

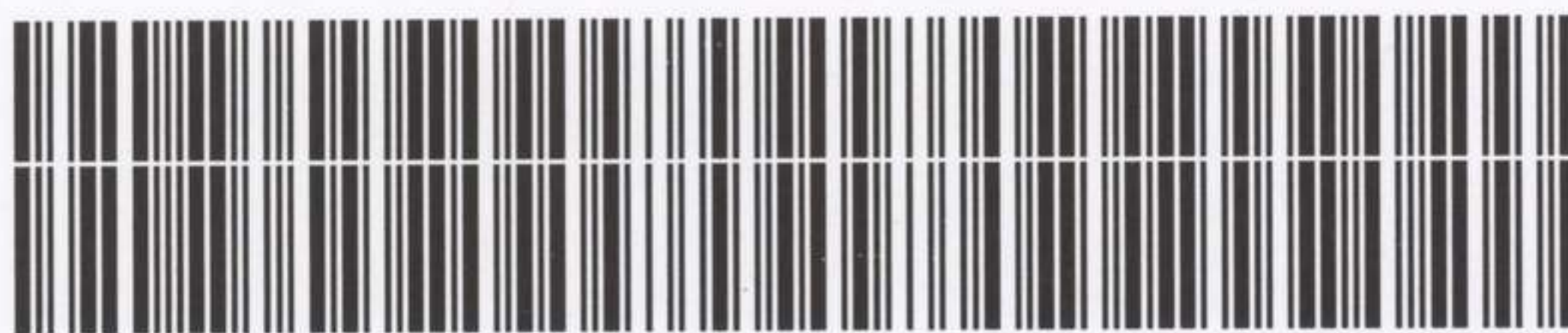
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Richon	1/3/18	-	Inspection by G.O.C. Amzac into Divn	R/S
	2/3/18	-	In camp Richon. No 10 Cpl Latham J and No 1042 Dvr Punin B evacuated to 1st L.H.F Ambce	R/S
	3/3/18	-	"	R/S
	4/3/18	-	No 2379 Dvr Short marched in from PS a 2 G. Sqdn	R/S
	5/3/18	1030	1st Sig Troop with 1st Lt Bde left Richon for Ramleh	R/S
		1330	Arrd Ramleh and bivouaced. Communication with Ramleh Signals and Units by DR.	R/S
Ramleh	6/3/18	0830	Sig Troop and 1st Lt Bde moved out to KH-EL-ENAB	R/S
		1430	Arrived KH-EL-ENAB. Communication to Units by DR.	R/S
KH-EL-ENAB	7/3/18	0830	Sig Troop and 1st Bde moved out to BEITUNIA. 1200 arrived BEITUNIA and bivouaced	R/S
			Communication to Units and 44th Division by DR	
Beitunia	8/3/18	1430	Sig Troop moved to Beitun. Brigade following at 1630. No 18329 Spr Morris evacuated to 1st L.H.F Ambce	R/S
		1630	Arrd Beitun. Communication to 53rd Divn by Phone. 1st Lt Regt moved out on flank of 159 Bde	
			Communication to 1st Regt through 53rd Divn and 159 Lt Bde. and to 3rd Lt Regt Direct	
Beitun	9/3/18	-	In Camp Beitun. Communication to Bde units by Phone established. W3 wireless section attached for duty	R/S
	10/3/18	-	"	R/S
	11/3/18	-	"	R/S
	12/3/18	-	"	R/S
	13/3/18	0930	1st Sig Troop with W3 wireless Section and 1st Bde less 1st Lt Regt. moved out to Bethlehem via Jerusalem	
		1530	Arrd Bethlehem and bivouaced. Telephone communication established to Bde units and to 20th Corps through Jerusalem exchange. Wireless to Amzac.	
Bethlehem	14/3/18	-	In Camp Bethlehem	R/S
	15/3/18	-	"	R/S
	16/3/18	-	"	R/S
	17/3/18	-	usual + DR to 1st Regt in reorganizing Bde	R/S
	18/3/18	-	In Camp.	R/S
	19/3/18	-	Cable laid to 1st Regt.	R/S

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Bethlehem	20/3/18	-	W3 wireless section marched out to rejoin 1st Sig Squadron 1900 1st Sig Troop with 1st SA Bde moved out of Camp.	R/S.
Talaat Es Dumm	21/3/18	0130 1000 1800	Bde bivouaced at TALAAT ES DUMM. DR communication with Bde units and Angal Divn W3 wireless rejoined from 1st Sig Sqdn Bde moved out from bivouac. Arrived in bivouac area NEBI. MUSA at 2045. Communication by wireless to Angal Divn and DR to Angal Divn and Bde units.	R/S.
Nebi Musa	22/3/18	-	In camp NEBI MUSA.	R/S.
Am Hajla	23/3/18	1030	Bde moved out from Nebi Musa: 1240 sent AIN-HAJLA. Communication to 2nd Regt at 127 T/A by visual at 1530 and at 1700 at 124 T.B.C. DR to other units of Bde and 60th Divn. Phone to Angal Divn. Wireless to 60th Divn	R/S.
127 O 21 B D	24/3/18	2100 0245	Bde moved out of bivouac and crossed River Jordan at MAKHADET. HAJLA. Bde bivouaced. Communication, wireless to 60th Divn visual to 3rd Regt on outpost line. DR to Bde units in bivouac	R/S.
127 O 21 B D	25/3/18	1500 0830	Cable lead to all units of Bde and to night outpost line - visual with 60th Divn 1st Sig Troop with B.H.Q. 2nd - 3rd Regts moved out of bivouac north along East bank of Jordan	R/S.
127 F 6 D	-	1100	B.H.Q. established. Two motor cyclists despatched with 3rd SA Regt up UMM. ES. SHERT - ES. SALT road wireless established with 60th Divn at Shumet Nimrin. Visual to 60th Divn through transmitting tower at 127 O 21 B D. Visual with 2nd Regt at 127 D 20 B. W3 wireless shelled by enemy were moved under cover	R/S.
127 F 6 D	-	1400	APA closed down	
127 O 21 B	-	1845	Office opened at bivouac area in touch with 60th Divn at Shumet Nimrin by wireless and visual and with 1st B at 127 F 6 D by visual. Motor cyclists with 3rd SA Regt abandoned machines at 127 D 15 B as track was impossible + one machine had fallen into a wadi	
127 O 21 B	26/3/18	0845	Office closed	
127 F 6 D	-	1030 1630	APA office opened. Communication with 1st SA Regt on outpost line covering ES. SALT Road and with 2nd SA Regt at 015 B by visual. with 60th Divn at Shumet Nimrin by wireless and visual and office closed	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
127021B	26/3/18	1800	APA office re-opened at bivouac area. Touch with 1st Lt Regt on outpost line at 127F6D by visual. with 60th Divn at SHUNET NIMRIN by wireless and visual	RFS
"	27/3/18		In camp. Visual to 2nd Regt on outpost at 127F6D and Phone to Units in camp	RFS
	28/3/18	1000	APA office closed	
127F6D		11:30	APA office opened. Communication cable and wireless to 60th Divn at SHUNET. NIMRIN Cable to 1st Regt in touch with enemy at UMM. ES. SHERT. 127F31D and with 2nd Regt at 127D20B. Visual to remaining units of Bde in bivouac area at 127021B. through Sig Troop sta there. Visual to Middlesex Battalion on west bank of ford at Umm Es. Sert	RFS
"	29/3/18	0400	Cable laid to 2/20th London Battalion attached to Bde and in support	RFS
		1800	2/20th Londons relieved by 1/4th Royal Welsh Fusiliers. Cable taken over by 4th R.W.F.	
"	31/3/18	0730	Line to R.W. Fusiliers extended 1 1/2 miles. No 1430 Sapper Stubbs T.G. evacuated to hospital.	RFS
"	3/3/18		In position and in touch with enemy.	RFS

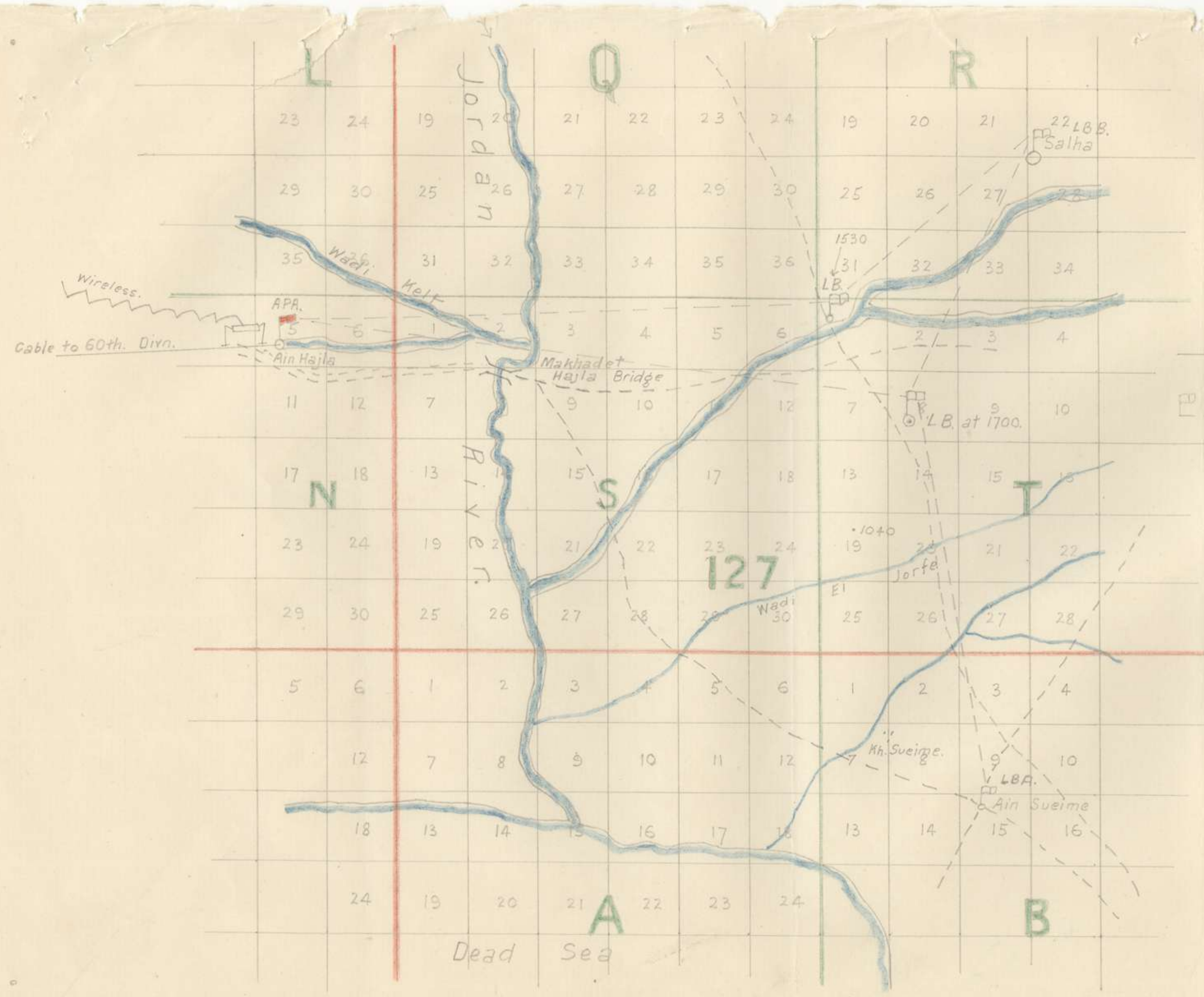
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Plan of communications
APA office 23-3-18
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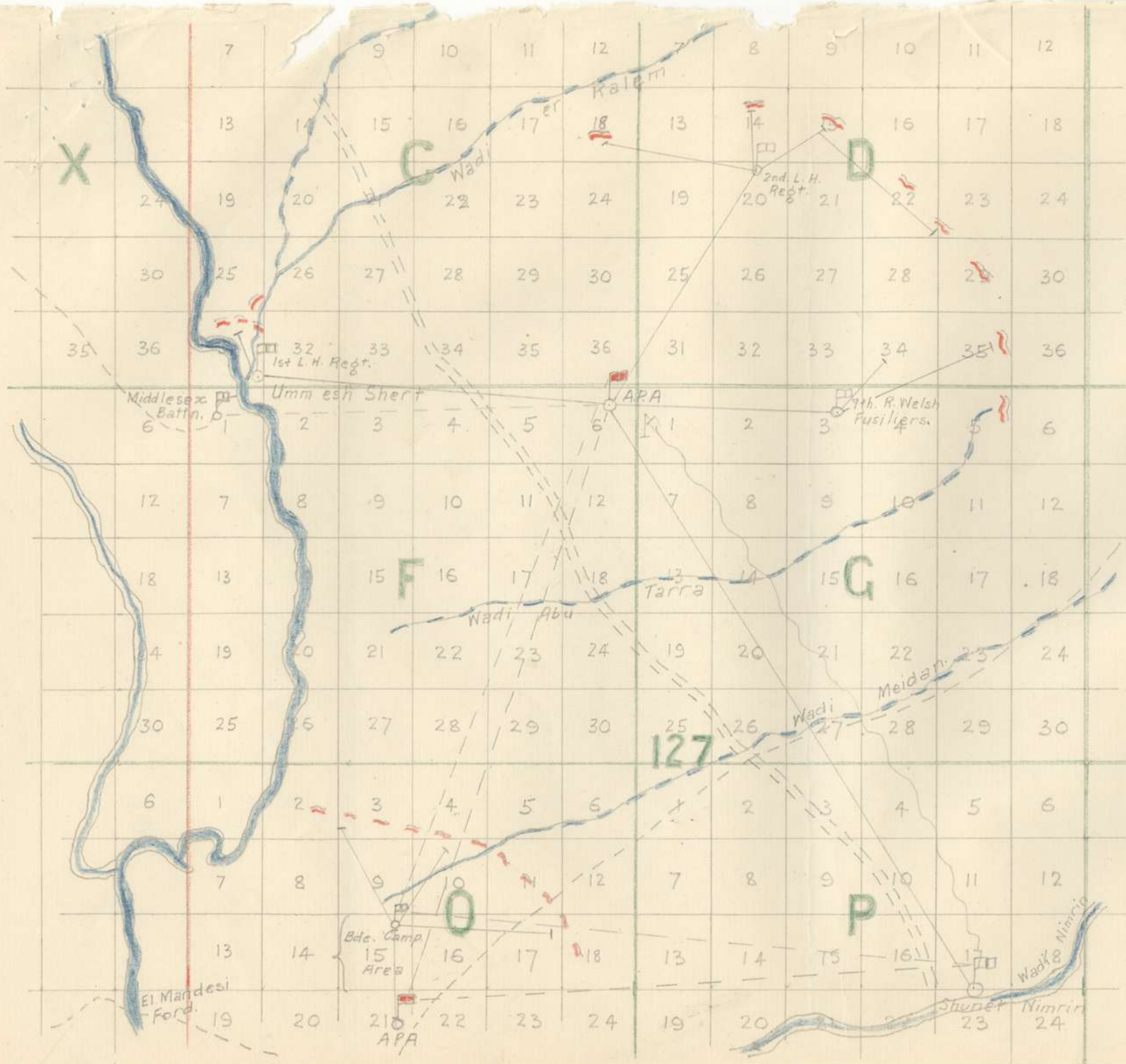
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Plan of communications from APA.
Office during period 24-3-18 to 2-4-18

Ref. Map:- Composite Map East of Jordan
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-  Wireless



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