

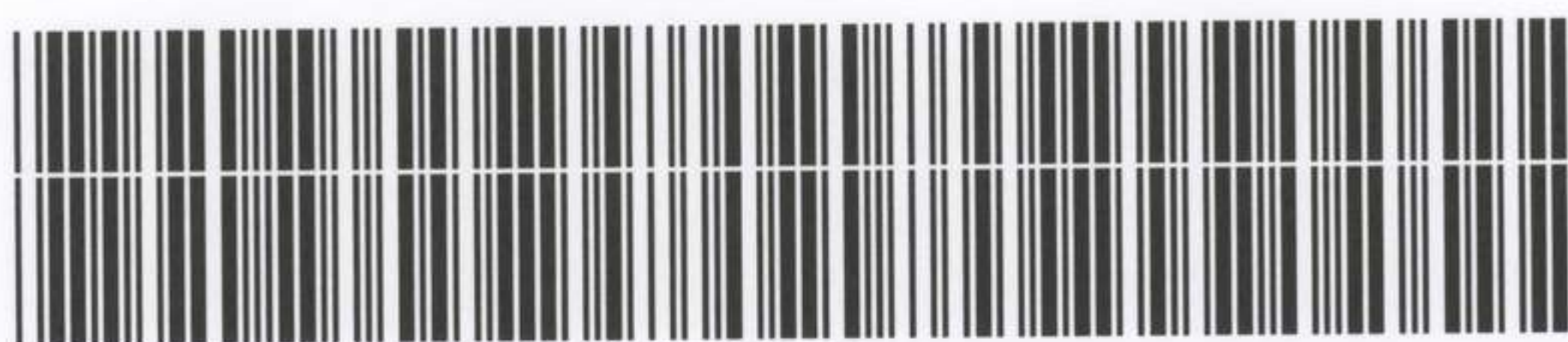
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H.Q., A. & N.Z. Army Corps.

Organisation Orders, A. & N.Z. Army Corps.

No. Ga. 4075

Army Corps Headquarters,

Cairo, 12th April 1915

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

To :- General Headquarters,
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward herewith for your sanction a draft of Organization Orders promulgating the procedure to be adopted when the Army Corps under my command, and Line of Communication units, furnished by Australia and New Zealand, proceed overseas, as may be ordered by you.

2. To meet the conditions under which all units from these Dominions serve, it has been found necessary:-

1. To organize machinery, the primary object of which is to deal with reinforcements - before transfer to the base of operations, and with discharges before their departure to destination.

This is the Intermediate Base Depot referred to in para. 4.

ii. To establish a training depot to complete the training of reinforcements arriving in Egypt before transfer to the base of operations.

This is the training depot referred to in para. 5.

3. The remaining paragraphs deal with such points as establishments, drafting of base details to the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force Base, disposal of ammunition, private property, currency, railway movement, tentage, and postal arrangements. Will you please sanction the procedure therein laid down, or give me orders as to the procedure to be followed.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

W.R.B.

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

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Army Corps Headquarters,

Cairo, 1st April. 1915

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O R D E R S

by

Lieut.-General W. R. Birdwood, K.C.S.I., C.B., C.I.E., D.S.O.,
for the organisation of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps
and L; of C. Units for service out of Egypt.

CAIRO,

1915

General. 1. (a) The following units and formations of the
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Force will hold themselves in readiness to leave Egypt at
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less: 3rd. Infantry Brigade and units already despatched.
4th. Regiment Light Horse
Divisional Ammunition Column
Baggage Sections of Trains serving those units.

New Zealand and Australian Division.

less: New Zealand Mounted Rifle Brigade
1st. (Australian) Light Horse Brigade
Otago Mounted Rifle Regiment
Field Troop, New Zealand Engineers.
Signal Troop, New Zealand Engineers
Signal Troop, 1st. Light Horse Brigade (less
Wireless detachment)
New Zealand Mounted Rifle Brigade Field Ambulance
1st. Light Horse Brigade Field Ambulance
No. 4 Coy., N.Z. Divisional Train (N.Z.M.R.Co.)
No. 5 Coy., N.Z. Divisional Train (L.H.Bde.Co.)
No. 3 Brigade Ammunition Column
Divisional Ammunition Column (with Baggage Sections
of Train serving it)

Line of Communication Units.

Australian Reserve Park
1st. (Australian) Depot Unit of Supply.
10 personnel (Australian) Ammunition Park.

Remainder to be added by G.H.Q.

Corps Troops

Wireless detachment, Signal Troops, 1st. and 2nd. Light
Horse Brigades.

(b) The following units will subsequently follow the
remainder of the Army Corps to Alexandria, but will not embark
till further orders.

Australian Divisional Ammunition Column
New Zealand Divisional Ammunition Column

2. Units are to move as follows :-

Australian Units, not of L. of C., according to War Establishments of the Australian Military Forces, 1913, subject to amendments sanctioned since arrival in Egypt. Australian Units of L. of C., according to War Establishments, 1914.

New Zealand Units, including L. of C. Units, according to War Establishments, 1914, subject to amendments sanctioned since arrival in Egypt.

3. A base for the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force is being formed at Alexandria. Personnel on the scale laid down for an Infantry Base Depot (W.R.1914; p.181) will be detailed from the Australian Division and from the New Zealand and Australian Division for duty at this base, to form a combined Infantry and General Base Depot for the Army Corps to move to Alexandria under orders from the General Headquarters. As all Australian units will be dealt with in the Australian section of the base, the New Zealand and Australian Division will also detail one extra warrant officer and one clerk from its Australian units to reinforce the personnel of the Australian section.

When eventually ordered to move, Corps Troops, viz., the 2nd. and 3rd. Light Horse Brigades, will each similarly reinforce the Australian section of the Base with one Warrant Officer and one clerk apiece, so that their details

can also be dealt with in the abovementioned Australian Section.

4. An Intermediate Base Depot under the command of Colonel Sellheim, C.B., will remain in Cairo to deal with records, and with individuals and units arriving in or leaving Egypt. Its organisation will be as in Appendix I

5. All officers, N. C. O's and men medically *unfit*, or N. C. O's and men for discharge, will be transferred to the Intermediate Base Depot. Units will be kept up to strength from reinforcements. The personnel detailed for base duties (vide para 3) will be earmarked and retained with units until ordered to move.

Up to 10% reinforcements are to accompany the Army Corps. These reinforcements, will be regarded as belonging to the Mediterranean Expeditionary Base Force at Alexandria although accompanying the Army Corps. Special orders will be issued for their embarkation.

Reinforcements not accompanying the Army Corps will remain at the Intermediate Base Depot, either until absorbed into the Training Depot when formed, or until transferred to the Base at Alexandria as required for despatch to the front.

All subsequent reinforcements will be drafted into the Training Depot direct until fit for transfer as

reinforcements to the Base at Alexandria.

6. All small arm ammunition still in charge of units will be vouchered to the O. C., Intermediate Base Depot for further training of reinforcements.

Ammunition is being placed on board transports at Alexandria on the scales shewn in Appendix II attached for each unit or portion of a unit embarked.

7. One day's cooked rations will be taken by the troops in the railway train, and, in addition, one day's supplies for men, and grain and fodder for animals for one day, will be taken with units in their railway train under Divisional arrangements.

8. Baggage and equipment will be taken on the scales laid down in F.S. Manuals of Units, with one blanket per man in addition.

The articles usually left at the Base (F.S. Pocket Book - pp. 179 - 183) will be kept with Base Details under the orders of the Commandants of the Combined Infantry and General Base Depots. All private property surplus to the above scales will be handed into the Intermediate Base Depot or disposed of privately.

Returns.

9. *Intake*
~~Returns~~ embarkation returns will be submitted for all units of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. The returns will be compiled in divisions and submitted to Army Corps Headquarters on the

Similar returns will be submitted by the L. of C. Units, direct to General Headquarters, Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

The greatest care is to be taken in compiling these returns, as it is on these returns that the necessary arrangements for entraining and embarking the troops will be made.

Alterations in these states will be submitted twice a week on Wednesday and Saturday until movement commences in order that the states may be kept up to date.

Pay. 10. Prior to embarkation, if pay is required, all ranks will be paid in Egyptian money; after embarkation payment will be made in gold under Divisional arrangements.

Movement. 11. Railway time tables and orders as to entrainment and embarkation will be issued in due course.

Tentage. 12. No tents will be taken, except those in the equipment tables of Ambulance units. In the case of L. of C. units, however, tentage brought from Australia or New Zealand will accompany each unit. A77 tents which have been drawn from the Chief Ordnance Office in Egypt will be returned into his charge under proper vouchers.

Extra equipment and stores. 13. Units will return all public stores and equipment surplus to their requirements in the field, as under:-

Units of the Australian Division to the D.A.D.C.S. of

their Division

Australian Units of the New Zealand and Australian

Division to the O.C., Intermediate Base Depot.

New Zealand Units of the Australia and Australian

Division to the D.A.D.O.S. of their Division.

The D.A.D.O.S. of each Division and the O.C.,

Base Details will send all other surplus stores, etc. to the Base at Alexandria; in the case of the Australian units to the Ordnance Store, already in their possession there; in the case of the New Zealand Units to Shed No. 17, Alexandria, which has been obtained on their behalf.

The officer detailed in each case to look after these stores in Alexandria will take early steps to hand in all stores which the Ordnance Base Depot will accept; the remainder will be returned to Australia or New Zealand at the first opportunity.

Postal
Address.

14. Postal matter arriving for the troops after their departure will be delivered to the O.C., Australian and New Zealand Intermediate Base Depot in Egypt, who will forward it to the O.C., Base at Alexandria for despatch as occasion offers.

Issued to -

Australian Division
New Zealand and Australian Division
2nd. Light Horse Brigade
3rd. Light Horse Brigade

Copies to -

H.Q., Force in Egypt.

Appendix 1.

ESTABLISHMENT OF INTERMEDIATE A. AND N.Z. ARMY CORPS BASE DEPOT IN EGYPT.

	To be found by A.I.F.							To be found by N.Z. Exp Force.							Totals.						
	Officers	Warrant Officer	Clerks	Staff Sgts and Sgts	Rank and File	Total	Riding Horses	Officers	Warrant Officers	Clerks	Staff Sgts and Sgts	Rank and File	Total	Riding Horses	Officers	Warrant Officers	Clerks	Staff Sgts	Rank and File	Total	Riding Horses
BASE HEAD QUARTERS DETAILS.																					
Colonel	1					1	1								1					1	1)
Staff Officer	1					1	1								1					1	1)
Clerks			1			1											1			1)
Batmen					3	3													3	3)
CAMP STAFF																					
Lt-Col or Major								1					1	1	1					1	1) Camp Comdr.
Adjnt & QM	2					2	2								2					2	2)
Med Offor	1					1	1								1					1	1)
Sgt Major		1				1														1	1)
Q.M.S.				1		1														1	1)
Clerks			2			2				x 2			2				4			4	4)
Batmen					4	4						1	1						5	5)	
P.O. Details				1	3	4						2	2		1			1	5	6	6)
Pay Corps	1			4		5					2		2		1			6		7	7)
Ordnance																					
Details		1		4		5					3		3			1		7		8	8)
	6	2	3	10	10	31	5	1		2	5	3	11	1	7	2	5	15	13	42	6

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Command of Depot and General administrative duties in connection therewith.

x One Clerk to have charge of Records of sick men left in Egypt.

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Appendix II

DISTRIBUTION OF AMMUNITION.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

(i) GUN

Description of Gun	With Battery	With Brigade Ammunition Column	With Divisional Ammunition Column	Total with Army Corps.	To be maintained on L. of C.	Total to be maintained in the Field.	Remarks
Australian Division, 18-pr. Q. F.	178	202	Div. Amm. Col remains at Alexandria	378	For orders of G. H. Q.		
New Zealand and Australian Division, 18-pr. Q. F.	176	76		252			
4.5" Howitzer	108	48		156			
Corps Troops 10-pr. B. L.	137	98	---	235			

(ii) S.A.A.

For each rifle of:-	With unit		In Brigade Ammunition Column	With Divisional Ammunition Column	Total with Army Corps	On L. of C.	Total to be maintained in the Field.	Remarks
	on the Soldier.	in Regimental Reserve						
Infantry of Australian Division	200	100	100	Div. Amm. Col. remains at Alexandria	400	For orders of G. H. Q.		
Infantry, N.Z. & A. Division	200	100	50		350			
Engineers	50	50	-		100			
Artillery	50	-	-		50			
A. S. C.	20	-	-		20			
Indian Artillery	30	-	20		50			

APPENDIX NO. (a)

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Headquarters Australian and
New Zealand Army Corps.

Cairo, 4th April, 1915.

From:- General Officer Commanding.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

To:- General Headquarters,

Mediterranean Expeditionary Force,

Alexandria. (Through Headquarters, The Force
in Egypt.)

MEMORANDUM.

Reference your No M.E.F., A/6, dated
3rd April, 1915.

The Intermediate Base Depot referred to
in para.2 of my letter No Ga 4075, dated 1st April, 1915,
was not, as suggested by you, made in consequence of
W.O., telegram No 3361 Cipher D.S.D., dated 1st April
1915, but referred to the section of a larger Base
brought into being as a result of considerable
correspondence between the G.O.C., The Force in Egypt,
the War Office, and the Defence Minister of Australia.

The Australian Imperial Force contains
many varied Units, e.g., the complete Division, an
additional Infantry Brigade and three Light Horse
Brigades, ^{and} with several Line of Communication Units
such as Hospitals, Veterinary Sections, Parks etc.

In organizing the Army Corps, the
Australian Imperial Force furnished one complete
Division, while some Units in excess of this Division
went to form the Second Division with the New Zealand Un
Units, under Major-General Godley. The Line of
Communication Units remained outside the Army Corps, and
under the direct Command of the G.O.C., The Force in
Egypt.

It was necessary to have a central
organization to deal with the records of the whole

Australian Imperial Force and to form a joint link between them and Australia. It is primarily a Records Office and also forms the link between the Defence Minister in Melbourne and the Australian Imperial Force as a whole. It has been sanctioned by the War Office, and by the Defence Minister and has proved indispensable. It is quite distinct from the Combined Infantry and General Base Depot as laid down in Field Service Regulations, Vol.2, which has been separately formed and is now proceeding to Alexandria to form the Army Corps section of the Base there.

As the New Zealand Units are all in one Division and have practically no Line of Communication Units, the necessity for a similar large Intermediate Base has not arisen in the same degree and the needs of New Zealand have been provided for by adding a small personnel to the Intermediate Base under Colonel Sellheim. I think it desirable that this Base should be kept separate from the normal overseas Base as its functions are different, and I consider it advisable that it should remain in Cairo where it has established offices. It is also very important that it should be in touch with the Training Camp, which is by War Office Orders now being formed, under General Spens. Reinforcements coming from Australia and New Zealand must be trained and it is desirable that some organization in touch with Australia and New Zealand should receive them and deal with their administration while undergoing training.

The Intermediate Base has a larger establishment than was shown in para.4 of my draft orders. The portion of the Base to deal with matters connected with my Army Corps only, exclusive of Line of Communication Units shown in the appendix referred to.

As all arrangements for the formation and conduct of this Base Depot have been carried out under the orders of the G.O.C., The Force in Egypt, I

forward this through him as he may wish to express
an opinion.

Sgd RA Carruthers
Brig Genl

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

Diary No. Ga/4155.

Telegram No. Ga/4155 despatched 5/4/15

From ANZAC, Cairo.

To General Headquarters, M. E. F., Alexandria.

Ga4155. Reference your letter AA/2677 of third
and my Ga4075 of first April please wire sanction or mod-
ifications to organisation orders which I wish to issue before
leaving.

Diary No. Ga/4155.

Telegram No. Ga/4155 despatched 5/4/15

From ANZAC, Cairo.

To General Headquarters, M. E. F., Alexandria.

Ga4155. Reference your letter AA/2677 of third and my Ga4075 of first April please wire sanction or modifications to organisation orders which I wish to issue before leaving.

Diary No. 4174

Telegram No. G.S.R.22 5

From General Headquarters, M.E.F.

To ANZAC, Cairo

Received 2.16 p.m. 5.4.15

G.S.R.22 5. Your Ga4155 Reference your Ga4075 of 1st. April in para 1 of your draft orders under L of C units insert one casualty clearing station AAA As regards Appendix 2 tables should follow W.E. part 1, 1914 80 far as your establishments will permit AAA Amount normally carried in parts will be added to amount maintained on L of C AAA Normally 120 rounds will be carried on the soldier. AAA.

Copies to.



G.O.C. Aust & New Zealand. Q.C.

Qty No
4189

In continuation of my A. 6 dated
3rd April answering your G.O. 4075
of 1st April the following is a copy
of a Telegram just sent to you.

"Your G.O. 4155 reference your G.O. 4075
of 1st April, In para 1 of your
draft orders under d of C units
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follow W.E. part I 1914 so far as
your establishment will permit.

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will be added to amount maintained
in d of C. normally 120 rounds will
be carried on the soldier."

The remainder of your proposed
procedure is sanctioned but
Base Commandant requests that

the units mentioned in para
1.6. of your draft orders be ordered
not to move till he notifies that
he can provide occupying ground.
as at present practically all
available space round Alexandria
is being made use of.

PLEASE RETURN.

5.4/15.

A. Heyman
Lt Col.

Ady.

by

Lieut-General W. R. Birdwood, K.C.S.I., C.B., C.I.E., D.S.O.,
for the organization of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps
and L. of C. Units for service out of Egypt.

Cairo, 2nd April, 1915.

General. 1. (a) The following units and formations of the Australian Imperial Force and the New Zealand Expeditionary Force will hold themselves in readiness to leave Egypt at short notice:-
Headquarters, Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.
Australian Division.

less: 3rd Infantry Brigade and units already despatched.
4th Regiment Light Horse.
Divisional Ammunition Column.
Baggage Sections of Trains serving those units.

New Zealand and Australian Division.

less: New Zealand Mounted Rifle Brigade.
1st (Australian) Light Horse Brigade.
Otago Mounted Rifle Regiment.
Field Troop, New Zealand Engineers.
Signal Troop, New Zealand Engineers.
Signal Troop, 1st Light Horse Brigade (less wireless detachment).
New Zealand Mounted Rifle Brigade Field Ambulance.
1st Light Horse Brigade Field Ambulance.
No. 4 Company N. Z. Divisional Train (N.Z.M.R.Co.)
No. 5 Company, N.Z. Divisional Train (L.H.Bde Co.).
No. 3 Brigade Ammunition Column.
Divisional Ammunition Column (with Baggage Section of Train serving it).

Line of Communication Units.

Australian Reserve Park
1st (Australian) Depot Unit of Supply.
10 personnel (Australian) Ammunition Park.
1. Casualty Clearing Station.

Wireless detachment, Signal Troops, 1st and 2nd, Light Horse Brigades

(b) The following units will subsequently follow the remainder of the Army Corps to Alexandria, but will not embark till further orders :-

Australian Divisional Ammunition Column

New Zealand Divisional Ammunition Column.

2. Units are to move as follows :-

Australian Units, not L. of C., according to War Establishments of the Australian Military Forces, 1912, subject to amendments sanctioned since arrival in Egypt. Australian units of L. of C., according to War Establishments, 1914.

New Zealand units, including L. of C. units, according to War Establishments, 1914, subject to amendments sanctioned since arrival in Egypt.

3. A base for the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force is being formed at Alexandria. Personnel on the scale laid down for an Infantry Base Depot (W.E.1914, p.161) will be detailed from the Australian Division and from the New Zealand and Australian Division for duty at this base, to form a combined Infantry and General Base Depot for the Army Corps to move to Alexandria under orders from the General Headquarters. As all Australian units will be dealt with in the Australian section of the base, the New Zealand and Australian Division will also detail one extra warrant officer and one clerk from its Australian units to reinforce the personnel of the Australian section.

When eventually ordered to move, Corps Troops, viz., the 2nd and 3rd Light Horse Brigades, will each similarly reinforce the Australian section of the base with one warrant officer and one clerk apiece, so that their details can also be dealt with in the above-mentioned Australian section.

4. An Intermediate Base Depot for the Australian Imperial Force, under the command of Colonel Sellheim, C.B., has already been established in Cairo (vide Army Corps Order No. 31 dated 19th March, 1915, as amended by Army Corps Order No. 41, dated 6th April 1915) to which will be attached a New Zealand Section for the New

Zealand Expeditionary Force with an establishment as set forth in Army Corps Order No. 42 dated 6th April, 1915.

5. All officers, N.C.O's and men medically unfit, or N.C.O's and men for discharge, will be transferred to the Intermediate Base Depot. Units will be kept up to strength from reinforcements. The personnel detailed for base duties (vide para 3) will be earmarked and retained with units until ordered to move.

Up to 10% reinforcements are to accompany the Army Corps. These reinforcements will be regarded as belonging to the Base Mediterranean Expeditionary Force at Alexandria although accompanying the Army Corps. Special orders will be issued for their embarkation.

Reinforcements not accompanying the Army Corps will remain at the Intermediate Base Depot, either until absorbed into the Training Depot when formed, or until transferred to the Base at Alexandria as required for despatch to the front.

All subsequent reinforcements will be drafted into the Training Depot direct until fit for transfer as reinforcements to the Base at Alexandria.

6. All small arm ammunition still in charge of units will be vouchered to the O.C., Intermediate Base Depot, for further training of reinforcements.

Ammunition is being placed on board transports at Alexandria on the scales shown in the Appendix, attached, for each unit or portion of a unit embarked.

7. One day's cooked rations will be taken by the troops in the railway train, and, in addition, one day's supplies for men, and grain and fodder for animals for one day, will be taken with units in their railway train under divisional arrangements.

8. Baggage and equipment will be taken on the scales laid down in F.S. manuals of Units, with one blanket per man in addition.

Australian Division to the O.C., Intermediate Base Depot.

New Zealand units of the New Zealand and Australian Division to the D.A.D.O.S. of their Division.

The D.A.D.O.S. of each Division and the O.C., Intermediate Base Depot will send all other surplus stores, etc. to the Base at Alexandria, in the case of the Australian units to the Ordnance Store already in their possession there; in the case of the New Zealand ~~unit~~ units to accommodation to be provided by the Base Commandant.

The officer detailed in each case to look after these stores in Alexandria will take early steps to hand in all stores which the Ordnance Base Depot will accept; the remainder will be returned to Australia or New Zealand at the first opportunity.

Postal

Address. 14. Postal matter arriving for the troops after their departure will be delivered to the O.C., Australian Intermediate Base Depot in Egypt, who will forward it to the O.C., Base, at Alexandria, for despatch as occasion offers.

H. B. WALKER,

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

Issued to -

Australian Division
New Zealand and Australian Division
2nd Light Horse Brigade
3rd Light Horse Brigade

Copies to -

General Headquarters
Headquarters, Force in Egypt.

DISTRIBUTION OF AMMUNITION
AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

APPENDIX

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(ii) S.A.A.

	With unit		In Brigade Ammunition Column	With Divisional Ammunition Column	Total with Army Corps	On L. of C.	Total to be maintained in the Field	Remarks
	On the Soldier	In Regimental Reserve						
For each rifle of -								
Infantry of Australia Division	200(a)	100	100	Divisional Ammunition Column remains at Alexandria	400	Under orders of G.H.Q.		(a) normally will be 120 rounds
Infantry, N.Z. & A. Division	200(a)	100	50		350			
Engineers	50	50	-		100			
Artillery	50	-	-		50			
A. S. C.	20	-	-	under orders of O. C. Base	20			
Indian Artillery	30	-	20		50			

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(ii) S.A.A. (Contd.)

	With unit		In Brigade Ammunition Column.	With Divisional Ammunition Column	Total with Army Corps	On L. of C.	Total to be maintained in the Field	Remarks
	With the gun	In Regi- mental Reserve						
Per machine gun								
For Australian units	3500	8000	10000	Divisional Ammunition Column re- mains at Alexandria	21500			
For New Zealand units	3500	8000	5000	under orders of O. C., Base	16500	Under orders of G. H. Q.		

A. & N.Z. Army Corps.

April 1915.

Correspondence ref. allowing Mr. C.E.W. Bean

to accompany 1st Australian Division.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Army Corps Headquarters
Cairo, 5th April, 1915.

No. I(g)b. 4460

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

To: General Headquarters,
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

MEMORANDUM

I have the honor to forward copies of correspondence with the War Office on the subject of Press Correspondents. Since the receipt of W.O. 3560 Cipher M.O.5, nothing appears to have been done, and I would ask that an answer regarding Mr. Bean be obtained or given.

2. If Mr. Bean is not allowed to go as Correspondent, he is prepared to go as an Attached Officer, Australian Divisional Headquarters, under guarantee not to communicate anything in any way to the Press until he receives definite sanction.

3. *Mr Bean came here with the Australian Imperial Force as a correspondent, accredited by the Australian Government.*

(Sd) W R Birdwood

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

Cable No. 696 E dated 6/3/15
From Sir J. Maxwell, Cairo
To Lord Kitchener, London.

696 E. March 8th. Regarding Press Correspondents
is it advisable to allow any one to go with Birdwood? There
is a Mr. Bean who accompanies the Australian force representing
the Australian Press. He asks for licence to go, but if he
goes others will have claims.

All they know at present is that the force goes somewhere

Cable No. 3440 Cipher dated 8/3/15
From Secretary, War Office, London
To G.O.C.-in-C., Cairo.

3440 Cipher. Your 696 E. I will send instructions
later. Nothing should be done at present.

Cable No. 3560 dated 14/3/15
From Secretary, War Office, London
To G.O.C.-in-C., Cairo

3560 Cipher, M.O.S. Your 696 E. March 6th. What
other correspondents besides Bean want permission to accompany
forces? Are they reputable men and whom do they represent?



APPENDIX NO. 1(b)

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G. H. Q. Medford.

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

Ref. your 1(q) L. 4160 dated.

5th April Mr. Bean may go as

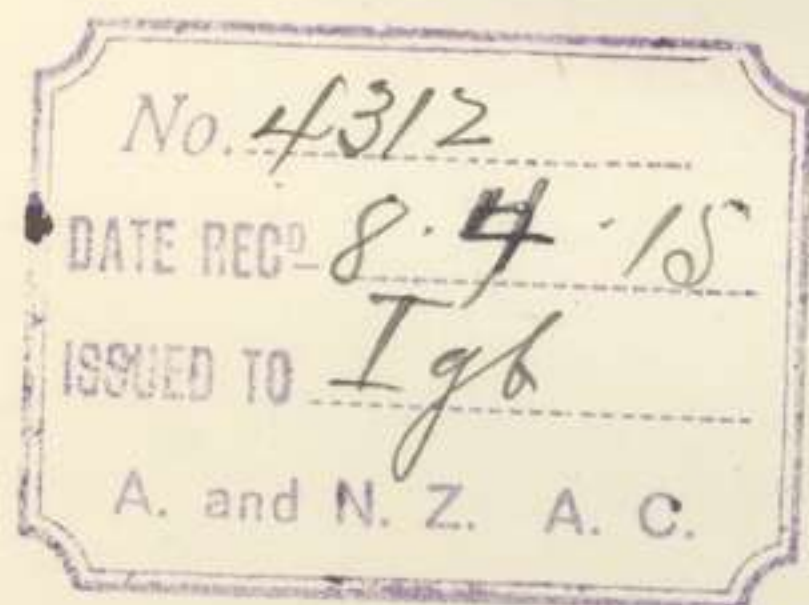
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A. & N.Z. ARMY CORPS - APRIL 1915.

3rd Australian Infantry Brigade and Detached Force
at Lemnos. Report of Colonel E.G. Sinclair-Maclagan,
O.C. March 1915.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

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Headquarters,

Detached Force,

1st Australian Division.

March, 1915.

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Headquarters,

A. & N.Z.A.C.

I beg to forward the attached report for
the information of the G.O.C., Australian and New
Zealand Army Corps.

(Appendices I & II)

Ed. Sinclair MacLagan

Colonel.

Commanding Detached Force, Australian Division.

No.	4045
DATE REC'D	29.3.15
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A. and N. Z. A. C.	

R E P O R T by O.C., Detached Force, Aust. Div.

- Arrival. 1. Arrived at 7 p.m. on 4th March. Interviewed S.N.O. on 5th instant. At once instructed O.C., Field Coy., Engrs., and Major Stokes, A.M.C., to investigate as regards water supply near MUDROS.
- Water supply. 2. From reports received that evening and the following day, the water supply was apparently insufficient for the numbers of troops and horses under my command, and I accordingly caused investigations to be made to the West of MUDROS BAY and S. and E. of MUDROS with the result that the Engineers report (Appendix I attached) as under.-
- (a) Water for 5,000 men and 700 horses is likely to be obtained close to MUDROS village by means of wells which will have to be made.
Pump and engine, 5,000 gallons per hour capacity required.
Storage 50,000 gallons suggested.
 - (b) A temporary supply of between 4,000 and 5,000 gallons daily can be obtained from MUDROS village supply.
 - (c) Apparently a good stream (at present) exists about two miles from the shore and North of the Bay, but the shore approaches are shallow and ground in vicinity low lying and not recommended as a camp for any length of time.
 - (d) Indications point to several small camps having to be formed of about 4,000 men and 500 horses each, if a larger number of men and horses require to be camped on the portion of the island round PORT MUDROS.
 - (e) It is not anticipated that more than 50,000 gallons per diem can be obtained near MUDROS from wells which ~~is~~ ^{are} the only ^{permanent} sources of supply.
- Disembarkation. 3. Meantime owing to.-
- (i) Report by S.M.O. on H.M.T. "IONIAN" regarding overcrowding on that ship, and
 - (ii) Report of Veterinary officer as regards accommodation and ventilation of Horseship "NIZAM" and Transport "MALDA",
- I determined to.-
- (a) disembark one Battalion from H.M.T. "IONIAN" to camp on ground selected near the village of MUDROS. One Section, 1st Field Coy., Engrs., for shore duties, and one Tent Sub-division, 3rd Field Ambulance also disembarked on 6th and 7th inst.
 - (b) ^{Disembark} All horses from the "NIZAM" and "MALDA" with the means available. For disembarking horses four horse boats were placed on board various transports, one of which placed on "IONIAN" had insufficient fittings and was too unseaworthy to use. I am endeavouring to get the latter repaired.
- The disembarkations has been very slow owing to lack of steam haulage. Every endeavour has been made to hasten it. If steam haulage is available it is calculated that with the 4 horse boats 120 horses can be disembarked or embarked in one day. Therefore at least five days' notice would be required to enable the horses of the detached Force to be embarked, ^{under good weather conditions.}
- Supplies. 4. The following discrepancies as regards supplies have come to light since making my report to Army Corps Headquarters before sailing.-
- 70,000 lbs. of preserved meat and
 - 70,000 lbs. of biscuits,
 - or 14 days' supplies instead of
 - 300,000 lbs of each, or 60 days' supplies.
- The amount 70,000 lbs was shewn on the list of supplies, = "5,000 men for 60 days", column, ~~is~~ in possession of the officer at Alexandria embarking supplies, and, ^{these} together with many tons of forage, had been loaded on the SUFFOLK prior to my arrival at Alexandria.
- There are also the following shortages.-
- (a) Stationary Hospital, 8 officers and 84 other ranks, are short of 7 days' landing rations, ^{These embarked after} IONIAN left Alexandria.

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Report by O.C., Detached Force, Aust. Div., continued.

- (b) "NIZAM" was provisioned for 30 days' ships rations on Indian trooping scale, and consequently was short of butter, jam, and other rations not on the Indian scale. This was reported to me on 7th March. Butter was made good from "IONIAN", jam, 1,000 lbs taken from reserve supplies (60 days) from "SUFFOLK".
I am recommending replacement of jam and cheese (supplies).

Casualties. 5. (a) Men.

Two men were landed at Alexandria and admitted to Ras el Tin Hospital.

(b) Horses.

Four ~~Three~~ draught and one riding have died since leaving Alexandria, 3 from colic and 1 from an accident.

I anticipate further casualties amongst the horses and on 7.3.15 cabled advising the replacing same by eight draught and two riding horses.

Health of Troops.

6. Health of troops so far very satisfactory. No serious cases. *(One officer Captain Peat 11 Bn, since reported seriously ill.)*
Senior Medical Officer on "IONIAN", reported serious overcrowding on the ship and insufficient latrine accommodation. I relieved this by landing one Battalion.

Loading of Transports.

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.

I would suggest that the baggage, stores, etc., of the rest of the Force be embarked so that 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, &c.

It has been brought to notice also that from careless handling a quantity of stores and some wagons, &c., were damaged in loading into the holds. *(cheese, biscuits &c)*

Training.

8. Troops are being trained daily in disembarking to and from boats to shore and vice versa, so far as boat accommodation allows. As the boats have to be rowed and the numbers available on the ships are very small, only about one third can be exercised at a time.

I have been unable to start the training of landing "under supposed opposition" yet, but hope to start this on 9th instant.

The S.N.O. has been unable to assist with boats or haulage so far, over and above haulage required for landing troops and horses, but hopes to be in a position to do so soon.

March, 1915.

H. Sinclair Macfarlan Colonel.
Commanding Detached Force, Aust. Division.

Interim Report on Water Supply.

H.B.M. Transport "Suffolk."

8/3/15.

O.C.

Detached Force.

I am of opinion that the only supply of water available for troops in the immediate vicinity of MUDROS village is that available from wells in the low lying ground close to the village. S.W.N. The water available from such source with the addition of new wells as required should be ample for five thousand (5000) men and seven hundred (700) horses.

A temporary supply of a certain amount not exceeding five thousand (5000) gallons per day could be drawn from the MUDROS village supply which is obtained from a spring about one and a half miles distant and conveyed by 1½" iron pipe to a small reservoir in the centre of the village. The entire outflow of the spring is utilized.

There are no means of delivering the water derived from wells to the camp except carting by water cart. Water can be temporarily drawn from the wells and delivered into water carts by means of the Mark II lift and force pumps carried by the 1st Field Coy. Engineers. This should only be regarded as temporary as these pumps are not intended for constant working and if so used would be quickly worn out.

For a permanent or semi-permanent camp of the size indicated air engine and pump is necessary and storage facilities for about one and a half days supply.

A pump and engine capable of raising five thousand gallons per hour, one hundred (100) feet lift, suction lift twenty (20) ft. (suction lift is variable)

Storage required will be about fifty thousand (50,000) gallons. Iron tanks if obtainable seem to be the most feasible. There is not sufficient cement to construct a concrete tank and such a tank would take a considerable time to construct, and would not be available for storage for sometime after completion as time would have to be given for the concrete to harden.

The hill above the proposed camp site is rocky but an excavated tank would take a considerable time.

So far no suitable supply has been discovered which can be conserved and delivered by quantity to any visible camp site in or near Port Mudross.

* SUFFOLK - No stop valves have been supplied with the water supply fittings on board this ship. Half a dozen should be obtained. Other fittings are also required.

Provision for a large Force.

I don't consider it safe to rely upon obtaining a supply greater than about 50,000 gallons per day from wells near village of MUDROS at any rate until the supply has been fully tested.

Search made for some miles from and around MUDROS close to the shore and inland has not so far indicated any good supply.

A few small flows have been located in water courses, but they cannot be relied upon to continue owing to there having been rain quite recently in this ~~vicinity~~ locality.

Indications so far point to the necessity for establishing ~~an~~ only small camps which can draw water from wells. Pumping and storage facilities should be provided for each.

2nd. interim report.

Attached sketch shows area investigated yesterday March 7th. This appears to be the most considerable catchment area on the Island as far as can be judged from Admiralty Chart.

There is a good stream of water approximately as shown which was followed up stream for about 4 miles and still showed a strong flow. Rough gauging showed flow to be about 700 gallons per minute.

It was not possible to ascertain without an interpreter how permanent the flow is.

The supply will be further investigated to-day March 8th.

(Sgd) J.F. McCan Major, O.C. 1st. Field co

Appendix II.

DETACHED FORCE, AUST. DIVISION.
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Unit.	IONIAN					SUFFOLK					DEVANHA					NIZAM					MALDA.					Total.				
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Hdqrs. 3 Inf. Bde.	6	27	24	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	99	26	1	1
9th Bn.	34	1001	-	3	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	25	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	35	1026	63	3	10
10th Bn.	33	932	-	3	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	25	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	34	957	63	3	10
11th Bn.	-	-	-	-	-	23	868	-	3	10	-	-	-	-	-	8	147	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31	1015	63	3	10
12th Bn.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	32	942	-	3	10	1	25	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	967	63	3	10
Bde. Sig. Sect.	1	25	6	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	25	6	-	1
S.A.A. Sec. Bde. Amm. Coln.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	76	82	-	16	-	-	-	-	-	1	76	82	-	16
1st Fld Coy.	-	-	-	-	-	7	207	54	10	8	-	11	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	218	76	10	8
4th Coy. A.S.C.	-	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	138	559	2	33	6	140	159	2	33
3rd Fld. Amb.	2	14	16	-	-	1	3	-	-	-	1	32	57	-	-	1	5	4	-	-	5	190	23	3	20	10	244	100	3	20
Clearing Hospital.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	84	3	-	-	9	84	3	-	-
Stationary Hosp.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	84	3	-	-	8	84	3	-	-
13th A.S.C. Fld. Bakery.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	31	-	-	-	1	31	-	-	-
13th A.S.C. Fld. Butchery.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	7	-	-	-	1	7	-	-	-
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March, 1915.

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Major
Bde. Major 8rd. Infantry Brigade.

APPENDIX NO. 1 (C)

A. & N.Z. ARMY CORPS - APRIL 1915.

Training Notes made by 3rd Australian Infantry
Brigade during stay in Lemnos Bay 15/4/15.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Diary No 64399

Army Corps Headquarters,

H.M.T. Minnewaska,

15th. April, 1915.

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

To: General Officer Commanding,

Australian)
N. Z. & A.) Division & O.C. Troops See annex

MEMORANDUM

Four copies of some notes on landing are forwarded for
information.

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

Record Copy

Col. *W. H. Ross* TRAINING NOTES. NAVAL AND MILITARY OPERATIONS.

Made during stay in LEMNOS BAY.
(No towage available)

1. Disembarking.

- (a) Military Transport Officer to be practised in his duties.
- (b) At least six exits to be used.- gangways, portways, or rope ladders. Boat loads to practice parading by ~~two~~ ^{two} at exits punctually to time according to Military Transport Officers orders.
- (c) Frequent practice necessary in scaling rope ladders in full marching order, rifles to be slung over one shoulder.
- (d) Do not get too many men at a time running down ship's gangways or accommodation ladders.
- (e) Boats' crews to be ready, oars tossed. Men to load quickly, in silence and sit down at once.
- (f) Shoulder straps and belts to be opened. Rifle carried free in hand (when in boats)
- (g) An officer (for preference) or Senior N.C.O. to be placed definitely in command of each boat load.

2. Beaching.

- (a) The officer to be in the bows of the boat and to give the necessary orders.
- (b) Come to the beach with plenty of way on and most of the weight in the after part.
- (c) As boat grounds, get an oar or boat hook out on either-side each quarter to keep the boat bows on to the shore, especially if on a lee shore.
- (d) Man in bows to jump ashore at once with boats painter, which should be coiled down free to run out in the foremost part of the boat. This is to steady boat and prevent slipping back into deep water.
- (e) Gang planks for 50% of boats for slinging over stern piece of boats to be brought ashore by first tow and left ashore.
- (f) Equipment to be fastened up just before beaching.
- (g) All to remain seated until officer gives orders. Officer jumps out, first after man in bows, see para. (d) followed by scouts who go straight ahead on their mission if first tow. Officer forms up his boat load clear of the beach, facing the enemy and lying down if under fire. To be done as quickly as possible and then party moved to Battalion rendezvous at once.

3. Re-embarking.

- (a) Boats apt to get broadside on to shore owing to disregard of precautions (see 2 (c)).
- (b) Boats to be punted well away stern first into deep water before attempting to turn and pull.
- (c) Beach not to be crowded owing to Coys. being marched down before boats are ready.
- (d) Fill boats quickly and sit down.

General Notes.

Impress on all ranks the importance of boat discipline and silence.
Lectures should be given to the men on boat work and they should be taught to use the correct nautical terms.

No. 4392.
DATE REC'D 14/4/15
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A. and N. Z. A. C.

A. M. Ross

Captain.

Staff Captain, 3rd. Infantry Brigade.

A. & N.Z. ARMY CORPS- APRIL 1915.

A. & N.Z. A.C. statement of estimated requirements
in Naval and Military Staff to control disembarkation.
10/4/15.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Ga. 4332
No.....

S.S. Minnewaska,

10th April, 1915.

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

To: General Headquarters,
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REQUIREMENTS IN CONTROL OVER AND ABOVE OPERATIONS STAFF

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(Each in 2 Sections of 3 landing ~~size~~ places each)

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IN YOUR REPLY
PLEASE QUOTE THIS

No. G.S.R. 40.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS,

MEDITERRANEAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

14th April, 1915.

To General Officer Commanding

Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

1. With reference to your G A 4332 of 10th April the following naval personnel have been appointed by the Vice Admiral to superintend the disembarkation of your Army Corps:-

Afloat.

Rear Admiral Thursby - in charge.

1 Captain, R.N. - N. T. O. *Living*

4 Lieutenants, R.N. - Transport Officers.

Ashore.

1 Captain, R.N. - Beach Master. *Vincent*

1 Commander, R.N. - Assist Beach Master.

2 Lieutenant Commanders, R.N. - Off ~~the~~ the beach.

4 Lieutenants, R.N. -)
4 Warrant Officers, R.N. -) Landing Place Officers.

2. As regards the necessary military officers it is noticed that you are willing to find your own, I am however attaching to you, for such duties as you may care to allot to them, the following officers who have been lent to the Mediterranean Expeditionary Force by the Sirdar for one month:-

Captain H.V.V.Kyrke, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, seniority 4:12:09

Captain C.C.Godwin, Yorks Regiment, " 11:2:11.

Sir R. Wingate writing of these officers says:-

"Captain Kyrke has been working in the War Office for some time and has also considerable experience as a battalion officer. He came to me with a reputation for exceptional bravery

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displayed in South Africa, and I think you will find
he will do well any work you may give him.

Captain Godwin is D.A.A.G. on the Headquarters
Staff here; he was Adjutant of his British Battalion,
and is in all respects a first rate officer.

Up to date

Major General,

C. G. S.

Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

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DATE REC ^d 15/4/18
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A. and N. Z. A. C.

Australian and New Zealand Army Corp Headquarters.

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Diary No/4417

Army Corp Headquarters.

H.M.T.Minnewaska.

15th April 1915

From: General Staff
Australian New Zealand
Army Corps.

To: General Headquarters.

Please refer to your G.S.R. 40. of 14th April paragraph
2. Would you kindly direct Captain H.V.V. Kyrke and Captain C.C.
Godwin to report at my Headquarters on Minnewaska on 16th April.

(Sig) H.B. Walker for Gen
for Lieut. General.

Commanding Australian and New
Zealand Army Corps.

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MEDITERRANEAN EXPEDITIONARY
FORCE,

14th APRIL 1915.

To,
G. O. C.,
A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

The following R.N. and R.E. personnel with signal equipment, will join the the A.&N.Z. Army Corps
Ships as under on the 15th instant. They will be rationed by the A.&N.Z. Army Corps and when landed
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Six.	-	A.2. MALDA.	Z.	O.C. Troops.	1st Tow.	
Six.	34.	A.11. MINNEWASKA.	Z.	Lt. Serjeant. R.E.	as directed by ANZAC.	Two W.T. parties & Central Signal Office. (Central Signal Office 14 already on board.

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W. S. Williams

W. S. Williams Lt Col

for.
Major General,
C. G. S.
Med. Ex. Force.

2nd Lt George + party for military part of
Central Signal office.

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The following R.N. and R.E. personnel with signal equipment, will join the A & N.Z. Army Corps Ships as under on the 15th. instant. They will be rationed by the A & N.Z. Army Corps and when landed must carry 7 days' rations instead of 3 days'.

R.N.	1 R.E.	2 Transport	3 For Beach	4 R.N. ratings to report to	5 Disembark with	6 Remarks
Central Visual Six.	-	A.2.MALDA	Z	O.C. Troops	1st. Tow	
Flank Visual Six.	34	A.11. MINNEWASKA.	Z	Lt. Sergeant. R.E. "flank" W.T. officer	as directed by ANZAC	Two W.T. parties & Central Signal Office. (Central Signal Office 14 already on board. 2nd. Lt. Genge and party for military part of Central Signal Office.

(signed) W.I. Williams Lt. Col.
for Major General
C.G.S.
Med. Ex. Force.

All to ~~MALDA~~ Minnewaska

formal cancellation of this from G.S.

Send Walker
and Major by
Hague Lines
by way of
and have arranged
direct with H. G. Owen.

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Gib. 4452

S.S. Minnewaska

16th April 1915

General Staff.

General Headquarters.

Memorandum

Reference your GSR. 40. 0(a) dated 14th April
 Owing to an alteration in the method of
 disembarkation of my force the naval ratings
 mentioned have not been put on board transport
 but retained on H.M.S. Queen from which they
 will disembark direct.

The RE details have joined Minnewaska.
 2. The carrying of 7 days rations by signal
 personnel is not understood. It is presumed
 this refers to the actual landing of 7 days
 rations with the force which this personnel
 accompanies.

3. With reference to GSR. 40. dated 14th,
 April moves one and five, I have to report
 that the detachment from Minnewaska
 was duly embarked into a lighter, and
 spent the day looking for the Campanello
 which had not arrived. The detachment
 spent the night on the lighter, and is on it
 still. I would be glad if information
 could be given when the Campanello will
 arrive and the detachment be embarked.

HB Warner Bn General
 for Lt General
 Canada. A.M. & A.C.

IN YOUR REPLY
PLEASE QUOTE THIS
No. G.S.R.40.

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS.

MEDITERRANEAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE.

14th April, 1915.

G. O. C.,

A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

1. As troops of covering forces will be embarked on H.M. Ships, Naval Signal ratings to be landed with these troops will remain on board such ships.
2. The paragraph in G.S.R.40 dated 14th April as regards issue of 7 days rations to Naval ratings is hereby cancelled, but still applies to R.E. signalmen.
3. In reply to your Gb 4452 dated 16th April this issue is to be made, in order to avoid the risk of such small parties, who cannot leave their posts and are employed continuously on the beaches, being unable to obtain any further rations after their two days iron rations are expended.

W. Brant
Major C.G.S.
Medtn. Exped. Force.

