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	16th JUNE 1917.	0744	Wire from Eastern Force (E.G.S.3610) All clear.	
		1914	Wire from Eastern Force (E.G.S.3655) Desert Column patrols have been in touch with two enemy troops who were on line Pt. 680 - LAKHLEILAT - ESANI, and one enemy squadron on line BEIT ABU TAHA - Q. in Open. Situation unchanged.	
		2035	Evening Report, to London and Bagdad (A.M.2042) Effective counter-battery work. All well.	
		2150	Wired Naval Commander-in-Chief (A.M. 2041) with reference to the seaplane raid mentioned in wire No. 1600, of 13/6/17, from the Naval C-in-C., saying that we would instruct the R.F.C. to carry out an attack on RAMLEH concurrently with that of the R.N.A.S. at TUL KERAM. Wrote G.O.C. Eastern Force informing him that arrangements are being made for an attack to be carried out by the R.N.A.S. at the enemy base at TUL KERAM, and that G.O.C. Middle East Brigade is being instructed to arrange for a simultaneous attack on RAMLEH aerodrome, so as to neutralise the action of enemy's aircraft, and that arrangements have been made for the Naval Wing Commander to visit O.C. 5th Wing at DEIR EL BELAH to settle all details connected therewith. Wrote G.O.C. Eastern Force (G.S.Z/58) informing him that his proposal that, pending the arrival of General Barrow, the 8th Mounted Brigade should be allotted temporarily to Desert Column troops, is approved, and that instructions would be issued for the move of this brigade to Eastern Force area as soon as possible. G.O.C. Eastern Force had also put up a proposal that on the arrival of the 60th Divn. one Division should be retained exclusively for training in the DEIR EL BELAH - KHAN YUNUS area. This proposal was approved, and G.O.C. Eastern Force was informed that as soon as the concentration of the 60th Division in EGYPT was completed arrangements would be made to move it as early as possible to the area under his command.	
		1020	Wired Defences. EL ARISH (O.352) that the Depot Sections of Artillery of 52nd and 53rd Divisions would rejoin their divisions in Eastern Force area as soon as moves could be arranged.	

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	16th JUNE 1917, Cont.		<p><u>Wrote G.O.C. Eastern Force</u> (G.S.606) informing him that his proposal that Depot Sections of Artillery for the 52nd and 53rd Divisions, at present on the L. of C., should now rejoin their divisions, was approved, and that the above orders had been issued.</p> <p><u>Wrote G.O.C. Palestine L. of C. Defences and G.O.C. Southern Canal Section</u> (G.S.569) informing them of the War Office decision as to the composition of the 75th Division, and that in order to carry out this reorganization it will be necessary to break up the 29th Indian Brigade and to replace it in the Southern Canal Section by the 49th Indian Brigade, and that arrangements should be made direct between these two G.O.C's as to this transfer. (Appendix).</p> <p>0345. <u>Wire from Troopers</u> (36216) in reply to our A.M. 2028, regarding reorganization of the Mounted Divisions, saying that this proposal had been approved in their telegram 34791 of 19/5/17, and that for the present no steps should be taken with regard to the formation of a 5th Australian Light Horse Brigade, which we had proposed in the above-mentioned A.M.2028 and which was to have been included in the Australian Mounted Division on formation.</p> <p>0610. <u>Wire from Troopers</u> (36231), asking if we would like to have two Sound Ranging Sections in this theatre, as it may be possible to send them. <u>Reply</u> (A.M.2040).. It is a question whether these sections would be worth their keep on this Desert Front, but General Allenby should decide this.</p> <p>0215. <u>Wire from Troopers</u> (36201) sanctioning our proposal, submitted in our A.M. 1978 of 29/5/17, that the establishment of R.H.A. batteries should be raised by one subaltern, i.e. to 1 major and 4 subalterns.</p> <p>1115. <u>Wire to Troopers</u> (A.M.2038) saying that we proposed to organise the 2.75" guns provisionally into a brigade of two 6-gun batteries, 1 section of each battery to be mobile and the remainder to be used as trench guns for the present, and informing them that provisional establishment and letter was being sent by the next mail; also informing them, in reply to their 36037 cipher S.D.2 of 12/6/17, that we would prefer the personnel for the 3.7" howitzers to be despatched with their equipment when ready, and in the meantime to continue training on that howitzer in England. (War Office had suggested that this personnel might be used temporarily to man the 2.75" mountain guns, but sufficient personnel</p>	

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	16th JUNE 1917.		<p>for this has been found from the surplus personnel from the S.A.A. Columns of troops from Salonika).</p> <p>Wrote Secretary, War Office (G.S.392), requesting that the grading of the D.J.A.G. of this force might be raised to A.A.G., as it was considered that the responsibility and importance of his work fully warranted this grading (Appendix).</p> <p>Wrote G.O.C. Eastern Force (G.S.361/182) enclosing copies of "Notes on Trench Raids" which have been prepared in this office, and also enclosing particulars regarding two trench raids which had recently been carried out on the Salonika Front.</p> <p>Wrote G.O.C. Delta and Western Force (G.S.615) informing him that the Armoured Car Batteries referred to in G.S.615 of 14/6/17 would be reorganised into two batteries of 8 cars each, for service in Mesopotamia, and instructing him that the personnel of all the batteries which had arrived from East Africa should be put through a careful medical examination with a view to ascertaining their fitness for service in Mesopotamia (Appendix).</p>	
	1945.		<p>Wired Troopers (A.M.2039). R.F.C. Weekly Return (Appendix).</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	7/6/17	0734	Wm from Eastern Force (E/P 3663) All clear	
		1848	Wm from Eastern Force (E/P 3690) 74 th Division last night had 3 patrol encounters and found enemy trench front 400 yds in front of BEER Trenches. Shots were exchanged, no casualties were suffered & 2 other ranks wounded; damage to enemy not known. Considerable work was going on from OUTPOST HILL to UMBRELLA HILL and there was considerable enemy rifle and MG fire from this quarter. 5 deserters (unarmed) came in last night. Situation normal.	
		2000	Evening Report to LONDON and BAGDAD (AM 2045) 5 deserters came in last night. Our patrols encountered enemy working parties S.W. of AZI HUNTAR	
		1200	Wrote G.O.C. ALEXANDRIA District (DA/H/14) that the 189 th and 202 nd Heavy Batteries RGA would move to BEIR EL BELAH under arrangements to be made by DQM9. G.H.Q.	
			Wrote G.O.C. ALEXANDRIA District (90628) informing him that it had been decided that the SAA Sections which accompany Infantry Brigades of the 60 th Division will be reorganized to form the nucleus of the 2.75 th Mountain Artillery Brigade and give him instructions as to how the above reorganization was to be carried out. (appendix). (Note, these SAA sections are not required in this country and as they are an established establishment it is thought that they will be very suitable for employment with this Mountain Artillery Brigade which is also an established establishment.)	54

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	17/4/17		<p>Wrote GOC Middle East Brigade RFL (902/43) enclosing copies of telegrams with reference to the Seaflame raid on TOL KERAM, which had passed between the Hq and the Naval C-in-C and instructing him to carry out a raid at the same time on RAMLEH Airbase and to submit the details of the scheme to be arranged with the Naval Group Commander to this Office for approval (appendix)</p> <p>Issued Force Order No 44(1) giving the composition of the 3 mounted divisions (2) allotting 7th Mounted Bde on its arrival to Eastern Force as Force Troops (3) giving designation of Nos 1 & 2 Field Veterinary Detachments (4) allotting the number "10" to the Field Troop RE with the L.C. Brigade (5) formation of the 4th 7th Battalion on the L.C. (appendix)</p> <p>Wrote GOC PALESTINE LFL Defence & Inspector PALESTINE LFL (908/29) informing them that the following arrangements had been made for the opening of the Branch School of Instruction at EL ARISH.</p> <p>(1) Camp to be pitched at Hq of branch to move in — 22/6/17</p> <p>(2) Instructional Staff & personnel from ZEITOUN to EL ARISH — 25/6/17</p> <p>(3) Candidates for 1st course arrive — 1/7/17</p> <p>(4) 1st course commences — 2/7/17</p>	<p>B</p> <p>C</p>

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	17/4/17		<p>note Co. Eastern Force (92650) approving the issue of 1 Hotchkiss gun to each troop of Divisional Squadrons.</p> <p>note Secretary War Office (95/311/9) submitting, at their request, our proposals for the inclusion of the personnel "remaining attached to depot for ambulances and staff Cars &c" in a fixed establishment (appendix)</p> <p>0530 note from Troopers (36285) asking us to return number of prisoners and guns taken since July 1st 1916 and instructing us to cable the captives monthly in future. A statement of monthly captives for the whole period of the war was also requested.</p> <p>0925 note from Troopers (AM 2004) that it was hoped to send proof copy of nurses order of Battle by the next mail and that corrected copies would follow shortly.</p> <p>1350 note from General HOSKINS DAR-ES-SALAAM (9941 Co82) giving distribution of the Military Camp RFC for week ending June 16th</p> <p>1 Semi-attach Machine 4 — FORT JOHNSTON 2 " " — LIKUDJO 2 " " — ITIGA 3 " " — KILWA.</p> <p>H.Q. Aircraft Park — MOROGORO Stems " — DAR-ES-SALAAM</p> <p>O.C. Williams Capt. G.S.</p>	D

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	18/4/17	0752	born from Eastern force (Eps 3696) all clear	
		1845	born from Eastern force (Eps 3715) Officers Patrol from 54 th Division had ap patrol an encounter about 100 yards from front of BEACH POST in which our patrol rushed and surrounded the enemy capturing 5 (with rifles) of whom 2 were wounded. Our casualties nil. Situation unchanged.	
		2035	Evening Report to HQ and BASHAWAD (AM 2048) Our four patrols surprised and pushed and advanced past a extreme right of enemy's line. 5 Prisoners were brought in, our casualties nil. Situation normal.	
		2340	born from Troopers (36337) saying that one Regiment of 7 th Mounted Brigade would be retained in SAZON/KA and that SAZON/KA would win the regiment, selected.	
		0530	born from Troopers (36304) saying that the proposals for reorganization of our artillery submitted in our AM 2011-27-8/6/17 were approved and informing us that SOUTH AFRICA have been asked to reorganize the Brigade coming to this country on a 6 gun basis, though they had already reorganized on a 4 gun basis as requested by us in our AM 18798 6/5/17.	5

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	19/6/17		Wrote Secretary War Office (90171) requesting that sanction might be given for certain small additions to the W.E. of the Camel Transport Corps (appendix)	A
			Wrote Secretary War Office (90229) requesting that certain amendments as regards senior Ileo's might be made in the establishment of the Military Police and Military Police Pool laid down in War Office letter No 0143/927 (SD 2) of 17/4/17 (appendix)	B
		1255	Wrote Troopers (AT 2046) requesting sanction for the addition of the usual Brigade Ordnance personnel (viz 1 warrant officer, 1 clerk, 1 stormman & 3 Camels) to the establishment of Brigade HQ, Imperial Camel Corps.	
			Wrote GOC Eastern Force (90476) in reply to the ET 85 of 3/6/17 requesting additional horses for transport of wagons & water cart for Desert Train, informing him that his recommendations would be included when the final W.E. for these units was settled but that the extra horses would not be issued at present, while the baggage section of the train is not in daily use (appendix)	C

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	19th JUNE 1917.	0802.	Wire from Eastforce (E.G.S. 3728) All clear.	
		1840.	Wire from Eastforce (E.G.S. 3748) Desert Column report that ^{an} encounter between the support squadron of our officers' patrol and 4 enemy troops S.W. of KHASIS ^{last night} yesterday. The enemy withdrew through HATHIRA, leaving 2 troops to cover retirement. Two Turks were killed and 2 horses captured; our casualties nil. Situation unchanged.	
		1830.	Evening report to London and Bagdad (A.M.2049) All well; situation unchanged.	
		2100.	Wire from Salonika (G.C.279) saying that the 1/1st Derbyshire Yeo. is the regiment selected from the 7th Mounted Bde. to stay behind.	
			Wrote G.O.C. Eastern Force (G.S.606) informing him that the organization of the Divisional Artillery has been altered owing to the arrival of the infantry of the 60th Division, and that the Artillery previously allotted to the 74th Division has now been transferred complete to the 60th Division and will accompany that Division when it is moved into Eastern Force area. The Artillery allotted to the 75th Division has now been allotted to the 74th, and as soon as its formation has been completed it will be moved up to join the 74th Division. The Artillery of the 75th Division will consist of six 6-gun 18-pdr. batteries and three 3.7" Howitzer Batteries, but none of these units have, as yet, been despatched to this country, and it will be some time before artillery formations are available for this division.	
		2350.	Wire from Troopers (36393) saying that two Sound Ranging Sections would be sent from France to this country. (The question of this despatch of these Sound Ranging Sections had been left to General Allenby to decide).	
		0530.	Wire from Troopers (36347) informing us that it had now been decided to abolish War Establishments, Part 7, as such, and to embody the establishments of all units of this force that appear in Part 7 in the new Part 11, which is in course of preparation, and asking us to wire list of reference numbers of establishments of those units which are included in Part 7 and which form part of our force.	

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	19th JUNE 1917. Cont.		<p>Wrote Secretary, War Office, (G.S. 628/1) requesting sanction of Provisional Establishment for Pack Artillery Brigade of two batteries each of six 2.75" guns, with one section in each battery mobile. (Appendix).</p> <p>Wrote Secretary, War Office (G.S. 606/1) requesting sanction for Provisional War Establishment (enclosed) for Divisional Ammunition Column which includes the employment of Indian personnel, and requesting it might be included in W.E. Part 11.</p> <p>Wrote Secretary, War Office (G.S. 392), requesting that approval might be given for increase in the establishment of 3rd Echelon, G.H.Q. This increase has been rendered necessary by the increase in the force in this country. (Appendix).</p> <p>Wrote Secretary, War Office (G.S. 2/25) enclosing proof copy of the revised Order of Battle for this force for the month of June, and informing them that corrected copies of this Order of Battle would be despatched by next mail.</p> <p>Wrote G.O.C. Southern Canal Section (G.S. 666) informing him that the Chemical Adviser had been instructed to visit the 8th Mounted Brigade and Artillery units of the 60th Division at FERDAN and the other units of the 60th Division at MOASCAR, with a view to enquiring into the state of their Gas Organization.</p>	A.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	29/4/17	0736	Comm from Eastern Force (Eps 3756) All clear. Situation unchanged	
		1840	Comm from Eastern Force (Eps 3779) Yesterday one OK was obtained on each of two A/A guns. Nothing to report today. Situation unchanged	
		2030	Evening Report to London and BAGHDAD (AM 2050) All well. Nothing Special to report	
		0915	Comm ALEXANDRIA District and Defence EL ARISH (OA 410) that the 102nd & 103rd A/A Section (recently arrived from U.K.) are allotted to PALESTINE LOC Defences would move to RAFA KHAN YUNUS & RAFA respectively.	
		0915	Comm Defence EL ARISH (OA 411) that on the arrival of the 103rd A/A Section at RAFA, the 85th A/A Section would be transferred to Eastern Force under arrangements to be made direct with G.O.C. Eastern Force.	
			Note There will thus be 7 A/A Sections in this country, Four (Nos 30, 38, 55 & 85) being with Eastern Force and three (Nos 96, 102, & 103) with PALESTINE LOC Defences	
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	21/6/17	0807	War from Eastern Force All clear.	
		1835	War from Eastern Force (EFO 3815) Two deserters came in last night and one this morning. Clouds hampered comms battery work yesterday. Nothing to report today.	
		2025	Evening Report to London and BAGHDAD (AM 2034) Three deserters came in today. Situation unchanged.	
		1015	War from Eastern Force (OAH 17) informing them that 24 th Brigade RFA would be sent to RFAA complete less 12 - 13 per ammunition wagons and that 3 rd per equipment would be exchanged with 20 th Brigade RFA (German Division) who would also have 12 - 13 per ammunition wagons to 5 th Bde RFA to replace a similar number withdrawn at KANTARA. 12 - 13 per wagons to complete 20 th Bde RFA will be sent as soon as possible.	
		1015	War from Communications KANTARA (OAH 18) that 12 - 13 per ammunition wagons would be sent from 5 th Bde RFA to 20 th Bde RFA at FEROHAN to form 44 th Bde Section D. 74 th B. A.C.	

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	24/4/17		<p>Wrote <u>Bella & Horstum Force</u> (DAH/19) that 108th Sanitary Section (recently arrived from England) would man from ABBASSIA to RADA for duty on PALESTINE L.O.C.</p> <p>Wrote <u>G.O.C. Eastern Force</u> (9598) fixing the distribution of ammunition at Railheads and on Lines of Communication (appendix)</p> <p>Wrote <u>G.O.C. Eastern Force</u> (O.C. 2362) informing him that a supply of "mountings, Trunk H.9" had now been received sufficient to complete divisions to 6 each and asking whether these should be sent direct to Divisions or to H.Q. Eastern Force for distribution (a reply was received to the effect that they should be sent to Eastern Force for distribution.)</p> <p>Issued Force Order No 45 (1) constituting the 75th Division as from 25/5/17. (2) allotting the 60th Division to Eastern Force (appendix)</p> <p>1710 Wrote <u>Troopers</u> (AM 2052) saying that it was considered necessary to appoint a Liaison Officer with the Trunk Contingent and asking authority for this appointment. A suitable officer is available locally.</p>	<p>A</p> <p>B</p> <p>64</p>

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	21/6/17		<p>Work Secretary War Office (Qs/360/64) enclosing 2 Copies of W.E. Part XI No 517 with the amendments consequent on the adoption of tractor transport and requesting that this establishment as amended may be included in W.E. Part XI</p>	
1910			<p>Home Troopers (AM2053) weekly changes in distribution:- 60th Division in process of arrival from SAZONIKA. — Temperatures EEF 904th M.T. Coy ASE, 102nd & 103rd A/A Sections, 300th Sig. Bn (1 section) — arrived since 14/6/17. 2/5th London Field Ambulance 519th Field Coy RE, 180th Infantry Bn, 181st Infantry Bn, 60th Divisional Artillery</p>	
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	22/6/17	0746	Wm from Eastern Force (Eps 3832) All clear.	
		1816	Wm from Eastern Force (Eps 3853) Heavy artillery shord hit on enemy dump and caused explosion, otherwise nothing to report.	
		2045	Evening Report to LONDON and BAGHDAD (AM2056) Our forces exploded an ammunition dump, also very effective counter battery work today.	
			Wm to ALEXANDRIA District (OA/420) that the 300 th Siege Battery (newly arrived) will move to BEIR EL BELAH under arrangements to be made by DGMG EHQ.	
			Wrote the Inspector PALESTINE Lofc (ES671) informing him that 200 Southern Canal Section had been told to hand over on Section of Suez Canal Corps for duty at KONTARA and suggesting that it should be placed at the disposal of the Administration Commandant and that the isolation of KONTARA be carried out on the lines suggested by the General Staff (Intelligence) ^{about} which a memorandum was enclosed.	
			Wrote 200 Southern Canal Section (ES671/1) telling him to put one Section of S.C.C. at disposal of Inspector Palestine Lofc as above.	5

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	22/6/17	1900	<p>from Southern Canal Section (SA/H 21.) that Hq & No 1 Section 75th Divisional Signal Company will and 234th Brigade Signal Section will move from Moscow at an early date.</p>	
		0500	<p>from Troopers (36552) approving our proposal (AM 2006 of 7/6/17) that the Gas Directorate with Eastern Force should be as for a Corps in France.</p>	
		2020	<p>from Troopers (36561) saying that our proposals for organization of 2.75" guns (submitted in our AM 2038 of 16/6/17) should be re- resubmitted after consultation with General ALENBY on his arrival.</p>	
		1150	<p>from Troopers (AM 2055) with reference to the establishment of the 2 Armoured Motor Batteries ^{for MESOPOTAMIA} saying that no mention is made in their 35741 of 7/6/17 of any units ASC MT and that it was proposed to attach 30 tractor battery 24 for trucks and 6 span also asking whether a Headquarters & workshop ASC were required and if so it is presumed they will be on W.E. Part X. 121/Hien/1169.</p>	

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	22/6/17		<p>Wrote Secretary War Office (95647) requesting that the War Establishment of Division Signal Companies might be increased to allow one Major & 2 Captains for Headquarters and by 4 telephone switchboard operators and 4 brigade section pioneers (appendix)</p> <p>Wrote G.O.C Eastern Force (95665) forwarding for his concurrence a table showing the proposed scale of transport for Army Troop Companies, R.E. with Eastern Force, which table has been drawn up in consultation between the Engineer in Chief S.H.Q. and the Chief Engineer Eastern Force (appendix)</p> <p>Wrote HQ Administration Centre I. Camel Corps (95212) informing them that the issue of 1 horse & saddling to each officer of Imperial Camel Corps Brigade M.G. Company in lieu of a riding Camel is provisionally approved. <u>Note</u> This change was the outcome of a suggestion by the M.G. Company who considers that horses are essential for every officer to allow the reconnaissances to be done properly.</p>	<p>A</p> <p>B</p> <p>S</p>

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	22/4/77		<p>Wrote Secretary War Office (90667) forwarding drawing ^{No 34076} by Supt G.A. SMITH. RA/for Instructional Staff of the School of Instruction 2 EITOWN showing a device for obtaining a slow motion adjustment for the Azimuth Scale of the No 4 Gunner Stand and requesting approval for all stands to be altered locally either to this pattern or to any modification suggested by the War Office (appendix)</p> <p>Wrote HQ A & NZ Forces (90212/11) informing him that, in consultation with O.C. Australian Training Depot & O.C. HQ Administration Centre J. C. C. it had been decided that all reinforcements for canned units arriving in this country should be sent direct to H.Q. J. C. C. at ABBASSIA as it is considered that by this means that much of the difficulty & confusion at present caused by the transfer of canned reinforcements for training to ABBASSIA at a later date will be avoided.</p> <p>Wrote Commandant School of Instruction (908/13) approving the issue of 20 rounds 18 Pdr High Explosive shell per cadets course for practice purposes.</p>	C

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	22/6/17		<p>Wrote 900 Delta Division Force (902/69) agreeing to his suggestion that the Pom Pom in E No 2 Armoured Train should be moved and kept at the Citadel on its field carriage in order to afford facilities for the training of the detachments that are to man the train in event of it being used and instructing him to make the necessary arrangements for this to be carried out.</p> <p>Instructions were issued for the disposal of the Candidates of the 3rd and last Staff Course at Hona House which moved on the 19th instant. Ten officers were posted to vacancies on the staff and the remainder with the exception of six who had shown themselves as unsuited for staff employment, were sent to their respective formations with instructions that they should be attached to various staffs for a further period and that the usual monthly reports on these officers should be rendered.</p>	

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	25/6/17	0751	Wm from Eastern Force (Eps 3881) All clear	
		1839	Wm from Eastern Force (Eps 3894) Our heavy batteries scored direct hits on each of 3 enemy field guns yesterday. 3 Deserters came in to 74 th Division last night. Situation normal.	
		2020	Amends Evening Report to London and BA CHAD (AM 2060) Situation unchanged. 3 Deserters came in last night.	
		1730	Wm Troopers (AM 2058) in reply to their 36486 of 21/6/17 - giving details of our proposal for the employment of the Arab Camel Scouts which it is proposed to raise in the Sudan (1) to be used on PALESTINE LoC for protection of special localities & outlying wells. &c (2) to be recruited & commanded by ABDEL AZIM BEY KARYFA, Nazir of the ABARSA tribe in the BERBER Province (3) Rate of pay - Chief of Scouts LE 12 per mensem - Wazir LE 7 per mensem - Scouts Piasas £10 per day with rations (4) To be equipped with rifles & bandoliers & to provide Camels & saddles. To get best value out of this scheme a suitable British Liaison Officer is very necessary and as stated in AM 2038 of 14/6/17 BUTLER is highly recommended. This scheme is strongly urged & sanction is requested by cable.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	23/6/17	1815	<p>Winn from Troopers (36606) saying that the reorganization of the Brigade of RFA coming from SOUTH AFRICA into 2 - 6 gun batteries could not be effected upon embarkation as a ship had been allotted for their conveyance early in July & that therefore it must be reorganized as necessary on its arrival in Egypt. Saddling & harness will also have to be provided on arrival.</p>	
		1725	<p>Winn Troopers (AM2059) that it was considered that, in view of the nature of the hostile forces in this country the percentage of delay & non-delay fuses should be:- delay 30%, non-delay 70% for 6" & 8" Howitzers.</p>	
		0100	<p>Winn from Troopers (36572) approving our proposals for the formation of Cavalry Divisional trains submitted in our AM 2029 of 13/6/17 ^{saying that} but it is presumed that the British personnel vehicles are surplus to our former requirements and that animals can be provided (This is so). Wrote HQ 60th Division (92368/1) enclosing informing them that the Division would be equipped and organized in accordance with the Provisional Establishment of Camel Transport a copy of which was enclosed and giving various instructions as to this reorganization and re-equipping. (Appendix)</p>	A

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	23/6/17		<p>Write Secretary War Office (90550) setting out the alterations and amendments to the War Establishments of all units of the mounted Divisions which have been finally adopted in this country and requesting the sanction of the Army Council for these Establishments and that they might be incorporated in Part XI (appendix)</p> <p>1210 <u>London Troopers</u> (AM2057) with RFC weekly returns (appendix)</p> <p>2225 <u>Wire from General</u>. DARES SALAM (G. 29 Cdc) with distribution for military units RFC for week ending 23/6/17. -</p> <p>1. Serviceable Machine - FORT JOHNSTON</p> <p>2 " " - SCHIN YU ANGA</p> <p>1 " " - LIKUJA</p> <p>3 " " - KILWA</p> <p>H.Q. Aircraft Park - MOROGORO</p> <p>Stores - DARES SALAM</p>	B C

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	24/10/17	0815	Wm from Eastern Force (Eps 3902) all clear.	
		1220	Wm from "Britannia" (Naval Air C) (205) The railway junction at TULKERAM was attacked by 3 seaplanes with 650 lbs of bombs which were dropped on station buildings and rolling stock which were severely damaged. Also pamphlets were dropped and troops were attacked with machine gun fire.	
		1805	Wm from Eastern Force (Eps 3922) Large harvesting parties near MAGAM were effectively shelled yesterday. Last night and today were quiet.	
		2125	Enemy Report to LONDON and BAGHDAD (AM 2061) A combined air attack was carried out ON TUL KERAM and RAMLEN aerodrome yesterday with seaplanes and aeroplanes. At TUL KERAM 650 lbs of bombs were dropped on station buildings & rolling stock which were severely damaged. Also pamphlets were dropped. 7 Aeroplanes attacked RAMLEN enemy troops were attacked and pamphlets were dropped. Although our machines remained over the aerodrome for an hour only one machine was seen to leave the ground & that did not intervene. All machines returned safely. On the Palestine front the enemy were effectively shelled whilst attempting to harvest crops at EL MAGAM, 5 miles NE of SHEKLAH. Situation otherwise unchanged.	3-

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260-3/29-EEF

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	24/1/17		<p>Wrote G.O.C Eastern Force (H.O 583) informing him that the infantry battalions in his command were to be organized so as to conform to the principles laid down in pamphlets 40/WO/2995 "The organization of an Infantry Battalion and the normal formation for attack" and SS 143 "Instructions for the training of platoons for offensive action 1917" and setting out the composition of the Battalion, Company & Platoon Headquarters (appendix)</p> <p>Wrote G.O.C Eastern Force (H.O 688) that it had been decided to place at his disposal the 53rd Divisional Cyclist Company (hitherto on bicycles in Palestine) & to nominate for use with the infantry of that Division as required. The unit should not be split up, but should remain intact and be attached to one of the battalions as an extra Company, so that it may be available as a Cyclist Company if required at any future date.</p> <p>Issued an amendment to Force Order No 45 of 21/6/17 (appendix)</p>	<p>A</p> <p>B</p>

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	20/4/17		<p>Brook Secantary War Office (90659) forwarding at their request a brief report of the services of the British West Indies Regiment in EGYPT for publication in the papers of West INDIA (appendix).</p> <p>Wrote GOC ALEXANDRIA District (90489/2) informing him that the responsibility for the inspection of Gas helmets of drafts proceeding to join their units from the Base Depots rests with the Base Depots themselves and not with the Ordnance, and that if the GOC Base Depots wished vacancies could be allotted at the next course at the Central Gas School for one man from each Base Depot who would then be able to inspect Gas helmets on arrival from the Ordnance, instead of the Adjutant having to do it as at present. (Base Depots had complained that Adjutants had not got time to inspect Gas helmets on arrival from Ordnance & had continued that Ordnance should inspect them before issue, & ensure that they were in good working order.)</p> <p style="text-align: right;">OC Williams Capt 80</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	25/6/17	0819	Win from Eastern Force (Eps 3933) All clear	
		1910	Win from Eastern Force (Eps 9364) A party of officers and 50 other ranks proceeding on a raiding expedition to CACTUS GARDEN encountered 2 Platoons of Turks of whom 7 were killed and 2 taken prisoner. 5 Rifles and a bag of ammunition were also taken. Our casualties were 1 officer slightly wounded and one other rank wounded.	
		2020	Evening Report to London and BAHAD (AM 2062) Situation unchanged. Considerable patrol activity in course of which 7 Turks were killed and 2 were taken prisoner. Win "Communications" KANTARA (OA 418) that 2 Sections of the 110th Indian Field Ambulance (49th Indian Infantry Brigade) will move from KANTARA to ISMAILIA under arrangements made by D.Q.M.G. G. H.G.	
		1914	Win from Southern Canal Section (S9543) saying that the Topographical Survey Party who had been in the neighbourhood of BIR EL GIDDI had arrived back at FERRY POST and that the Survey had been completed	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	25/7/17	0130	born from Troopers (36682) saying that the two sound ranging sections would be sent at end of July and that G.H.Q. France would report when they started	
		2135	born from Troopers (36692) saying that EAST AFRICA will be unable to release any railway companies of Sappers and miners at present. we had asked for 2 Companies to be sent to assist in the working of the KANTARA - BEZAH line	
		0130	born from Troopers (36683) with reference to our letter 94572 of 7/5/17 submitting an establishment for the Instructional Staff of the Machine gun branch at the School of Instruction ESTOON - In view of the number of M. J units in the Force an explanation is required as to necessity for 500 candidates for each course and also enquiring whether this number is to be regarded as permanent	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	25/5/17		<p>Wrote G.O.C Southern (Aras) Section (30385) in reply to his letter Sgs 52/14/4 of 21/6/17 forwarding a suggestion from the G.O.C 8th Mounted Brigade that the 21st Machine Gun Squadron which he had been ordered to form should be completed by the inclusion of volunteers from units outside his brigade as the numbers named would satisfy considerably weaken the units of his brigade — That this suggestion could not be adopted and the M.G. Section must be completed forthwith in accordance with instructions contained in Gs 385 of 12/5/17 (appendix)</p> <p>Wm (349) from Mr. Butler, who is recruiting in BERBER for the Arab Scouts, to say that he has collected 130 men but that camels are hard to get though they are beginning to come in. Shall and asking if these men should all be taken</p> <p>A reply was sent that it was not desired that men should be enrolled without camels but that men should be taken as camels come in but no faster.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">O. Williams Capt. G.</p>	A.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	26/6/17	0800	born from Eastern Force (Eps 3975) All clear.	
		1827	born from Eastern Force (Eps 3999) Situation normal	
		2025	Evening Report to London and Baghdad (AM 2067) Eight of our aeroplanes attacked G.H.S. 4" Army near JERUSALEM this morning. 44 - 16 lb bombs, 2 - 112 lb bombs & 3 incendiary bombs were dropped & 4 direct hits were obtained on the roof of G.H.S. One of our machines on the return flight was forced to land near HEBRON, the pilot was picked up and brought in by another machine. Later 4 more machines had forced landings owing to engine trouble, two of these were destroyed by enemy patrols before relief machines could reach them. The other two fell close to our lines & will probably be recovered. All pilots were picked up. The great heat is accountable for the engine trouble. The general situation is unchanged.	
		2000	born Delta & Western Force (8A 421) that 35" A.T. Company RE (less the detachment of 10 officers & 30 other ranks at present engaged on a well training course) are allotted to Eastern Force and will move to DEIR EL BELAH at an early date under arrangements to be made by being 248.	

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	24/6/17	2000	<p>Wrote G.O.C. PALESTINE Local Defence (95670) informing him that his instructions had been given for Vickers guns to be issued to the Imperial Service Brigade in substitution for the Maxim guns at present in charge of this Brigade.</p>	
		0100	<p>Wrote from Troopers (36711) asking whether the High Commissioner had concurred in the formation of the Arab Scouts which are being recruited in BERBER.</p> <p>Reply (AM 2063.) Yes.</p>	
		1955	<p>Wrote Troopers (AM 2066) in reply to their 36572 of 22/6/17 with regard to provision of personnel, animals & vehicles for Cavalry Divisional Trains. — (1) Personnel has become available by reorganization but chiefly by fact of 66th Divisional Train arriving here on W.E. SAKONIKA. (2) Animals can be provided & maintained provided the 95000 mules are provided to the W.O. with 34492 QMG 4 of 15/5/17 reach here from SAKONIKA in due course (3) Balance of vehicles are available from Base Ordnance working stocks but further numbers will be required to replenish these stocks.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	26/4/17	1815	<p>Wire from Troopers (36751) saying that no Headquarters would be required for the 2 at armoured Car Batteries for Mesopotamia but that 2 workshops are would be necessary. The establishment for these workshops was at out being the same as that in Part XI less 1 Mechanist Sergeant Major. The wire also asked whether these workshops can be provided in EGYPT</p>	
		1245	<p>Wire from Troopers (AM2064) in reply to their 36683 of 24/4/17 informing number of candidates at M. G. Branch of School of Instruction that this branch deals with Lewis and Hotchkiss as well as Maschin and Richers and that while this force remains at 6 divisions the number of candidates quoted (500) can be considered as a permanent maximum.</p>	
		1745	<p>Gen CHAUVEL having sent a wire to "Depues" MELBOURNE saying that a Brigade HQ & senior officers would be required for the formation of the 5th Light Horse Brigade a wire (0/353) was sent quoting the decision of the W.O. (36216 of 15/3/17) that "no steps should be taken to form a 5th A.L.H. Brigade at present" & saying that we presumed the W.O. had informed MELBOURNE & that no steps are being taken to form this 5th A.L.H. Brigade at present.</p>	
		2200	<p>Reply from Gen CHAUVEL (90.32) that this is the first intimation he has had of this War Office Ruling.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	26/4/17	1535	<p><u>Ward Troopers</u> (AM 2065) with reference to their letter 121/PW20/703 (H.I. 70) dated 9/5/17 which informed us that the Camarvonshire T.F. association had applied to the W.O. for leave to print in the local papers the Special Order of the day issued by Sir Charles Dobell after the first battle of GAZA and letters by Major Gen AG DALLAS (900 53 W.D. 1000) and G.O.C. 158th BDE (Brig Gen SF MOTT) asking whether the permission of the C-in-C had been obtained.</p> <p>— This is the first that has been heard of it; after full enquiry it appears that there was some misunderstanding as G.O.C. 158th BDE did give Lt. Col. R.W.F. Leach these letters to Camarvonshire T.F. association for the personal information of that body though he did not give leave for their publication as stated by Lt. Col. R.W.F. in his letter to the association.</p> <p>The permission above mentioned was given without reference to higher authority and the necessary action has been taken to prevent the recurrence of any such indiscretion in the future.</p>	
		2200	<p><u>Ward Troopers</u> (AM 2068) setting out these items in W.D. Part VII which should be included in the new Part XI that is shortly to be published. This (appendix)</p> <p>This was in reply to Troopers' letter 36347 of 18/6/17 saying that W.D. Part VII would be abolished as such and that all units should show their which was in existence in this country would now be shown in Part XI.</p>	<p>A</p> <p>overlaid C.M.S.</p>

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	27/6/17	0804	Wm from Eastern Force (Eps 4015) All clear	
		1837	Wm from Eastern Force (Eps 4028) Situation normal	
		2020	Evening Report to LONDON and BAGHDAD (AM 2070) No change	
		2200	Word Chief LONDON (AM 2071) that General ALLENBY arrived CAIRO this evening at 2130.	
			General Sir Edmund H. Allenby K.C.B. has been sent out to take command of the Egyptian Expeditionary Force vice General Sir Archibald J. Murray GCMG, KCB, CVO, DSO.	
			General Allenby arrived in HMS BRISTOL at ALEXANDRIA at 15.30 when he was met by the C. P. He interviewed the High Commissioner at ALEXANDRIA and travelled down to CAIRO by special train. He was met at the station by Gen Sir A. J. Murray, the DAB and D Q.M.G.	

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	27/6/17	2000	Wm from Troopers (36819) with reference to AM 2052 of 21/6/17 asking for a Liaison Officer with the French Contingent — asking whether it was still considered necessary to have a liaison officer with the French Navy.	
		1045	Wm Troopers (4192069) adding one further unit to the list of establishments from AM 2060 for inclusion in W.E. Part X and informing W.O. that a separate letter is being sent with reference to Horse Artillery Establishments.	
			Wrote G.O.C Eastern Force (95486) telling him that it had been decided to start a school of instruction for Senior officers and giving him details as to the way in which this course would be conducted (appendix)	A
			Wrote G.O.C Eastern Force (95677) informing him that the Rest Camp at EL ARISH would be completed by July 1 st and that 100 officers and 2000 other ranks could be accommodated there and asking him to send forward the number of officers when he has prepared to send to this camp when the necessary train arrangements will be made (appendix)	B

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	28th JUNE, 1917.	0755.	Wire from Eastforce (E.G.S. 4053) All clear.	
		1849.	Wire from Eastern Force (E.G.S. 4083). Two Turks approached our line at 0420 waving a white flag; the enemy then opened fire on these two men and wounded both. Rescue parties went out from our line and brought them in under heavy fire from the enemy. Situation normal.	
		1200.	Wired Alexandria District (O.a. 425) that the 44th Bde. R.F.A. would move to RAFA at an early date, under instructions to be issued by D.Q.M.G., G.H.Q.,	
		2103.	Wire from Eastforce (E.G.S. 4085) asking that the 35th A.T.Coy. might be sent to WELI SHEIKH NURAN instead of DEIR EL BELAH, and saying that on arrival of this company the 496th Field Coy., R.E., could be spared for refitting.	
		1000.	Wired Delta and Westforce (O.b. 811) that the 74th Casualty Clearing Station (recently arrived in this country) will move from ABBASSIA to RAFA under arrangements to be made by D.Q.M.G., G.H.Q.,	
		1845.	Wire from Chief, London, (36688), asking us whether it would be possible for us to employ one or two additional Kite Balloon Sections to any good purpose if it was found possible to send them to this country.	
		1540.	Wire from Troopers (36876) in reply to our A.M. 2034, 14/6/17 - the establishment of the field squadron of the Yeomanry Mounted Division will be as in War Establishments, Part VII. The number of the squadron will be '6' Field Squadron, R.E.	
			Wrote G.O.C. Eastern Force (G.S. 327/24), saying that copies of the revised War Establishment of "Infantry Division with Camel Transport", in leaflet form, were being despatched by Stationery for distribution, and enclosing schedule as to how this distribution should be made. (Appendix).	A
			Similar letter to the above was sent to G.O.C. Palestine L. of C. Defences and to G.O.C., Southern Canal Section, the copies sent to them being for distribution to the 75th and 60th Divisions respectively.	B

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	28th JUNE 1917 (Con.)		<p>Wrote G.O.C., Delta and Westforce, (G.S.Z/28/6), saying that, in view of the expense, it has been decided that, for the time being, the Base of the Light Armoured Car Brigade should not be changed from MATRUH to SOLLUM, but that the clearing of the SOLLUM - SIWA Road should be continued with, in view of the fact that it might be found possible to evacuate all troops from MATRUH at some future date. (Appendix).</p> <p>Wrote G.O.C. Eastern Force (G.S. 605/3) saying it was not considered necessary at present to add 'B' Echelon to Brigade Ammn.Colns. of mounted troops, nor to transfer establishment of three Mounted Brigade Ammn.Colns. into that of one Divisional Ammn.Coln., and setting out scale of 18-pdr. ammunition and S.A.A. which was to be carried in the B.A.C's, and also sanctioning, as a local and temporary measure, the addition of certain horses to the establishment of R.H.A. batteries. (Appendix).</p> <p>Wrote G.O.C. Eastern Force and G.O.C. Southern Canal Section (G.S. 637) enclosing copy of letter from the Chemical Adviser, E.E.F., in which he pointed out that the equipment of the native troops of the 75th Division was not compatible with the use of P.H.Gas Helmets, in that the straps of the water bottle and haversack both cross the chest, thus preventing the proper tucking in of these helmets. - asking them to submit their views on these points and as to whether any modification of existing equipment, as issued to these units, was possible under regimental arrangements.</p> <p>1650. <u>Wired Troopers</u> (A.M. 2073) Weekly changes in distribution :-</p> <p>(1) Units of 60th Divn. arrived since 21/6/17 :- 522nd Field Coy., R.E. 2/6th London Fd. Amb. 1/12th Lancs. Pioneers.</p> <p>(2) Transferred from Palestine L. of C. Defences to Eastern Force :- 85th A.A. Section.</p>	<p>B</p> <p>C</p> <p>D</p>

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	28th JUNE 1917 (Con.)		<p>(3) Transferred from Palestine L. of C. Defences to Southern Canal Section :- 49th Indian Infantry Bde.</p> <p>(4) Allotted to Palestine L. of C. Defences 102nd and 103rd A.A. Section. 108th Sanitary Section.</p> <p>(5) Allotted to Eastern Force :- 951st, 952nd, 955th M.T.Coys., A.S.C. 189th, 202nd Heavy Batteries, R.G.A. One Section, 300th Siege Battery, R.G.A.</p>	

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	29/6/77	0956	Comm from Eastern Force (Eps 4089) All clear	
		1847	Comm from Eastern Force (Eps 4121) Situation normal	
		2025	Enemy Report to London and Baghdad (EA 8) Situation unchanged.	
			Info Delta Division Force & Eastern Force (OA/423) that 35 th AT Coy RE would move to WEH SHEIKH NURAN instead of to DEIR EL BELAH as previously ordered and that 496 th Coy RE would remain 75 th Division at EL ARISH on relief by the 35 th AT Coy RE	
		2000	Info Defence EL ARISH and Eastern Force (OA/426) that on arrival of the 44 th Brigade RFA at RFA the exchange of equipments (13 Pors for 18 Pors) with 20 th Brigade RFA should be carried out as soon as possible and that the 44 th Brigade should be transferred to Eastern Force	
		2000	Comm Southern Section and Eastern Force (OA/427) that the 292 nd Sup. Battalion (one section) would move from MOASCAR to DEIR EL BELAH without waiting for Transport, which will be attached as found necessary on arrival in East force area. The arrangements for the move to be made by D.G.H.Q. G.H.Q.	

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	29/6/17	1215	Wrote <u>Saxonika</u> (EAS) asking them to arrange for the dispatch of the remainder of the personnel of the S.G. to "Dunson as early as possible as they are urgently required	
		0615	Wrote from <u>Troopers</u> (33389) approving the appointment of an Inspector of Recruiting for the Egyptian Labour Corps submitted in our 584 of 29/5/17.	
			Wrote Inspector <u>PAESTINE</u> LofC giving provisional approval for the addition of 3 clerks to his Establishment. (It is proposed to apply for W.O. sanction for this increase when the next communication is sent about S.G. Establishments)	
		1650	Wrote <u>Troopers</u> (EAS) with reference to their 36876 of 28/6/17 approving formation of Field Squadron for Yomanay HCo Dunson and saying that it was to be on W.O. Part VII. — Asking W.O. to await our letter 550 of 23/6/17 which proposed a uniform establishment for all mounted units in this force, as Part VII is not suitable for Field Squadrons in the theatre.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	29/1/17		<p>Wrote G.O.C. Eastern Force (90 605/1) saying that the cable section which has recently been raised in his command should be incorporated in the Australian M.C. Div. Signal Squadron in substitution of the present B Troop of the Imperial mounted Division which in turn will be available for use as required by G.O.C. Desert Column (appendix)</p> <p>A copy of this letter was sent to G.O.C. Australian Imperial Force in Egypt.</p>	A
			<p>Wrote Secretary War Office (90 231) enclosing an establishment for the light car Patrol in this force and asking for the sanction of the Army Council for the same (appendix)</p>	B
			<p>Wrote G.O.C. Eastern Force (90 90) giving sanction for the addition to the establishment of a M. G. Coy. horse pack animal for carriage of signalling equipment as a local and temporary measure.</p>	
1625			<p>Wrote Troopers (EA7) that the 2 workshops for the 2 Armoured Car Batteries for duty in Mesopotamia could be provided in Egypt.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	29/6/17	1855	<p>Wm from PRETORIA (54633) says that the 1st 2nd and 4th Batteries South African Field Artillery would embark at DURBAN on 7/7/17 and from embarkation straight to these units.</p>	
		1330	<p>Wm Troopers (EA6) in reply to their 36819 of 27/6/17 asking whether a liaison officer was still necessary with the French Navy — Yes, his retention is considered of the utmost importance as he has been of the greatest service to the Intelligence Staff. This work could not be combined with the duty of liaison officer with the French Contingent at KENNEDY'S when British liaison officer is very necessary to ensure smooth relations.</p> <p>Wrote G.O. Southern Canal Section (90651) forwarding a report received from O.C. 4th and Administration Centre Imperial Camel Corps with reference to his inspection of the 1st Battalion I.C.C. and asking for his remarks and report on the action taken on the points raised therein.</p>	
		1055	<p>Wm Troopers (EA3) in reply to their 36891 of 28/6/17 asking for 45 copies of the order of Battle issued 1/35 — That 10 more copies (45 total) were being sent by Col POZLEN by H.M.S. BRISTOL.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">J. Williams Capt G.S.</p>	

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	30/6/17	0700	Comm from Eastern Force (E/F 4132) All clear	
		1857	Comm from Eastern Force (E/F 4156) reporting slight increased enemy artillery activity in SAMPOON RIDGE - SHEIKH AJLIN area to which our artillery replied. Situation normal	
		2025	Evening Report to London and Baghdad (EA13) Summary of mortar battery work for month ending 30th inst - 37 direct hits on hostile gun emplacements and 21 direct hits on 12 enemy guns. Situation normal.	
		1257	Comm Troopers (EA10) in reply to their 36888 of 28/6/17. That the two additional Kite Balloon sections proposed would be of great value	
			Comm Delta Section Force (OA/H26) that W. 6 wireless section (temporarily equipped as a cable section) will move from ARBATHSIA to BEIR EL BEATH under arrangements to be made by S. G. G. G. G.	

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	30/4/17	2305	<u>Worn from Troopers</u> (37027) approving our proposals for the ^{administration} staffs of the Posts on PRESTINE LIFE submitted in our AM 1992 of 2/6/17. The ranks of the chiefs of the various staffs are following by mail.	
		2310	<u>Worn from Troopers</u> (37008) approving the retention of GSO 2 for Southern Casual Section until 20/7/17 as requested in our AM 2057 of 21/6/17.	
		1330	<u>Worn Troopers</u> (EA 11) asking that the retention of the Staff of the Staff School at Mera House might be sanctioned up to 18/6/17 as the School did not come back until that date.	
			<u>Wrote GDC ALEXANDRIA District</u> (90682) approving the programme submitted by him for the Commander in Chief with to ALEXANDRIA on 2/7/17 and giving him instructions as to times of arrival and departure and as to cars required. (Appendix)	A

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	30/9/17	1930	<p><u>Ward Troopers</u> (EA 12) with RDC weekly returns (appendix)</p> <p><u>Wrote G.O.C. Southern Canal Section</u> (95485/1) with instructions regarding the vacancies allotted to the 60th Division and 8th Mounted Brigade for the next course at the Central Gas School TEL EL KEBIR (appendix)</p>	<p>B</p> <p>C</p>

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			<p><u>COMMAND.</u></p> <p>At midnight on the night of the 28th/29th General Sir Edmund H. Allenby, KCB. took over the command of the Egyptian Expeditionary Force from General Sir Archibald Murray, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., C.V.O., D.S.O.</p> <p><u>EASTERN FORCE.</u></p> <p>During the month activity has been limited to the usual incidents of trench warfare. The most important event was a raid carried out on the night of the 11th on an enemy work known as "Sea Post" in which the whole of the garrison (38) were killed or captured.</p> <p>Both cavalry and infantry patrols have been active throughout the month and altogether 82 Turks have been captured during this period. Our artillery fire has also been effective and during the month 37 direct hits have been obtained on enemy gun emplacements and 21 direct hits on 13 enemy guns.</p> <p><u>PALESTINE L. OF C. DEFENCES.</u></p> <p>Nothing of importance occurred in this area during the month. The only active operations undertaken were the destruction of the wells and cisterns at EL HAMAMA and MAGHARA.</p> <p><u>DELTA AND WESTERN FORCE.</u></p> <p>No operations were undertaken on this front during the month beyond the usual patrols. It was decided, on reconsideration, not to move the base of the Armoured Car Brigade from MATRUH to SOLLUM in view of the expense of erecting the necessary garages, workshops, &c.</p> <p><u>ROYAL FLYING CORPS.</u></p> <p>Throughout the month the Royal Flying Corps have been actively employed on strategical and tactical reconnaissances as well as in artillery co-operation flights. Air raids were carried out on the 25th and 26th inst. On the former date the aerodrome</p>	

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			<p>at RAMLEH was successfully bombed by the Royal Flying Corps while the Royal Naval Air Service were carrying out a seaplane raid on TUL KERAN and on the latter date the Headquarters of the IVth Turkish Army outside JERUSALEM was effectively bombed by one of our Royal Flying Corps Squadrons.</p> <p><u>ORGANISATION.</u></p> <p>(1) By Force Order No. 44 (Appendix to 17/6/17) the Mounted troops were reorganised into 3 divisions - The Australain and New Zealand - The Australian Mounted Division and the Yeomanry Mounted Division. Each Division consisting of 3 Brigades.</p> <p>(2). By Force Order NO. 45 (Appendix to 21/6/17) the 75th Division was formed as from 25/6/17. This Division consists of 3 Brigades each Brigade being composed of 2 British Regiments and 1 Indian Regiment. The Indian Regiments were taken from the 29th Indian Infantry Brigade in the Southern Canal Section which necessitated a rearrangement of troops. The 49th Indian Infantry Brigade were therefore moved from PALESTINE L. of C. Defences to Southern Canal Section in relief of the 29th Indian Infantry Brigade who moved up to EL ARISH where the 75th Division is being formed.</p> <p>(3). During the month the greater part of the 60th Division has arrived from SALONIKA and has been concentrated at MOASCAR and FERDAN. This division has been allotted to Eastern Force.</p> <p>(4). The 8th Mounted Brigade has meved arrived in the country during the month and has been incorporated in the Yeomanry Mounted Division.</p> <p>(5). The 7th Mounted Brigade (less 1 regiment) has partly arrived from SALONIKA. This Brigade will be allotted to Eastern Force as Force Troops.</p> <p><u>TRAINING.</u></p> <p>(1). The 3rd and last course of the Staff School at Mena House came to an end on the 18th</p> <p>(2). Arrangements were made during the month for a branch of the School of Instruction, ZEITOUN to be opened at EL ARISH. The first course at this branch is due to commence on 2/7/17</p> <p>(3). During the month training has been actively carried out at the School of Instruction, ZEITOUN and at the Central Gas School, TEL EL KEBIR.</p>	

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