

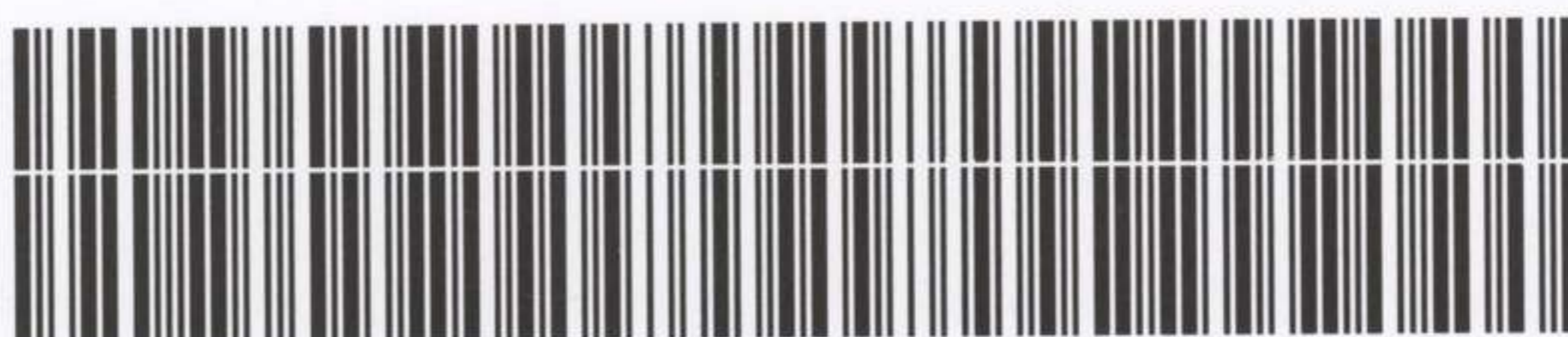
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1<sup>st</sup> SIGNAL TROOP. A. E.

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# WAR DIARY

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## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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1<sup>st</sup> Signal Troop A.E.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
EL-ARISH	2-4-17		1862 Sapp Jones & A ret to duty to work wireless	
SHEIKH-ZOWAID	6-4-17	0830	1 <sup>st</sup> Signal Troop A.E. moved out with M.A.L.H. Bde for Khan Yunis arrived 1600 & bivouacked night of 6th at SHEIKH-ZOWAID	
KHAN-YUNIS	7-4-17	0830	left SHEIKH-ZOWAID, arrived 1700, and made camp at KHAN-YUNIS.	
do	8-4-17		1715 Sapp Bentley taken on strength of unit from Signal Details.	
do	10-4-17		1864 Sqn Gunsey & 1157 Sqn Posthouse A.E. attached from 3 <sup>rd</sup> L. Bde.	
GOZ-EL-TAIRE	12-4-17	1200	Moved out with M.A.L.H. Bde to take over outpost line at Goz-el-Taire, arrived 1300 and took over outpost communications from 5 <sup>th</sup> Imp. Bde Signal Troop A.E.	
KHAN-YUNIS	13-4-17		left GOZ-EL-TAIRE 1400. Handed over outpost communications to 6 <sup>th</sup> Imp Bde Signal Troop, arrived KHAN-YUNIS 1830.	
do	14-4-17		1312 Sapp Blackford & A. to hospital 986 Sqn Smith Williams & J taken on strength from Signal Squadron.	
do	16-4-17		1 <sup>st</sup> Signal Troop A.E. with M.A.L.H. Bde left KHAN-YUNIS 2030 marching with Anzac Old Div for SHELLAL.	
SHELLAL	17-4-17		arrived SHELLAL 0500 opened signal office with view to outpost line & cable to S.H.L.	
do	18-4-17		left SHELLAL with M.A.L.H. Bde 2030. Marching with Anzac Old Div	

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KHIRBET-ERK	19-4-17		<p>arrived KHIRBET-ERK 0500. communications during operations on BIRKET-EL-SINA Ridge carried out by telephone + visual both to forward Regiments of F.V.A. at Hill 280. Brigade withdrew from hill at 2000 and telephone communications lines had to be left on ground as communication was necessary to the last minute. left KHIRBET-ERK 2300.</p> <p>1393 Sapp Fahey &amp; evacuated with horse biscuits (head)</p>	
EL-IZRAAIN WELI-SHEIKH NURAN KERIN-ABU- HISEIA	20-4-17		<p>arrived EL-IZRAAIN 0530. left Livonae 0900 arrived WELI-SHEIKH-NURAN 1050. left WELI-SHEIKH-NURAN 1500. took over communications of outpost line at KERIN-ABU-HISEIA 1800. laid 4 miles cable to outpost line and established cable communication with F.V.A.</p>	
ABBASSAN- EL-KEBIR	21-4-17		<p>Relieved by 22nd Allied Pde Signal Troop at 1600. left HISEIA 1700 arrived ABBASSAN-EL-KEBIR 2100.</p> <p>left ABBASSAN-EL-KEBIR 1530. arrived ABU-SITTA 1700</p>	
ABU-SITTA	22-4-17		<p>1393 Sapp Fahey &amp; returned to duty from Hospital</p> <p>W.I. WIRELESS STATION complete &amp; OR withdrawn from unit details at KHAN-YUNIS by ANZAC SIGNAL SQUADRON</p>	
do	24-4-17			

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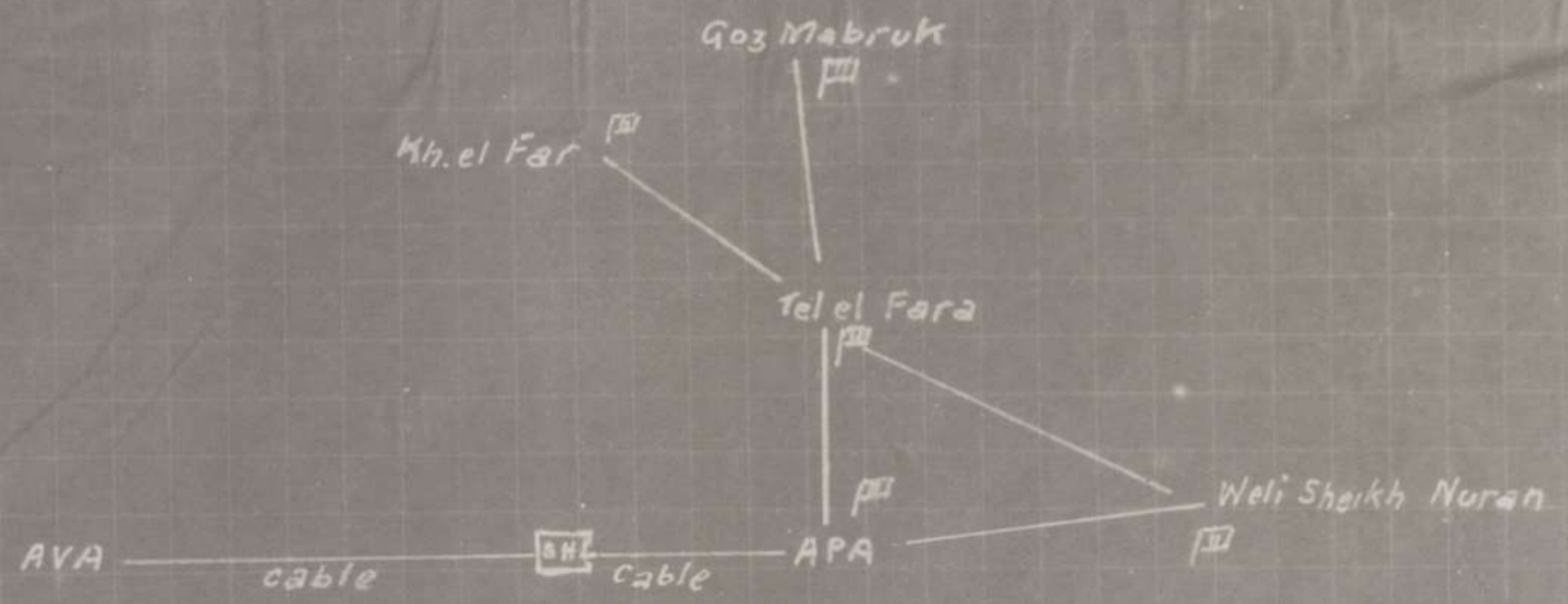
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ABU-SITTA	26-4-17		<p>left ABU-SITTA 0300 arrived WELI-SHEIKH-NURAN 0415, watered SHELLAL, returned ABU-SITTA 1000. (left ABU-SITTA 1600, bivouaced west bank of WADI-GHUZZE between SHELLAL and HISEIA 1800. laid telephone communications to outpost line on EAST bank of WADI from SHELLAL to HISEIA. cable + visual communication established with A.V.A. STILL on Outpost line between HISEIA + SHELLAL.</p>	
Outpost line	30-4-17		<p>(communication diagrams for 17/18/17 night 17/18<sup>th</sup> 4-17 / 19-4-17 + night 20/21<sup>st</sup> 4-17 attached)</p>	
			<p><i>R. F. Smith Lt. O.C. 10<sup>th</sup> Signal Troop</i></p>	

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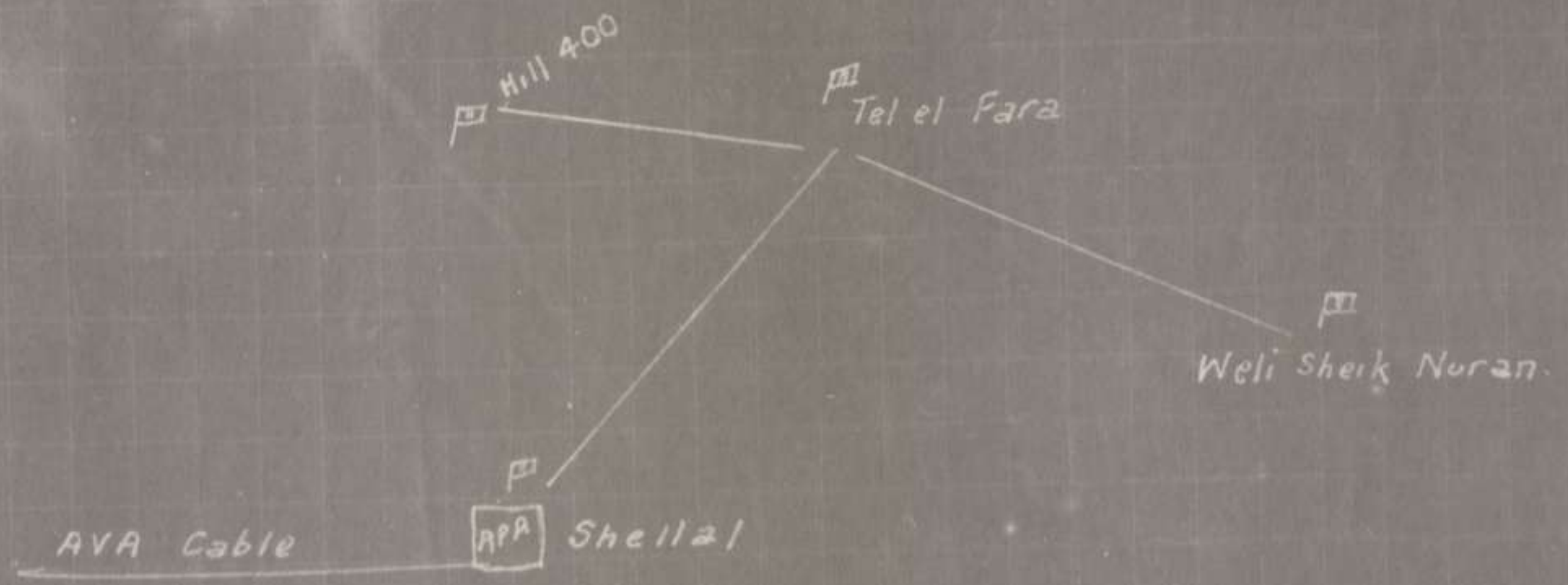
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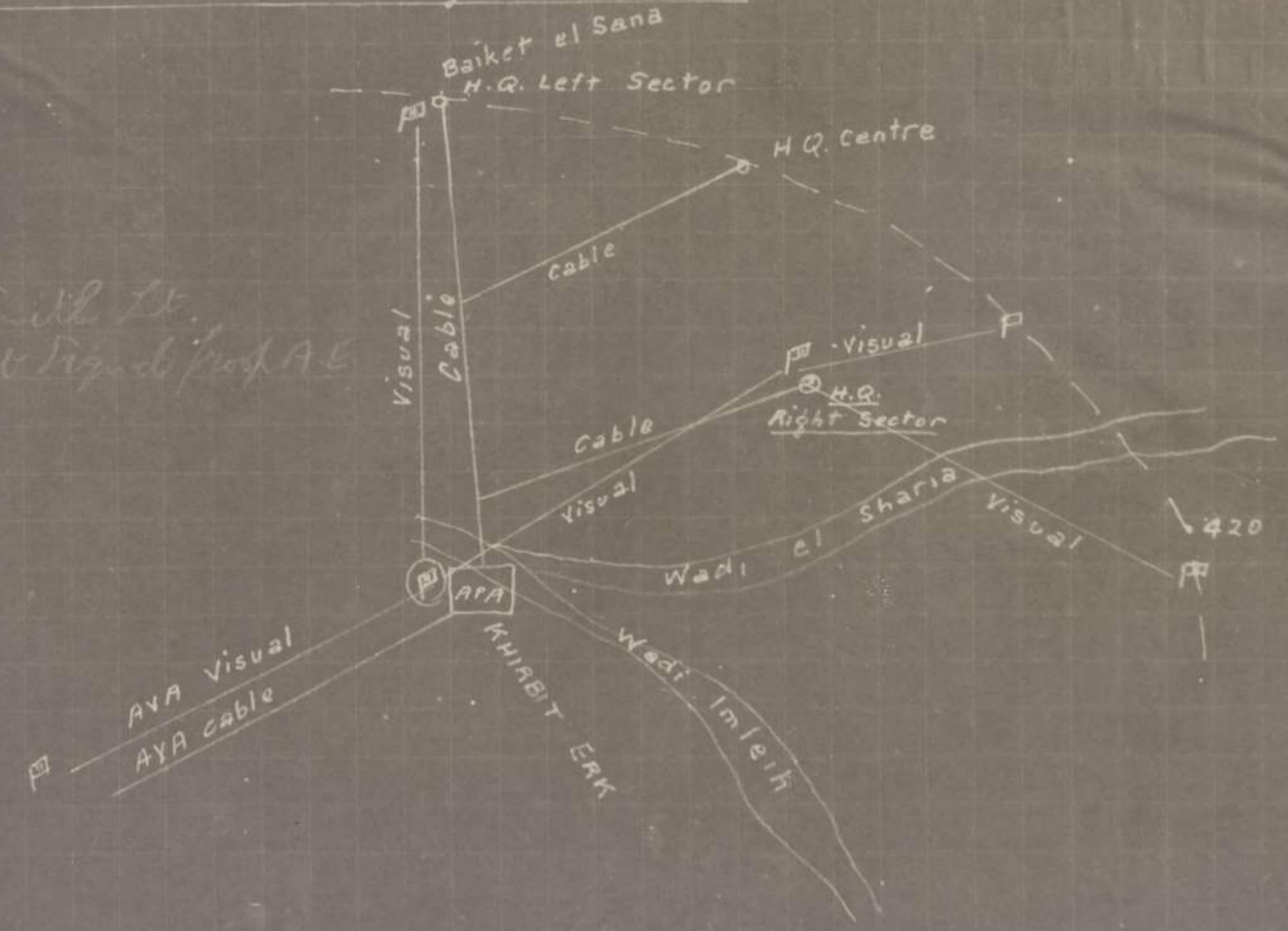
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Communications 19-4-17. during attack in GAZI

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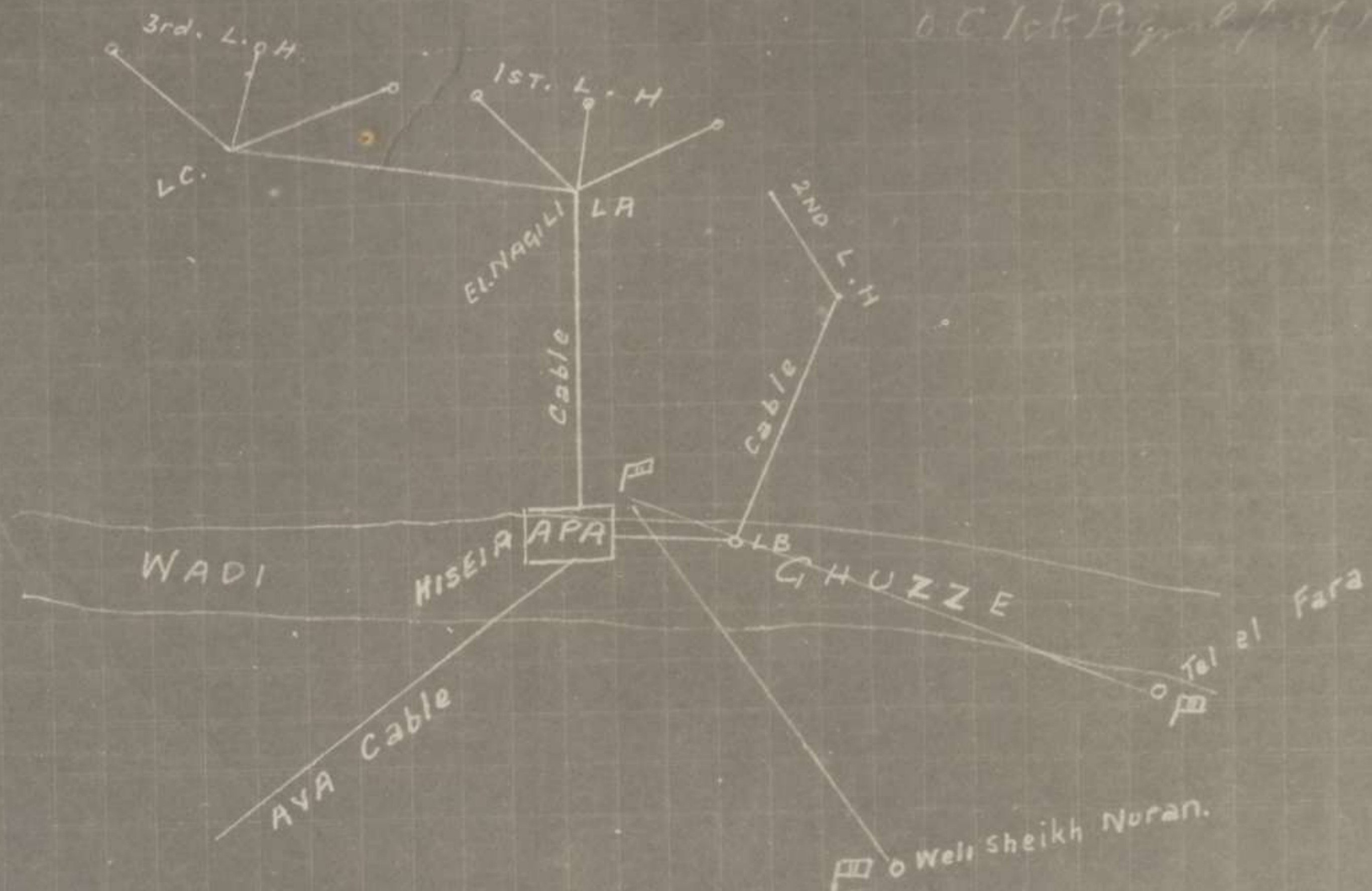
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Outposts lines night 20/21-4-17.

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O.C. 1st Coy. Buffs. 1st A.E.



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