	
			PARK - 4 personnel constituting crew taken on strength this coy.	
	22 Jan		LAE BASE SUB AREA A 30/1/366 approves demob of 23 personnel and movement	
			to mainland.	
	25 Jan		LAE BASE SUB AREA AG 263 advised 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY will disband	
			in N.S.W. L of C Area.	
	30 Jan		LAE BASE SUB AREA Q 8/2/4565 Board of Survey advised: action can be taken	
			to transfer following craft to 4 ORD. SMALL CRAFT PARK. AB 394, AB 436	
			AB 1139, AB 1140, AB 1144, AB 1164, AB 1395, AB 1178. - Action has been	
			completed.	
	2 Feb		LAE BASE SUB AREA Q 3/34/5162 warns Coy to be ready to move on 10 Feb.	
			- Coy to embark on "Duntroon" for AUSTRALIA.	

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Unit D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AAINC *Date and Time.—From* 1 Jan *To* 31 Jan 46

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	2 Feb		AAINC FIRST AUST ARMY authorises transfer of craft as follows:	
			AB 1256 AB 1257 AB 2374 AM 1574 - to LAE det 13 SMALL SHIP COY	
			AM 1573 AM 2412 - to LAE det 13 SMALL SHIP COY - for COC's use	
			AB 1250 - to 4 ORD SMALL CRAFT PARK for use of that unit	
			AB 1842 AB 2352 - to 4 ORD SMALL CRAFT PARK and attached to ANGAU MARINE	
			SECTION LAE for period 10 Feb to 28 Feb for operation of LAHU ferry.	
			AB2340 AB2341 AB2351 AB2353 AB2358 - to 4 ORD SMALL CRAFT PARK for	
			disposal by C.D.C.	
			44 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY sig FT11 - Advises : craft ex our RABAUL det	
			- AB 1240 AB2336 AB2337 AB2338 transferred to 44 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY.	
			Remaining 3 craft (AB2335,2339,2346) will be returned to 4 ORD SMALL CRAFT	
			PARK- 13 SMALL SHIP COY administering command these craft.	
			for OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AAINC AIF ADJT.	

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF
for period ending 31 Jan 46

1. GENERAL

Report on unit activities:-

1. LAE:

Normal harbour duties were performed during the period:ie, docks were worked, ferry service was maintained between MILFORD HAVEN and LAE, also bi - weekly run to SALAMAUA. Owing to heavy traffic of Engineer supplies and equipment for WAU ROAD reconstruction work, eight barges were engaged on S & T over this period. One barge was supplied for dumping ammunition.

2. MADANG:

Awaiting advice as to completion of destruction of five craft in this area.

3. RABAUL:

No advice received regarding transfer of seven craft in this area.

ADJT.
for OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

31 Jan 46

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Appendix "C"

D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

CRAFT TAKEN ON STRENGTH OR TRANSFERRED.

TYPE	NO.	NAME	FROM	TO	DATE	PARTICULARS
NIL						

Appendix "D"

MOVEMENT OF OFFICERS
till 31 Jan 46

NUMBER	RANK	NAME	PARTICULARS
NX 109069	Capt	MacDONALD J.D.	Ceases to be OC D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY - change in allotment of duty to Pl Comd LAE det. 13 Small Ship Coy.19 Jan 46. Auth:FAA AMS 256 of 12 Jan 46
NX 127254	Lieut	LEWIS E.	Ceases to be Admin Offr D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY - change in allotment of duty to Capt Hq D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY. 19 Jan 46. Auth:FAA AMS 256 of 12 Jan 46
VX 53792	Lieut	MILLER T.A.	M/in to LTD Vic L of C Area for disposal ex ARL. 25 Oct 45 - Auth:Vic Ech and Rec 3105 of 10 Jan 46

Appendix "E"

DISPOSITION OF UNIT
as at 31 Jan 46.

UNIT	LOCATION	STRENGTH Offrs	OR's	TOTAL	NATIVES	REMARKS
D 56 Coy	LAE	2	104	106	29	
Held on mainland ex leave		-	4	4		
		2	108	110	29	

Appendix "F"

OFFICERS MASTERS MATES ENGINEERS

Nil.

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D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF - CRAFT OPERATIONS 16 - 31 Jan 46 - APPENDIX "A"

LOCATION	UNIT	NUMBER	POTENTIAL CARRYING CAPACITY TONS	PERS	ACTUALLY TRANSPORTED TONS	PERS	TRIPS	MILES	ENG. HRS.	REMARKS
LAE	D56 PLC COY	AM 2412		4		22	4	320	33	
		AM 1573	5	25		72	7	211	29	
		AM 1574	5	25		12	2	101	14	
		AB 1250	21	90	294	59	15	70	15	
		AB 1256	21	90	821	573	32	126	32	
		AB 1257	21	90	1124	1114	45	266	41	
		AB 2374	21	90	1052	546	52	198	30	
		AB 1209	28	120						
		AB 1242	28	120	526	180	23	261	23	
		AB 2351	28	120	1616	663	93	289	44	
		AB 2352	28	120	1091	345	55	133	26	
		AB 2340	28	120	926	512	25	131	20	
		AB 2358	28	120	1220	498	55	285	43	
		AB 2353	28	120	1838	668	64	287	41	

ADJT.
for OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

31 Jan 46

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D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF — CRAFT OUT OF COMMISSION AT 31 Jan 46 — APPENDIX "B"

TYPE	ARMY NO.	CAPACITY TONS	CAPACITY PERS	LOCATION	UNIT	DATE OUT OF COMMISSION	ETC	NATURE OF REPAIR AND BY WHOM CARRIED OUT.
ALC 15	AB 1250	21	90	LAE	D56 PLC COY	25 Jan 46	6 Feb 46	New port motor - Unit W/Shops.
ALC 20	AB 1205	BOARD OF SURVEY						
	AB 1209	"	"	"				
ALC 15	AB 1165			MADANG	AUTHORITY RECEIVED FOR DESTRUCTION			
	AB 1171			"	"	"	"	"
ALC 20	AB 1386			MADANG	AUTHORITY RECEIVED FOR DESTRUCTION			
	AB 1393			"	"	"	"	"
	AB 1396			"	"	"	"	"

ADJT.
for OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

31 Jan 46

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF
for period ending 15 Jan 46

1. GENERAL

Report on unit activities:-

1. LAE:

Normal harbour duties were performed during the period - ie, Docks were worked, Ferry service maintained between MILFORD HAVEN and LAHU, bi - weekly run to SALAMAUA, two barges for four days transporting material for floating dock to LAHU.

2. MADANG:

Still awaiting advice as to completion of destruction of craft this area.

3. RABAUL:

Normally this detachment renders its own Intelligence Summary direct. The detachment closed down and ceased operations on 9 Jan - high point personnel were made ~~xxxxx~~ available for demob.- low point personnel were transferred to other Water Tpt units in this area.

ADJT.
for OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF

15 Jan 46

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56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC — CRAFT OPERATIONS 1 - 15 jan 46 — APPENDIX "A"

LOCATION	UNIT	NUMBER	POT. CARR. CAPACITY TONS	POT. CARR. CAPACITY PERS	ACT. TRANSP'TED TONS	ACT. TRANSP'TED PERS	NO. TRIPS	MILES TRAVELLED	ENG HRS.	REMARKS
LAE	56 P.L.C.Coy	AB 1250	21	90	946	678	37	160	30	
"	"	AB 1256	21	90	703	645	32	221	48	
"	"	AB 1257	21	90	752	614	31	164	20	
"	"	AB 2374	21	90	777	833	43	199	31	
"	"	AB 1209	28	120	543	159	32	109	18	
"	"	AB 1242	28	120	668	346	31	244	37	
"	"	AB 2351	28	120	836	688	31	162	26	
"	"	AB 2352	28	120	520	267	22	93	14	
"	"	AB 2353	28	120	538	304	21	126	22	
"	"	AB 2358	28	120	745	3[illegible]76	34	198	24	
"	"	AB 2340	28	120	706	370	20	123	19	
"	"	AB 2341	28	120			1		3	EX AEME
"	"	AM 2412		4		4	2	110	11	
"	"	AM 1573	5	25		97	7	231	38	
"	"	AM 1574	5	25		27	7	220	26	
TOTAL		-	318	1374	7734	5408	351	2360	367	

ADJT.
for OC 56 Port Landing Craft Coy AATnC AIF

15 jan 46

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56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF — CRAFT OUT OF COMMISSION AS AT 15 jan 46 — APPENDIX "B"

TYPE	ARMY NO.	VESSEL CAPACITY TONS M	PERS	LOCATION	UNIT	DATE OUT OF COMMISSION	DATE ESTIMATED	NATURE OF REPAIR & BY WHOM CARRIED OUT
ALC 20	AB 1205	28	120	LAE	56 PLCC	17 Dec 45	Not known	Top o/haul both motors
ALC 15	AB 1165	AUTHORITY R'C'D' FOR DESTRUCTION						
"	AB 1171	"	"	"	"			
ALC 20	AB 1386	AUTHORITY REC'D FOR DESTRUCTION						
"	AB 1393	"	"	"	"			
"	AB 1396	"	"	"	"			

ADJT.
for OC 56 Port Landing Craft Coy AATnC AIF

15 jan 46

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Appendix "C"

56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AA Tn C AIF

CRAFT TAKEN ON STRENGTH OR TRANSFERRED.

TYPE.	NO.	NAME.	FROM	TO	DATE.	PARTICULARS.
LC 15	AE1181		56 Coy	4 ORD S/C Pk	10 Jan 46.	Written off.
"	AE1154		"	"	"	"

Appendix "D"

MOVEMENT OF OFFICERS
till 15 Jan 46.

No	Rank.	Name.	Particulars
[illegible] 86544	Lieut	EVERITT. P.F.	DEMOB from RABAUL. 12 Jan 46.

DISPOSITION OF UNIT
as at 15 Jan 46.

Appendix "E"

UNIT	LOCATION	STRENGTH Offrs	OR's	TOTAL	NATIVES	REMARKS
56 Coy	LAE	3	78	81	30	
Held on Mainland ex Leave.		1	7	8		
		4	85	89	30	

Appendix "F"

OFFICERS MASTERS MATES ENGINEERS

Nil.

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WAR DIARY

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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ROUTINE ORDERS Pt 1.
by
Capt FD MacDONALD OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AAPnC AIF.

Serial No. 1/46

5 Jan 46.

1. ADDRESS.

Attention is drawn to the NEW ADDRESS of the Company -
56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AAPnC AIF is now the official address for all correspondence.
As the Company is comparitively unknown, to avoid mail going astray, it is advised that LAE be used after AIF.
ABBREVIATIONS such as 56 A.P.L.C.Coy will NOT be used.

2. CLOTHING.

1. Many reports on the loss of clothing have been reported to Company HQ. In many cases clothing is UNMARKED.

2. ALL personnel will ensure that ALL clothing is marked clearly. In future, unless a VERY satisfactory explanation is obtained on the loss of clothing, personnel will be made to pay the loss.

3. PREVENTION OF GAMBLING.

1. Attention is drawn to First Army ASOs Ch 14 para 43 which prohibits gambling by any member of AMF in the SWPA.

2. Gambling includes bookmaking and lotteries (including raffles) as well as games of chance.

3. Where express written authority is given by Bde or superior cond raffles and lotteries may be conducted for charitable purposes, such to be safeguarded as to accounting for moneys received and drawings as may be laid down in the authority.

4. TRAIN TRAVELLING - INTOXICATING LIQOUR.

1. No member of the forces, when in uniform, will carry, or cause to be carried, on to any train on which he is travelling or about to travel. or have in his possession or control or consume whilst travelling in any train, any intoxicating liqour, unless it is consumed by him as part of a meal supplied in a dining car in the train in which he is travelling.

5. DEPOSITS TO PAY BOOKS AND CASH REMITTANCES.

1. The attention of all members is drawn to the necessity for obtaining official receipts for all moneys paid to members of the AAPC.

2. The official receipts issued by AAPC personnel are of two kinds, viz:-
(i) Pay Sergeants receipts (WF113) - issued by Pay Sergeants and personnel carrying out pay duties within units:

(ii) Commonwealth of Australia official Receipts (as used in all Commonwealth Government departments) - issued by Paymasters of formations and depot cash offices.

3. Deposits to pay books. Credits arising from cash deposits appearing in members' pay books are only accepted as bona fide in cash offices if one of the above receipts for the amount of the credit is affixed to

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5. Continued.

3. the back of the pay book.
Unless this credit entry is so supported, no portion thereof can be drawn until confirmation is obtained.

4. CASH REMITTANCES.- Upon completion of a Cash Remittance (Form WEL.41A), the remitter must receive from the member of the AAPC concerned one of the above receipts for the amount paid by him, the number of which should be quoted in any inquiry relative to same.

5. It is the responsibility of all members to obtain receipts for all moneys paid to members of the AAPC.

6. ANIMAL MASCOTS AND PETS.

1. No animal or bird which is not on an authorised war establishment will be permitted to accompany troops or any member of the AMF.

2. The entry into Australia of animals or birds from places outside Australia is subject to strict regulation under the Quarantine Act, owing to the risk of the introduction of rabies, piroplasmosis and other diseases.

3. Under no circumstances will permission be granted for the conveyance by sea or air from places outside Australia to the Commonwealth of Australia proper (including islands adjacent to the coast) or -

(i) animals or birds on the WE of a unit, whether allocated before or after embarkation from Australia; or

(ii) living mascots, pets or other animals or birds, whether acquired before or after embarkation from Australia.

4. (a) ESOs and ATOs will take action with local civil quarantine authorities to have living mascots, pets, animals or birds, which disembark or deplane at a port or an aerodrome in Australia from outside the Commonwealth of Australia destroyed forthwith.

(b) Birds or animals on the WE of a unit proceeding from an overseas port to another overseas port may enter an Australian port en route, providing that such animals or birds are kept securely on the vessel and are not permitted to land. The ESO will advise the local civil quarantine officer on arrival of the vessel and make necessary arrangements with him for inspection and security of the animals or birds.

5. When a unit or detachment is moved from one location to another, animals which have been permitted by the CO to be kept in unit lines by members during their stay in the locality should not be left to fend for themselves or starve, on departure of the unit or detachment, but suitable action should be taken for their disposal or humane destruction.

Lt.
Adjt 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATTC

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.
by
CAPT J.D. MacDONALD O.C. 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF
Serial no 2/46 12 Jan 46

7. DISPOSALS - SMALL CRAFT:

1. Enquiries have been received from members of Water Tpt as to whether they would be able to purchase small craft which have become redundant.

2. After the demands of other army services such as NGAU, BBCAU and SEAC have been met from craft becoming redundant there will no doubt be some standard craft as well as non - standard craft placed with the Commonwealth Disposals Commission for sale to either Public Services or the public generally.

3. It is proposed in the interests of Water Tpt personnel who may have prior to the war earned their living as licensed fishermen or by running local ferry services, or who can prove bona fide intentions of doing so on release from service, to approach the Disposals Commission in an endeavour to secure availibility of craft, until a desiring member is demobilised.

4. It is requested therefore that the Reg No. Rank Name together with the type of craft desired or the type and No and Name of any non - standard craft desired to be forwarded to this HQ (3 WATER TPT GROUP) for collation. Information should also cover whether the soldier if granted purchase proposes to accept Demobilisation in NG or whether allocation is desired on the mainland if possible.

5. If the representation made to Commonwealth Disposals Commission is successful and craft now redundant in NG are allotted it must be clearly understood that the allottee will not be allowed to draw his craft from the Small Craft Park until his demobilisation is completed.

6. It should be clearly understood that this is an attempt on the part of Group Hq to clarify the position for those personnel interested and that this is no guarantee guarantee that craft will be made available.

8. ATEBRIN - PERSONNEL EX WEWAK

1. All personnel in LAE area ex WEWAK will take two atebrin tablets daily for seven days commencing 14 Jan 46.

2. Units will ensure that these personnel are specifically designated on unit atebrin rolls.

9. PERSONNEL ON DRAFT FOR DEMOBILISATION

1. When a man or a number of men is on draft for movement for demob. and is staging at his unit waiting to be called forward by DETAILS DEPOT, NO direct representation will be made to DETAILS DEPOT by any such member or members. All enquiries for information will be made through the member's UNIT HQ ORDERLY ROOM.

10. FIRST ARMY MAINTENANCE CIRCULAR.

	WATERCRAFT	Faults	Remedy
1.	Bilges	Cleanliness, painting, pump maintenance	Clean bilges regularly and ensure free from oil and fuel drainings and rust. Paint bilges with red lead or marine paint. Regular maintenance of bilge pumps.
2.	Signal equipt	Cleanliness and stowage	Ensure all equipt kept clean, flags dry, Aldis lamps free from corrosion and in working order.

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3. Steering	Lubrication and adjustment of cables and pulleys	Lubricate cables, rods, pulleys with wire rope or graphite grease. Adjust cables and rods to correct tension and take up excessive play in pulleys.
4. Low tension circuits	Security, corrosion and fraying of connections. Protection.	Inspect regularly and ensure connections tight, free from corrosion and not frayed. Cover shields must be fitted on components to prevent ingress of salt spray.
5. Skylights, sidelights, doors, cupboards and flooring.	Maintenance	Tighten screws, hinges, free jammed doors and paint.
6. Engine spare parts	Completeness, rust, stowage.	Indent on Ordnance for deficiencies. Tropic proof to prevent rusting. Stow in engine room.

[signature] ADJT.
for O.C. 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AUST. I.F.

12 Jan 46

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1
by
LIEUT E. LEWIS O.C. 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AMTC AIF
19 Jan 46

Serial No. 3/46

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11. REMOVAL OF UNIT VEHICLES.

Instances have been noted where personnel have removed vehicles from Unit lines without permission. This practice will cease forthwith.

Personnel desirous of attending social functions inLAE or any destination outside Unit area will submit their names to the Coy Orderly Room together with their requisition for transport 24 hours in advance. NO vehicle will leave the Unit area without the necessary permission.

12. RETURN OF PERSONNEL FROM MAINLAND EX LEAVE

PERsonnel on leave and proceeding on leave to the mainland with 135 demob points and above will NOT be returned to NEW GUINEA, unless required as key personnel.

13. MOVEMENT TO RABAUL

All personnel moving to RABAUL by sea will carry stretchers field.

14. DRESS.

Therehas been a rapid increase in the number of malaria cases in this area. It has been noticed on picture nights that personnel of this unit are incorrectly dressed, i.e, sleeves rolled up, no gaiters, and in some instances no boots. This carelessness and neglect to obey regulations will cease immediately and any person NOT correctly dressed, will not be allowed aboard the ferry. Dress regulations apply every night between the hours of sunset and sunrise.

15. OCCUPATION FORCE JAPAN.

It is indicated that a Water Transport Unit will be formed to serve in JAPAN. Personnel desirous of volunteering for such service should hand their names in to Company HQ by 1000hrs 22 Jan 46.

ADJT.
for OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AMTC AIF

19 Jan 46

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Less "B" Det RABAUL

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

1 / 46 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / Jan / 1946. 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AADC (Unit)

W.E. 1V / 235 / 2. OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.
W.E.				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
1			1	Captains					
2		1	3	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
3		1	4						

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 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.		4									4
	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.
VX53792	Lieut	MILLER T.A.	55 PORT CRAFT COY	31 Dec	45. 55 PORT CRAFT COY disbanded.
					Authority:- LAE BASE SUB AREA
					A73/64/6015. Transferred to
					56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY.

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 5 / Jan / 1946 (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.	DEMOB Date of Detachment. points
Capt	NX109063	MacDONALD	J.D.	O.C.	Yes		194
Lieut	NX127254	LEWIS	E.	Adm Offr	Yes		187
Lieut	WX29047	MOLLETT	W.D.	Adm Offr	Yes		181
Lieut	VX55792	MILLER	T.A.	HQ Lt	Nos	Rec leave in Aust 13 Jun 45	150

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.

5 Jan 46
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Capt
Signature of Commander
OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / Jan / 1946 "B" Det at RABAUL of 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATh C (Unit)

W.E. 1V / 235 / 2, OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
				Captains					
			1	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
			1						

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.P.	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.		1									1
	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.
VXB6544	Lieut	EVERITT P.F.	55 PORT CRAFT COY	31 Dec	45. 55 PORT CRAFT COY disbanded. Authority:- LAE BASE SUB AREA A73/64/6015. Transferred to 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY.

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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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0000 Hrs. Saturday [illegible] /1916 [illegible] (Unit)

WE 1 / 2 3 / 3 OFFRS. 8 O.R. 110 + OFFRS - O.R.S. 5 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.				
Strength of Regulars	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength		Arm or Corps	Posted Strength	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus Required
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
				Captains					
			1	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.M.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs					
			1						

DETAIL		A.A.M.S.	O.M.E.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.R.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	O.T.C.	R.A.M.	R.A.A.F.	S.S.	TOTAL
A.											1
E(1)											
E(2)											

Analysis of Part A to be shown from Part B, ALL units [illegible] Part (1) to E(2).

Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the above will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 30 Ult. Forces [illegible]

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Unit From	Date	CAUSE
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Unit To	Date	CAUSE

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO [illegible] (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED

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

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56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5/Jan/1946 (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.
Lieut	VX36544	EVERITT	P.F.	PI Comd	Yes		DEMOB points 265

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.

5 Jan 46
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander Capt
OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / Jan / 1946 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (Unit)

W.E. IV/235/2. OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS - O.R's. 5 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.
W.E.				W.Os. Class I.					
3	2		1	W.Os. Class II.					
1			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
22	9		13	Sergeants	AACC Sgt	1	1		
24	2		22	Corporals	" Pte	3	1		
60		25	85	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AAMC Cpl	-		1	
				Civilians counting as O.R.	AAMC Cpl	1			
110 *	13	25	122*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2		5 *	2	1	*

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	A.I.F. B	C.M.P. Under 19 Years.	C.M.P. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N	R.A.A.F	* *	TOTAL
A	127							[redacted]	[redacted]		127
B(1)							Natives				40
B(2)							[redacted]				167

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.

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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56 AUST PORT LANDING CRAFT COY, AATnC.
WE: IV/235/2 - ALC 15 or ALC 20.

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DETAIL	WE Rank	WE Est	POSTED STRENGTH WO2	S/S	Sgt	Cpls	Ptes	TOTAL	Def	Surp	Rfts reqd	Remarks
Trade Group 1												
Blacksmith	Pte	1							1			
Electricians	"	2							2			
Fitter, eng-diesel	Sgt	1							1			
Fitter, MV	Pte	3					2	2	1			
Operator, Mech Eqpt	"	1							1			
Turner	"	1							1			
Welders	"	2					1	1	1			
Plumbers	-	-					1	1		1		
Trade Group 2												
Carpenter Mech MV	Pte	1					1	1		1		
Mechanic enginc	Sgt	1							1	X		
" "	Cpls	22				20		20	2			
Painter	Pte	1					2	2		1		
Rigger	Pte	1					1	1				
Dvr-Operators	"	nil					2	2		2		
Trade Group 3												
Clerk	Sgt	1			1			1				
"	Pte	1							1			
Storeman, Technical	Cpl	1				2	2	2		1		
" "	Pte	1					1	1				
Dvr-Mechs	"	nil					3	3		3		
Dvr- Horse Tpt	"	nil					4	4		4		
Non-Specialists:												
C.S.M.	WO2	1							1			
Master	"	1	1					1				
Workshop Foreman	"	1							1			
C.Q.M.S.	S/Sgt	1		1				1				
Beachmaster	Sgt	1			1			1				
Coxswains	Sgts	18			11			11	7			
Batman	Pte	1							1			
Deckhands	Pte	35					57	57		22		
Dvrs MT	"	4					4	4				
General dutymen	"	4					4	4				
Hygiene " (MA/Cpl)	"	1							1			
Storeman	"	1					1	1				
		110	1	1	13	22	85	122	23	35		
Attached allowed by WE												
AAMC	Cpl	1				1		1				
AEME (Armourer)	"	1							1			
AACC - TG2 Cooks	"	1				1		1				
" " "	Pte	2					3	3		1		
		5				2	3	5	1	1		
TOTALS		115	1	1	13	24	88	127	24	35		

NATIVES.

DETAIL	No of natives on strength replacing such whites on WE	Remarks
Batman 1 (may be replaced by 1 native)	1	
General dutymen 4 (may be replaced by 8 natives	8	
Deckhands 35 (may be replaced by 70 natives	6 31	
	40	

OC 56 Port Landing Craft Coy

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Unit 56vPORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF.

Ref. HQ LAE BASE SUB AREA A30/1/6591 of 29 Dec 45

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DEMOB RETURN AS AT 5 JAN 46.

LOCATION	Under 125	125 to 129	130 to 139	140 to 149	150 to 1599	Over 159
LAE	15	9	15	23	21	29
Attached by W.E. LAE	-	-	2	1		2
TOTALS	15	9	17	24	21	31

Total of personnel 117 (including 5 attached by WE)

Capt

OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF

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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 5 /Jan/1946.

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			
Computers								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'rs. 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.		*	*

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.

5 Jan 46
Date of Despatch

W. Mallett Capt.
Signature of Commander
OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

"B" Det at RABAUL of
At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / Jan 194 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (Unit)

W.E. 1V/235/2 OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 OFFRS. 0 O.R's. 5 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.
				W.Os. Class I.					
				W.Os. Class II.					
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
			2	Sergeants					
			6	Corporals					
			21	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
*			29 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2	Nil	*			*

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	B	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	27				2				[redacted]	[redacted]		29
B(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

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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"B" DETACHMENT at RABAUL
of
56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC.

	Detail	Rank	POSTED STRENGTH Sgts	Cpls	Ptes	TOTAL
TG 1.						
	Fitters MV	Pte			1	1
TG 2.						
	Mech Eng	Cpl		6		6
	Painters	Pte			1	1
	Riggers	Pte			-	-
Non - Specialists						
	Coxswains	Sgts	2			2
	Dvr MT	Pte			1	1
	Deckhands	Pte	XX		18	18
			2	6	21	29

Capt
OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC
5 Jan 46

Appendix "B".
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DEMOBILIZATION STATISTICS

Unit: 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC.
"B" Detachment at RABAUL.

LOCATION.	Below 125	125 to 129	130 to 139	140 to 149	150 to 159	Over 159	TOTAL
RABAUL	7	4	4	5	1	2	23

Attached allowed by W.E. NIL.

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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.		*	*

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
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(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.

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Signature of Commander Capt

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"D" DETACHMENT at RABAUL.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12 / JAN / 1946. 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY ARTIC (Unit)

W.E. IV / 2[illegible] / 2. OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
				Captains					
			1	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
			(						

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.		1									1
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.

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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"B" DETACHMENT at RABAUL.
56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATAC AIF Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12 / JAN / 194. 6 (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.	DEMOB. Date of Detachment. POUNDS
Lieut	VX 86544	EVERITT.	P.F.	Cl Cond	Yes		266

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.

12 JAN 46
Date of Despatch

[signature] for Gen
Signature of Commander
OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATAC AIF.

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"RT DETACHMENT at RABAUL.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12/ JAN/ 46 194 . 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF. (Unit)

W.E. IV / 235 / 2 . OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
				Captains					
			1	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
			1						

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 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.		1									1
E.(1)											
E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
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PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

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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"B" DETACHMENT at RABAUL.
56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF
Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12 JAN 6 /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.	DEMOB Date of Detach- POINTS
Lieut	VX 86544	EVERITT.	P.F.	Pl Comd	Yes		263

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.

12 JAN 46
Date of Despatch

Cap
OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF
Signature of Commander

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

...../..... (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 22 /JAN/1940 56 POST LAUNCHING CRAFT COY ROYAL AIR FORCE (Unit)

W.E. 27/203/2 OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 230 + OFFRS. — O.R's. 5 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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
1			1	Captains					
2		1	3	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
3		1	4						

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	DETAIL		A.I.P.	C.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
	A.		4									4
	E.(1)											
	E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
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PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

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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56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC ..... Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12 / JAN / 1946. (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.
Capt	NX 109063	MacDONALD.	J.D.	OC	Yes		194
Lieut	NX 127254	LEWIS.	E.	Adm Offr	Yes		197
Lieut	VX 29047	MOLLETT.	W.D.	Adm Offr	Yes		191
Lieut	VX 85792	MILLER.	T.A.	Hq Lt	No.	Rec leave in Aust. 16 JUN 45.	180

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.

12 JAN 46
Date of Despatch

[signature] for Capt.
Signature of Commander
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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18/JAN/1948 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF (Unit)

W.E. 17/259/2. OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. = O.R's. 5 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.
				W.Os. Class I.					
5	2		1	W.Os. Class II.					
1			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
32	12		10	Sergeants	AACC Sgt	1	1		
24	2		22	Corporals	" Ptes	3	1		
60		21	61	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AMME Cpl	-		1	
				Civilians counting as O.R.	AACC Cpl	1			
110 *	16	21	115	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2		*			*

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. 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	120						[redacted]	[redacted]		120
B(1)										
B(2)						[redacted]	Natives			40 160

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

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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56 AUST PORT LANDING CRAFT COY, AATmc.
WE: IV/235/2 - AIC 15 or AIC 20.

Appendix "A"
Serial No 8 /46
Date: 12 JAN 46

DETAIL	WE Rank	WE Est	POSTED STRENGTH WO2	S/S	Sgt	Cpls	Ptes	TOTAL	Def	Surp	Rofts reqd	Remarks
Trade Group 1												
Blacksmith	Pte	1							1			
Electricians	"	2							2			
Fitter, eng-diesel	Sgt	1							1			
Fitter, MV	Pte	3					2	2	1			
Operator, Mech Eqpt	"	1							1			
Turner	"	1							1			
Welders Plumbers	"	2					1 1	1 1	1	1		
Trade Group 2 Mech MV		-					1	1		1		
Carpenter	Pte	1					1	1				
Mechanic enginc	Sgt	1							1			
" "	Cpls	22				20		20	2			
Painter	Pte	1					2	2		1		
Rigger	Pte	1					1	1				
Dvr-Operators	"	nil					2	2		2		
Trade Group 3												
Clerk	Sgt	1			1			1				
"	Pte	1							1			
Storeman, Technical	Cpl	1				2		2		1		
" "	Pte	1					1	1				
Dvr-Mechs	"	nil					3	3		3		
Dvr- Horse Tpt	"	nil					4	4		4		
Non-Specialists:												
C.S.M.	WO2	1	-					-	1			
Master	"	1	1					1				
Workshop Foreman	"	1							1			
C.Q.M.S.	S/Sgt	1		1				1				
Boatmaster	Sgt	1			1			1				
Coxswains	Sgts	18			8			8	10			
Batman	Pte	1							0			
Deckhands	Pte	35					53	53	-3	18		
Dvrs MT	"	4					4	4				
General dutymon	"	4					4	4				
Hygiene " (L/Cpl)	"	1							1			
Storeman	"	1					1	1				
		110	1	1	10	22	81	115	26	31		
Attached allowed by WE												
AAMC	Cpl	1				1		1				
AEME (Armourer)	"	1							1			
AACC - TG2 Cooks	"	1				1		1				
" " "	Pte	2					3	3	-	1		
		5	-	-	-	2	3	5	1	1		
TOTALS		115	1	1	10	24	84	120	28	32		

NATIVES.

DETAIL	No of natives on strength replacing such whites on WE	Remarks
Batmon 1 (may be replaced by 1 native)	1	
General dutymon 4 (may be replaced by 8 natives	8	
Deckhands 35 (may be replaced by 70 natives	31	
	6	
	40	

Capt.
OC 56 Port Landing Craft Coy, AATmc

Appendix "B".
Serial No. 2/46
Date : 12 Jan 46.

Unit : 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AA T nC AIF.

Ref. HQ LAE BASE SUB AREA A30/1/6591 of 29 Dec 45.
FIRST AUST ARMY R.O A142/45.

DEMOB RETURN AS AT 12 JAN 46.

LOCATION	Under 125	125 to 129	130 to 139	140 to 149	150 to 159	Over 159
LAE	13	8	14	22	21	27
Attached by W.E.						
LAE	-	-	2	1	-	2
TOTALS	13	8	16	23	21	29

Total of personnel 110 (including 5 attached by WE.

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Adjt 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF.

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56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATMC AIF *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 12 JAN /1946 .

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											
Fittors (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.		*	*

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."
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12 JAN 46
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander Capt.
OC 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATMC AIF

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 19 JAN /1946 D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATrC AIF (Unit)

W.E. IV /235/2 OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
1			1	Captains					
2		1	3	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
3		1	4						

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 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.		4									4
E.(1)											
E.(2)											

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX86544	Lieut	EVERITT. P.F.	LTD MELBOURNE.	12 Jan 46.	FAA/AMS/11406 of 12 Dec 45.
					DEMOB. from RABAUL Detachment.

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 19 / Jan / 194 6 (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.	DEMOB. Date of Detachment. POINTS
Capt	NX109063	MacDONALD.	J.D.	O.C.	Yes		194
Lieut	NX127254	LEWIS.	E.	Adm Offr	Yes		187
Lieut	NX29042	MOLLETT.	W.D.	Adm Offr	Yes		181
Lieut	VX59792	MILLER.	T.A.	HQ Lt	No	Rec Leave in Australia 15 JUN 45.	150

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.

19 JAN 46
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander Capt.

O.C. D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATrC AIF

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 19 /JAN/1946 D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF (Unit)

W.E. IV /235/ 2 . OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.Os. Class I.					
3			1	W.Os. Class II.					
1			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
22			6	Sergeants	AACC Pte	3			
24			19	Corporals	AEME Cpl	-			
60			70	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AAMC Cpl	1			
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
*			97 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2		4 *			*

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	A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Yrs.	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	101							[redacted]	[redacted]		101
B(1)								Natives			30
B(2)							[redacted]				131

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.

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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SURPLUS TO W.E. BY RANKS AND TRADES.

	Sgt.	Cpl.	Pte	Total.
TG 1 Plumber			1	1
TG 2 Dvr Op.			1	1
" " Sig.			1	1
" " Mech MV.			1	1
TG 3 Dvr MT.			1	1
" " Dvr Mech			2	2
" " Bty Surv			1	1
" " Gunlayer.			3	3
TOTAL			11	11

Shipwright			1	1
Shipwright Mate			2	2
Fitters Mate			3	3
Mech Metal			1	1
Boilermaker			1	1
Gen Duties			4	4
TOTAL			12	12
GRAND TOTAL			23	23

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D. 56 AUST PORT LANDING CRAFT COY, AATnC.
WE: IV/235/2 - ALC 15 or ALC 20.

Appendix "A"
Serial No 3 /46
Date: 19 JAN 46

DETAIL	WE Rank	WE Est	POSTED STRENGTH WO2	S/S	Sgt	Cpls	Ptes	TOTAL	Def	Surp	Reits reqd	Remarks
Trade Group 1												
Blacksmith	Pte	1										
Electricians	"	2										
Fitter, eng-diesel	Sgt	1										
Fitter, MV	Pte	3										
Operator, Mech Eqpt	"	1										
Turner	"	1					1	1				
Welders	"	2					1	1				
Trade Group 2												
Carpenter	Pte	1					1	1				
Mechanic engine	Sgt	1										
" "	Cpls	22				19	19	19				
Painter	Pte	1										
Rigger	Pte	1										
Dvr-Operators	"	nil										
Trade Group 3												
Clerk	Sgt	1			1			1				
"	Pte	1										
Storeman, Technical	Cpl	1										
" "	Pte	1					2	2				
Dvr-Mechs	"	nil										
Dvr- Horse Tpt	"	nil										
Non-Specialists:												
C.S.M.	WO2	1										
Master	"	1	1					1				
Workshop Foreman	"	1										
C.Q.M.S.	S/Sgt	1		1				1				
Beachmaster	Sgt	1			1			1				
Coxswains	Sgts	18			4			4				
Batman	Pte	1					1	1				
Deckhands	Pte	35					32	32				
Dvrs MT	"	4					4	4				
General dutyman	"	4					4	4				
Hygiene " (L/Cpl)	"	1										
Storeman	"	1					1	1				
			1	1	6	19	47	74				
		110	1	1	6	19	48	74				
Attached allowed by WE												
AAMC	Cpl	1				1		1				
AEMT (Armourer)	"	1										
AACC - TG2 Cooks	"	1										
" " "	Pte	2					3	3				
		5				1	3	4				
TOTALS		115	1	1	6	20	50	78				

NATIVES.

DETAIL	No of natives on strength replacing such whites on WE	Remarks
Batmen 1 (may be replaced by 1 native)		
General dutymen 4 (may be replaced by 8 natives		
Deckhands 35 (may be replaced by 70 natives	5	
	30	

Capt.
OC 56 Port Landing Craft Coy, AATnC

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Appendix "B".
Serial No. 5/46
Date 19 JAN 46.

Unit - D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF

Ref - HQ LAS BASE SUB AREA A30/1/6591 of 29 Dec 45.

FIRST AUST ARMY R.O. A142/45.

DEMOB RETURN AS AT 19 JAN 46.

LOCATION	Under 125	125 to 129	130 to 139	140 to 149	150 to 159	Over 159
LAS	21	9	15	23	21	1
Attached by U.E.						
LAS			2	1		1
TOTALS.	21	9	17	24	21	2

Total of personnel 94 (including 4 attached by U.E.

OC D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AAEnC AIF.

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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 19 /JAN /1946 .

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, E.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'rs. 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.		*	*

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.

JAN.46
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
Capt
OC D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC AIF.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 26 / Jan / 194 6 D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF (Unit)

W.E. 1V / 235 / 2 . OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
				Captains					
			2	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
			2						

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 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.		2									2
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.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX 109069	CAPT	J.D.MACDONALD	13 SMALL SHIPS COY	19 Jan 46	Change in allotment for duty. LAE BASE SUB AREA A86/1/296
VX 53792	LIEUT	T.A.MILLER	VIC L OF C AREA	21 Jan 46	reposted ~~for~~ pending Demob

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 26 Jan /1946 (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.
LIEUT	NX 127254	LEWIS	R.	Capt R.	Yes		187
LIEUT	NX 29047	MOLLETT	W.D.	Adm Offr	Yes		181

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.

26 Jan 46
Date of Despatch

W D Mollett Lt
Signature of Commander
OC D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 26/Jan/1946 D 56 PORT LANDING (Unit) FT COY AATNC AIF

W.E. IV/235/2. OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.
				W.Os. Class I.					
			1	W.Os. Class II.					
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
			3	Sergeants					
			16	Corporals	AAMC Cpl	1			
			39	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AEME Cpl	-			
				Civilians counting as O.R.	AACC Pte	2			
*			60 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		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.P. Under 19 Years.	C.M.P. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		63						[redacted]	[redacted]		63
B(1)								natives			30
B(2)							[redacted]				± 93

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.

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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56 AUST PORT LANDING CRAFT COY, AATnC.
WE: IV/235/2 - ALC 15 or ALC 20.

Appendix "A"
Serial No 4 / 46
Date: 26 jan 46

DETAIL	WE Rank	WE Est	POSTED STRENGTH WO2	S/S	Sgt	Cpls	Ptes	TOTAL	Def	Surp	Rfts reqd	Remarks
Trade Group 1												
Blacksmith	Pte	1										
Electricians	"	2										
Fitter, eng-diesel	Sgt	1										
Fitter, MV	Pte	3										
Operator, Mech Eqpt	"	1										
Turner	"	1					1	1				
Welders	"	2					1	1				
Trade Group 2												
Carpenter	Pte	1										
Mechanic engine	Sgt	1										
" "	Cpls	22				16		16				
Painter	Pte	1										
Rigger	Pte	1										
Dvr-Operators	"	nil										
Trade Group 3												
Clerk	Sgt	1										
"	Pte	1										
Storeman, Technical	Cpl	1										
" "	Pte	1					2	2				
Dvr-Mechs	"	nil										
Dvr- Horse Tpt	"	nil										
Non-Specialists:												
C.S.M.	WO2	1										
Master	"	1	1					1				
Workshop Foreman	"	1										
C.Q.M.S.	S/Sgt	1		1				1				
Boatmaster	Sgt	1			1			1				
Coxswains	Sgts	18			2			2				
Batman	Pte	1										
Deckhands	Pte	35					17	17				
Dvrs MT	"	4					2	2				
General dutyman	"	4					1	1				
Hygiene " (L/Cpl)	"	1										
Storeman	"	1					1	1				
		110	1	1	3	16	25	46				
Attached allowed by WE:												
AAMC	Cpl	1				1		1				
AEME (Armourer)	"	1										
AACC - TG2 Cooks	"	1										
" " "	Pte	2					2	2				
		5				1	2	3				
TOTALS		115	1	1	3	17	27	49				

NATIVES.

DETAIL	No of natives on strength replacing such whites on WE	Remarks
Batmen 1 (may be replaced by 1 native)		
General dutymen 4 (may be replaced by 8 natives		
Deckhands 35 (may be replaced by 70 natives	6	
	30	

Capt.
OC 56 Port Landing Craft Coy, AATnC

Appendix "B"
Serial No. 4/46
Date: 26 Jan 46

UNIT - D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATTC AIF

Ref - HQ LAE BASE SUB AREA A30/1/6591 of 29 Dec 45

FIRST AUST ARMY R.O. A124/45

DEMOB RETURN AS AT 26 Jan 46

LOCATION	UNDER 125	125 to 129	130 to 139	140 to 149	150 to 159	over 159
LAE	22	9	16	10	1	-
Attached by WE LAE	2		2	1		
TOTALS	22	9	18	11	1	-

Total of personnel: 61 (including 3 attached allowed by WE)

ADJT.
For OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATTC AIF

26 Jan 46

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D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

SURPLUS TO WE BY RANKS AND TRADES.

	SGT.	CPL.	PTE.	TOTAL.
TG1 Plumber			1	1
TG2 Sig			1	1
TG3 Dvr HT			1	1
Dvr Mech			1	1
Bty Sur			1	1
Gunlayer			1	1
Sub - total			6	6
Shipwright			1	1
Shipwright Mate			2	2
Fitters mate			3	3
Mach. mate			1	1
Boilermaker			1	1
Total			8	8
GRAND TOTAL			14	14

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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 26 / Jan / 1946 .

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				Vulcanisers			
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 Mcd.)											
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.		*	*

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.

26 Jan 46
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
for OC D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF
ADJT.

L.H.Q. Press—516—10/43—416m.

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WAR DIARY or ~~INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~

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Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

Unit. D.56 Port Landing Craft Coy AATnC (*Date and Time.—From.* 1 Feb 46 *To.* 28 Feb 46

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LABU near LAE	2 Feb		LAE Base Sub Area Q3/34/5162 warned unit for embarkation on "Duntroon" for AUSTRALIA.	
			FAA TW 2930 authorised transfer of all craft held on Coy strength	
	4 Feb		Thirty five (35) personnel transferred to LAE det 13 SMALL SHIP COY, to crew the craft transferred, including eleven (11) workshop personnel to carry on the workshops situated at LABU. Of these thirty five personnel seventeen (17) had over 125 points, highest priority being 132 points.	
	8 Feb		Transfer completed of all craft held on Coy strength. Craft disposed of in accordance with FIRST AUST ARMY TW 2930.	
	10 Feb		Unit ready to move - awaiting movement to AUSTRALIA - all provisions of following orders were adhered to in arranging disbandment and movement - GRO's 229/45 and 337/45 - LAE BASE SUB AREA Q's 403/45, 13/3/4521/45 and 33/46.	
	20 Feb		Unit embarked HMAT "DUNTROON" at LAE bound for SYDNEY via RABAUL.	

734—N.G. Press Unit—10/43—10m.

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(adapted.)

Unit. D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (AIF) *Date and Time.—From.* 1 Feb 46 *To.* 28 Feb 46

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LABU near LAE	28 Feb		"Duntroon" arrived PORT JACKSON.	
	1 March		Unit disembarked "Duntroon" proceeded to camp at INGLEBURN.	

O.C.
D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (AIF)

28 Feb 46

734—N.G. Press Unit—10/43—10m.

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Unit 56 AUST. PORT CRAFT COY. *Date and Time.—From* 010001 IK *To* 282400 IK.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	2 Feb	1000	Unit declared redundant. HQ NT Force GS 110/1/1 of 1 Feb.	W.D.
DARWIN	7 Feb	1700	AV 1366 ~~1~~ MOORAH ~~1~~ arr. Ex Makassar.	W.D.
DARWIN	8 Feb	1500	CRAFT AM1601 Workboat transf. to 2/2 Port Op. Coy. CRAFT AM1717 Dory AB297 BARGE & AK 132 TOORBUL transf. to	W.D. W.D.
			9 Ord Veh Park for disposal. 2/2 Port Op. Coy took over Channel Isl. Service.	W.D. W.D.
		1730	AV1351 "VASSE" Arr. Ex Timor.	W.D.
~~DARWIN~~	1000 21 Feb		8 O/rs. marched out to, Winnellie for movement South.	W.D.
~~DARWIN~~	21 Feb	0730	AV 1351 "VASSE" Dep. for Timor.	W.D.
DARWIN	26 Feb	1730	Detachment arrived by Air Ex Timor. Det. closed.	W.D.
DARWIN	27 Feb	1000	AV 1351 VASSE Arr Ex TIMOR.	W.D.
	27 Feb	1300	1 o/r marched out to Darwin Fixed Defences. 5 o/rs ex Timor Det. Marched out Winnellie for movemt South.	W.D. W.D.
			1 Cpl. Eng Marched out to AV 1366 Moorah.	W.D.
DARWIN	28 Feb	0900	Strength of Unit now 2 Offrs. and 2 O/rs.	W.D.
			All Craft off Strength . QM Stores nearly completion.	W.D.
			Disbandment nearing completion.	W.D.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

LIEUT E. LEWIS OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

Serial No. 6/46 & 16 Feb 46

31. (Extract from RO's Part 1 F.A.A.)

RECOVERY OF COMMONWEALTH AND AMERICAN EQUIPMENT.

1. No person shall, except in the course of duty, have in his possession or convey in any way arms, stores, vehicles or equipment of the Commonwealth or U.S.A. Naval Military or Air Forces unless he has purchased such arms, stores, vehicles or equipment from the Commonwealth Disposals Commission and holds the Commission's receipt for payment.

2. Attention is drawn to the fact that no Commonwealth or U.S.A. arms, stores, vehicles or equipment have been abandoned in FIRST ARMY area and consequently no one can acquire rights in such property except by purchase from the Commonwealth Disposals Commission.

32. VACANCIES IN COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC SERVICE DEPARTMENTS.

1. Notification of vacancies existing in the Commonwealth and state public Service Departments are published in CRO's each week. Any person may peruse same by contacting the CSM.

33. PROHIBITED ARTICLES DESPATCHED THROUGH ARMY POST TO MAINLAND.

1. The attention of all members is drawn to CRO 382/44 and LAE Base RO A293/45

2. Instances are still occurring of dangerous and prohibited articles being despatched by parcel post.

3. Recent examples were live cartridges and tins of highly inflammable fluid for cigarette lighters. None of these parcels carried censorship endorsements or a senders name and address.

4. All ranks are warned that parcels must be examined and certified by an officer prior to posting.

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LIEUT.
OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

LIEUT E.LEWIS OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC (AIF)

Serial No. 5/46 9 Feb 46

26. (Extract from LAE Base Routine Orders)
SECURITY OF UNIT TRANSPORT

1. The incidence in the number of vehicles recently stolen again indicates that drivers are NOT aware of their responsibilities.

2. Vehicles will NOT be left unattended other than in properly picquetted transport lines or authorised car park into which the vehicle MUST be checked and particulars entered in the Car Park log by the picquet on duty.

3. Severe disciplinary action will be taken against drivers who breach this instruction.

27. OR'S CLUB - CLOSING

1. In order to co - ordinate movement with expected shipping facilities it has been necessary to amend the closing date of OR's Club to 10 FEB 46.

28. TRAIN TRAVELLING - INTOXICATING LIQUOR.

1. No member of the forces, when in uniform, will carry, or cause to be carried, on to any train on which he is travelling or about to travel, or have in his possession or control or consume whilst travelling in any train, any intoxicating liquor, unless it is consumed by him as part of a meal supplied in a dining car in the train in which he is travelling.

(GRO 335/45)

29. EMPLOYMENT OF FORMOSANS (ext from LAE Base RO's)

1. During the past few weeks a number of incidents have occurred where Formosans, allotted to units in this area for working parties, have assaulted members of the AMF, and in one case an Officer.

2. Investigations have proved in some cases that such assaults have originated through guards or supervisors of working parties manhandling Formosans.

3. It is to be brought to the notice of all ranks, that no punishments or manhandling of Formosans will be done except in self defence. Where Formosans are insubordinate, or in any way are not amenable to discipline they will be reported to the "bossboy" and if considered necessary, returned under escort to LAE PW Camp with a report. The OC PW Camp will then administer such punishment as lies within his powers considered necessary to meet the case.

4. Unlike Japanese, Formosans are extremely aggressive when roused and if further instances occur as stated in (1) above, fatalities may occur.

5. It has been noticed that there is a lack of supervision of working parties and Formosans are permitted to sit around when they should be usefully employed. Where further instances of this occur disciplinary action will be taken against AMF personnel concerned.

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NOTICE.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER UK TO THE PRIME MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA.

The following is the text of the message:

"Now that the Australian forces in British Borneo have relinquished to others their task of administering and policing this territory which they had earlier liberated from the Japanese I wish to express to His Majesty's Govt in the Commonwealth on behalf of His Majesty's Govt in the United Kingdom our appreciation of the manner in which they have discharged this task(.) The skill and bravery of the Australian forces during the fighting against the Japanese and the spirit of whole-hearted co-operation which your commanders have displayed since the Japanese surrendered have been much appreciated here (.) Please convey our thanks and good wishes to all ranks of the Australian Force concerned."

(ext from LAE Base RO's)

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30. DEPOSITS TO PAYBOOKS AND CASH REMITTANCES.(GRO 341/45)

1. The attention of all members is drawn to the necessity for obtaining official receipts for all moneys paid to members of the AAPC.

2. The official receipts issued by AAPC personnel are of two kinds, viz:-
(1) Pay Sergeants Receipts (WF 176) - issued by [illegible] carrying out pay duties within units.

(11) Commonwealth of Australia Official Receipts (as used in all Commonwealth departments) - issued by paymasters of formations and depot cash offices.

3. Deposits to Paybooks - Credits arising from cash deposits appearing in members' paybooks are only accepted as bona fide in cash offices if one of the above receipts for the amount of the credit is affixed to the back of the paybook. Unless this credit entry is so supported, no portion thereof can be drawn until confirmation is obtained.

CASH REMITTANCES.

4. Upon completion of a Cash Remittance (Form WF 131A), the remitter must receive from the member of the AAPC concerned one of the above receipts for the amount paid by him, the number of which should be quoted in any enquiry relative to same.

5. It is the responsibility of all members to obtain receipts for all moneys paid to ~~XXX~~ members of the AAPC.

6. GRO F 628/1943 is cancelled.

LIEUT.
ADJT D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY LAEC AI

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1
By

LIEUT E. LEWIS O.C. 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (AIF)

Serial No 4/46 2 Feb 46.

16. (Extract from Lae Base Sub Area Routine Orders.)
REDEMPTION OF GUILDER CURRENCY

1. Redemption of Guilder Currency on return to Australia will be limited to any one case to amount drawn by member in guilders as pay during service in the NEI less remittances and credits to pay book.
2. Redemption of guilders will only be made by service paymasters.
3. Personnel returning to Australia with guilders will declare and produce them at port of disembarkation.
4. Guilder Holdings in excess of those redeemed by Paymasters will be listed and forwarded by Paymasters to NEI authorities who will consider whether redemption of excess holdings, limited to the amount declared and listed, will be made in full or in part when the total liability for redemption is known.

17. (Extract from Lae Base Sub Area R/Os.)
MOVEMENT BY AIR.

1. Attention has been drawn to the irregular practice of Army Personnel approaching officers of RAAF seeking to arrange their own movement by Air. This is in direct contravention of GRO 155 1944 para 6 (d).

18. (Extract from Lae Base sub Area R/Os)
WEARING MILITARY UNIFORM AFTER DISCHARGE.

1. Personnel who are granted approval to wear military uniform after discharge are encouraged to wear an appropriate official or ex-servicemans organisation badge to indicate that he is a discharged serviceman.
2. The badge will be worn on the left breast in the same position as service ribbons. If the badge is worn in conjunction with service ribbons the badge will be worn above the service ribbons in a central position.

19. (Extract from Lae Base Sub Area R/Os)
VISITING HOURS 102 C.C.S.

1. Visiting hours to patients at 102 C.C.S. will be from 1400 hrs to 1600 hrs daily.
2. No male visitors will be admitted to wards during the evening without the approval of the C.O. 102 C.C.S.

20. (Extract from Lae Base Sub Area R/Os)
OUT OF BOUNDS - AMERICAN AREA.

1. The following areas are out of bounds to troops of the AMF.
   BASE E Ordnance Depot.
   BASE E Signals Depot.
   BASE E Engineers Depot.
   BASE E Quartermasters Depot.
2. Disciplinary action will be taken against any AMF personnel reported within these area.

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21. (Extract from Lae Base Sub Area R/Os)

GENERAL.

1. Service members of the AMF returning to the mainland for demobilisation are permitted to purchase stores, provided that the articles are such as can be carried on the person.

2. It must be clearly understood that no transport facilities can be made available from Army resources for movement to the Mainland or intra-Territorially.

3. In the event of purchases being made by serving members, vide para 2A (1) above, all ranks should be warned to ensure that they obtain receipt for the stores purchased, and that they retain such receipts for production as proof of ownership, if necessary.

4. On NO account will any Army storage facilities be made available for the housing of stores purchased by members of the AMF.

22. (Extract from Lae Base Sub Area R/Os)
MT AND SMALL CRAFT.

1. The purchase of MT and Smallcraft by serving members of the AMF for use only whilst the purchaser is serving in the area will not be permitted.

2. Purchases may be made, however, by members on draft to the mainland for demobilisation, provided that it is clearly understood that the vehicle or vehicles and /or smallcraft are removed from army Parks, Stores under private arrangement, and that is the purchaser's responsibility to arrange subsequent shipment to desired destination.

3. Members who elect to take their discharge vide para 3 below may also be permitted to purchase under the terms specified in 2B (11) above, provided that their application for discharge has been submitted.

23. (Extract from Lae Base Sub Area R/Os)
DISCHARGE IN PAPUA OR NEW GUINEA.

1. As discharge is permissable in PAPUA or NEW GUINEA, personnel intending to avail themselves of this opportunity are permitted to purchase property and plant, etc (NOT MT and Watercraft) whilst still serving, provided that no expense is incurred by Army and that the purchaser makes his own arrangements in regard to storage and care of such plant, etc (see para above).

24. (Extract from Lae Base Sub Area R/Os)
METHOD OF APPLICATION FOR PURCHASE.

1. Application for purchase of stores, MT, Watercraft, etc as governed by the above direction will be submitted direct to
Regional Manager
Commonwealth Disposals Commission,
LAE.
2. The application will be endorsed by Unit CO that the soldier is on draft for movement to Mainland or has elected to take his discharge locally.
3. The number of items available for purchase by personnel returning to the Mainland is very limited and this order will mainly be of assistance to personnel taking their Discharge locally.

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25. ARMY EDUCATION SERVICE. (Extract from Lae Sub Area Routine orders.)

1. All Army Edn Service Centres will close 30 Jan 46 to classes and instruction. Libraries cease to function on respective dates as advised by individual centres.

2. Enquiries as to Rehab. Repat. and Trg, etc will be directed to the Office of DAD Edn, Service H.Q. LAE BASE SUB AREA Phone 446 [illegible]

.....Lieut.
Adj. for
O.C.D56 Port Landing Craft Coy AATrC (AIF)

2 Feb 46

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

for period ending 15 Feb 46

1. GENERAL

Report on unit activities:-

LAE:

Normal harbour duties were performed up till 5 Feb - LAE BASE SUB AREA Q 3/34/5162 warned unit for embarkation on "DUNTROON" for AUSTRALIA. All craft disposed of as instructed by FAA TW 2930 of 2 Feb. Disposal completed by 0900hrs 8 Feb 46. Thirty five (35) personnel transferred to LAE det 13 SMALL SHIP COY, to crew the craft transferred, including eleven (11) workshop personnel to carry on the workshops situated at LAE. Seventeen (17) personnel were over 125 points. Highest priority 132 points. Unit strength awaiting movement to AUSTRALIA - 2 Offrs x 52 OR's. All provisions of following orders have been adhered to in arranging disbandment and movement - GRO's 229/45 and 337/45 - LAE BASE SUB AREA Q's 403/45; 13/3/4521/46; and 33/46.

Present commitment of Coy is to crew 4 ALC 20's on charge to 4 ORD SMALL CRAFT PARK to load pontoons for floating dock on board "VITO" and 1 AUST CARGO VESSEL "CRUSADER".

ADJT.

(W.D.MOLLETT)

for OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF.

15 Feb 46

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D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

APPENDIX "A"

CRAFT OPERATIONS FOR PERIOD 1 - 5 FEB 46

LOCATION	UNIT	TYPE	ARMY NO.	POT. CARR. CAP. TONS.M	POT. CARR. CAP. PERS	ACTUALLY CARR. TONS.M	ACTUALLY CARR. PERS	NO.OF TRIPS	MILES	ENG HRS	REMARKS
LAE	D56 P.L.C.Coy	ALC 15	AB 1257	21	90	161	102	9	54	6	
		"	AB 2374	21	90	297	156	16	84	12	
		ALC"20	AB 1242	28	120	18	-	6	18	2	
		"	AB 2352	28	120	284	164	14	47	8	
		"	AB 2355	28	120	104	54	4	46	8	
		"	AB 2340	28	120	70	15	3	6	1	
		"	AB 2358	28	120	84	16	4	14	2	
		"	AB 2341	28	120	217	50	7	48	7	
		38' MSB	AM 2412	-	8	-	11	8	150	14	
		W/boat	AM 1573	5	30	-	27	5	134	19	
				215	938	1225	595	68	591	79	

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Appendix "C"

D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

CRAFT TAKEN ON STRENGTH OR TRANSFERRED

TYPE	NUMBER	NAME	FROM	TO	DATE	AUTHORITY
ALC 15	AB 1250	-	D56 Coy	4 Ord S.C.Pk.	5 Feb	FAA TW 2930 of 2 Feb 46
ALC 20	AB 1205	-	"	"	"	"
"	AB 1209	-	"	"	"	"
"	AB 2351	-	"	"	"	"
"	AB 2353	-	"	"	"	"
"	AB 2358	-	"	"	"	"
"	AB 1242	-	"	"	"	"
"	AB 2340	-	"	"	"	"
"	AB 2341	-	"	"	"	"
"	AB 2352	-	"	"	"	"
D boat	AM 732	-	"	"	"	"
ALC 15	AB 1256	-	"	Lae det 13 SSCoy	"	"
"	AB 1257	-	"	"	"	"
"	AB 2374	-	"	"	"	"
40'w/boat	AM 1573	"JALAMA"	"	"	"	"
"	AM 1574	"JIENA"	"	"	"	"
38'FSB	AM 2412	-	"	"	"	"

nil craft held as from 8 Feb 46

Appendix "D"

MOVEMENT OF OFFICERS
till 15 Feb 46

Nil

Appendix "E"

DISPOSITION OF UNIT
as at 15 Feb 46

UNIT	LOCATION	STRENGTH Offrs	OR's	Total	NATIVES	REMARKS
D56 Coy	LABU near LAE	2	52	54	33	
Held m/land ex ARL		-	2	2		
		2	54	56	33	

Appendix "F"

OFFICERS MASTERS MATES ENGINEERS

Nil

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATmC (AIF)

for period ending 28 Feb 46

1. GENERAL

Report on unit activities-

LAE ..

Unit comprising 1 offr 52 OR's embarked on "DUNTROON" for movement to SYDNEY via RABAUL on 2o Feb. "DUNTROON" arrived SYDNEY 28 Feb and berthed 1 Mar. Unit disembarked 1 Mar and proceeded to camp at INGLEBURN.

O.C.
D 56 Port Landing Craft Coy AATmC (AIF)

28 Feb 46

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D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATmC (AIF)

CRAFT TAKEN ON STRENGTH OR TRANSFERRED

NIL

Appendix "D"

MOVEMENT OF OFFICERS
till 28 Feb 46

Number	Rank	Name	Transferred to	Date	Authority
NX 127254	Lieut	E. LEWIS	3 WATER TPT GROUP	18 Feb 46	3 Water Tpt Gp

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DISPOSITION OF U NIT
as at 28 Feb 46

UNIT	LOCATION	STRENGTH Offrs	OR's	Total	NATIVES	REMARKS
D56 Coy	"Duntroon"	1	52	53	-	en route to Sydney
ex ARL	Mainland	-	2	2		
		1	54	55		

Appendix "F"

OFFICERS MASTERS MATES ENGINEERS

NIL

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008 (Adapted) (Page 1) (Revised Jan., 1943)

7/46 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16 / Feb /194 6 D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF (Unit)

W.E. 17 / 235 / 2 · OFFRS. 3 O.R's 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 3 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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
				Captains					
			2	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
			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.
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).	A.											2
	E.(1)		2									
	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.

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).

Army Form W.3008 (Adapted) (Page 2) (Revised Jan., 1943)

.....PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF *Unit*

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16 / Feb /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.
LIEUT	NX 127254	LEWIS	E C	Capt HQ	Yes		137
LIEUT	NX 29047	MOLLETT	W.D.	Adm Off	Yes		181

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.

16 Feb 46
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

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Appendix "A"
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WE: 1V/235/2 - ALC 15 or ALC 20

DETAIL	S/SGT	SGT	CPL	PTE	TOTAL
Trade Group 1					
Trade Group 2					
Mechs Eng			13		13
Trade Group 3					
Storeman Tech				1	1
Non - specialists					
C.Q.M.S.	1				1
Beachmaster		1			1
Coxswains		7			7
Deckhands				28	28
	1	8	13	29	51
Att allowed by WE					
A/MC Cpl			1		1
AACC Ptes				2	2
			1	2	3
TOTALS -	1	8	14	31	54

W.D.Mollett Lt ADJT.

(W.D.MOLLETT)

for OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

16 Feb 46

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Appendix "K" "B"
Serial No. 7/46
Date: 16 Feb 46

Unit: D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

Ref: HQ LAE BASE SUB AREA A 30/1/6591 of 29 Dec 45
FIRST AUST ARMY RO A 124/45

DEMOB RETURN AS AT : 16 Feb 46

LOCATION	UNDER 125	125 to 129	130 to 139	140 to 149	150 to 159	OVER 159
LAE	1	1	27	19	1	-
Att by WE LAE			2	1		
TOTALS	1	1	29	20	1	-

TOTAL of personnel 52 excluding 2 on ANL and including 3 attached allowed by WE

ADJT
(W.D.MOLLETT)
for OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

16 Feb 46

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

7 /46 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16/Feb/1946 D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AAMNC (Unit)

W.E. IV / 235 / 2 . OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 3 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
				W.Os. Class I.					
				W.Os. Class II.					
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
			8	Sergeants					
			13	Corporals	AAMC det	1			
			29	Troopers, Privates, etc.	AAOC Ptes	2			
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
*			51 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2		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		C.M.P.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N	R.A.A.F	* *	TOTAL
	A.I.F.	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	54						[redacted]	[redacted]		54
B(1)							natives			30
B(2)						[redacted]				34

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

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).

D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AAMNC *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 16 /Feb /1946 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfts. 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			
Computorr								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.		*	*

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. "Reinfts. 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.

16 Feb 46
Date of Despatch

OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AAMNC
Signature of Commander

L.H.Q. Press.—202—5/43—312m.

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...D RETURN OF OFFICERS

...6/...46 (Serial No.)

...rs. Saturday 9/Feb/194 6 D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AI (Unit)

W.E. 1V 255 2 OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 3 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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
				Captains					
				Lieutenants					
			2	Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					

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.											
E.(1)		2									2
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.

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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...PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF Unit

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...6/...46 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9/2/194 (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.
	NX 127254	LEWIS	E	Capt HQ	Yes		187
	WX 29047	MOLLETT	W.D.	ADM OFFR	Yes		181

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.

9 Feb 46
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

Truth—7/43.

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Appendix "B"
Serial No.6/46
Date: 9 Feb 46

UNIT: D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

Ref: HQ LAE BASE SUB AREA A 30/1/6591 of 29 Dec 45

FIRST AUST ARMY R.O. A 124/45

DEMOB RETURN AS AT : 9 Feb 46

LOCATION	UNDER 125	125 to 129	130 to 139	140 to 149	150 to 159	over 159
LAE	1	1	27	19	1	-
ATT by WE LAE			2	1		
TOTALS -	1	1	29	20	1	-

Toatal of personnel 52 excluding 2 on ARL and including 3 attached allowed by WE

Thrush
ADJT.
for OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

9 Feb 46

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D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF.

WE: LV/235/2 - ALC 15 or ALC 20

DETAIL	S/SGT	SGT	CPL	PTE	TOTAL
Trade Group 1	nil				
Trade Group 2					
Mechs Eng Cpls			13		13
Trade Group 3					
Storeman Tech.				1	1
Non - Specialists					
C.Q.M.S.	1				1
Beachmaster		1			1
Coxswains Sgts		7			7
Deckhands				28	28
	1	8	13	29	51
Att Allowed by WE					
AAMC Cpl			1		1
AACC Pte				2	2
			1	2	3
TOTALS -	1	8	14	31	54

Shumack
ADJT.
for OC D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNC AIF

9 Feb 46

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9 / 2 /1946 D56 PORT LANDING (Unit) T COY AATNG AIF

W.E. IV / 235 / 2. OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 3 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.
				W.Os. Class I.					
				W.Os. Class II.					
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
				Staff Sergeants					
			8	Sergeants					
			13	Corporals	AAMC Cpl	1			
			29	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.	AACC Pte	2			
*			51 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		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.P. Under 19 Years.	C.M.P. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		54						[redacted]	[redacted]		54
B(1)								natives			33
B(2)							[redacted]				37

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.

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).

D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNG AIF .....*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 9 / Feb /1946 .

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				Rangefakers			
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'g. 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.		*	*

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.

9 Feb 46
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

OC D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATNG AIF

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

...../.....(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2 /Feb/ 43 D 56 Port Landing Craft Coy AATNS (AIF) (Unit)

IV 256 2

W.E...../...../..... OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
			2	Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
			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.
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).	A.		2									2
	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.

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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D 56 Port Landing Craft Coy AATTC (AIF)
Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2 Feb 46 (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.
LIEUT	NX 127254	LEWIS	E	Capt HQ	Yes		107
LIEUT	WX 29047	MOLLERT	W D	Adm Offr	Yes		101

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.

2 Feb 46
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
for O.C. D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATTC AIF

Truth—7/43.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

5/46 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/Feb/1946. D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AACMC AIF (Unit)

W.E. IV/235/2. OFFRS. 3 O.R's. 110 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 5 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.
				W.Os. Class I.					
			1	W.Os. Class II.					
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
			9	Staff Sergeants					
			22	Sergeants					
			53	Corporals	AAMC Cpl	1			
				Troopers, Privates, etc.	AAMC Cpl	-			
				Civilians counting as O.R.	AACC Pte	2			
*			86 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		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.P. Under 19 Years.	C.M.P. 19 Years and over.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		89						[redacted]	[redacted]		89
B(1)											
B(2)							[redacted]				110

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.

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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56 AUST PORT LANDING CRAFT COY, AATnC.
WE: IV/235/2 - ALC 15 or ALC 20.

Appendix "A"
Serial No 5/46
Date: 2 Feb 46

DETAIL	WE Rank	WE Est	POSTED STRENGTH WO2	S/S	Sgt	Cpls	Ptes	TOTAL	Def	Surp	Rfts reqd	Remarks
Trade Group 1												
Blacksmith	Pte	1										
Electricians	"	2										
Fitter, eng-diesel	Sgt	1										
Fitter, MV	Pte	3										
Operator, Mech Eqpt	"	1										
Turner	"	1					1	1				
Welders	"	2					1	1				
Trade Group 2												
Carpenter	Pte	1										
Mechanic engine	Sgt	1										
" "	Cpls	22				21	22	22				
Painter	Pte	1										
Rigger	Pte	1										
Dvr-Operators	"	nil										
Trade Group 3												
Clerk	Sgt	1										
"	Pte	1										
Storeman, Technical	Cpl	1					2	2				
" "	Pte	1										
Dvr-Mechs	"	nil										
Dvr- Horse Tpt	"	nil										
Non-Specialists:												
C.S.M.	WO2	1										
Master	"	1	1					1				
Workshop Foreman	"	1										
C.Q.M.S.	S/Sgt	1		1				1				
Beachmaster	Sgt	1			1			1				
Coxswains	Sgts	18			18			18				
Batmen	Pte	1										
Deckhands	Pte	35					35	35				
Dvrs MT	"	4					4	4				
General dutymen	"	4					4	4				
Hygiene " (L/Cpl)	"	1				1		1				
Storeman	"	1					1	1				
		110	1	1	9	22	41	76				
Attached allowed by WE:												
LAMC	Cpl	1				1		1				
AEME (Armourer)	"	1										
AACC - TG2 Cooks	"	1										
" " "	Pte	2					2	2				
		5				1	2	3				
TOTALS		115	1	1	9	23	43	77				

NATIVES.

DETAIL	No of natives on strength replacing such whites on WE	Remarks
Batmen 1 (may be replaced by 1 native)		
General dutymen 4 (may be replaced by 8 natives		
Deckhands 35 (may be replaced by 70 natives	6	
	30	

Capt
OC 56 Port Landing Craft Coy, AATnC

Appendix "B"
Serial No 5/46
Date 2 Feb 46

UNIT - D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (AIF)

Ref - HQ LAE BASE SUB AREA A 30/1/6591 of 29 Dec 45.

FIRST AUST ARMY R.O. A 124/45.

DEMOB RETURN AS AT 2 Feb 46

LOCATION	UNDER 125	125 to 129	130 to 139	140 to 149	150 to 159	160 & over
LAE	19	11	36	19	1	-
ATTACHED BY WE LAE			2	1		
TOTALS	19	11	38	20	1	-

Total of personnel. 89 (excluding 2 on ARL and including 2 in hospital & 3 attached on WE

ADJT.

For O.C D 56 Port Landing Craft Coy AATnC (AIF)

Feb 46

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D 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATTC AIF

SURPLUS TO UE BY RANKS AND TRADES.

		Sgt	Cpl	Pte	Total
TG 11 Sig				1	1
TG 111	Dvr H.T.			1	1
	Dvr Mech			1	1
	Bty Sur			1	1
	Gun Layer			1	1
	Sub total			5	5
	Shipwright Mate			2	2
	Fitters Mate			5	5
	Mach Metal			1	1
	Boilermaker			1	1
	Total			7	7
	GRAND TOTAL			12	12

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D 56 Port Landing Craft Coy AAFnC (AIF) *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 2 Feb /1946 .

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'rs. 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.		*	*

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.

2 Feb 46
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
for OC D 56 Port Landing Craft Coy AAFnC AIF

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2 Feb 46.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS Pt I

by

Capt E W F TABRETT
OC 56 AUST PORT CRAFT COY A A Tn C (AIF)

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64. DUTIES. As arranged.

65. WEARING OF UNIFORM AFTER DISCHARGE.

It is desired that a person granted such approval be encouraged to wear any appropriate official o
organization badge indi uch
badge to be worn on the l
service ribbons. If worn in conjunction
badge is to be worn above sich ribbons and in a central
position.

66. GENERAL.

AMF discharges effected from I Oct to 29 Dec

	MALES	FEMALES
Normal Demob - I Oct to 29 Dec	83753	3008
Compassionate Discharge I Oct to 29 Dec	7640	I377
Medical Discharge " "	2641	209
Occupational " " "	I8025	I79
Other Reasons " "	4I79	I48
TOTAL	II6238	492I

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2. War diary.
3. File.

Capt
(OC 56 AUST PORT CRAFT COY)

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9 Dec 46

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS I
by

Capt EWF TABRETT
OC 56 AUST PORT CRAFT COY AATn C (AIF)

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56. DUTIES: As arranged.

57. DEPOSITS TO PAY BOOKS AND CASH REMITTANCES (GRO 34I/45)

I. The attention of all members is drawn to the necessity for obtaining offical receipts for all moneys paid to members of the AAPC.

2. The official receipts issued by AAPC personnel are of two kinds, viz:-

(i) Pay Sergeants' Receipts(WFI76)- issued by pay sergeants and personnel carrying out pay duties within units;

(ii) Commonwealth of Australia Official Receipts (as used in all Commonwealth Government departements)- issued by paymasters of formation and depot cash offices.

3. DEPOSITS TO PAY BOOKS:- Credits arising from cash deposits appearing in members' pay books are only accepted as bona fide in cash offices if one of the above receipts for the amount of the credit is affixed to the back of the pay book. Unless this credit entry is so supported, no portion thereof can be drawn until confirmation is obtained.

4. CASH REMITTANCES:- Upon completion of a Cash Remittance (Form WFI3IA), the remitter must receive from the member of the AAPC concerned one of the above receipts for the amount paid by him, the number of which should be quoted in any inquiry relative to same.

5. It is the responsibility of all members to obtain receipts for all moneys paid to members of the AAPC.

6. GRO F.628/I943 is cancelled.

58. ADVICE HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM HQ NT FORCE 5I/I/I5 OF 5Jan 46 RE USE OF TELEPHONES

(i) Local private calls where considered essential may be made between I230 and I330, I630 and I800 hours daily. Under no circumstances will such calls exceed three minutes duration

(ii) Offical calls in future will be reduced to a minimun and will be limited to three minutes duration as far as practicable.

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Emrick W. Tabrett Capt
(OC 56 AUST PORT CRAFT COY AATnC)

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56 AUST PORT CRAFT COY. AATnC. (AIF).

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO. 13.
(for period 1 Feb 46 - 15 Feb 46.)

GENERAL.

The Service to Channel Islands Leprosarium was taken over by the 2/2 Port Op. Coy. on 8 Feb 46. Craft AM1601 being transferred tothat Unit to replace AM 1606 Workboat transferred to Ordnance. MT.Force instructions issued.

AV 1366 Moorah arr. 071700 IK ex Makassar. Returned with one hold still full of refrigerated Mutton & Butter (original cargo that was loaded some three months prvious), not required at Makassar or Ambon. Will now load the forward hold for Moratai.

AV1351 Vasse arr. 081730 IK Ex Timor with small cargo of Aero Engines and Empty petrol Drums. Crfft to be laid up for some time pending docking and removal of sheathing.

Heavy weather has been emperienced in the Darwin district for some days.All moorings at Larrakeyah Jetty Area declared unsafe. Several Craft have broken away from the moorings at East Arm, and have sunk.

TIMOR DETACHMENT.

Advice received by signal to the effect that all Stores and Equipment,including Barges ,have been transferred to Ordance and handed over to the Dutch.

Documents mailed, but not received at Darwin. No planes across Timor during the week.

TABLE OF OPERATIONS.

Location.	No of Craft.	No of Trips.	Miles.	Tons. ALOS.	Pers.	Eng.Hours.
DARWIN.	1.	Nil.	3.	42.	2½	4	7½
Det.12 Small SHIP COY. Darwin.	1.	-	1.	487	40.	-	60.
TOTAL....	2	Nil.	4.	529.	42½	4.	67½.

DISTRIBUTION.

DDTn (W/Tpt.) 2.
ACMG NT FORCE. 1.
War Diary. 1.
File. 1.

CAPT.
OC.56 AUST.PORT CRAFT COY. AATnC. (AIF)
15 Feb. 46

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CRAFT OPERATIONS - 56 AUST PORT CRAFT COY AATnC (AIF)

APENDIX "A"
Page (a)

PERIOD.....1 Feb 46 ... to ... 15 Feb 46.....

(1) Location	(2) Army No.	(3) Type	(4) Potential Carrying Capacity Tons	Pers	(5) No. of trips during period	(6) Total potential carrying capacity Tons	Pers	(7) Actually Transported Tons	Pers	(8) Average per trip Tons	Pers	(9) % of capacity utilised Tons	Pers.	(10) No. of trips	(11) Miles travelled
DARWIN	AN1601	40ft M/Boat	8	25	3	24	75	2½	4	.81	1.33	10		3	42
INDIAN OCEAN	AV1351	300ton Wood Cargo vessel	300		1	300		40		40		13		1	487

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(Continued) CRAFT OPERATIONS - 56 AUST PORT CRAFT COY AASTNC (AIF) APPENDIX "A"

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(12) Av. Miles per trip	(13) Eng Hrs Logged	(14) Average duration of trip	(15) Total No. of hrs available	(16) Total hrs craft employed	(17) % of time craft employed	(18) Total hrs spent in Wkshp	(19) % of time spent in Wkshp	(20) Total hrs idle	(21) % of time idle	(22) Remarks.
14	7½	2.5	144	7½	5.2	Nil	Nil	136½	86.7	Transferred to 2/2 Port Operating Coy (
487	60	60	360	60 60hrs Loading	16.6 16.6 Loading	Nil	Nil	120	64	

CRAFT OUT OF COMMISSION AS AT 15 Feb 46.

N I L. (Note: Nil on charge.)

56 AUST PORT CRAFT COY AATnC.(AIF) Appendix "C" 13/4.

CRAFT TAKEN ON CHARGE OR TRANSFERRED OUT 1 Feb 46 - 15 Feb 46.

AM 1601	Workboat.	Trans. to 2/2 Port Op. Coy.
AM 1717	Dory.	" " 9 Aust.Ord.Veh Park.
AB 297	ALC5.	" " " " " "
AK 132	Toorbul.	" " " " " "

56 AUST. PORT CRAFT COY. AATnC.AIF. Appendix D. 13/5.

MOVEMENT OF OFFICERS. 1 Feb 46 to 15 Feb 46.

VX 119490 LIEUT.MCGOWN D.C. off Strength.
Trans. to 44 Port Landing Craft Coy AATnC.
(Note:-
Remains att. to HQ NT Force, pending Demob.)

56 AUST PORT CRAFT COY. AATnC. AIF. Appendix 13/6. "E".

DISPOSAL OF PERSONNEL.

	Offrs.	Ors.	Total.
Darwin.	1.	14.	15.
Leave.	-	4.	4.
Total.	1.	18.	19.
Timor Det.	1.	7.	8.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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/ (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23/2/194.. 56 Aust Port Craft Coy A.A.T.S.C. (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 1/15/1. OFFRS. 4 O.R's. 150 + OFFRS. — O.R's. 6 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.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				*					
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
				Majors					
	3	—	1	Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	3		1						

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.		1									
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.

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).

Headquarters 1st Aust Base Area ..... Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23/2/194. (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.
CAPT.	WX6293	TABRETT	E.W.T.	QC	Yes		
						Demob	
						Q-N-257	

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.

23 Feb 46
Date of Despatch

Ernest Tabrett Capt
56 Aust Port Craft Coy A.A.T.S.C. (AIF).
Signature of Commander

a.w. 11½m bks. 5/45

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required).

Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

Unit D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC *Date and Time.—From* 1 Mar 46 *To* 22 Mar 46

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
SYDNEY N.S.W.	1 Mar	0900hrs	Unit disembarked from "Duntroon" and marched in to Ingleburn Camp for unit disbandment procedure.	
	4 Mar		Unit stores arrived Ingleburn camp ex "Duntroon"- cadre commenced work on disbandment of unit.	
	6 Mar		Authority received - HQ AMF 1095 of 5 Jan 46 - for disposal of surplus personnel. Forty-four (44) personnel marched out to LTD Sydney for demob or leave and reposting in their respective home states.	
	7 Mar		Clearances obtained from DADS&T for unit transport and DADMS for medical supplies.	
	9 & Mar		Stationery returned to NSW LOF C Stationery Depot and clearance obtained.	
	11 Mar		Progress report submitted to "A" Branch (O) Victoria Barracks.	
	12 Mar		Unit stores returned to R.S.D. and clearance obtained.	
	13 Mar		OC UNIT Lt W.D.MOLLETTT marched out to EAST. COMD. RR&GDD in accordance with Authority - AAG(PS) EAST.COMD. 49766 of 8 Mar 46. WET's reconciled	

734—N.G. Press Unit—10/43—10m.

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required).

Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

Unit D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY. AATnC *Date and Time.—From* 1 Mar 46 *To* 28 Mar 46

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
SYDNEY N.S.W.	13 Mar		and clearance obtained from DADOS. Clearance obtained from DADAE for all Educational matter on charge to unit.	
	18 Mar		Balance sheets submitted to L9 Depot Cash Office and clearance obtained from DFO District Accounts Office Sydney.	
	19 Mar		AMR&O 184 (i) J authorised demobilisation of four (4) members of cadre. These personnel marched out to LTD SYDNEY for demob on thisndate.	
	20 Mar		War Diary and Intelligence Summary files submitted to Mil. Hist. Sect. Unit records and personnel files returned to D.R.O.	
	22 Mar		Remaining two (2) members of Unit cadre marched out to LTD Sydney for onward movement for demobilisation. Clearances obtained from D.F.O. for all unit accounts, AAPS for all postal matters, and from ECH & REC for all other ranks of the unit. Clearance obtained from A.A.A.S. for all Amenities.	
	Mar		Officers' records received and clearance obtained from ECH & RECORDS -	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 1 Mar 46 *To* 22 Mar 46

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
SYDNEY N.S.W.	Mar		Final signatures obtained on clearance Certificate from "A" Branch (O)	
			NSW L of C AREA. OC Cadre LT W.D. MOLLETT m/in to RR &GDD SYDNEY.	
	Mar		As from 1500 hrs on 25 MAR 46 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (AIF)	
			ceases to exist.	
			W.D. Mollett Lieut	
			OC Cadre D56 Port Landing Craft Coy AATnC (AIF)	
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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

For period 1 - 22 Mar 46

D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (AIF).

SYDNEY N.S.W.

1. Unit disembarked "Duntroon" at Sydney at 0900hrs 1 Mar 46. Cadre and surplus personnel marched in to Ingleburn Camp for disbandment procedure. On 4 Mar unit stores arrived Ingleburn and cadre commenced work on disposal of personnel and disbandment of unit.

2. HQ AMF 1095 of 5 Jan 46 received, being authority for disposal of surplus personnel. These personnel (44) marched out to LTD Sydney for demobilisation or leave and reposting.

3. During the next week from 7 Mar until 14 Mar unit stores of all kinds were returned to their respective stores depots, and clearances obtained from thofollowing depots - DADS&T DADMS' NSW L OF C STATIONERY DEPOT R.S.D. D.A.D.O.S. DADAE "Q" BRANCH NSW L OF C AREA 1 BASE POSTAL UNIT DFO DISTRICT ACCOUNTS OFFICE and NSW ECH & RECORDS, also AAAS.

4. Lieut W.D. MOLLETT O.C. unit marched out to EASTERN COMMAND RR&GDD in accordance with Authority- AAG(PS) EAST COMD 49766 of 8/3/46.

5. In accordance with authority AMR&O 184 (i) J four (4) members of cadre were marched out to LTD Sydney for DEMOB on 19 Mar 46.

6. Balance of cadre i.e., two (2) personnel were marched out to LTD Sydney for Demobilisation this day, 22 Mar 46. Authority AMR&O 184 (i) J.

7. As from 25 Mar 46 Disbandment of 56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (AIF) is complete and the unit no longer exists.

Lieut
Adm comd D56 PORT LANDING CRAFT COY AATnC (AIF)

22 Mar 46

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