

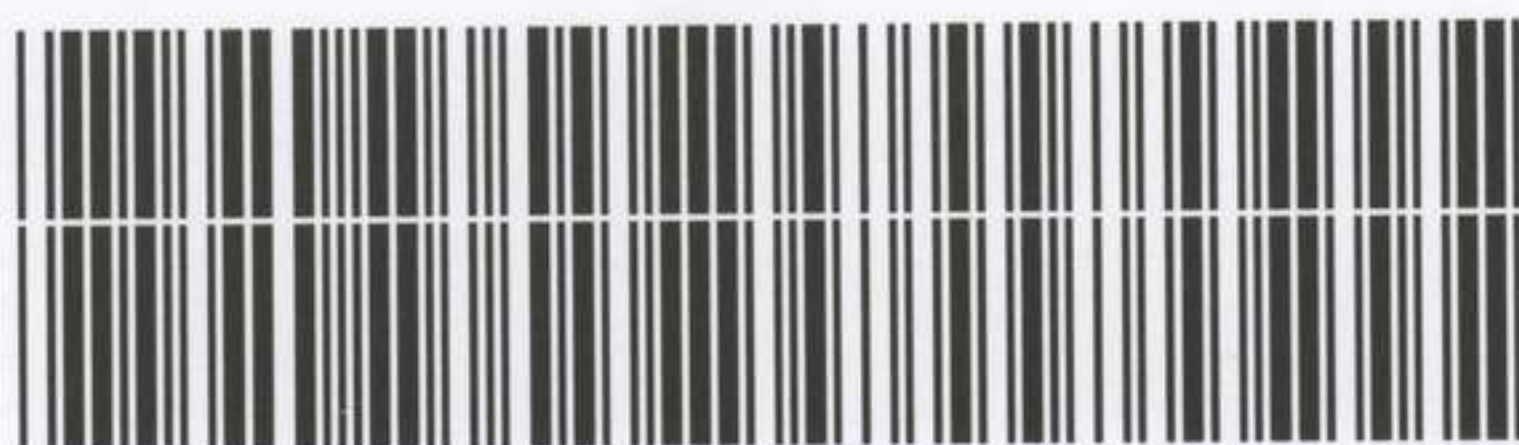
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	11/17		<u>PALASTINE FRONT</u> <u>Gaza Sector.</u> (a) Early on the morning of the 17th inst there was a considerable movement of infantry in a south easterly direction. 600-700 infantry were observed moving south from BUREIR, some 500 were about HUS, and 1500-2000 were moving east in square V 34 (ATAWINEH Sheet). During the day the enemy shelled our front line and support trenches. The forward elements of trenches in A22 and A28 (NOZLEH Sheet) are reported to have been formed into well-built and traversed fire trenches. The railway embankment at DEIR SINEID is reported to have been completely destroyed by Naval gun fire on 31st October, and the road bridge damaged. So far no repairs appear to have been carried out. (b) Contents of a captured diary show that on the night of the 27th October, the rain caused a great deal of local inconvenience in rear of the enemy's lines. The country became covered with mud into which ammunition and material sunk, also flood carried away a considerable amount of forage and supplies.	

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	11/17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> <u>HAAREIRA SECTOR</u> Large parties of enemy infantry totaling 3000-3500 with some 600 cavalry, were in the vicinity of TEL-EL-SHERIA early on the 1st inst. by noon some of these had departed leaving about 2000 with three columns moving away to the north. Early in the morning about 800 infantry were observed marching northwards from point 1250, north of AIN KOHLEH and about 3 companies were in the Wadi. It is possible that these are some of the troops who left BEERSHEBA in the direction of BARGHUT on the afternoon of the previous day. Enemy cavalry strength approximately one regiment with gun & machine guns were reported towards the evening in the vicinity of KH UMMA EL ROMAMIN and KH EL LEKIYEH. At hours 1625 about 500 men in small parties were observed moving south of TEL EL SHERIA on the line p. 18. b. 7.0 - u. 28.3.7.	

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	1/11/17		<u>HAREIRA SECTOR. CONT 2</u> Continuous observation maintained on the RUSHDI and KAUWUKAH systems shows no troops beyond a normal garrison and no new work. There were however heavy tracks running from the trenches to the north and south. There is fresh work on the HAIRPIN REDOUBT, and the communication trench leading into the WADI BAHHA is being traversed and turned into a fire trench. There is new work reported on the redoubt in U30 and U31 (IRGEIG sheet) and the Redoubt in W. I. D. (IRGEIG sheet) appeared to be occupied. (b) Water reported plentiful in the Wadi between TEL-EL-SHERIA and ABU HAREIRA. (c) It is reported that on the GAZA-DHAHERIYEH road sharp hairpin bends have been formed, bordered by stone, in order to make difficult the movement of British armoured cars should they be used. (d) A decrease of 90 Tents and shelters is reported in the IRGEIG area.	

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	1/11/17		<u>PALESTINE L. of C.</u> <u>Movement.</u> There are indications that certain artillery units which had been sent south of ET TINE are now being withdrawn to RAHALAH. <u>SYRIA L. of C.</u> (a) <u>Aircraft</u> It is reported that 4 aeroplanes will in future be stationed at RAYAK to defend the junction and depots against raids. (b) <u>Roads</u> The road ALEPPO - HAMA - HOMS - TODMOR - DEIR - EZ - ZOR is being placed in a state of repair. (c) <u>Water</u> At RAYAK reservoirs are being constructed as follows:- (a) Between Halometre station and an existing reservoir near RAYAK village. (b) By the side of the DAMASCUS line and 500 metres from the station.	

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	<u>1</u> <u>11</u> <u>14</u>		<u>IDENTIFICATIONS</u> Preliminary examination of prisoners captured at DEERSHEBA shows the garrison to have consisted of 27th Division plus the 2nd and 4th Regiments. 1 Bn 13th FA Regt. 1 Bn 43rd FA Regt. The composition of the 27th Division was as under:- 67th Regt - 3rd, 3rd and 4th Bns. 79th " - 4th Bn (attached to 67th Regt.) 80th " - 4th Bn (attached to 81st ") 81st " - 1st, 3rd and 4th Bns. Prisoners state that the 1st Battalion 67th Regiment is still at GALILEE, and that the remaining battalions of the 80th Regt. which were destroyed at MACHDHABA on the 23. 12. 1916, have never been reformed. The 2nd Bn, 81st Regt. is with the 53rd Division having replaced the 2nd Bn, 181st Regt, which was sent to the HEDJAZ.	

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	1 11 17		<u>ORGANIZATION.</u> <u>Supplies</u> Summary of statements of prisoners captured at BEER SHEBA furnishes the following data regarding Supplies - (a) Daily ration consists of :- Bread - 790 grammes Bulgar - 250 " Meat - 200 " occasionally butter, oil etc. (b) Large supply depot at JERUSALEM, smaller ones at DHAMRIYE and TEL-EL-SHERIA. (c) Supplies arrived at BEER SHEBA by rail. (d) Local crops good, and barley was purchased from local peasants.	

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	<u>2</u> <u>11</u> <u>17.</u>		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> <u>GAZA SECTOR</u> (i) Air observation shows that the railway has been seriously damaged between DEIR SINEID and BEIT HANUN and some rolling stock derailed. At 0630 about 500 men were seen to be moving from BEIT HANUN to GAZA. The trenches in squares G.21 and 28 (NUZZLE SHEET appeared to be unoccupied. At 1530 a concentration of about 1000 men was observed in squares P.13 and U.13. (GAZA and ATAWINEH Sheets) (ii) There are indications that full convoys of baggage etc. have been sent back from the Hd Qrs. VIII Army. at HULEIKAT, to RAMLEH. <u>HAREIRA SECTOR</u> (i) Movement during the day has been generally eastwards. Early in the morning large parties of troops were reported to be moving towards TEL-EL-SHERIA from HAREIRA, and small parties in a south easterly direction from that place towards the east of the KAWUKHA system.	

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	<u>2</u> <u>11</u> <u>17.</u>		<u>HAREIRA SECTOR. CONT^d</u> Further movement observed during the day in rear of HAREIRA Defences, and horse transport seen moving off from the system towards the RUSHDI and KAUWUKAH lines. About JEMMAMEN and UMM AMEIDAT a certain amount of movement observed but negative reports for movement received from the area between HERBON and DHATHERIYEH, the vicinity of TEL-EL-KHWEILFEH and the hilly country north east of TEL-EL-SHERIA. Our armoured cars reported small enemy posts along WADI KOHLER and at hours 1030 contact was obtained with a detachment having artillery at BIR EL MAKRUNEH, and later parties of the enemy with horses, totalling about 2000 were observed by the R.F.C. on the wadis behind DEIR EL GHAWY. During the afternoon some 200 cavalry were moving along the wadi between SHERIA and HAREIRA and about 40 cavalry in small parties observed behind part of KAUWUKAH system east of railway.	

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	2 11 17.		<u>HAREIRA SECTOR CONT.</u> Tents and shelters behind the defenses in square W (IRGEIG sheet) have considerably increased, but those behind the RUSHDI and KAUWUKAH systems are reported to have decreased by 25%. The ATAWINEH Salvaire trench in 2.1.d. 79 appears to have been improved and is strongly held. Air photographs show 3 short lengths of trench each under 100 yards in length with horse lines behind them in squares W. 7. b. and d, and W. 8. a. and c. (IRGEIG sheet). Note - The troops observed moving east during the day are most probably certain units of the 16th, 19th, & 26th Divisions. The 19th Division thought to be south of JEMMAMEN would be suitably placed for reinforcing the eastern portion of the enemy's line. The well at ABU IRGEIG a newly dug WELL, 35' deep with pumping material, and storage tanks for 10,000 gallons of water, was left intact by the enemy.	

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	2. 11. 17.		SYRIA L. of C. There are indications that certain technical units at RAMLEH have received to pack up all their spare equipment and stores and forward them to DAMASCUS. <u>ORGANIZATION</u> It is reported that the enemy intended to form another Army on the front - the VIIIth. On this Army being formed FALKENHAYN was to move his Hd Qrs to JERUSALEM, and take over supreme command of both the VIIth and VIIIth Armies. The VIIth Army was to consist of two Corps, one of which - the 3rd - had already been organized: the BEER SHEBA Detachment formed a part of the 3rd Corps.	

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			H. G. 111 A.C.	31. 10.17.	BEER SHEBA.	Document.	Composition of corps uncertain but probably: 16th Divn 24 " " 27 " " 3rd Cav "
			5th Cav 2/ Jerusalem Bn 27th Art Regt.	31. 10.17.	PALESTINE L of C.	Document.	1 Gun at JERUSALEM.
			No 243 MTn Coy, 48th Regt. 16th Divn	"	BEER SHEBA	Identity disc	
			2/43. (25th Div).	12. 10.17.	? In transit E. from ROUMANIA.	Captured letter	Postmarked CONSTANTINOPLE but no indications of location. Last reported 3/4 in VADENI area, ROUMANIA by dispatch from 4th Hq. T.

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	<u>8</u> <u>11</u> <u>17</u>		<u>PALESTINE FRONT.</u> <u>GAZA SECTOR</u> (a) Early in the day air reconnaissance reported that the enemy were holding in strength all works N.E. of SHEIKH HASSAN including those of SHEIKH REDWAN. A new semi-circular work was observed about 500 yards N.E. of SHEIKH REDWAN and a number of troops - (estimated at 300) - were at the same time seen among the sand dunes in squares G.18.24 and 30 (NUZZE sheet). About 1000 men were seen concentrated north of KOFKHA. Later in the day a concentration of 200 infantry was reported in the low ground in P.9.0.33 (GAZA sheet) and work was observed in progress on a ridge immediately S.W. of this point. At hours 1900 it was reported that the enemy had consolidated a definite front line from P.8.D.65 through YUNUSTRENCH to trench D.68. (b) Prisoners of War state that there is a line of trenches W. of MEJDEL, facing the sea, - south of MEJDEL, facing towards GAZA and then turning in an easterly direction. The trenches are said to be deep and have a parapet.	

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	<u>3</u> <u>11</u> <u>17</u>		<u>HAREIRA SECTOR.</u> (a) Early in the day a large amount of TECHNICAL and HORSE Transport was observed in the vicinity of AMEIDAT and a large body of cavalry, estimated at 1500-2000 - was observed moving eastwards from TEL-EL-SHERIA. A new system of trenches has been traced out in squares V. 4, 10, 11 and 13, some small outposts are being constructed in V. 12 and further work appears to have been done on trenches in squares W. 1-5 (JERWAL shut) In W. 10 d. (IRGEIG shut) are a new series of rifle pits. In tents and shelters in rear of the RUSHD and KAWUKAH systems have decreased by 50% since the beginning of the present operations. (b) An officer prisoner states that the 12th Depot Regt has been moved south from Jerusalem to Hebron. He also says that a line of trenches has been prepared near DHAMERIYEH which were to be taken up in the event of a retreat. <u>INTENTIONS</u> The main indications of the strengthening of the enemy's left, are that more work appears to have been done on trenches in W. 1-5, and V. 10, 11 and 12 (IRGEIG and JERWAL shut).	

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			136th Regt.	3.11.17	EL NUZLE	D. of W. 20th R.S.T.	Previously reported moving S. through RAYAH in mid. Oct.	
			43rd FA. Regt.	"	BEER SHEBA	Documents.	-	
			Composite Cav Regt	26.10.17	TIGRIS line	Deserted	Composed of DIVL Squadrons 14th and 51st Divisions less 20 sabres per division.	
			14/24 Heavy A.R. 224th Company	15.8.17	ZUNBULDAK	Postal	-	
			2nd Bn. 43rd (? Artillery) Regt 23rd Div.	16.7.17	near TARSUS	"	-	

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	3 11 17		<u>ORGANISATION</u> <u>SIGNALS</u> Captured document dated 26.9.17 shows that in the 27th Div the following Rocket Signals were to be made use of by the troops when holding the line- <u>WHITE</u> Successive rockets should enemy cavalry arrive within 2 or 3 kilometres of the defences. <u>RED</u> Successive rockets in the event of the approach of large forces of infantry. At the same time illuminating rockets should be discharged in the direction of the enemy. <u>GREEN</u> Successive rockets in case of the approach of Tanks. <u>NOTE</u> No particular number of rockets is laid down; they would be fired until all troops had taken up the alarm.	

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	<u>4.</u> <u>11.</u> <u>14.</u>		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> <u>GAZA SECTOR</u> An early air reconnaissance reported that the "B" group of trenches between BELGRAVIA and SHEIKH HASAN appeared to be very lightly held and that there was only small local movement of infantry in rear of the GAZA SECTOR. The depots previously reported at DEIR SINEID are no longer to be seen. At 1345 it was reported that there was no concentration in the area between SHEIKH HASAN and WADI HESI. A broken line of trenches reported on the line from system N. of HERBIE along the sand dunes to ASKALON, with two long lengths of trench in the ASKALON gardens, facing the sea. There are trenches between BEIT JERTAH and SIMSIN. The trench system in short lengths runs in an easterly direction from BOREK as far as the ET TINE BEERSHEBA railway. Behind the trenches BEIT JERTAH and SIMSIN there are about 350 new tents and shelters. East of JEMMAMEH on reg B. 24 are 14 marquees, and some 150 new tents.	

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	4/11/14		<u>HAREIRA SECTOR.</u> (a) Early in the day it was reported that the HAIRPIN, HAREIRA, and TANK systems appeared very lightly held and that there was no sign of movement in the KAUWUKAH defenses, near SHERIA or on the roads radiating eastwards from the last named place. A party of about 300 men were however observed to be moving in the direction of SHERIA from square F.28 (HAREIRA sheet) at about 0700 hours. Later in the day it was reported (but not confirmed) that, with the exception of 4 or 8 shelters, there was no sign of the enemy between SHERIA and our cavalry in sq U.23 (IRGEIG sheet). The cavalry camps in the WADI SHERIA, between HAREIRA and TEL-EL-SHERIA have decreased, and the Headquarters camp which was in P.4 (HAREIRA sheet) is no longer there. There has been no further decrease in the tents and shelters behind the RUSHDI and KAUWUKAH systems. Bomb holes were observed on the railway at TEL-EL-SHERIA.	

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	<u>4</u> <u>11</u> <u>17</u>		<u>HAREIRA SECTION</u> (a) Air photographs taken on the 3rd inst show new trench work in the following map squares. R. 17 a, W. 7 d, W. 8 c, TV. 23 b (IRGEIG Sheet). V. 4 c, V. 10 b, and V. 11 a. (JERWAL Sheet). No new work is shown in the area covered by the HAREIRA sheet. <u>NOTE</u> There are new trenches shown in squares V. 39 a and b. (JERWAL sheet) but these are probably our own outposts. (b) An officer prisoner of the 47th Regt stated on the 14th inst the enemy will retire about 3 miles during that night from the vicinity of KHUWEILFER where there was much suffering amongst the troops owing to the lack of water and supplies. <u>PALESTINE L.F.C.</u> <u>Supplies</u> — On 2nd Oct 1917 the price of barley in JERUSALEM was 40 paras (1.75 PT) per kilo.	

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	4 11 17.		SYRIA L. of C. There are indications that there is a shortage of engine in the SYRIA, and WESTERN ARABIA COMMAND. The shortage is expected to last for a few months and as such that none will be available for the HESTAZ ZONE. <u>NOTE</u> This is probably due to the increase of aeroplanes and motor vehicles on the SINAI FRONT. <u>IDENTIFICATIONS</u> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>UNIT</th> <th>DATE</th> <th>POSITION</th> <th>SOURCE</th> <th>REMARKS</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>44th Regt</td> <td>3.10.17.</td> <td>KHOWEILFER</td> <td>Contact.</td> <td>Prisoner states that of 19th Div the 42 and 44 Regts are in line and the 5th 4 days march in rear. by ref strength in 44th Regt = 110</td> </tr> <tr> <td>43rd FA Regt</td> <td>"</td> <td>Near "</td> <td>"</td> <td>"</td> </tr> <tr> <td>25th FA Regt</td> <td>4.10.17.</td> <td>—</td> <td>P. of W.</td> <td>P. of W. 44th Regt states that this is the FA Regt of the 19th Regt.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	UNIT	DATE	POSITION	SOURCE	REMARKS	44th Regt	3.10.17.	KHOWEILFER	Contact.	Prisoner states that of 19th Div the 42 and 44 Regts are in line and the 5th 4 days march in rear. by ref strength in 44th Regt = 110	43rd FA Regt	"	Near "	"	"	25th FA Regt	4.10.17.	—	P. of W.	P. of W. 44th Regt states that this is the FA Regt of the 19th Regt.	
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	4 11 17		(a) <u>ANTI-AIRCRAFT INSTRUCTIONS</u> (from captured documents dated 30.9.17) Machine gun and rifle fire against aircraft should only be opened when the range is within 300 metres. It is found that at range such as 500 or 600 metres no result is obtained and only a waste of ammunition ensues. (c) <u>Discipline</u> Extracts from captured documents show that the following systems of dealing with supply and transport officers who are lax in the performance of their duties, holds good in certain formations. (i) Rationing had in a battalion, the officer of rationing does 3 days and nights on patrol in the front line. (ii) If the rations arrive irregularly, the transport and baggage officers with their clerk will be sent out as above. (iii) Water supply, bad. officers concerned will be punished in the same way. (d) <u>Ammunition supply.</u> Captured documents show that in 67th PzT. the following instructions were issued on 30/10/17 with regard to the distribution of S. I. & X. Of the 400 free per rifle kept with units, 160 are to be carried on the man. of the remainder 140 will be kept with Coy and 100 with battalion. <u>Note</u> - This is likely to be the normal distribution on this front.	

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	4 11 17		<u>MORAL - DESERTION.</u> (a) In the evening of the 3rd/10/17, 32 recruits who had arrived from the depot of the 12th Regt. deserted from the 3rd Division. (b). During period of 15 days (date not stated), but probably in October this year the 49th Regt. lost 16 men through desertion.	

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	5 11 17.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT.</u> <u>GAZA SECTOR</u> (a) Early morning reconnaissance reported fresh work on trenches in square Q.28.R. (NUZZLE Sheet) and square P.4.A (GAZA Sheet). Enemy line in squares Q.9.P. strongly held, with the exception of BELAH and YUNUS trenches. In front of trenches in squares Q.22 & 28 are Rifle Pits. Series of disconnected trenches facing sea from a trench in H.26 (SINEID Sheet) to ASKALON. Near BUREIR square S.12 there appears to be a trench system running in a north east by east direction to the EL TIME - SHERIA Railway. Camps in V.25 and 31 appear same, and those in squares X.4 and 8 (ATAWINEH Sheet) are about the same as at the beginning of October. There is confirmation of a camp - probably a hospital east of the railway at TEL-EL-HESI. About 300 Cavafry observed noon to be northwest of H.V.J. Considerable small trench work carried out to west and north-west of EL NUZZLE, and in Q.23 (NUZZLE SHEET) a small hill has been all round fortifications. Camps at mouth of WADI HESI have been reduced from 17 to 4.	

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	5/11/17		<u>GAZA SECTOR CONT'D.</u> During morning of 3rd inst new "Knife Rests" obstacles were observed to have been placed near OUTPOST HILL (XXI) (see R.A. report 4.11.17). A new advanced post has been dug in front of the ATAWINEH REDOUBT in 2.7 B.57 (approximately). (b) Enemy artillery generally normal on GUN HILL, open area, WHALE POST, QUEEN'S HILL, UMBRELLA and BLAZED HILL. (c) There are indications that there is an AMMUNITION DEPOT at BEIT JERJA. (d) A P.O. states that 30 truck loads of ammunition was blown up at BEIT HANUN by British Artillery fire. <u>CORRECTION</u> Reference of H.Q. Intelligence Summary dated 5th inst "GAZA Sector". The information that there are trenches between BEIT JERJA and SIMSIM is incorrect; none have so far been observed. The 350 new shelters mentioned were located between BEIT JERJA and north of SIMSIM.	

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	5 11 17.		<u>HAREIRA SECTOR.</u> (a) Early in the day a large amount of Mechanical Transport was observed in area east and south of UMM AMEIDAT some 100 vehicles being counted, also a large amount of what appeared to be Mechanical Transport was observed in the neighbourhood of MURRAN. In early morning a considerable amount of movement was observed behind the RUSAD and KAWUKAH trenches, but at midday this had much decreased. In the KAWUKAH system trenches in squares P22, 23 and 24, and U19, 20 and 21, were occupied by a garrison estimated at 300-500. Mounted large parties of cavalry observed at noon east of railway north of WADI SHERIA, that "MULEIHA 300 shelter seen late afternoon in movement" reported in the HAREIRA SHERIA and KAWUKAH defences, and at KHUWEILFER. To the north east 300 cavalry reported in the vicinity of KH. MURRAN, and a party of about 80 Mounted troops on the HEBRON road north of DHAKERIYEH.	

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	5 11 17		<u>HAREIRA SECTOR</u> In eastern side of main road about 1500 shelters - probably Bedouins - were seen, and about one mile east of YUTTA were some 160 cavalry. In the afternoon a body of approximately 2 Regiments of Mounted Troops were observed between EL HENU and the WADI METADIL. TEL METADIL strongly held by infantry on south side, and there were small detachments of dismounted troops about JEBEL-EL-HAUTEIRISH; also there were some infantry on the north- east slopes of RAS-EL-NABB. <u>SYRIA L. of C.</u> Reported that an Austrian Battery of 2/24 cm Howitzers with personnel of 4 officers and 200 men were en route for the front and had passed south through ALEPPO on October 10th.	

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	5 11 17		<u>IDENTIFICATIONS</u>					
			UNIT	DATE	POSITION or MOVE	SOURCE	REMARKS.	
			8th M.G. Coy.	3. 11. 17.	Att. to 44th. Regt.	P. of W. from 8th M.G. Coy.	Prisoners state that with unit are 2 companies, one heavy and one light, each of 9 guns.	
			48th Regt. 44th " 125th "	4. 11. 17.	vicinity of KHUWEILHER.	P. of W. 44th Regt.	Prisoners state 44th Regt. in centre with 48th Regt. on right and 125th on left.	
			143rd "	5. 11. 17.	Company left.	frontier.	Prisoners state that 16th Div. has on right of 143rd Regt. and assault company of 16th Div. on left.	
			<u>MORALE.</u> Extract from Regimental Orders of the 49th Regt states that while men are bathing Officers will be present, and order will be maintained in a way to prevent desertion.					

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	5 11 17.		<u>ORGANIZATION</u> (b) <u>Ammunition</u> A 7.5 cm shell answering generally to the description of the German lock-grenade shell was found in the Turkish Ammunition Depot at Beersheba. The shell bears the date August 1916. (c) <u>Gas Masks.</u> Prisoners taken from 44th Regt are in possession of the latest pattern of German gas mask.	

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	6/11/44		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> <u>Yafa Sector.</u> (a). In morning of 6th it was reported that work was being continued on the trenches in Squares G.23 (NUZZLE SHEET) and P.4 (GAZA Sheet), and that these trenches were being joined up. Later in day bodies of infantry, totalling about 600, and some 500 cavalry were observed in the area S and S.E. of HUS. The majority of the infantry were on the move in a north-westerly direction. Later in afternoon an air-observation reported no movement in GAZA area. No transport seen in the town, nor was there any moving north. Camps normal with exception of a camp in square X.B.C. which had disappeared. At DEIR SINEID a new embankment has been made over which the railway now crosses S.E. of TUMRAH cutting is reported to have been made farther west in square N. 10.	

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	6 11 17		<u>GAZA SECTOR</u> (a) On 14/11 inst an intense bombardment on our new front line from EL ARISH REDOUBT to SHEIKH HASAN was carried out with all nature of guns. The effect was small of the shells fell in the old "No Mans Land." (III Corps R.A. Report 5.11.17) (a) On the 30/31st October the following moves were ordered in the 53rd Division. i. All heavy baggage of the Division to assemble N.E. of TUMRAH. ii. P.A.A. Column will take their ammunition from Depot and will assemble N.E. of BEIT HANUN. iii. The Bakery of the Division will be established at TUMRAH. iv. All officers of the Divisional Headquarters not belonging to the General Staff section will proceed to TUMRAH. (a) At hours 2130 a report was received that a series of explosions lasting 10 minutes had been heard from the direction of #05.	

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	6 11 17		<u>HAREIRA SECTOR</u> (a) In the morning a large number of cavalry were observed in the area between UMM AMEIDAT and UMM DABKAL: also S.W. of SHERIA large bodies of cavalry were also reported. Near MEJADIL there appeared to be a large concentration of troops in the morning and also detachments of troops were reported in all the WADIS around RAS EL NAGB. No movement was seen in DHAHERIYEH, but 2 miles west of the town on the main road (TEL-EL-SHERIA-DHAHERIYEH road?) 6 motogs were moving towards KHUWEILFER. Towards evening enemy cavalry appeared to be holding a line from DABKAL towards KH BAGLEH. This line appeared thinly held but there were reserves in the Wadis in rear. Some 500 Infantry were observed lining the ridge south of WADI MIKSAR. (b) P of W. 19th Regt states that owing to lack of transport only a part of the artillery and field gun of the 19th Division have as yet arrived on the front.	

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	<u>6</u> <u>11</u> <u>17</u>		<u>ORGANIZATION.</u> <u>Ammunition</u> (a) S. A. A. A Turkish Regiment appears to have on its charge 500 rounds of S. A. A. for each rifle, and 50,000 rounds for each machine gun. (b) Bombs - In the 49th Regiment on the 22-10-17 bombs were distributed as follows - one bomb on every man. 150 bombs at Company Hd Qrs. 150 at Battalion Hd Qrs. and 500 at Regimental Headquarters. <u>Puffins</u> B of W of 2/163 Rgt states that his battalion have recently been armed with camel meat.	

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	6 11 17		<u>IDENTIFICATIONS</u>				
			UNIT	DATE	POSITION OR MOVE.	SOURCE.	Remarks.
			T. M. B. 106.	6.11.17	GAZA.	P. of W.	Consists of 4 trench mortars with Australian personnel.
			47 th M.G. Coy.	"	VICINITY OF SHERIA.	Contact.	
			264 th " "	"	"	"	
			1 st DIVISION.	1.10.17	? In transit.	Agent.	Snoops of this Division seen at HAZRO (43 M. N.E. DIABEK) marching S.
			22 nd Regt.	28.10.17	RAYAK AREA (North of ROWANDUZ)	Deserters this unit.	
			104 th " "	26.10.17	KARA DAGH (W. of ERZINTAN)	"	
			14 th "C" Rgt.	28.10.17	CAUCASUS	Deserters 49 th "C" Rgt. 50 th "C" Rgt.	
			<u>ORGANISATION - MAN POWER.</u>				
			Comparative strength of 3 rd 1 st Bn				
			No. of OFFICERS present		14.12.16.	15.1.17.	31.10.17
			N.C.Os and MEN present		2	3	2
			N.C.Os on sick leave		195	159	95
			N.C.Os on furlough		-	1	-
			N.C.Os in hospital		4	-	1
			N.C.Os absent without leave		2	34	22
			N.C.Os other regiments		4	21	19
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	11/14		<u>PALESTINE FRONT.</u> <u>GAZA SECTOR.</u> (a) Morning air reconnaissance reported that there was very little movement in the areas TUMRA, NETED, and HUS. 200 Infantry seen at BEIT HANUN, a new railway embankment at DEIR SINEID appeared to have been severely damaged. It was reported at noon that trenches south of MEIDEL were unoccupied. A considerable number of troops estimated at 6,000 together with transport were moving north towards BEIT DURAS. At hour 1445 BEIT HANUN and the wadi south of it were reported to be held, the country between BEIT HANUN and WADI HESI appeared however to be clear of the enemy. Late in the afternoon the enemy was still holding TANK REDOUBT, and the DEER, and ATAWINEH TRENCHES. From these positions ALI MUNTAR and GAZA were being shelled. (b) Air photographs of the country between HERBIE and the EL-TINE SHERIA Railway shows no new trench work. (c) There are indications that the H.I. 200 of the III Army moved N. from HULEIHAT on evening of 7th inst.	

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	4 11 17		<u>KARSTRA SECTOR.</u> (a) A morning reconnaissance reported that there were no troops at MEJADIL, but some 200 bivouacs were seen at ABU HUTEIRISH, and 1,500 cavalry about BEIRARAH. They were enemy troops close to DHAMERIYEH. About 2000 infantry south part of GEDIL ABU HUTEIRISH, and 1000 mounted troops in vicinity of EL BIREH. Afternoon reconnaissance reported no movement between KHUWEILFER and HEBRON road. West of sector scattered movement observed in trunks S.E. of KOFKAM there were some 300 infantry. Slight movement N.W. of KOFKAM and HUS. Camp at TUMRA still occupied in the evening. (b) Explosions heard early this morning coming from BIR-EL-GHURAH, 14 miles S.E. of DHAMERIYEH. At 10.10 reported railway bridge at SHERIA blown up, one arch at each side of Wadi only remaining. <u>INTENTIONS.</u> Prisoners statements give the impression that the next line of real resistance will be JAFFA - WADI SURAR - JERUSALEM.	

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	4/11/17		<u>PALESTINE L. of C.</u> (a) It is reliable reported that on 29/10 there was on Depot Regt of 3 battalions at HEBRON. 3 boys went to DHARHIVIEH on 30/9 on hearing that British and Phinigan troops had occupied EL SAMUA near MUTTA. Two battalions of Depot Regt left for Gaza about 31/10. Agent says that there were two GERMAN Infantry in JERUSALEM on 1/11, but only Mechanical Transport and other Departmental Personnel. No trenches to speak of at either BETHLEHEM or HEBRON. (b) As per reconnaissance reports that at ARAK EL MENSHEH there are 30 large marquees and tents and at EL TINE 30 marquees west of the railway, and 30-40 bell tents east of it. JUNCTION STATION - normal. (c) A letter from a German in JAFFA dated 4.3.17 described the effect of the French bombardment at JAFFA, as follows:- "Wagner Bros. workshops knocked to blazes, Hayonlochers, Adolf Wagners, Gollmans, and Kublois house severely damaged - that of the last named put on fire."	

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	8/11/17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT.</u> <u>WESTERN SECTOR.</u> Early morning reconnaissance reported enemy holding trench works N. of WADI HESI, near the sea, in some strength. Small scattered parties vicinity of H.V.T. and 2 A.A. guns were seen, south west of this village, moving south. A line of firing S. E., approximately between JINDY and KOFKHA, was being held by the enemy. On N.W. enemy had retired from HERBIE on BURBERA. BEIT HANUN still held at noon by enemy. All road running N.E. from BUREIR and SIMSIM crowded with large columns of Mechanical and Horse Transport, also troops who appeared to be retreating in disorder. By evening BEIT HANUN and DEIR SINEID had been evacuated. Parties of the enemy were observed about BURBERA. A road bridge south of BEIT HANUN had been blown up and the railway near DEIR SINEID appeared to have been further destroyed. The diary of an officer prisoner contains an entry dated 31st Oct which states that the Ammunition Depot of the 53rd Div had been exploded, and the grain stores of 24th Army Corps destroyed.	

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	8 11 17		<u>EASTERN SECTOR</u> (a) In the morning an enemy force estimated at from 800-1000 men were in the vicinity of KH. EL HUMMAN, and a concentration was observed south of FALUJE. At noon the enemy showed some activity in the vicinity of RAS EL HAGG and there was evidently an enemy force in the WADI FATTAS. About noon the guard position appeared to be held on the line SUMMEILY-SUKRIYEH, and in the vicinity of this some 1500 cavalry in scattered parties were reported. At ARAK MENSHEI two trains in station about noon, and 3 1/2 miles south west a force of some 2000 infantry reported. Later in day large bodies of troops with transport were at SUMMEIL and FALUJE, and on the high ground about JUDELYIDE large bodies of cavalry and infantry were observed to be moving in haste. At DHARERIYEH there appears to be a rough system of trenches between 1000, and 2000 yards in length about 1 1/4 miles west of UMM EL KUSAB. (b) An enemy W/T station has been put up at HEBRON.	

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	8 11 17		<u>EASTERN SECTOR. CONT.</u> <u>VIIIth ARMY HEADQUARTERS.</u> There are indications that the Headquarters of the VIIIth Army were established temporarily at EL TINE on the 8th inst. <u>ORGANIZATION - ENEMY STRENGTH.</u> Approximate strength of the Bersheba group was as follows:- 2. 10. 17 - 9323 - 3450 horses 14 10. 17 - 9515 - 3610 " <u>IDENTIFICATIONS</u> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>UNIT</th> <th>DATE</th> <th>POSITION or MOVE</th> <th>SOURCE</th> <th>REMARKS</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>44th L.A. Regt. 4th Battery</td> <td>4. 11. 17</td> <td>DERAA</td> <td>Prisoner 5th Batt.</td> <td>4 - 7.5 cm. Mountain Guns.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>5th Battery</td> <td>"</td> <td>SHERIA</td> <td>"</td> <td>4 - 10.5 cm. Guns or Mtn howitzers</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4th "</td> <td>"</td> <td>GAZA</td> <td>"</td> <td>do</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8th "</td> <td>"</td> <td>"</td> <td>"</td> <td>do</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	UNIT	DATE	POSITION or MOVE	SOURCE	REMARKS	44 th L.A. Regt. 4 th Battery	4. 11. 17	DERAA	Prisoner 5th Batt.	4 - 7.5 cm. Mountain Guns.	5 th Battery	"	SHERIA	"	4 - 10.5 cm. Guns or Mtn howitzers	4 th "	"	GAZA	"	do	8 th "	"	"	"	do	
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			44th F.A. REGT.	7 11 17	Att. 16th Div.	frontact.	1st bn only on this front. Consisted of two 4-gun 7.5 cm. B. F. Field Gun Batts. No 1 batt was captured.	
			54th F.A. REGT.	"	SH. REDWAN.	Prisoner 2nd bn.	Att. 53rd Div.	
			44th M.G. Coy.	"	SHERIA.	frontact.		
			4th F.A. REGT.	12.10.17	SMYRNA.	Agent.	Due to leave for Aleppo and Oct.	
			44th Division	Early Oct.	OSMANIE.	Agent.		
			144th Regt.	15/10 - 20/10/17	SOKIA District (about 50 m S. of SMYRNA)	Agent.	H.Q. SOKIA in 56th Div 17th A.C. 3 bns SOKIA District and SCALA NUOVA coast. Capt bn about 600 strong. Mostly Arabi; morale bad.	

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	9. 11. 17.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> <u>WESTERN SECTOR.</u> (a) Early morning reconnaissance reported that the trenches at MEJDEL were unoccupied and that numbers of civilians were moving north from that place and ASKALON. At noon it was reported that at ELTINE there were 18 aeroplanes in the aerodrome, and that there was considerable movement in the vicinity. 300-400 H.T. vehicles were gathered about and north of ELTINE there were 50 M.T. moving northwards. At WADI SURAR there were 5 trains each of 30 wagons facing north with steam up, and scattered about were some 2000 infantry. The main road from FALUJE to RAMLE via SUAFIR EL SHERKIYE and MANSURA crowded with mixed troops moving north. In the evening 400 cavalry were reported to be about 2 miles east of MEJDEL. At JULIS there were 11 railway trucks at the depot, and about 400 men of our foot about the town. The aerodrome at SUAFIR EL GHABIYEH had been removed. We have an air report there appears to be plenty of water at MEJDEL; also water was seen in the WADIE HESI and UMMI MUARRIF.	

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	<u>9</u> <u>11</u> <u>17</u>		<u>EASTERN SECTOR</u> In the early morning the enemy was occupying a short line south west of ELTINE; ELTINE itself appeared to be in flames. At noon it was reported that there were no enemy troops to be seen at FALUTE, but at SUMMEIL a small body of troops were observed to be moving to the north. At ARAK EL MENSHEIE the hangars near the station had been destroyed by fire. In the early morning two guns were observed in DHATHERIYEH, and in the vicinity some 300 cavalry were reported, also there were enemy troops on the HEBRON road near TOR EL ZADAN. In the evening it was reported that the enemy was again appearing to be taking up a line on the north bank of the northern branch of the WADI SUNERIER for 2 miles on either side of KUSTINE. The tail of the Turkish main body was passing through MESMIVE, and a disorganised crowd stretched from that place to RAHLE. At ELTINE a few troops, but no enemy concentration was observed between the railway and BEIT JEBRIN. At the W/T station at HEBRON closed down about mid-day; it was later reported the RAHLE had also closed down.	

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	10 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> In morning considerable scattered movement reported in vicinity of ELTINE. Transport and troops moving north and eastwards. Most of camps and hangers at ELTINE have been removed. A large amount of rolling stock in station. One line YEBNA-BESHSHIT-SHAHME scattered movement, a certain amount in direction of RAMLE, in the vicinity of that place however no movement observed. Departure of hangers at RAMLE. The enemy appear to be holding a line from BUKRA- to TEL-ES-SAFI through YASUR and KUSTINE. Water plentiful in WADIS KATRA and SURAR. Later a roughly made trench 300 yds long observed about 300 yds south of KUSTINE, also broken lengths of a trench running from S.W. to S.E. of WADI SURAR station. The enemy left now appeared to rest on SUMMEIL and not on TEL-ES-SAFI as reported in the morning. To S.W. of BEIT JIBRIN, a morning air reconnaissance reported some 1,800 troops, including 400-500 Cavalry moving in a south-westerly direction, but later cavalry and transport had changed their direction and were retiring to the north-east.	

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	10. 11. 14.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT. CONTD</u> Around BEIT JIBRIN itself a few troops only were observed, but between the locality and the BEERSHEBA-JERUSALEM road were bodies of cavalry totalling about 600 with transport moving in various directions. To the east on the HEBRON-BETHLEHEM road some 400-500 infantry, 400-500 cavalry with 150 M.T. 50 M.T. and some touring cars. were seen to be moving north from HEBRON. In the vicinity on HEBRON itself there were at least 1,000 troops with a large amount of transport, including 50 hospital wagons. At DHATHERIYEH no movement was observed, but at YUTTA there were 100-150 cavalry moving north towards HEBRON. <u>ENEMY INTENTIONS</u> There are strong indications that the enemy intends to hold a line along the north of the WADI NAZRA-WADI SURAR with his left to the east of and covering WADI SURAR railway junction. Supplies are to be accumulated at TUL KERAM.	

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	10 11 17.		<u>ORGANIZATION- MAN-POWER.</u> An intelligent prisoner states that present normal strength of a TURKISH Division is 3,500, and the following is the manning strength of the 16th and 26th Divisions. <u>16th Division</u> <table><tr><td>47th Regt</td><td>150</td></tr><tr><td>48th "</td><td>500</td></tr><tr><td>125th "</td><td>300</td></tr><tr><td>TOTAL</td><td>950</td></tr></table> <u>26th Division</u> <table><tr><td>59th Regt</td><td>500</td></tr><tr><td>46th "</td><td>500</td></tr><tr><td>48th "</td><td>300</td></tr><tr><td>TOTAL</td><td>1300</td></tr></table> The same prisoner states that the 16th Division have only one battery of field guns left, and the 26th Division two batteries. <u>NOTE</u> Though these figures should only be taken as approximate they give an indication as to the present strength of the enemy forces on this front.	47th Regt	150	48th "	500	125th "	300	TOTAL	950	59th Regt	500	46th "	500	48th "	300	TOTAL	1300	
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	<u>11</u> <u>14</u> <u>14</u>		<u>PALESTINE FRONT.</u> The enemy line now follows approximately the southern branch of the WADI SUKEREIR from the JISR ESDUD to BEIT JIBRIN. Air reconnaissance early morning 11th inst that from 13,000 - 15,000 troops were on or in rear of this line, and that parts of it were then being entrenched. Enemy appeared to be in greatest strength between JISR ESDUD and KUSTINEH, and about ZEITA. In trenches between BURKAH and YASUR there were 6,000 - 7,000 infantry and on the high ground about 2 miles west of DHIKERIN from 1200 infantry were digging short lengths of trench. At WADI SURAR junction there were about 245 rolling stock of which 50% were passenger coaches. Between the junction and Mansura were scattered camps containing a total of 400 - 500 bivouacs. Later in the morning it was reported that two parties of the enemy, each about 1,000 strong were moving from MESMIE towards the junction station, also some movement N of WADI MEKENNA.	

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	11/11/17		<u>PALESTINE L. of C.</u> <u>Jordan Bridge.</u> A German prisoner states that 3-ton motor lorries from JERUSALEM are regularly run across the Jordan over the old Turkish (suspension?) bridge. Great care is taken to regulate the traffic; only one lorry going dead slow, being allowed on the bridge at a time. <u>ORDNANCE AND SUPPLY DEPOT.</u> It is reliably reported that there is a large S. A. H. Benzene & Oil Depot located in a French convent in the southern outskirts of Jerusalem. The convent which is a large four-storied building about 10 minutes walk from the railway station and to the south-east of it. <u>ORGANIZATION - MAN POWER</u> It is significant to note that an enemy document admits that half the Turkish Army in Syria has been destroyed during the recent operations.	

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	12. 11. 17.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT.</u> (a) An early reconnaissance on 12th reported that the enemy was still occupying the line they had taken up along the WADI SUKIERI, but that no very conspicuous trench work appeared to have been carried out. In view of the line towards TAFER and LUD a certain amount of movement was reported. Also trench work was in progress. In particular, a fine shaped breastwork, which forms part of a system near DEJAN, and a strong system of works along the RAMLEH-TAFER line were observed. Later, about mid-day, it was reported that TEL-EL-TURNUS and KOSTINEH were unoccupied and that the enemy had been driven from BURHAN and the high ground to the west of that village. (b) There are indications that the W/T Station which was reported at HEBRON on the 8th was moved to BETHLEHEM.	

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	12/11/17		<u>ORGANIZATION.</u> MAN-power - A Turkish General Officer states that during the past week, 2,500 wounded have passed through No 12 Turkish General Hospital. Camouflage. In the case of a Turkish Hawtizer Battery in the ATAWINEH sector the camouflage consisted of a complete roof with grass roots etc. scattered on top (XXI Corps R.A. Report). <u>MORAL</u> The inhabitants of METDEL state that the enemy troops passed through their village in disorganised parties of 4-5; they were paying no attention to their officers.	

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	13 14 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT.</u> (a) During the day the enemy, having been driven from certain positions, and having had to evacuate others, appears to have withdrawn to some distance. Morning air reconnaissance reported a certain amount of scattered movement and S. of AKIR some 1500 troops with a rear guard were observed to be moving rapidly in a north easterly direction. In the vicinity of RAMLEH a certain amount of movement was reported, and a previous report that a number of hangars had been destroyed was confirmed. Near LUDD and SURAFEND parties of infantry were seen, also there what appeared to be emplacements for six guns just south of KH ABIR. North of the village of ABU SHUSHEH were some 500 infantry scattered, and south of that village a party of 80-90 men halted.	

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	13 11 17		At WADI SURAR Junction there were 180 rolling stock in the station, and a train of 6 rolling stock moving towards Jerusalem. About 600 troops were seen in the vicinity since fresh work as reported on trenches west and north of station. The RAMLEH - LATRUN and JUNCTION STATION roads appear to be macadamised and in very good condition. To the south no movement was observed at NETILEH or on the BEERSHEBA HEBRON road, but there was slight movement of rolling cart and north east of DHAMERIYEH. (1) There are indications that the Hqs of the 20th Army Corps were at WADI SURAR. From the 13th inst (2) According to a prisoners statement the 12th Depot Regiment consists of 4 battalions, each of 100 rifles. The whole regiment was at DHAMERIYEH, but since returning the 1st and 3rd battalions have been at YATTA with 177 G. IDENTIFICATIONS <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>UNIT</th> <th>DATE</th> <th>POSITION or MOVE.</th> <th>SOURCE.</th> <th>REMARKS.</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>62nd Regt (2001 SW)</td> <td>15th Oct</td> <td>Arrived at</td> <td>Reliable</td> <td>—</td> </tr> <tr> <td>135th Regt (3001 SW)</td> <td>early Nov</td> <td>RAYAH.</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	UNIT	DATE	POSITION or MOVE.	SOURCE.	REMARKS.	62nd Regt (2001 SW)	15th Oct	Arrived at	Reliable	—	135th Regt (3001 SW)	early Nov	RAYAH.			
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	13 11 17		<u>PALESTINE L. of C.</u> With reference to G.H.Q. Intelligence Summary dated 12 inst., further information shows that the old wooden bridge over the JORDAN was of the suspension type. A year ago however finding that the bridge would not stand heavy traffic, it was strengthened by having supports placed under the centre, and iron girders introduced into the framework at the piers. <u>MESOPOTAMIA</u> The attack on enemy's position S. of TEKRIT on Nov 5th, found it guarded by only the 51st and 52nd Divisions, the 14th Division being 30 miles up stream, and the 46th Division still further away. The number of P.O.W. taken in these operations on the TIGRIS between Nov 2nd and Nov 8th, amount to 319 including 17 Officers. 200 Turkish dead were buried. The 51st and 52nd Divisions of the battle retreated 50 and 30 miles respectively up the TIGRIS. The whole XVIIIth A.C. is now at or north of FATHAN except one regiment holding an advanced position about SHORAMIAH. There are indications that the enemy is withdrawing on the SULAIMANIAH front.	

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	14		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u>	
	11		(a) Morning air reconnaissance reported considerable enemy movement. Some 5,000 troops were reported to be moving east towards JERUSALEM from WADI SURAR and LATRUN. Near KUBAB a body of 600-700 infantry were moving in a north-westerly direction, and at LUDD 2,000 troops of all arms were observed entering from the South. At SAFIRIVE, BEIT DEJAN, and BIREZ-ZEIBA, there were scattered troops totalling about 1,200. A number of MT lorries were seen moving in both directions on the RAMLEH-JAFFA road. In afternoon little movement was seen between LUDD and RAMLEH, or in RAMLEH itself, just a few parties of troops were moving north. In the morning an air reconnaissance at HEBRON reported about 600 mounted men in the town itself, and a party about 150 strong at ED-DILBEH. At HEBRON two apparently new short lengths of trench, facing south-east, had been dug. Two enemy field guns were located east of the HEBRON main road. <u>Civilian Population</u> From an official document it would appear that certain sections of the civilian community are being evacuated from JERUSALEM to the north.	
	17		<u>SYRIA &c</u> There are indications that a new flying section is in the course of being formed at DERRA.	

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	15 11 14		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> (10) Morning an unimportant reported patrol parties amounting to about 600 mounted and dismounted troops in the vicinity of KAUDEH and EL MEISIYEH. Between RAMLEH and YASUR (S.E. of JAFFA) there was hardly any movement, and a strong system of trenches between BEIT DESAN and SAFIRIYEH appeared to be completed. At EL KUDAB a trench had been dug across the main road, 200 yards west of the village. At noon three bodies of infantry, each about 200 strong, moving N.E. on JAFFA-JELIL road and to the north, in the vicinity of JILJULIEH, 600 infantry observed, but the infantry around TULKERAM, and west of railway from JAFFA northwards was clear of movement, and east of the line between TULKARIM and LUD. At LATRON a mixed body of troops, 700 in all, with some transport were halted, but some trenches in the vicinity appeared unoccupied.	

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	15 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONT</u> (a) In the evening on ridge around JINDAS and at ANWAS enemy troops were reported. In JERUSALEM no movement of troops observed, but double line of trenches which command the LATRUM-JERUSALEM road were apparently occupied. West of AIN KARIM parties of cavalry, infantry, and transport, totalling about 1300 men and 40 vehicles, were moving in a south-easterly direction, and moving to the north part of AIN KARIM was a party of 150 cavalry and 30 infantry. In the direction of HEBRON about 200 troops reported in village itself, and a small camp with some 300 cavalry scattered about were observed about 3 miles to the south, near point 3050. To the north 200 infantry were marching up the main road, and 300 infantry, 150 cavalry were approaching BETHLEHEM, where a camp of 80-90 tents was being pitched. (b) Air reconnaissance reports that the LATRUM-JERUSALEM and JERUSALEM-HEBRON road appeared to be in excellent condition with mounds of waste metal at intervals along the road. (c) The country on northern side of railway is extremely cultivated, and appears well watered.	

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	15 11 17		<u>SYRIA L of C.</u> (a) There are indications that during the past 6 weeks large numbers of AUSTRO-GERMAN troops, have been concentrating at ALEPPO, and that now there is probably a complete division - TIGRIS I or II - ready to take the field. (b) It is actually reported that a train in which FEMAL PASHA (the last) G.O.C. VIII A.C. was travelling between DERA A and AMMAN was blown up by bombs. Several Turkish officers, and other ranks were killed or wounded amongst these being HASSAN, FEMAL'S A.D.C. who was killed. FEMAL himself escaped, and has arrived safely at his destination. <u>IDENTIFICATIONS</u> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>UNIT</th> <th>DATE</th> <th>POSITION OF MOVE</th> <th>SOURCE</th> <th>REMARKS</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2nd REGT "INDEPENDANT"</td> <td>15.11.17</td> <td>PALESTINE Front.</td> <td>Contact</td> <td>Previous status that they were moved down from CONSTANTINOPLE. Arrived on the front 200 strong having lost 400 in route. Last identified in KURDISTAN.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	UNIT	DATE	POSITION OF MOVE	SOURCE	REMARKS	2nd REGT "INDEPENDANT"	15.11.17	PALESTINE Front.	Contact	Previous status that they were moved down from CONSTANTINOPLE. Arrived on the front 200 strong having lost 400 in route. Last identified in KURDISTAN.	
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	16 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> (a) Morning air reconnaissance of 16th ant reported troops totalling about 5,000 to be moving towards JERUSALEM on and to the west of the line SHILTA-LATRAN. These troops - some in formed bodies on the roads, others gathered in small parties, were covered by apparently weak rear-guards on the two roads leading to JERUSALEM through SHILTA and LATRAN, and at the latter place enemy was reported to be constructing a strong system of defense. Considerable amount of Horse & Mechanical transport, on main JERUSALEM road. Observed further a large number of enemy camps observed north and south of River AUSA. On southern side of river extensive camping accommodation for at least 5,000 infantry, and 1,400 cavalry. On northern side camp estimated as far as TEL JULIETH, the estimated tents and shelter would be sufficient for over 10,000 troops.	

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	16 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONTD.</u> South of these camps an outpost line was being held by some 1,500 troops between square 085 0.22 on the west, across the railway, just S. of RANTIEH, and KULEH on the east. Gaza reported to be evacuated, no shipping in harbour. A reconnaissance N. and S. of JERUSALEM reports a few motor lorries moving on main road near BIRE, and scattered movement at BETHLEHEM, and HEBRON. At BETHLEHEM a broken line of trenches commenced, runs west for about 2 miles and then north. Where it joins the defence which cover the LATRUS-JERUSALEM road. These trenches consist of short lengths of the tops of hills. At JERUSALEM 500 cavalry observed on the horse lines just north of the town, and in the vicinity were about 200 more cavalry and some 100 infantry.	

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	16/11/17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONT.</u> At SARIS entrenchments north of road with what appeared to be 40-guns emplacements behind them. 4 similar emplacements are just south of the road. With regard to roads an air reconnaissance reports that the two roads leading to JERUSALEM through SAMTA and LATRAN were held fit for motor transport but as regards the former, owing to previous information, and a letter also reports it is considered that this requires confirmation before being accepted. All tracks, other than those mentioned, east of the line LATRAN RENTIS are reported as unsuitable for transport. Throughout the area no water supply was observed other than the wells in the various villages. All the roads north of YAZUR-SUMMEIL line appear to be in excellent condition. Across the river AUSA there are only two bridges one in square 070 2 17 and the other in 084 F 8. Both of these are reported as being used by transport. There is running water in river the whole way between the railway, and the sea.	

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	16 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT. CONT'D</u> (a) A reliable native reports that the surroundings of RAMLEH are mined, and also the road between the station and town. In the former locality the mines are said to be concealed under heaps of timber and corrugated iron. (b) It is reported that all Government Archives have been removed from JERUSALEM by the 13th inst, some of them appear to have been sent to DAMASCUS, others to HABLUS. (c) It is reliably reported that there is an M.T. Depot at MAR ELIAS. <u>ENEMY INTENTIONS</u> Official prisoners taken at LUDD state that the enemy will hold the line covering HAIFA - EL FULE.	

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			3/107 th Regt.	9. 8.	KEMAKH.	"	36th "CAUCASUS" Div 1st. Caucasus Army Corps (Occurs in 2001 Div. XXI A.C. letter)	
			20th F.A.R.	4. 8.	"IN AUSTRIA"			
			1/183 rd REGT.	8. 7.	AIDIN			
			1/9 th Depot REGT.	21. 4.	SCUTARI.		Penner marked JHALALA.	
			144th REGT.	12. 11.	OCHRIDAPRESBA	Deserted this unit.		
			33rd "C" REGT.	11. 11.	ARDASA (60 m. N. of ERZINTAN).	Deserted 99th Bn.		
			43rd REGT.	Early NOV 12	CONSTANTINOPLE	Report.		
			44th REGT.	"	"	"		
All Ludd prisoners taken belonged to the following regiments - 2nd, 19th, 32nd, 47th, 48th, 54th, 59th, 73rd, 79th, 164th, 165th. 6 of the last 14 officers and 300 O.R.'s were taken, which establishes the complete unit being present, but regarding the remainder in some cases they are possibly men detached from these units.								

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	17 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> (a) Air reconnaissance reports of today indicate a general movement northwards from the front covered by many units, while from the north a considerable number of infantry, and from transport are reported to be moving south in direction of NABLUS. At NABLUS itself some 1500 infantry reported and 600-700 more coming down from direction of JENIN. In main road running north from JERUSALEM a large amount of horse and mechanical transport, mostly from ATTARA were reported parties of infantry totaling 250. At BIRE were tents & shelter for at least 1000 men, and in the vicinity of JERUSALEM 1,500-1,900 troops were observed. To the west 200 cavalry were observed south of DEIR EYUB mainly south-east, and at MEDEL YABA were 2000 infantry in column facing south. Near the coast 500 infantry were galled in column north east of SELMEH.	

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	17 11 14		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONT.</u> At LATRUN no movement observed, trenches deserted, but between BEIT NUBA on the north and BEIT SASIN (085.17.28) on the south there appeared to be a line of outposts covering the main LATRUN - JERUSALEM road. Later, however, it was reported that the enemy were building a line in advance of this north east of LATRUN through ANWAS to the north west of KHORDET NIBA with artillery in square 085.17.13 A.58. To the east of JERUSALEM on the ES SALT road no movement was observed. To the south, towards BETHLEHEM, 400 - 500 cavalry, and some 190 infantry were moving northwards on the main road, and a large amount of Mechanical and Horse Transport was moving in the same direction. At HEBRON appeared to be no movement, but contact shows that 24th Div is in the vicinity and that enemy troops from DURA are withdrawing on the place. Short bursts of trench mortar between SELMEH and TANTIEH, and a probable gas emplacement was observed in square 085.16.34 A. Chaining west of JERUSALEM - NABLUS main road appeared to be very noisy and material was being piled for unloading. Traffic between main road itself in good condition. Water in river FALIK 1-2 miles from Jaba.	

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	14 11 14		(a) R of W states enemy force at HEBRON now consists of - 24th Division 12th Depot Regiment Cavalry Detachment Camel Corps Detachment with about 9 guns, the whole under command of P 24th Division. The strength of the unit of the 24th Division is said to be as follows - <table border="0"> <tr> <td>2nd Regiment</td> <td>200 rifles</td> </tr> <tr> <td>42nd "</td> <td>1200 "</td> </tr> <tr> <td>143rd "</td> <td>400 "</td> </tr> </table> (b) There are indications that the Head Quarters VIIIth Army are now at TUL KARAM.	2nd Regiment	200 rifles	42nd "	1200 "	143rd "	400 "	
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10th JAEGER ZU PFERD ?	4/11	DAMASCUS	P. of W (Officer 5th Rgt)	150 troopers reported to have been seen. Probably 1st Squadron of a German Division			
136th ART BN.	"		P. of W	Reported as 136th Art Rgt			
158th Rgt (50th Divn)		PALESTINE FRONT	P. of W.	Attached to 20th Divn to replace 61st Rgt stated to have been killed at ALERPO.			
42nd Rgt (19th Divn)	14/11	HEBRON	P. of W	This Rgt is reported to be attached to 24th Divn in place of 58th Rgt destroyed at TEL-EL-SHERIA.			
(1) On the 21st March 1916 the 16th Division was composed as follows: 47th, 48th, and 125th Rgt 16th Art Rgt Cavalry Squadron Engineers Coy Sanitary Coy Labour Coy Tram (L.S.) Coy Telegraph Section. (2) Enemy losses of Battle on SINAI FRONT 4/3/17 attached.							

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	18 11 14		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> (a) This reconnaissance during the 18th confirms movement north towards NABLUS and TUL KERAM. On main road, through HALKILI, where there was relatively less movement than the eastern route, large numbers of tents and shelters totalling some 500 were counted between MEJDEL YABA and TUL KERAM, at this latter place considerable activity prevailed, and at the time of observation there were 9 made up trains totalling 250 Rolling Stock in the station, and in the vicinity 500-600 tents and shelters had been pitched. There was a great deal of movement on the SEBUSTIE Road and south of that town some 300 cavalry were seen moving eastwards from the line DEIT SIRA-LATRUN where a large number of troops, and this movement appeared to be continued northwards through JERUSALEM. In the vicinity of JERUSALEM were about 4,000 infantry, and thence N. through BIRE to and including NABLUS there were a number of troops. Two large columns were seen moving northwards also a large amount of transport.	

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	18 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> To the south of JERUSALEM considerable movement northwards from BETHLEHEM was observed. In the south and west of JERUSALEM a fair amount of trenchwork appears to have been undertaken, and on the latter side 3 strong Redoubts, two of which command the LATRUN road are reported, to the immediate north however, there appears to be no entrenchments and nothing appears to have been done to protect BIRE from the west. At TULKERAM the trenches run from the north at SHUWEIKE, and the south, at IRTA, towards TEL SUBI. To the south of BIR ADAS there is a line of short lengths of trench running northwards from TEL EL HELU to TABSOR. (1) It was reported (by 21st Corps) that at 1150 the enemy had apparently blown up the bridge south of DEIR EYUB, on the TAFFA-JERUSALEM road, and that later small bodies of infantry with transport were moving from LATRUN in a south easterly direction.	

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			60th Bar Regt.	18. 11.	BEIT EL JEMAL	Reliable		
			158th Regt.	"	BEIT SIRA		Corps reported arrival on the front with 200th Division.	
			42 Regt.	"	YALO.	"	This would indicate that the Regt is still with the 19th Divn and not attached to the 24th Divn as shown in G. H. Q. 15. d/d 18th inst.	

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	19. 11. 14.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> (1) This morning considerable movement reported towards JERUSALEM from both ZIFTA and BETHLEHEM; from the former place 2,000 cavalry, and 800 infantry were moving in column of route, and just south of JERUSALEM a column of 2,500 infantry was marching north. A large amount of mechanical and horse transport was moving in the same direction. From BIRE to NABLUS a total of 2,700 troops were observed moving north along the main route, and at NABLUS itself there was considerable movement of mechanical transport. No movement was seen east of the BIRE - NABLUS road. At TULL KARRAH there was considerable infantry movement near the station, where there were four made up trains totaling 120 rolling stock.	

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	19 11 14		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONTD</u> A train is reported as moving east from TUL KERAH which shows that part, if not all, of the line to NABLUS is in a fit state for traffic. No additional work is reported on the trenches between BIR ADAS and TABSOR and from the area behind this line small parties of infantry totalling 1500 men were seen moving east. (a) There are indications that on the 19th von Falkenhayn's headquarters had moved to NABLUS. (b) Early on morning of 19th the road 3-5 miles of LATRUN was blown up by the enemy (R.F.C. 19/11/14) (c) It A prisoner reports that the HEBRON road is mined at about a point $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile S of HEBRON. Place can be recognized as there is a bend in the road and a station close by. Mine shaft was driven under the road from the station. A certain amount of traffic has since passed over the mine. (MOTTS DETACHMENT)	

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			10th Depot Regt.	10. 11.	DAMASCUS.	Officer. P. of W.	
			2nd Bn. 22nd F.A.R.	Augt. 1914	PALESTINE. FRONT.	P. of W. of the unit.	This unit was previously reported as 22nd Infantry Regt. See G. H. Q. Intelligence Summary dated 16. 11. 17.

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	<u>20</u> <u>11</u> <u>17</u>		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> (a) An reconnaissance - in morning movement of troops north through BETHLEHEM still continued, some 1000 infantry formed up in column of route were in village and three parties totalling 500 were moving northwards to JERUSALEM. In JERUSALEM and its vicinity there was very little movement. Lunches on most of town appear well constructed - were occupied, and on the east a party of 20 cavalry were moving from JERUSALEM along the JERICHO Road near RAHM ALLA, on the west and south, were some 450 infantry and 400 more were halted just north of BIRE. Later, at hours, 1300, about 1000 cavalry were reported to be concentrated between BIRE and RAHM ALLA.	

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	20 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONTD.</u> To the north of BIRE along the NABLUS road some 1250 infantry and 450 cavalry were observed, of these, the cavalry and 150 infantry were bivouaced on both sides of the road near KUZA and the remainder were on route northwards. A new bridge has been constructed at the bend in the road S.E. of ATTARA; the old bridge is not now now being used by transport. At NABLUS tents and shelter for about 2500 troops were counted, & about 450 infantry seen in vicinity. At RAJIN JUNCTION and TUL KERAM a large amount of rolling stock observed, & near the former a large number of motor lorries were observed moving north from TUL KERAM on the line which runs N.W. by N. through HAKON; this line so far as it is known, is used for troops to a point due east of CAESAREA. A.A. guns reported at TUL KERAM, KAL KILI, and TIL TULIE.	

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	20 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT.</u> (A) The JERUSALEM road has been blown up in several places by the enemy, most of hill tops commanding the road have been organised for defence. I have machine guns on them (Beit Unia 20.11.17). (B) Afternoon of 20th int the enemy were holding BEIT UNIA, and the high ground. Flanking very difficult. (Beit Unia 20.11.17) (C) It is reported that about the 15th int a small party of Turkish Cavalry were sent east of BEERSHEBA. A fort belonging to the party was on TEL A'RAD 20 miles east of BEERSHEBA. (D) There are indications that the Headquarters of the 3rd A. Corps are at BIRE. (E) On 9th an air reconnaissance marking for sea mine off JAFFA reported that within one mile radius of JAFFA town no mine were seen. Observation from 3,000 feet, and the water was clear.	

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			<u>ORGANIZATION</u> <u>Air Service.</u> At present flying detachment 200 have only 4 machines that are fit to fly. The average strength of the Headquarters of the 19th Division during Sept 1917, when the Division was in CALICHA, was - 34. officers 205. O. R's. 86. horses <u>Casualties.</u> The Medical Officer of the 49th Regt states that this regiment has been totally destroyed. <u>CORRECTION.</u> G. H. Q. I. S. dated 20.11.17. <u>PALESTINE. FRONT.</u> Continue. Debate moves after TULKERAM to end of																

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	21. 11. 14.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> (01) Air reconnaissance. Considerable gathered movement observed in JERUSALEM, but, with the exception of that of small parties of troops, none was observed to the south. On the coast, near AZIRIYE, about 1000 civilians with some transport even moving from JERUSALEM along the JERICHO road, and in the vicinity of this village an infantry post with 2 machine guns was observed. In the vicinity of BIRE and TAHMALLA were some 800 cavalry, 400 - 500 infantry, and some light - probably mountain - guns. West of these at AIN ARIK were 200 cavalry halted. In the morning near ATTARA there were 200 cavalry and 200 infantry moving north, but in the afternoon 200 cavalry were reported to be halted near the village, and some 800 - 1000 infantry were observed moving south. At NABLOS, TUL KERAN, and south along the coastal plain the situation appeared unaltered.	

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	21. 11. 17.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONT</u> (a) A prisoner states that the defenses of JERUSALEM on the west and north-west have strongly held by XX and XXII corps (21st Corps 24. 11 P). <u>NOTE</u> This is confirmed in part by a reliable report that elements of 5th <u>VIII</u> Army are in JERUSALEM-BIRE area. <u>General Note on A. T. B.</u> On the whole there was very much less movement in the area under observation than on the previous three days, but there would appear to be a concentration of all arms in the vicinity of BIRE and RAHMALLA, and in this are units from the <u>VIII</u>th Army. The evacuation of a portion of the civilian population of JERUSALEM towards ES/SALT appears to be in progress. <u>ORGANIZATION</u> Railway information obtained from prisoners shows that: (a) The railway line from NABBUS to the JUNCTION S. E. of RANIN - shown on the official maps - has been pulled up. (b) A new railway N. W. by N from TUL KERAM in working order at point 190 (E. by N of CAESAREA) metre gauge, but rolling stock and engines are of a light type.	

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	22 11 17.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> His movements today. S. of JERUSALEM no movement, moving out some 150 camels; JERICHO no 100 cavalry. N. of JERUSALEM enemy holding line BIRE - RAHM ALA - BEUTUNIA, and troops amounting to 350 cavalry and 500 infantry observed on this line. Near ATTARA 300 infantry seen moving south, but with this exception there was comparatively little movement between BIRE and NABLUS. At NABLUS itself the camps had slightly increased. On coastal plain, between TABSOR and ET TIRE some 440 tents and shelter were counted, but here, as elsewhere in this region, very little movement was observed. At TUL KERAM there was considerable horse-drawn stock observed. At MEJDEL 6 miles N. by W. of TUL KERAM, are some short lengths of trench, with other in rear on hill tops. The TUL KERAM road is reported as untraveled, and the SEBUSTIE - JENIN road is reported to be in good condition. At the head of the railway E. of ATTARA (N. of RAMIN) there is a tunnel about 1000 yds long, with a large shaft at either end, from the tunnel to ATJE railway is on cutting on the ground.	

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	22. 14 17.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONTD.</u> A. A. guns observed as follows:- 4 at TUL KERRAM 3 at TEL SUBI and 4 at JIL JULIE. The two Reservoirs 1 mile S.W. of BETHLEHEM appeared to contain very little water. (b) Afternoon of 21st inst. enemy were in strength in the vicinity of BEITUNIA (Discomps 22/11) and at about noon on the 22nd the enemy heavily bombarded NEBY SAMWIL from the N.E. and S.E. with 15 c.m. shell (21st Corps 22:11:17). (c) Native report that the main road has been blown up in four places north and south of HEBRON (MOTTS D.C.) (d) An officer P.O.W. states that the enemy force between ENAB and JERUSALEM is about 4,000 strong and is well supplied with gun, and rifle ammunition. VON KRESS and ALI FUAD are stated to be in command.	

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			42nd Regt.	20 th	KUBEIBEH and	P. of W.	19th Division	
			44th Regt.	18 th	MOVED N. from JERUSALEM area.	"	Prisoner stated that the move was to DAMASCUS but this is doubtful.	
			24th DIV	19th	BIRE.	Officer detached 2nd REGT.	These two divisions from III A.C. Lh. Hd. Qrs. of this corps was at BIRE on 20 th .	
			24th "	"	"	"		
			GERMAN DIVN.	15 th	NABLUS	Officer P. of W. (Charnay).		
			<u>PERSONALITIES</u>					
			(a) G. O. C. VII Army — FEVZI Pasha.					
			(b) It is reported from a Prins source that VON FALKENHAYN is being recalled from SYRIA to take over command on the MOLDAVIAN Front.					
			<u>ORGANIZATION</u> Reinforcements. From a Turk source it is reported that Germany is going to send 2 A.C's to MESOPOTAMIA, and that 10,000 German troops passed through CONSTANTINOPLE for PALESTINE FRONT about the end of September. It is also said that BULGARIA will probably send one Division.					

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	23. 11. 17.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> See memorandum today - some slight scattered movement observed in vicinity of BETHLEHEM. This was also the case in JERUSALEM, where on the south of the town all tents and shelters have been removed. Moving eastwards along the JERICHO road were some civilians and transport. To the north 600-700 infantry were moving northwards on road W. of EL RAM, and in vicinity of RA FAT and BEITUNIA were some 500-600 cavalry halted. Later it was reported that one unit of HM. SUWEIKE (Square W. 1. 1. and 2. a. and b.) were this point along the of Shulan with about 500 infantry. Occasional fast north of them. At BIRE, in the morning there were about 225 cavalry halted in the village, and moving E through RAM ALLA 300-350 more. Later however in the afternoon 800 infantry were reported to be at the gardens just south of BIRE and 500 cavalry halted in the gardens north of RAM ALLA.	

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	23 11 14		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> Between hours 1420 and 1700 the enemy here appeared to be DEIR YESIN - BEIT IKSA - 1000 yards E of NEBI SAMWIL - EL TIB - 1 1/4 miles N.W. of EL TIB. In the road between BIRE and NABLUS were about 500 cavalry and 1000 infantry apparently en route northwards. In NABLUS there was scattered movement in the town and along the road to SEBUSTIE where there was a cavalry camp for about 2 squadrons. At RAMIN were 100 rolling stock, which included 2 make up trains. Also there was a large amount of mule and horse transport, the greater part of which was moving towards NABLUS. At TUL - KERAM there was a column of tents, and moving northwards through ZEITA were 120 infantry with 2 motor buses. To the south on the coastal plain there was little movement though some additional work was being carried out on the tracks near TABSOR. Some 200 cavalry were located N.E. of TABSOR, and 500 infantry were patrolling in heavy the tunnel line.	

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	23 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONTD</u> Between the rivers AVTA and ISKANDERUN were about 1000 Beduin shelters. West of the line TABSOR - EL MUHAIR there was no movement. Between JILJULIE and SHUWEIKE (2 miles N of TUL KERAMAT) were anti-aircraft guns. (b) There are indications that the H.Q. of the VII Army is now at NABLUS. <u>IDENTIFICATIONS</u> German M.T. Columns 491-414 reported by a Turkish mechanic who had been employed by enemy in Jerusalem, & he was this front, early November. <u>ORGANISATION</u> Supply Petroleum well reported at KURNUB (2 1/2 miles S.E. of BEERSHEBA).	

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	24 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> In reconnaissance - comparatively little movement observed in the area of operations. In the vicinity of BIRE and RAMM ALLA there was a slight local movement of cavalry, infantry and transport. From BIRE to NABLUS some several small bodies of cavalry, totalling 350-450 moving northwards. Also some mechanical and horse transport. At NABLUS little movement observed but near ASIRET-EL-HATAB (N of NABLUS) were two regiments of cavalry, and E of RAMIN, near EL WIRIA an infantry camp of some 250 small shelters was counted. At ANEBITA 250 cavalry with transport were moving towards TUL KERAM. At TUL KERAM the camp was as yesterday - some 400 tents and shelters - and no particular activity was observed. On coastal plain there is a camp of 150 tents and shelters, 2 miles south of KULUNSAWE and on the thence near TABSOR. More work has been done. (b) A report has been received to the effect that mines have been placed along the JERUSALEM defences. The actual location is not known.	

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	24 11 17		<u>IDENTIFICATIONS</u> (a) See separate sheet. (b) Prisoners captured on the 24th to the north of NAHR-EL-AUSA belonged to the 31st Regt. They state that the 32nd Regt has now been absorbed by 31st and 133th Regts, of the 3rd Division, which is now to the N.W. of TABSOR. They state that the 19th Regiment is east of the railway. (Descomps 24.11.17). <u>TOPOGRAPHICAL</u> (a) Road from KERKUR to JAFULE, fit for motor cars via ARARA and MUSMUS. (b) The road from RAS EL AIN to TUL KERAM which follows approximately the line of the railway is now fit for light wheeled traffic, but after rain the road becomes muddy and impassable for vehicles (Descomps 23.11.17). (c) Railway employee from RAS-EL-AIN states that three bridges between RANTVE and KALKILI have been destroyed, but that trains still run to KALKILI. (d) Reconnaissance to YUTTA and SEMUA reports that (i) there are no roads fit for wheeled transport except the main (BEERSHEBA - JERUSALEM) road. (ii) Numerous cisterns in both places, and BIRAZIZ (1 mile S. of YATTA) contains good water (Mott's Detachment 24.11.17).	

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	25. 11. 17.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> (a) Air reconnaissance - Observation has shown a considerable number of troops in three localities with little or no movement over the remainder of the enemy area of operations. Between SHAFAT and RAHM ALLA there were several bodies of cavalry totalling 900 - 1000. In the area Habbus, Burka, and Ramin there was a considerable movement of transport and some 1200 infantry, and 1000 cavalry were seen, there were, however, decreases in the camps in this area. In the area EL JELIL - TABSOR about 900 infantry and 300 cavalry were observed, and fresh work has been done on the trenches. (b) At 0800 on the 25th inst 1000 enemy troops were reported to be around EL JELIL. (Despatch 25.11.17) NOTE This is confirmed by air reconnaissance. (c) Deserters from the 2nd Regt state that the 24th and 27th Divisions, 2000 strong, are at BEITUNIA, also two regiments totalling 2000 at JEBEL-EL-TOR (1 mile east of JERUSALEM.) <u>PERSONALITIES</u> G.O.C. 8th Army - JEVAD PASHA, who has presumably taken over from Maj-Gen Kress von Kressenstein.	

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	25 11 17		<u>SYRIA</u> A reliable agent reports that about mid-November 5000 German troops were en route to the coast at, and between BEIRUT and TRIPOLI, where it is thought they were to take over the defenses from the Arab and Turkish troops. From the same source it is reported that BEIRUT is to be evacuated next month. <u>HEJAZ OPERATIONS</u> Recent reports from SHERIF ABDULLA show that his forces temporarily hold ANTAR station, and did great damage to the line. The Turkish losses are estimated by the Arabs at 250 killed, and 2 officers and 9 B.O.R. captured. Letters received at AKABA show that the Arabs have destroyed a railway bridge and a train N. of KALAT EL HASA. They captured 14 P. of W. in this encounter. Another bridge is reported to have been destroyed on the AMMAN - JERUSALEM (DERAA - AFULE section) Railway.	

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	26 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> Air reconnaissance - no important movement observed in enemy area of operations east of the railway from LUDD to TUL KERAM. Tents and shelters at TUL KERAM have decreased to 260 from 600 on the 18th inst. and 400 on the 23rd. On coastal plain 400 cavalry stationary near KULUNSAWE, 100 infantry marching south along the road. Further south on line EL TELIL - TEL EN - NURIYEH - ESSIR there were from 1000-2000 infantry, but no trench work observed, with the exception of some head cover which had been thrown up in certain parts of the line. Some 200 cavalry were halted N.W. of SH. EL BALLUTA also two guns were firing from a point about 1½ miles to the N.W. of this place. (b) At SHEIKH-EL-BALLUTA and TEL-EN-NURIR, and along the wadi running N.E. of the former was a considerable amount of new trench on the crest of the hills. SH-EL-BALLUTA appeared strongly held, there were at least 3000 troops in the trenches, and entrenched in the wadis east of the KHAN (crossing E of SH MUANNIS) - ETTIRE road. There were four gun emplacements ½ mile N.E. of SHEIKH BALLUTA (Air reconnaissance reported by Desorps).	

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	26 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONT'D</u> (c) The track ANNABEH - BERFILYA - ELBURG - BEIT-UR-ET-TAHTA has now become so worn by traffic that it is passable without undue difficulty by light wheeled vehicles. (Descorps) (d) A native from JERUSALEM states that the following places in the town have been mined: All flour mills, buildings of the Franciscan Monastery, and the Hospice of Notre Dame de France which is situated near the new gates. Preparations have been made to destroy a large quantity of war material on the town being finally evacuated. This native also states that there are enemy trenches and gun positions on the hills at LIFTA, W. of JERUSALEM, and at MAR ELLAS on the JERUSALEM - BETHLEHEM road. (e) There are indications that the H.Q. 3rd Cavalry Division is at DEIR-EL-JALY (Ref 1" to 1 mile, 098.C.S.d.)	

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	26 11 17		<u>ORGANISATION CONT^d</u> (b) <u>Railways</u> - It is reported by a reliable agent that Germans have taken over the organisation of railway transport at RAYAK JUNCTION.	

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	27 11 14		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> (a) An observation - little movement was observed in Eastern and northern parts of the enemy area of operations. About 400 cavalry were about and just west of RAHIT ALLA, 500 troops - cavalry and infantry - in the vicinity of NABLUS and some scattered transport between RAMIN and ZEITA. To the west of TUL KERAM, near BURIN, is an aerodrome where five machines were seen on the ground. On the coastal plain from the sea to ARSUF to KALKILI through TABBOR were some 1800 - 1900 infantry, and work was in progress at KH. EL MUNTAR (N. of ARSUF). Further south in wadi running from the north into the AJUSA river there were shelters for at least 2000 men. (b) The road from BIRE and NABLUS appears to be much cut up. On the main road west of BETHLEHEM (Square 100 k. 32) it was observed that a cutting had been made through the road. <u>NOTE</u> - possible a mine being placed. (D.F.C. 27/11/14)	

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	24 11 17		<u>Palestine Front Contd.</u> (i) Two Armenian officers deserters state that (ii) one battalion from the 20th Division arrived in the neighbourhood of BIRE on 25th inst, and that there are the only fresh troops on this front. (iii) Troops almost starving as their only food has been a small issue of bread. (d). A report states that from a hill named DAR EL ABU LAWI (approximately, Square 085/0.5. Palestine map 1" to 1 mile) a very extensive view of the country, from the Judean Hills to Mount Carmel, can be obtained. <u>SYRIA - J. L.</u> <u>RAYAK Junction</u> - It is reported that a number of guns and machine guns have been placed in position for defence against aircraft. The report states that the former are not A.A. guns, but are field guns placed that their barrels can be placed to a high angle.	

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	24 11 17		<u>ORGANISATION</u> (a) <u>Discipline</u> - A captured document shows that during 1916 Courts Martial in the 81st Regt passed 84 death sentences, all of these with two exceptions were on inhabitants of Syria. In each case commutation of the death sentence was recommended. (b) <u>Arms & ammunition</u> - A captured return of arms and ammunition shows that on 23rd October 1914, the 3/138th Regt. had on its charge 4 machine guns and 384 rifles. <u>POLITICAL</u> The Turkish Ministry of War has ordered that damage to property from enemy bombardment of ports will be made good from the property of enemy companies etc in Turkey (Captured document).	

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	28. 11. 17.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> <u>Air reconnaissance.</u> (a) No unusual movement or concentration was observed in the Eastern and Northern portions of the enemy area of operations, except at TUL KERAM, where 10 trains consisting in all of about 250 rolling stock were in the station, and 450 cavalry and infantry were scattered about in the vicinity of the town. On the road between ET TAIIYIBE and KALKILI 500 infantry in small parties were marching south. There was a slight increase of tents and shelters throughout the area TUL-KERAM - River AJTA. (b) Enemy aircraft have shown some activity during the past two days in the vicinity of TAFFA and RAMLEH. (Descrip 28. 11. 17)	

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	28/11/17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONT'D.</u> (c) Interrogations show the enemy forces on the front line BIR-EZ-ZEIT - BEIT IKSA - BETHLEHEM to be approximately distributed as follows:- BIR EZ ZEIT 1st & 3/143rd Regt. BIR-EZ-ZEIT - RAHMALLA 2nd Div (less 1 Regt) RAHMALLA - EL JIB 1st & 2/158th Regt. EL JIB - BIR NEBALA 2/143 Regt. BIR NEBALA - NEBI SAMWIL 54th Regt. NEBI SAMWIL - BEIT IKSA 42nd Regt. BEIT IKSA - astride main road 136th Regt. South of main road. 163rd. Regt. BETHLEHEM defended. 64th and 81st Regts. 42nd Regt in process of relief by one Bn from 20th Division (21st Corps 28/11/17). <u>NOTE</u> - Probably the Battalion of the 20th Division is one of the 158th Regt. This regiment has been attached to the 20th Division.	

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	28 11 17		<u>IDENTIFICATIONS</u>					
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			Ysh. ? Cav.	27/11	In route from HEJAZ to PALESTINE front	Reliable.	—	
			CIRCISSIAN CAV REGT.				—	
			150 th Regt.		Under orders to move from AMMAN to PALESTINE FRONT.	Reliable.	Probably only 1 bn with M.G. Coy.	
			48 th Regt. (16 th Div)	28/11	Near WILHELMA (German Colony)	Contact.		
			62nd Regt. (20 th Div)		NAHREL AUSA	Deserters	Deserters state that 61 st and 62nd Regts arrived by night march from DAMASCUS on 26th instant.	

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	29 11 17		<u>PALESTINE FRONT</u> (a) <u>Air reconnaissance</u> - With the exception of TUL KERAM, and its vicinity no unusual movement or concentration was observed in the enemy area of operations. At TUL KERAM early in the morning there were 6 train <u>totalling</u> 200 rolling stock in the station, and in the village were some 300 infantry; by hours 1100 nearly half the rolling stock had disappeared and about 200 infantry were observed marching south along the main road just south of EL TAYIBE. Short lengths of trench were observed in the vicinity of SHEIKH MUANNIS and MULEBBIS (H.Q. PALESTINE Brigade R.A.C. 29.11.17). (b) <u>Air reconnaissance</u> in morning reported enemy infantry in valleys N.E. and S. of NEBI SAMWIL, but no signs of enemy movement in EL JIB, BEIT URET TAHTA, BEIT UR EL FOKA, KOLONIEH, AIN KARIM, or the trench system between BEIT SURIK and N. of KOLONIEH. (R.F.C. 29.11.17) (c) WILHELMA and EL YEHUDIE were shelled on 29. inst to a considerable extent, also machine gun fire on the former place, from the direction of EL TIRE (Descrips 29.11.17.)	

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	30. 11. 17.		<u>PALESTINE FRONT CONTD</u> Enemy defenses south of MULEBBIS appeared to be strongly held, and in the area FETTA-METDEL-YABA-TILJIE about 600 infantry and 400 cavalry were observed. Just north of RAS-EL-AIN there was a camp of 100 tents. At KALKILIE a small number of rolling stock were in the station and some 200 infantry were by, just south of this village were 60-70 tents and shelters. At the SOFIST BUDRUS was reported to be occupied by the enemy, and trenches were being dug in front of this village. The was continuous movement of loaded camels into ET TIRE throughout the day. <u>ARABIA</u> <u>HETAZ and E. PALESTINE.</u> The Governor of MARR, SAMI BEY, one Medical Officer and 430 T.S. have been captured from a train which has been destroyed by the Arabs between JEBEL-EL-HAFRA N. of KALAH EL HASA station, HETAZ Railway and FATAN (probably near the railway N. of K. EL HASA: map reference ARABIA, MARR 1:50000). Defection is increasing in the H.E.F. area. It now appears that Arab raids on ISTAB ANTAR and BUEIR November 10-13 resulted in the temporary occupation of both stations by the raiders who took 93 B. & W. and inflicted over 200 casualties on the enemy. The Arab losses were very small.	

WAR DIARY

Army Form C. 2118.

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or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information				Remarks and references to Appendices
	30. 11 14		<u>IDENTIFICATIONS</u>				
			UNIT	DATE	POSITION or MOVE	SOURCE	REMARKS
			154 th Regt. (49 th Div.)	29 th	S. of SUFFA.	P. of W. of this unit.	Prisoner states that his unit has just arrived from DAMASCUS. The 49 th Div was last identified in the SMYRNA area
			3 rd M. G. Coy from 50 th Div.	30/11.	BEIT UR EL FOKA.	P. of W. of unit.	
			2 nd Regt	"	"	"	
			54 th "	"	"	"	
			2/58 th "	"	"	"	
			143 rd "	"	"	"	
Officer prisoner states that the 16th and 26th Divisions are in reserve at NABLUS (44th Division 30/11/14). <u>NOTE</u> - This probably applies only to certain units of these divisions							

ENEMY ORDER OF BATTLE SINAI FRONT - 4/3/17.

(From a captured Document).

JERUSALEM

12th Depot Regt.
2 Mountain Batteries of the 27th Regt.
One Section from the Army Telegraph Coy.
Automobile Station Number 505.
One Automobile Wing.
No. 212 Field Hospital.

RAMLEH.

Aeroplane Flight.
A.A. Section 142.
One Wireless Telegraph Station.
One Section from the 81st Machine Gun Coy.

WADI EL SURAR.

Two Sections of the 81st Machine Gun Coy.
One Automobile Wing.

HEBRON.

Automobile Wing No. 507.

BEERSHEBA GROUP.

The O.C. of the Expeditionary Force.
C.C. 3rd Cavalry Division.
3rd Cavalry Division H.Q.
125th Regt. with its machine guns.
138th " " " "
2nd Cavalry Machine Gun Coy.
4th " " " "
6th Cavalry Regiment (minus 2 Sqns).
7th Cavalry Regt.
The Desert Horse Artillery Battery.
The Mountain Horse Artillery Battery.

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The Austrian Mountain Howitzer Battery.

A.A. Section No. 133.

3rd Coy 8th Engineer Battalion.

One platoon from Army Telegraph Coy.

One W/T Station.

The Sanitary Coy Cavalry Division.

No. 37 Field Hospital.

No. 213 " "

JEMAME GROUP.

O.C. 3rd Infantry Division.

The Headquarters of the 3rd Division.

31st Regiment with its machine guns.

32nd " " " " "

One squadron from 6th Cavalry Regt.

1/5th Regt. Field Artillery.

1st Company of the 1st Battalion of Engineers.

One Section from the Army Telegraph Coy.

No. 35 Field Hospital.

39th Field Bakery.

GAZA GROUP.

O.C. 79th Regt.

79th Regt.

2/81st Regt.

One Coy, Camel Corps.

273th M.G. Coy.

267th " "

Detachment Camel Corps.

One squadron from 6th Cavalry Regt.

One battery from 16th Field Artillery Regt.

One Wireless Telegraph Station.

38th Field Hospital.

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TEL EL SHERIA GROUP.

O.C. 16th Division.
H.Q. 16th Division.
48th Regt. with its machine guns.
47th " " " " "
137th Machine Gun Coy.
No. 1 Squadron 27th Cavalry Regt.
16th Regt. Field Artillery (less one battery).
One battalion Heavy Artillery.
One Mortar Battery.
A.A. Section No. 136.
1st Coy 6th Battalion Engineers.
One Section Army Telegraph Coy.
One W/T Station.
16th Sanitary Coy.
49th Field Hospital.
38th Field Bakery.
Detachments A.S.C.
213 Field Hospital (one section).

Note by A.W.M. Date:- 24/11/17, see diary.

IDENTIFICATIONS. (A).

Unit.	Date.	Position or move.	Source	Remarks.
<u>53rd Division.</u>		JERUSALEM area.		
161st Regt	20-11-17.	-	Offr. Prisoners/ Destroyed 136th and 163rd Remnants Regts.	absorbed by 79th & 163rd Regts.
79th. "	"	"	"	Reduced to a weak battn. and sent to rear.
163rd "	"	SARIS.	"	
136th "	"	"	"	Attached 53rd Div. in place of 161st Regt.
				Prisoners state that 19th, 24th, 26th, 53rd 54th & perhaps 20th Divisions are on JERUSALEM - BIRE front. 27th Div guarding S. defences of city.
9th "CAUCASUS" Regt.	24/10 and 28/10	CAUCASUS Front.	Deserters.	26th and 27th "CAUCASUS" Bttns identified.
10th "CAUCASUS" Regt.	23/10 and 1/11	" "	"	28th and 29th "CAUCASUS" Bttn identified.
13th "CAUCASUS" Regt.	22/10 to 2/11	" "	Deserters and P. of W.	4th, 46th and 60th "CAUCASUS" Bttns identified.
17th "CAUCASUS" Regt.	23/10	" "	Deserters.	49th and 50th "CAUCASUS" Bttns identified.
18th "CAUCASUS" Regt.	18/10.	" "	Deserter.	53rd "CAUCASUS" Bttn identified.
28th "CAUCASUS" Regt.	23-25/10.	" "	Deserters.	82nd, 83rd and 84th "CAUCASUS" Bttn identified.
29th "CAUCASUS" Regt.	25/10 and 28/10	" "	"	85th and 87th "CAUCASUS" Bttn identified.

IDENTIFICATIONS. (Cont).

Unit.	Date.	Position or Move.	Source.	Remarks.
31st "CAUCASUS" Regt.	25/10.	CAUCASUS Front.	P. of. W.	92nd "CAUCASUS" Bttn identified
32nd "CAUCASUS" Regt.	5/11.	" "	Deserter.	94th "CAUCASUS" Bttn identified.
33rd "CAUCASUS" Regt.	31/10 and 6/11	" "	Deserters.	97th & 99th "CAUCASUS" Bttn identified.
34th "CAUCASUS" Regt.	15/10 and 2/11	" "	"	54th and 100th "CAUCASUS" Bttns identified.
13th Regt.	7/11	BITLIS Area.	Deserter.	No change.
14th. "	28/10.	" "	"	"
15th "	7/11.	" "	"	"
17th "	2/11.	"	"	From W. of MUSH.
34th.	4/10.	MUSH Area.	"	Moved from S. W. of OGHNAT
35th.	4/10.	KIGHI Area.	"	? "
106th.	2/10	" "	"	From W. of ERZINJAN.
107th.	3/10.	KEMAKH Area.	"	No change.
108th.	18/10.	" "	"	From W. of ERZINJAN.
111th "C". Regt.	22/10.	KHARSUT Area.	"	No change.