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April 1915.

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Correspondence between

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reference embarkation of force at Egypt and Lemnos.

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No. 27/16

Headquarters,  
Canal Defences.  
Ismailia, 29th March, 1915.

Memorandum.

With reference to your memo. of the 28th instant, I append hereto a return showing the strength of the units asked for:-

	Brit. ranks		Indian ranks	Animals	Vehicles	<i>f</i> include followers
	Officers	Others				
Mtn. Arty. Bde H.Q.	2	-	7	7	-	
21st Mtn. Bty.	5	-	322*	180	-	* include 10% 15 <sup>th</sup>
26th Mtn. Bty.	5	-	323*	176	-	Reinforcements
Sect. I. Fd. Amb.	1	2	60	16	-	
Supply details	-	2	3	-	-	
M.A. Sec. Amtn. Clmn.	-	-	49	47	23	
2nd Line Transport (for all of above):	-	-	56	91	42	
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>820</b>	<b>519</b>	<b>65</b>	

Signed B/Molomby (Captain)  
for G.O.C., Canal Defences.

D.A.A. & Q.M.G.  
Army Headquarters, Cairo.

G.O.C.  
Aust. & N.Z. Army Corps

Forwarded.

Q/354

Cairo  
30.3.15

Signed E.N. Broadbent Major  
D.A.A. & Q.M.G.

Diary No. 4319 Dated 8/4/15 *Received*



Secret.

Q. 4038.

Head Quarters, Australian

New Zealand Army Corps.

Cairo. 29<sup>th</sup> March, 1918.

From

The General Officer Commanding,

Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

To

Head Quarters,

The Force in Egypt.

## MEMORANDUM.

With reference to your O178.Q., dated 21.3.1918., and letters forwarding reports of the available accommodation in transports allotted to the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps, the following re-allocation of troops to transports has been made:-

Head Quarters &amp; Signal Unit A. &amp; N.Z. Army Corps.

Australian Division, less Light Horse Regiment.

Reserve Park.

One Depot Unit of Supply for special duty with Reserve Supplies.

to the following Transports:-

TRANSPORTS.	Number		Reported		Surplus.	Not used.	
	Allotted.		Capacity.			Men.	Horses.
Lake Michigan.	1079	79	1046	260	33		181
City of Benares.	624	317	612	360	12		43
Berflinger.	2018		2049			31	
Winnemucca.	1714	500	1700	500	14		
Indian.	8570	500	590	500		20	
Cardiganshire.	763	510	786	500		10	23
Glan Mc Gillivray.	1248		1371				123
Mashobra.	691	240	703	252			12
Galeka.	1780		1776	5	4		5
Navian.	1201	316	1169	338	32		22
Arundale.	395	357	376	360	19		3
Katuna.	341	504	340	500	1	4	
Maroo.	527	400	620	438			93
Iris.	230	223	218	225	12		2
Atlantian.	690	499	791	500			101
Anglo Egyptian.	316	446	215	500	101		54

14,187. 4,891.

2. The storage of Supplies and Ammunition on these vessels is now proceeding, but I await approval before submitting detailed figures for preparation of railway.



(railway) and road movements, to port of embarkation.

3. It has been found impossible to use the surplus horse room owing to lack of room for men accompanying them.

In all cases horses are accompanied by their drivers and caretakers, in order to be able to dis-embark without dislocation of formations; and it is thought that the importance of this justifies the wastage of horse room in some instances.

4. It will be noted that in a few cases a few horses over and above capacity are allotted to certain ships, - Cardiganshire - Mashobra - Katana - and Karroo. If these additional horses can be accommodated in any way it means that complete formations can be placed in these ships. I should be glad to learn if this can be done; if not, horses will be accommodated in a suitable ship in which horse room is available.

5. In many cases there is a surplus of men over the reported capacity. It is considered that the inconvenience of crowding should be accepted in view of the importance of embarking formations intact.

6. The remaining troops of my command are to be embarked in the following vessels:-

Australind.  
 Sudmark.  
 Clan Mac: Cerquodale.  
 Californian.  
 Saldana.  
 Ascot.  
 Goslar.  
 Itonus.  
 Annaberg.  
 Surada.  
 Secangbee.  
 Secangchun.  
 Achia.  
 Lutzow.  
 Hindoo.  
 Haida Pasha.  
 Hymettus.  
 Cassanich.

The Pera and Hessen are earmarked for the Indian M.A. Brigade. I am proceeding with the allocation of these, and details will be submitted as early as possible.



7. I would point out that owing to the differing capacities of all Transports, and to the fact that their ~~total~~<sup>troop</sup> capacity has been used to the full ~~xxx~~ in almost every case, the removal of one transport, unless one of similar or larger capacity is substituted, will entail a re-adjustment of the whole of the allocation which has been made, and also a re-adjustment of the ammunition and victualling arrangements now completing at Alexandria.

Lieut: General.

Commanding Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

*Copy sent to G.H.Q.  
for information.*



## AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 8<sup>th</sup> April, 1915.

Q. 4299.

From: General Officer Commanding,  
A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

To: Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.

MEMORANDUM

With reference to the "Allocation Tables" for the Australian Division which you have, will you kindly add the following to "ITRIA"

Divisional Headquarters	5 men, 9 horses
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It is proposed to add these details to train No. 701 also.

*Sgd. A Skeen*

Lieut.-General,  
Commanding. Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

Copy to R.T.O.,  
Cairo No. 1



No. Q. 4048.

Headquarters, Australian and  
New Zealand Army Corps.Cairo, 30<sup>th</sup> March, 1915.From: General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.To: Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.MEMORANDUM.

Please refer to my Q.4038 of 29th March. In the allocation of troops to transports therein shown certain vessels carrying horses have no veterinary officers

These are:-

Lake Michigan  
City of Benares  
Minnewaska  
Mashobra  
Novian  
Armadale  
Katuna  
Anglo-gyptian

May Veterinary Officers from one of the Australian L.of C. Veterinary Units be detailed for duty on the voyage returning to their unit on completion of their duty.

The requirements of transports of the New Zealand and Australian Division will be communicated to you as soon as possible.

2. It is understood that Medical Stores are being placed on all transports under your orders to <sup>enable units to</sup> keep their own stores intact for use on landing.

3. It would be a ~~very~~ great boon if the same could be done, if not already arranged, in the case of Veterinary Stores for those vessels shown as carrying horses in the Table in the first Para of my Q.4038, namely:-

Lake Michigan.



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Lake Michigan.  
City of Benares  
Minnewaska  
Indian  
Cardiganshire  
Mashobra  
Anglo-Egyptian.

Novian.  
Armadale  
Katuna  
Karboo  
Itria  
Atlantian

Sqd.  
*R.A. Carruthers*

Brig-General,  
for Lieut-General,  
Commanding Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



No. Q. 4049.

Headquarters, Australian and  
New Zealand Army Corps.Cairo, 30<sup>th</sup> March, 1915.From: General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.To: Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.MEMORANDUM.

Reference to your D.M.S. No.251/15., dated 22/3/15. (in reply to my Q.192 of 18th March) the altered allocation of troops to transports referred to in my Q.4038, secret of 29-3-15., has made necessary certain changes in the arrangements you have made for detailing medical personnel to transports.

2. The transports on which medical personnel should now be placed are:-

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Other Ranks</u> Note.-	<u>Transport.</u>
I	Room for 2 other ranks has been	Osmanieh.
I	allotted on each	Anglo-Egyptian.
I	Transport.	Katuna.

3. The requirements of the Transports conveying the N.Z. & Aust. Division will be notified as soon as possible.

4. It is understood that D.M.S. Egypt is arranging to place a supply of medical stores on each Transport. May I inform Units to this effect ?

*Sgt R.A. Carruthers.*

*Brig-General,*  
for Lieut-General,  
Comdg. Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



COPY

Confidential.

General Officer Commanding,

Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

In reply to your letter No. Q.4049 dated 30th  
March, Medical Officers from No. 2. General Hospital have been  
detailed as follows:-

Q.4049.

S.S. "OSMANIEH"	-	-	Captain Reiach and 2 other ranks (orderlies)
S.S. "ANGLO EGYPTIAN"	-	-	Captain Campbell, " "
S.S. "KATUNA"	-	-	Captain Benjafield, " "

With regard to the last paragraph, a box of drugs  
and dressings is being put on each transport.

Headquarters,  
Cairo.  
31/3/15.

(Sgd) H. V. Bagshawe,  
Major,  
A.D.M.S.  
for D.M.S.



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G.O.C.

Australian, New Zealand Army Corps.

G.H.Q.

CAIRO. (March

28<sup>th</sup> 1915.

O.(a) 8.

1. No mounted units are in the first instance to form part of the A. & N. Z. Army Corps for service in the forthcoming operations. If, during a later period of the operations, mounted units are required they will be sent for.
2. It is understood that permission has been received for the employment of the Indian Mountain Artillery Bde and 6 section Ind. Field Ambulance with the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force. These units will therefore be attached to your command, and all arrangements for their embarkation should be made by you.
3. In view of the possibility of your being required to land on an open beach, in face of opposition, on any portion of the coast line, you should dispose your troops



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to transports in such a way that one infantry brigade with one field company and a proportion of signalling and medical units can be landed as a covering force, to be followed by the remainder of the A.C. ~~division~~ as required.

It may at first only be possible to disembark from four transports simultaneously. Subsequently it will be possible to disembark from 6 transports simultaneously.

4. The horses, bicycles, and vehicles to be landed in the first instance must be cut down to a minimum; as much <sup>equipment</sup> as possible being carried by hand.
5. All troops disembarking on the first day should carry one days rations and two iron rations. Infantry should carry 200 rounds ammunition.
6. The following reserves of ammunition and supplies must be landed during the first day -
  - 150 rounds per rifle + gun landed.
  - 7 days rations per man landed
  - 7 days forage per horse landed

*W. Macmillan*

Major Gen.  
C.G.S.



SECRET.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No.

Ga. 4046Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 30<sup>th</sup> March, 1915.From:- General Officer Commanding,  
Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.To:- Headquarters,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.MEMORANDUM.

With reference to Paragraph 1 of O(a)8 dated 28th, March, 1915, I wish to bring to notice the fact that no supply column is available for either of my Divisions, the Motor Transport Supply Column having been sent direct to England, from Australia under War Office orders.

The Australian Reserve Park, organised to carry two days' supplies for the Australian Division, has lifting power sufficient to carry one day's supplies for my command as ordered in paras 1 and 2 of your instructions O(a)8.

As this Reserve Park is properly a L. of C. unit, orders are requested as to whether this unit should embark with my Army Corps, to be used when necessary to link supply sections of Train with Sea Base, or whether it should be left at Alexandria.

Arrangements for its sea transport had already been made.

2. With reference to para 2 of O(a)8, may one Australian depot unit of supply be embarked to handle the reserves of supplies therein ordered?

Similarly I propose, if approved, to embark 10 personnel of the Australian Divisional Ammunition Park to handle the reserves of Ammunition ordered.

3. The Motor Vehicles and Transport Details of the Divisional Ammunition Park have been sent to England



as well as the Motor Transport Supply Column. I would suggest that the Park Supply of Ammunition for my Corps be placed in charge of the remaining personnel of the Park on one of the vessels carrying my Corps.

Sqd. W.R. Bidwood.

Lieut-General,  
Commandg. Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

H.Q. Force in Egypt.

Memo.

Forwarded for information. The units mentioned are L.O.F.C. units which had already been warned for embarkation under your orders.

Cairo. 30<sup>th</sup> March 1915.



Urgent.

APPENDIX NO. 1

157/No 4056

SECRET 48

G.S.R. 40.0(a)

General Headquarters,

Alexandria,

30th March, 1915.

SECRET.

To General Officer Commanding,

Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

Memorandum.

1.

In reply to your G (a) 4046, the Australian Reserve Park should be embarked with your Army Corps, but as it will not be required in the first instance it should be one of the last units to be embarked.

Q  
Col Knox  
Col Skeen

2.

One Australian depot unit of supply may be embarked to handle the reserves of supplies to be landed on the first day.

3.

As regards ammunition supply, it has been decided that no Divisional Ammunition Columns or Divisional Ammunition Parks shall accompany the Expeditionary Force in the first instance, but that Brigade Ammunition Columns, working between fighting units and the coast, shall take the place of Divisional Ammunition Columns, and Store Ships take the place of Divisional Ammunition Parks..

Brig Gen R A  
Col Skeen

4.

In these circumstances the Divisional Ammunition Columns of your Command <sup>should</sup> ~~shall~~ be left in Alexandria when the Army Corps embarks.

5.

Your proposal that 10 personnel of the Australian Divisional Ammunition Park should be embarked to handle the reserves of ammunition to be landed on the first day is approved.

Col Knox

6.

With regard to your paragraph 3, the question of personnel to handle the ammunition on the ammunition store ships is still under consideration, and a further

Col Knox



2.

communication will be made to you on this point.

*W. M. Maitland*

Major-General,  
C.G.S.,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

*to Q for action.*



Diary No. 4158

Telegram No. Ga4158

From: ANZAC, Cairo.

To: General Headquarters, M.E.F.

Despatched 11.30 a.m., 5.4.15

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Ga4158. Reference your G.S.R.40 O(a) 30th. March paragraph 4 - Divisional Ammunition Columns now at Cairo AAA. Should they move to Alexandria on completion of railway movement of balance of division AAA And will they come under orders of O. C., Base.

See 4175  
4196



Diary No. 4175

Telegram No. G.S.R.40 O(a) 5

From: General Headquarters, M.E.F.

To: ANZAC, Cairo

Received 2.50 p.m. 5.4.15

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G.S.R.40/(z)

Your Ga4158 the answer is yes to both questions AAA  
Inform G.O.C. Base the dates of arrival AAA These units will  
probably be first of those left behind to follow their Divisions.

*See 4196*



## AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Cia. 4196.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 6. April, 1915.From: General Officer Commanding,  
A. & N. Z. Army Corps.To: Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.MEMORANDUM

Reference attached correspondence, <sup>x.</sup> will you kindly arrange for the move of the two Divisional Ammunition Columns to Alexandria when the other moves now arranged for are completed, *and where there is room.*

Will you kindly give the necessary information to the O. C., Base.

Lieut.-General,  
Commanding. Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

\* Diary ho 4158  
- " 4175



4218AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No.....

Ga 4218.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 6<sup>th</sup> April, 1915.From:- General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.To :- Australian Division,  
New Zealand and Australian DivisionMEMORANDUM.

Memorandum No. Ga 4196 forwarded for your information. Will you please instruct Divisional Ammunition Column Commanders accordingly. They should draw their full allotment of ammunition carried in the field from the Base, Alexandria, before embarkation.

Brigadier-General,  
General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

Copy to G.O.C., Base, M.E.F.

Copy to Lt Col. Knox.



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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS

No. Ga. 4196

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 6th April, 1915.From:- General Officer Commanding,  
A & N.Z. Army Corps.To :- Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.MEMORANDUM.

Reference attached correspondence, Diary Nos. 4158 and 4175, will you kindly arrange for the move of the two Divisional Ammunition Columns to Alexandria when the other moves now arranged for are completed, and when there is room.

Will you kindly give the necessary information to the O.C., Base.

(Sig) H. B. Walker

Lieut-General,  
Commanding Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

Copies to  
Working Copy  
Aust Div  
HQ Force in Egypt  
N.Z. Trans Div  
A.S.Q.  
Lt Col Knox



## AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

SECRET.

G.(a) 4065.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 31st. March, 1915From: General Officer Commanding,  
A. & N. Z. Army Corps.To: Headquarters,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.MEMORANDUM

I have completed the allocation of the Australian Division to transports as indicated in paragraph 3 of your O(a)S dated 28th. February. ? *March.*

3. I have selected the troops of my Army Corps now at Lemnos to form the covering force, and in accordance with your instructions have sent orders (copy attached) to their Commander to prepare to redistribute his troops as follows:-

- 4 Transports :- 4 Battalions.  
 1 Field Company, less all horses and unnecessary personnel.  
 1 Field Ambulance, less all horses and vehicles except water carts, and unnecessary personnel.
- 1 Transport:- Remainder of his force, including G.A.A. portion of a Brigade Ammunition Column; remainder of Field Company and Field Ambulance, and a Company, A.S.C.

The following units have been allotted to two of the above transports, pending instructions from you as to whether they should be embarked, or left at Lemnos.

1st. Australian Clearing Hospital  
 1st. Australian Stationary Hospital  
 13th. A.S.C., Field Bakery (1 section)  
 13th. A.S.C., Field Butchery (1 squad)

It is estimated that two days will be required to re-embark the horses of the advanced force, provided that the Naval Authorities can furnish sufficient towage and lighters.

3. The remainder of the allotment has been carried out.



as follows :-

2 Transports:- Indian Mountain Artillery Brigade, with Hde. Amm. Coln., Section Indian Field Ambulance, and 2nd. Line Transport (A.T.Carts)

4 Transports:- An Infantry Brigade, a Field Company, a Field Ambulance, a Company, A.S.C.

and in one of the Transports:-

Army Corps Headquarters and Communication Units,  
Divisional Headquarters and Communication Units, Australian  
Division.

4 Transports:- An Infantry Brigade, a Field Ambulance, and Train.

4 Transports:- Divisional Artillery, less a Field Artillery Brigade, Portion of Divisional Ammunition Column, and Reserve Park.

4 Transports:- Remainder of Divisional Artillery.

4. The covering force at Lemnos is short of establishment owing to the late arrival of its reinforcements. These have now arrived, and it is proposed, with your approval, to despatch them to Lemnos in time to distribute these before leaving that place for operations. The "Osmanieh", a fast steamer with no accommodation for horses, had been allotted by Headquarters, Egypt for this purpose, and for the carrying of the necessary hold parties. If you approve, this vessel will be despatched *at an early date in Advance to Lemnos* ~~by Corps~~.

5. It is estimated that the covering force, to be able to land as indicated in para 3, of your O(a)8 will require 220 personnel for military hold parties and 175 personnel for military beach parties. In addition, a considerable reserve of men for fatigue parties in improving exits may be required; and I am prepared with your approval to embark 600 men on the transports of the covering force for this purpose.

I propose to convey these to Lemnos on the "Osmanieh", which could then be utilised to receive sick and hold parties from transports as these are emptied.

6. In order to enable me to distribute beach equipment, cutters, horse boats, etc. to the transports conveying the covering force, it is necessary that these should be sent to Lemnos either before or by the "Osmanieh".



7. I had arranged for a quantity of beach equipment to be prepared at Alexandria where it now is in charge of Lieut.-Colonel Knox, A.Q.M.G. I should be glad to learn how much of this <sup>will now be</sup> ~~is now~~ required also, if I should arrange for ~~this~~ <sup>it</sup> to be conveyed to Lemnos for distribution to the transports of the covering force.

W.R.B.

Lieut.-General,  
Commandg. Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.



IN YOUR REPLY  
PLEASE QUOTE THIS

No. G.S.R. 40.0(a)

18 Rue El Caied Gohar,

Alexandria.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS.

MEDITERRANEAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

2nd April,

1915.

To  
General Officer Commanding,  
Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

Memorandum.

1. With reference to your G(a) 4065 of 31st March 1915 enclosing detailed distribution of troops to transports, I am to inform you that the following units of those referred to in para. 2 of your letter, should not be embarked at present, but should be left at LEMNOS :-

1st Australian Stationary Hospital  
13th A.S.C. Field Bakery (1 section)  
13th A.S.C. Field Butchery (1 squad)

The 1st Australian Clearing Hospital should be embarked in accordance with your proposed arrangements.

2. With regard to the re-embarkation of the horses of the advanced force, the Senior Naval Officer, PORT MUDROS, has been informed that it will be necessary to provide for the re-embarkation of this force by the 9th instant.

3. The despatch in advance of the "Osmanieh" with reinforcements for the troops at LEMNOS, hold parties, beach parties, working parties, and beach equipment is approved. The horseboats and cutters referred to in para. 6 of your letter will not, however, be able to go on the "Osmanieh", and should be embarked on other transports for transfer to the ships of the covering force after arrival at LEMNOS. The disposal of the "Osmanieh" after taking the above mentioned details to LEMNOS, is under consideration.

4. The necessary 600 men for working parties, referred to in para. 5 of your letter, should be embarked on the

*Inform  
Mulligan*

*Repeat to Mulligan*



transports of the covering force in accordance with your suggestion.

5. One half of the beach equipment in charge of Lt. Col. Knox at ALEXANDRIA, will be allotted to the 29th Division. Arrangements for the allotment to the 29th Division of its proportion of this equipment will be made from this office. The remainder should be conveyed to LEMNOS, under arrangements to be made by you, for distribution to the transports of your covering force.

6. With reference to your Ga 4091 of 1st April 1915, I am to inform you that your allocation of troops to transports is approved. The preparation of plans of movement by rail should now be proceeded with in communication with General Officer Commanding, Egypt, so that the first units may embark on Sunday 4th April.

7. The suggested numbering of your transports is also approved, and the necessary action has been taken from this office to have this work carried out.

8. With regard to your Q/4080 of 1st April 1915, the alterations in the table of allocation of troops to transports given in your Q/4038 of 29th March have been noted, and General Officer Commanding, Egypt, has been informed accordingly.

No.	4114
DATE REC'D	3. 4. 15
ISSUED TO	G.S.O.I.
A. and N. Z. A. C.	

*W. Maillants*  
Major General.  
C.G.S.  
Med. Ex. Force.



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, ~~March~~, 1915.  
17<sup>th</sup> April.

From:- General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.

To :- General Headquarters,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

MEMORANDUM.

The following extract from a report received from the Commander of the Detached Force Australian Division recently despatched to Lemnos is forwarded for your consideration. The loading of the ships was not apparently governed by tactical considerations. I consider it advisable to bring the matter to your notice in connection with para. 2 of the extract.

- " Para 7. I regret to have to report that in the loading of the Transports, material such as that for landing stages and water supply was loaded into the ships and covered with hundreds of tons of other baggage and stores and the lack of space in the holds precludes it being got at without much labour and loss of time. Men have been set to work to do as much as possible whilst here to redress this.
- (2) I would suggest that the baggage, stores, etc., of the rest of the Force be embarked so that the things required first on disembarkation may be able to be got at easily. In my opinion this would best be done by using the troops to work the holds, and to prevent natives handling these stores, etc.

W.R.B.  
Lieut-General,  
Commdg Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



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G. S. R. H. H. 30  
Army Corps & divisions will not communicate direct with A. H. Q. Egypt and any matters which necessitate reference to Cairo are to be referred to G. H. Q. Mediterranean Expeditionary force.  
G. H. Q. Alexandria

Copies to: G.H.Q.  
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General Headquarters,  
18 Rue El Caied Gohar,  
ALEXANDRIA.  
2. 4. 15.

My dear Birdwood,

In reply to your letter of the 31st March: the genesis of Sir Ian's order in regard to correspondence was, as you surmise, and also because the G. O. C. Naval Division, was demanding all sorts of things direct with Sir John which the latter thought ought to be referred here first. There were other points as to why Sir John did not wish Generals under Sir Ian's command to correspond direct with him. However, in the ordinary matters of detail which you can arrange very much quicker with Army Headquarters, Egypt, it would clearly be a waste of time, while you are in Cairo, to refer them to Alexandria, and so long as Sir John has no objection of course Sir Ian would not have.

In regard to the train arrangements, when you move to Alexandria, we never contemplated making them. To begin with there is no time and to end with I understand from Knox that they have been already





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worked out by your Staff in conjunction with A. H. Q. Egypt, and in my telegram of yesterday I asked you to make the arrangements, and I have told Sir John the same thing.

*Yours sincerely,  
Haldane*



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

W

No. Q/4078-  
.....Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, <sup>rd. April.</sup> ~~March~~, 1915.From:- General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.To :- General Headquarters,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.Memorandum.

I forward herewith a copy of a memorandum No. Q.4048 dated 30th March, 1915, which was despatched to Headquarters, Force in Egypt, before the instructions in your G.S.R.44 dated 30/3/15 had been received.

2. The alteration in allocation to transports, consequent on the withdrawal of the Divisional Ammunition Column of the Australian Division, and on the removal of the Reserve Park to a late<sup>r</sup> ship, as ordered in your G.S.R. 40.(c)a of the 30th March, has altered the vessels for which veterinary officers are required. These now stand as follows:-

LAKE MICHIGAN  
CITY OF BENARES  
MINNEWASKA  
MASHOBRA  
NOVIAN  
ARMADALE  
ITRIA

The vessels on which, if sanctioned, veterinary stores should be placed are :-

LAKE MICHIGAN	KARROO
CITY OF BENARES	ITRIA
MINNEWASKA	ATLANTIAN
INDIAN	
CARDIGANSHIRE	
MASHOBRA	
NOVIAN	
ARMADALE	

W.R.B.

Lieut-General,



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.COPY

Q.4048.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 30th March, 1915.

From:- General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.

To :- Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.

Memorandum.

Please refer to my Q.4038 of 29th March. In the allocation of troops to transports therein shewn, certain vessels carrying horses have no veterinary officers.

These are:-

Lake Michigan  
City of Benares  
Minnewaska  
Mashobra  
Novian  
Armada  
Katuna  
Anglo Egyptian

May veterinary officers from one of the Australian L. of C. /veterinary units be detailed for duty on the voyage, returning to their units on completion of their duty.

The requirements of transports of the New Zealand and Australian Division will be communicated to you as soon as possible.

2. It is understood that medical stores are being placed on all transports under your orders to enable units to keep their own stores intact for use on landing.

3. It would be a great boon if the same could be done, if not already arranged, in the case of veterinary stores for those vessels shewn as carrying horses in the table in the first para of my Q.4038, viz:-

Lake Michigan	Mashobra	Katuna
City of Benares	Anglo Egyptian	Karoo
Minnewaska	Novian	Itria
Indian	Armada	Atlantian
Cardiganshire		

(Sgd) R.A. Carruthers,  
Brig-General,  
for Lieut-General,  
Commanding Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

W  
No. *Q. 4080.*

Army Corps Headquarters,

Cairo, ~~March~~, 1915.

*1<sup>st</sup> April.*

From:- General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.

To :- General Headquarters,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

Memorandum.

Will you please refer to my Q.4038 dated 29th March to the address of Headquarters, Force in Egypt, of which a copy was forwarded to you for your information.

2. In accordance with the instructions conveyed in your G.S.R.40. C(a) of 30/3/15, the Reserve Park and the Divisional Ammunition Column of the Australian Division have been removed from the list of ships given in my Q.4038.

That table should now read:-

Transports	No. allotted		Reported capacity		Surplus		Not used	
	Men	Horses	Men	Horses	Men	Horses	Men	Horses
	"LAKE MICHIGAN"		to	"NOVIAN" -	No change.			
ARMADALE	368	349	376	360	-	-	8	11
ITRIA	195	139	218	225	-	-	23	86
KARROO	575	425	620	438	-	-	45	13
ATLANTIAN	819	462	791	500	28	-	-	38

The "ANGLO EGYPTIAN" and the "KATUNA" have been transferred to the transports for the New Zealand Division, the allocation of which to transports is now proceeding. Their names should therefore be added to the list in para. 6 of my Q.4038.

3. Will you please inform Headquarters, Force in Egypt, accordingly, and inform me if I should now submit to you the detailed allocation to transports for the preparation of the Plans of Railway and Road Movement to port of embarkation.

*W. R. Bidwood*

Lieut-General,  
Commanding Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



No. Q. 4120

APPENDIX NO. /

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Headquarters, Australian and  
New Zealand Army Corps.

Cairo, 3rd. April, 1915.

From: General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

To: Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.

MEMORANDUM.

I have been informed by General Headquarters that I may communicate with you direct on matters of detail connected with the embarkation of my Army Corps.

2. Will you please refer to my Q:4079., of 30th. March. I enclose a copy of my Q:4079 to General Headquarters, Mediterranean Expeditionary Force. You will see that the Medical Personnel now allotted, though the same in numbers, should embark on Osmanieh, Itria, and Armadale.

As regards Para 3 of Q:4079 - officers and sufficient personnel to form 2 small beach dressing stations would suffice. These should embark also on Osmanieh, and anticipating your ~~your~~ concurrence I have arranged for them on that transport.

3. It would be very convenient if the personnel could proceed to Alexandria by the morning mail on Monday and report there to Major Villiers Stuart, Shed 17 - who will direct them to their transports, which are loaded on Tuesday morning in in the case of the Osmanieh and probably on Wednesday in the case of Itria and Armadale.

Brig-General,  
General Staff,  
for Lieut-General,  
Comdg. Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.No. *Q/4079*

Army Corps Headquarters,

Cairo, ~~31st March~~, 1915.  
*1<sup>st</sup> April.*From:- General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.To :- General Headquarters,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.Memorandum.

I forward herewith a copy of a memorandum No.Q.4049 dated 30th March, 1915, which was despatched to Headquarters, Force in Egypt, before the instructions in your G.S.R.44, dated 30/3/15, had been received. A copy of the answer is also forwarded for your information.

2. The alteration in allocation to transports, consequent on the withdrawal of the Divisional Ammunition Column of the Australian Division, and on the removal of the Reserve Park to a later ship, as ordered in your G.S.R.40 (c)a of 30th March, has altered the medical personnel necessary.

The requirements now stand:-

Officers	Other Ranks	Transport
1	Room for two other ranks	OSMANIEH
1	has been allotted on each	ITRIA
1	transport.	ARMADALE

3. It is suggested that a proportion of medical personnel should also be detailed to sail in the OSMANIEH or other vessel conveying reinforcements and beach parties for the covering force of my Army Corps, for ambulance duties on the beach or beaches selected for its disembarkation.

*Sgd.* *W.R. Bidwood.*

Lieut-General,  
Commanding Australian and New Zealand Army  
Corps.



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No. Q.4049.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 30th March, 1915.

From:- General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.

To :- Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.

Memorandum.

Reference to your D.M.S. No. 251/15, dated 22/3/15, (in reply to my Q.192 of 18th March) the altered allocation of troops to transports referred to in my Q.4038 - secret - of 29/3/15, has made necessary certain changes in the arrangements you have made for detailing medical personnel to transports.

2. The transports on which medical personnel should now be placed are:-

<u>Officers</u>	<u>Other Ranks</u> Note:-	<u>Transport</u>
1	Room for two other ranks has been	Osmanieh
1	allotted on each	Anglo Egyptian
1	transport.	Katuna

3. The requirements of the transports conveying the New Zealand and Australian Division will be notified as soon as possible.

4. It is understood that D.M.S. Egypt is arranging to place a supply of medical stores on each transport. May I inform units to this effect?

(Sgd) R. A. Carruthers,  
Brig-General,  
for Lieut-General,  
Commanding Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



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Dismounting	of	stretcher	bearers
Horse	Field	Ambulances	will
b2	proceeded	with	until
orders			further

From Headquarters	Place Anzac	Time
The above may be forwarded as now corrected.		(Z) <i>Chwastuk</i>
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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No.....

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 7<sup>2</sup> April, 1915.

From: General Officer Commanding,  
A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

To: General Headquarters,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

MEMORANDUM

I forward herewith detailed Tables of allocation of Troops to Transports; which include :-

Army Corps Headquarters, Communication Unit, and Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps.

Australian Division

less: Divisional Regiment of Light Horse  
Divisional Ammunition Column

- and -

One Infantry Brigade	)	
One Field Company	)	already
One Field Ambulance	)	proceeded
No. 3 Section, F.A. Bde	)	overseas.
Ammunition Column	)	

Mountain Artillery Brigade and its Administrative Services.

2. The Troops are distributed in echelons, which, it is suggested, should be embarked in the following order :-

PERA	}	Carrying the Mountain Artillery Brigade
HESSER		
LAKE MICHIGAN	}	Carrying Army Corps Headquarters, Army Corps Hdqrs, Signal Company, 1 Infantry Brigade, 1 Field Company, 1 Field Ambulance, 1 Company of Train
CITY OF RENARES		
DERFFLINGER		
MINNEWASKA		
NOVIAN	}	Carrying 1 Infantry Brigade, 1 Field Company, 1 Field Ambulance, 1 Company of Train.
MASHOBRA		
GALEKA		
CLAN MCGILLIVRAY		
INDIAN	}	Carrying 2 Field Artillery Brigades, less 1 Battery, Ceylon Planters' Rifle Corps, Hdqrs and Hdqrs Company of Train
ATLANTIAN		
CARDIGANSHIRE		
KARROO	}	Carrying 1 Field Artillery Brigade and 1 Battery
ITRIA		
ARMADALE		

16 Transports: or with those of the Troops of my Army Corps



30 20

at Lemnos, 21 in all.

3. If the allocation shown is approved, may I have orders to proceed with the preparation of plans of movement by rail, or, if necessary, by road.

4. The numbering of these transports is for consideration. I understand that the transports of my Army Corps will be distinguished by the letter "A". If this is so, I suggest a numbering as follows :-

At LEMNOS.

IONIAN	A 1 )	Boards to be prepared and sent in advance.
MALDA	A 2 )	
DEVANHA	A 3 )	
SUFFOLK	A 4 )	
NIZAM	A 5 )	

At ALEXANDRIA

PERRA	A 6
HESSEN	A 7
LAKE MICHIGAN	A 8
CITY OF BENARES	A 9
DERFFLINGER	A 10
MINNEWASKA	A 11
NOVIAN	A 12
MASHOBRA	A 13
GALEKA	A 14
CLAN MCGILLIVRAY	A 15
INDIAN	A 16
ATLANTIAN	A 17
CARDIGANSHIRE	A 18
KARROO	A 19
ITHIA	A 20
ARMADALE	A 21

Lieut.-General,  
Commandg. Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.



Telegram No. B 270  
From Embarking, Alexandria  
To Anzac, Cairo.  
Received 5.4.15.

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B 270. Transport Atlantian will not take both the  
two batteries and the A.S.C. Company AAA Please wire which is to  
have the preference and which ship the rejected unit is to go to.

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Telegram No. <sup>4185</sup> ~~XXX~~ N11  
From Anzac, Cairo  
To Embarkation, Alexandria.  
Despatched 5. 4. 15

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Your B 270 stating that one unit must come out of ATLANTIAN stop is this correct as figures in your report of 20th. March are not exceeded stop If correct then A.S.C. Company must come out and go on to SALDANHA one of the ships so far unused stop Total to move out of ATLANTIAN personnel 200, Horses 181, Carts two-wheeled 6, Wagons G.S. 35, G.S. limbered 1, Bicycles 7, Motor Cars 1 stop Headquarters Divisional Train should remain on ATLANTIAN and also the personnel 4, horses 8, wagons G.S. 2 of baggage section serving the two batteries stop Arrange to camp A.S.C. Company Alexandria unless SALDANHA is ready for it to go on board or can be victualled with it on.

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## AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No. Gs. 4186.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, April, 1915.From: General Officer Commanding,  
A. & N. Z. Army CorpsTo: General Headquarters,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.MEMORANDUM

I forward B 270 from Embarkation, Alexandria and subsequent telegrams regarding the shutting out of No. 1 Company, Australian Divisional Train from the Atlantian, and its change to the Saldanha.

2. An Allocation Table of the Unit to the Saldanha is attached.

Will you please strike out this unit from the former allocation to the Atlantian?

Lieut.-General,  
Commanding. Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.W 4190  
No. ~~4189~~.....Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 6<sup>th</sup> April, 1915.From:- General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.To :- Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.

6 APR 1915

EGYPT

Memorandum.

No. 1 Co. Australian Divisional Train has been transferred to SALDANHA, a transport hitherto unallotted.

The company has no medical officer. Might a small detachment be detailed to proceed to Alexandria as early as possible to report to Embarkation there for duty on the SALDANHA

The company has insufficient medical stores and appliances. Can a supply of these be placed on board SALDANHA, please.

*Rafaeluthers Brig. General*  
for Lieut-General,  
Commanding Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

*H. J. A. L. J. G. E.*

*I have directed Mr. Menz Home  
Hosp: (no 2 general) to detail a staff  
of 2 men 1. hosp. 2 men to proceed on  
quarters, also directed medical  
stores to be put on board*

No. 4207
DATE RECD 6/4/15
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A. and N. Z. A. C.

*H. J. A. L. J. G. E.*  
6.4.15

*Rafaeluthers*  
Brig. Genl.



Ga 4103

Cairo :  
2nd. April, 1915From G.O.C.,  
Australian & New Zealand Army Corps ;To General Headquarters,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.Memorandum.

I forward herewith Tables "Allocation of Troops to Trans-  
ports for the remaining units of my Army Corps as ordered in  
your O a B of 28th. ~~March~~ <sup>March</sup>, and G.S.R. 40 B(a) of 30th. March.

2. The Transports required are :-----

	<u>Men</u>	<u>Horses</u>
ACHAYA	539	68
ITONUS	1023	18
KATUNA	346	320
<del>WITZOW</del> LUTZOW	1724	150
GOSLAR	699	279
ANNABERG	1343	76

which form a group carrying Divisional Headquarters, a field  
battery, a field company, and a field ambulance, and an Infantry Bde.

Haidar Pasha	317	88
SEEANGBEE	1050	-
AUSTRALIND	969	310
SEEANGCHUN	1054	-
CALIFORNIAN	561	448
ASCOT	990	205
SURADA	336	270
SUDMARK	257	362

which form a group carrying one infantry brigade, a  
field artillery brigade less one battery, a howitzer battery with  
its ammunition column, S.A.A. portion of a Brigade Ammunition  
Column, a Field Ambulance, and a Reserve Park.

3. In anticipation of your sanction to this allocation, the  
Tables have been passed to Army Headquarters, Egypt, for preparat-  
-ion of the railway movement.

Brig. Genl. G.S.  
for Lieut. Genl. Commanding, A. & N.Z. Army  
Corps.







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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No. 4188.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 6<sup>th</sup> April, 1915.From: General Officer Commanding,  
A. & N. Z. Army CorpsTo: Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.MEMORANDUM

Will you please make the following corrections to  
the Allocation Tables for the New Zealand and Australian

Division :-	Personnel	Horses
ITONUS, 2nd. Co., A.S.C.	+ 24	
LUTZOW, Hdqrs, and No. 1 Sect. Divl. Signal Co.	+ 11	
GOBLAR, Hdqrs. and Supply Sect. No. 2 Co. Divisional Train		+ 2
SEEANGBEE, N. Z. Reinforcements	+ 32	
AUSTRALIND, Personnel of Hdqrs and No. 1 Sect. Divisional Train	+ 19	
<sup>14th</sup> CALIFORNIAN, Horses of 14th. Battalion		+ 6
ASCOT, No. 4 Co., A.S.C., Baggage Sections, serving 14th. Bn.	+ 8	+ 16
SURADA, Horses and vehicles of Hdqrs and No. 1 Co. of Train	+ 14	+ 28

2. If this entails corrections in train timings  
already issued I will arrange for these additions to be  
taken in the Relief Train each morning after the move of  
the unit in which these additions have been made.

Lieut.-General,  
Commandg. Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

Copy to N.Z. & A Div

Copies to Major Shawe Embarking Alex  
N.Z. & A Div for information  
F.H.Q



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.No. Q/4191

Army Headquarters,

Cairo, 6<sup>th</sup> April, 1915.

From General Officer, Commanding  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

To Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.

It is understood that No 1 Co Australian Division ~~AT~~  
TRAIN was shut out of ATLANTIAN owing to the number of vehicles  
for that ship exceeding its capacity.

2. Transports may present difficulty in this respect

Armadale

Goslar

Australind

Ascot

3. Armadale - 39 four wheeled vehicles, <sup>10</sup> Ambulances  
could go in any later ship (see list below) but preferably  
in ITRIA.

Goslar - 41 four wheeled vehicles, 10 wagons of the New  
Zealand Divisional Train, H.Q. and Supply Section of the No 2  
Company and if necessary 10 ambulances could go in any ship of  
the list given except ITRIA.

Australind - 17 four wheeled vehicles, 10 Ambulance  
wagons can go in any other vessel of the list.

Ascot - 23 wagons G.S. 11 wagons of the 4/(Aust)  
Co of Divisional <sup>Train</sup> can go on any other vessel of the list.

Surada - 21 wagons G.S.. 9 wagons of H.Q. and  
No 1 Co Train can go on any other vessel of the list.

Sudmark - Any of the wagons can be transferred.

Copies to Embarking Alexandria  
H.Q Force in Egypt  
N.Z. & Aus Div for information

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4. The list referred to in para 3, it is suggested, might include:-

ITRIA (for Australian Division overflows).

ANNABERG

~~HAIDER PASHA~~

HAIDAR PASHA

SEERANGBER

SEERANG CHUN

5. As none of the vehicles mentioned in para 3 are likely to be required urgently they can be stowed with or without wheels on.

Lieut-General,  
Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.





From G.H.Q. ALEXANDRIA.

To G.H.Q. MUDROS.

M.F.Q.T. 26. ✓

14.4.15. desp. 12 noon.  
decphd. 6.25 pm.

*HQ NZ Inf/3de  
NZ Engineers.*

GOSLAR unfit to proceed to sea. Will be  
delayed 2 days refitting. SOUTHLAND will sail  
April 16th.

*1st Lt, A & N. Z Corps*

*Inwarded for your  
information.*

*C. Fuller  
Major*

*G. H. Q. }  
14/4/15. }*

No. 4394
DATE REC <sup>d</sup> 15/4/15
ISSUED TO
A. and N. Z. A. C.



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

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No. Ga.4090.....

Army Corps Headquarters,

Cairo, 15<sup>th</sup> April, 1916.

From:- General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.

To :- General Officer Commanding,  
Australian Division.

Memorandum.

I forward herewith Tables of Allocation of Troops to Transports.

2. It is understood that embarkation will commence on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> April, and plans of railway movement are now being prepared for the movement of the troops of your division.

3. As far as the infantry and the units to be embarked with them are concerned, their movement will be by rail, and will take place in batches in approximately the order in which these allocation tables are numbered.

4. A draft copy of organization orders is sent, of which Major Wagstaff will explain details if desired - these are for sanction of General Headquarters, but the actual details of baggage, ammunition, supplies, will hold good; and preparations on the lines of base arrangements should be made pending sanction.

5. The units which are to supply hold and beach parties etc. are not detailed in the allocation tables. Will you please send in an officer of your staff at 10 a.m. tomorrow, 2nd April, to arrange this, in consultation with Lt-Col. Skeen.

6. Please direct the Officer Commanding Troops on each transport to select a Military Transport Officer for duty on board. If convenient to you, Lt-Col. Skeen will meet all officers commanding transports, and Military Landing Officers, and explain certain duties to them at 10. a.m. on Saturday, 3rd April.

Arranged

Sa. Adheer Singh

Brig-General,  
General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



Dy. No. 4096

Telegram No. M.F.63 dated 1st April 1915

From G.H.Q. Mediterranean Expy. Force

To General Birdwood

Received 9-15 p.m.

Arrange movement Australian Division to Alexandria so as to commence embarking on Sunday April 4th and continue in accordance with arrangements already worked out by you. Inform me time arrival first train and post me copy movement. Acknowledge receipt. End.



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## AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No. *Ga. 4128*

Army Corps Headquarters,

Cairo, *3<sup>rd</sup>* April, 1915.

From: General Officer Commanding,  
A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

To: General Headquarters,  
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

MEMORANDUM.

Reference your M.F.63, dated 1st. April and in continuation of my telegram G(a)4119 of to-day, I forward herewith train timings of the first three echelons of the Australian Division and Corps Troops.

2. I propose to move to Alexandria myself with my headquarters staff on the morning of Wednesday, 7th. April, if the Army Commander approves. The bulk of Army Corps Headquarters, with horses wagons, etc., moves off at 3 a.m. on 4th. April.

Lieut.-General,  
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.



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## AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No G.O. 4106

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, *2nd* April, 1915.From: General Staff,  
A. & N. Z. Army Corps.To: General Officer Commanding,  
New Zealand and Australian Division.MEMORANDUM

- I forward herewith the tables of allocation of Troops to Transports.
2. It is understood that embarkation will commence early next week and plans of railway movement are now being prepared for the movement of the Troops of your Division.
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barkation to them at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, 6th. April.

7. Where Medical and Veterinary personnel are shown, these should be provided from your Division. No vessel should be without Medical personnel, and all vessels carrying animals should have a Veterinary Officer or efficient farrier on board.

8. You should have in readiness an advance party of 1 Officer and 6 men per ship ready to leave for Alexandria by the 7.30 a.m. train on the day before which the train movement to the ship they represent begins.

Brig.-General  
General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

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Brig-General  
General Staff.  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



"A" Form. Army Form C. 2121.

**MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.** No. of Message \_\_\_\_\_

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Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			Sent		Service.	Date _____
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			By Pearce		(Signature of "Franking Officer.")	

TO { N.Z. and A. Division - Zeithoun 549  
2nd Lt. Horse Brigade Maadi - 550h

Sender's Number * Ga 4100	Day of Month 2nd	In reply to Number —	<b>AAA</b>
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worn	remaining	personnel	draught	horses
with	spare	wireless	stores	and
limbered	wagons	of	wireless	detachment
also	party	signalers	with	two
lamp	stations	to	be	ready
to	entertain	for	Alexandria	evening
third	aaa.	report	strengths	at
once	aaa	you	will	arrange
transport	to	station	aaa.	turning
will	be	notified	later	aaa.
unit	required	to	proceed	oversea
to	join	that	portion	of
wireless	detachment	already	sailed.	aaa
acknowledge.				

From	Anzac	
Place	Shepherd's Hotel	
Time	4:30 pm	

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)

\* This line should be erased if not required.

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Ga 4113.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 1915

From:- Brigadier-General,  
General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.

To :- General Officer Commanding,  
New Zealand and Australian Division.

MEMORANDUM.

Please warn Ceylon Planters Rifle Corps to be ready to entrain at CAIRO No.7 at the times noted in the attached time table. (Trains 747 (a) and 711 (a).

Their entraining strength is Personnel 151:  
Horses 9: Carts 2: Wagons G.S. 1: Wagons G.S. limbered 3  
Bicycles 1.

A.F.B26 is forwarded herewith, for use as laid down in the attached instructions.

One officer should precede the Corps, travelling by the 7.30 am train on the 5th, and acting in co-operation with the officer in charge of the advance party for the Atlantian who will be travelling by the same train.

*A Skem.*

*for* Brigadier-General,  
General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No. G. 4144

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 4<sup>th</sup> April, 1915.

From:- General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.

To :- General Officer Commanding,  
New Zealand and Australian Division.

MEMORANDUM.

30 copies of orders issued by Headquarters, Force in Egypt, for the train movement are sent herewith for guidance.

2. Para 2 differs from the original orders issued but is now correct.

3. Reference para 4 - The accomodation on standard trains is as follows:-

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|------------------------|--|
| <u>Infantry train.</u> | 1 First Class Coach.   |
|                        | 1 Second Class coach.  |
|                        | 11 Third class coach, each 48 men.   |
|                        | 4 Animal trucks, each 9 saddled horses.                                    |
|                        | 3 Thirty ton box trucks.   |
|                        | 3 Flat trucks for vehicles, each 4 two-wheeled or 2 four-wheeled vehicles. |

This train will take half battalion of Infantry together with a unit such as a Brigade Headquarters.

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|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| <u>Cavalry train.</u> | 1 First Class Coach.        |
|                       | 1 Second class coach.       |
|                       | 4 Third class coach.        |
|                       | 18 Horse trucks.            |
|                       | 2 Thirty ton box trucks.    |
|                       | 6 Flat trucks for vehicles. |

This train will take 1 Squadron Mtd Rifles or a battery of Artillery with a small unit in addition.

4. In the case of a unit entraining in two or more standard trains, care must be taken that a proper proportion of the horses and vehicles of the unit are put on to each train so as to use the accomodation to its full capacity.

*(Sd J. Asker L. M. O.)*  
Brigadier-General,  
General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

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2. Rations for detachments - See Organization Orders, para. 7.
3. Time of arrival at entraining station. Units must be at the entraining station a quarter of an hour before the time scheduled for the train to be ready for loading, so as to ensure punctuality in trains leaving Cairo.
4. Entrainment. Troop trains are of standard type and will be run alongside the ships.

Horses, vehicles, stores, and men, will be entrained in that order. Animal trucks, flats, and baggage trucks must be filled to their utmost capacity, an officer being detailed from the entraining unit to see that this order is most rigidly observed.

Another officer will be similarly detailed to allot the men's accommodation, and should be warned of the urgent necessity for systematically filling every seat, the accommodation on the train being strictly limited. On the order for men to entrain being given parties of the strength allotted to each coach must be marched to their coach, and immediately entrained.

5. Detrainment. Units will not detrain until receipt of orders to do so from the Embarking Staff Officer.

The horses etc. not embarking with the main bodies of the units to which they belong will be detrained at the quay at which the train arrives, and will immediately proceed to the quay at which they are required to embark.

6. Vehicle Trains. Special vehicle trains will be necessary in some cases, and these will be especially arranged for, and the time for loading notified as early as possible.



7. Entrainment and Embarkation of Detachments. Units are entrained from Cairo as complete as possible; they will be railed to the ship which is taking the main body, and detachments must be sent from there to the transport on which they are to embark.

8 Embarkation Returns, as under, in triplicate, will be handed to the Embarking Staff Officer on the quay

on the arrival of the complete unit at GABBARY.

Army Form B.141. By Officers Commanding Units.

Army Form B.126. By Officers in charge of all detachments, whether independent or belonging to units whose headquarters are embarked on another vessel.

A supply of these forms is being issued.

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Any vehicle likely to be crowded out from a troop train at other entraining stations than MADBOULI, is to be sent at once to MADBOULI, and left there in charge of a man, who must know his unit and the ship he is destined for. Horses will be entrained in their proper trains without fail.

2. A relief train will be made up in the morning to take these vehicles to ALEXANDRIA.
3. The R.T.O. at MADBOULI will arrange to load the vehicles in trucks for particular ships.
4. R.T.O's who despatch vehicles to MADBOULI will obtain a receipt for them from the R.T.O. at MADBOULI.

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.No. Ga 4180.Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 5 April, 1915

From:- General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand  
Army Corps.

To :- General Officer Commanding,  
New Zealand and Australian Division.

MEMORANDUM.

In continuation my Ga.4106 of 2nd April, and Ga. 4144 of 4th April, herewith 6 copies of train timings for the 5th Echelon of the Army Corps, which is formed of units of your Division, for action.

2. Please detail 3 R.T.O.'s to each of the 4 entraining stations and furnish the senior R.T.O. at each station with a programme.

3. Attention is drawn to the instructions regarding entrainment issued with the memoranda quoted above.

4. Separate instructions will be issued to R.T.O.'s as to the disposal of vehicles which may be crowded out from any train.

Brig-General,  
D.A. & Q.M.G.,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.No. *Ga 4309*Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, *8<sup>th</sup>* April, 1915.From:- General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.To :- General Officer Commanding,  
New Zealand and Australian Division.MEMORANDUM.

Reference my Ga.4180 dated 5th April, paragraph 4, the Traffic Superintendant has intimated that the vehicles for making up a relief train will be stabled as follows:-

At PALAIS KUBBA 15 flat trucks

At CAIRO MAIN 10 flat trucks

1 third class

2. Vehicles crowded out from troop trains at the four entraining stations will be collected as follows:-

At PALAIS KUBBA	from	{ PALAIS KUBBA
		{ (HILMIEH.

At CAIRO MAIN	-	from	{ CAIRO No. 1.
			{ CAIRO NO. 7.

3. Vehicles sent to a relief train will be sent in charge of a man who will be told his unit and the ship he is destined for;

4. Horses must be entrained in their proper trains without fail.

5. O.C's troop trains should be warned that men must not be allowed to leave the station platforms or precincts when once they have arrived thereat. All troops should be warned against sellers of drink and fruit who frequent the neighbourhood of entraining platforms.

6. O.C's troop trains will see that men do not lie on footboards of passenger vehicles, and on flat-trucks.

7. It is notified for information that a large number of men, detailed to proceed by a special ship as reinforcements,



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Were found on other ships with their units, and have been sent by the Embarkation Authorities to the Base details Camp at Alexandria - A similar procedure will be adopted in regard to any men, horses surplus to the numbers- shewn in Allocation Tables issued with A.C.H.Q. Ga 4106, and subsequent official amendments. Ga

8. Please communicate necessary orders to Troops and R.T.O'S.

*Ltd. H B Walker*

*Bq. Gen*



Diary No. 4125.

Telegram No Ga 4125, dated 3rd April 1915.

From :- A N Z A C

To Colonel MacLagan.

Despatched 7 p-m-

Reference my Ga 4061 of 31st March redistribution of troops to transports will be carried out forthwith and embarkation is to be completed by 9th April according to tables sent with the instructions. Senior Naval Officer has been informed accordingly. The following will be disembarked if on board and left left at Lemnos, Stationary Hospital, section Field Bakery, squad Field Butchery. Clearing Hospital will be embarked as in allocation tables. Acknowledge.



Telegram No. K.C18. Dated 4/4/15.

From:- Colonel Maclagan.

To :- "ANZAC,"

CAIRO.

Despatched - 5.30 p.m. Received - 10 P.M.

Your Ga.4125 received. Your Ga.4061 of Xthirtyfirst  
March. My headquarter tables and instructions redistribution  
not yet to hand. Cable the main items units horses vehicles  
for particular ships as the short notice compels me to commence  
embarking at once.

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Working copy to ①.



Telegram N<sup>o</sup> Ga 4166. dt 5.4.15

From ANZAC

To Colonel MacLagan

Despatched 12 noon -

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Your K.C. 18 of 4<sup>th</sup> tables and instructions summarized in my cable Ga 4142. 4<sup>th</sup>. You will see that all ships boats on your transports are serviceable. If necessary enlist Admiral's assistance in making shipmasters carry out the work.

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Telegram P. No.Ga 4142 dated 4/4/15.

From :- Anzac.

To :- Colonel Maclagan.

Despatched 5 pm.

Refer to my Ga.4047 informing you of despatch of fresh allocation tables and detail of distribution within transports and also my Ga.4125. The ship with these tables is delayed. Re-distribution is to be as follows and to begin at once.

DEVANHA. 12th battalion complete  
also 8 men, 16 horses, 4 baggage  
wagons of train.

MALDA. Brigade Headquarters  
Signal Section  
9th battalion (complete)  
10th battalion, 24 men; 12 riding, 18  
pack, 3 spare draught horses.  
11th battalion, 24 men; 12 riding, 18  
pack, 3 spare draught horses.  
Train baggage wagons of Brigade H.Q. and  
9th battalion, 10 men, 20 horses, 5  
wagons.

SUFFOLK 11th battalion (complete), less men and  
horses on MALDA.  
Field Ambulance; tent divisions, 39 person-  
nel, 8 draught horses, 3 water carts.  
Train, 8 men, 16 horses, 4 wagons.

NIZAM Brigade Ammunition Column (all)  
Remainder Field Company.  
Remainder Field Ambulance  
Remainder Train.  
Clearing Hospital. 2 men, 3 horses.

(Note. Pontoon and Ambulance wagons come off last.  
Supply vehicles next.)

IONIAN 10th battalion (complete) less men and  
horses on MALDA.  
Field Company, 155 personnel.  
Field Ambulance, bearer divisions, 117  
personnel, 1 transport wagon without  
team unless it can be accommodated.  
Train - for 10th battalion, 8 men, 16  
horses, 4 wagons.  
Clearing Hospital complete, less 2 men  
and 3 horses on NIZAM.

(Note. Engineers and Ambulance personnel to be those  
essential in action.)

*Acknowledge*



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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 4<sup>th</sup> April, 1915From: General Staff,  
A. & N. Z. Army Corps.To: Officer Commanding,  
3rd. Australian Infantry Brigade,MEMORANDUM.

Please see the attached copy of Instructions given to O. C., "Osmanieh".

2. The distribution of beach equipment as shown on Table B is based on probable requirements. Barrel Piers were ordered but are not likely to be ready for embarkation on "Osmanieh", so Casks are sent. Please place these on "Ionian" and have them made up into lengths of Barrel Pier, for landing men and stores, and place ready for launching.

3. When you have drawn reinforcements up to your requirements, please organise the rest into :-

(a) Hold parties as indicated in Table A.

and if a surplus is available, organise these into

(b) Beach Parties

Transfer them to their ships and instruct them in their duties. Please use and test the beach appliances while exercising the beach parties.

Brig.-General,  
General Staff,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



3<sup>a</sup> INSTRUCTIONS FOR O. C., "OSMANIEH".

Details of Reinforcements as on the attached statement embark on the "OSMANIEH", and are under your command for the voyage.

2. The following are being placed on board at Alexandria:-

Victuals to an extent which has been determined at Alexandria; not yet reported.

To be made over at once to O.C. Advanced Force (Colonel Mac-lagan) on arrival at Lemnos.

~~(Iron Rations for the Advance Force at Lemnos.~~  
~~A consignment of maps for the Advanced Force.~~  
 (Beach equipment as in attached Table A

3. On arrival at Lemnos the force under your command is to be distributed as on attached Table B.

The balance under your command is to remain on board the "Osmanieh" till further orders.

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5. You will hand in a report of all action taken by you on these instructions in the form of a War Diary to General Staff, Army Corps Headquarters, on their arrival on the "Minnewaska" at rendezvous.

6. As considerable variations of temperature are likely to be experienced you will warn the troops to take proper precautions against chill.

Given personally by Col. Skene.  
 Major McVea

J. B. Wallace

Brig.-General,  
 General Staff.



DISTRIBUTION AT LEMNOS OF TROOPS ON OSMANIEH.

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	S U F F O L K.		M A L D A.		NIZAM	IONIAN	DEVANHA.	T O T A L.		
	Medical personnl.	Reinforce- ments.	Medical personnl.	Reinforce- ments.	Reinforce- ments.	Reinforce- ments.	Reinforce- ments.	Medical personnl.	Reinforce- ments.	
HOLD PARTIES.	-	44	-	44	44	44	44	-	220	Each hold party to consist of 2 Offrs; 6 NCOs; or 6 senior men; 36 men.
BEACH PARTIES.	4ø	35	4ø	35	70	35	35	-	210	Each beach party of 35; to consist of 1 jnr Offr or senior NCO; 2 NCOs; & 32 men.
FATIGUE PARTIES.	-	-	-	-	-	400	-	-	400	Fatigue party wld be most suitably organized in 2 Coys of 6 platoons each 5 Off., or sen. NCOs being selected for each Coy.
Reinforcements as required by Advcd Forces.		?		?	?	?	?		?	ø Approximate. These detachments embark at Alexandria & will not entrain with the reinforcements.
Balance dependent on Advcd Force requirements in reinforcements.		?		?	?	?	?		?	
		?		?	?	?	?		972	

APPENDIX No: 103



DISTRIBUTION OF BEACH EQUIPMENT TO TRANSPORTS.

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TRANSPORT	Sign posts.	Paint white lbs.	Paint black lbs.	Paint brushes.	Casks water.	Tents.	Latrine flags.	Shovels.	'Phone Sect "E"	Lamps red.	Lamps green.	Laps white.	Flares with tow.	Flare feul glns	Casks wine 56 glls.
IONIAN	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
MALDA	15	10	3	3	12	4	3	2	-	6	6	23	70	70	-
DEVANHA	15	10	2	3	-	-	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SUFFOLK	-	-	-	-	13	4	8	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>75</b>

*If made in piers will go in piers, otherwise as cask, go onto IONIAN*

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APPENDIX NO. 101



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 4th April, 1915.

From : General Staff,  
A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

To: Officer Commanding  
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 Force (Colonel Mac- ( )  
 lagan) on arrival at ( )  
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(Sgd.) H. B. Walker,  
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DISTRIBUTION AT LEMNOS OF TROOPS ON OSMANIE H.

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	Medical personl.	Reinforce- ments.	Medical personl.	Reinforce- ments.	Reinforce- ments	Reinforce- ments	Reinforce- ments.	Medical personl.	Reinforce- ments.	
HOLD PARTIES	-	44	-	44	44	44	44	-	220	Each hold party to consist of 2 Offrs; 6 NCOs; or senior men, 36 men.
BEACH PARTIES.	40	35	40	35	70	35	35	-	210	Each beach party of 35; to consist of 1 jnr. offr. or senior NCO; 2 NCOs & 32 men.
FATIGUE PARTIES.	-	-	-	-	-	400	-	-	400	Fatigue party wld be most suitable organized in 2 Coys of 6 platoons each 5 Offs., or sen. NCOs being selected for each Coy.
Reinforcement s as required by Advcd. Force.		?		?	?	?	?		?	Approximate. These detachments embark at Alexandria & will not entrain with the reinforcements
Balance dependent on Advcd. Force requirements in reinforcements.		?		?	?	?	?		?	
		?		?	?	?	?		972	



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Diary No.4311

Telgram No.Ga.4311 dated 8th April, 1915.

From:- "Anzac".

To :- Colonel Maclagan.

Despatched - 3 pm. 8/4/14.

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In distribution of party out of OSMANIEH for IONIAN  
read SUFFOLK.

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## AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS

Ga. 4098.

HEADQUARTERS,  
Cairo, 2nd. April, 1915From:- Headquarters,  
A & N.Z. Army Corps.To:- General Headquarters,  
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3. A copy of this letter has been forwarded to Headquarters,  
Egypt.

Lieut.General,  
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

(2)

Headquarters,  
Force in Egypt.

Forwarded for your information.

*C. W.*

Cairo,  
2.4.15

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DYN. 4129<sup>108</sup>

IN YOUR REPLY  
PLEASE QUOTE THIS  
No. G.S.R. 82.0(a)

18 Rue El Caied Gohar,  
Alexandria.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS.  
MEDITERRANEAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

3rd April, 1915.

To  
General Officer Commanding,  
Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

Memorandum.

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In these circumstances, one cable section only should embark on the Minnewaska, and the remainder of the company with one cable section should be instructed to remain in Alexandria on arrival here tomorrow morning.

Will you please telegraph orders to the O.C. Signal Company to this effect, pending which we have instructed him to arrange with the G.O.C. Alexandria regarding a camp for his unit.

No. 4129.  
DATE REC<sup>d</sup> 3.4.15.  
ISSUED TO G.S.  
A. and N. Z. A. C.

*W. P. Matthews*  
C.G.S.  
Med. Ex. Force.

*Cable* Telegram to Major Evans  
orders to men.  
Protest made - Gra 4133.



In your reply  
please quote this  
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(Sgd.) W. R. Braithwaite,  
C.G.S.  
Med. Ex. Force.

Telegram to Major Evans  
Orders to Mena.  
Protest made - Ga. 4135.



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Army Corps Headquarters,  
Cairo, 3rd. April, 1915.

No.Ga.4133  
record copy.

To General Headquarters,  
M.E.F.

MEMORANDUM

With reference to your G.S.R.82 O(a) dated 3rd. April the necessary orders have been passed to the O/C Company 2. I would point out that with only one cable section at my disposal, I can only communicate with one of the two divisions under my command, and that only by cable.

(Signed) W. R. BIRDWOOD

Lieut.-General  
Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.





General Officer Commanding,

Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

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6172 Q

With reference to the movement of troops under your command from Cairo to Alexandria - the attached table shews train timings arranged with the Traffic Manager, Egyptian State Railways, for the move of 40 Officers and 1000 men to be embarked on the s.s. "OSMANIEH" on the 5th instant.

The Embarking Staff Officer Alexandria is being instructed to arrange with Port Authorities, Alexandria, for the berthing of the "OSMANIEH" by midday on the 5th.

An officer and advanced party should go down to Alexandria by the 7-30 a.m. train on the 5th and report on arrival to the Embarking Staff Officer, Alexandria.

Cairo.

3-4-15.

*E. U. R. G. G. G.*

Major,

D.A.A. & Q.M.G. Egypt Command.

Copy to Senior Naval Transport Officer.  
Embarking Staff Officer, Alexandria.

Copies 10

Aust Div

NZ-A Div

Major V. L. Stewart

} for information + action  
Mena to provide advance Party

3/4/15 *AS*



General Officer Commanding,

Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

8172. Q.

For purposes of entrainment the transports of the New Zealand and Australian Division have been grouped as follows :-

1st Echelon.	AGHAIA.	2nd Echelon	<del>SEANG</del> ANNABERG
	ITONUS		HAI DAR PACHA
entrain	KATUNA	entrain	ASCOT
night 7/8	LOIZOW	night 8/9	SEANGBEE
	GOSLAR		AUSTRALIND

3rd Echelon.	SEANGCHOON
	CALIFORNIAN
entrain	SUHADA
night 9/10	SUDMARE

The same instructions as were issued on the 2nd instant, regarding entrainment apply to the entrainment of the New Zealand and Australian Division. No variation in the allotment of units or detachments to trains should be allowed, as any such change causes great inconvenience and delay.

Surplus wagons and carts which cannot be loaded on troop trains must be collected at Cairo Main Station No 7 and Palais Kubba. They will then be loaded on to a special train of flat trucks and sent up as soon as possible after the departure of each echelon. Wagons and carts to be embarked in the same ship should be loaded in groups together.

Train timings for the 1st echelon herewith. The remainder will follow as soon as completed.

Cairo.

*P. H. Broadbent*

Major,

5 8/4/15

D.A.A. & Q.M.G. The Force in Egypt.

*N. 2. + A Div.*

*Forwarded. Please note above  
2/Train timings were handed to Major  
Pineill yesterday -*

*6/4/15*

*C.W.S.*



6172. Q.

General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.  
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Transports for the 1st Echelon, Australian Division,  
will be berthed as follows tonight :-

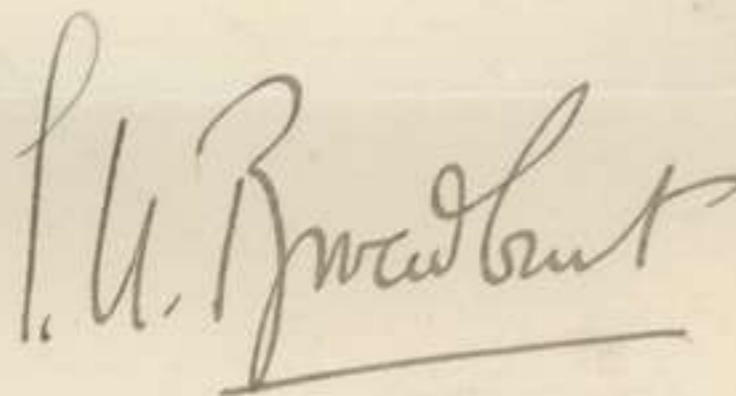
Hessen.	Quay	46
Pera.	"	45
Lake Michigan	"	52
City of Benares	"	71 (Timber Quay)
Derfflinger	"	25
Minnewaska.	"	42

Will you kindly note that a third class coach will  
be reserved for the advance parties of each echelon on the  
7.30 am train to Alexandria each morning until the move is  
complete.

Cairo.

3/4/15.

Q NO. 439



Major,

D.A.A. &amp; Q.M.G., The Force in Egypt.



*Urgent*

General Officer Commanding,  
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.  
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6172 Q.

The Transports for the 2nd Echelon will be berthed  
as follows :-

Novian.	Quay 73 (Timber Quays).
Galeka.	Quay 45
Clan MacGillivray.	Quay.52
Mashobra.	Quay 75 (Timber Quays).
Osmanieh.	Quay 46.

*Q470*

Cairo.

4/4/15.

*J. H. Broadbent*

Major,

D.A.A. &amp; Q.M.G., The Force in Egypt.

~~Issued~~  
RTO. from stations

please inform OC, each  
train or detachment accordingly

*C. W.*  
4/4/15