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Unit 9 AUST. INF. BDE. Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 43. To 9 Feb 43.

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NARELLAN CAMP.	2.2.43	1330	TOs 1/16 NCOs & Coy Comds attended camouflage demo vic Narellan camp RAAF Co-operating.	
	4.2.43	0700	1/45 Aust Inf Bn on Composite Coy Route march to Georges River	
			18 Bn engaging in topographical exercise 4-5 Feb 43 bivouac area LIVERPOOL 504985	
	5.2.43	0700.	Bde Mt. party commenced PT test SILVERDALE to SPRING WOOD	
	7.2.43	1500	Party arrived Spring wood	
	7-9.		Comp Coy engaged in PT tests.	
	9.2.43	1500	Conference 9 Bde HQ of COs OCs BCs as required by OP role of 9 Bde.	

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Unit 9 AUST. INF. BDE. Date and Time.—From 11 Feb 43 To 17 Feb 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Narellan	11·2·43.	1531	1 & 9 Aust Comp Gp participated in 2 Aust Army Comp Gp	
			exercise. 1 Aust Div message ⊙ X 2 read as follows:	
			For exercise only ⊙ Major Raid ⊙ Enemy convoy 130 miles	
			CRESENT HQ 1238 hrs today ⊙ number type ships not	
			given ⊙ 1 Comp Gp will move forthwith assembly area	
			vic rd 216361 repeat 216361 ⊙ 9 Comp Gp will move	
			forthwith assembly area vic 9621, 9721 repeat 9621	
			9721 ⊙ Future comd direct between Div HQ & Comp Gps	
"	13-2-43	1230	Advice received from Div of Bde move to WOLLONGONG	
			area	O 780/13
"	16-2-43.	1345	"A" Bde W/shops and "A" Bde O.F.P closed down at Camden	
			Showground reopened at WOLLONGONG 872578 at 1605 hrs.	
	17-2-43.	0826	Bde HQ closed down 1345 hrs opened WOLLONGONG 847502	
			18 Bn HQ closed Narellan 1030 hrs opened WARPAWANG.	

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Unit 9 AUST. INF. BDE. Date and Time.—From 17 Feb 43. To 19 Feb 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	17-2-43.	1940	Dispositions of 9 Aust Inf Bde at 2000 hrs.	
			HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde WOLLONGONG. 848502	McKIERA
			254 LAD " 848502 "	"
			"J" Sec Sigs " 848502 "	"
			18 Aust Inf Bn " 883420	WARRAWANG
			1/45 Aust Inf Bn " 880513.	BALGOWNIE
			17 Aust Inf Bn CAMDEN 720988	NARELLAN CAMP.
			"A" Bde W/Shops AEME WOLLONGONG 847502	RIXONS PASS
			"A" Bde O.F.P. " 847502	RIXONS PASS.
	19-2-43.	2017	1 or 2 Unidentified planes 65 E KEMBLA area 02 P39s	
			up to intercept.	Phoned from 1 Div.
	"	2135	Air Raid RED KEMBLA area 2125 hrs.	KFD 1/45-18 Bn informed
	"	2150	Air Raid Warning RED entire eastern area	

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Unit 9 AUST. INF. BDE. Date and Time.—From 22 Feb 43 To 23 Feb 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	22-2-43	1600	1 Div Signal OX 17 : FOR EXERCISE ONLY O SECRET O Major Raid	
			O Infm now indicates enemy landing raids may be	
			expected Sydney area O 9 Composite Gp will move	
			forthwith to RV on Princes Highway vicinity Sq 9678	
			9679 Camden 1" and half on road ready for further	
			moves at thirty minutes notice O further Comm direct	
			between Div HQ and composite Gp ACK	1/45 Bn advised
			1/45 Bn & 18 Bn acted as Composite Bn under 1 Div	
			instructions through night 22 Feb - day 23 Feb.	
	23-2-43	1800	Bns returned to camps.	
	23-2-43	2150	Comd 9 Bde directed that 50 rds SAA be carried	
			by all personnel armed with rifle at all times	
			- Excl leave	

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Unit 9 AUST. INF. BDE. Date and Time.—From 24 Feb 43 To 28 Feb 43

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
KIERAN HALL	24.2.43	0800	Password from 1800/24 - 1800/25 KILL	
		1600	Wireless message ÷ RAAF staging interception tests tonight	
			2100 hrs - 2230 hrs consisting of flights 1 plane later	
			intercepted by 2 planes of F.O.S A/A & searchlights will	
			Co operate	I 979
	25.2.43	0800	Password from 1800/26 1800/27 COMBAT.	
		1400	Conference on Comb. Gp Exercise held at Bde attended	
			by Bde Comd COs & Bm.	
	26.2.43	0800	Password 1800/27 - 1800/28 ATTACK	
	27.2.43	0800	Password 1800/28 - 1800/1 FIGHT	
			—	

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ROUTINE ORDERS

PART I

BY

BRIG A.C.S.HOLLAND

COMMANDING

9 AUST INF BDE.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
4 Feb 45.

GENERAL STAFF.

48. WEARING OF RESPIRATORS.

All personnel will wear respirators from 1430 hrs to 1500 hrs 5 Feb.

ADMINISTRATION.

49. CAMP DUTIES.

DUTY UNIT :- 6 Feb 18 Aust Inf Bn
9 Feb 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
12 Feb 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

FIELD OFFICER:- 6 Feb Capt L.J.Griffin 18 Aust Inf Bn
9 Feb Capt R.G.Catterns 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
12 Feb Capt N.S.Simons 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

AMBULANCE DRIVER:- Duty Unit.

MOSQUITO CONTROL:- 4 Feb 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
11 Feb 18 Aust Inf Bn

50. ROUTINE ORDERS.

The following Routine Orders have been issued and will be noted for information and necessary action :-

GROs	96 - 110	29 Jan 45
Second Aust Army ROs	27 - 34	28 Jan 45
1 Aust Div ROs	62 - 84	2 Feb 45

51. APPOINTMENTS ETC ORDERS.

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(b) Tightly compressed bundles must be opened out every third day.

54. RETURNS.

Medical	6 Feb 43
Seasonal Leave	6 Feb 43
Wage AIF	8 Feb 43

55. PUNISHMENTS.

DCM: NX92860 PTE A.T.KINCHELA - 254 AUST L.A.D.

NX92860 Pte A.T.Kinchela, 254 Aust LAD was tried by District Court Martial held at Burwood on 25 Jan 43 by order of Maj Gen F.P.Derham, Comd 1 Aust Div dated 22 Jan 43.

CHARGE	Absenting himself without leave from 0001 hrs on 19 Jul 42 until 1600 hrs on 20 Jan 43 - a period of 186 days. (A.A.S. 15 (1)).
PLEA	Not Guilty.
FINDING	Guilty.
SENTENCE	To undergo detention for six months.
DATE OF SENTENCE	25 Jan 43.
CONFIRMING AUTHORITY	G.O.C. 1 Aust Div.
DATE OF CONFIRMATION	27 Jan 43.
ACTION ON CONFIRMATION	Sentence varied to read "To be fined the sum of twenty pounds" Finding, and sentence as so varied, confirmed.

PERIOD IN CLOSE ARREST AWAITING TRIAL FOR WHICH AUTOMATIC FORFEITURE OF PAY INCURRED 4 days.

PROMULGATED TO ACCUSED ON 30 Jan 43.

(G.C.DARLING) Lt
BM 9 AUST INF BDE.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

Sat 6 Feb 43	CENEF	2000 hrs	Talkies
Sun 7 " "	CENEF	2000 hrs	Educational Films
Sun 7 " "	Salvation Army	1950 hrs	Community Singing
Tues 9 " "	Stadium	1930 hrs	Quiz and Talkies
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SERIAL NO.6.
WE AIF 11/2/3.
17 x 72 att. 3459

On leave W/O Pay
Posted strength
"X" List - Nil.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

6 FEB 1943

HQ 9 AUST INF BDE (AIF) (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).		3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
*	WE	POSTED		
Brigadiers *	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	2	1		1
Captains	6	4		2
Lieutenants	5	7	2	
2nd Lieutenants				
~~Quartermasters~~ Chaplains	3	3		
Totals	17	16	2	3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	W.H. OLIVER	18 Aust Inf Bn	1/1/43	Second Aust Army Appointments and Promotions List No.25.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps. Appointment	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brig	NX 101314	HOLLAND A.C.S.	Bde Comd	Yes	
Lt/T/Maj	NX101315	DARLING G.C.	BM	Yes	
Lt/T/Capt	NX101316	WILLIAMS R.N.	BM/L	Yes	
Lt/T/Capt	NX101318	CLUTTON K.T.	TO	Yes	
Lt/T/Capt	NX107021	WEBB R.S.	SC	Yes	
Lt/T/Capt	NX76308	Moore C.F.	LO1	Yes	
Lieut.	NX112660	WALTON S.J.T.	AO	Yes	
"	NX117022	GRAHAM A.K.	SC/L	Yes	
"	NX103938	BURROWS R.G.G.	BASCO	YES	
"	NX101322	PEARCE R.G.	LO2	Yes	
"	NX103981	LAMPLOUGH R.H.G.	IO	Yes	
"	N429323	McNAMARA W.M.J.	EO	No	Det HQ NSW L of C Area
"	NX101367	OLIVER W.H.	LO3	Yes	
Chaplain	NX34983	McDERMOTT P.P.	Chaplain	No	Det 17 Aust Inf Bn
"	NZ82161	CUTCLIFFE E.M.	"	No	" 18 Aust Inf Bn
"	N429708	LAMBERT E.H.	"	No	" 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
		Attached			
Lieut	NX112382	COOPER W.L.	1 Fd Hyg	Yes	Pending Secondment.
Lieut/T/Capt	NX114288	JONES K.S.K.	1 Div Sigs	Yes	OC J Sec Sigs
Lieut.	NX110898	PEARCE J.C.	"	Yes	2 i/c "
Lt/T/Capt	NX104752	FRIEND J.A.	1 Div AEME	Yes	OC 254 Aust L A D

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

HQ 9 AUST INF BDE (AIF) (Unit.)

6 Jan 43 (Date of Despatch.)

(R.S. WEBB) Capt. (Signature of Commander.)
SC 9 Aust Inf Bde.

1 Aust Div. (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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WE - AIF 11/2/3
17 x 72
Att 3 x 59

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

HQ 9 AUST INF BDE (AIF) (Unit) 6 FEB 1943 (Date).

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

Personnel on leave without pay -
On strength - Nil
~~"X" List~~ - Nil

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2		3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).		Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
	WE	POSTED		
W.Os. Class I.	1	1		
W.Os. Class II.	2	2		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants				
Staff Serjeants	2	2		
Serjeants	4	3		1
Corporals	8	6		2
Troopers, Privates, &c.	55	47		8
TOTALS	72	61	*	* 11

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Attached under WE		Other attachments	
2 Sjts, 1 Cpl, 12 ORs	- 254 Aust LAD	2	1 Aust Div Postal
1 " 4 " 31 "	- J Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div	1	HQ 1 Aust Div (AIF)

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		SUMMARY.		
C ~~A~~ M F	A I F	VAD etc.		
1 x 3	15 x 58	Nil		

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HQ 9 AUST INF BDE (AIF) ..... Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V. AFMF		1	Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			Ptes		10
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								11

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ 9 AUST INF BDE (AIF) ..... *Unit.*

6 FEB 43 ..... *Date of Despatch*

R Rickards Capt
S.C. 9 Sig Coy *Signature of Commander.*

1 AUST DIV
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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WE 1/25A/2
1/15
On leave without pay
On strength NIL
"X" list NIL

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Serving with unit
AIF - 1
CMF - NIL

254 AUST. LAD (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks. WE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors			
Captains ... ... 1 ...	1		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals ... ... 1 ...	1		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
CAPTAIN	NX104923	FRIEND JA	A.E.M.E.	NO	HQ 1 Aust Div

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

254 AUST LAD
(Unit.)

A/ Waa Truman Lieut
O.C. 254 Aust. L.A.D.
(Signature of Commander.)

6.2.43
(Date of Despatch.)

9 Aust Inf Bde
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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WE 1/25A/2
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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

Serving with unit 254 Lab (Unit) 6-2-43 19 (Date).
On leave without pay
AIF 14
CMF 1

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) On strength "A" list.

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
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Serjeants –	2		
Corporals 4	1		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 9	12		
TOTALS 15	15	* –	* –

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
NX104679	L/Cpl	Sanwood JW	AEME	103 Con Depot.
NX106409	Cpl	Stormont J	AEME	103 Con Depot.

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254 LAD Unit.

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(Adapted) (Aug. 41)
(page 2)

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.	–	1	Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner *	1	–	Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.	–	2	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators	2		Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	3	–		–	3			

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

254 LAD
Unit.

Wall Freeman Lieut
Signature of Commander.
P.O. 254 Aust. L.A.D.

9 Aust Inf Bde
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 6-2-43

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Address HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde AIF. AUSTRALIA.

7 FEB 1943

Subject:- INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

I Aust Div.

I. Please find enclosed 9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Report for week ended 5 Feb 43, in duplicate.

(A.C.S. HOLLAND) Brig.
COMD 9 AUST INF BDE..

for Adk.

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE REPORT
BASED ON INFORMATION RECEIVED UP TO 2359 hrs 5 Feb43.

I. (a) OPS OWN TPS. Nil.

(b) LOCATION OWN TPS. See appendix 'A' attached.

(c) TRAINING. I/45 Aust Inf Bn. Tng has included: - River crossing exercises, map reading, swimming instruction, MT maintenance and route marches.

I7 Aust Inf Bn AIF. Tps engaged in Tng Cadre conducted in the following Gps :- Elementary tng, Anti Tank, Mortar, Guerilla Warfare. All personnel attended Grenade Range and were practiced in throwing live HE. 36 grenades. Swimming instruction and river crossing exercises were also undertaken.

I8 Aust Inf Bn. On 4/5 Feb 43 this unit participated in map reading exercises. On day I. sections as syndic were conveyed in covered MT to various points and set the task of establishing their position. Day 2. consi of a trek cross country from LIVERPOOL I" ref 514015 by various routes to BENT'S BASIN ref 628080. Other tn has included route marches, swimming instruction and gas tng.

(d) INFM RE 'I' SEC 9 Aust Inf Bde HQ. Composition:- I Offr, I S/Sjt, I Cpl, I Pte (batman). Tng:- Map reading exercises and routine duties.

I/45 Aust Inf Bn. Composition:- I Offr, I Sjt. Tng:- Lectures on map reading and 'I' duties have been delivered to personnel. Bn Offrs have been instructed in the use of cipher.

I7 Aust Inf Bn AIF. Composition:- I Sjt. Tng:- Attending Bde Cipher School, map reading and lectures to tng Cadre.

I8 Aust Inf Bn. Composition:- I Offr, I Sjt, I Cpl I L/Cpl, I Pte. Tng:- Sec participated in map readin exercise with Bn.

I9. (SECURITY. (a) Information:- Rumours are being circulated fre concerning a move by the Bde to WOLLONGONG area. Places mentione are DAPTO, Mt KIERA and BALGOWNIE Date of move is rumoured as 10 or 15 Feb 43.

(b) Personnel. Nil.
(c) Material. Nil.
(d) Operations. Nil.
(e) Censorship. Nil.
(f) Suspected Persons. Nil.
(g) Morale. Good.
(h) Educational. Lectures given by FSS personnel on security were well receive by the tps.

(H.H. LAMPLUGH) Lieut.
IO 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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Appendix 'A'

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Dispositions as at 2359 hrs 5 Feb 43.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde AIF. 'J' Sec Sigs I Aust Div.	CAMDEN	720982
254 LAD	"	719982
I/45 Aust Inf Bn.	"	720979
I7 Aust Inf Bn AIF.	"	720988
I8 Aust Inf Bn.	"	717985
'A' Bde Gp W/Shops AEME.	"	692930
'A' Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk.	"	692930

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Address HQ,1/45 Aust Inf Bn,
Date AUSTRALIA.
6 Feb 43.

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9 Aust Inf Bde,(AIF),
AUSTRALIA.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn Int.Report for week ending 5 Feb 43,based on information received up to 2359 hours, 5 Feb 43.

1. (a) Ops (Own Tps) - see para 1 (d)

(b) Location Own Tps - Cadre Camp Narellan.

(c) Trg.- 30,Jan,Interior administration - checking ammunition - organised washing - general econemy kit inspection - pay.

31 Jan
River crossing exercise - MT maintenance

1 Feb,Bde duties - river crossing exercise, rifle insprection - lecture on Jap weapons.

2 Feb,Bde duties - MT maintenance - Rifle inspection - recce by CO, Adjt & QM.

3 Feb,Bde duties - 600 yard range,rifle & bren recce by CO & IO.

4 Feb,Composite Coy route march(tactical) - map reading & swimming instruction.

5 Feb,Rest day leave.

(d) Information re "I" Section :-

(i) Composition :- Lieut G.H.Jesser,"I.O."
Sgt Steffanoni,C.W.
~~Opl Hull, D.~~

(ii) Trg & Work :- P & OR(Tactical) Staff being instructed on map & "I" work
F.S.Sec visited this unit & delivered lecture on Security.
Lieut Jesser lectured officers on cipher.
Lieut Williams(Cipher)visited unit to check on cipher work
Bde Cipher School(attended by two Sig personnel)operating.

16. Topography affecting own Tps - Nil.

19. Security:-
(a) Infm - Rumours of move South by this unit still being discussed by Troops.
(b) Pers - No activity.
(c) Material - No activity.
(d))Ops - Nil.
(e) Censorship -mNo breaches reported.
(f) Suspected Persons - Nil.
Morale.
(g) Internal - Morale of tps good.
(h) External - No friction reported.

for Lieut.
(G.H.Jesser)
I.O.1/45 Aust Inf Bn. AAD

This report has been read and noted by

Lt.Col.
(L.W.Casier)
Comd 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park
6 FEB 1943

H.Q.
9th.Aust.Inf.Bde.(AIF)
AUSTRALIA

"I" REPORT

I.

a. Normal Technical activities.

b. 692928 Camden Sheet.

c. N274639,Lt.N.Johnston,O.C. this Section.

d. Driving Instn. Technical Duties.

e. Nil.

I6. Normal

I9. a. Nil.

b. Personnel warned of talking about operations of Unit,also instructed in Security measures. by Field Security Officer

c. One Member supplied per night as Picquet,in addition to "A" Bde.W/Shops AEME.

d. Normal

e. No infringement detected in Mail passing through Unit.

f. Nil.

g. Fair

h. No indication.

R Johnston Lieut. O.C.
'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park

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Intelligence Report
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Australia.
6 - FEB 1943

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Intelligence Report

For Week Ending 6 Feb 43.

Based on knowledge received up to 2359 hrs. 5 Feb 43.

1. (a) Ops. (Own Tps.)
Nothing to report.

(b) Location of Own Tps.
Bn.HQs. has been situated during this week at Cadre Camp, NARELLAN, Camden 720988.

(c) Training.
Tps. engaged in Tng Cadre which is conducted in Gps. which include the following: Elementary Training Group, Anti-Tank Training Group, Mortar Training Group, Guerilla Warfare Training Group. All personnel attended Grenade Range and were practiced in throwing live H.E. 36 Grenades. Swimming instruction and river crossing exercises.

(d) Information re I. Section.
(i) Composition
1 Sjt.
(ii) Trg and Work.
Attending Bde Cipher School, Map reading, lectures to Tng Cadre. Keeping records.

16. Topography.
Affecting Own Tps. No additional information has been recorded during this week.

17. Topography.
Affecting Enemy Tps. Nothing to Report.

18. Climate and River Flood Conditions, Affecting Troops. Nothing to Report.

19. Security.
(a) Information.
Rumours are being circulated freely and all concern a move by the Bde. to the Woollongong Area. The places mentioned are DAPTO, Mt KIERA, WOOLOONGONG and BALGOWNIE. Date of move, 10 or 15 Feb. These rumours as far as can be ascertained, orginate from outside the unit namely attached Tps. and higher formations.

(b) Personnel.
Nothing in this category has been observed.

(c) Material.
Stores and equipment appear well guarded.

(d) Operations.
Nothing to report.

(e) Censorship.
Tps. generally observe censorship regulations, although some have expressed their dissatisfaction at having officers examine their private affairs.

(f) Suspected Persons.
Nothing to report.

(g) Morale.
(i) Internal. Tps. generally content and morale high.
(ii) External. No record of friction with civilians or other Tps. has been recorded during this week.
(iii) Educational. A lecture given by FSS personnel on Security was well received by the tps. A series of similiar talks would do much to impress upon them the need for utmost security.

W. L. Champion Sjt.
(W.L. Champion) I. Sjt. for I. Offr. 17 Aust.Inf.Bn. (AIF).

Seen by W. L. Madigan Maj.
for (G.W. Linfield) Adm. Comd. 17 Aust.Inf. Bn.(AIF).

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"A" BDE. GP. WKSHOP
1 AUST. DIV. WKSHOP (AEME)

Address Australia.
Date 6 Feb.'43.

"A" Bde Grp Wkshops AEME Intelligence Report for Week Ending 5 Feb.'43 based on information received up to 2359 hours.

1. (a) Location - Map reference 692931 Camden sheet.

(b) Training - during the week comprised recapitulation of squad drill with arms. Technical training in repair and recovery of mechanical vehicles, guns and small arms.
Lectures to NCO's on Technical subjects.

19. Security - (a) Information - No comment
(b) Personnel - " "
(c) Material - " "
(d) Operations - " "
(e) Censorship - " "
(f) Suspected Persons - nil
(g) Morale
Internal - fair
External - fair.

.....Lieut.
T. D. Richardson
O/C "A" Bde Grp Wkshop AEME.

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Hq 18 Aust Inf Bn
6 February, 43.

18 AUST INF BN INT. REPORT.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs. 5 Feb 43.

1. (b) Location Own Troops.
Bn remains encamped NARELLAN Camp.

(d) Training.
On 4/5 Feb 43 the Unit participated in a topographical exercise. On Day 1. sections as syndicates were conveyed in covered transport to various points and set the task of establishing their position. Good map reading was evident in all instances. Day 2 consisted of a trek cross-country from LIVERPOOL 1" MS ref 514015 by various routes to BENT'S BASIN ref LIVERPOOL 1" MS ref 628080 at which all syndicates checked in by 1930 hrs and during which section personnel again displayed good map reading knowledge.

Other tng has included route marching, swimming lessons and gas training.

(e) Information re "I" Section
"I" Section has participated in abovementioned training.

19. Security

(a)	Information	- Nil
(b)	Personnel	- Nil
(c)	Material	- Nil
(d)	Operations	- Nil
(e)	Censorship	- Nil
(f)	Suspected Persons	- Nil
(g)	Morale, Internal	- Good
(h)	Morale, External	- Nothing to report.

L/Cpl. I. Simpson
for: Lieut.
(W.D.FREEMAN)
I.O. 18 Aust Inf Bn

This report has been read and noted.

C.H. Neville Lt. Col.
(C.H.NEVILLE)
Comd 18 Aust Inf Bn

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8 FEB 43

Proposed Move of 9 Aust Inf Bde Gp to WOLLONGONG Area.

Ref Maps 1/63360 (CAMDEN
(WOLLONGONG
((WOLLONGONG STREET PLAN (not as Appx A) not all

1. LOCATIONS In the event of 9 Aust Inf Bde Gp moving to WOLLONGONG area, the following locations will be occupied by Units :-

Unit	Name of Camp	Location
HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (MIF)) 'J' Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div) 254 Aust L D (MIF)) 1/45 Aust Inf Bn)	KEIRAVILLE	848502
17 Aust Inf Bn (MIF))	BALGOWNIE	880513
18 Aust Inf Bn	WARRAWONG	883420
"A" Bde Gp Wkshops AEME	RIXONS PASS	872578
A Sec Ord Fd Pk MAOC	RIXONS PASS	872578
C Sec 82 Aust Dental Unit	BALGOWNIE	880513
B Sec 82 Aust Dental Unit	WARRAWONG	882418

2. CAMP STAFF.

SYDNEY KEMBLA CAMP STAFF (SOUTHERN) which controls the above camps is located 880511. Staff are as follows :

Camp SO - Maj THACKER
" QM - Maj SCOTT-FOX
" Adjt - Lieut SMITH

3. RATIONS

Rations will be drawn by Units from DID WOLLONGONG.

Times of drawing and of submission of Indents will be advised by BASCO, 9 Aust Inf Bde.

Tpt for collection of rations will be co-ordinated by BASCO 9 Aust Inf Bde.

Location of DID is 892431.

4. ROUTE.

In movement, routes will be sectionalised and detailed in Movement Order as follows :-

Route A : 723981; MARELLAN; 807911; 794751. (14 miles)

Route B : 784751; 904626; 896619; 873578. (15 miles)

Route C : 873578; 858554; 858539; 846523. (4 miles)

Route D : 784751; 727709; 833539; 846523.(restricted) sector 753727 to 727709 (20 miles)

Route E : 846523; 869462 (4½ miles)

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4. ROUTE (Continued)

Route F : 869482; ROBSONS RD; GIPPS RD; EASTERN AV; MURPHYS LANE; FOLEYS FLAT RD; PORTER ST; 890502; 891516; 880515. (4 miles)

Route G.: 869482; 871481; 851454; 885420 (6 miles)

5. UNIT ROUTING.

Probable routes in use will be :-

Unit	Route
HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (-IF)	A, D, E.
1/45 Aust Inf Bn	A, B, C, E, F.
17 Aust Inf Bn (-IF) and C Sec 82 Aust Dental Unit	A, D, E, F.
18 Aust Inf Bn and D Sec 82 Aust Dental Unit	A, D, E, G.
A Bde Gp Workshops AEME, and A Sec Ord Fd Pk ALOC	A and B.

6. CONTROL.

Units will be responsible for own traffic discipline and direction. Should civilian police posts be provided, locations will be advised.

7. CARRIERS MG.

It is anticipated that carriers MG will be moved by rd under own power.

8. ADDITIONAL TPT AND DRS

(a) Within 2 hrs of Warning Order for movement, accurate details of additional tpt required will be signalled to these HQ.

(b) Number of additional DRs required will be advised simultaneously. These will be supplied only if all available holders of current and applicable licences are being used as DRs.

9. TRAFFIC ROUTES - WOLLONGONG.

With the exception of Staff and Recce Cars, Lorries 15 cwt or 1 ton under the control of an officer and Ambulances on urgent duty, NO vehicles of 9 Aust Inf Bde Gp will, at any time except during Ops, be permitted to travel on the following roads :-

CROWN ST : Between NEW DAPTO RD and CORRIMAL ST.

PRINCES HIGHWAY : Between GIPPS ST and CROWN ST.

In lieu thereof the following routes are authorised :-

WARRAWONG to BALGOWNIE etc.	883420; 896430; 900488; 898484; 893495 or 882418; 871433; 897469; 900488; 898484; 893495
KEIRAVILLE to BALGOWNIE etc	Crown St West, New Dapto Rd, Mercury St, Foleys Flat Rd, Gipps St, Princes Highway.

DID will be approached by back streets only

(R.S. WEBB) Capt.
SC 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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LO II

LO III AB/8

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1/45 Aust Inf Bn	1 & 2	1 & 2
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	3 & 4	3 & 4
18 Aust Inf Bn	5 & 6	5 & 6
'J' Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div	7	7
[illegible] Base Gp Workshops AEME	8	8
2nd Aust L&D (AIF) AEME	9	9
A Sec Ord Fd Pk AAOC	10	10
1 Aust Div	11	11
Sydney Kemble Camp Staff (Southern)	12	
Comd	13	12
BM	14	13
SC	15	14
TO	16	15
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War Diary.	18 & 19	17 & 18

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8 FEB 1943

INFM.

1. In the present strategic situation, the enemy might consider it worthwhile, at any time, to carry out a raid on the EASTERN AUSTRALIAN coast, particularly against industrial areas, with the object of creating apprehension in AUSTRALIA and thereby weakening our effort in NEW GUINEA. Raids in the area in question would probably be confined to sea-borne attack on the principal industrial and most thickly populated areas, with perhaps small raids by submarines conveying parties for the destruction of important installations.

2. Plans and preparations must be framed, however, on the assumption that a temporary change in the strategic situation may permit heavier raids.

3. A small raid is possible with little or no warning, but it is probable that a reasonable warning would be received in the event of a large scale raid.

4. 9 Aust Inf Bde Gp is constituted as follows

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
J Sec 1 Aust Div Sigs
254 Aust LAD (AIF)
1/45 Aust Inf Bn
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
18 Aust Inf Bn
One Bty 1 Fd Regt
'P' Tp 43 Bty 111 Aust A/Tk Regt
One Coy 6 MG Bn
One Sec 12 Aust Fd Coy
'A' Bde Gp Wkshops 1 Aust Div Wkshops AFME
'A' Bde Sec 1 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk
One Coy 1 Aust Fd Amb

5. NSW L of C Area is responsible for the initial def of the NSW Coastal Area (particularly PORT KEMBLA, SYDNEY and NEWCASTLE) against enemy raids of all natures.

6. NSW VDC upon mob for full time duty are responsible for providing timely infm of enemy movements and denying to the enemy localities covering vital comms and installations in their respective areas or where required.

7. In the event of ops Comds of Bdes or Composite Bn Gps will on receipt of advice from 1 Aust Div assume Comd of any VDC units that may be in the area in which the formation is operating.

INTENTION.

8. 9 Aust Inf Bde with a mob force will sp the coast def system in the PORT KEMBLA area when required by attacking and destroying the enemy as soon as the area of any raid is known.

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METHOD.

9. (a) To meet both Major and Minor Raids the Bde will be organised on a fully mech basis

(b) The force to meet Major Raids being the Composite Bn and to be known as 9 Comp Gp.

(c) The force to meet Minor Raids will be Independent Fighting Units formed as Composite Coys by Bns

(d) The three Independent Fighting Units will in Major Raids become the three Coys of the 9 Comp Gp.

10. MAJOR RAIDS.

(a) 9 Comp Gp.

Bn HQ	provided by 17 Aust Inf Bn
Sig O	" " 17 Aust Inf Bn
Sigs	" " 'J' Sec Sigs (Bty Charger & Wireless dets only)
IO	provided by 1/45 Aust Inf Bn
I Sec	" " 1/45, 17 and 18 Aust Inf Bns.
MO and 3 SB	" " 17 Aust Inf Bn
SBs	6 each 1/45,17 and 18 Aust Inf Bns
Regtl Police	2 each 1/45,17 and 18 Aust Inf Bns
"A" Coy	1/45 Aust Inf Bn
"B" Coy	17 Aust Inf Bn
"C" Coy	18 Aust Inf Bn

One Bty 1 Fd Regt
"E" Tp 43 Bty 111 Aust A/Tk Regt
One Sec 12 Aust Fd Coy
One Coy 6 MG Bn
One Coy 1 Aust Fd Amb
254 Aust LAD

(b) CO and 2i/c of 9 Comp Gp will be given at Conference.

11. MINOR RAIDS.

Independent Fighting Units will be formed by 1/15, 17 and 18 Aust Inf Bns on the following organisation and known as A, B and C Coys respectively

Coy HQ
Three Inf Pls (with additional LMGs and SMGs)
Two det Mortars
One Sec Carrs

12. 9 Comp Gp as set out in para 10 will be capable of moving to concentration area at one hrs notice.

13. Independent Fighting Units as set out in para 11 will be capable of moving at thirty mins notice.

ADM

14. Revised adm instn will be issued by SC 9 Aust Inf Bde.

INTERCOM

15. Bn HQ to be advised.

16. On receipt of warning order 101 Sets and Dets will be attached to Coy HQs

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17. Sig plan as per Apbx 'A'.

18. Frequencies and Call Signs will be issued by Bde Sig O.

19. Code names as per Appx "B".

20. Code word for formation of Gps -

large scale raid - MAJOR RAID
small scale raid - MINOR RAID

followed by location of raid if known.

21. Ack

Issued through Sigs

Signed at 2125 hrs.

(Maj
BM 9 AUST INF BDE.

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	O Instn	Appx A	Appx B
1/15 Aust Inf Bn	1	1	1
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	2	2	2
18 Aust Inf Bn	3	3	3
1 Aust Fd Regt	4	4	4
'B' Tp 43 Bty 111 A/Tk Regt	5	5	5
6 Aust MG Bn	6	6	6
12 Aust Fd Coy	7	7	7
'A' Bde Gp Wkshops 1 Aust Div Wkshops AFMF	8	8	8
'A' Bde Sec 1 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	9	9	9
1 Aust Fd Amb	10	10	10
1 Aust Inf Bde	11	11	11
28 Aust Inf Bde	12	12	12
1 Aust Div	13	13	13
12 VDC Bn	14	14	14
Comd	15	15	15
BM	16	16	16
SC	17	17	17
TO	18	18	18
Sig O	19	19	19
File	20	20	20
War Diary	21 & 22	21 & 22	21 & 22
25c Aust LAD	23	23	23

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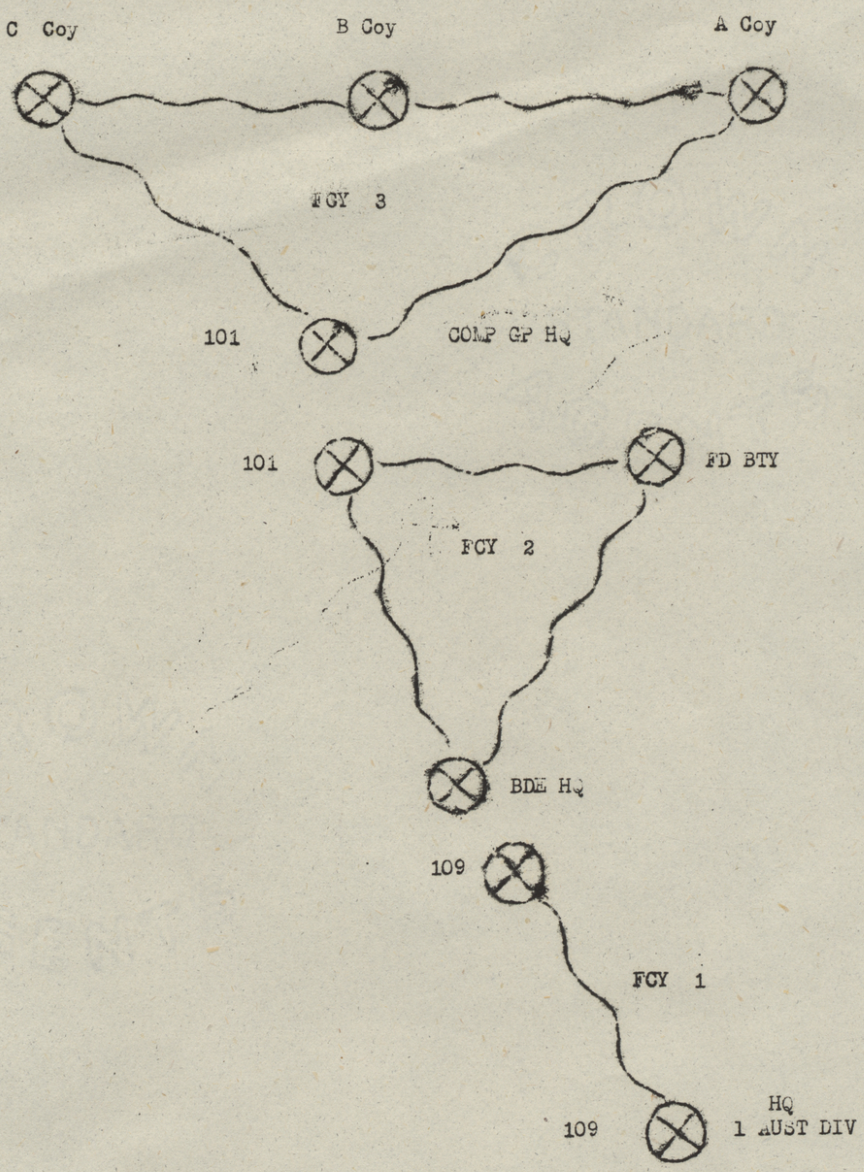

Comms by DR from Bde H$_q$ as circumstances demand.

Battery maintained for Comp Gp H$_q$ to Coy HQ by charging set at Comp Gp H$_q$.

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Bde Op Instn 4.
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9 Comp Gp HQ	BATA
A Coy	YAJI
B Coy	HECO
C Coy	VANO
Bty 1 Aust Fd Regt	FILA
'B' Tp 43 Bty 111 Aust A/Tk Regt	KIZO
Sec 12 Fd Coy	PIDU
Coy 6 Aust MG Bn	MIRA
Coy 1 Aust Fd Amb	FFDO

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APPX 'A' TO 9 AUST INF BDE OP INSTN No 4

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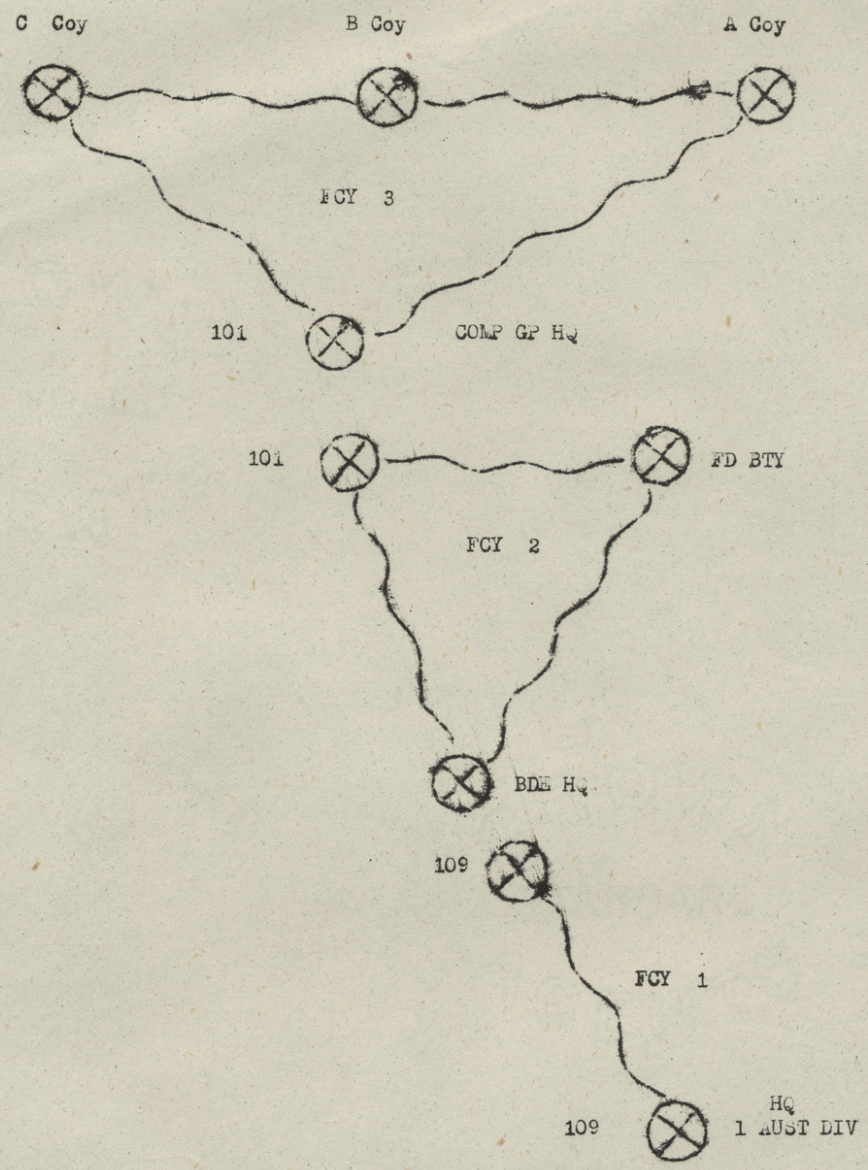

Comms by DR from Bde Hq as circumstances demand.

Battery maintained for Comp Gp Hq to Coy HQ by charging set at Comp Gp Hq.

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9 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTN No. 3. Copy No 22

ISSUED IN CONJUNCTION WITH 9 AUST INF BDE OP INSTN 4.

1. 9 Aust Inf Bde Adm Instn 1 is hereby cancelled.

2. AMN.

a. 9 Comp Gp will carry the following amn:

ROUNDS PER WEAPON.

		On the man or with weapon.	Reserve in MT.	Total.
Rifle		150	100	250
Revolver		24	12	36
S M G		300	600	900
A.Tk Rifles	.55	200	50	250
L M G		2000	1000	3000
M M G		5000	8000	13000
Mortar	HE	90	90	180
	SMOKE	30	30	60
Grenades				
Hand	HE	2	1	3
	SMOKE		1	1

b. Should SMG amn be insufficient for above scale, distribution between weapons will be effected but amount per weapon will NOT be reduced below 300 rounds with the weapon and 200 rounds in reserve. Any SMG which cannot then be provided with amn will be carried on Pl HQ vehs and issued if sufficient amn is later available.

c. Should sufficient .55 amn be unavailable to comply with above, distribution of available amn will be effected on basis of 80% with weapon and 20% in reserve. NO A/Tk Rifle for which 40 rounds per weapon is unavailable will be taken into action.

d. Res Amn will be carried as follows:

25% in Pl Vehs
50% in Coy HQ vehs
25% in Bn HQ "

In the event of Coys being employed independently, Bn HQ reserve will be decentralised equally to Coy HQ.

e. Any Coy of 6 Aust Inf MG Bn organised to fight as Inf Coys and placed under comd 9 Com Gp will comply with above.

f. Any Coy of 6 Aust Inf MG Bn organised as MMG Coy will carry full WE amn plus proportion of Unit reserve.

g. Fd Bty will carry full WE amn plus proportion of Regtl reserve. All reserve amn will be held at Bty HQ

h. A/Tk Tp will carry full WE amn plus proportion of Bty reserve. Reserve amn will be held on MT wheresever Comd 9 Comp Gp decides.

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1. AMN...

j. Section Fd Coy will carry amn as set out in sub para (a)

k. Sec Fd Coy will carry at Sec HQ full WE scale explosives Bn Gp HQ will carry res explosives equal to above

l. AASC 1 Aust Div is making the following available when and where required :

(1) To Comd 9 Comp Gp:

2 Fch amn for Inf Bn.
½ 2 Fch amn for Fd Regt.
½ 2 Fch amn for A/Tk Regt.

(2) To each Coy Comd (if on indep ops)

1/3rd 2 Fch amn for Inf Bn.

m. Demands for amn will be submitted to SC 9 Aust Inf Bde.

n. Location of AP will be advised when known by SC 9 Aust Inf Bde.

o. Amn left in Unit Dumps after move to conc area will be taken over by AASC.

3. SUPS.

a. 24 hrs emergency rations will be carried by all pers.

b. 48 hrs emergency rations, if available, will be carried at 9 Comp Gp HQ or Coy HQ.

c. Indents for rations will be submitted to BASCO 9 Aust Inf Bde.

d. Location of Sup Pt will be advised when known by BASCO 9 Aust Inf Bde.

4. PET.

a. Each vehicle will carry 180 miles of pet.

b. 9 Comp Gp HQ or Coy HQ will carry comparable req for MGs

c. Indents and location of PP as for para 3 (c) & (d).

5. WATER.

Coys will be equipped with one full water tank veh.

6. MEDICAL.

a. Sub units of 1 Aust Fd Amb will be allotted as follows;

1. To 9 Comp Gp - 1 Coy.

2. To Coys (if on indep ops) - 1 Lt Sec.

b. Evacuation will be from RAP or equivalent to most convenient civil or military hospital.

c. RMO 9 Comp Gp - Capt. E. Lloyd-Williams.

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7. TRAFFIC CONTROL

a. Responsibility for traffic control, selection and recce of routes on own moves rests with 9 Comp Gp or with Coy.

b. If practicable DAPM 1 Aust Div will assist Comds of above.

8. PsW.

Location of PW cage will be advised by SC 9 Aust Inf Bde

9. RECCE.

a. In major raids recce will be organised by Comd 9 Comp Gp with 254 Aust L A D. Locations of recce posts (if established) will be advised to 9 Aust Inf Bde.

b. In minor raids recce will be organised by SC 9 Aust Inf Bde with 254 Aust L A D. Location of recce posts will be advised.

10. BURIALS.

Will be effected by Unit to be organised by DAAG 1 Aust Div.

11. DRESS.

Will be as laid down By Comd 9 Comp Gp. Badges of rank will NOT be worn.

12. RECORDS AND RETURNS

a. Bde and Unit HQs will maintain skeleton Ord Room Staffs irrespective of formation of special op units.

b. Each Unit, sub-unit or det under Comd 9 Aust Inf Bde will establish HQs with Ord Room Staff which will maintain nominal roll of personnel as follows:

Army No	Rank	Surname (IN blocks)	Christian Names	Name of Unit

c. As at 0900 hrs each day, 9 Comp Gp will submit by DR to HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde the following returns (original only) :

(i) STRENGTH RETURN (pro-forma)

Offrs	Ors	Unit
10	100	1/45 Bn
12	120	17 Bn
8	80	18 Bn
*	130	1 Regt

(ii) AAF W 3010) in fourth column thereof will
W 3011) be inserted name of soldier's
W 3012) unit.

In minor raids, these returns will be submitted to HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde by Coys.

Infm contained therein will be advised by Bde HQ to HQs referred to in sub para (a) above.

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12. RECORDS AND RETURNS (Continued)

d. AAFs W3006 will be submitted by Units or dets under Comd 9 Aust Inf Bde to reach HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde by 1100 hrs daily.

e. AAFs W 3010, 3011 and 3012 will be submitted daily or as often as practicable to DRO by Units. 1 copy of each W3010 and W3012 affecting officers to be forwarded to HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde.

f. Infm used in compilation of returns referred to in sub-paras (d) and (e) will be obtained from infm advised by Bde HQ EXCEPT in the case of W3006 submitted by dets.

13. Ack

Issued through Sigs

Signed at 0952hrs.

(R.S. WELL) Capt.
SC 9 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn	1
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	2
18 Aust Inf Bn	3
1 Aust Fd Regt	4
'B' Tp 43 Bty 11 Aust A/Tk Regt	5
6 Aust MG Bn	6
12 Aust Fd Coy	7
'A' Bde Gp Wkshops 1 Aust Div Wkshop AEME	8
'A' Bde Sec 1 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	9
1 Aust Fd Amb	10
1 Aust Inf Bde	11
28 Aust Inf Bde	12
1 Aust Div	13
12 VDC Bn	14
Comd	15
BM	16
SC	17
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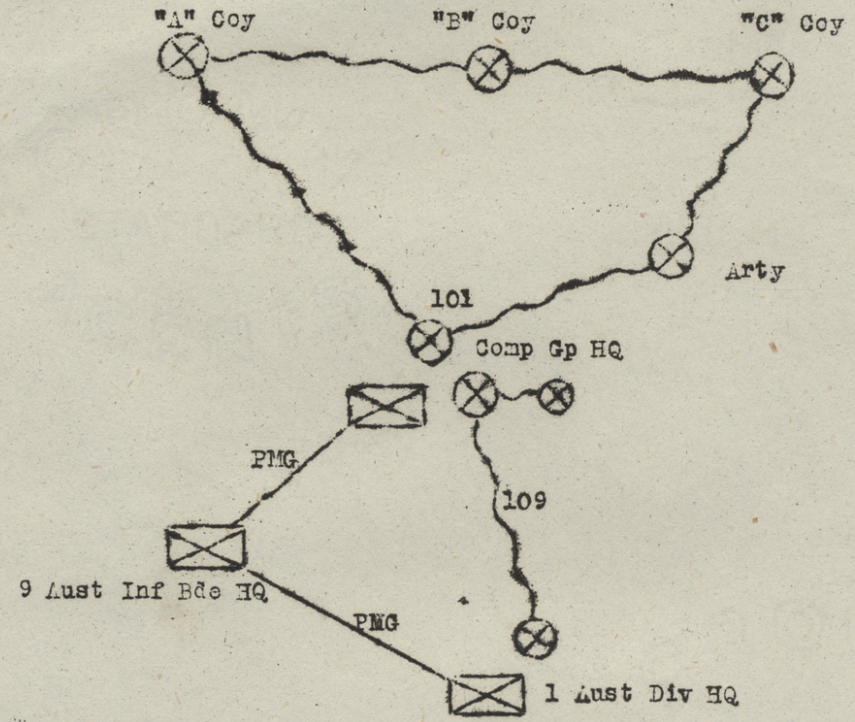
Date: 10 Feb 43

AMENDMENT NO.1. TO 9 AUST INF BDE OP INSTN NO.4. APP "A".

SIGNAL PLAN.

. PHASE 1. For warning of an impending op and instns for move from present area.



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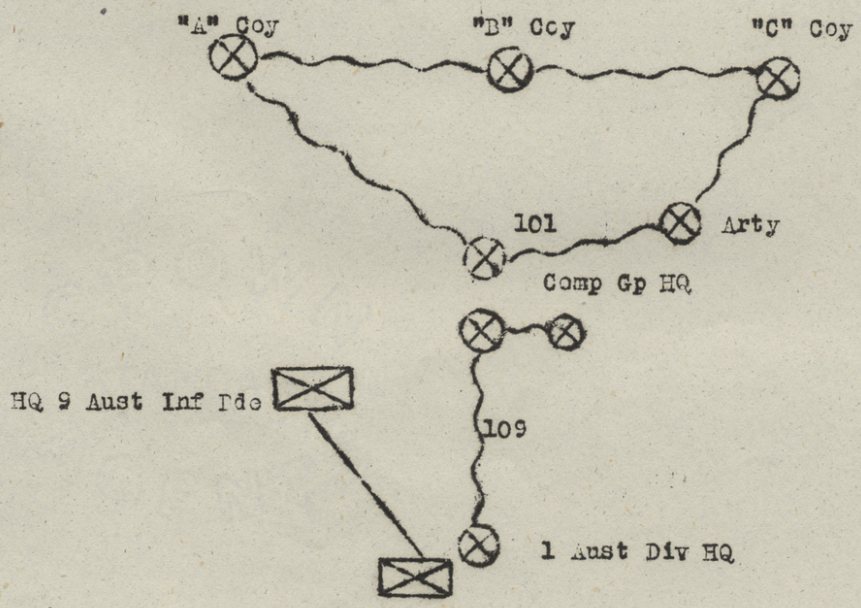

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3. DR POOLS will be established at Div HQ, Bde HQ, and Comp Gp HQ.

4. BATTERY MAINTENANCE.

Battery charging will be carried out at Comp Gp HQ.

DISTRIBUTION.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn	1
17 " " " (AIF)	2
18 " " "	3
1 Aust Fd Regt	4
"B" Tp 43 Bty 111 A/Tk Regt	5
6 Aust MG Bn	6
12 Aust Fd Coy	7
"A" Bde Gp W/shops, 1 Aust Div, AEME	8
"A" Bde Sec 1 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk.	9
1 Aust Fd Amb	10
1 Aust Inf Bde	11
28 Aust Inf Bde	12
1 Aust Div	13
12 V D C Bn	14
Comd	15
BM	16
SC	17
TO	18
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File	20
War Diary	21 & 22
254 Aust L A D (AIF)	23

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WE AIF 11/2/3
17x72 att 3x59

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

On leave W/O pay.
Posted strength
x Last - NIL.

H Q 9 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).		3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
*	WE	POSTED		
Brigadiers *	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	2	1		1
Captains	6	4		2
Lieutenants	5	7	2	
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters Chaplains	3	3		
Totals	17	16	2	2

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 ~~Corps.~~ Appointments	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brig	NX101314	Holland A.C.S.	Bde Comd	Yes	
Lt/T/Maj	NX101315	Darling G.C.	BM	"	
Lt/T Capt	NX101316	Williams R.N.	BM/L	"	
"	NX101318	Clutton K.J.	TO	"	
"	NX117021	Webb R.S.	SC	"	
"	NX76308	Moore C.F.	LO1	"	
Lieut	NX112660	Walton S.G.J.	AO	"	
"	NX117022	Graham A.K.	SC/L	"	
"	NX103938	Burrows R.G.O.	BASCO	"	
"	NX101322	Pearce R.G.	LO2	"	
"	NX103981	Lamplough R.D.G.	IO	"	
"	NX129323	McNamara W.M.G.	EO	No	Det HQ NSW L of C Area
	NX101367	Oliver W.C.	LO3	Yes	
Chaplain	NX34983	McDermott P.P.	Chaplain	No	Det 17 Aust Inf Bn
	N282161	Cutcliffe E.M.	"	"	" 18 " " "
	N~~[illegible]~~ 708	Lambert E.H.	"	"	" 1/45 " " "

Attached

Lieut	NX112382	Cooper W.L.	1 Fd Hyg	Yes	Pending Secondment
Lt/T/Capt	NX114288	Jones K.S.K.	1 Div Sigs	"	OC "J" See Sigs
Lieut	NX110989	Pearce J.C.	"	"	2 i/c " "
Lt/T/Capt	NX104752	Friend J.A.	1 Div AEMF		OC 254 Aust LAD
Lieut	NX26983	O'Brien G.W.	1 Aust Fd Reg	"	Att for duty
Lt/T/Capt	NX101884	Mitty A.J.	1/45 Bn	"	" " "

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
(Unit.)

V Graham Lieut
(R.S. WEBB) Capt
(Signature of Commander.)

13 Feb 43
(Date of Despatch.)

SC 9 Aust Inf Bde
1 Aust Div
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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WE - RIF 11/2/3
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att 3x59

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

H.Q. 9 Aust Inf Bde (RIF) (Unit) 13 Feb 1943 (Date).

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

Personnel on leave without pay - On strength - NIL
"X" List - NIL.

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). WE / POSTED	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1 / 1		
W.Os. Class II.	2 / 2		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2 / 2		
Serjeants	4 / 3		1
Corporals	8 / 6		2
Troopers, Privates, &c.	55 / 46		9
TOTALS	72 / 60	*	* 12

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Attached under WE		Other Attachments	
2 Sgts, 1 Cpl, 12 ORs	254 Aust LAD	2	1 Aust Div Postal
1 " 4 "	21 " - 1 Sec Sigs		HQ 9 Aust Div (RIF)
	1 Aust Div		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		Summary		
CMF	RIF	VAD etc		
1x2	15x59	NIL		

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HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal REME		1	Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			PTES		11
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								12

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Unit.

Date of Despatch 13 Feb 43

J Graham Lieut
Signature of Commander.

1 Aust Div
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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War Diary

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Unit) 19 Feb 1943 (Date)

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	WE POSTED		
W.Os. Class II.	1	1	
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	2	2	
Staff Serjeants	2	2	
Serjeants	4	3	1
Corporals	8	6	2
Troopers, Privates, &c.	55	46	9
TOTALS	72	60	12

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Attached under WE		Other Attachments	
2 Sgts.	1 Cdn Dr 2 Sqn Dist	2	1 Austral Pastel
1 "	4 " 31 " - Tree Dep		4 Q Austral (MPE)
	1 Austral		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		Summary		
CME	AIF	VAD etc		
1x2	15x59	N14		

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Address HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde
AIF,
AUSTRALIA.

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Subject:- INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

1 Aust Div.

I. Enclosed please find 9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Report for week ended 12 Feb 43, in duplicate.

(SGD.) A. C. SELWYN HOLLAND

(A.C.S. HOLLAND) Brig.
COMD 9 AUST INF BDE.

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

BASED ON INFORMATION RECEIVED UP TO 2359 HRS 12 FEB 43.

1. (a) OPS OWN TPS - NIL

(b) LOCATION OWN TPS - See Appendix "A" attached.

(c) TRAINING - Bn 11 Feb and 12 Feb 43 1/45 Aust Inf Bn, 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) and 18 Aust Inf Bn with personnel of 'J' Sec Sigs formed Composite Bn and participated in Second Aust Army Tactical Exercise.

(d) INFORMATION RE "I" SECS -

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) - Composition :-

1 Offr, 1 S/Sgt, 1 Cpl, 1 Pte.

Tng:- Map reading exercises, recce of new Bde HQ site and routine duties.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn - Composition :-

1 Offr, 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl.

Tng:- Routine duties.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) - Composition :-

1 Offr, 1 Sgt.

Tng:- Routine Duties.

18 Aust Inf Bn - Composition :-

1 Offr, 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl, 1 L/Cpl, 1 Pte.

Tng :- Recce of WARRAWONG Area and routine duties.

During the Comp Bn exercise 11-12 Feb, "I" personnel of the Inf Bns combined and functioned as Comp Bn "I" Sec.

16. TOPOGRAPHY AFFECTING OWN TPS.

Some WOLLONGONG maps have been corrected showing an A1 sealed road from 876511 to 858540. This road is under construction with only a small gang of workers working on it. It is C2 unsealed; there are numerous detours around parts under construction.

19. SECURITY. (a) Information - Lack of security at camp public phones has been reported. Tps have been heard discussing probable future moves over the phone.
Talk of Bde move to WOLLONGONG Area still persists.

(b) Personnel - NIL

(c) Material - NIL

(d) Operations - NIL

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(e) Censorship - No breaches of censorship have been reported to these HQ.

(f) Suspected Persons - Nil

(g) Morale - (1) Internal - Good
(2) External - Good

(h) Educational - FSS personnel delivered lectures on security to 1/45, 17 and 18 Aust Inf Bns and Narellan Camp Staff tps.

(R.H.LAMPLOUGH) Lieut
IO 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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Appendix "A"

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Dispositions as at 2359 hrs 12 Feb 43.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) "J" Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div	CAMDEN	720982
254 Aust LAD (AIF)	"	719982
HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn	"	720979
HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	"	720988
HQ 18 Aust Inf Bn	"	717985
"A" Bde Gp Wkshops 1 Aust Div Wkshops AEME	"	692930
"A" Bde Sec 1 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	"	692928

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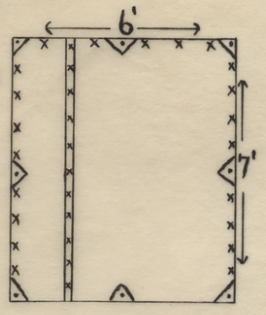
7'x6' Japara Cape Ground Sheet

① △ Eyelets
x Press Studs



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Groundsheet Cape

③



Groundsheet as Sleeping Bag

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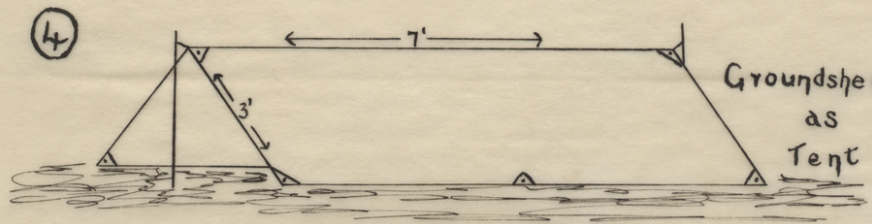

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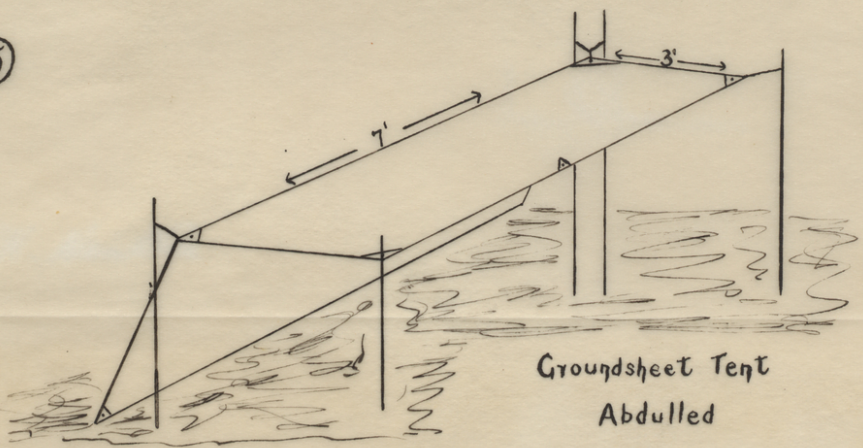

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13 Feb 43

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs 12 Feb 43.

1 b Location of Own Troops

The Bn remains encamped at C and D blocks NARELLAN.

d Training

On 6,7 and 8 Feb 43 those personnel who had not previously completed the course carried out the Second Aust Army P.T. Exercise from SILVERDALE to SPRINGWOOD. A detailed report is attached appendix1.
On 11 and 12 Feb 43 the unit participated in the 9 Composit Bn exercise.
Inaddition gas and general field training has been carried out.

e Information re I Section

The I Section participated in both of the abovementioned exercises.
A preliminary recce of WARRAWONG camp has been made and a map of the camp completed.

16 Topography affecting own tps.

Some WOLLONGONG maps have been corrected showing an A1/road sealed from 876511 to 858540. This road is under construction only with only a small gang of workers working on it. It is C2 unsealed; there are numerous detours around parts under construction.

19 Security

a) Information:
Lack of security at the public phones has been noticed. Tps have informed friends and relatives of coming move giving them much valuable information.
b) Personnel Nil
c) Material Nil
d) Operations Nil
e) Censorship Nil
f) Suspected persons Nil
g) Morale internal: Good
h) Morale external: Nothing to report.

W.D. Freeman Lieut.
(W.D.Freeman)
I.O. 18 Aust Inf Bn.

This report hasbeen read and noted
C.H. Neville Lt Col.
(C.H.Neville)
Comd 18 Aust Inf Bn.

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"A" Bde. Gp. Wkshop	22	51

1 Aust. Div. Wkshop (AEME)

Address Australia
Date 13 Feb 43.

"A" Bde Gp Wkshop AEME Intelligence Report for Week Ending 12 Feb 43 based on information received up to 2359 hours .

1. (a) Location - Map reference 692931 Camden Sheet.

(b) Training - during the week comprised recapitulation of squad drill with arms. Technical training in repair and recovery of mechanical vehicles, guns and small arms.

Lectures to NCO's on technical subjects.

19 Security - (a) Information - no comment
(b) Personnel - no comment
(c) Material - no comment
(d) Operations - no comment
(e) Censorship - no comment
(f) Suspected persons - nil
(g) Morale
Internal - fair
External - fair.

W. Jackson Lieut for Capt
T. D. Richardson
O/C "A" Bde Gp Wkshop AEME .

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Address HQ, 1/45 Aust Inf Bn,
Date AUSTRALIA
13 Feb 43.

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9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF),
AUSTRALIA

1/45 Aust Inf Bn Int Report for week ending 12 Feb 43.
Based on information received up to 2359 hrs 12 Feb 43.

1.(a) Ops.(own tps)- see para 1(d).
(b) Location own tps - Cadre Camp, Narellan.
(c) Trg - 6 Feb - MT maintenance - pers commencing 3 day physical trg exercise.
7 Feb - Church Parade- pers on 3 day exercise.
8 Feb - MT weapons and ammn maintenance - pers on 3 day exercise.
9 Feb - Rest day leave.
10 Feb - Bde Duties - practice move Comp Bn - MT and weapon maintenance - educational lecture on Casablanca Conference.
11 Feb - Preparation for Comp Bn exercise - Bde Ditied.
12 Feb - Comp Bn exercise - Bde Duties.
(d) Infm re "I" Sec -
(i) Composition - Lieut G.H.Jesser IO
Sgt Steffanoni, C.W.
(ii) Trg and work - Cpl Casey and Cpl Lord of FS Sec visited unit, checking on security - Cipher Documents handed to Sig O - Lieut Jesser and Sgt Steffanoni acting as IO and I Sgt respectively on Comp Bn Exercise. "I" Sec consisted of Lieut Freeman, Sgt Champion, Cpl Hull and L/Cpl Simpson. All mess ages and normal office duties carried out during exercise.

16.Topography affecting own tps - Nil.

19.Security - (a) Infm - Tps stilldiscussing move to W'gong area.
(b) Pers - No activity.
(c) Material - No activity.
(d) Ops - Guard and piquet duty being carried out in camp and on exercise.
(e) Censorship - No breaches reported.
(f) Suspected persons - Nil.
Morale.
(g) Internal - Morale of tps good.
(h) External - No friction reported.

D.R.A. Murray Capt.
(D.R.A.Murray)
for Lieut G.H.Jesser.
IO 1/45 Aust Inf Bn

This report has been read and noted.

Lt.Col
(L.W.Casier)
Comd 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park

13 FEB 1943

H.Q.
9th.Aust.Inf.Bde.(AIF)
AUSTRALIA

"I" RETURN

I. a. Normal Technical activities.

b. 692928 Camden Sheet.

c. N274639, Lt.N.Johnston,O.C. this Section.

d. Technical Duties.

e. Nil.

I6.
Normal

I9.
a. Nil.

b. Personnel warned of talking about Ops. of Unit.

c. One Picquet posted nightly from this Unit in conjunction with "A" Bde.W/Shops AEME.

d. Normal

e. Censorship regulations adhered to in all Mail passing through this Unit.

f. Nil.

g. Fair.

h. No information.

N.Johnston Lieut
.....O.C.
"Lt.N. Johnston.
'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park

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Intelligence Report
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Australia.
13 FEB 1943

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Intelligence Report

For Week Ending 13 Feb 43.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs. 12 Feb 43.

(1) (a) Ops. (Own Tps.)
Nothing to report.

(b) Location of Own Tps.
Bn.HQ. has been situated during the week at Cadre Camp, NARELLAN, CAMDEN 720988.

(c) Training.

6 Feb — Personnel who had not completed 2 Aust Army P.T. Test were conveyed to SILVERDALE by Unit M.T. and commenced Trek to SPRINGWOOD. Cadre Tng for Tps in Camp.
7 Feb — Bn Rest Day
8 Feb — Cadre Tng. Tps. returned from Trek. to SPRINGWOOD.
9 Feb — Cadre Tng.
10 Feb — Bn. rest day.
11 Feb — Tps. engaged in 2 Aust Army tactical exercise as Coy. of composite Bn. Gp. Maj. Cadogan acting as Coy. Comd.
12 Feb — Tps still engaged in tactical exercise.

(16) Topography. Affecting Own Tps. — No additional information has been recorded during this week.

(17) Topography. Affecting Enemy Tps. — Nothing to report.

(18) Climate and River Flood Condition affecting Tps. — During exercise light rain fell but did not affect operations.

(19) Security.
(a) Information.
Talk of Bde move to WOOLLONGONG Area still persists.
No new rumours have been encountered during this week.
(b) Personnel.
Nothing to report.
(c) Material.
Stores and equipment appear well guarded.
(d) Operations.
Nothing to report.
(e) Censorship.
No breaches in this respect have been reported during this week.
(f) Suspected Persons.
Nothing to report.
(g) Morale.
(i) Internal. Tps. generally content and morale good.
(ii) External. No report of friction with civilians or Allied Tps by members of this Bn. have been recorded.
(iii) Educational. Regular lectures along these lines are being given to Tps. and should do much to improve security.

W. L. Champion
(W.L. Champion) I.Sjt.for I.Offr. 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Sjt.

Seen by H. B. Cadogan Maj.
for (J.W. Lindfield) Adm. Comd. 17 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).
Maj.

ROD.

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9 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTN 4. Copy No 21

Move of 9 Aust Inf Bde Gp to WOLLONGONG Area.

15 Feb 43.

Ref Maps 1:63360 (CAMDEN
(WOLLONGONG
(WOLLONGONG STREET PLAN

1. GENERAL

The following is issued further to, and should be read in conjunction with, 9 Aust Inf Bde Adm Instn 2 of 8 Feb 43.

2. DATE OF MOVE.

9 Aust Inf Bde Gp will move to WOLLONGONG Area on 16 and 17 Feb 43 as detailed in Appx 'A' (Movement Table).

3. ADVANCE PARTIES of 1/45, 17 and 18 Aust Inf Bns and HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) of composition as decided by Unit Comds will move to new locations on 16 Feb 43 under Unit arrangements.

4. ROUTES will be as laid down in 9 Aust Inf Bde Adm Instn 2 paras 4 and 5.

5. SPEED AND DENSITY, except in restricted sectors mentioned in para 6 below, will be as follows :

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) 1/45 Aust Inf Bn 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) 18 Aust Inf Bn	20 MPH	10 VPM
Brigaded Carriers	15 MPH	10 VPM
A Bde Gp Wshops AFMF A Sec Ops Fd Pk AAOC	15 MPH	10 VPM

6. RESTRICTED SECTORS are as follows :

744783 to 737717 - 5 MPH 40 VPM

846523 to Camps - 10 MPH 20 VPM

7. HALTS will NOT be observed.

8. AASC TPT will be available on the following basis:

Serial	Unit.	Quantity	
1.	1/45 Aust Inf Bn	11 x 3 ton	13 Coy AASC
2.	17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	12 x 3 ton	13 Coy AASC
3.	HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	1 x 3 ton 5 x 3 ton	13 Coy AASC 13 Coy AASC (MT KEIRA
4.	18 Aust Inf Bn	12 x 3 ton	13 Coy AASC after dut on ger 1.

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10. MOVEMENT OF AASC TPT

Serial	Place of Reporting	Time	Disposal after duty.
1.	A Block NARELLAN	0600	12 vehs report as Ser 4 2 vehs return 13 Coy AASC ALL depart BALGOWNIE 1145
2.	F Block NARELLAN	0600	Return 13 Coy AASC
3.	F Block NARELLAN	1100	1 veh move to BALGOWNIE and return under comd Ser 4. 5 vehs return Camp Construction Unit.
4.	C Block NARELLAN	1430	Return 13 Coy AASC

11. CONTROL OF AASC TPT

a. 13 Coy AASC will supply at least 1 Offr and 1 Sjt for duty on Sers 1, 2 and 4.

b. 13 Coy AASC (MT KEIRA) will supply at least 1 NCO for duty on Ser 3.

c. AASC vehs will travel in one block in each convoy.

d. Units will exercise control of AASC vehs through Senior AASC Offr or NCO with Unit.

11. RATIONING OF AASC PERS

a. Cut lunches and dinners will be carried by all AASC pers.

b. Breakfast will be provided for drs by 1/45 & 17 Aust Inf Bn

c. Tea will be provided for drs as follows :

(i) by 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) at BALGOWNIE,
(ii) by HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) at NARELLAN,
(iii) by 18 Aust Inf Bn before and after move at NARELLAN and WARRAWONG respectively.

12. GUIDES FOR AASC TPT

Units will arrange guides to be at NARELLAN CAMP xrds 15 mins before scheduled time of arrival of AASC tpt. Guides will direct tpt to unit lines.

13. BRIGADED CARRIERS

OC Capt HOWELL, 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
2 i/c Lieut MARTIN, 18 Aust Inf Bn.

CC will report to SC 9 Aust Inf Bde at 0930 hrs 16 Feb 43.

14. NARELLAN CAMP

Units will arrange complete cleaning of Unit lines and cleaning area and will hand over Camp and Stores to Camp SO or his representative at a time to be mutually arranged.

(R.S. WEBB) Capt,
SC 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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Unit	Adm Instn Copy No	Appx 'A' Copy No
1/45 Aust Inf Bn	1 & 2	1 & 2
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	3 & 4	3 & 4
18 Aust Inf Bn	5 & 6	5 & 6
'J' Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div	7	7
13 Coy AASC	8& 9	8 & 9
13 Coy AASC (LF KEIRA)	10	10
1 Bde Gp Workshops AEME	11	11
25th Aust LAD (AIF)	12	12
1 Sec Crd Fd Pk AAOC	13	13
1 Aust Div	14	14
Sydney Kembla Camp Staff (Southern)	15	15
Comd	16	16
DM	17	17
SC	18	18
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APPX 'A'

15 FEB 43

9 AUST INF BDE

MOVEMENT TABLE

Issued in conjunction with 9 Aust Inf Bde Adm Instn 4

Serial No.	Unit	Approx No of Vehs	Date of Movement	Route	Starting Point Location	Starting Point Time Head Past	Dispersal Point Location	Dispersal Point Time Tail Past	Remarks
1.	1/45 Aust Inf Bn (less carriers)	46	17	A,B,C, E,F	751944	0815	880513	1040	
2.	17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (less carriers) C Sec 82 Aust Dental Unit	39	17	A, D,E, F	"	0835	880513	1115	
3.	HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde J Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div 254 Aust LAD	40	17	A,D,E	"	1400	848502	- 1630	
4.	18 Aust Inf Bn (less carriers) D Sec 82 Aust Dental Unit	47	17	A,D, G	"	1630	883420	1915	
5.	Brigaded Carrier Pls	41	16	A,B,C, F	"	1100	869482	1340	
6.	ABde Gp Wshops (AEMF) A Bde Sec Ord Fd Pk	41	16	A,B	734948	1400	872578	1605	

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ROUTINE ORDERS

Serial No. 7.
Nos. 56 - 58.

PART 1.

by

BRIG A.C.S.HOLLAND

COMMANDING

9 AUST INF BDE.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

11 Feb 43.

GENERAL STAFF - Nil.

ADMINISTRATION.

56. CAMP DUTIES.

Duty Unit: 12 Feb 43 - 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
15 Feb 43 - 18 Aust Inf Bn
18 Feb 43 - 1/45 Aust Inf Bn

Field Officer: 12 Feb 43 - Capt. N.S.Simons - 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
15 Feb 43 - Capt. A.V.Adcock - 18 Aust Inf Bn
18 Feb 43 - Capt. S.A.Cameron - 1/45 Aust Inf Bn

Ambulance Driver: Duty Unit.

Mosquito Control: 11 Feb 43 - 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
18 Feb 43 - 18 Aust Inf Bn

57. ROUTINE ORDERS.

The following Routine Orders have been issued and will be noted for information and necessary action.

GROs - 111 to 126 - 5 Feb 43.
1 Aust Div ROs - 85 to 94 - 9 Feb 43.

58. RETURNS.

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(G.C.DARLING) Major
BM 9 Aust Inf Bde.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

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Feb 13 CENEF Hut - Talkies Feb 14 - Sav Army Huty - Community Singing.
Feb 16 Stadium - 1930 hrs, Quiz & Talkies.
Feb 17 CENEF Hut - 2000 hrs - Talkies.

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9 Aust Inf Bde

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16 Feb, 43.

18 AUST INF BN ADM INSTN NO. 2

MOVE OF 18 AUST INF BN TO WARRAWONG CAMP.

REF MAPS: NSW CAMDEN / WOLLONGONG } 1 : 63360

1. GENERAL.

18 Aust Inf Bn will move on 17 Feb, 43, to WARRAWONG Camp - 883420

2. ROUTE.

The following route will be used by all vehicles of 18 Aust Inf Bn:-

723981 - 807911 - 784751 - 727709 - 833539 - 846523 - 869482 - 871481 - 851454 - 883420.

Total distance - 49 miles.

3. START POINT. 754944

4. START TIME 1100 ~~1630~~ hrs

5. SPEED AND DENSITY

With the exception of restricted areas, the following speed and density will be observed:-

vtm - 10
mih - 20

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Restricted areas:-

744723 - 737717 5 mih 40 vtm
846523 - Dispersal Point 10 mih - 20 vtm

6. DISPERSAL POINT 883420

7. TRAFFIC CONTROL

10 OR's will be provided to Provost Sgt for traffic control and will be deposited at TCP's before the arrival of the convoy.

8. ORDER OF MARCH

Group 1 - Bn HQ and Comp Coy
Group 2 - AASC Vehicles
Group 3 - HQ Coy and Q Vehicles

Distance between Groups - 800 yds

9. HALTS.

There will be NO halts during the move.

10. ALLOTMENT OF TRANSPORT.

Group	Vehicle No.	Type	Allotment	Driver
1	26658	Recce Car	CO	Dvr Freeman
	16929	Office Van	Bn HQ	WO Brooker
	25398	3 ton GS	Bn HQ	Dvr Mather
	16073	3 ton GS	Band	L/Cpl Simpson
	25396	3 ton GS	Dental Unit	Dvr Biden
	15700	1 ton GS	YMCA & Padre	Pte Watson
	26757	1 ton GS	1 Pl	Capt Chambers
	23976	15 cwt GS	2 Pl	Lieut Mussett
	25322	1 ton GS	3 Pl	Capt Baillie
	26166	3 ton FWD	Comp Coy	Dvr Bullock

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9 AUST INF BDE

Serial No.9
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HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Australia.

GENERAL STAFF - NIL

ADMINISTRATION.

65. ROUTINE ORDERS: The following orders have been issued and will be noted for information and necessary action.

General Routine Orders	- 146-166	19 Feb 43
1 Aust Div HOs	- 113-125	22 Feb 43

64. DUTY BUGLER - HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

1/45 Aust Inf Bn 3 Mar 43

Bugler will bring personal gear & bedding. Tour of duty, one week

65. MAXIMUM SPEED DURING HOURS OF DARKNESS.

Until further notice vehicles of 1 Aust Div will not exceed the speed of 20 MPH under the most favourable conditions.
In unfavourable conditions such as during heavy rain, mist or fog this speed must be considerably reduced and drivers of all vehicles will be held responsible therefor.

66. REDIRECTION OF PARCELS AND OTHER ARTICLES.

Owing to the difficulty in deciphering redirections on certain parcels and other articles, it has been decided to vary the instructions covering redirection insofar as the use of red ink is concerned.
Where the covering of an article is of an material or texture which will not easily take ink, heavy black or blue pencil should be used.
To avoid delays in delivery, attention is drawn to the necessity for clear and legible re-addressing.

67. M.T. DRIVERS.

Wherever MT vehicles are evacuated to "A" Bde (p W/shops for repairs etc, drivers of those vehicles must carry with them the unconsumed portion of the days rations as it is impossible for W/shop to ration for extra drivers at short notice.

68. CATCHMENT AREA - RESTRICTIONS.

Fishing, shooting, camping, lighting of fires, and cutting of timber in the catchment areas is prohibited. Offenders in this regard will be severely dealt with. Catchment Area may be considered as any point West of Main feature running south-west from BULLI LOOKOUT to MT MURRAY (Kiama) 1" - 1 ml.sq625

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68. RETURNS:

Medical	27	Feb	43
Seasonal Leave	27	Feb	43
Prophylactic Examination	27	Feb	43
No. & % Enlisted AIF	1	Mar	43
Personnel more than 21 days A.W.L.	2	Mar	43
State & Condition of arms and Equipment	3	Mar	43
Trunk Line Calls & telegrams	8	Mar	43

(G.C.DARLING) Major
BM 9 Aust Inf Bde.
A.O.F.

NOTICES

RECREATIONAL CANTEEN SERVICES IN AREA.

Units are asked to ensure that all personnel are acquainted with the following details of canteens in Wollongong.

Women's Voluntary Service Canteen.

11CA Crown Street: Open from 1030 to 2200 on 7 days per week.
Midday and Evening meals - 6d.
Cup of tea with sandwiches or scones - 3d.
Hot showers - 2d.
Billiards - Ping Pong - Library etc.

WANS All Services Canteen.

Cnr. Crown & Aichison Sts.: Open from 1000 to 2300 on 7 days per week
Cold Luncheon - 9d. Dinner 1/-.
Afternoon tea or supper 6d.
Hot shower - 3d.
Billiards - Ping Pong - Library etc.
Social night every Friday (supper free)
WANS dance Mon 1 Mar then every alternate Mon.
Telephone: 704

WEEKLY DANCE.

At Soldiers' Club Hall, Church St., Wollongong - Every Thursday evening - admission 1/- - Proceeds in aid of Local forces entertainment fund.

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HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Australia

19 Feb 43

GENERAL STAFF - NIL

ADMINISTRATION

59. ROUTINE ORDERS The following Orders have been issued and will be noted for information and necessary action :

General Orders	- 1-13, 31 Jan 43
General Routine Orders	- 127-145, 12 Feb 43.
Second Aust Army ROs	- 35-42, 4 Feb 43
1 Aust Div ROs	- 95-112, 16 Feb 43.
Second Aust Army ROs	- 43-49, 11 Feb 43

60. APPOINTMENT ETC ORDERS. The following Appointments etc Orders have been issued and will be noted for Information and necessary action.

Second Aust Army , 24, 4 Feb 43
Second Aust Army 25, 11Feb 43

61. DAMAGE TO TIMBER. Members will not, except for operational purposes, cut or authorize or direct the cutting of timber growing on private or public property (including forestry reserves) without first obtaining the consent of a person having power to agree to such cutting.

Attention is directed to GRO's A232/1942 (as amended by A266/1942 and G600/1942)

(To be republished in unit routine orders)

62. RETURNS

Census of Warlike Stores	- 20 Feb 43
Medical Return	- 20 Feb 43
Seasonal Leave	- 20 Feb 43
AIF Enlistment	- 22 Feb 43.

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(G.C. DARLING) Maj
BM 9 Aust Inf Bde.

APPENDIX

SCHOOL RESULTS

LHQ School of Arty A/Tk Puckapunyal No 2 Course Inf Offrs Refresher 30 Nov - 26 Dec 42.

NX 107607 Sgt HOLLINSWORTH, R.P.	18 Aust Inf Bn.	Q.
NX 116561 Cpl HORTON, H.J.	1/45 Aust Inf Bn	Q.
NX 111565 Cpl HODGSON, D.W.	17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	Q.

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GENERAL STAFF - NIL

ADMINISTRATION

59. ROUTINE ORDERS. The following Orders have been issued and will be noted for information and necessary action:

General Orders	- 1-13, 31 Jan 43
General Routine Orders	- 127-145, 12 Feb 43.
Second Aust Army ROs	- 35-42, 4 Feb 43
1 Aust Div ROs	- 95-112, 10 Feb 43.
Second Aust Army ROs	- 43-45, 11 Feb 43

60. APPOINTMENT ETC ORDERS. The following Appointments etc Orders have been issued and will be noted for Information and necessary action.

Second Aust Army , 21, 1 Feb 43
Second Aust Army 25, 11Feb 43

61. DAMAGE TO TIMBER. Members will not, except for operational purposes, cut or authorize or direct the cutting of timber growing on private or public property (including forestry reserves) without first obtaining the consent of a person having power to agree to such cutting.

Attention is directed to G.R.O's A232/1942 (as amended by A266/1942 and G600/1942)

(To be republished in unit routine orders)

62. RETURNS

Census of War Time Stores	- 20 Feb 43
Medical Return.	- 20 Feb 43
Seasonal Leave.	- 20 Feb 43.
AIF Enlistment	- 22 Feb 43.

(G.C. DARLING) Maj
BM 9 Aust Inf Bde.

APPENDIX

SCHOOL RESULTS

LHQ School of Arty A/Tk Pw Kapunda No 2 Course Inf Offrs Refresher 30 Nov - 26 Dec 42.

NX 107607 Sgt HOLLINGSWORTH, R.P.	18 Aust Inf Bn.	Q.
NX 116561 Cpl HOLTON, H.J.	1/45 Aust Inf Bn	Q.
NX 111565 Cpl HODGSON, D.W.	17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	Q.

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Address HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Australia.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

HQ 1 Aust Div (AIF).

... 1. Enclosed please find in duplicate 9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Report for week ended ~~19~~ 26 Feb 43.

for ~~(SGD.) A. C. SELWYN HOLLAND~~
(A.C.S.HOLLAND) Brig.
COMD 9 Aust Inf Bde.

AOP

RW/JPB.

S E C R E T.

9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Report.

Based on Information received up to 2359 hrs 19 Feb 43.

1. (a) OPS RE OWN TPS: - "NIL"

(b) LOCATION OWN TPS: See Appendix "A" attached.

(i) INFM RE "I" SECS: HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde(AIF). Composition.
1 Offr. 1 S/Sgt. 1 Cpl. 1 L/Cpl.
Tng:Sec has been engaged in ammending maps of new Bde Area. On 18 Feb 43 Pte. A.HARRIS was promoted to rank of L/Cpl. He is now attending Second Aust Army MR & FS School - Seymour, Vic.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn. Composition.
1 Offr. 1 Sgt. 2 Cpls.
Cpl. FALVEY J.H. att to "I" Sec for tng. Tng Map enlargements and recce of new Camp Area.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Composition.
1 Offr.1 Sgt.
Tng: Routine duties.

18 Aust Inf Bn Composition.
1 Offr. 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. 1 L/Cpl.
Tng: Preparation of maps of new Camp Area and Routine duties. On 15 Feb Cpl. J MURPHY rejoined Sec from MR & FS School Ser No.1. Seymour, Vic.

7. ENEMY AIR ACTIVITY. (19 Feb 43) Following the appearance of unidentified aircraft over KEMBLA area a RED warning was issued for KEMBLA area and Air Raid Sirens sounded in WOLLONGONG at 2111 hrs.
Major ALLAN K.F.D. rang HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) and stated that at 2108 hrs unidentified aircraft were over KEMBLA. All Clear was signalled at 0012/20 in Wollongong and the white was received from 1 Aust Div at 0515/20

Air Raid Alarm - Attached is report by 1/45 Aust InfBn.

16. TOPOGRAPHY AFFECTING OWN TPS: - NIL

19. SECURITY: A. Information 9 Aust Inf Bde move to WOLLONGONG area confirmed rumours that had been circulating among tps for the last few weeks. Current rumours reported concern incoming tps who are said to be the 9 Aust Div returning for a rest period.

B. Personnel Nil
C. Material "
D. Operations "
E. Censorship: Telegrams - Civilian post offices have no means of refusing telegrams from tps in our area.
F. Suspected persons:
G. Morale: Internal - Good
External - Good

R.H.Lampeough
for (R.H.LAMPEOUGH) Lieut.
IO 9 Aust Inf Bde. A.O.L.

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Appendix "A"

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DISPOSITIONS AS AT 2359 Hrs 19 Feb 43.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde(AIF) "J" Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div 254 Aust L A D(AIF)	WOLLONGONG	848502
HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn	"	880513
HQ 17 Aust Inf Bn	CAMDEN	720988
HQ 18 Aust Inf Bn	WOLLONGONG	883420
"A" Bde Gp 1 Aust Div W/shops AEME	"	872573
"A" Bde Sec 1 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	"	872578

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HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn,
AUSTRALIA
20 Feb 43.

REPORT ON AIR RAID ALARM

At 2040 hrs on Friday 19 Feb 43, Lieut Dorry (duty Offr) received a verbal message direct from B.M. 9 Bde. This message stated :-

"Yellow warning. One or two unidentified planes sighted five miles off Pt Kembla. Two P39's gone up to investigate. Next warning by sirens of WOLLONGONG." On receipt of this message all personnel in camp area were warned and blackout arrangements made.

The Air Raid Sirens were sounded at 2111 hrs and a total blackout was enforced. All personnel stood by slit trenches.

REPORT BY LIEUT JESSER

At 2000 hrs (approx) whilst on leave in Sydney I heard shots fired and went out to investigate. One searchlight was roaming the sky in search of a plane; the motor of which could be heard. This plane was too high to determine the type.

No alarm was sounded.

With the rest of Bn I left Sydney on the train at 2127 hrs for Balgownie. At approximately 2210 hrs the warning "air raid yellow" was given by the station master at Waterfall and train was blacked out. Drill carried out bynboth civilians and troops was excellent.

On return to Balgownie, information re enemy air activity was promulgated to Coy Comds and troops. Preparation to facilitate a quick move were carried out and all personnel ordered to "stand to".

"Stand down" was ordered on receipt of "all clear".

Lieut.
(C.H.Jesser)
I.O.1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Hq 18 Aust Inf Bn.,
AUSTRALIA.

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20 February, 43.

18 AUST INF BN INTELLIGENCE REPORT

9 Aust Inf Bde.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs 19 Feb 43.

1 (a) INFORMATION re ENEMY

Air raid warning was signalled at 2110 L/19 following appearance of unidentified aircraft in SYDNEY - KEMBLA area. Vehicles were dispersed and personnel stood by.

All clear was signalled at 0012 L/20.

should be in para 7. Is this correct? no.

(b) LOCATION OWN TROOPS

The Bn moved on 17 Feb 43 from NARELLAN to Cadre Camp WARRAWONG ref WOLLONGONG M.S.1" Sq 8841, with BnHq at ref 883418.

(d) TRAINING

During the past week tps have been engaged in preparing for move from NARELLAN and cleaning new camp, at the same time making general improvement and wiring in camp area.

(e) INFORMATION re "I" SECTION.

Sec personnel have been engaged in preparing sketches of WARRAWONG Camp and buildings, while a set of M.S. 1" covering new area has been brought up to date for use as key maps.

On 15 Feb 43 Cpl J. Murphy rejoined sec. from MR & FS Wing Ser No.1 SEYMOUR.

19 SECURITY

(a)	Information	-	Nil ✓
(b)	Personnel	-	Nil ✓
(c)	Material	-	Nil ✓
(d)	Operations	-	Nil ✓
(e)	Censorship	-	Nil ✓
(f)	Suspected persons	-	Nil
(g)	Morale, internal	-	Good
(h)	Morale, external	-	Nothing to report.

W.D. Freeman. Lieut.
(W.D.FREEMAN)
I.O. 18 Aust Inf Bn

This report has been read and noted.

C.H. Neville Lt. Col.
(C.H.NEVILLE)
Comd 18 Aust Inf Bn

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Intelligence Report
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Australia. 29 FEB 1943

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Intelligence Report

For Week Ending 20 Feb 43.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs. 19 Feb 43.

1. (a) Ops. (Own Tps.)
Air Raid warning "Yellow" was received by 'phone 2100 hrs.
Air Raid Warning "Red" was received 2245 hrs. on 19 Feb 43.
Personnel in camp moved to Ack Ack Stations and manned same until "All Clear" sounded.

what about career pl?

(b) Location of Own Tps.
Bn. HQ. has been situated during the week at Cadre Camp, Narellan, Camden 720988.

(c) Training.
Cadre Tng for Officers in operation this week includes tng in Gas Decontamination, Operation Orders, Message Writing.
Cadre Tng. for O/Rs. being continued includes tng. in Mortar, Anti-Tank Gun, Guerilla Tng., and Elementary Tng.

(d) Information re. I.Section.
(i) Composition. I.Sjt.
(ii) Tng. and Work. Keeping records. Bringing M.S. Sheets up to date.

16. Topography.
Affecting Own Tps.
No additional information has been recorded during this week.

17. Topography.
Affecting Enemy Tps.
Nothing to report.

18. Climate and River Flood Condition affecting Tps. Nothing to report.

19. Security.
(a) Information : Bde. move to Woollongong area confirmed rumours that had been circulating among the Tps. for the last three weeks. Current rumours concern incoming Tps. who are said to be the 9 Div. returning for a Rest period.
(b) Personnel. Nothing to report.
(c) Material. Stores and equipment appear well guarded.
(d) Operations. Nothing to report.
(e) Censorship. No breaches have been reported during this week.
(f) Suspected Persons. Nothing to report.
(g) Morale. (i) Internal. Tps. generally content and morale good.
(ii) External. No report of friction with civilians or Allied Tps. by members of this Bn. have been reported.
(iii) Educational. Regular lectures are being given and personnel are displaying keen interest in same.

W. L. Champion Sjt.
(W.L. Champion) I.Sjt. 17 Aust.Inf.Bn.(AIF).

Seen by

C E Morgan Lt-Col.
(C.E. Morgan) Comd. 17 Aust. Inf. Bn. (AIF).

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Address HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn, AUSTRALIA
Date 20 Feb 43.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF),
AUSTRALIA

1/45 Aust Inf Bn Int. Report for week ending 19 Feb 43.
Based on infm received up to 2359 hrs 19 Feb 43.

1. (a) Ops (own tps) - see para 1 (d)

(b) Location own tps - as from 1100 hrs 17 Feb 43. BALGOWNIE Cadre Camp.

(c) TRG - 13 Feb 43 - Rifles checked and inspected by CQMS - Gas Chamber (CAP) - Medical Inspection.

14 " " Church Parade - Lecture Parade (Cancelled) MT Maintenance.

15 " " Bn Parade - MT Maintenance - cleaning & checking weapons and ammn.

16 " " Advance Party (carriers) moved out approx 1030 hrs - General preparations for movement.

17 Feb 43 Preparations for and Movement to BALGOWNIE Garrison leave 1900 hrs to 2359 hrs.

18 " " General cleaning of camp area and establishing - Rest Day Leave for maintenance party in W'gong also Garrison Leave 1900 hrs to 2359 hrs.

19 " " Rest Day Leave to Sydney - Maintenance Party carrying out essential duties in Camp Area.

(d) Infm re "I" Sec -

(i) Composition - Lieut G.H.Jesser I.O.
Sgt Steffanoni, C.W.
Cpl Hull, D. (Transferred B Coy)
Cpl Falvey, J.H. (att for trg)

(ii) Trg and Work - 4" enlargement of BULLI - KEMBLA area commenced - Lieut Jesser engaged on recce of new Camp area Cpl Falvey being instructed in office routine and elementary field work - Cpl McKeand returned from M.I. School On 19 Feb 43.

7 & 8. Enemy Air And Sea Activity - see att report.

16. Topography affecting own tps - Nil.

19. Security - (a) Infm - Rumour of move south proved correct - Rumour from Sgt's Mess (reported by WO II Taylor) that this Bde will only remain in this area for a period of six weeks, after which time 9 Div (returning from overseas for short rest period) will take over local garrison duties. Thus releasing 9 Bde

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"I" REPORT (contd)

for duties elsewhere.

(b) Pers - Nil.

(c) Material - No activity.

(d) Ops - Guard & piquet duty being carried out.

(e) Censorship - No breaches reported.

(f) Suspected persons - Nil.

Morale -

(g) Internal - Morale of tps good.

(h) External - No friction reported.

Lieut.
(G.H.Jesser)
I.O. 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

This report has been read and noted by.

Lt. Col
(L.W.Casier)
Comd 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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H.Q.
9th.Aust.Inf.Bde. (AIF)
AUSTRALIA.

'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park
20 FEB 1943

"I" RETURN

I. a. Normal Technical activities.

b. 872578 W/Gong Sheet.

c. No change since last Return.

d. Technical duties,Convoy procedure,& Driving Instn.

e. Nil

I6. Normal.

I9. a. Nil.

b. Nil.

c. One Guard supplied from 1800 hrs.to 0600 hrs.daily in conjunction with "A" Bde,Gp.W/Shops AEME.

d. Normal.

e. No breach of Censorship regulations detected in Mail censored by this Unit.

f. Nil.

g. Normal.

h. No indication.

.....O.C.
'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO 1/45 bn, 17 bn 18 bn, K FD

FROM 9 Bde

Originator's Number I121

Date 24

In Reply to Number

RAAF	staging	interception	test	to-night	2100
to	2230	hrs	0	consists	of
flight	of	one	plane	later	intercepted
by	two	planes	0	FD	A/A
and	searchlight	well	co-operate	0	all
informed					

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

Pamplona Fort

SIGNED

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 2000

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

T.O.S.—7/42

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

254 AUST. LAD (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals	1	—	—

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
CAPTAIN	NX04923	FRIEND JA	AEME	NO	HQ 1 AUST DIV

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
	NX119487	Lawson G.B.	AEME		

254 AUST. LAD
(Unit.)

Geo. Lawson, Lieut.
(Signature of Commander.)
O.C. 254 Aust. L.A.D.

20-2-43
(Date of Despatch.)

9 Aust Inf Bde.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

Serving with unit
AIF – 13
CMF – 1

254 AUST. LAD (Unit) 20.2.43 19 (Date).
On leave with pay
On strength HQ

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.) "X" left for HQ

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail. HE	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	–		
W.Os. Class II. 1	–		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants 1	–		
Serjeants –	2		
Corporals 4	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 9	10		
TOTALS 15	14	*	* 1

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
~~NX~~	~~Cpl~~			
NX104679	L/Cpl	Harwood J.	A.E.M.E.	Ordnance Trng Depot, Bathurst
NX106409	A/Cpl	Stormont J. G.	A.E.M.E.	103 Con Depot.

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254 AUST. LAD Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.		1	Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner	1		Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.		3	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators	2		Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	3				4			

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

254 AUST. LAD
Unit.

Geo. Larsson. Lieut.
for Signature of Commander.

Aust Inf Bde
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 26-2-43

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War Diary

...OF 10 AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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WE-AIF 11/2/3
17X72 att 3X59

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

On leave without pay
Posted strength "X" LIST - NIL

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).		3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
*	WE	POSTED		
Brigadiers *	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	2	1		1
Captains	6	3		3
Lieutenants	5	7	2	
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters & Paddins ...	3	3		
Totals	17	15	2	4

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lt/Capt	Webb R S	HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde AIF	19 Feb 43	Tfd HQ 1 Aust Div

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	~~Corps.~~ Appointment	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brig	NX101314	Holland A.C.S.	Bde Comd	Yes.	
Lt/T/Maj	NX101315	Darling G.C.	BM	"	
Lt/T/Capt	NX101316	Williams R.N.	BM/L	"	
	NX101318	Clutton K.T.	TO	"	
	~~NX117021~~	~~Webb R.S.~~	~~SC~~	~~No~~	
	NX76308	Moore E.F.	LO1	Yes	
Lieut	NX112660	Walton S.J.T.	AO	"	
	NX ~~103938~~ 117032	Graham A.K.	SC/L	"	
	NX101322	Pearce R.G.	LO2	"	
	NX103981	Lamplough R.C.G.	IO	"	
	NX103938	Burrows R.G.O.	BASCO	"	
	N429323	McNamara W.M.J.	EO	No	Det HQ NSW L of C area
	NX101367	Oliver W.E.	LO3	Yes.	
Chaplain	NX34983	McDermott P.P.	Chaplain	No	Det 17 Aust Inf Bn
	N282161	Cutcliffe E.M.	"	"	" 18 " " "
	N429708	Lambert E.E.		"	" 1/45 " " "

Attached

Lieut	NX112382	Cooper W.L.	1 Fd Lyg	Yes	Pending Secondment
Lt/T/Capt	NX114288	Jones K.S.R.	1 Div Sigs	"	OC 5 Sec Sigs
Lieut	NX110989	Pearce J.C.	"	"	2 I/C " "
Lt/T/Capt.	NX104752	Friend J.A.	1 Div AEME	"	OC 254 Aust LAD
Lieut	NX26983	O'Brien G.W.	1 Aust Fd Reg	No	at 113 A.G.H.
Lt/T/Capt.	NX101884	Mitty A.J.	1/45 Bn	YES	att for duty

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
(Unit.)

K Graham Lieut
(Signature of Commander.)

27 Feb 43
(Date of Despatch.)

1 Aust Div
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Period strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., Deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors			
Captains			
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals			

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

(Signature of Commander.)

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on leave without pay
on strength NIL

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Serving with unit AIF - 1

254 AUST. LAD (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors			
Captains ... ... 1 ...	1		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
Totals ... ... 1 ...	1	—	—

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
CAPTAIN	NX154923	FRIEND JA	AEME	NO	HQ 1 AUST DIV

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

254 AUST. LAD
(Unit.)

Geo. Lawson. Lieut
(Signature of Commander.)
O.C. 254 Aust. L.A.D.

27.2.43
(Date of Despatch.)

9 Aust Div
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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H.Q. 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) (Unit) 27 Feb 1943 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

Personnel on leave without pay - On strength - NIL
"X" List - NIL

1	2		3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). WE	Posted	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1	1		
W.Os. Class II.	2	3	1	
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants				
Staff Serjeants	2	2		
Serjeants	4	3		1
Corporals	8	6		2
Troopers, Privates, &c.	55	46		9
TOTALS	72	61	* 1	* 12

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Attached under WE		Other Attachments	
2 Sgts 1 Gde 12 ORs - 2/4 LAD.		2 1 Aust Div Postal	
1 " 4 " 31 " - 1 Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div		2 18 Aust Inf Bn.	

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
		Summary		
CMF	AIF	VAD & C		
1 X 3	15 X 58	NIL		

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HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (PIF) Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
WE								
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
1 Armourers AEME		1	Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V. AEME		1	Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
3 Cooks GH Tt 2		1	Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
9 Driver ~~Mechanics~~ MT 8		1	Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters			1 Batman (AASC)		1
Sgt armourer at present attending school - hosted "X" Last - mill return			Orderley MT	1		WO II Equc	1	
						Int Duties		
						1 Cpl		1
						2 ORs GH Tt		2
						1 OR GH Tt Oftsman		1
						Non Specialists		
						Pte		44
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)							2	13

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (PIF)
Unit.

T Graham Lieut
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 27 Feb 43

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

Serving with unit 254 AUST. LAD (Unit) 27.2.43 19 (Date).
AIF - 14
CMF - 1

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

On leave without pay
"X" list NIL
on strength NIL

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail. NIL	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II. 1	—		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants 1	—		
Serjeants —	2		
Corporals 4	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 9	11		
TOTALS 15	15	* —	* —

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

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

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

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.....Unit.

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.		1	Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner	1		Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Hello Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.		2	Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators	2		Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)	3				3			

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
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O.C. 254 Aust. L.A.D.

254 AUST. LAD

Unit.

Geo. Lawson Lieut.

Signature of Commander.

9 Aust Inf Bde

Date of Despatch 27.2.43

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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Australia.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT.

HQ 1 Aust Div (AIF).

1. Enclosed please find in duplicate 9 Aust Inf Bde Intelligence Report for week ended 26 Feb 43.

(A.C.S.HOLLAND) Brig.
COMD 9 Aust Inf Bde.

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9 AUST INF BDE INTELLIGNECE REPORT.

BASED ON INFORMATION RECEIVED UP TO 2359 hrs 26 FEB 43.

1. (a) OPS RE OWN TPS - "NIL"

(b) LOCATION RE OWN TPS See appendix "A" attached.

(c) TRAINING - On 22/23 Feb incl. Units took part in 9 Bde Comp Gp exercise, No.2 Area - Loftus.

(e) INFM RE "I" SECS - HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde(AIF)
Composition: 1 Offr, 1 S/Sgt, 1 Cpl, 1 L/Cpl.
No.6. Bde Aircraft Aircraft Recognition School is being conducted at 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

1/45 Aust Inf Bn.
Composition: Lieut G.H.JESSER
Sgt. W.STEFFANONI
Cpl. D.HULL (att from B Coy)
Cpl. J.FALVEY(att for tng)
Cpl. A.MCKEAND
L/Cpl. F.HAYES (att for tng)
Tng: Recce of Bn Area, revising MS sheets, routine duties.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Composition: 1 Offr, 1 Sgt.
Tng. Routine duties.

18 Aust Inf Bn.
Composition: 1 Offr, 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl, 1 L/Cpl, 1 Pte.
Tng: Personnel of sec with the exception of the IO engaged in 9 Comp Exercise No.2. 22/23 Feb 43 Lieut. M.FREEMAN and Sgt. E.HOWIE are at present attending LHQ School of Military Intelligence -Redcliffe

17 SECURITY.

(a) Information: 1/45 Aust Inf Bn reports that tps have been discussing possability of 17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) being absorbed in 2/17 Aust Inf Bn.

(b) Personnel: NIL

(c) Material: Petty thieving has been going on in 1/45 Aust Inf Bn lines and Civil Police have been called in. To date no light has been thrown on the matter.

(d) Operations: NIL

(e) Censorship: NIL

(f) Suspected persons: NIL

(g) Morale: Internal - Good. However a certain amount of discontent over the leave position exists.

External - Good.

(h) Educational: FSS personnel delivered a lecture on Security to tps of Bde HQ. Frequent lectures of this kind are necessary to impress tps with the need for utmost security when talking to strangers in picture shows, dances, and public conveyances. An extensive campaign on this angle of security is felt to be necessary.

R.Webb S/Sgt
(R.LAMPLOUGH) Lieut.
for IO 9 Aust Inf Bde. HQ

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APPENDIX "A"

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DISPOSITIONS AS AT 2359 hrs 26 FEB 43.

HQ 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) "J" Sec Sigs 1 Aust Div 254 Aust L A D	WOLLONGONG	848502
HQ 1/45 Aust Inf Bn	"	880513
HQ 17 Aust Inf Bn	CAMDEN	720988
HQ 18 Aust Inf Bn	WOLLONGONG	883420
"A" Bde Gp 1 Aust Div W/shops AEME	"	872579
"A" Bde Sec 1 Aust Div Ord Fd Pk	"	872578

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Australian Military Forces—Eastern Command.

"A" Bde. Gp. Wkshop
1 Aust. Div. Wkshop (AEME)

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Address Australia.
Date 27 Feb 43.

"A" Bde Gp Wkshops AEME INTELLIGENCE REPORT for Week Ending 26th Feb 43 based on information received up to 2359 hours .

1. (a) Location - Map reference 873578 Wollongong Sheet.

(c) Posting of Officers - Present posting of Officers,
NX 112597 Capt. TD Richardson O/C
NX 121485 Lieut WE Jackson 2 i/c attached from HQ 1 Aust Div Wkshop AEME for temporary duty.

NX 112598 Lieut RG Simpson

(d) Training. During the week personnel were engaged in technical duties and camp construction. Training in accordance with syllabus - squad drill without arms and rifle exercises.

19. Security. (a) Information - no comment
(b) Personnel - no comment
(c) Material - no comment
(d) Operations - no comment
(e) Censorship - no comment
(f) Suspected Persons - nil
(g) Morale
Internal - fair
External - fair

Capt.
T. D. RICHARDSON
O.C. "A" Bde. Gp. Wkshop
1 Aust. Div. Wkshop (AEME)

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Date AUSTRALIA
27 Feb 43

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HQ, 9 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
AUSTRALIA

1/45 AUST INF BN REPORT for week ending 26 Feb 43, based on information received up to 2359 hrs 26 Feb 43.

1. (a) Ops (own tps) - see para 1 (d)
(b) Location own tps - BALGOWNIE Cadre Camp.

(c) Trg. - 20 Feb - M.T. and Weapon maintenance - Working party at REIDTOWN (prep for C.D.S.) - Lieut Dorry, WOiis Larkin, Gardiner & Minnis, recce of area for QDE Trg vic MT KIERA.

21 Feb - Church Parade - Bn parade - Maintenance - Working Party at REIDTOWN - Coy Comds recce of possible Trek Area - Inspection of Comp Bn HQ transport & pers.

22 Feb - M.T. maintenance - 1300 hrs Comp Bn. WARNING ORDER be ready to move at 1 hrs notice. (See att. Action Diary) - Comp Bn Exercise.

23 Feb - Comp Bn Exercise completed - Returned to camp 1820 hrs - 1900 hrs Garrison leave for 2/3 of Bn.

24 Feb - Bn parade - Working party at REIDTOWN - MT maintenance - Bn formed into Comp Coy - Wet Canteen opened.

25 Feb - No 1 Pl of Comp Coy doing QDEs - MT & Carrier maintenance - Medical Inspection - Lecture on INDIA by Education Sjt.

26 Feb - REST DAY Leave for Bn - Maintenance Party on essential duties in Camp Area - Pers on Jungle Warfare Range - Maintenance Party formed into Comp Pl and given instructions in case of an alarm.

(d) Infm re "I" Sec:-

(i) Composition

Lieut G.H. Jesser I.O.
Sjt Steffanoni, C.W.
Cpl Hull, D. (attd from "B" Coy)
Cpl.Falvey, J.H. (attd for trg)
Cpl McKeand, A.C.
L/Cpl Hayes, F. (attd for trg)

(ii) Trg and Work

Sjt Steffanoni did route recce vic LAKE ILLAWARRA - SHELL HARBOUR. Cpl Hull did recce of roads vic Camp Area (both recce for checking of route only) Cpls Falvey & McKeand, being trained in Office duties & elementary field work.

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(ii) Trg and Work (Cont)

MS Sheets being revised. Continuation of 4" enlargement.

16. TOPOGRAPHY affecting own tps - NIL.

19. SECURITY - (a) Infm - Tps discussing possibility of 17 Bn (AIF) being absorbed by 2/17 Bn.
(b) Pers. - No subversive elements.
(c) Material - stores and eqpt guarded. Petty thieving has been going on in tent areas and the Civil Police have been called in. To date no light has been thrown on the matter.
(d) Ops - Tps being instructed in Security of Ops.
(e) Censorship - No breaches reported.
(f) Suspected Persons - Nil
(g) Internal - Good.
(h) External - No friction reported.

Lieut
(G.A. Jesser)
I.O., 1/45 Aust Inf Bn

This report has been read and noted by

Lt.Col.
(L.W. Casier)
Comd, 1/45 Aust Inf Bn.

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1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park
27 FEB 1943

H.Q.
9th.Aust.Inf.Bde.(AIF)
AUSTRALIA.

"I" REPORT.

I.

a. Normal Activities.
b. 872578 W/gong Sheet.
c. No alteration.
d. Technical Duties,Two Lectures by A.E.S,on India,and Religion.
e. Nil.

I6. Normal.

I9. a. Nil.
b. Nil.
c. Guard supplied from I800 hrs.to 0600 hrs.in conjunction with "A"Bde.W/shops AEME.
d. Norma l.
e. No braach of Censorship detected in Mail passing through Unit.
f. Nil
g. Normal.
h. Noinformation.

.....O.C.
'A' Bde: Grp. Sect.
1 Aust. Div. Ord. Fd. Park

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Hq. 18 Aust Inf. Bn.
AUSTRALIA.
27 Feb, '43.

18 Aust Inf. Bn. Int. Report.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs 26 Feb, '43.

1. (b) Location Own Tps.

The Bn. remains encamped at Cadre Camp, WARRAWONG.

(d) TRAINING.

General training has included completion of camp area wiring, a night directional march, short route marches and swimming instruction.

On 22/23 Feb, '43 incl. Bn. took part in 9 Comp. Gp. exercise No. 2 area LOFTUS.

(e) Infm. re. "I" Sec.

Composition.

Remains unchanged.

Training

"I" sec. personnel with exception of I.O. took part in above-mentioned exercise.

In addition M.S.1" covering the area have been corrected to conform with infm. to hand, and message procedure re-organised so as to incorporate use of Battle Board.

19 Security.

(a)	Information.	Nil.
(b)	Personnel	Nil.
(c)	Material	Nil.
(d)	Operations	Nil.
(e)	Censorship.	Nil.
(f)	Suspected Persons	Nil.
(g)	Morale, internal	Good.
(h)	Morale, external	Nothing to report.

for [signature] A/Cpl. Lieut.
(W.D. FREEMAN)
I.O. 18 Aust Inf. Bn.

This report has been read and noted

C.H. Neville Lt.Col.
(C.H. NEVILLE)
Comd. 18 Aust Inf. Bn.

[signature] 1/3

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Intelligence Report
17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Australia.

17 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Intelligence Report

26 FEB 1943

For Week Ending 27 Feb 43.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs. 26 Feb 43.

1. (a) Ops. Own Tps.
Nothing to report.
(b) Location of Own Tps.
Bn. Hq. situated during the week at NARELLAN Camp Camden 720988.
(c) Training.
All personnel engaged in preparing accomodation for Liddington Tps. who are establishing a rest camp.
(d) Information re I. Section.
i. Composition. I. Offr.,I. Sjt.
ii. Training. I.O. engaged in duties connected with preparation of accomodation for incoming Tps.
I. Sjt. keeping records correcting M.S. Sheets, preparing War Diary.

16. Topography.
Affecting Own Tps.
No additional information has been recorded during this week.

17. Topography.
Affecting Enemy Tps.
Nothing to report.

19. Security.
(a) Information : No new rumours have been encountered during this week.
(b) Personnel : Nothing to report.
(c) Material : Stores and equipment appear well guarded.
(d) Operations : Nothing to report.
(e) Censorship : No breaches have been reported during this week.
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For Week Ending 27 Feb 43.

Based on information received up to 2359 hrs. 26 Feb 43.

1. (a) Ops. Own Tps.
Nothing to report.
(b) Location of Own Tps.
Bn. Hq. situated during the week at MARELLAN Camp Camden 720988.
(c) Training.
All personnel engaged in preparing accomodation for [illegible] Tps. who are establishing a rest camp.
(d) Information re I. Section.
i. Composition. I. Offr., I. Sjt.
ii. Training. I.O. engaged in duties connected with preparation of accomodation for incoming Tps.
I. Sjt. keeping records correcting M.S. Sheets, preparing War Diary.

16. Topography.
Affecting Own Tps.
No additional information has been recorded during this week.

17. Topography.
Affecting Enemy Tps.
Nothing to report.

19. Security.
(a) Information : No new rumours have been encountered during this week.
(b) Personnel : Nothing to report.
(c) Material : Stores and equipment appear well guarded.
(d) Operations : Nothing to report.
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Action Diary for Comp Coy Exercise - 22 - 23 Feb 43

Date	Time	Place	Action	Remarks
22.2.43	1300	BALGOWNIE	WARNING ORDER - be ready to move at 1 hrs notice	Tps standing by 1355 hrs.
"	1825	"	MOVEMENT ORDER - move to squares 9678, 9679 CAMDEN MS	
"	1915	"	MOVEMENT commenced. Crossed start line 1915 hrs.	
"	1940	EN ROUTE	Passed MR 923606	
"	1958	" "	Passed MR 964627	
"	2014	" "	" " 943706	
"	2031	RV	Arrive vic sqs 9678, 9679	
"	2040	"	Comp Coy comds conference	
"	2050	"	VANO moving fwd	
"	2215	"	Arrive Bivouac Area sqs 9678-9679	
23.2.43	0400	Biv Area	Reveille - Tps standing by ready to move.	
"	0715	" "	Ready to move 10 min notice	
"	0940	" "	Infm received enemy force landed vic CRONULLA possible	
"	0950	" "	BATA moving fwd to cross start line	
"	1015	" "	Cross start line	
"	1025	" "	Passed WATERFALL	
"	1100	ENGADINE	MG fire reported at KIRPEL. CO moved on recce. Leading Coy attacking MG on Rly Bridge. MG position wiped	
"	1120	"	out. New MGposn harrassing tps vic KIRPEL	
"	1220	"	Enemy infiltration on right of road. Arty phone line cut - CO in danger. ADS established 005898.	
"	1305	"	VANO 1 Pl moving fwd.	
"	1310	"	Capt Dunn reports CO and IO missing.	
"	1340	"	Cpl Falvey retd with 7 PWs 1 Sjt, 1 L/Cpl & 5 ORs	
"	1400	"	& reports IO wounded, CO killed, Major Elliott killed	
"	1420	"	Verbal message - exercise completed.	

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