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1st March 1916 Ismailia		0630	<p>Wire from W.O. 13904 cipher. Brigade of "A" - "D" batteries + 460th battery RFA to be numbered 132nd Bde RFA ("A", "B", "C" batteries).</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 13912 cipher, Staff Officers of 10th Indian division urgently required for Mesopotamia.</p> <p>Wire from ANHQ, Salonica 734 cipher answering queries as to employment of Officers extra to establishment</p> <p>Wire from ANHQ, Salonica: Nothing to report</p> <p>Wire from GOC Egypt GE 575. Concentration of Senoussi reported at DAKHLA</p> <p>Wind Canal Clear.</p>	<p>App A</p> <p>App B</p>

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1st March Ismailia		1200	Wire W.O. AM 190 Proposal to send home Lord Deubrip	App C.
			Wire W.O. A.M. 191. Unable to spare 2 ^{extra} Field Companies for France	App D
			Wire from AHQ Salonica GC 52. Instructors for local M.G. School.	App E
			Telegrams regarding despatch of divisions to France From W.O. 13927 cipher. Horses + vehicles To W.O. AM 194. Inquiry as to vehicles to go with 3rd D.A.C. To W.O. AM 193 Units being raised for ANZ units To W.O. AM 195. Horses and vehicles	App F.
			Wire from AHQ Salonica A. 738. Only 2 armoured motor cars arrived. No personnel except 4 M.T. drivers. When may other 2 cars and personnel for whole battery be expected.	

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1st March Ismailia			<p>A visit of some 80 Egyptian notables took place today to gHQ, where they were entertained and shown various sights. This was the subject of evening report to Chief W.O. AM 192</p> <p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>From 1st A. N.Z. Corps. asking for plan of location of land mines in front of old inner line Canal Defences</p> <p>To G.O.C. A. N.Z. Forces. Raising of additional A & N.Z batteries</p> <p>To V.A. East Indies. Request for air reconnaissance in Syria</p> <p>To HE The Sirdar forwarding report on recent operations near TOR</p> <p>To G.O.C. Egypt declining offer of material now at TOR</p>	<p>App G.</p> <p>App H.</p> <p>App J.</p> <p>App K.</p> <p>App L.</p> <p>App M.</p>

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<i>1st March Ismaïlia</i>			<p><i>To give Subbase forwarding telegraphic correspondence re ammunition to be carried by guards on neutral ships</i></p> <p><i>To Commandant M.B. School. NCO instructors of 31st divn. to report at divl. HQ on 2nd March.</i></p> <p><i>In a letter received by C. in C. today Gen Bidwood, after consultation with Gen Godley, accepted the command of 1st ANZ Corps in France.</i></p> <p><i>Letter from V.A. East Indies written with object of inducing military authorities to take measures for improving the military situation at ADEN</i></p>	<p><i>App N</i></p> <p><i>App O</i></p> <p><i>O. Williams Capt</i></p>

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2 nd March Ismailia	1916	0630	<p>Wire from W.O. 13948 cipher "9th Corps Staff need not be moved at present. We will give you ample notice if it should be required in France." Repeated to 9th Corps OBA 161</p> <p><u>Telegrams re embarkation of divisions for France</u></p> <p>From W.O. 13937 cipher. A+N2 units not to bring guns or vehicles. What units to be provided in France. Raising of new batteries etc.</p> <p>To W.O. AM 197. Units of A + N2 divisions to embark</p> <p>To W.O. AM 198. Is casualty clearing station for 1st Aus. Div. to be sent? Is one sanitary section to be provided for each divn. in addition to divl. sanitary section</p> <p>Wire from GOC Egypt GE 528. Situation on Western Front. RNACD Squadron brought to Cairo. Reply on latter point OA 183. RNACD disbanded + to be sent home</p> <p>Wire from GOC Egypt GE 524 asking for loan of aeroplanes and for services of Col Salmon to organize air service in South.</p> <p>Reply Reply AM 201. Cannot spare aeroplanes but will replace any damaged in operations. Col. Salmon will report tomorrow.</p>	<p>App A.</p> <p>App B.</p>

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2 March Ismailia			Wired Canal Clear	
		1230	Wired W.O. AM 199 asking for Corps Signal Co for 2nd A+NZ Corps	App C.
		1905	Wired W.O. AM 196 explaining appointment of certain officers to Corps HQ Salonica in excess of establishment	App D
			Wired W.O. weekly dislocation of units report. AM 200	App E.
			Wired Chief W.O. evening report AM 202	App F
			Wired W.O. AM 203. Will 57th Bde. RFA be completed from home?	App G
			Wire from W.O. 13974 cipher. Divisional Squadron to be earmarked for 13th div. in Newpotamia. Squadron selected to be wired.	

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2 March Ismailia			<p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To GOC Egypt enclosing letter from GOC 1st ANZ Corps about land mines and asking for a plan of land mines laid last year on Canal</p> <p>To GOC 1st ANZ Corps. Repair of road from MOASCAR to SERAPEUM</p> <p>To GOC 9th, 15th & 1st ANZ Corps asking for list of names of posts etc. for approval and publication</p> <p>To GOC 9th Corps. Comments on progress report of engineering work</p> <p>To IGC, in reply to a letter from DVS forwarded by him, on appointment of veterinary officer to each dismounted brigade</p>	<p>App H</p> <p>App J</p> <p>App K</p> <p>App L</p> <p>App M</p> <p><i>Overman Capt JS.</i></p>

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Ismailia	3 March 1916	0630	<p>Telegram Personal and Secret from Chief London to Sir A. Murray 13977 cipher repeating telegram from GOC Egypt asking to retain certain troops, and stating that the difficulty of dealing with two commanders was being felt by CIGS, who intended to reopen the question of the command in Egypt and to make a change. C in C requested to wire his carefully considered opinion on the matter, remembering the necessity for economy, for troops in Egypt being kept ready to move elsewhere, for efficiency in carrying on civil government of Egypt.</p> <p>CIGS going to France for 2 days and had answered Egypt meanwhile that dismounted brigade of 5th division could be retained as a temporary measure.</p> <p>The settlement of this vexed question of dual control in Egypt in the sense indicated would be a great relief to GHQ. Ever since the arrival of MEF in Egypt the awkwardness of the present position has been felt. It leads unavoidably to friction owing to clash of interests, and is wasteful of staffs and of writing paper.</p>	MFA

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
3 March Ismailia			<p>Singleness of policy is impossible with one Commander watching the East, and another the West; one with his eye on the Senoussi, the other with his eye on the Turks; one in command of practically all the British troops in Egypt and responsible for keeping them elsewhere if so ordered, the other with no interests outside Egypt, ^{with} only a small force at his disposal and that not permanently, but, being in fact the military Governor of Egypt, holding, in the eyes of the inhabitants, a very very responsible position. In fact, as the C.I.G.S states in his telegram, the necessity (presumed) for a GOC Egypt has been the fact that Egypt is under martial law, and that the local and particular knowledge possessed by Sir J Maxwell made, in the view of the G.C. prevailing, his retention in Egypt imperative. From a military point of view this dual control is becoming less & less workable. The Force in Egypt not unreasonably, resent the removal of 53rd & 54th divs from their command while they are conducting a campaign against the Senoussi. The Force on the other hand must have troops to hold the Canal line while 4 or 6 divisions are being moved to France.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">Reply sent by Gen C. AM 2024</p>	

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3 March Ismailia	0630		Wire from AIR Salonica GC 55. Report sent to London.	App B
			Wire from W.O. 13998 cipher. Brigade m.g. Companies to go with 29th division. Horses for artillery, harness & saddlery.	App C
			Wire from W.O. 13997 cipher. Casualty clearing station for 1st Aus. div. to be sent. Only one sanitary section per div. is required	
			Wire from Chief W.O. 13982 cipher 29th div. to follow 31st to France as soon as possible. 9th Corps informed OA 187 + told that embarkation would probably begin on 6th	App D
			Wind Canal Clear	

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3 rd March Ismailia			Wind 1st ANZ Corps OA 186. Arrange for NZ & A division to move to Ferry Post camp vice 2nd Aus. Div. to Moascar Camp. Move to commence as soon as possible. N.Z. & A. div will remain concent-rated at Ferry Post Camp, the front line being held by mounted troops.	
			Wind W.O. London AM 203. Re. numbering of units 3 rd Aus. Div	App E.
		2145	Wind chief London evening report. AM 206	App F.
			Wind W.O. AM 207 asking for increase of establishment showing same tho for HA batteries with Mounted Brigades.	App G.

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3 March Ismailia			<p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To VA East Indies. A request that he would send ^{ask} Admiralty approval for battleships leaving the station to leave their anti-aircraft guns for the Canal Defences</p> <p>To GOC 15th Corps. At M.D. Bde. not required to furnish divisional squadrons</p> <p>To GOC Levant Base re Motor M.G. Batteries</p> <p>Force Order NO 12 issued further amending F.O. NO 5 (allocation of units etc.)</p>	<p><i>App H.</i></p> <p><i>App J.</i></p> <p><i>App K.</i></p> <p><i>App II</i> <i>F.O.</i></p> <p><i>William</i> <i>Capt G.S.</i></p>

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4 March Ismailia	1916	0630	<p>Wire from W.O. 14032 cipher Reply from AM199 asking for Corps Signal Co. for 2nd ANZAC. Reps of 1st ANZAC go to France they will leave their signal Co in Egypt and another will be supplied in France.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14033 cipher 57th Bde RFA will not be completed from home, but may be raised to 3 battery establishment by transference of a battery from a 4-battery brigade.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. to GOC Egypt repeated 9HQ. Ref. Egypt ME 529. Admiralty have no knowledge of orders for emergency squadron RNAED to be sent home.</p> <p>Wire Egypt asking them to repeat their ME 529.</p> <p>Wire OC, RNAED, to report 9HQ as soon as possible.</p> <p>Wire Canal clear.</p>	<p>1/13</p>

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4 March Ismailin.			<p>Wired HQ, Levant Base, OA 190 not to break up in g batteries referred to in our of 65 in order to send cars + personnel to Salouia.</p> <p>Wired gth + 1st ANZ Corps. OIB 233. Ref. F.O. NO 12, 9th Heavy Battery to remain in section to which was allotted.</p> <p>Wired W.O. AM 208. By AM 207 for "2nd Tkt. Brigade" and "2nd Tkt. Division".</p> <p>Wired Chief W.O. AM 209. "Gillman has received your instructions". Gen. Gillman, arrived this morning on his way to Mesopotamia.</p> <p>Wired W.O. AM 210 asking for sanction for appointment of Inspector Medical Services.</p> <p>Wired W.O. AM 211. One Squadron Herby Yeomanry has been selected for service in Mesopotamia.</p>	<p>M.P.</p>

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4 March Ismailia	1930		<p>Wind W.O. AM 212. Inquiry as to scale of equipment etc. with which N.2. Div. is to proceed to France.</p> <p>Wind evening report to Chief London AM 213 "All going well"</p> <p>Letters etc.</p> <p>To GOC 9th Corps. Moves of 3rd Dismounted + 4th Mounted Bdes. Composition of Corps artillery.</p> <p>To GOC C. A. N.2. Forces + 1st ANZ Corps. ^{Instructions} Orders for relief of 2nd Aus. Div. by N.2. + A Div., subsequent relief of N.2. + A Div. from Tel el Kebir. 1st Aus. Div. to concentrate at Scrapennoor ready for embarkation. Front to be held by covering force of ANZ Mtd Div.</p>	<p>App C</p> <p>App D</p> <p>App E</p>

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<i>4 March Smairin</i>			<i>To GOC ANZ Forces. Additional batteries for ANZ units. The principle upon which the raising of new units should be based is that existing batteries should be sent to France as nearly as possible as they stand, while new batteries should accompany Divn. as untrained personnel.</i>	<i>App F.</i>
			<i>To GOC Force in Egypt. Squadrons of Herts Yeomanry to proceed to Mesopotamia.</i>	<i>App G.</i>
			<i>To GOC Salonica Army. ^{reallotment} Comp reorganization of self batteries 57th Bde R.F.A.</i>	<i>App H.</i>
			<i>War diary for February sent to D.S.D War Office. Notes by Lieut. Gammell on Jebel Harr position.</i>	<i>App J.</i>

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5 March Ismailia	1916	0630	<p>⁶⁵²⁰ Wire from 9HQ Egypt (Gorn OA 192) Squadron expected Alexandria tomorrow, with necessary details later.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14060 cipher Please arrange to dispatch a divisional Squadron to Basra for 13th div as soon as possible. Report unit selected and probable date of dispatch.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 3026 code Gorn AM 190. Send home Lord Deubrief.</p> <p>Wire Caval Liaison.</p> <p>Wire 90C Force in Egypt OA 192 re order to dispatch divl Squadron to Basra, inquiring what Squadron selected + whether it was at Alexandria.</p> <p>Reply GE 540 Squadron expected Alexandria tomorrow. Will wire details later.</p> <p>Wire W.O. AM 216 Establishment of m.g. school</p>	<p>App A.</p>

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5 March Ismailia			<p>Wined Chief India AM 217. Gillman leaves Port Said tomorrow in S.S. Persia + will call for instructions at Aden.</p>	
	1915		<p>Wire from GOC Salonica addressed Chief W.O. GC 59. Gen. Sarrail informs him that he has received orders from Headquarters France to take offensive, + send GOC asks for confirmation. By taking transport from the all divisions he might get 2 divisions mobile. Does not consider any advance can be made with present force with any prospect of success.</p> <p>Reply AM 223. addressed Salonica repeated Chief London "Your GOC 59 is news to me. I can only suppose it is a move to keep any remaining German divisions from leaving Bulgaria for France"</p> <p>Wined evening report to Chief W.O AM 210</p> <p>Wined W.O AM 220. None of 6 divisions under orders have motor or batteries. A-NZ divs have no cyclist companies</p>	<p>App B</p> <p>App C</p>

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5 March Smairi		2100	Wed W.O. AM 221. Grading of staff officer W B GRA, Salonica	App D
			Wed W.O. AM 222. Appointment of extra APM GHQ	App E
			<u>Letters etc</u>	
			To GOC Egypt ANZ Forces. reference battery of 4.7" guns supplied by Australian Government	App F
			To GOC 15th Corps. Cinc complains severely of the state of the Camp at Kantara Ministry of Munitions	App G
			To Secretary, to forwarding copy of Capt B. Lowe's invention for Trench mounting for machine gun 9th Corps informed.	App H
			To GOC, 9th, 15th or ANZ Corps re application for additional labour from Egyptian Labour Corps. No civilian labour to be used in actual construction of defences.	App J
			<p>Arthur Capt G.S.</p>	

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6 March Ismailia	1916	0630	<p>AMQ Salonica wire GC 60 Nothing to report.</p> <p>Wire from Chief W.O. 14080 cipher. Distribution of the Fleet under consideration by War Committee. Wire what naval assistance is essential for defence of east frontier Egypt.</p> <p>Reply AM 227. Concur in Admiral Wemyss' recommendations, which amount to a reduction of 3 battleships. Small craft sufficient for patrolling.</p> <p>Wire Canal clear.</p> <p>Wire W.O. reprinted GVC Egypt. AM 225. Disposal of RNA CD emergency Squadron</p> <p>Despatch of A+NZ divisions to France</p> <p>Telegram AM 226 ^{from} Chief W.O. inquiring if Corps HQ is to go with 1st A+NZ Corps. Gen C personally considers Corps staff necessary owing to peculiar organization.</p> <p>From W.O. 14078 cipher. Australian Divs not to bring any gun or howitzer ammunition.</p> <p>From W.O. 14079 cipher. Future scale of reinforcements A+NZ forces.</p> <p>From W.O. 14096 cipher. Horses to be brought to France.</p>	<p>App A</p> <p>App A</p> <p>App B</p> <p>App</p>

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6 March Ismaïlia		1930	Wire evening report to Chief W.O. AM 228. Destruction of HASSANA reservoir	App C.
		2130	Wire from AHQ, Salonica addressed Chief W.O. GC62, giving results of a discussion with the French as to possible offensive operations. Three alternatives proposed. GOC Salonica deprecates any move to the flank, and has not thinks result of frontal attack would only be to expose Allies' weakness. Suggests that a more likely step would be for Allies to occupy KAVALLA. Failing this, does not advise any advance beyond protection of our fortified positions	App D.
			Memorandum circulated to 3 Corps + ANZ Forces on the reconstitution of forces for the defence of the Canal, in view of the altered conditions of defence and the constitution of MEF after despatch of 6 divs to France. This memo provides for a an mobile defensive force in all 3 sections, + lays down that the present front line is to be occupied as a series of outposts. The C-in-C's intention to advance on KATIA also stated, + the nature of the KATIA force. Table attached giving allotment of troops to sections	App E.

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6 March Ismailia			<p><u>Letters etc</u></p> <p>To GOC 9th Corps. Comments on his proposals for defence of No 1 Section</p> <p>To GOC 1st A+N.Z. + 9th Corps. Forwarding revised orders for Canal defence Flotilla</p> <p>To GOC A+N.Z. Forces, 1st ANZAC + Gen. Cox. Australian Provincial Formations to be formed into 4th + 5th Australian Divisions. Gen. Cox to command 4th div with present staff</p> <p>To GOC F.m.E. Lewis gun course } GOC 9th 215th Corps ditto }</p> <p>To VA East Indies. Return of 4.7" guns lent by Navy</p> <p>To GOC F.m.E. Instructors for mg. school Ismailia</p> <p>To C.I.G.S. War Office. Clerical establishment for AQMG (P.S.)</p> <p>To GOC 9th 215th Corps. Instructors for mg. school</p>	<p>App F</p> <p>App G</p> <p>App H</p> <p>App J</p> <p>App K</p> <p>App L</p> <p>App M</p> <p>App N</p> <p>oc Williams Capt S.</p>

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7 March Ismailia	1916	0630	<p>Wire from Chief W.O. addressed Salonica 14108 cipher. Reference Salonica's qc 59 of yesterday. No mention made by Gen. Joffe on 4th of any intention to have offensive at Salonica. No offensive operations can take place without concurrence of the two governments; G.O.C., if asked to undertake them by Gen. Sarrail, to refer to Chief London and await instructions.</p> <p>Wired Chief London A.M. 229. Occupation of KAVALLA not recommended.</p> <p>AHQ Salonica wire Nothing to report.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14111 cipher. Equipment of N.2. division.</p> <p><u>Armoured Cars in Egypt.</u></p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14120 cipher asking for exact distribution to be wired.</p> <p>Wire from G.O.C. Egypt to W.O. repeated 9HQ, asking for decision as to disposal of emergency Squadron RNACD.</p> <p>Wired Canal Clear.</p> <p>as left for Cairo by HQ</p>	<p>App A.</p> <p>App B.</p> <p>App C.</p>

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7 March Ismaïlia			<p>Wire from AHQ Salonica. GC 61 Proposal to equip 3rd TAD. Bde with Lewis guns Reply ORS 234. No objection. Wire what transport will be utilized also number of Lewis guns now in possession</p> <p>1045 Wire Chief India. AM 231. SS "Persic" goes direct to Basra. Gellman will not call at Aden.</p> <p>1110 <u>Herts Yeomanry Despatch of Squadron to Basra etc</u> GOC Alexandria Dnt wires IR 1201. D Squadron Herts Yeo detailed for 13th div. Which part of regt to retain Machine gun?</p> <p>GOC Egypt wires G. 689 addressed GOC Alexandria. Detachment of D Sqn at Mena being despatched Alexandria. HQ + remaining Sqn to stay at Alexandria</p> <p>GOC Egypt wire G. 690. Please issue instructions for D Sqn direct to GOC Alex. What orders for HQ and m.g. + Sqn for 53rd div?</p> <p>Wire GOC Alex repeated GOC Egypt. AM 234. HQ + m.g. section should be allotted to Squadron for 52nd div.</p> <p>Wire W.O. AM 232 informing them of allotment of D Sqn to 13th div. + proposals for allotment of HQ, m.g. section + remaining Sqn. Question of Squadron for 53rd div.</p> <p>Wire portion of AM 232 to GOC Egypt AM 233.</p>	<p>App D</p> <p>App E</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
7 March Ismailia			<p>Wined 9th Corps. Oac 75 Cin C. will carry out tour at SHALUFFA on 11th. V.A. informed and invited. Oac 76.</p> <p>Letter received from GOC 9th Corps proposing to send aeroplane to ABU ZENIMA to make reconnaissance, as party of 200 Arabs reported concentrated near GINEH.</p> <p>Replied O. 743. Chief does not think it would be worth while to attempt this enterprise in view of serious shortage of machines and necessity of incurring no undue risks. The Admiral is however being consulted regarding possibility of undertaking enterprise with seaplanes.</p> <p>1925 Wined evening report to Chief W.O. AM 233</p> <p>Cin C. left in the afternoon for the Residency, Cairo.</p>	<p>App F</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
7 March Ismailia			<p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To GOC. A. & N. 2 Forces. Arrangements to withdraw 1st A.L.H. from Force in Egypt, + to include in ANZAC Mounted Div. It will form the MAF Bde for No 2. Sectant.</p> <p>Pamphlet "Cooperation between aircraft and ships and batteries" forwarded to V.A. East Indies (50), G.O.S.C. 9th, 15th + mt ANZ Corps (60, 60, 80), G.O.S.C. 53rd + 54th divs (40, 40), GOC, Force in Egypt (50)</p> <p>Provisional Order of Battle MAF issued.</p>	App G.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
8 March Ismailia	1916	0630	Telegram from Sir W. Robertson to Sir A. Murray R 3. cipher. Personal + secret with reference to Gen Godley's appointment to command 2nd ANZ AC. Appointment not to be definitely made at present.	Appx A.
			Wire from ATTQ Salonica GC 64, inquiring if we wish erroneous information spread as to the destination of divisions now leaving Egypt.	Appx B.
			Wire from ATTQ Salonica GC 65. Nothing to report.	
			Wire from WO. 14142 cipher. Asking nature + armament of 18 cars referred to in AM 225. Reply AM 236	Appx C.
			Wire from Chief London 14143 cipher. Corps HQ will certainly accompany first 3 ANZ divisions to France when it is definitely decided that they are to go.	Appx D.

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8 March Ismaelia			Wired Canal Clear	
	1935		Wire from Chief W.O. 14179 cipher "What are your plans now for occupation of KATIA?"	
	2011		Wire from 15th Corps G 27 reference increased hostile movements reported in KATIA district by aircraft. Evening report to Chief W.O. AM 237.	M/F E.
			<u>Letters etc</u>	
			To V.A. East Indies with ref to reported enemy concentration at RAS-EZ - GHARBE; inquiring if Navy would undertake seaplane reconnaissance - area of district	M/F F.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
8 March Ismailia			<p><u>Letters etc</u></p> <p>To HQ 15th Corps. Machine gun training</p> <p>To GOC 9th, 15th & 1st A+N.2 Corps. Naming or numbering of works + groups of trenches</p> <p>To GOC 9th Corps. C-in-C concurs in suggestion that at the next reconnoissance of NEKHL no bombs shall be dropped.</p> <p>To GOC 1st A+N.2 Corps. No record of any old land mines in front of old mine line defences</p> <p>To GOC F. in E. Proposal to loan 1 air line & 1 cable section on condition they are returned within 7 days if required</p> <p>To CIGS forwarding 2 copies of order of battle</p> <p>To Secretary W.O. forwarding proposed establishment for MG school.</p> <p>To Secretary W.O. forwarding proposed establishment for Army Postal Service Directorate</p>	<p>App G</p> <p>App H</p> <p>App J</p> <p>App K</p> <p>App L</p> <p>App M</p> <p>JCW Capt G</p>

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<i>9 March 1916 Ismailia</i>		<i>0630</i>	<p><i>Wire from W.O. 14199 after approving temporarily of establishments for HQ but stating that they will be subject to revision at an early date.</i></p> <p><i>AMR Salonica wire GC 66 Nothing to report.</i></p> <p><i>Wire Canal Clear.</i></p> <p><i>1225 Wire from 15th Corps G.C. Inquiry as to further construction of roads, railways + water supply to the front.</i></p> <p><i>Wire Chief W.O. AM 239 replying to yesterday's inquiry regarding occupation of KATIA. Hoped that broad gauge line will reach KATIA by 1st week in April, by which date there will be in KATIA 1 div. and ANZ Mounted Div. Railway to go as far as BIR EL ABD.</i></p> <p><i>Wire GOC Egypt repeating W.O. AM 238. Suggestion to send to France certain Aust. + N. 2 Hospitals now in Egypt</i></p>	<p><i>App A</i></p> <p><i>App B</i></p> <p><i>App C</i></p> <p><i>App CC</i></p>

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<i>9 March Ismailia</i>			<p><i>C. in C. with personal staff left for Suez in afternoon</i></p> <p><i>Wire from ANHQ Salonica GE 68 addressed Chief W.O. Subject evening report</i></p> <p><i>1940 Wined Chief W.O. evening report. All going well.</i></p> <p><i>Wire from AWO 14214 cipher. Supply of Fighters & Scouts for one Squadron RFC</i></p> <p><i>Wire from GOC Egypt GE 562. On arrival 4th Disembodied Bde it will be sent to BENI SALAMA attached to 53rd Div.</i></p> <p><i>Wined W.O. AM 242 Your 13088 cipher. No alterations since report submitted March 2nd</i></p>	<p><i>App D</i></p> <p><i>App E</i></p> <p><i>App F</i></p>

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<i>9 March</i> <i>Ismaïlia</i>			<p><i>Letters etc.</i></p> <p><i>To V.A. Dept. India. Supply of Naval Orders</i></p> <p><i>To GOC 9th Corps. C-in-C cannot agree to transfer of 1/5 Royal Scots from 29th Div. to another.</i></p> <p><i>To C.I.G.S. W.O. Judications as to the efficiency of A.N.Z. Divisions, particularly as regards artillery.</i></p> <p><i>To High Commissioner and GOC F. in E. Construction of railway (standard gauge) from QANTARA to QATIA</i></p> <p><i>To GOC 9th, 15th & 16th ANZ Corps, necessity for clearly marking front line positions, in view of possibility of their temporary relinquishment.</i></p> <p><i>To GOC F. in E. Details of mobile columns</i></p>	<p><i>App F</i></p> <p><i>App G</i></p> <p><i>App H</i></p> <p><i>App J</i></p> <p><i>App K</i></p> <p><i>App L</i></p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
9 March Semailin			<p><u>Letters etc</u> To GOC 9th, 15th ANZ Corps. Reports of large numbers of enemy in QATIA district. Need for vigilance.</p> <p>To GOC 15th Corps. First Disintd. Signal Troop</p>	<p><i>APP M</i></p> <p><i>APP N</i></p> <p><i>Overline</i> <i>Capt G</i></p>

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10 March Ismailia	1916	0630	Wire from Chief London 14250 cipher 2nd Aust Div. to be despatched to France immediately following 29th. Important to expedite despatch as soon as possible	App A.
			Wire from Chief W.O. addressed Salonica 14228 cipher. Gen Sarrail misunderstood Gen Joffe's instructions. No intention of assuming offensive from Salonica at present. Joffe renews his assurance to C.I.G.S. that no decision will be given modifying line of policy agreed on without his consent	App B
			Wire from Chief W.O. 14229 cipher. No objection to utilizing one of Corps HQ now at Salonica should it be required on departure of ANZAC	App C
			Wire from ADC to Cin C. Cin C remains on board "Nitocris" at Suez tonight. Will land at GENEFPE 9.30 am tomorrow. Cin C inspected 29th Div at Suez.	

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10 March Ismaelia			Wired AHQ Salonica OB 241. Establishment Lewis gun section.	App C.
			Wired AHQ Salonica OA 196 Col. Fairholme returns by next available ship	
			Wired AHQ Salonica OBA 168 Wire proposed establishment for M. G. School for W.O. sanction.	App
		1900	Wired W.O. AM 244. Request for divisional Squadron for 10th division at Salonica	App D.
			Wire from AHQ Salonica A. 789. Armoured Motor Car Battery.	App E.
			Wire evening report to W.O. ^{Chief WOP} AM 245. Air reconnaissance	App F.
			Wire from Lt A. Murray to Lt W. Robertson AM 243. Qualifications of Lt A. Godley for Corps Command. Personal and Secret.	App G.

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<i>10 March</i> <i>Ismaïlia</i>			<p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To GOC. 15th Corps. Retention of surplus machine guns by 1st Dismounted Bde not sanctioned</p> <p>To Col. Lord Deubrief. Proposal to brigade "A" + "B" batts. H.A.C. under Major EUGSTER not agreed to.</p>	<p><i>MMH</i></p> <p><i>MMJ</i></p> <p><i>occurrences</i> <i>apt 2/3</i></p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
11 March Ismailia	1916	0630	Wire from W.O. 3338 Code. Increase of establishment one Inspector of Medical Service cannot be sanctioned.	Appx A.
			Wire from W.O. 14268 cipher inquiring what changes and additions to be made in order of battle for 2nd & 1st Aust. Divisions. Reply AM. 247	
			Wire from W.O. 14270 cipher. Formation of Field Troops for mounted brigades approved (i.e. for 1st, 3rd & 4th). Numbers allotted will be 7.8 + 9	
			Wire from W.O. 14278 cipher. Suggestion to send home certain A & NZ hospitals approved.	
		0830	Wire from ANQ, Salonica. Nothing to report. Wind Canal clear	

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<i>11 March</i>	<i>Ismailia</i>		<p>The C/S and certain other officers of GHQ Staff went to GENEVE to meet CinC, who arrived there from Suez and inspected the port positions. All returned to GHQ in the afternoon.</p>	
		<i>1020</i>	<p>Wired W-O AM 246 inquiring if cyclist companies should be raised for 1st & 2nd Aust. divisions.</p>	
		<i>1800</i>	<p>Wire from S of S for War to Sir A. Murray 14248 cipher stating that H.M. Govt have decided to unite Imperial troops in Egypt under sole command of General Murray as GOC in C. Gen. Maxwell instructed to transfer command of troops hitherto commanded by him and to return home. Brig. Gen. ASSER will be sent out at once from France for purpose of administering martial law and acting as liaison with High Commissioner. Proposals as to organization of command to be sent early.</p> <p>The importance of this telegram is evident. It puts an end to the dual system of command in Egypt which has been such a source of trouble and friction, and will be the cause of a real step in the direction of economy which at the present is all important.</p>	<i>App B</i>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
11 March Ismailia	1830		Another important wire from Chief W.O. 14283 cipher stating that War Committee has decided that 2 divisions in Egypt are to be earmarked for reinforcing India in the event of a rising on NW frontier. Aylmer has failed to relieve Townshend at KUT EL AMARA but will try again later. If he fails again, there may be trouble on Indian frontier. Those to go should be 11th div and 1 T.F. div. What T.F. division could be sent?	Mpt C.
	1930		Evening report wired to W.O. AM 248. Water in Suda Wired W.O. AM 249. Details of armoured car units Wire from Cairo 4579 cipher. Date for entrainment of 1st flight 2nd Aus Div. night of 13th-14th. Letter to GOC 1st ANZ Corps and ANZ forces. 2nd Aus Div. will be despatched to France immediately following 29th. Must be ready to commence embarkation on 16th.	Mpt D. Mpt E. Mpt F.

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<i>11 March</i> <i>Ismailia</i>			<p><i>Letters etc.</i></p> <p><i>To Gen Birdwood forwarding draft letter to W.O. for comment</i></p> <p><i>To GOC ANZ forces. Casualty Clearing Station will not accompany N.Z. div.</i></p> <p><i>To Admin. Command Ismailia forwarding letter from Commandant M.G. school</i></p> <p><i>From 1st ANZ Corps re inventions by members of that Corps</i></p>	<p><i>Appx G.</i></p> <p><i>Appx H.</i></p> <p><i>Appx J.</i></p> <p><i>Occurrence</i> <i>Capt J.S.</i></p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
12 March 1916 Sonnaira	1916	0630	Wire from AttQ Salween GC 71 Weekly progress report	App A
			Wire from AttQ Salween A. 790 giving instruction establishment	App B
			Wire from GOC Egypt GE 572 giving report from Gov. General Sudan on progress of his preparations for advance into DAFUR	App C
			Wire from W.O. 14307 Apher inquiring what machine-guns will go with A + N2 divisions Reply AM 251 they will be completely equipped as in WE Part VII	App D
			Wire from Chief W.O. to Sir A. Murray R4 Apher Secret and Personal Appointment of Gen Godley. Question to be decided by C.I.G.S. + Gen HAIG	App E

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices.
<i>12 March</i> <i>Ismaïlia</i>			<p><i>Wired Canal Clear</i></p> <p><i>Wired Chief W.O. AM 250 reply to telegram of yesterday. 42nd division would be best to send to India. Is any special scale of equipment or transport desired?</i></p> <p><i>Wired 15th Corps OA 193. Original scheme as regards roads, railways and pipe lines should be carried on.</i></p> <p><i>Wire to GOC Fin E, repeating 18C from Sir A. Murray. I am due to arrive at Cairo at 11 a.m. tomorrow, bringing my CFS, QMG, AG to discuss points with your staff.</i></p> <p><i>Wired W.O. AM 253 with regard to Aust Mining Corps.</i></p> <p><i>2115 Wire from W.O. 14315 cipher. Personnel of 2 armoured motor batteries to be numbered " + 12) will be sent out to replace RNACD personnel. This telegram ends another controversy satisfactorily and brings all the armoured motor batteries under military organization.</i></p>	<p><i>App F</i></p> <p><i>App G</i></p> <p><i>App H</i></p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
12 March Ismaelin			<p>Ward Chief WO. evening report AM 254 All going well.</p> <p>Letter to GOC 1st ANZ Corps. Allotment of heavy artillery to No 2 Section</p>	<p>Apr 5</p> <p>GC Williams</p> <p>Cap 80</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ismailia	13 March 1916	0630	<p>Wire from W.O. 14323 cipher. Personnel for cyclist companies 1st + 2nd Aus. divisions to be supplied. Cycles + vehicles will be provided from home.</p> <p>Wire from A.H.Q. Salonica addressed Chief W.O. gc 72 French have moved infantry brigade with 4 battalions + 2 squadrons to the frontier to harass enemy's working parties.</p>	<p>App A</p>
		0800	<p>Commander in Chief, with C. G.S., D.Q.M.G. and Lt Col SCUDAMORE. RAG. left for Cairo in special train. They visited Sir John Maxwell who gave an exposé of his views regarding the defence of the western frontier. Various other matters preliminary to the transference of command were discussed by members of the 2 Staffs + by the I.G.C.</p> <p>Com C. returned in the afternoon and sent 2 telegrams to Chief W.O. + W.O. respectively.</p> <p>AM 256. to Chief W.O. Interview with Gen. Maxwell + High Commissioner. Command to be taken over on 19th. Presume no objection to abolishing Levant Base.</p> <p>AM 257. Absolute need for an A.G. only suitable officer in the command appears to be Gen. POETT.</p>	<p>App B</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
13 March Ismailia			Wind Canal Clear.	
		1755	Wire from W.O. addressed India 14332 cipher. 5th Canal Corps not required in Egypt + should be retained in India.	
		2110	Wire from W.O. 14337 cipher. Australian Mining Corps required for Tunneling Companies in France. Cannot be used as nucleus of pioneer companies.	
			Wind evening report to Chief W.O. AM 255. Embarkation of 2nd Aus. Div. Commences tomorrow.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
13 March Ismailia			<p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To GOC 9th Corps. Comd. agrees to proposal to locate mobile forces in forward positions on each flank.</p> <p>To G.O.C. A+N. 2. Forces. Comd. decided that 4th & 5th Aus. Divs. will come from Tel. el-Kebr to the Canal.</p> <p>FF</p>	<p>App E</p> <p>App D.</p> <p>ocw/William Capt SS</p>

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14 March Ismailia	1916	0630	<p>Wire from Chief W.O. 14362 cipher regarding importance of sending all redundant commanders and staff home: also on subject of camel requirements</p> <p>Reply AM 259 on both subjects.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14349 cipher asking if additional armoured car battery was required from England.</p> <p>Reply in negative AM 261</p> <p>Wind Canal Clear.</p> <p>1410 Wire from GOC Egypt GE 574. Western Frontier force report SOLLUM apparently empty and will probably be occupied by our troops today.</p>	<p>Appx A.</p> <p>Appx B.</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
14 th March Ismailia		1420	<p>Wire GOC ADEN AM 258 regretting that no aeroplanes could be spare from Egypt. This in reply to telegram from GOC Aden to GOC Egypt asking for 2 aeroplanes.</p> <p>Wire from VA Madras that 2 anti-aircraft guns lent by army are now ready for return, inquiring if they should be sent Alexandria.</p> <p>Wire from GOC Salonica A.806 asking if the guns might be sent to Salonica.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14372 cipher repeating inquiry from India when divisional Squadron for 13th division might be expected.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14371 cipher approving establishment of additional APM at GHQ as temporary measure, graded as Staff Captain.</p>	App C
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14 March Ismailia	1930		Wined Chief W.O. AM 260 evening report.	App E
	1950		Wire from Sir W. Robertson to Sir A. Murray. Secret + Personal. R. 5. S. 1/5. C.I.G.S. have decided Gen Birdwood to go with first A+NZ Corps to France. This may afford suitable opportunity for C-in-C. to take control of these forces + deal direct with A+NZ Government, leaving Gen Godley merely a Corps Commander. This would seem far preferable.	App F
			<p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To GOC A+NZ Forces. conveying W.O. decision as to Australian Mining Companies</p> <p>To GOC 15th Corps. Intention of C-in-C to visit railway along sea coast shortly</p> <p>To V.A.E. Indies. Handing over of Naval bpr. A.F. gun</p>	<p>App G</p> <p>App H</p> <p>App J</p>

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Ismailia	15 March 1916	0630	<p>Wire from Chief W.O. 14374 cipher. Lev base may be reorganised as it is thought fit; Alexandria to remain the main base for all British forces in New East</p> <p>Wire from Chief W.O. 14380 cipher. Squadron Irish Horse not available for 10th division. GOC Salonica must make best arrangement he can with mounted troops at his disposal. Repeated to Salonica AM 264.</p> <p>Wire Caval Clear</p> <p>Wire VA Hedforce AM 263 Please send anti-aircraft guns from Imbros to Alexandria as soon as possible</p> <p>Wire ATHQ Salonica AM 262 regretting that these guns could not be sent Salonica.</p>	M.A.

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15 March Ismaelia	14/65		<p>Wired Chief W.O. AM 266. "At what period of embarkation of A.N.Z Corps do you wish Corps HQ sent? Send detailed composition of Corps units and scale as regards vehicles + animals required."</p> <p>Wire from Lt A Murray to Lt W. Robertson AM 265. Secret + Personal "Your R.S. Budwood will be sent. I will go into question of dealing with Dominion Governments and let you know early."</p> <p>Wire from GOC Egypt GE 570. Report from Gen. PEYTON on occupation of SOLLUM on 14th. Further report GE 582</p> <p>Wired 15th Corps Oae 91. C in C will visit Coast & railway on Saturday 18th.</p> <p>Wired evening report to Chief London AM 267. All going well.</p>	M/P+B

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15 March Ismailia			<p>C in C. visited and inspected post at KABRIT.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14395 cipher. Question of filling appointment JAG at GHQ. W.O. suggest O'Leary or Beaton.</p> <p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To G.O.S.C. GHQ, 15th + 1st ANZ Corps. Original programme for roads, pipe lines + railways to be carried out. Detailed statement required of all roads etc. which Corps propose to construct. When these have been sanctioned no further extensions to be carried out without reference to GHQ, to economize material + labour.</p> <p>To C.I.G.S. forwarding establishment m.g. school Salonica for sanction</p> <p>To I.Q.C. Arming of Camel Transport Corps</p>	<p>App C.</p> <p>App D.</p> <p>App E.</p> <p>App F.</p> <p>William Capt 80</p>

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16 March Ismailia	1916	0630	<p>Wire from W.O. via 14408 cipher. Draft establishment for GHQ after taking over Command. This question was being thoroughly gone into by General Staff.</p> <p>Wind Canal Clear</p> <p>Wind Chief W.O. AM 268. Weekly dislocation report</p> <p>Wind AHQ Salonica DTB 253. Establishment for Mountain Battery & Ammunition Column cannot be approved. Question of transport for Mountain Bde.</p> <p>2215 Wind Chief W.O. AM 271. Evening report. All going well</p> <p>Wind 9th & 15th Corps inquiring how many Stokes gun batteries are with divisions. 15th Corps reply 32.</p>	<p><i>App A.</i></p> <p><i>App B</i></p> <p><i>App C.</i></p> <p>App</p>

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16 March Ismailia			<p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To GOC 15th Corps. Construction of road from Ferdan - ABU EL ARUK - BALLAH</p> <p>To GOC 1st A.N.Z. Corps. Distribution of troops in No 2 section</p> <p>To GOC A.N.Z. Forces. organization of Signal Squadron for ANZ Div ^{Div} to be on special scale i.e. without heavy wireless wagons</p> <p>From GOC 1st A.N.Z. Corps pointing out that difficulty will occur if Corps HQ Signal Co. is now removed.</p> <p>To I.S.C. Levant Base to be abolished. Gen Altham to remain I.S.C.</p> <p>To VA. East Indies. Naval patrol at Soltan. Bombardment of El Arish not recommended</p> <p>To I.S.C. (repeated GOC ANZ forces). Officers serving with Aust. Camel Corps</p> <p>To GOC Salamina Forwarding establishment for MG school provisionally approved by C-in-C</p> <p>To GOC 1st A.N.Z. Corps. Issue of grenades & explosives</p> <p>G.O.C. 9th, 15th Corps + ANZ Forces. Remarks on refresher course at m.g. school. Great importance of detailing good officers + NCO for these courses.</p>	<p>Appx D</p> <p>Appx E</p> <p>Appx F</p> <p>Appx G</p> <p>Appx H</p> <p>Appx J</p> <p>Appx L</p> <p>"</p> <p>Appx M</p> <p>Appx N</p> <p>Appx O</p>
			<p>1875 Wt. W593/826 1,000,000 4/15 J.B.C. & A. A.D.S.S./Forma/C. 2118.</p> <p>To W.O. (9th Corps in forward) forwarding particulars of kind. Scops' intention for Hoare gun.</p>	

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17 March 1916 Ismailia			<p>Wire from Chief W.O. 14461 cipher. 1st Aus. Division to be sent to France immediately following 2nd Div. Corps HQ to be sent with 1st Division. GOC 1st ANZ Corps + GOC ANZ Forces informed by letter.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14442 cipher. Establishment of Trench mortar batteries.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14469 cipher. No objection to equipment of West Indian battalions on scale assumed for in GOC Egypt's GE 570 if it can be done without detriment to more urgent requirements. GOC Egypt's GE 570 attached.</p> <p>Wire from S. of S. to Sir A. Murray 14458 cipher "I am glad to hear the Prince of Wales has arrived safely. I gave him orders which were to be handed to you to join your staff as Staff Captain. Please let us know when he takes up his duties.</p> <p>The Prince of Wales arrived at Ismailia during the afternoon.</p>	<p>App A</p> <p>App B</p>

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17 March Ismailia			<p>Wind Canal clear.</p> <p>Wire from 1st ANZ Corps Artillery practice by N.Z. division to be carried out from March 20 - 25 between 0800 and 1700.</p> <p>Wire from 1st ANZ Corps GIB 995 asking if special facilities could be given for 10 Officers + 10 NCO's of NZ Div in Lewis gun. [This was arranged on following day. The officers + men to attend at m.g. school on the 19th, when they would get ^{the} training in the mechanism of the gun, during remainder of a course.]</p>	
18/15			<p>Wire from 9th Corps HQ 313. "Column returned yesterday having failed to recover aeroplane which had been removed. One Havildar and 2 Sepoys 57th Rifles missing. Full report will be forwarded on receipt." This refers to a column which went to search for find aeroplane which made a forced descent at BIR GIDDI, and, on 9th Corps stating inability to send out to bring it in, was partially destroyed by its pilot without reference to O.C., RFC, who was very justly incensed. A bad piece of inefficiency altogether.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
17 March Ismailia	1950		<p>Wire from GOC Egypt G 700. Giving complete report of the very dashing attack by armoured Cars under Major the Duke of Westminster on enemy camp near SOLLUM on 14th.</p> <p>Wind Chief W.O. evening report AM 275 all well.</p> <p><u>Letters etc</u> To GOC 1st ANZ Corps It is not intended to replace HMS CORNWALLIS at present. To GOC F in E. re School of Instruction, Zeitoun</p> <p>Programme of C in C movements in immediate future</p>	<p>App C</p> <p>App D</p> <p>App E</p> <p>occurring copy</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ismailia	18 March 1916	0630	<p>Wire from W.O. 14480 cipher. Major Butler to be ordered to join Anzac Corps HQ in France.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14491 cipher. Corps troops to accompany ANZ Corps HQ.</p> <p>Reply AM 277 that Corps HQ Signal Co. could not be spared. W.O. referred to their previous telegram which said it could remain in Egypt. Also stated 14th & 134th A.T. Cos RE could not be spared.</p> <p>Wire from A.H.Q. Salonica (addressed London). Another French mixed brigade move forward towards the frontier. One Brit. yeomanry regt. taken over French cavalry post: proposed to send another yeomanry regt. to about MIHALOVA-YENIKOI-JANES. Gen. Sarrail received orders to prepare supplies for force of 250,000 i.e. 140,000 French, 110,000 Serbians</p>	<p>App A.</p> <p>App B.</p>

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18 March Ismailia			Wire from Chief W.O. 14499 cipher, asking whether South African Infantry Bde can be made ready to follow NZ division to France. Reply AM 276. They will be sent, but exact date cannot yet be fixed.	Appx C
			Wire from Gen. Staff Southern Force GABs. Will C-in-C see out post line a general reserve at in Fayum? Reply AM 278. C-in-C will see General Reserve in Fayum only.	
			Wire Canal clear.	
		0955	Wire from W.O. 14503 cipher. Giving scale of equipment on which 42nd & 11th divisions were to be equipped if needed for service in India.	Appx D

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18 March Ismailia			Lieut. W.R.H. the Prince of Wales K.C. took up his duties as Staff Captain at GHQ. Lt Col. M. MALCOLM and Capt. Lord C. HAMILTON took up their duties at GHQ.	
	1146		Wire from GOC Egypt G.711. "Shipwrecked prisoners ^{rescued} from Senoussi yesterday by armoured cars under Westminster. Details follow" These are probably prisoners from the ship TARA sunk by submarines some months ago.	
			Received from F. in E. W.O. telegram 3587 code approving establishment Australian Camel Corps	M.E.
			Com C with C.G.S and other members of the Staff went to Port Said and inspected the coast railway.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
18 March Ismailia		1435	Egypt reports wire from Sirdar Bah asking what action British troops would take if the ASSOVAN-WADI HALPA reach were threatened.	App F
		1905	Wire from W.O. 3695 Code. Brig Gen N. MALCOLM to sent home if available for staff appointment in France.	
		2140	Wire evening report to Chief London AM 279	App G
			<p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To G.O.S.C. 9th, 15th, 1st + 2nd A.N.Z. Corps. Further instructions for guidance in defence of Canal; the chief point being the front line is to be an outpost line and only held by covering troops; also only guns in outpost line to be mobile; 6" Mx VII & 9.2" hows not to be placed on E. bank. Use of 60-pm & 4.7" to be carefully considered before being placed on E. bank.</p>	App H

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<i>18 March Ismailia</i>			<i>Letters etc To DCS Levant Base. Facilities for diant. Kemp-Swall RE + RP Butler RE to make working model of bomb projector To IGC and GOC re AN2 Corps on the same</i>	<i>App J</i>
			<i>To GOC AN2 forces. Establishment of 3 battery How. Brigade</i>	<i>App K</i>
			<i>To " " allotment of 2 extra Maxims to east regt in Angac Mounted Division as temporary measure</i>	<i>App L</i>
			<i>To GOC 9th Corps. Equipment of Indian brigades with Vickers or Maxim gun</i>	<i>App M</i>
			<i>To GOC AN2 forces. Re Royal Aust Naval Bridging Train</i>	<i>App N.</i>
			<i>To " " " Certain points in connection with despatch of AN2 divisions to France</i>	<i>App O.</i>

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19 March Ismailia	1916	0830	<p>Wire from AHQ Salonica TERS 504 asking for 5 ground pack wireless sets for artillery</p> <p>Wire from WD 14520 cipher repeating request from GHQ, BEF to send Australian Corps HQ to France as soon as possible.</p> <p>Wire Canal clear.</p> <p>Sir A. Murray took over command in chief of all Imperial Forces in Egypt Wire Chief, WD, AHQ Salonica, Chief India, GOC Malta, and various HQ formerly belonging to F. in E. to this effect.</p> <p>This transference of command brings back to the M.E.F. the 53rd & 54th divisions, and 2nd Mounted Bde, adding also 1/1st N. Zealand Mounted Bde, a composite infantry brigade, 2/1st London Inf. Bde, three Bns. West India Regt. and 10 garrison battalions, with details.</p> <p>The Head quarters of Cairo and Alexandria districts, and of the Western Frontier force under Gen. PETTON and Southern Force under Gen. ADYE come under control of M.E.F.</p>	App A
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<i>19 March Ismailia</i>			<p>The internal defence of Egypt and the protection of the Western frontier, the northern part of which has just been so successfully cleared by Gen. Peyton's occupation of Sollum, now fall to the same lot of Sir A. Murray's force.</p> <p>The transference necessitates (a) a re-division and re-allotment of the military zones and forces in Egypt (b) a reorganization of the various Staff and HQ Staffs which can now be considerably reduced, setting free a number of officers for service elsewhere. Both these tasks are now engaging the 9HQ Staff at Ismailia, where, for the present, the C-in-C proposes that they should remain.</p> <p>The administration of martial law, an additional duty performed by Sir J. Maxwell and his Staff, is also taken over by Sir A. Murray. In spite of the announcement in a recent telegram from Chief London that Gen. Asser was going being sent from France to take over this part of the duties, it is now known that he is not coming. What officer will take this place is not yet decided.</p> <p>Wing. Lt. Dar AM 281 answering his inquiry as to action of Brit. troops if Asseran-Wadi Halfa reach were attacked. No troops available for operations S of Kharga, but hoped to protect reach by naval patrol.</p>	<i>Appx C</i>

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19 March Ismailia		1810	<p>Wired Chief W.O. Evening report. All well.</p> <p>Wire from 9HQ Cairo GE 597 passing on inquiry from Western Force at Sollum as to garrisons to be maintained.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14545 cipher. Can you reply whether you will require Beatson? i.e. as DAG, MEF.</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 3752 Code Brig. Gen. Macmunn urgently required as 18C, Mesopotamia. Can his place be filled locally?</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14551 cipher. Increase of establishment assets in AT 207, shoeing smiths for HA batteries with Mtd Bdes, cannot be sanctioned.</p> <p>At 2130 Cmt accompanied by adc + 1 Staff officer left by train for BENI SUEF and FAYUM.</p>	<p>App'd.</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
19 March Ismailia.			<p>Attached is report on reconnaissance of QATIA made by Lt Col DAWNAY, G.S.O. (I) at GHQ, March 10-13, with remarks on the nature of the roads & characteristics of the country, water etc. He discusses the occupation of QATIA by Romulid troops to cover the railway, the need for extending water supply and for a road from Hill 70 to ROMANI for the use of infantry.</p> <p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To GOC, 15th Corps. transfer of one Aust. Light Horse Bde to No 3 section GOC. 1st A.N.Z. Corps to be available for preliminary stage of advance to QATIA.</p>	<p>MPH E.</p> <p>MPH F.</p> <p>overline Capt G.P.</p>

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<i>20 March</i>	<i>1916</i>	<i>0700</i>	<p><i>Wired West force, Sollum, OBA 176. Answer to query re garrisons will be sent Tuesday morning. Practically certain that Gen Peyton's proposal will be accepted.</i></p> <p><i>Wired W.O. AM 284. Shall not require Beatson. Will wire you on Tuesday my recommendations.</i></p> <p><i>Wired W.O. AM 286. Should prefer to arm 11th Div with howitzers of 53rd div. Should line these howitzers replaced. Ref W.O. 14503 cipher.</i></p> <p><i>Wired W.O. AM 287. 1st A.N.Z. Corps ask that Major Butler be detailed as G.S. officer of Corps advance party.</i></p> <p><i>Wired Caval clear.</i></p>	

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20 March Ismailia	1155		<p>Wind W.O. AM 288 from Lt A. Murray. Anxious to appoint Gen ADYE DAG at GHR.</p> <p>Wind 15th Corps DAC 96 Squadron Herts Yeomanry now allotted 11th Division reply Q. 178. Ray Sq. Herts Yeo be sent to Fudan as soon as possible.</p> <p>Wind AHR Salonia OTB 257 inquiring if 90C concurred in Chief Engineer's letter of 10th.</p> <p>Wind W.O. AM 259 Is an ADO5 allowed for Corps Staff proceeding France?</p> <p>Wind Alexandria + Cairo Districts, 54th Div. + IGC. OTB 70 "Pending data further detailed instructions Alexandria + Cairo districts will be administered by IGC. Redforce, Savoy Hotel + all correspondence should be addressed accordingly.</p> <p>Wind AHR Salonia OTB 258 sanctioning temporarily increase in establishment riding horses for HR</p>	<p>App A</p> <p>App B</p>

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<i>20 March</i>	<i>Ismaïlia</i>	<i>1400</i>	<p><i>Wined Chief W.O. AM 290 evening report.</i></p> <p><i>Wire from AMQ Salonia. A 853. Personnel for No 6 Armoured motor battery.</i></p> <p><i>Wire from 1st Augac. G B 7 Artillery practice to be carried out by N2. Division 22-25 March.</i></p> <p><i>Wire from W.O. 14571 cipher. The 2 Aust. Gen. Hospitals (Nos 1+2) to be sent to France as shipping is available.</i></p>	<p><i>Appx C</i></p> <p><i>Appx D</i></p> <p><i>Appx E</i></p>

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20 March Ismaïlia			<p><u>Letters etc</u></p> <p>To GOC 15th Corps. Establishment of shoeing Smiths for dismounted Bds not sanctioned by W.O.</p> <p>To GOC ANZ Forces. Vacancies at Lewis gun course for 4th & 5th Aus Divisions will be reserved</p> <p>To D.C. 5th Wing R.F.C. approving proposal to postpone postpone bombing expedition to Hassana owing to unsettled weather.</p> <p>To GOC 15th Corps. Increased issue of helios indispensable present</p>	App. F.

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21 March Ismailia	1916	0630	<p>Wire from Gen. Mahon B.M.I. suggesting that Col TYRELL go to Athens as Attaché instead of Col FAIRHOLME whom Gen. Mahon wishes to retain as liaison officer. Reply AM 292 W.O. had already refused this.</p> <p>Wire from Cairo GE 602. Capt. T.E. Lawrence embarks tomorrow for BASRAH on special mission.</p> <p>Wire from Cairo GE 601. All prisoners rescued from Senoussi in No 21 Gen. Hospital. Condition satisfactory.</p> <p>Wire from S. W/S 14593 cipher inquiring if permission had been asked of Italian authorities to construct a fort on Italian side of frontier at Solhem.</p>	<p>App. A.</p> <p>App. B.</p>

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21 March Ismailia			<p>Wire from Western Force, Sollum, at 2032 cipher, giving proposal to send air reconnaissance over JARRABUTB and to threaten to destroy Mahdi's tomb + send punitive expedition unless certain conditions were fulfilled.</p> <p>Reply AT1293 agreeing only to air reconnaissance but not agreeing to proposal of any terms or threat of destroying tomb. No offer to be made to Senoussi without further reference to C. in C.</p> <p>Wire from Chief WO 14591 cipher. "Your title will in future by 900 in C Egypt. Your relations with the Salonica Force will be ^{remain} unchanged.</p> <p>Reply AT1291 suggesting address "Egyptian Expeditionary Force" and that "Egypt force" be substituted for "Superfluous" as telegraphic address.</p> <p>Wire 18C Address Superfluous should not be used.</p>	<p>App C</p> <p>App D</p>

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21 March Ismailia			<p>I.G.C. wishes to inquire if may make arrangements to despatch surplus staff officers home. Replied we would notify him when possible to do so.</p> <p>Wined Gen. PEYTON OA 205 C-in-C wishes to see him at Ismailia on his way home. Later wire Oac 97 C-in-C wishes to see him in Cairo not Ismailia</p> <p>Wined HQ Salonica AM 294. Wireless equipment.</p> <p>1905 Wined Chief W.O evening report. AM 295</p> <p>Wined West Force OBA 179. No further decision will be given as to garrison in the West till Chief has seen Gen. Peyton.</p>	<p>MPH E</p> <p>MPH F</p>

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21 March Ismailia			<p>Wire from W.O. 14609 Upper A.D.O.s allowed for Corps HQ + should be sent to France with Angus HQ.</p> <p>Wire from Cairo. Gen Peyton + one G.S.O. left Marsa Matruh for Cairo at 5pm and would arrive Cairo at 1230 tomorrow.</p> <p>Letter sent to CIGS on one of the most important questions now outstanding, namely the administration of the A + N.Z. Forces now that Gen. Birdwood is leaving for France. The proposals of Generals Birdwood and Godley are attached, but the C-in-C. points out to objections to their retention of control, and maintains that a simpler system would be for him to take over the administration and deal with the HQ of A.I.F. and NZIF himself.</p> <p>Letter to Secretary W.O. Appointment of Major GROVES as Staff Officer, R.F.C.</p>	<p>App G.</p> <p>App H.</p>

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21 March Ismailia			<p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To GOC. 9th & 15th Coy, ANZ Forces, 53rd & 54th Divisions. Details for next Vicars & Lewis courses at m.g. school</p> <p>To G.O.C. Southern Force. 2 extra m.g. guns to be attached to each regt of A.N.Z. mounted div. as a temporary measure</p> <p>To G.O.C. ANZ Forces re increase of establishment Royal Australian Naval Bridging Train</p>	<p>Map J</p> <p>Map K</p> <p>Map 2</p>
<p>Overlain Capt J.P.</p>				

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<i>22 March</i> <i>Ismailia</i>	<i>1916</i>	<i>0630</i>	<p><i>Wire from AHQ Salonica 6c78. Nothing to report</i></p> <p><i>Wire from Communications Cairo G.6607. addressed W.O. "The 91 prisoners were rescued from the Senussi at Bir Hakim Ardak 120 miles W of Sollum"</i></p> <p><i>Wired Canal Clear</i></p> <p><i>Wired S. J. S. AM 295. No request to build fort on Italian side of western frontier had been made by C in C or by Gen Maxwell.</i></p> <p><i>Wired W.O. AM 298. request for ground force wireless sets.</i></p> <p><i>Wired Gen. DALLAS, Gen ADYE, Gen PETTON to meet C in C at Larry hotel tomorrow at 1400</i></p> <p><i>Wire from Lindar 232 cipher asking if C in C would take over responsibility for military defence of Assouan - Halfa reach.</i></p> <p><i>Copy sent to V.A. with inquiry how far he could help with motor boats from Canal</i></p>	<p><i>Append A</i></p> <p><i>Append B</i></p>

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22 March Ismailia			<p>Gen. Staff Cairo report Nil.</p> <p>Evening report to London All well.</p> <p>Memo to GOC 1st & 2nd ANZ Corps. allotting Corps Staff to 1st & 2nd ANZ Corps. 1st Corps = 1st & 2nd Aust Divs + N. 2 Div. Gen. Birdwood 2nd Corps = 4th & 5th Aus Divs Gen. Godley.</p> <p>To GOC 2nd ANZ Corp + 15th Corps. Move of 2nd A.L.H. Bde to No 3 Section</p> <p>To G.O.C. 9th Corps, 52nd Div. and T8C. 52nd Div. shortly to relieve 42nd Div. which will then concentrate at Suez</p>	<p>Appendix C.</p> <p>Appendix D.</p> <p>Appendix E.</p>
				<p>O.C. Williams Capt G.S.</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
23 March	1916			
Ismailia		0630	Telegram from Gen. Maxwell addressed W.O. GE 608 giving further report of rescue of prisoners from Senussi at Bir Hakim.	Appx A.
			Wire from W.O. 14674 cipher enquiring if any more m.g. companies had been formed for divisions in Egypt or at Salonica.	
			Wire from W.O. 14649 cipher. 52 nd div. to hand over howitzers to 11 th division; to be replaced by 4.5" hows from England. Reply AT 304 agreeing.	Appx B.
			Wire from W.O. 14648 cipher ordering despatch of 3 60-pn batteries, 4-6" how batteries & 19.2" how batt. to France. Reply AT 302 suggesting part replacement of demands by 6" Mx VII guns subsequently cancelled by order of C-in-C.	Appx C.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
23 March Ismailia			<p>Wire Sudan AM 301 Your 235 cipher Am in communication with Admiral and will let you know result as soon as possible. I am of course prepared to help in every way possible</p> <p>Reply from Sudan 250 cipher Your AM 301 noted. Many thanks</p> <p>Wind Canal clear</p> <p>C-in-C, C.G.S. & DWTMG proceeded to Cairo where a meeting with Generals ADYE, DALLAS and PEYTON was held and the situation on the Western Frontier was discussed. Notes on the agenda attached</p> <p>Wire from S. NS 14656 cipher King approves of Prince of Wales going to Khartoum, to report on situation and see troops</p> <p>Evening report to Chief London All well</p> <p>Wind weekly dislocation report to London AM 306</p>	<p>MP+CC</p> <p>MP+D</p> <p>MP+E</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
23 March Ismailia			<p>Letters etc.</p> <p>To GOC 15th Corps, 9th Corps & 53rd Division sanctioning allowance of ammunition for artillery practice</p>	Mps F

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
24 March Ismailia	1916	0630	<p>W.O. wire 14686 cipher ordering N.Z. division to be sent to France immediately after 1st Australian. GHQ to report date of embarkation + wire composition. Wire composition in AM 310</p> <p>Wire from W.O. to Sudan repeated GHQ 12695 cipher. Temporary loan of 6 15pr BLC guns with 3,600 rounds ammunition sanctioned</p> <p>ATHQ Salonica wire Nothing to report.</p> <p>Wire Canal Clear</p> <p>Wire W.O. AM 311 answering their demand for heavy artillery. Instructions will be complied with. Recommended that 6" Para VII guns also go to France</p> <p>C in C. accompanied by HRH Prince of Wales visited QANTARA and inspected the camps</p>	<p>Map A.</p> <p>Map B</p>

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<i>24 March</i>	<i>Ismaelia</i>		<p><i>Wires forwarded by Gen. Bidwood between Defence Melbourne and himself. Australia wishes Headquarters 3rd Division provided in Egypt.</i></p> <p><i>Wed Evening Report to Chief London. Bomb attack on HASSANA. 40 bombs dropped all machines returned safely.</i></p> <p><i>Gen Staff Cairo report Nil.</i></p> <p><i>Wire from IGC 2.105 reporting sailing from COLOMBO of 4,300 Russian troops for the West in 2 French transports escorted by Japanese cruiser.</i></p> <p><i>Instructions issued regarding reconstitution of A.N.Z. Forces in 2 Corps. Gen. Bidwood commanding 1st Corps, Gen. Godley 2nd Corps.</i></p>	<p><i>App C.</i></p> <p><i>App D.</i></p> <p><i>App E.</i></p>

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<i>24 March</i> <i>Ismailia</i>			<p><u>Letters etc</u></p> <p>To O.C. 1st Bn. West Indies Regt. W.O. approve of equipment of W.I.R. Battalions on scale of service battalions, which will be done when equipment available</p> <p>To Advise to Ministry of Interior; relief of Egyptian Camel Police in FAYOUM</p>	<p><i>Mpr F</i></p> <p><i>Mpr G</i></p> <p><i>O.C. Ismailia</i> <i>Capt G.P.</i></p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
25 March Ismailia	1916	0630	<p>Wire from ATHQ Salonica 6081 reporting progress in forming m. g. companies</p> <p>Wire from W.O. 14752 after 400 AM 311 58th + 60th Siege batteries will be sent France</p> <p>Wire Canal clear.</p> <p>Wire 9th Corps, 15th Corps & 2nd ANZ Corps. No expenditure of HE for practice allowed henceforth.</p> <p>Wire Salonica 180. W. S. Wagon wireless section to moved to Egypt as soon as possible.</p> <p>Wire Chief London AM 316 Gen Birdwood granted permission to proceed to London with Gen White to discuss question of his charter with Australian Government, as he is not in agreement with C-in-C's views forwarded in letter G.S. 113/11 sent by last mail</p>	<p>App A</p> <p>App B</p>

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<i>25 March Ismailia</i>	<i>1605</i>	<i>Wind</i>	<i>Sidar. AM 315. Capt. MITCHELL R.N. appointed to organize arrangements for patrolling ASSOUAN-WADI HALFA reach.</i>	<i>App C</i>
		<i>Wind</i>	<i>West Force of 18 C. OA 214. Concentrate S. African Brigade at Alexandria as soon as possible. Letters also sent to confirm.</i>	<i>App D</i>
		<i>Wind</i>	<i>evening report to Chief W.O.</i>	<i>App E</i>
			<i>Letters etc</i>	
			<i>To 1st & 2nd ANZ Corps. N 2 Division to proceed to France</i>	<i>App F</i>
			<i>To V.A. East Indies. Patrol of Coast westward to Sollum</i>	<i>App G</i>
			<i>To GOC ANZ Forces. Royal Aus Naval Bridging Train not to be transferred to Navy</i>	<i>App H</i>
			<i>To GOC 9th Corps. Stores at TOR - ABU ZENIMA</i>	<i>App J</i>
			<i>To O.C. 5th Wing. C-in-C much gratified at results of air raid on Hawsana</i>	<i>App K</i>
			<i>Residing Capt G.P.</i>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ismailia	26 March 1916	0630	<p>Wire from W.O. 14798 cipher. Inquiry of embarkation of N.2. Division can be expedited by leaving some details of equipment to be completed in France to Q for action.</p> <p>ATHQ Salonica wire Nothing to report.</p> <p>Wire Canal Clear</p> <p>0900 Wire from Sudan 282 cipher with reference to Prince of Wales' visit.</p> <p>Wire GOC Westforce No 3 Coy Imperial Canal Corps allotted to service at Mensa Matruh. Move ^{from Abbassiah} to be arranged with 18C.</p> <p>Wire W.O. AM 320 giving progress to date in forming Brigade machine gun companies.</p>	<p>App A.</p> <p>App B.</p>

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<i>26 March Ismailia</i>			<p><i>Wires to Lt A.N.Z. Corps, 9th Corps, 15th Corps regarding orders for heavy batteries to proceed to France shortly. Following detailed:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>35th Bde RGA</i> <i>32nd Siege Regt Battery Brigade</i> <i>14th Siege Battery</i> <i>17th " "</i> <i>42nd " "</i> <p><i>Wired W.O. AM 321 giving numbers of the 60 pr batteries detailed for France viz 25th, 90th & 130th.</i></p> <p><i>Wired AMQ Salonica AM 322 inquiring reason of their demand for more pack transport.</i></p> <p><i>Wired W.O. AM 323 requesting authority for establishment of one small advanced base depot at Salonica</i></p>	<p><i>AMQ</i></p> <p><i>C</i></p> <p><i>AMQ</i></p>

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<i>26 March Ismailia</i>			<p><i>Wire to W.O. AM. 324. State of Egypt as regards 6" howitzers and H.E. for 18-pcs and 4.5" howitzers when W.O. demands have been met.</i></p> <p><i>Evening report to Chief London. All well.</i></p> <p><i>Letters etc</i></p> <p><i>To GOC 9th Corps. Re-equipment of 42nd division and equipment of signal units of 9th Corps HQ with horse transport also</i></p> <p><i>To GOC 15th Corps. Re-equipment of 11th division</i></p> <p><i>To Secretary, W.O. requesting sanction for additional military police</i></p> <p><i>To Sudan. Requesting that services of certain Egyptian troops might be retained, & expressing the hope that British troops would not be required in Sudan</i></p> <p><i>Memo to DQMA re collecting all the Ford cars possible to form a Light Car Scout Corps</i></p>	<p><i>Appx E</i></p> <p><i>Appx F</i></p> <p><i>Appx G</i></p> <p><i>Appx H</i></p> <p><i>Appx J</i></p> <p><i>O. Williams Capt 80</i></p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ismailia.	27 March 1916	0630	<p>Wire from W.O. 4111 code. re. establishment DDTMS for Corps HQ Reply AT1327</p> <p>Wind Canal clear.</p> <p>Westforce wire. 3070 Agree No 3 Canal Company Canal Corps located Matruh. 18c informed & requested to arrange move.</p> <p>9th Corps wire asking for 90c 54th Div to come down early in connection with relief of 42nd Div. by 54th</p> <p>Wind 9th Corps, 15th Corps STBA. 202. Status gun batteries to proceed to Ismailia as soon as possible informing Admin. Commandant. Admin. Commandant informed by letter Admin. Commandant informed by letter.</p> <p>Wind Salonica AT1 3rd regretting 3rd Reserve Pack could not be given Wire from Salonica QA 465 answering our AT1 322 giving reason for demand for more pack transport.</p>	<p>MP/A</p> <p>MP/B</p>

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<i>27 March Ismailia</i>			<p><i>Evening report to Chief London. All well.</i></p> <p><i>Instructions issued to Maj Gen W.A. Watson on appointment as G.O.C. Delta District & Commandant L.G.C. Defences Egypt Force.</i></p> <p><i>Letter to I.G.C. giving area of the L.G.C. and detailing the Commandant of Delta & Alexandria District.</i></p> <p><i>Letter to GOC Western Force concerning MARIOUT district which ceases to be within L.G.C. area & comes under Western Force.</i></p> <p><u>Letters</u></p> <p><i>To GOC 15th Corps. Proposal to station 2nd ALH Bde at SALHIA sanctioned.</i></p> <p><i>GOC 2nd ANZ Corps notified.</i></p> <p><i>To Gen Birdwood. Proposal to abolish trains belonging to A. N2 1st Brigade.</i></p> <p><i>To Secretary W.O. Request for publications suitable for training.</i></p> <p><i>Force Order NO 13 issued with Appx. giving names of posts officially sanctioned.</i></p>	<p><i>App C.</i></p> <p><i>App D.</i></p> <p><i>App E.</i></p> <p><i>App F.</i></p> <p><i>App II.</i></p> <p><i>F.O.</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><i>occasional copy</i></p>

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<i>28 March 1916 Ismailia</i>	<i>1916</i>	<i>0630</i>	<p><i>Wire from W.O. 14836 a/c regarding equipment of N.2 division</i></p> <p><i>Wire from W.O. 14863 a/c asking for names of staff officers available for employment elsewhere to be wired home</i></p> <p><i>Wired Canal Clear</i></p> <p><i>Wired GOC 54th Div (reported 9th Corps) to proceed Suez, informing 9th Corps, in connection with relief of 42nd Div by 54th</i></p> <p><i>Evening report. AM 331 to Chief W.O. Aeroplane reported at Bin Saba</i></p> <p><i>The question of camel corps requirements, now of great importance, is treated in a minute attached to this diary. Lt. Col. Dawney recommends the formation of at least 10 companies Imperial Camel Companies</i></p>	<p><i>Appx A</i></p> <p><i>Appx B</i></p> <p><i>Appx C</i></p> <p><i>Appx D</i></p>

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28 March Ismailia			<p><u>Letters etc.</u></p> <p>To GOC. 15th Corps. Policy with regard to QATIA district in event of attack makes construction of road from Hill 70 necessary</p> <p>To GOC. 9th Corps. Lack of enterprise of Lt Col Pearson in not taking more energetic measures to bring in aeroplanes</p> <p>To GOC. 15th Corps Railway to MAHAMDIA not to be proceeded with</p> <p>To Admin Command Ismailia. Concentration of Stokes Gun Batteries</p>	<p>App E</p> <p>App F</p> <p>App G</p> <p>App H</p> <p>ocwilled Capt G</p>

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<i>29 March 1916</i> <i>Ismailia</i>	<i>1916</i>	<i>0630</i>	<p>Wire from W.O. # 14881 cipher "Is No 6 Honourable Car Battery Salonica manned by personnel RNACD?" Reply AM 334. No. all personnel from military sources.</p> <p>Wire Canal Clear.</p> <p>Wire HQ Salonica AM 332. Application for in 614 Q of 17th cannot be sanctioned.</p> <p>Wire Salonica (repeating 18C) OA 233. Please move to Cable Section Egypt as soon as possible.</p>	
		<i>1550</i>	<p>Wire from Sudar. 299 asking for the loan of a flight of aeroplanes for operations in Dafur.</p>	<i>App A</i>
			<p>Wire from W.O. 14898 cipher giving substance of a reply to Salonica's Y 410 asking for travelling workshop for anti-aircraft sections</p>	<i>App B</i>

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Ismailia	29 March 1916		<p>Wired evening report to Chief London. All well.</p> <p><u>Letters etc</u></p> <p>To 15th Corps & 2nd ANZ Corps. 11th Div. to take over 5" hows. for training</p> <p>To O.C. 5th Wing R.F.C. forwarding letter to 9th & 2nd ANZ Corps. Wireless operators to learn riding</p> <p>To 2nd ANZ Corps. No objection to mobile Vet. Section in each Bde of ANZAC Mounted Division</p> <p>To 9th, 15th & 2nd ANZ Corps. forwarding report on camel draft for artillery from O.C. Beras Battery RHA & directing that further experiments be carried out on these lines</p> <p>Force Order No 14 issued, detailing troops added to the force by absorption of Force in Egypt. and promulgating the reorganisation of the Western Frontier Force under Maj. Gen. W.E. Peyton CVO, CB, DSO., and the establishment of 9th Commander of C. Defences.</p>	<p>Appx C.</p> <p>Appx D.</p> <p>Appx E.</p> <p>Appx II FO</p> <p><i>OC Wireless C. 2118</i></p>

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30 March 1916 Ismailia	1916 0630		Wire from W.O. 14905 cipher relative to establishment of Ordnance Base Depot	App A
			Wire from W.O. 4267 code. Establishment medical officers for Corps HQ Egypt	App B
			Wire Canal clear.	
			Wire Sidari AM 336. Prepared to lend 2 aeroplanes for 1 month. Officer being sent to Khartoum tomorrow to make arrangements	App C
			Wire (personal) from Cps to Gen Howell Salonica AM 338. Demands not to be made to W.O. which should be referred to GHQ	App D
			Wire W.O. AM 339 re casualty clearing station of 31st division which had not been sent to France.	App E
			Wire 16th Corps & 2nd ANZ Corps. Move of ANZ Mounted Div less 2 brigades to SALHIA approved & to be arranged.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
30 March Ismailia		1520	<p>Wind W-O AM 340. Weekly dislocation of units report</p> <p>Wire from Sidar 2100 306 cipher Ref W.O. 14595 cipher. When may 6 guns & ammunition be expected?</p> <p>Evening Report to Chief W.O.</p> <p>Letters etc.</p> <p>To G.O.C. Southern Force. Formation of 2nd Dismounted Brigade to take place forthwith</p> <p>To HQ A.I.F. Cairo. No horses available for another Squadron 4th A.L.H.</p> <p>To 9th, 2nd ANZ, 15th Corps. All guns & wheeled vehicles of Mobile columns in various sections of the "surplus" forces to be fitted with sand tyres.</p> <p>Amend</p>	<p>App F</p> <p>App G</p> <p>App H</p> <p>App J</p> <p>App K</p> <p>overwriting C.M.P.</p>

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<i>31 March</i>	<i>1916</i>	<i>0630</i>	<i>ATTQ Salonica wire Nothing to report</i>	
<i>Ismailia</i>			<i>Wire from ATTQ, Salonica GC 39. Fortnightly works report</i>	<i>App A</i>
			<i>Wire Canal Clear</i>	
			<i>Wire IGC OTS 278 re staff of Administrative Commandant Alexandria</i>	<i>App B</i>
			<i>Wire Chief London AM 343 + 344. Establishments of GHQ, IGC, GOC Delta + GOC Alexandria, Commandant Ismailia + Training Centre Tel elkebir</i>	<i>App C</i>
			<i>Wire W.O. amendment of AM 340 of yesterday</i>	<i>App D</i>
			<i>Wire from Gov. General Khartoum. 312. re R.F.C. officer proceeding Khartoum</i>	<i>App E</i>
			<i>Evening report to Chief London AM 346</i>	<i>App F</i>

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31 March Ismailia	1945		<p>Wire from HMS Glory that Dufferin had sailed from Suez with HRH Prince of Wales on board.</p> <p>Wired Sudder AM 342 asking if he could spare additional helio sets which we very badly wanted in Egypt.</p>	

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<i>March</i>	<i>1916</i>		<p><u>General Summary</u></p> <p><u>Troops despatched to France.</u> 31st, 29th, 1st & 2nd Australian divisions 1st A.N.Z. Corps Headquarters under Gen Birdwood.</p> <p><u>Organization.</u> Brigade machine companies formed & forming for all divisions, and training of Lewis gun sections for all battalions.</p> <p>The 4th & 5th Australian divisions constituted and brought up to the Canal. A.N.Z. Mounted Division constituted & with the 4th & 5th divisions forms 2nd A.N.Z. Corps under Gen Godley.</p> <p>42nd & 11th divisions being equipped on special scale for possible service in India.</p> <p>Machine gun school started at Salonica.</p> <p>Canal defence scheme reorganized. Front line only to be held as outposts. Every section to have a mobile force and partially mobile reserve.</p> <p>Railway from QANTARA to QATIA progressing and posts pushed forward towards QATIA.</p>	

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March	1916		<p><u>Summary (cont.)</u></p> <p><u>Command in Egypt</u> taken over by Sir A. Murray entirely, Gen Maxwell proceeding to England. This entails fresh organization of headquarters and commands, new establishments fresh allocations of troops. Organization of Western Frontier Force still proceeding and preparations being made for occupation of KHARGA, BAHARIA and MUGHARA oases.</p> <p><u>H.R.H. the Prince of Wales</u> took up his duties as Staff Captain at GHQ and has gone to Khartoum.</p>	<p>de Witt Capt G.S.</p>