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3rd NZ (Rif) Bde

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Aerodrome Camp Heliopolis	15.11.15		1st Bn disembarked. Suez.	
	17.11.15		2nd Bn disembarked. Suez.	
	22.11.15		2nd Bn left by rail for Alexandria to join Western Frontier Force as I.A.C. troops.	
	23.11.15		Col ^{SWE} Clayton CB arrived + took command of Bde from Lt Col H.T. Fulton DSO. Maj Gardner as Bde Major.	Col Clayton as Bde Major
	24.11.15		Units training + completing equipment, horses.	JRA
	25.11.15		Do.	
	2.12.15	10.30 am	Orders received to move camp to vacant space about 2000' S.E. moved and all settled down by 6 pm.	
	3.12.15		Orders received re formation of NZ + A Res Bde.	
	5.12.15		Col Clayton CB returned to ANZAC in response to orders received by cable + Lt Col H.T. Fulton DSO assumed command of the Bde and of NZ + A Res Bde.	No mention
	6.12.15		Capt Bogle NZ M.C. detailed to act as S.M.O. of Bde in addition to other duties as M.O.P.B.	
	7.12.15		Meeting held of C.O.s of 4 Bns of NZ + A Res Bde. Instructed to organise Bns into a Reserve Bn of 1100 men and a Reinforcement Bn of remainder.	
	10.12.15	8.30	Received revised scheme for defence of Cairo.	
	11.12.15	9.30 am	Intensifying practice by units of NZ Rifle Bde.	
	12.12.15		C.O.s given preliminary instructions as to sections re + asked to reconnoitre + report.	
	13.12.15	10.30	Inspection by C.O. Bde of NZ Tr + Bn.	JRA

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	13-12-15	pm	OC Bde reconnoitred Sect 2 Sub Sect 2.	
	14-12-15	10:30 am 4 pm	Inspection 6 th Training B ⁿ 10 Reconnoitred position for Sect H.O. + Sig Sta	
	15-12-15	10:30 am	Inspection 4 th Training B ⁿ Rec' warning 1 st B ⁿ to take over from 9 th Devons	
	16-12-15	10:30 am	Inspection 7 th Training B ⁿ Blm. saw G.S.O. & arranged post 1+15 to be handed to No 1 Sect. Saw O.C. No 2 ^{sub} Sect 1 informed him & reconnoitred his area.	
		8 pm	Received orders for 1 st B ⁿ to go to Western Frontier Force 1 st B ⁿ completing equipment drawing extra S.A.A. etc.	
	17-12-15		1 st B ⁿ left for Alexandria 30 officers 968 o/r	
	18-12-15	6-5 pm 8-20 pm	1 st train 2 nd -	
	19-12-15	5 pm 10-40 pm	Notified of arrival of 2 nd reinforcement same night. 2 nd reinforcement arrived Helmina Siding strength 8 officers 360 o/r also 22 Band attached from other units.	
	20-12-15		1 officer & o/r marched in 2 nd reinforcement for S.G.A.S.C.	
	21-12-15		Rear party of 2 nd reinforcement marched in 2 officers - 1/2 making total of 10 officers 394 o/r. Band sent to them	
	22-12-15		Rear party of 2 nd reinforcement marched in 2 officers - 1/2 making total of 10 officers 394 o/r. Band sent to them	
	23-12-15		Blm. warned by ad. Qmtr C.O. that Bde H.Q. SW be ready to join W.F.F. soon as possible.	
	27-12-15		Lt Col (temp Col) W.G. Braithwaite DSO. arrived, took command of the Bde N.Z.R.B. Lt Col Fulton retained command of N.Z. + A Reserve Bde.	
	28-12-15		Blm. handed over duties of Bde N.Z. + A Res Bde to Maj Gibson Natl Fus.	

