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Sheet 1

WAR DIARY



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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Homs	1 st	0700	AVB Signal office established 2 miles north of HOMES. AVZ office closed at same hour	
		0800	Corps Signal Office established at HOMES, and cable communication established with AVB	
		0900	Cable laid to 3 rd LH Bde and communication established	
		0915	Cable laid to 4 th and 5 th LH Bdes and communication established	
		0915	A and G Branches connected by telephone.	
		1000	Squadron marched into bivouac site	
		1600	5 th LH Bde moved; cable extended to their new site.	
	2 nd		Yesterday's communications improved plus Divisional Receiving Station and Signal Squadron connected by telephone. Cables to 3 rd and 4 th Bdes closed.	
	3 rd		Yesterday's communications maintained plus Squadron routine.	
	4 th		Yesterday's communications maintained plus Squadron routine.	
	5 th	1200	3 rd , 4 th and 5 th LH Bdes connected through on Turkish route, and cables reeled in. Advanced Signal Office moved out at 1400.	
		1600	Divisional Receiving Station and Signal Sqdn cables reeled in.	
		1800	3 rd and 5 th Bdes connected through to Descorps on old Turkish route. Squadron moved out enroute to Tripoli, with HQ and 4 th LH Bde.	
		1800	AVB established to Corps on Turkish route (HOMS - TRIPOLI)	
		2330	Squadron marched in to Bivouac area at point 8 miles N of HOMS	
	6 th	0630	AVB closed and resumed march. Squadron moved out at same hour	
		0900	AVB established at point 1150 West of JISA ASWAD, on Turkish route to Corps. Cable laid to 4 th LH Bde bivouac area, and communication established 1430.	
		1500	Squadron marched in to bivouac area. Wireless erected and in touch with all Stations.	

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ref map TRIPOLI 1/250000	7 th	0600	AVB office closed and resumed march. Squadron moved out with HQ and 4 th LH Bde.	
		0950	AVB office established at JISR AKAA on Turkish route to corps.	
		1430	Squadron marched in to bivouac area at JISR AKAA.	
		1430	Cable laid to 4 th LH Bde. Wireless established communication communication with 3 rd and 5 th LH Bdes through Desert Intd Corps.	
		1438	3 rd LH Bde tied in on Turkish route HOMS-TRIPOLI and communications established, Bde at point 1150 West of JISR ASWAD.	
ZGARTA	8 th	0700	AVB closed and resumed march. Advance party of Squadron marched out.	
		0800	Squadron marched out of bivouac area.	
		1400	AVB established at ZGARTA, communications as follows:- pair of cables laid to HOMS-TRIPOLI establishing with Desert Corps and TRIPOLI (TPI) Signal office. Cable laid to 4 th LH Bde. "H" and "G" branches, Divisional Train Field Squadron and Signal Squadron connected by telephone. 21 st Corps Cavalry and 3 rd LH Bde tied in to HOMS-TRIPOLI Turkish route.	
		1500	Squadron marched in to bivouac area at ZGARTA. Wireless erected and in communication with 3 rd and 5 th LH Bdes, Desert Corps and Damascus.	
ZGARTA	9 th		Auxiliary supplies and bases dump connected by telephone to Tripoli. ADMS connected by telephone. 19 th RMA Bde connected by telephone.	
		1200	3 rd LH Bde marched in to bivouac area ZGARTA and cable communication established.	
ZGARTA	10 th		Yesterdays communications improved plus Squadron routine.	
	11 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine and improvement of existing cables.	
	12 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
ZGARTA	13 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron route. Cable pair, bivouac train, 19 th RHA Bde cable lines erected on poles for half mile from camp.	
TRIPOLI	14 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine. Pair of cables made airline to Tripoli. 3 rd LHA Bde line poles.	
	15 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine. Cable to 4 th LHA Bde poles.	
	16 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine.	
	17 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine.	
	18 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine.	
	19 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine. Squadron camp moved short distance on to a better camp site.	
	20 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine. 4 th LHA Bde moved to new camp site cable laid communication re-established.	
	21 st		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine. Old 4 th LHA Bde cable reeled in.	
	22 nd		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Ref map. TRIPOLI	23 rd		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine	Diagrams attached
1/250 000	24 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine. 5 th LNBde marched out from HOMIS enroute to BAALBEK.	
ZGARTH	25 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine.	
	26 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine	
	27 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine. 5 th LNBde established communications with Descops. from Baalbek. Secut Corps Rest Camp connected by telephone.	
	28 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine. 450 I. connected by telephone.	
	29 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine.	
	30 th		Yesterdays communications maintained plus Squadron routine.	

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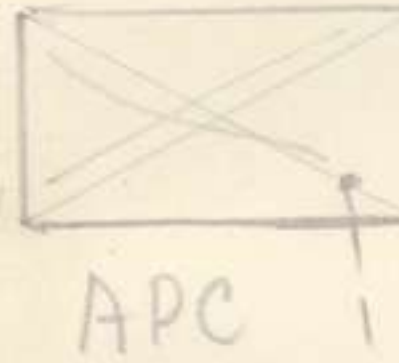
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Sig Sqdn.

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COMMUNICATIONS.

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1st to 1200 on 5th Nov (inclusive).

W. J. Gannon Major
Cmde Signals
Ausdiv.



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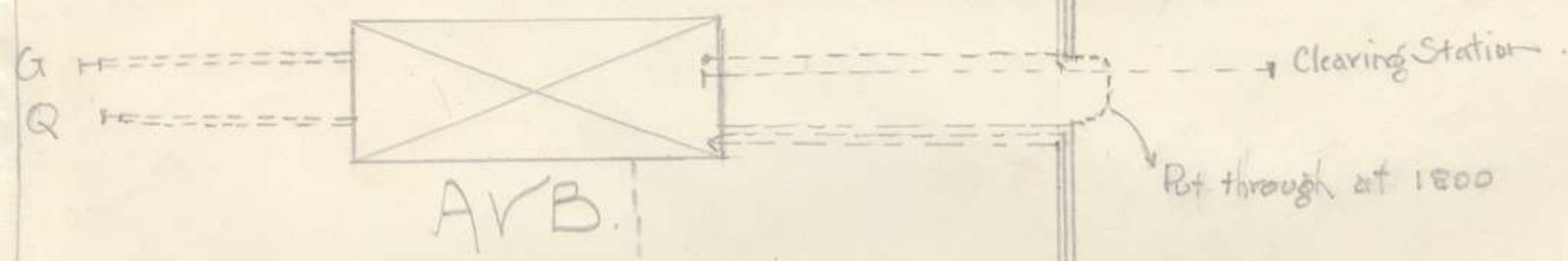
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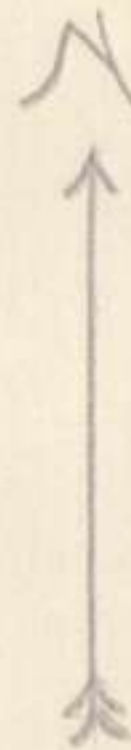
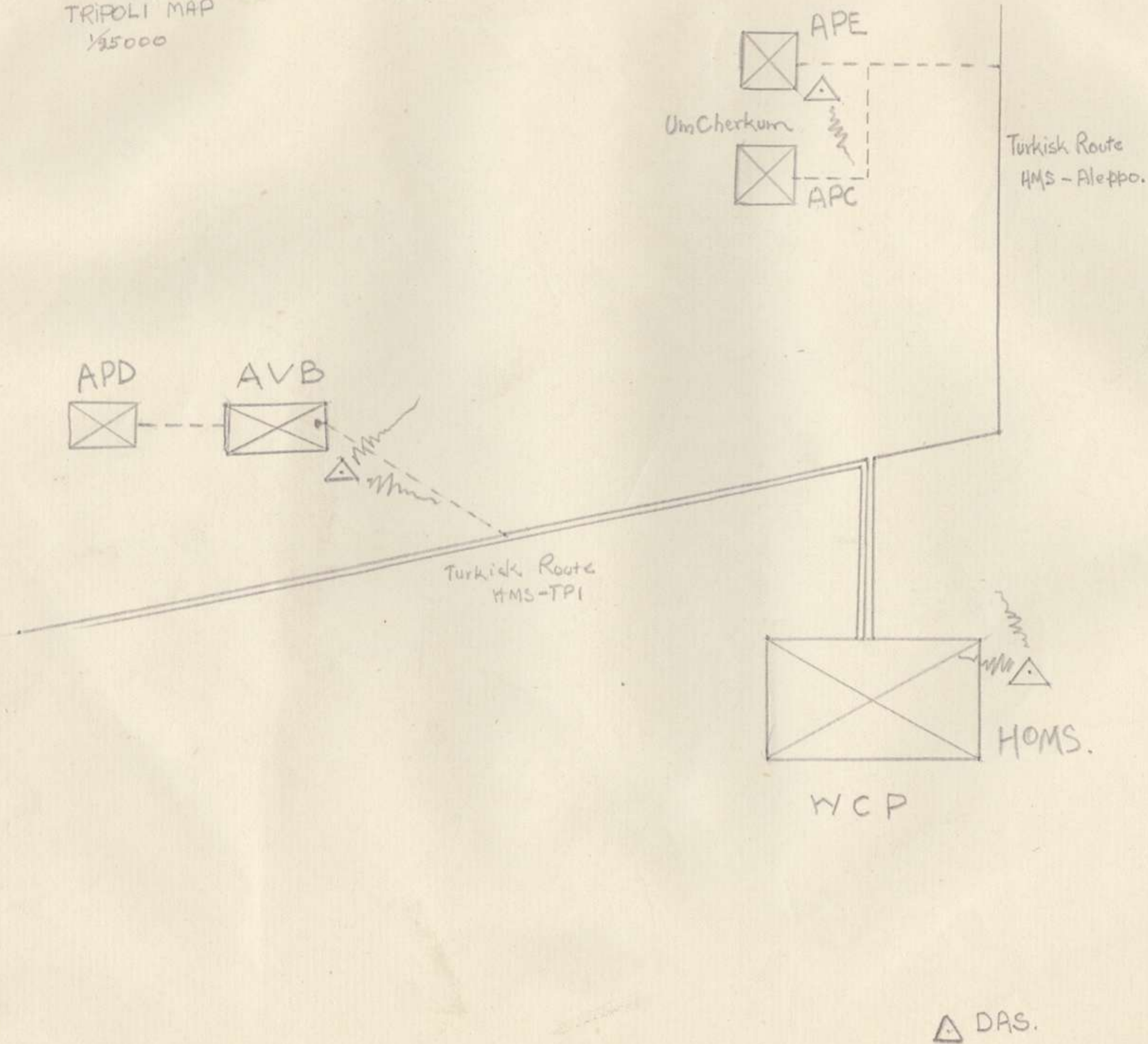
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COMMUNICATIONS
5th Nov '18.
1200 to 1800.

AVB & APD closed
at 1800 minutes to TPI

Major
cmds Signals
Ausdir

TRIPOLI MAP
1/25000



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Communications
1800 5th to
0600 of 6.11.18

AVB, APC & APD closed at
0600 & resumed march.

J. J. J. Major
Cmdg.
Signals Ausdiv.

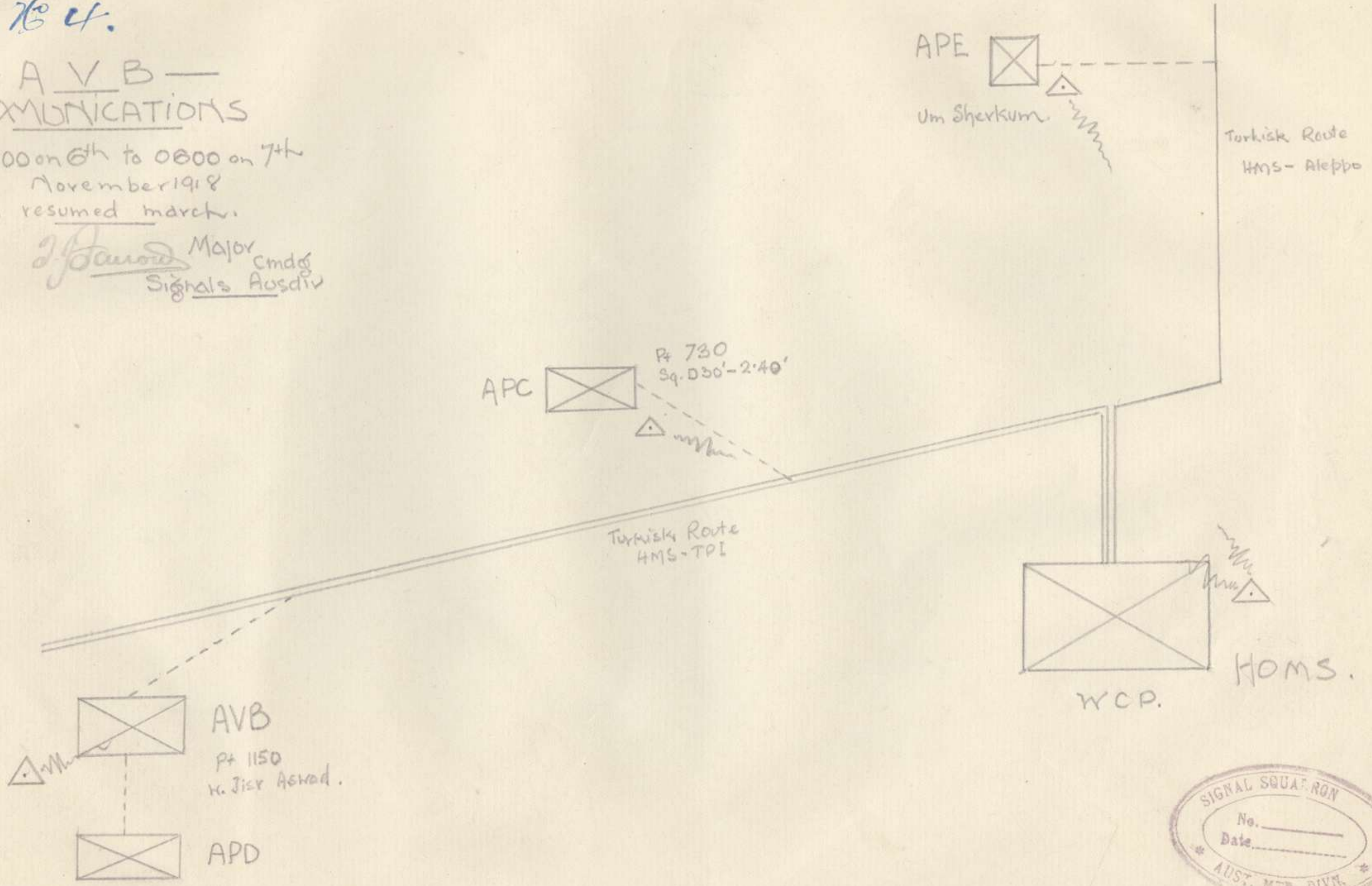
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0900 on 6th to 0800 on 7th
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and resumed march.

J. Harold Major cmdg
Signals Ausdiv



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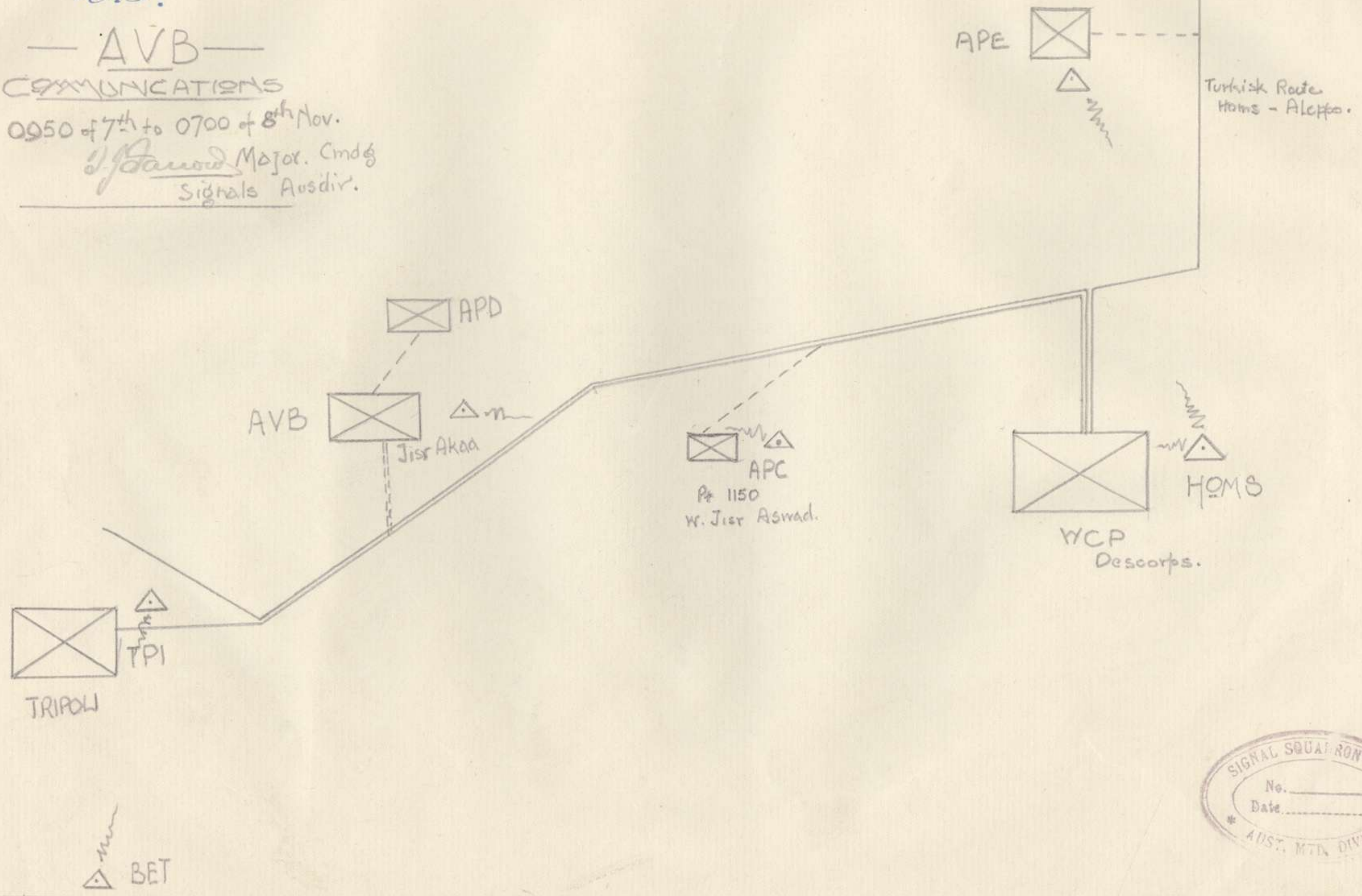
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0950 of 7th to 0700 of 8th Nov.

J. Parrott Major. Cmdg
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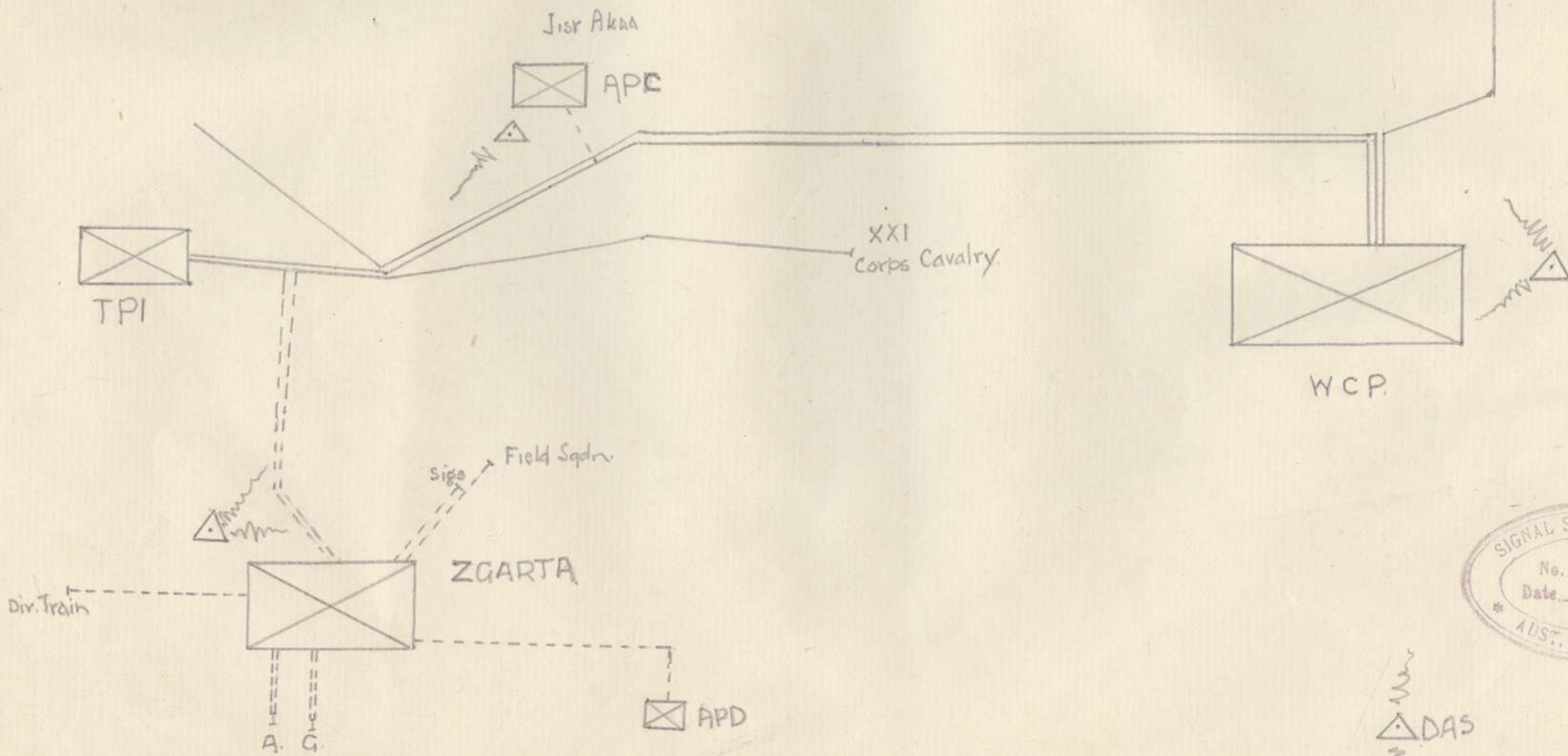
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1400 8th November '18

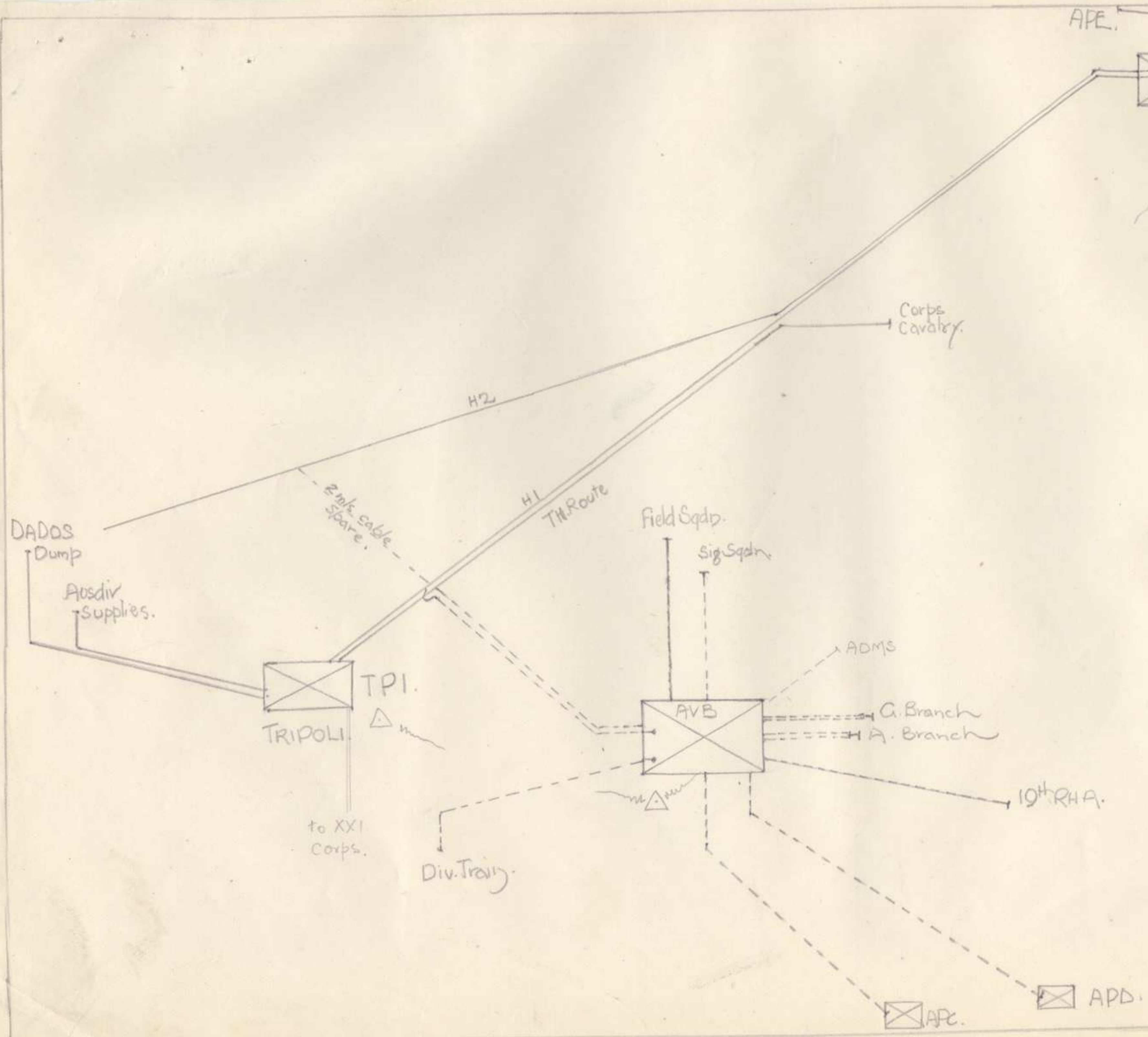
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SIGNAL SQUADRON
 No. _____
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J. J. ... Major
 Commanding
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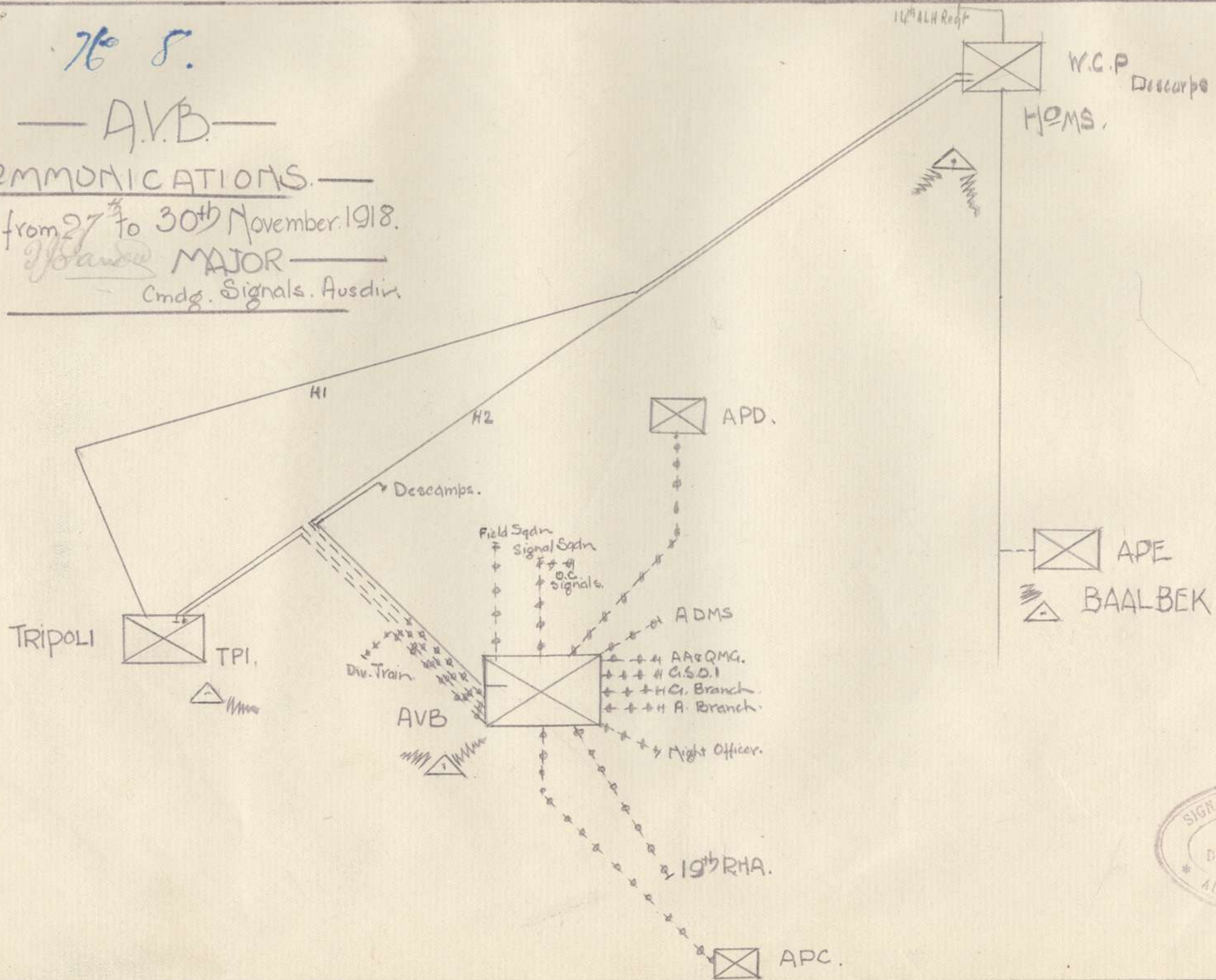
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from 27th to 30th November 1918.

W. H. MAJOR
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Cmdg. Signals. Ausdiv.



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