

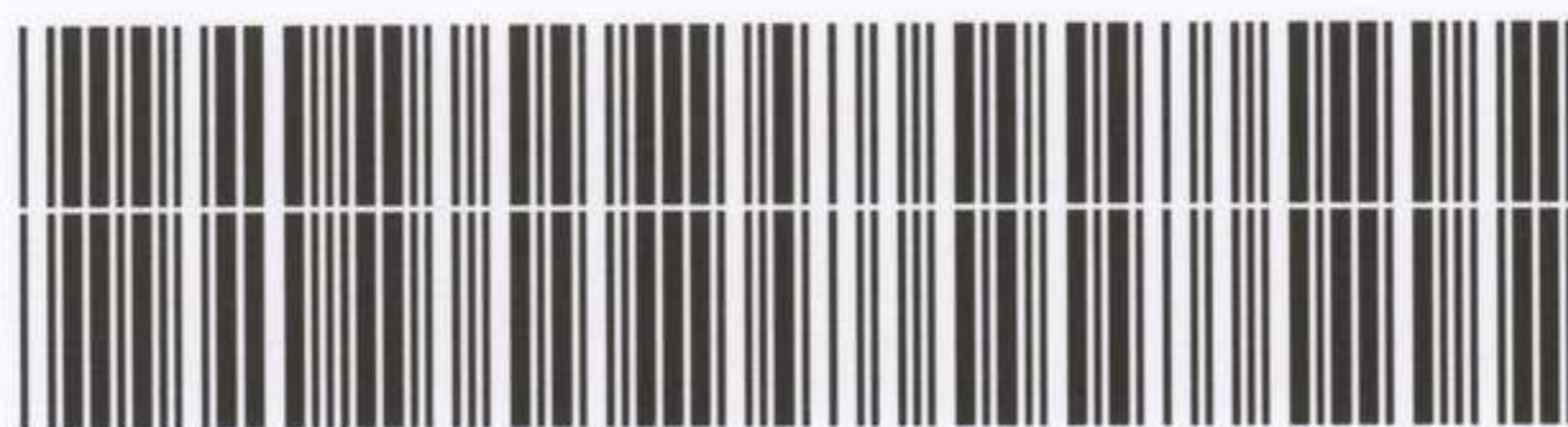
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OF

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Place	Date	Hour	Ref. Map NAMUR <sup>1</sup> <u>100,000</u>	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
MARCINELLE (CHARLEROI)	1st			G.O.C. visited 2nd Australian Divisional Infantry Group Headquarters at MARCINELLE during the morning.	
	2nd			Move of Units of 5th Australian Division to "B" Australian Divisional Group area commenced (vide "B" Aust. Div. Amalgamation Instructions No. 1)	App. 1
				G.O.C. visited 14th Aust. Inf. Brigade at RANCE, inspected Brigade and presented several foreign decorations.	
				"B" Aust. Div. Amalgamation Instructions No. 2 issued reference disposal of Headquarters 5th Aust. Div. Engineers.	App. 2
				"B" Aust. Div. Amalgamation Instructions No. 3 issued reference move of Units of 5th Aust. Division to "B" Aust. Div. Area.	App. 3
	3rd			Move of 5th Aust. Division Units to "B" Aust. Div. Area continued.	
			"B" Aust. Div. Amalgamation Instructions No. 4 issued reference move of 5th Australian Divisional Artillery to 2nd Australian Divisional Artillery Area at THUIN.	App. 4	
4th			5th Australian Div. Education School moved from SOLRE-LE-CHATEAU to the Universite de TRAVAIL (under 2nd Aust. Div. E. O.)		
			Amalgamations of Units and changes in organisation which took place during the week and changes contemplated for coming week are given in Appendix 9.	App. 9	
5th			Move of 5th Aust. Div. Education School completed.		
6th			N I L		



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MARCIN-ELLE	7th		<p>A conference was held at Australian Corps Headquarters to discuss</p> <p>(a) War memorials (b) Further reorganisation of the Corps rendered necessary by demobilisation.</p> <p>Following Officers attended - G.Os.C. Divisions, G.S.Os. 1, A.A. &amp; Q.M.Gs. and the A.E. Officers who are to supervise the work of erecting the memorials. In addition Brig-General E. Martin, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., Commanding 2nd Australian Divisional Infantry Group attended, representing the 2nd Australian Division.</p> <p>Each Australian Division is to erect one memorial at selected places and in addition a national memorial is to be erected near VILLERS-BRETONNEUX.</p> <p>Location list of Units of "B" Australian Division issued.</p>	App. 8
	8th		<p>8/14/15th Aus. Field Ambulances moved to MONT-SUR-MARCHIENNE and on arrival there amalgamated with 5/6/7th Aust. Field Ambulances. The combined unit is known as "B" Australian Divisional Field Ambulance.</p>	
	9th		<p>Agents General from N.S.W. and W.A. visited the Division and the latter addressed troops from W. A.</p>	
	10th		N I L.	
	11th		<p>"B" Aust. Div. Amalgamation Instructions No. 5 issued concerning</p> <p>(1) Amalgamation of 5th Aust. Div. Artillery Units (2) The disposal of Australian Corps Schools at BARBENCON, RUE, and JEUMONT and the Divisional Educational Technical Classes.</p>	App. 5
	12th		<p>Report on amalgamation of Units and changes in organisation during past week and contemplated changes in organisation for coming week sent to Australian Corps.</p>	App. 9
	13th		N I L.	

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MARCIN-ELLE	April 14th		N I L.	
	15th		"B" Aust. Div. Amalgamation Instructions No. 6 issued re amalgamation of 1st Aust. Vet. Evac. Station with 2/5th Aust. Mobile Vet. Section and move of former to MARCHIENNE-AU-PONT	App. 6
	16th		N I L.	
	17th		N I L.	
	18th		N I L.	
	19th		"A" Aust. Div. Group H.Q. (1st and 4th Aust. Divs.) ceased to function to-day and each of the 1st and 4th Aust. Divisions are administered as a Brigade Group direct from Australian Corps Headquarters.  Report on weekly changes in organisation sent to Australian Corps	App. 9
	20th		"B" Aust. Div. Education Schools closed. Instructors and students returned to their Units. <del>Report attached.</del>	App 11
	21st		Divisional Technical Classes at the Universite de Travail wound up	
	22nd		"B" Aust. Div. Amalgamation Instructions No. 7 issued dealing with the closing of Divisional Headquarters on 28th instant and the formation of the remaining A.I.F. Units in Australian Corps Area, into one Brigade Group, under the command of Brig-General E.F. Martin, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., (2nd Australian Division)	App 7

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
MARCIN-ELLE	April 23rd		<p>On 1st May, labor demonstrations are to be held by the civilian population of CHARLEROI. The town has in consequence been placed out of bounds to all Australian troops.</p> <p>A conference has been called for the 25th instant at D.H.Q. to be attended by all Group Commanders to arrange amusements etc. for the troops on that day, also to discuss the final Corps Ceremonial Parade Vide Appendix 12. 10</p>	<p>App 10</p>
	24th		<p>N I L.</p>	
	25th		<p>A conference was held at D.H.Q. vide Appendix 12. 10 The decisions reached will be carried into effect under instructions from Brig-General MARTIN who has a copy of all orders and instructions issued.</p>	
	26th		<p>In accordance with "B" Aust. Div. Amalgamation Instructions No. 7, Headquarters 2nd Australian Divisional Artillery Group ceased to function as such.</p>	
	27th		<p>In accordance with Australian Corps letter 5/1033 of 20th instant, Headquarters, Australian Corps closed at 1200 hours to-day and the command of all A.I.F. Units in Area 4 was assumed by the G.O.C., "B" Australian Div. Group.</p> <p>The A.Q.M.G. and D.A.A.G., Australian Corps, are to remain in the Area in addition to the officers mentioned in "B" Aust. Div. Amalgamation Instructions No. 7 (Appendix 7)</p>	
	28th	0900 hours	<p>Major General E. TIVEY, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., handed over the command of all A.I.F. units in No. 4 Area to Brig-General E.F. MARTIN, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D.</p> <p>Major General Tivey will remain in the Area representing the G.O.C., A.I.F., until a date subsequent to May 1st.</p> <p>All files dealing with current subjects have been handed over to the G.O.C., Australian Brigade Group.</p> <p>A letter which was received from the G.O.C., A.I.F. Depots in U.K., dealing with the work of the 2nd Aus. Division is attached hereto as an appendix.</p>	



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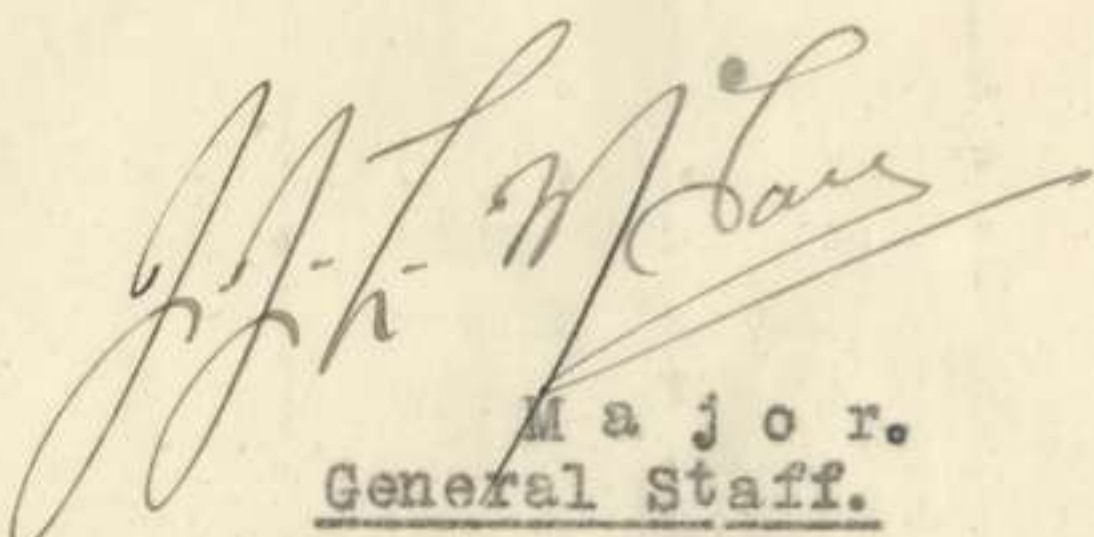
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MARCIN-ELLE	April 28th (Contd)		<p>General Staff Branch "B" Aus. Div. Group ceased to function at 0900 hours to-day. The office finally closed.</p> <p>The War Diary of the 2nd Aust. Div. General Staff therefore closed to-day. The subject matter in this months Diary does not deal entirely with matters concerning only Units of the 2nd Australian Division. Properly speaking the Diary of the Division ceased on the 29th March when the 2nd and 5th Australian Divisions were amalgamated. This months diary has only been written with the object of making the Divisional Records as complete as possible.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">                       Major.  <u>General Staff.</u> </p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><i>JW</i></p>



**WAR DIARY**

OF

General Staff, 2nd AUST. DIVISION.

FOR

April 1919. **191****LIST OF APPENDICES.**

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10	Re Corps Final Ceremonial Parade and placing of CHARLEROI out of bounds from 1800 30/4/19 to 0900 2/5/19.
11.	Re tours to DINANT.
12.	Farewell message from G.O.C. 2nd Aust. Division.



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'B' DIVISIONAL GROUP.

AMALGAMATION INSTRUCTIONS No. 1.

1. The 8/15th A.I. Brigade Group consisting of:  
8th/15th Brigade Headquarters  
8th Brigade Battalion  
15th Brigade Battalion  
will move to the 2nd Aust. Divisional area in accordance with the following March Table:

Serial No.	Date	Unit	From	To	
1	Apr. 2nd	8/15 A.I. Bde. H.Q. 8 Bde. Bn.	YVES-GOMEZEE	THY-le-CHATEAU	T-le-C. accommodates 25 Offr. 500 G.R.
2	Apr. 3rd	do	THY-le-CHATEAU	MARCINELLE	
3	Apr. 3rd	15th Bde. Bn.	BOUSSU-lez-WALCOURT	THY-le-CHATEAU	
4	Apr. 4th	do	THY-le-CHATEAU	MARCINELLE	

2. A sketch showing the area in MARCINELLE allotted to the Brigade Group will be forwarded to the 8/15th A.I. Brigade Headquarters on receipt from G.O.C. 2nd Aust. Div. Infantry Group.

3. (a) Billetting parties will be sent to report to Headquarters 2nd Aust. Div. Infantry Brigade Group MARCINELLE not later than April 1st to take over the accommodation as it is vacated by the 2nd Division troops.  
(b) Billetting parties will also be sent to the staging area.

4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Lieut-Colonel,  
General Staff, 'B' Divisional Group.

30th Mch. 1919.

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 5th Divisional Engineers  
 5th Machine Gun Bn.  
 5th Pioneer Battalion  
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 Town Major MARCINELLE



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'B' DIVISIONAL GROUP.

AMALGAMATION INSTRUCTIONS No. 2.

Headquarters,  
April 2nd 1919.

1. Headquarters 5th Aust. Divisional Engineers will cease to operate from April 3rd. The C.R.E. will arrange by that date that:
  - (a) All office records are completed and handed to Cadre 'E' for delivery to Records Section, A.I.F. Headquarters ('E' Cadre will be attached to 5th Aust. Div. Field Company A.E.).
  - (b) Mobilisation stores on charge to 5th Divisional Engineers Headquarters are returned to Ordnance.
  - (c) Animals are disposed of under instructions to be issued by 'Q' Branch.
2. The Engineer units of the Division namely:
  - 8th Field Company A.E.
  - 14th Field Company A.E.
  - 15th Field Company A.E.
  - 1st Army Troops Company A.E.
 have been amalgamated into one composite company which is known as the 5th Divisional Field Company A.E. under the command of Lieut. J.D. CRAWFORD.
3. For the future all correspondence etc., for the Engineers of the Division will be addressed to O.C. 5th Div. Field Company A.E.
4. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*W. H. Gilligan*

Lieut-Colonel,  
General Staff.  
'B' DIVISIONAL GROUP.

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 Sports Officer 'B' Divl. Group  
 " " " "  
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'B' DIVISIONAL GROUP.

AMALGAMATION INSTRUCTIONS No. 3.

Headquarters,  
2nd April 1919.

1. The move of the troops of the 5th Australian Division to the 'B' Divisional area will be continued as under:

Serial No.	Date	Unit	From	To	
1	Apr.5	5th A.M.G. Bn.	SOLRE-St-GERY	SILENRIEUX	
2	Apr.6	do	SILENRIEUX	NALINNES	
3	Apr.6	5th Pioneer Bn.	RENLES	SILENRIEUX	
4	Apr.7	do	SILENRIEUX	NALINNES	
5	Apr.8	8/14/15th Field Amb.	WALCOURT	MONT-sur-MARCHIENNE	Under instructions to be issued by the A.D.M.S.

2. On arrival in NALINNES the 5th Aust. Machine Gun Battalion and the 5th Aust. Pioneer Battalion will be grouped under the command of the C.O. 5th Aust. Machine Gun Battalion. Headquarters 5th Pioneer Battalion will thereupon cease to operate and will be reduced to 'E' Cadre strength. The 'E' Cadre together with such personnel as may be required will be attached to Headquarters 5th Aust. Machine Gun Battalion.

3. NALINNES is to be vacated by the 'A' Divisional Group on the 4th instant. C.O. 5th Aust. Machine Gun Battalion will allot the accommodation available between the units marching in.

4. Administrative Instructions for the move will be issued by 'B' Division 'Q'.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*Thurman*

Lieut-Colonel,  
General Staff.  
'B' DIVISIONAL GROUP.



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'B' DIVISIONAL GROUP.

AMALGAMATION INSTRUCTIONS No. 4.

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Headquarters,  
April 3rd 1919.

1. Under orders to be issued by the C.O. 13th A.F.A. Brigade the 5th Aust. Divisional Artillery units will move by lorry to THUIN as follows

Serial No.	Date	Unit	From	To
1	Apr. 7th	13th AFA Bde.	CERI OMTAINE	THUIN
2	Apr. 8th	14th AFA Bde.	FROIDCHANELLE	THUIN
3	Apr. 9th	5th D.A.C.	SENZEILLE	THUIN

2. Five lorries will report as follows:  
0900 on 7th at H.Q. 13th A.F.A. Brigade  
0900 on 8th at H.Q. 14th A.F.A. Brigade  
0900 on 9th at H.Q. 5th D.A.C.  
These lorries can do two trips daily if necessary.
3. On arrival in THUIN the 5th Divisional Artillery units will come under the administration of the G.O.C. 2nd Aust. Div. Artillery Group, who will allot the accommodation to be occupied; but will remain in B.5 (Z) Group for demobilisation purposes.
4. A Billetting party consisting of not more than 3 officers and 6 other ranks will report at H.Q. 2nd Aust. Div. Artillery Group THUIN on the 4th instant.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*W. H. H. H.*

Lieut-Colonel,  
General Staff.  
'B' DIVISIONAL GROUP.



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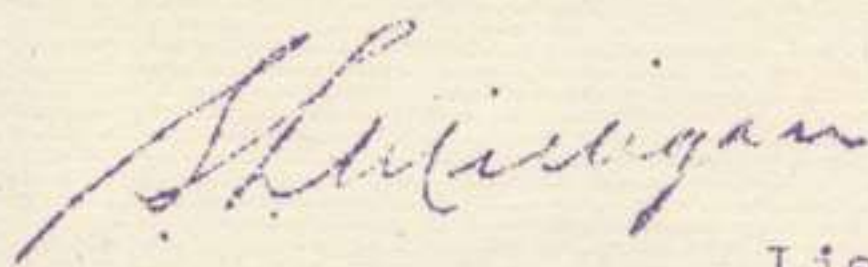
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AMALGAMATION INSTRUCTIONS No. 5.

Headquarters,  
11th April 1919.

1. (a) Under orders to be issued by the C.O. 13th A.F.A. Brigade the 14th A.F.A. Brigade and the 5th Aust. Div. Ammunition Column will be reduced to Cadre 'B' strength as from the 13th instant.  
(b) The remaining personnel of the 14th A.F.A. Brigade and the 5th Div. Ammunition Column will be shewn as attached to the 13th A.F.A. Brigade from the same date and these attachments will be shewn in the A.F.B.213 of the units concerned.  
(c) Cadre 'B' of the 14th A.F.A. Brigade and 5th Div. Ammunition Column will be included in Embarkation Quota No. 41
  2. (a) The Corps P. & R.T. School at BARBENCON will close on the 19th instant when the present course will terminate and all students will rejoin their units.  
(b) The personnel of the Corps R.E. Workshops, JEUMONT, both instructional and educational personnel and students, will be demobilised as a unit. Nominal rolls will be forwarded direct from the School to units so that the personnel may be struck off their respective unit strengths.  
(c) The Australian Corps Central School, RUE is also to be demobilised as a unit on or about April 30th. Personnel attending will be struck off the strength of their respective units.
  3. (a) The 'B' Divisional Technical classes at the Universite de Travail, CHARLEROI will terminate on the 21st instant when the administrative and instructional personnel and students will return to their units.  
(b) Lieut. COSTAIN, officer in charge Technical Training, will
    - (i) Return Ordnance Stores to D.A.D.O.S. 2nd Aust. Division.
    - (ii) Return educational stores to 'B' Div. Education Officer.
    - (iii) Return other stores to 'B' Div. Salvage Company.
    - (iv) Obtain a clearance from the Director of the Universite de Travail for all material on charge.
  4. (a) 'B' Div. Educational School will close on the 20th instant when all instructional personnel and students will return to their units.  
(b) Capt. KERR, Administrative Commandant of the School will wind up all outstanding matters by the 22nd instant and return all equipment and furniture to 'B' Div. Salvage Company, under arrangements to be made by O.C. Salvage Company.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.



Lieut-Colonel,  
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- Capt. KERR
- Lieut. COSTAIN.

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'E' AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL GROUP.

AMALGAMATION INSTRUCTIONS No. 6.

Headquarters,  
15th April 1919.

Ref: NAMUR 1:100,000.

1. (a) The 1st Aust. Veterinary Evacuating Station will move from RAGNIES to MARCHIENNE-au-PONT on the 18th instant, and will be accommodated in the buildings allotted to the 2nd/5th Aust. Mobile Veterinary Section.
  - (b) Personnel, transport and stores of the 14th A.I. Brigade now in these buildings will be moved elsewhere by the 17th instant under instructions to be issued by the 14th A.I. Brigade.
  - (c) Two motor lorries will report to the 1st Aust. Vet. Evac. Station at 1000 on 18th instant to convey stores and personnel to MARCHIENNE-au-PONT.
2. (a) On arrival at MARCHIENNE-au-PONT the 1st Aust. Vet. Evac. Station will come under the command of Major S.J. GILBERT A.A.V.C. and will amalgamate with the 2nd/5th Aust. Mobile Veterinary Section.
  - (b) All stores and equipment on charge to the 2nd/5th Aust. Mobile Veterinary Section will be returned to ORDNANCE.
  - (c) 2nd and 5th Aust. Mob. Veterinary Sections will be reduced to Cadre 'B' strength forthwith and the remaining personnel will be attached to the 1st Aust. Vet. Evac. Station. The Cadres 'B' will proceed to England under instructions to be issued later.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*H. Higgins*  
Lieut-Colonel,  
General Staff.  
'B' AUST. DIVISIONAL GROUP.

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  - 2nd Aust. Div. Art. Group
  - 8/15th A.I. Brigade
  - 14th A.I. Brigade
  - 13th A.I.A. Brigade
  - 5th Machine Gun Battalion
  - 'E' Div. Train
  - A.D.M.S. 'E' Div. Group.
  - D.A.D.V.S. 'E' Div. Group
  - D.A.D.O.S. 2nd Aust. Div.
  - D.A.D.O.S. 5th Aust. Divn.
  - Aust. Corps

- 'A' Divl. Group
- 3rd Aust. Divn.
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AMALGAMATION INSTRUCTIONS No. 7.

Headquarters,  
22nd April 1919.

- 1. (a) Headquarters Australian Corps is to close at noon on 27th instant. At that hour Command of all A.I.F. Units in No. 4 Area will pass to G.O.C., "B" Divisional Group.
- (b) Headquarters "B" Divisional Group will close at 0900 on 28th instant when the command of all A.I.F. Units in No. 4 Area will pass to Brig-General E.F. MARTIN, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D.

- 2. (a) The following A.I.F. Detachment Offices are to be established in MARCINELLE by noon on 27th instant:-

A.A.G., A.I.F.  
 A.D.O.S., DEMOB., A.I.F., FRANCE.  
 A.P.M., A.I.F., FRANCE.  
 D.A.P. Posts A.I.F.

- (b) The following Officers from "B" Divisional Group with the necessary clerical staff will be attached to Brig-General MARTIN'S Staff.

Major	J. BILTON	D.A.Q.M.G.
Major	R. DIMOND	
Capt.	R.H. ROBINSON	D.A.A.G.
Capt.	A.M. COHEN	
Lieut.	W.H. ROBERTS	
Lieut.	EXLES	

In addition the following Officers are to be attached:-

Colonel	A.E. SHEPHERD	D.S.O.	S.M.O.
Lt/Col.	M. HENRY	D.S.O.	S.V.O.
Major	R. KERR	D.S.O.	D.A.Q.M.G., "A" Divl. Group
Capt.	MURRAY		Demob. Aust. Corps

- (c) D.A.D.O.S., 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th Australian Divisions and Corps Troops will continue to carry on the Ordnance services of their respective Groups.

- 3. (a) Headquarters 2nd Australian Divisional Artillery Group will cease to operate at noon on 28th instant.
  - (i) After that hour the 2nd and 3rd Divisional Artilleries will be administered as one Brigade under the command of Lieut.-Colonel C. A. GALLAGHAN, D.S.O.
  - (ii) 5th Aust. Divisional Artillery, now organised as one Brigade, will be administered under Lieut.-Colonel H.O. GADDY, C.M.G., D.S.O. direct from Divisional Group Headquarters.

- 4. (a) 8/15th and 14th Brigade Headquarters will cease to operate at noon on 28th instant.
- (b) Units now comprising "X" and "Y" Demobilisation Groups (vide 5th Aust. Div. Amalgamation Instruction No. 3 para 5) will be formed into one group for Demobilisation purposes under the command of Lieut.-Colonel J.A. DEMEHY, D.S.O. The group so formed will be known as "B" 5 Group.
- (c) Lieut.-Colonel DEMEHY D.S.O., will retain such of the staff of 8/15th and 14th Brigade Headquarters as he requires.

- 5. (a) On "B" Div. Headquarters closing on 28th instant, the Camp Commandant will:-
  - (i) Return all attached personnel to their respective Units.
  - (ii) Arrange for the inclusion, in Quota No. 47 of the remaining other Ranks of D.H.Q. less those detailed in para 2 (b)
  - (iii) Return all stores to D.A.D.O.S.

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5. (b) The Senior Officer of each branch of the Staff and Adm. Department and Service will arrange for the disposal and custody of the records of his Branch.
6. Acknowledge.

*Sherrington*

Lieut.-Colonel.  
General Staff.

"B" Australian Division.

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 5th Machine Gun Battalion  
 "B" Div. Train  
 S.S.O. "B" Div. Group  
 A.D.M.S. "B" Div. Group  
 D.A.D.V.S. "B" Div. Group  
 D.A.D.O.S. 2nd Aust. Divn.  
 D.A.D.O.S. 5th Aust. Divn.  
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*B' Div Sig Coy*



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'B' AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL GROUP

Location of units as at 1200 - 7th April, 1919.

Ref. Map -  
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'E' Aust Div Headquarters - 34 Rue de Charleroi, MARCINELLE.

'E' Aust Div Arty Group Headquarters -

4th A.F.A. Bde H.Q. 34 Grand Rue, THUIN.  
No 9 Avenue des Dreves, THUIN.

10th Bty. No 1 Rue de Prince du Liege, THUIN.  
11th Bty. No 3 Rue des Chant des Oiseaux, THUIN.  
13th Bty. No 24 Chemin de Halage, THUIN.

2nd Aust D.A.C. Headquarters No 35 Grand Rue, THUIN.

1st Section Avenue des Dreves, THUIN.  
S.A.A. Section Rue de Charleroi, MONT-sur-MARCHIENNE

7th A. F.A. Bde H.Q. No 7 Rue de la Gare, LOBBES.

25th Bty. No 11 Rue des Gaux, LOBBES.  
26th Bty. No 97 Rue Entreville, LOBBES.  
29th Bty. No 62 Rue d'Anderlues, THUIN.  
30th Bty. No 29 Rue de Thuin, LOBBES.

3rd Aust D.A.C. Headquarters No 71 Rue de l'Eglise, FONTAINE-VALMONT.  
1st Section No 249 Rue Chappelle, SARS LA BUISSIÈRE.

36th (Aust) Heavy Bde. No 1 Rue d'Anderlues, THUIN.

13th A.F.A. Bde H.Q. CERNONTAINE (moving on 7th to THUIN).  
14th A.F.A. Bde H.Q. FROIDCHAPELLE (moving on 8th to THUIN).  
5th Aust D.A.C. Headquarters SENZEILLE (moving on 9th to THUIN).

Aust Corps Mounted Troops H.Q. HANTES WIHERIES.

2nd Aust Mob Vet Section H.Q. MARCHIENNE-au-PONT.

2nd Aust Div Infy Group Headquarters -

5th A.I. Bde En H.Q. Grand Place, MARCINELLE.  
2 Rue de Marcinelle, MONTIGNY-le-TILLEUL

6th A.I. Bde . En H.Q. 4 Rue de Grand Pont, MARCINELLE.  
7th A.I. Bde Bn H.Q. 22 Rue Jules D'Estree, MONT-sur-MARCHIENNE.

2nd Aust Tunnelling Coy H.Q. 99 Rue de : ' : Marcinelle, MONT-sur-MARCHIENNE.

2nd Aust Pioneer En H.Q. 22 Rue de Mont-sur-Marchienne, MARCINELLE.

2nd Aust Div Salvage Coy H.Q. BERZEE  
'E' Aust Div Signal Coy H.Q. 10 Rue du Basson, MARCINELLE.  
Aust Vet Evacuating Station H.Q. RAGNIÉS

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8/15th Aust Infy Bde H.Q.

15th Bde Bn H.Q.  
8th Bde Bn H.Q.

296 Rue de la Barboterie,  
MARCINELLE HAIES.  
11 Rue Nallines MARCINELLE.  
Bureau de Bois du Casier Fosse, Rue  
de Sarts, MARCINELLE HAIES.

14th Aust Infy Bde H.Q.  
53/55 Bn H.Q.

56th Bn H.Q.

Hotel de Ville, MARCHIENNE-au-PONT.  
123 Rue de Beaumont, MARCHIENNE-au-  
PONT.  
Hotel Bertrand, MARCHIENNE au-PONT.

5th Aust Pioneer Bn H.Q.  
5th A.M.G. Bn H.Q.

SILENRIEUX (moving on 7th to NALINNES).  
NALINNES.

A.D.M.S. 'B' Div Group H.Q.

5/6/7 Aust Field Ambs H.Q.

8/14/15 Aust Field Ambs H.Q.

'B' Aust Div Train H.Q.

17th Coy A.A.S.C.

20th Coy A.A.S.C.

28th Coy A.A.S.C.

10th Coy A.A.S.C.

24 Grand Place, MARCINELLE.

11 Rue de Brun-Chene, MONT-sur-  
MARCHIENNE.  
Rue de la Station, NALINNES.

77 Rue de Charleroi, MARCINELLE.

23a Rue Caissi, MONT-sur-MARCHIENNE.  
MALADRIE.  
MONTIGNY-le-TILLEUL.  
BIESMES.

MISCELLANEOUS

5th Aust Div Salvage Coy  
5th Aust Div Mob Vet Section

D.A.P.M. 'E' Aust Div

D.A.D.V.S. 'E' Aust Div

Belgian Mission

'B' Aust Div Education Officer

'B' Aust Div Paymaster

D.A.D.O.S. 2nd Aust Div

D.A.D.O.S. 5th Aust Div

'B' Aust Div Reinforcement Camp

'B' Aust Div Baths Officer

2nd A.M.T. Coy

3rd A.M.T. Coy

SOLRE le CHATEAU.  
MARCINELLE.

Rue de Charleroi, MARCINELLE.

22 Rue de l'Ange, MARCINELLE.

24 Rue de Beaumont, MARCINELLE.

34 Rue de Charleroi, MARCINELLE.

77 Rue de Charleroi, MARCINELLE.

492 Rue de Beaumont, MARCINELLE.

THUILLES.

266 Rue de Beaumont, MARCHIENNE-au-PORT

Factory, Rue de Scuillet, MARCINELLE.

MARCHIENNE-au-PONT.

MARCHIENNE-au-PONT.

*J. J. L. M. G. L.*  
Lieut-Colonel  
General Staff.  
AUST. DIVISIONAL GROUP.



'B' AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL GROUP.

FIRST AMENDMENT TO LOCATION REPORT ISSUED 7th APR. 1919.

5th Aust. Machine Gun Bn.  
5th Aust. Pioneer Bn.  
5th Aust. Div. Field Co. A.E.  
5th Aust. Mob. Vet. Sect.  
8/14/15th Field Ambulance

NALINNES  
HAIS NALINNES.  
Billet No. 313, Rue Gily, GOUILLET.  
MARCHIENNE-au-FONT.  
11 Rue de Brun Chene, MONT-sur-  
MARCHIENNE.

10/4/19.

*A. L. M. Gray*  
Major,  
General Staff.  
'B' AUST. DIVISIONAL GROUP.



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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

G39/146

Headquarters,  
1st April, 1919.

Aust. Corps.

In continuation of my G39/146 of 28th instant -

- (1) No changes in the organisation of 2nd Aust. Artillery Group have taken place during the week ending 29th March.
- (2) The following changes in the organisation of the units of the 2nd Aust. Div. Group will be effected today :-
  - (a) The batteries of the 4th A.F.A. Bde will be combined into two units to be known as 10th (10th and 11th Batteries) and 12th (12th and 104th Batteries) Batteries respectively.
  - (b) The two batteries of the 5th A.F.A. Bde will be combined into one to be known as 13th Battery.  
On completion of this, 5th A.F.A. Bde Headquarters will cease to function, and the personnel will be transferred to 4th A.F.A. Bde.  
13th Battery will then be administered as a unit of the 4th A.F.A. Bde.
- (3) During the week ending 5th April, it is proposed to amalgamate 7th and 8th A.F.A. Bdes under the Headquarters of 7th A.F.A. Bde. Before this takes place, the 8th A.F.A. Bde will be organised as two Batteries - 29th and 31st Batteries.

*f.t.*  
Major-General,  
Commanding 'B' Australian Divisional Group.

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Headquarters,  
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

Reference Aust. Corps letter 70/357 dated 1st  
February 1919.

1. Amalgamation during week ending Apr. 5th.

14th Field Ambulance with 8/15th Field Ambulance.  
18th Coy A.A.S.C. with 10th and 28th Coys A.A.S.C.  
2nd Aust Machine Gun Bn with 5th A.I. Bde Bn.  
5th Aust Div C.R.E.'s office ceased to operate.  
4th Bde A.D.A. with 5th Bde A.F.A. (vide my G39/146  
dated 1st instant).  
7th Bde A.F.A. with 8th Bde A.F.A.

2. Proposed amalgamations during the forthcoming week.

5th Aust Pioneer Bn with 5th Aust Machine Gun Bn.  
56th Bn with 53/55th Bn.

3. Moves.

(a) Completed

14th A.I. Bde to MARCHIENNE → au-PONT.  
8/15th A.I. Bde to MARCINELLE.  
36th Bde H.A. marched in to THUIN.

(b) ~~Completed~~

Contemplated

5th Aust Div Arty to THUIN.  
8/14/15th Field Ambulance to MONT-sur → MARCHIENNE.  
5th Aust Machine Gun Bn to NALLINES.  
5th Aust Pioneer Bn to NALLINES.  
5th Aust Div Engineers to Divisional Area.

4. Equipment and Mobilisation Stores.

The mobilisation stores of the following units were  
returned to ~~store~~ Ordnance;

H.Q. 2nd Aust Division.  
H.Q. 15th A.I. Bde.  
H.Q. 5th Aust Div Engineers.  
7th Field and 1st A.T. Coy A.E.  
1st and 18th Coys. A.A.S.C.  
5th Aust Machine Gun Bn.  
S.A.A. Section 2nd D.A.C.  
Aust Cyclist Bn.

5th April, 1919.

Major-General,  
Commanding 'B' AUST DIV GROUP.

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'B' AUST. DIVISIONAL GROUP.

Headquarters,  
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

Reference Aust. Corps letter 70/357 dated February 1st.

1. Amalgamations during week-ending April 12th.

- 5th Aust. Machine Gun Battalion with 5th Aust. Pioneer Battalion.
- 53rd/55th Battalion with 54th/56th Battalion.
- 6/14/15th Field Ambulance with 5/6/7th Field Ambulance.

2. Proposed amalgamations during forthcoming week.

- 14th Brigade A.F.A. and 5th Aust. Div. Ammunition Column with 13th Brigade A.F.A.
- 2nd Aust. Sanitary Section with 5th Aust. Sanitary Section.
- 8th Brigade Battalion with 15th Brigade Battalion and 2nd Aust. Div. Engineers.
- 28th Coy. A.A.S.C. with 10th Coy. A.A.S.C.

3. Moves

Completed.

- 5th Aust. Div. Artillery to THUIN
- 6/14/15th Field Ambulance to MONT-sur-MARCHIENNE.
- 5th Aust. Machine Gun Battalion to NALINNES.
- 5th Aust. Pioneer Battalion to HUIS NALINNES.
- 5th Aust. Div. Engineers to MARCINELLE.

4. Equipment and Mobilisation Stores.

The mobilisation stores of the following units were returned to Ordnance:

- H.Q. 6th A.I. Brigade
- 2nd Aust. Machine Gun Battalion.
- 57th Battalion
- 13th A.L.H. Regiment.
- 15th Field Ambulance.
- 5th Aust. Sanitary Section.

(Sgd) E. TIVEY  
Major-General,  
Commanding 'B' AUST. DIVISIONAL GROUP.

12th Apr. 1919.

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'B' AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL GROUP.

Headquarters,  
19th April 1919.

Headquarters,  
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

Reference Australian Corps letter 70/357 dated Feby. 1st.

1. Amalgamations during week ending April 19th.

8th Brigade Battalion with 15th Brigade Battalion  
(in progress).  
14th Brigade A.F.A. and 5th D.A.C. with 13th Brigade A.F.A.  
2nd Aust. Sanitary Section with 5th Aust. San. Section.  
(Cadre 'B' 5th Aust. San. Sect. has been despatched  
to U.K.)  
28th Coy. A.A.S.C. with 10th Coy. A.A.S.C.  
1st Aust. Vet. Evac. Station with 2/5th Aust. Mob.Vet.Sect.

2. Proposed amalgamations during forthcoming week.

5th Brigade Battalion with 7th Brigade Battalion.  
17th Coy. A.A.S.C. with 20th Coy. A.A.S.C.

3. Moves.

1st Aust. V.E.S. to MARCHIENNE-au-PONT.  
10th Coy. A.A.S.C. MARBAIX to MONTIGNIES on 20th inst.

4. Equipment and Mobilisation Stores.

The mobilisation stores of the following units were  
returned to Ordnance:

H.Q. 8th A.I. Brigade	56th Battalion
H.Q. 14th A.I. Brigade	57th Battalion
20th Battalion	2nd Aust. Pioneer Battalion
22nd Battalion	5th Aust. Pioneer Battalion
30th Battalion	28th Coy. A.A.S.C.
53rd Battalion	

(Sgd) E. TIVEY

Major-General.  
Commanding 'B' AUST. DIVISIONAL GROUP.



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'B' AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL GROUP.

Headquarters  
25th April 1919.

8/15th A.I. Brigade  
14th A.I. Brigade  
2nd Aust. Div. Art. Group  
2nd Aust. Div. Inf. Group  
D.A.P.M.  
Sports Officer  
'A.Q'

With reference to this office letter 12/15 dated April 23rd.

At a conference held at Divisional Headquarters, to-day 25th instant, attended by all Group Commanders in 'B' Aust. Division the following decisions were reached.

1. Final Corps Ceremonial Parade.

Copies of Aust. Corps letter 105/43 dated Apr. 22nd have been forwarded to all concerned.

The following entries have been made.

1 quota from B.2 Group to be organised by Lieut-Colonel W.M. DAVIS MC

1 quota from B.5 Group to be organised by Lieut-Colonel C.A. DENEHY DSO.

Artillery detachment to be organised in two companies by Lieut-Colonel C.A. CALLAGHAN DSO.

A letter has been sent to Corps suggesting that the proposed date, May 12th be altered to May 8th in order to allow the band allotted to Quota No. 50 from B.2 Group to compete and also recommending that the parade be held in Drill Order.

2. Amusements on May 1st.

In order to compensate for the placing of CHARIEROI out of bounds from 1800 on April 30th to 0900 on May 2nd the following functions will be arranged:

- (a) Picnic Sports Meeting at MONT-sur-MARCHIENNE to be arranged by Lieut-Colonel DAVIS for the troops in B.2 Group and the 14th A.I. Brigade.
- (b) Picnic Sports Meeting at MARCINELLE HAIES to be arranged by Lieut-Colonel DENEHY for the troops of B.5 Group (less 14th A.I. Bde) and for troops of B.2 Group in MARCINELLE.
- (c) Band performance and cinema in the Square MARCINELLE commencing at 1900. The Square will be lighted and there will be a continuous musical programme until 2230. Dance music will be included and if the weather is favourable an open air dance will be arranged.

The officers organising these functions will notify all concerned as to the arrangements made, and will submit demands as early as possible to Group Headquarters for motor transport, material and funds required.

(Sgd) S.L. MILLIGAN  
Lieut-Colonel,  
General Staff.  
'B' AUST. DIVISIONAL GROUP.



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'B' AUST. DIVISIONAL GROUP.

Headquarters,  
25th April 1919.

Headquarters,  
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.  
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Final Corps Ceremonial Parade.

1. With reference to Australian Corps letter 105/34 dated April 22nd, the following quotas will take part in the ceremonial parade:

- One quota from B.2 Group
- One quota from B.5 Group
- Artillery personnel organised in two companies.

2. The following suggestions are forwarded for consideration:

- (a) Parade be held in Drill Order.
- (b) The proposed date be altered to May 8th. On May 10th the last remaining band in B.2 Group leaves with Quota No. 50 and if the parade be held later than May 8th the B.2 Quota would be unable to compete with a band.

(Sgd) E. TIVEY  
Major-General,  
Commanding 'B' Aust. Divisional Group.



AUSTRALIAN CORPS.

105/34  
Headquarters,  
22nd April 1919.

G.O.C. A.1. Group  
G.O.C. A.4 Group  
G.O.C. 'B' Group.

Final Corps ceremonial parade

1. The Corps Commander wishes to arrange a final Corps Ceremonial Parade and Competition to take place near CHARLEROI on May 12th.  
A number of visitors will be invited and the display made a farewell to the Corps.
2. The proposed scheme is as follows:
  - (a) As many quotas as possible each organised as a Battalion of four companies will take part (it is hoped at least one quota from each A.1., B.2, and B.5 Groups and if not a quota, at least one or two companies from A.4 Group) accompanied by the band allotted to it.
  - (b) Each quota will be inspected and then march past.
  - (c) Trophies will be awarded to the best and second best companies and the best band, judges on their turnout, and smartness and correctness in the march past.
3. Will you please advise by 6 p.m. on 26-4-19 what quotas of yours will participate and forward any suggestions you may wish to make.

(Sgd) KEITH OFFICER  
Major,  
D. A. A. G.  
AUSTRALIAN CORPS.



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"B" AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

HD. 56/63.

Divisional Headquarters  
23rd April 1919

Camp Commandant  
A.D.M.S., D.A.D.O.S.  
D.A.D.V., D.A.P.M.  
C.R.A.  
7th Field Coy A.E.  
2nd Aust Div Inf Bde Group,  
"B" Aust Div Train  
"B" Aust Div Sig Coy  
"B" Div Reinft Camp  
Education Officer  
2nd Aust Div Salvage Officer,  
S.M.T.O.  
2nd Aust Trenching Coy.

13th Bde A.F.A.  
5th Div Engineers  
8/15th A.I. Bde  
14th A.I. Bde  
5th M.G. / Pnr Bn (2 Jopies)  
5th Aust Salvage Coy  
Aust Cps Mtd Troops  
  
Aust Vet Evac Station

1. Instructions have already been issued placing CHARLEROI out of bounds from 1800 on 30-4-1919 to 0900 on 2-5-1919  
This has been done as a precautionary measure against possible collisions between Civilian Demonstrations and the Troops of the Corps.
2. Steps will be taken to warn the men of every Unit on parade that CHARLEROI is out of bounds and the reason, and the men will be cautioned against attempting to enter CHARLEROI in disobedience of this order or participating in or interfering with any Belgian Demonstrations.
3. Police picquets will be placed on the entrance to CHARLEROI to enforce the order and the police patrols in and about CHARLEROI will be increased.
4. During the period that the town is out of bounds to the troops as many amusements and counter attractions as possible will be arranged in each Units billeting Area. A conference of Group Commanders has been called for the 25th inst to arrange the best methods of carrying this out.
5. Herewith is forwarded a copy of the orders of the O.C. HAINAULT Sub-Area, on the subject of the action of the troops in case of civilian disturbances in CHARLEROI. Will you please ensure that every Unit issues proper orders on the subject.
6. The G.H.Q. Instructions on the subject is as follows :-

British troops shall not be used to quell any civilian Disturbance unless an attack is made on British personnel or property, in which case intervention must be confined strictly to the measures necessary for the protection of such personnel and property.

In case of riots troops not on duty must be confined to their billets or Camp and every precaution taken to prevent their coming into conflict with rioters.

(A.G.'s No A.G./3781/P.S. of 1-4-1919.)

*Sherrington H. Col.*  
Lieut-Colonel,  
A. A. & Q.M.G.  
"B" Australian Division.



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8/15th A.I. Brigade  
14th A.I. Brigade  
2nd Aust. Div. Infantry Group.

1. Australian Corps has placed 4 lorries at the disposal of the Division for conveying parties daily to DINANT and other towns on the RIVER MEUSE.

2. These lorries are only available for one week and are allotted as under:

Date	Unit	Place where lorries will report.	Time of reporting.
Apr. 26th	14th AI Bde.	Square MARCHIENNE-au-PONT	0815 hours
27th	"	" " " "	"
28th	8/15 AI Bde.	8/15th AI Bde. H.Q. MARCINELLE MAIES	0815 hours
29th	"	" "	"
30th	No	trip	
May 1st	2nd Aust.Div, Inf.Group	Square, MARCINELLE	0815 hours
2nd	14th A.I. Bde.	Square, MARCHIENNE-au-PONT	0815 hours

3. Each lorry will hold 20 to 25 persons and Brigade and Group Commanders will ensure that full advantage is taken of this accommodation.

4. An officer, detailed by the Brigade or Group concerned will accompany each lorry. The senior officer will be in command of the convoy.

5. Lorries will start each morning from place indicated in para. 2 at 0830 hours and will travel by the following route: METTET, BIOUL, ANNEVOIE, DINANT (where a halt will be made for one hour for lunch), MASTIERE-LEVAUX, ROSEE, FLORENNES, CERPINNES, thence back to starting point.

6. Midday meal will be carried by all ranks.

*J. L. M. Cars*  
Major,  
General Staff.  
'E' AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL GROUP

24th April 1919.

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At last the time has come for the 2nd Aust. Division to cease to exist as a Military organisation in the Field, but to those who have been fortunate enough to be associated with this splendid formation, some for years - some only for months of fighting - the Division will in memory never cease to live. From the first days of its fighting career in Gallipoli, through the early days in France and Belgium, and finally through the last tragic months of the War, the 2nd Division has built up a reputation for loyalty, courage, and military prowess which will ensure for all time in the records of Australia that the 2nd Aust. Division will hold an honoured place and never be forgotten.

Those who have fought together - officers, N.C.O's and men - have learnt to be genuine comrades, and we shall all cherish while life lasts many valued friendships commenced during the currency of this great war.

It is sad to remember how many of our brave men have paid the supreme sacrifice and lie buried in Europe, but to those who are left behind to mourn their loss, and to whom we all extend the deepest sympathy, there is the proud recollection that their relatives laid down their lives in the noblest possible cause, and their efforts have helped in the final overthrow of our common enemy.

For my self I can only say that the period which I held command of the 2nd Aust. Division, embraced some of the heaviest and most successful fighting in the history of the Division, and I take this opportunity of recording my most sincere appreciation and admiration of the work of all ranks, and my grateful thanks. To command such men has indeed been a proud privilege.

16th April 1919.

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Major-General,