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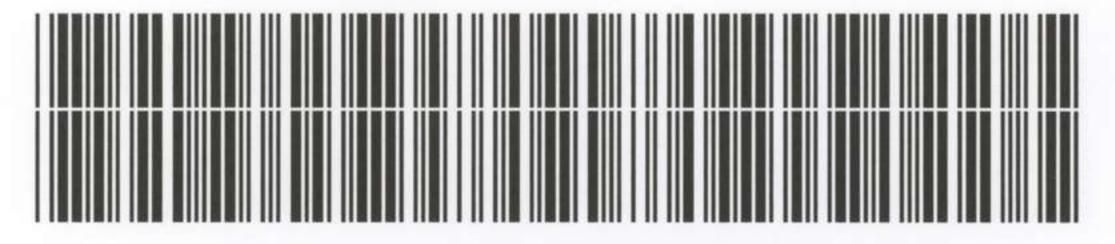
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E.M.S. "QUEEN",
4th May 1915.

No. A. 33 Z MEMORANDUM.

With reference to the enclosed Memorandum No. A. 33 of 4th May, one Division will be embarked on the evening of the 5th May.

- 2. It is most necessary to keep this absolutely secret.
 - 3. The embarkation will take place after dark.
- 4. Pinnaces and cutters are to be sent in in daylight, and hauled up in "heir assigmed positions.

Steamboats should also be off their piers before dark.

5. The Division will be embarked in two lots, the first lot in 7 destroyers, and the second in 7 Fleet Sweepers, the Fleet Sweepers taking the destroyers' places when the latter are full.

Cacil F. Thursby.

Rear Admiral.

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No. A. 33/1 MEMORANDUM.

H. M. S. "QUREN"

4" May 1915.

In the event of it being at any time necessary to embark a Division of troops from the shore, the following arrangements are to be made, vide attached plan.

Destroyers and Fleet Sweepers will assemble abreast of their landing piers.

Steamboats will be used for towing purposes between plans and Destroyers or Fleet Sweepers.

Bach battleship will provide one steamboat, one boom boat and outters. A coxswain and four hands to be provided in each pulling boat.

The beachmaster will provide two steamboats.

The Transport Officer will provide one steamboat.

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The Army Corps Headquarters will provide one steamboat.

A Lieutenant to be in charge of each steamboate

"BACCHANTE" to provide a Lieutemant for her steamhoat, attending on beachmaster.

"TRIUMPH" to provide a Lieutenant for her boats attending on Beachmaster.

"MAJESTIC" to provide a Lieutemant for her boat attending on Transport Officer.

"PRINCE OF WALES" to provide a Lieutenant for her boat attending on Army Corps Headquarters.

The following are the maximum numbers of men to be rried in ships boats:

Pinnace 60 men.
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No.3 Pier One steamboat from "MAJESTIC" attending on Transport Officer.

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One steamboat from "PRINCE OF WALES".

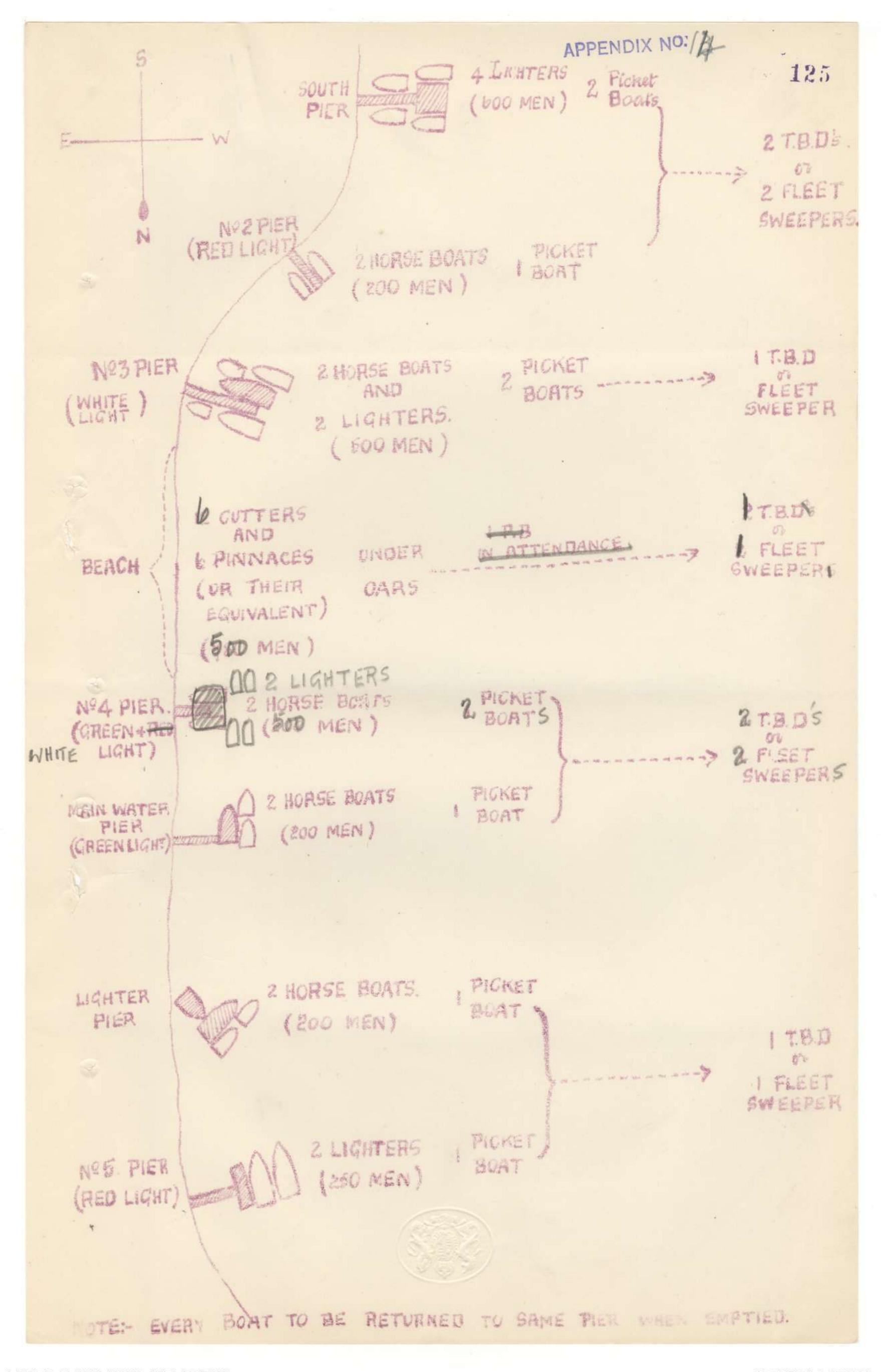
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Rear Admiral



EMBARKATION OF 5/6 MAY, 1915.

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Arrangements for this embarkation had been made on the 3rd. May, and were unchanged for the actual embarkation; and were briefly -

Naval (7 destroyers were to be sent up from Cape Helles to embark the leading brigade.

(7 fleet sweepers were to be sent up from Cape Helles to embark the knading second brigade.

Naval - Lighters, horseboats, and rowboats to carry 2,800 men in a trip were to be provided as detailed in Operation Orders and attached instructions.

Beach Military - Beach was cleared of all animals and orders were issued to bring troops down in detachments suited to the number of men to embark from each pier: these detachments being complete units to embark from beach and into ships as units. Beach Staff was detailed and instructed.

Land Brigades were assembled at suitable rendezvous, linked with telephone to be ready at hours estimated as approximately those which would fit into the programme.

The arrangements, it will be seen, being on the arrival of the destroyers, etc. up to time - all timings having been worked backwards from the timing, 8.45 p.m. - fixed so as to ensure the arrival of the destroyers after dark and leave time enough to complete the embarkation by midnight.

Actually what happened was :-

Troops moved to the beach and embarked rapidly and without confusion in their lighters, etc. Word was then passed that the destroyers had not arrived, and that there wereno signs of them. The troops were then told - leading troops to remain on lighters or move back onto the beach as they preferred: second brigade to make the best of it where they were. A miserable keen night and no fires possible.

One naval officer in charge of steamboats at the South pier towed off his lighters two-thirds full before he knew if destroyers had arrived and cruised round the offing, as far as the flagship - returning at last and embarking the troops in the fleet sweepers and completely upsetting the carefully worked out arrangements for keeping brigades separate.

The destroyers eventually came up at midnight and troops were sent off to them. Meanwhile there was no sign of the fleet sweepers which turned up at 2.30 a.m. The 2nd. Brigade was then embarked in lighters. As 3 cutters and 1 horseboat were missing, the troops for these had to embark after the rest, were bustled into lighters at a different pier from that allotted to the unit they belonged to, and sent out to embark in any fless sweeper they could find. Thus though the troops were sent off before daylight, the last lot and part of the first were sent off in a mixture of units, more disorganised than they had ever been since the commencement of operations. It also completely prevented the troops getting any rest that night, but instead exposed them to bitterly cold wind in the open.

This was almost entirely due to the initial error of the late trival of destroyers and fleet sweepers which prevented any of the concerted arrangements of the local naval and military authorities from taking effect.

It is not known yet whether this had any ill effect on the readiness of the two brigades for action on arrival at Cape Helles, but the above facts are placed on record in case it had.

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Appendix No

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Telegram Nº M.F. 209- dl que may 1915

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be have been fighting all day, and despite a very gullant attack at 5.30 pm. with the bayonet all along the line we have failed to make any appreciable advance towards the achievement of our object, the gaining of the ACHI BABA Position;

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your corps has done splendid work In containing so many of the enemy up to the present time.

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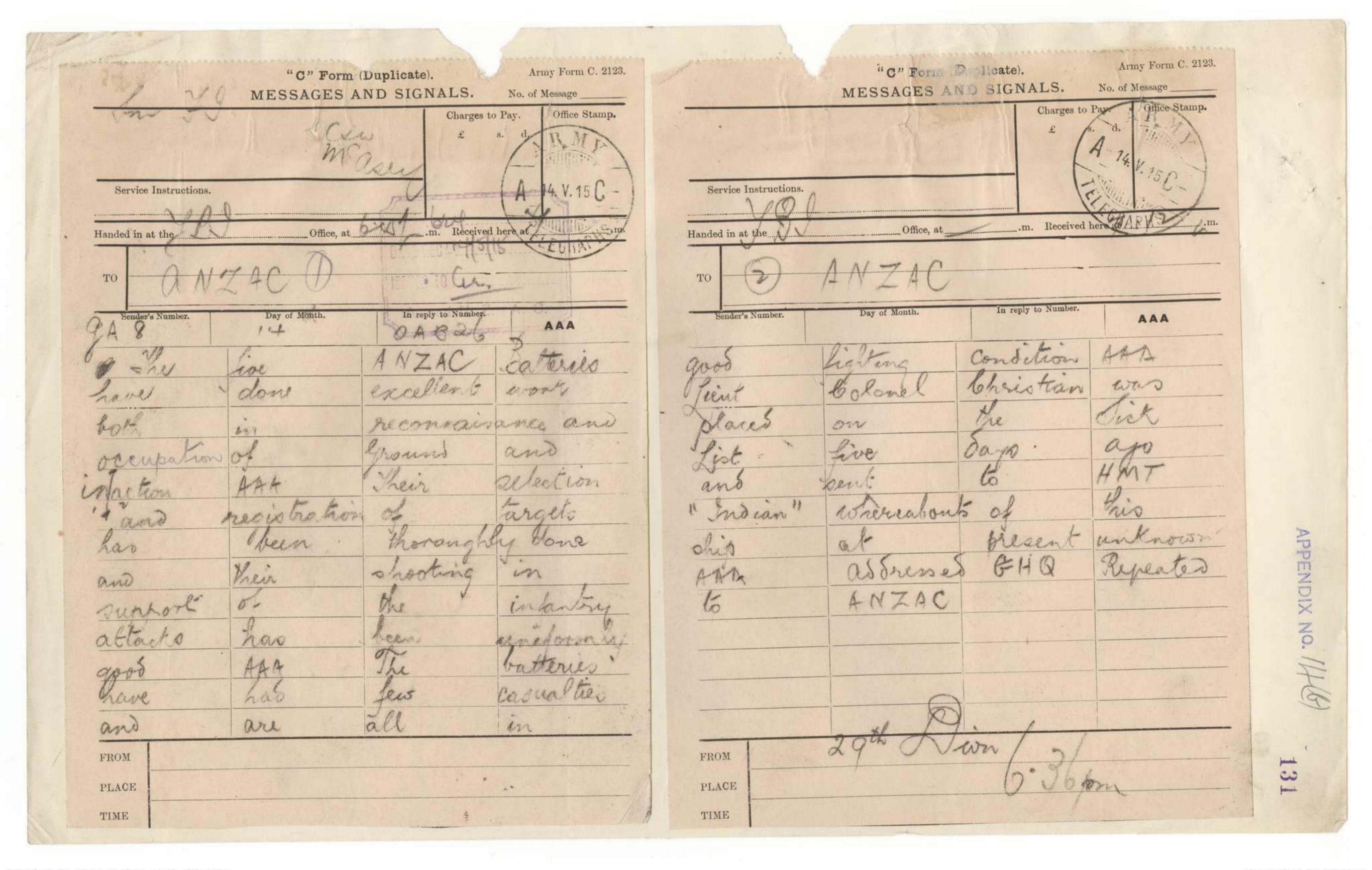
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AUSTRALIAH AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

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Army Corps Headquarters,
Anzac Cove, 146h May, 1915.

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

To :- Australian Division.

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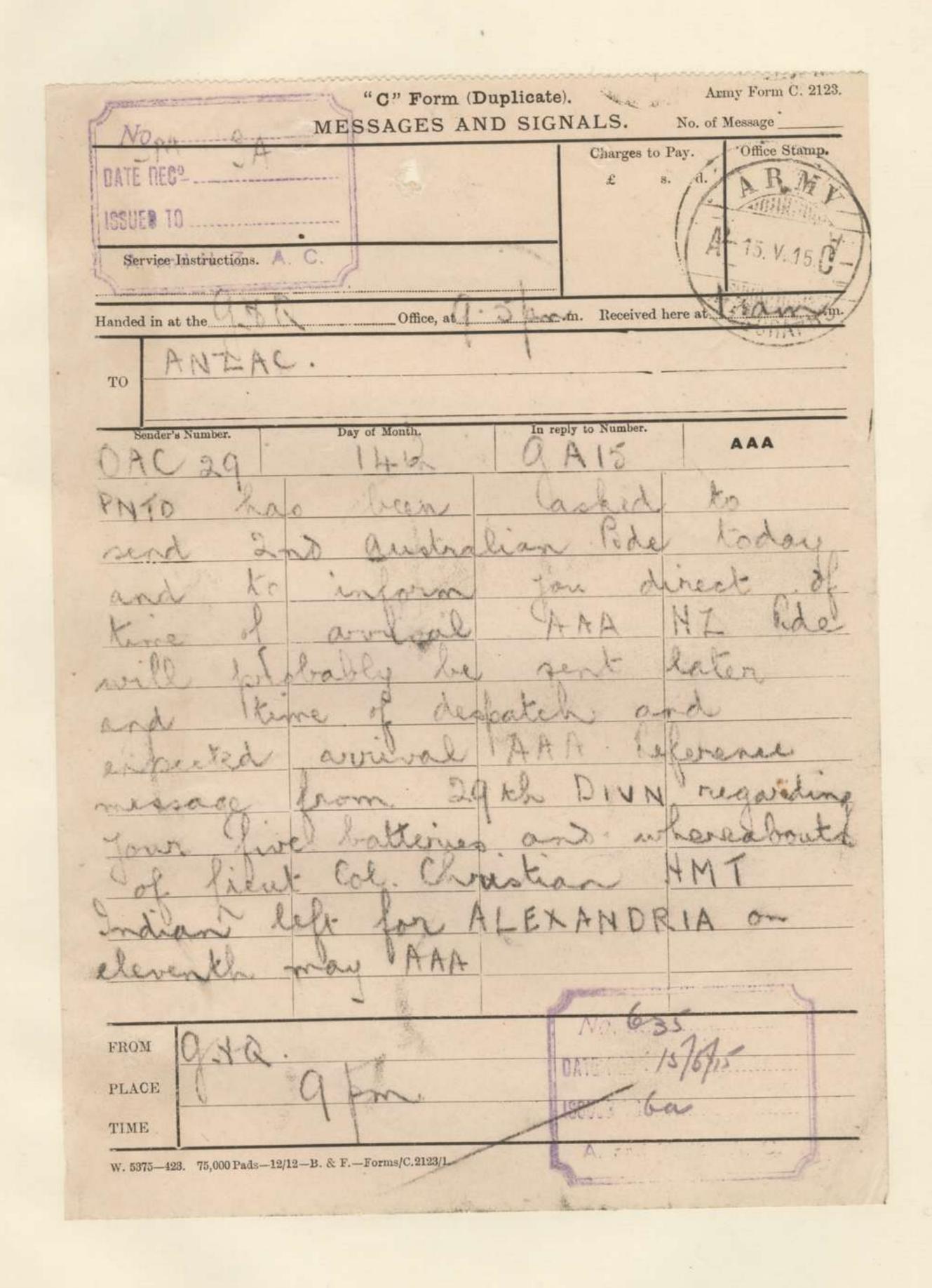
The following message was despatched to General Headquarters on the 14th instant:-

batteries are getting on AAA It is reported that Colonel Christian, Commanding Field Artillery Brigade, has returned in "INDIAN" to ALEXANDRIA AAA Can you confirm this."

2. General Headquarters directed the O.C., 29th Division to report direct to Army Corps Headquarters in connection with the above message, and the undermentioned reply has been received.

done excellent work both in recommaisance and occupation of ground and in action AAA Their selection and registration of targets has been thoroughly done, and their shooting in support of the infantry attack has been uniformly good AAA The batteries have had few casualties, and are all in good fighting condition AAA Lieut-Colonel Christian was placed on the sick list five days ago and sent to H.M.T. INDIAN . Whereabouts of this ship at present unknown."

Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Anzac Cove, 25th May, 1915.

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

To: General Headquarters,
Med. Exped. Force.

MEMORANDUM

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The accompanying report by the Officer Commanding, New Zealand Infantry Brigade in the operations at Cape Helles between 6th and 12th May, 1915 has been received from G. O. C., New Zealand and Australian Division.

As this Brigade was detailed from my command for these operations, I forward the report in case G. O. C., 29th. Division wishes to see it when framing his recommendations.

I have called for a similar report from the Officer Commanding, 2nd Australian Infantry Brigade and will forward it when received.

Sgd W.R. Birdwood.

Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps,

The General Officer Commanding, New Zealand and Australain Division.

Report from O/C, New Zealand Infantry Brigade.

- 1915.
 May 6th. The Brigade disembarked between 3 a.m. and 5 a.m. EAST of
 CAPE HELLES and marched to bivouac at 168 Y 3, and was concentrated by 9 a.m. with the exception of about 200 men of the
 Auckland Battn. who arrived about 3 p.m. The Brigade came under
 the direction of Major-General Paris, Royal Naval Division (2nd
 Australian, New Zeaand, and E Battalions Royal Naval and divisional
 troops).
- May 7th. Orders were received to reconnoitre the approaches to the valley 168 c, up which the Brigade would probably advance, and at 2.30 p.m. orders were received from R.N. Division to move at once to 168 c where a Staff Officer would meet the Brigade. The Brigade moved at 2-45 p.m. by the most covered approach. Brigade Head-quarters and Wellington Battn arrived at the mouth of the stream (Y beach) but the remainder of the Brigade were stopped by Brig-General Marshall and ordered to entrench on the slope (168 I) in case of counter attack by the enemy. Two battalions were pushed forward, Wellington in support of 87th Brigade, Auckland in support of the 88th Brigade. From this time all orders came from the 29th Division. The Brigade was shelled between 5 and 6-39 p.m. and suffered some casualties.
- May Sth. At 3-15 a.m. orders received that the brigade was to be ready to go through the 88th Brigade and, with the 87th Brigade on our left, renew the attack at 10.30 a.m. A draft of 21 officers and 833 men arrived after the fight had started. The brigade closed up to the front at 10. 2 a.m. the operation order was issued, and at 10.30 a.m. the attack commenced. The order of Battalions from the right was Canterbury, Auckland, Wellington, with Otago in reserve. Progress was slow, unlocated machine guns troubling us most. By 3 p.m. all battalions were digging in, unable to get any further forward. Canterbury had advanced about 250 yards, Auckland had 2 Companies about the same distance, but the right company had fallen back, owing to heavy, and cross, machine gun

gun fire, which rendered Fir tree knoll untenable. Wellington had made good about 300 yards, and were under heavy fire from a Turkish trench on our left front.

Two companies of Otago were sent in to help Auckland who had lost heavily, and were somewhat shaken, and position reported to Divisional Headquarters.

Divisional Headquarters ordered an advance of the whole brigade at 5.30 p.m. after an artillery bombardment. This order was subsequently altered to a general advance of the whole line and attack with the bayonet. Under cover of heavy artillery bombardment the whole line moved forward on KRITHIA. This effort finished about 7 p.m. Canterbury gained some 400 yards. Auckland went well forward, gallantly led by Lt-Col. Plugge and Major Dawson but their losses in officers was severe, and they eventually fell back to their original line. Wellington gained about 400 yards and were eventually held up by a Turkish trench on their left front mentioned before. A sketch given to me by a Wellington Scout disclosed the fact that/deep mullah separated us from this trench, and it could only be assaulted from the 87th Brigade. Before the assault the remaining two companies of Otago were pushed into the line on h the Wellington right - Auckland's left - and the draft moved up into support trenches as a reserve.

After dark it was ascertained that Canterbury were in direct touch with the 2nd. Australian brigade on its right - its left was not in touch with anyone, although a second line in rear filled the The New Zealand line again from Wellington's right was not gap. entirely linked up, but was protected by trenches of the 87th Brigade echeloned in rear.

During the night the position gained was consolidated and dug in, and the Auckland Battalion was disorganised and much split up, and was withdrawn to Reserve trenches. The casualties had been heavy, and a large number of wounded had to spend the night on the battlefield, as their evacuation was very difficult.

9th At 3.53 p.m. an order was received to take over the section May from the left of the 87th Brigade (to be relieved Rrem the Indian Brigade) to the KRITHIA nullah - 88th Brigade to remain in support - Otago Battalion connected between Wellington and Canterbury.

The 88th Brigade was relieved with the exception of 400 Wercesters 200 Essex, and reported to Divisional Headquarters who said the whole question of reliefs would be taken over by them. During the afternoon the Canterbury Battalion had much success in counter sniping, and obtained a moral superiority over those snipers in their immediate front.

11th May. Orders received to hand over the section to the Manchester Brigade - Arrangements made accordingly to hand over at dusk. This was completed between 2 and 3 a.m. on May 12th, and the Brigade bivouacked near stone bridge for rest and reorganisation - and remains with the 29th Division (87th and 88th Brigades).

Casualties from May 6th to date

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Auckland	5	9	-	21	150	61
Canterbury	3	2	-	49	131	21
Otago	1	6	-	15	53	27
Wellington	2	7	-	24	155	25
N.Z.M.C.		2	-		1	-
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A total of 771 casualties, according to the latest states from regiments, but there are a good many discrepancies still in process of being cleared up.

(Signed) F. E. Johnston, Colonel, N. Z. Infantry Brigade.

May 15th, 1915.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

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Anzac Cove, June 1st. 1915.

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

To: General Headquarters,

Mediterranean Exped. Force.

MEMORANDUM

The accompanying report by the Officer Commanding 2nd (Australian) Infantry Brigade on the operations at Cape Helles between 6th and 12th May, 1915, has been received from G. O. C., Australian Division.

As this Brigade was detached from my Command for these operations, I forward the report in case G. O. C., Royal Naval Division wishes to see it when framing his recommendations.

Colonel McCay, the Brigade Commander, was wounded on the 9th May. I understand from eye-witnesses that he led his Brigade in person with great gallantry after they left the Composite Brigade trenches, and hope that his name will be considered when the next list of recommendations is being made up.

Sqd. WRBindwood-

Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps

REPORT ON OPERATIONS OF 2ND BRIGADE AT CAPE HELLES 6TH TO 17TH MAY 1915.

> Headquarters, 1st Australian Div. ANZAC COVE. 30th May, 1915.

General Officer Commanding.
Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

Reference map of GALLIPOLI PENINSULA 1/40,000 and attached sketch 1/20.000.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the following report on the operations of the 2nd Brigade of this Division at CAPE HELLE: between 6th and 17th May, 1915.

In view of the fact that all the brigade staff are casualties, this necessarily meagre report is based upon the available signal messages&records in possession of the officer temporarily commanding the brigade.

(A) PRELIMINARY STEPS.

1. - The 2nd Infantry Brigade, brigade section Divisional Signal Company and Bearer Sub-division, 2nd Field Ambulance embarked in Fleet Sweepers at ANZAC COVE about 4 a.m. on 6th May. The force disembarked at CAPE HELLES about 9.0 a.m. the same day, went into bivouac near square 168 Y3, and came under the orders of Major General Paris, Commanding the Composite Division.

The force remained in reserve in the above position until the morning of 8th May. At 11.15 a.m. on this day, a message was received from G.O.C. Composite Division directing the 2nd Brigade to proceed to square 169 A, and act in support to 29th Division or New Zealand Infantry Brigade as necessary. At this new position, the brigade remained in readiness to move; the troops began to dig in and to cook their evening meal.

(B) THE ATTACK ON EVENING OF 8TH MAY.

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2. - At 4.55 p.m. on 8th May, the following message was received at Brigade Headquarters.

> "You will be required to attack at 5.30 p.m. precisely between the valley your are now in and the valley just South East of KRITHIA-SEDD EL BAHR road AAA Move forward at once until you are in line with NEW ZEALAND brigade on your left and your right on the valley South East of KRITHIA road, this will be in advance of Composite Brigade trenches AAA The Composite Brigade under COLONEL CASSON will support you AAA Your objective is the ridge beyond KRITHIA with your right somewhat thrown back to join hands with the French or 2nd Naval Brigade who are at present on the French left.

From G.O.C., Composite Div. Hill 138. 4.20 p.m.

- 3. At 4.57 p.m., battalions were warned to be ready to move at a moment's notice and at 5.5 p.m., the following operation order was issued by O.C. 2nd Infantry Brigade :-
 - (1) The brigade will attack at 5.30 p.m. between the valley we are in running through 176 W and the valley east of KRITHIA road running through South East corner 176 x.
 - (ii) The 6th and 7th will be firing line and supports 6th on our left, 7th on our right. The firing line of 6th and 7th will at 5.30 p.m. be in line on the left with NEW ZEALAND brigade and the right on the valley on our right. This will bring the firing line in front of the present fire trenches of the composite brigade. The objective is the ridge beyond KRITHIA with our left further forward than our right which

latter will link up with the French or 2nd Naval Brigade at present on the French left. Every opportunity is to be taken to use the bayonet.

(iii) 8th and 5th Battalions general reserve moving forward direct to their front.

4. - The above order was received by battalion commanders about 5.20 p.m. and the attack began as ordered punctually at the hour named - 5.30 p.m; consequently there was no time to explain the orders and plan to subordinate leaders.

The 6th and 7th battalions came under shrapnel fire as soon as they advanced; they extended and pushed on to the trenches held by the composite brigade where a brief halt of 2 or 3 minutes allowed the men to regain their breath. The brigadier who was in the Composite Brigade trenches personally urged the men to push on, and the advance was continued for another three or four hundred yards in face of shrapnel, rifle, and machine gun fire until checked at a distance of about 400 yards from the Turkish trenches. As the troops on the left had not come into line and the French artillery shrapnel aimed at the Turkish trenches was bursting just clear of the firing line, the order was given about 6.30 p.m. to entrench and gold on to the ground won.

The 5th Battalion advanced about 400 yards behind the supports and the 8th Battalion rather further in rear. Bits of both these battalions got into the firing line, behind which were constructed support trenches - held by bits of all battalions of the brigade, as well as by men of other units.

(C) SUBSEQUENT EVENTS.

5. - Between 7.0 and 10.0 p.m. several messages were despatched asking for reinforcements to meet Turkish attacks.

Col. McCay, the Brigade Commander was wounded about 2.0 a.m. on 9th May; Major Cass, Brigade Major and Lt. Hastie, acting Staff Captain, had been wounded previously. Lt.-Col. Bolton, 8th Battalion, assumed command of the brigade.

6. - During the night 8th/9th May, the ground won was entrenched and the brigade held this position until relieved by the Lancashire Fusilier Brigade during the night 11/12th May.

After relief, the force rested in bivouac on 12th, 13th.

14th and 15th May; it embarked on 16th and landed at ANZAC COVE
on 17th May, about 8 0.am.

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

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Headquarters,

Anzac Cove, 5th. May, 1915.

From: Brig.-General,

General Staff,

A. & N. Z. A. C.

To: Headquarters,

Australian Division. 2 copus N. Z. & A. Division. 2 Copus

MEMORANDUM

The following are some remarks by a Staff Officer on the Army Corps Headquarters Staff, on trench work being carried out -

- 1. Some trenches, intended for fire trenches, have been deepened so much that fire from them is impossible, even if the earth parapet were shovelled away.
- 2. In nearly all cases the front face of the trench has been burrowed into, to give cover from shrapnel. This interferes considerable with the possibility of getting out of the trenches to meet a bayonet attack or to counter attack, unless special boxes, etc. are provided to step on to.
- Trenches on the forward slopes must be constructed so that fire can be brought on to the slope itself. The majority only allow for fire at the opposite crest. If trenches are really commanded at close range, substantial overhead cover must be made, covering the whole trench if possible.
- 4. In occupying the trenches men must dispose of their gear inside the trench in recesses, etc. Rifles, accourrements, and ammunition must be similarly disposed, as some are being damaged by rifle and shell fire.

There are also a large number of spare rifles, accoutrements, and ammunition, water tins, biscuit boxes, etc., etc. lying near around trenches. These should be collected and buried or burnt or sent into store at once.

The situation of the trenches is hopelessly given away by this debris.

Lieut-Colonel, for Brig-General, Gen. Staff,

A. & N. Z. A. C.

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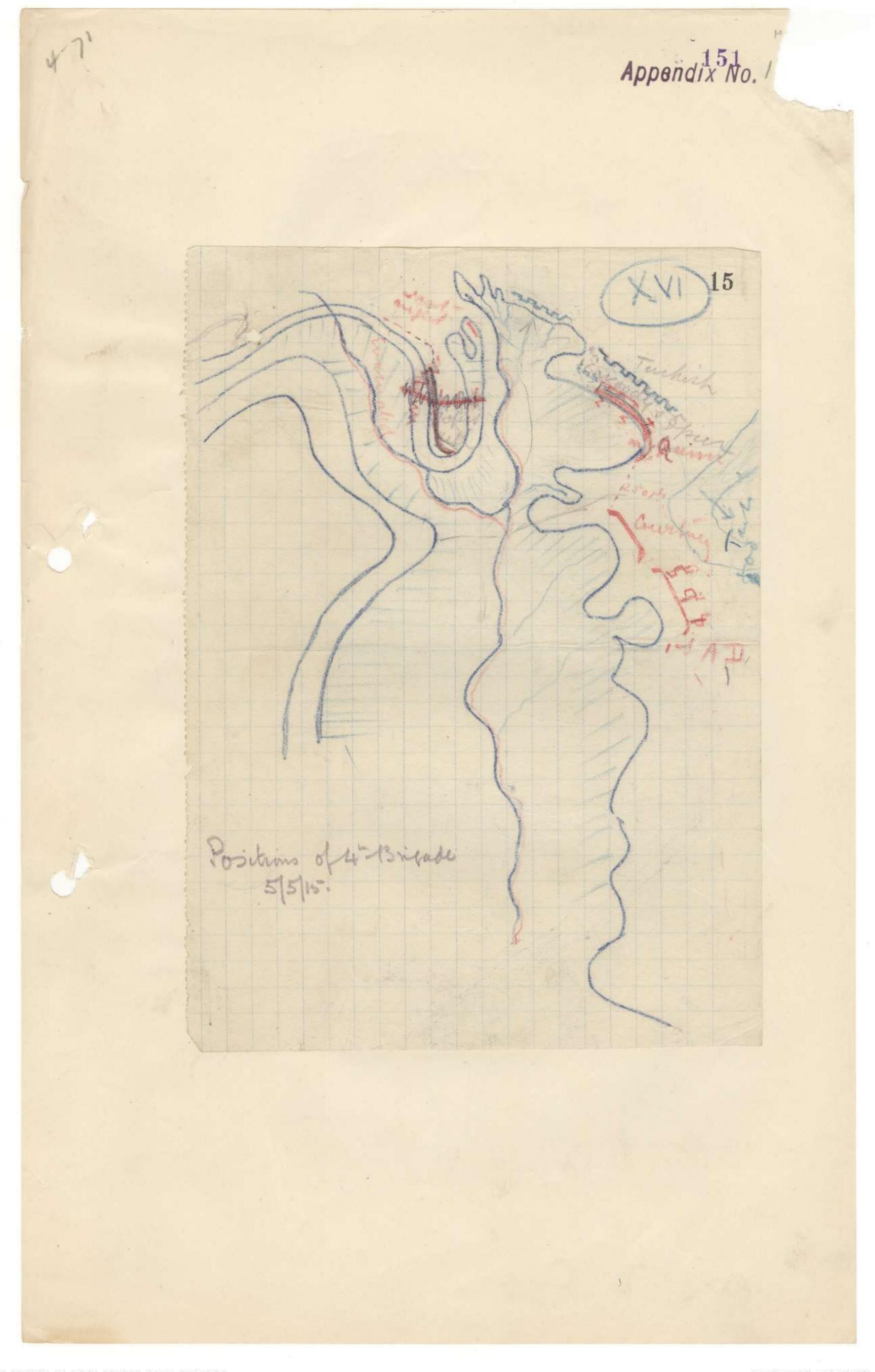
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The following notes compiled from a circular memorandum by G.O.C 19th Infantry Brigade, are reproduced for guidance.

In the attack it is doubtful if hand grenades would be of much use till the first trenches are captured. If held up,e.g.by wires near the hostile trenches, it is possible that a hand grenade party might be of use to pitch grenades into the enemy's trenches, but it is unlikely that grenades would be up at that period of the action.

The time when they will be of most use in an attack on opposing trenches will be when the front t renches are gained. Hand grehades should then be sent up each of the communication trenches and along the fore trench. In either case, the best position to take up would be in the trench behind the traverse or bend, from which cover grenade would be thrown at any of the enemy approaching.

- 2. To organize a grenade party, the following is suggested;—
 Squad to consist of two men (with rifles and bayonets)

 2 men for throwing (rifle slung) and 2 men to carry basket

 of grenades (trained as throwers to replace casualties)

 and 1 N.C.O.in charge of squad.
 - 3. The party would move off up the trench in the following order.

Man with rifle and bayonet - ready for use.

Bomb throwers with grenades.

Carrier with basket of grenades.

N.C.O.

Second thrower.

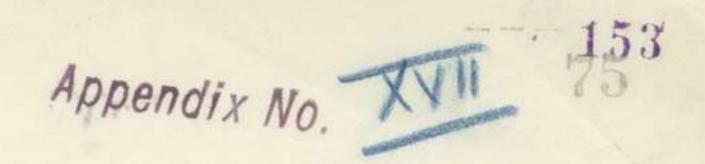
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As soon as the first basket of grenades is finished, it should be passed back for a further supply, and the full basket of the 2nd carrier passed to the No. 1 carrier.

- 4. The grenade squad should act on the offensive, bombing the enemy wherever found, and then passing on to bomb the next section between traverses, for if they remain stationary when the enemy is approaching they will be located, and probably themselves bombed.
- 5. When an enemy's fire trench has been captured, it will be necessary to make a second advance, usually from the communication trenches, after which the next trench will area k have to be kapkured tackbed, the bombing squad being split in two, and turned outwards so as to avoid being taken in rear.
- 6. In the defence, grenade squads are probably best in the support trenches, ready to advance up communication trenches to meet the enemy should he take the fire trench and try to advance.

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24 hours ending 6. am. 8th Daily Summary.

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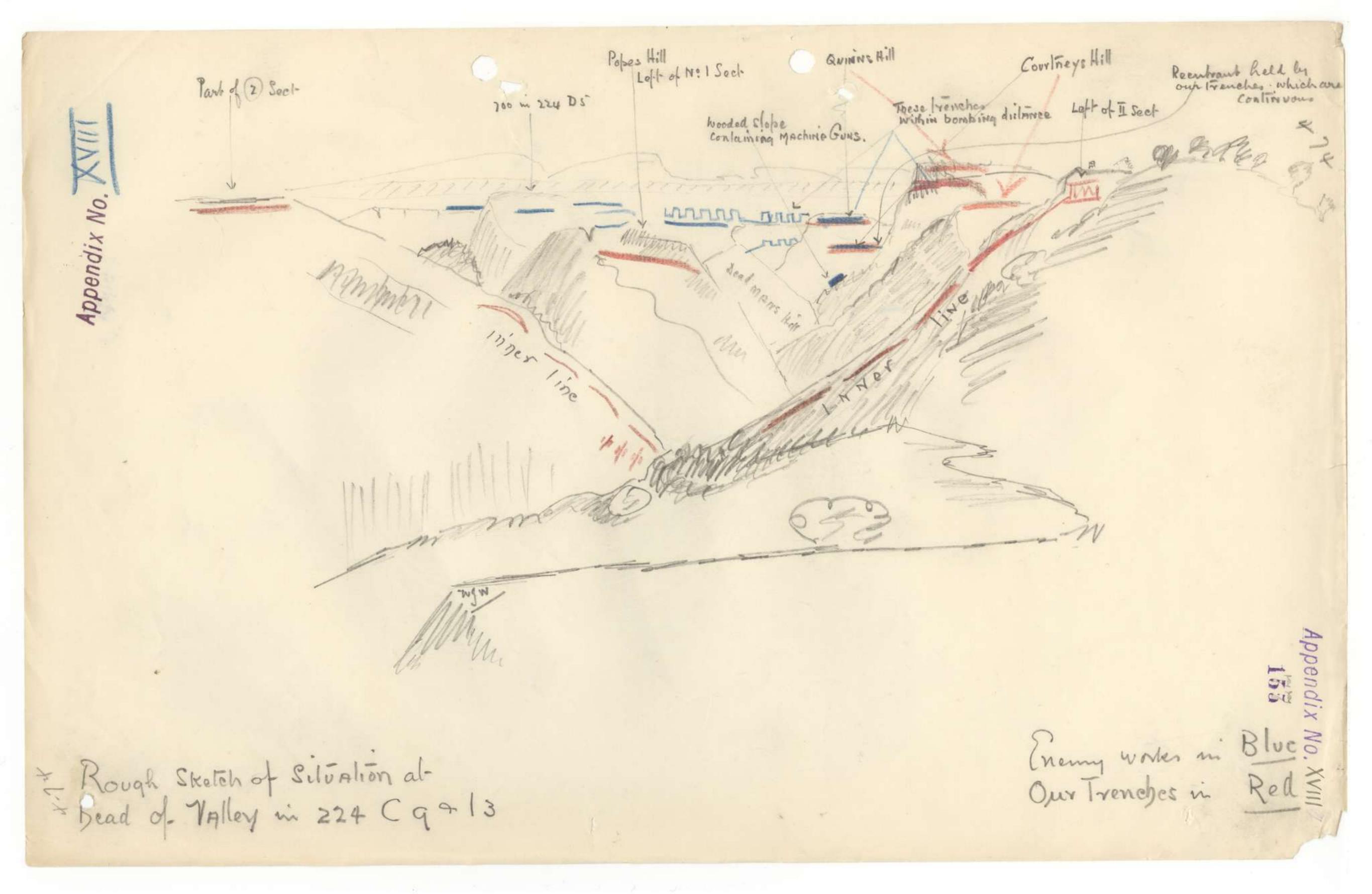
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Shell killed one man and wounded seven others of a mountain battery, and killed 16 nules standing in their sheeters. Two short periods of rapid shell fire, from a position south of and since 5500 yards from the brach, caused some loss to men and animals. Shelling of the brach from last continues, but without much from the brack. Goo rein forcements were discubarked safely and 350 embarked with out loss while this firing was going on. The position of the enemy batteries which harass the brack caunot be located.

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Headquarters,

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

R.A. II. Queen.

MEMORANDUM.

It has been arranged, that the shore guns will cover the inner are round our line, and that the naval guns should cover the ground beyond.

Saak Viz., For shore guns 224, all this square except a line West of K.3 to V.8.

For shore guns Q.R.S.T.V.W.X.Y.

All ground except above to be covered by naval guns

If this is concurred in, I should suggest naval officers to observe ships fire should come ashore, (if they can now be spared) and form a post on each flank to connect with the covering ships. They could use the W/T and visual flank station now existing on the beach, as all naval fire would be observed b them.

I would ask also that during the day a careful watch be kept on the country E. of SULVA BAY and KIZLAR DAGH, as considerable movement is reported there, and if a gun was brough on that flank by the enemy it would be most dangerous. Also if by night a searchlight could be directed on that area.

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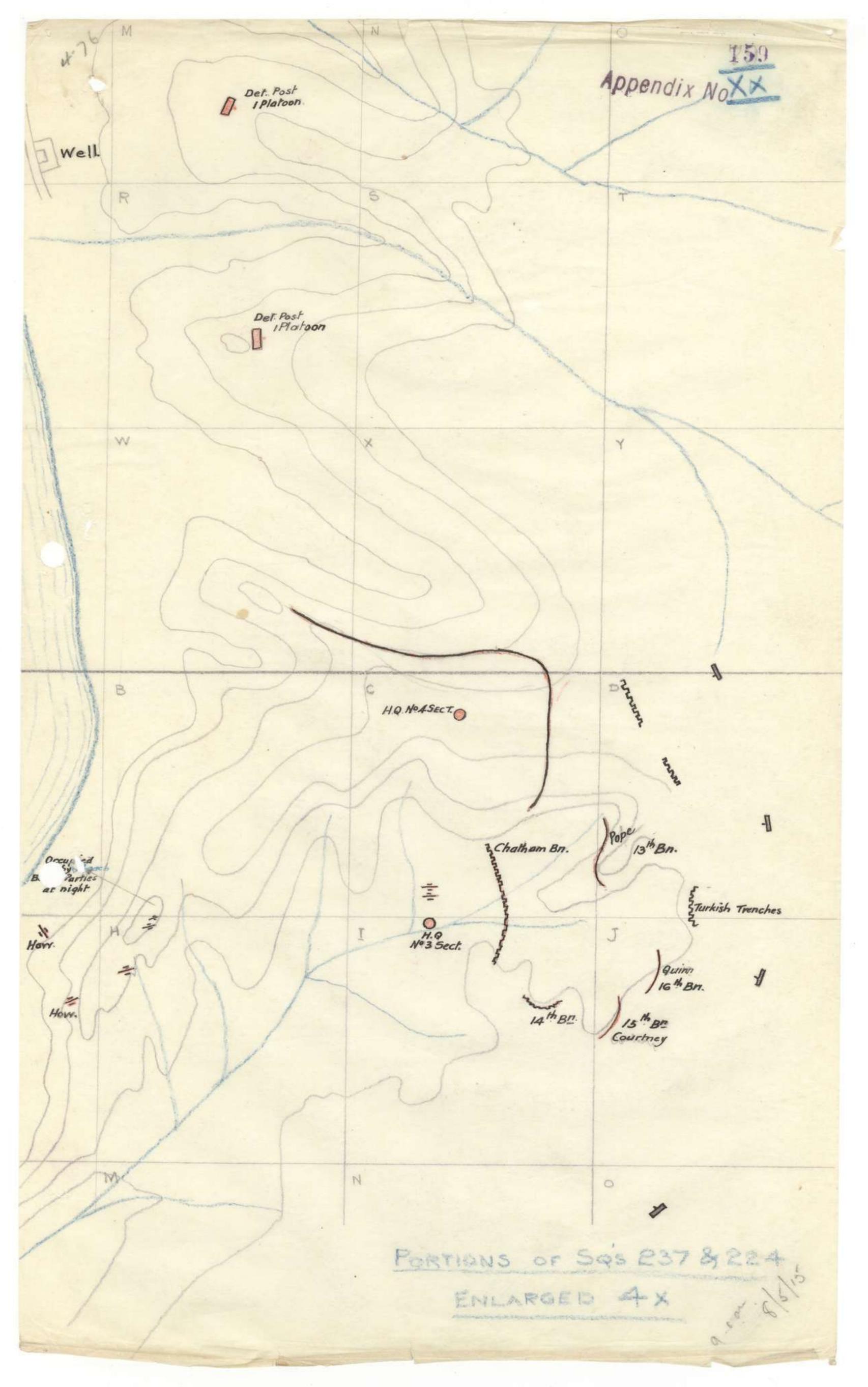
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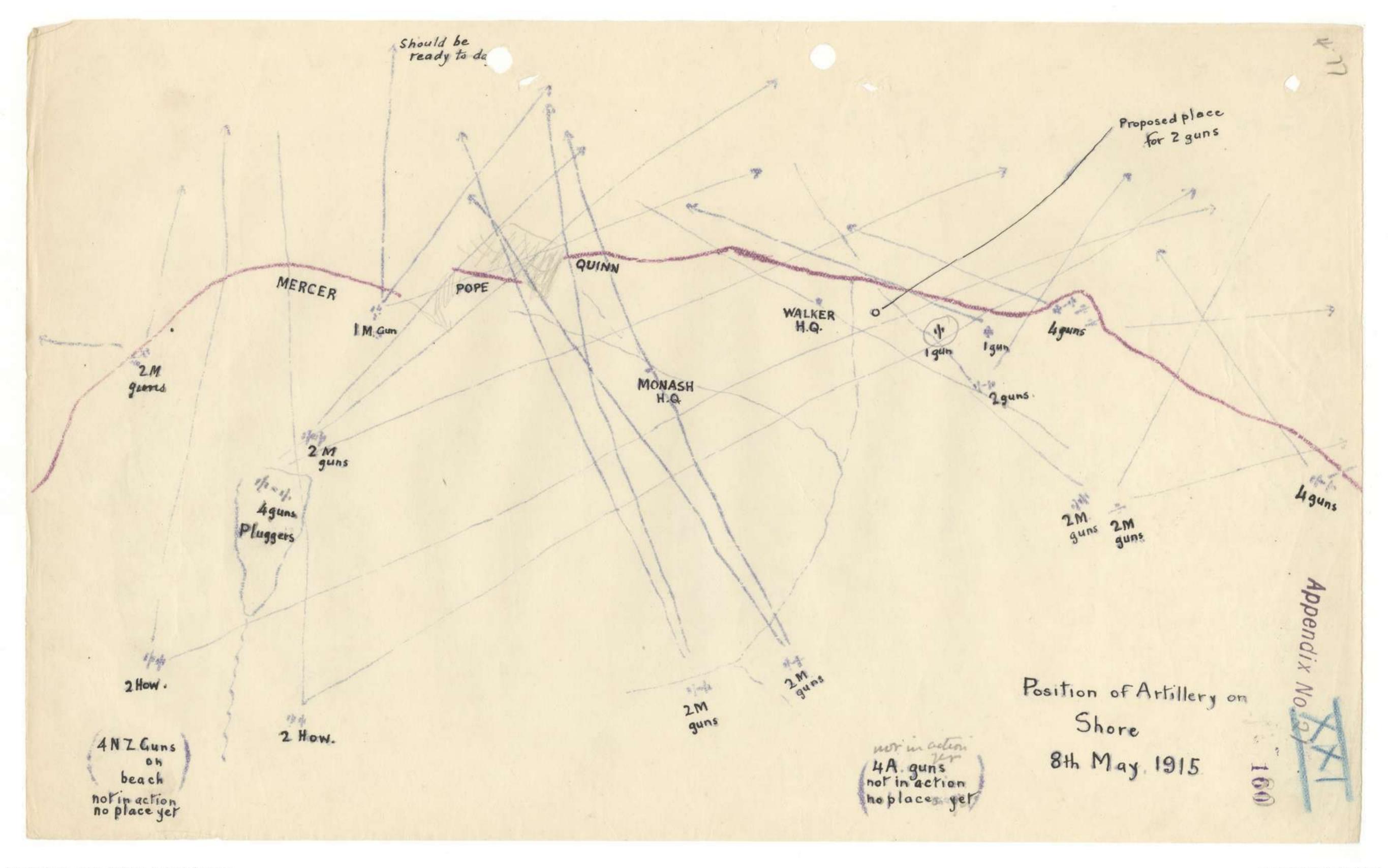
Date.....8th May 1915. No. A/47.

In reply to your G.A. 432 of the 8th May, the Naval guns cannot hold themselves responsible for all the area outside the proposed limit where it can be reached by shore guns. They will however do their best to assist as much as possible, bearing in mind that the supply of ammunition is not unlimited, and that it is necessary to confine the expenditure to located batteries or bodies of troops or stores.

- 2. It would not be possible to have Naval Officers permanently stationed on shore; but there is no objection to their going on shore occasionally to see the target they may have to fire at from that point of view.
- 3. As regards Suvla Bay and Kizlar Dagh, I have sent a Destroyer to reconnoitre today and will send a ship up there occasionally. I will also have a searchlight on it at night.
- 4. I should be glad to see General Cunliffe Owen or his representative on the subject generally at any convenient time.

Rear Admiral.





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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Headquarters,
Anzac Cove,
8th May 1915.

To:-General Headquarters,
Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

From: - G.O.C.,
A. & N.Z. Army Corps.

MEMORANDUM.

the attached letter from O.C., 7th Indian Mountain Artillery Brigade, and statement of casualties to 7/8 May, 1915.

casualties is an urgent matter, especially the
Native Officers, N.C.Os., and men, who have to
come from India. More European Officers are badly
wanted, as in this particular country, batteries
nearly always work in sections, which should have
two Officers each, one as forwarding observing
Officer and one actually with the guns, and I
would suggest that until Officers specially
trained in Indian Mountain Artillery work can be
sent from India, at least 5 Officers of R.G.A., from
Malta should be ordered to join herefor duty.

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Lt-General,

Commanding Australian & New Zealand Army Corps.

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Copy.

From Lt-Col J.L.Parker, R.A., Commanding 7th I.M.A.Brigade.

To:- General Cunliffe Owen.
A. & N.Z.Army Corps H-Qs.

It is my duty to call immediate and special attention to the present state of the batteries under my command as brought about by casualties in action, sickness etc, from 25th April 1915 to 12 midnight 7/8th May. It is imperative that the whole of the casualty vacancies should be filled up at the earliest possible moment. The number of slightly wounded personnel and animals rejoining does not keep pace with the daily casualties and the batteries are daily becoming less mobile. I have previously represented and I reper that our casualties might be halved and the enemy casualties doubled if we had an up to date gun and better ammunition. The shrapnel still fail to break up and clump badly the' we have effected a manifest improvement in this by boiling the shell. What we want in this country is a mountain howitzer, but failing this, I guarantee that our personnel would work the new mountain gun within a few days of receiving it. The fire tactics conducted by the British Officers would be the same

The fire tactics conducted by the British Officers would be the same with double the results for their pains and the llydite shell of the new mountain gun would blow away the enemy parapets at short ranges which our present common shell cannot do. Moreover the trajectory of the new 12 pr is not so flat as that of our 10 pr and would clear crests, our great difficulty with the 10 pr, more easily and could be pushed further forward with less risk.

agd Parker, ht-Gol

SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS OF I.M. Artillery Bde.

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Packs 9
Riding 4.

From: The Officer Commanding 7 I.M.A.Brigade

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To:- The Brig.General, R.A. AN ZAC

Anzac Cove 20th.May, 1915

I wish to bring to your notice that the twelve 10 pr.B.L. guns of the Batteries under my command have from the 25th.April;15 to date been in action daily and have expended during that period an average of 616 rounds per gun, which have to be added to 50 rounds per gun fired on the Suez Canal, or a total of \$65 rounds per gun to be added in their history sheets to those fired during the previous 13 years of their existence.

They are consequently much worn and becoming less and less accurate in their shooting, one of them particularly so, and at the present average rate of firing will become so rapidly. The driving bands of fired shell picked up show that the rifling is not cutting the bands clearly and the imperfect centring is noticeable in noisy flight. The Section Officers complain that in consequence they cannot keep on a line which they have been at great pains to obtain and there is a resultant excess in ammunition expenditure.

I believe that the Arsenals in India still contain a few unused 10 prs, one such was issued to me yesterday and it appears desirable that any such should be sent at once to replace the war-worm weapons now in use.

A further supply of vents axial and rings axial is also required to keep the present guns going at all.

(signed) J.Parker, Lt.Colonel, Cmdg.7 I.M.A.Bde.

General Headquarters, Mediterranean Expedity. Force

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I concur. The umusual number of rounds that it is absolutely necessary to fire under conditions quite different to those in which Indian Mountain Artillery is generally used, is rapidly wearing out these guns, which get daily worse. Not only is less destruction caused to the enemy by their fire, but their increasing unreliability might be dangerous to our own troops.

I urgo that any new guns from India or elsewhere that are available be sent at once here.

C. fully bulk Brig. General, R.A. for General Officer Commanding,

Australian & New Zealand Army Corps

Letter From D.D.O.S., M.E.F.
To:- ANZAC

dated 26.6.15

Reference to your letter 597 of May 21st. forwarding a report on the condition of the 10 pdr.guns with Indian Mountain Artillery, six 10 pdr.guns were shipped from India on June 6th. On receipt at Base they will be forwarded to the UMSINGA for despatch to you, on receipt the six guns displaced are to be sent to the UMSINGA.

(signed) P.A.Bainbridge

Colonel D.D.O.S., M.E.F.

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Anzac Cove, 8/5/15.

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

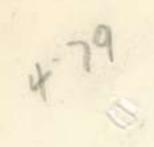
To: General Headquarters,
Meditteranean Exped. Force.

MEMORANDUM

I understand that there are some 6" howitzers at Lemnos, with personnel of the Royal Malta Artillery. If this is the case, I should like them to be sent here with all their ammunition where they would be most useful.

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



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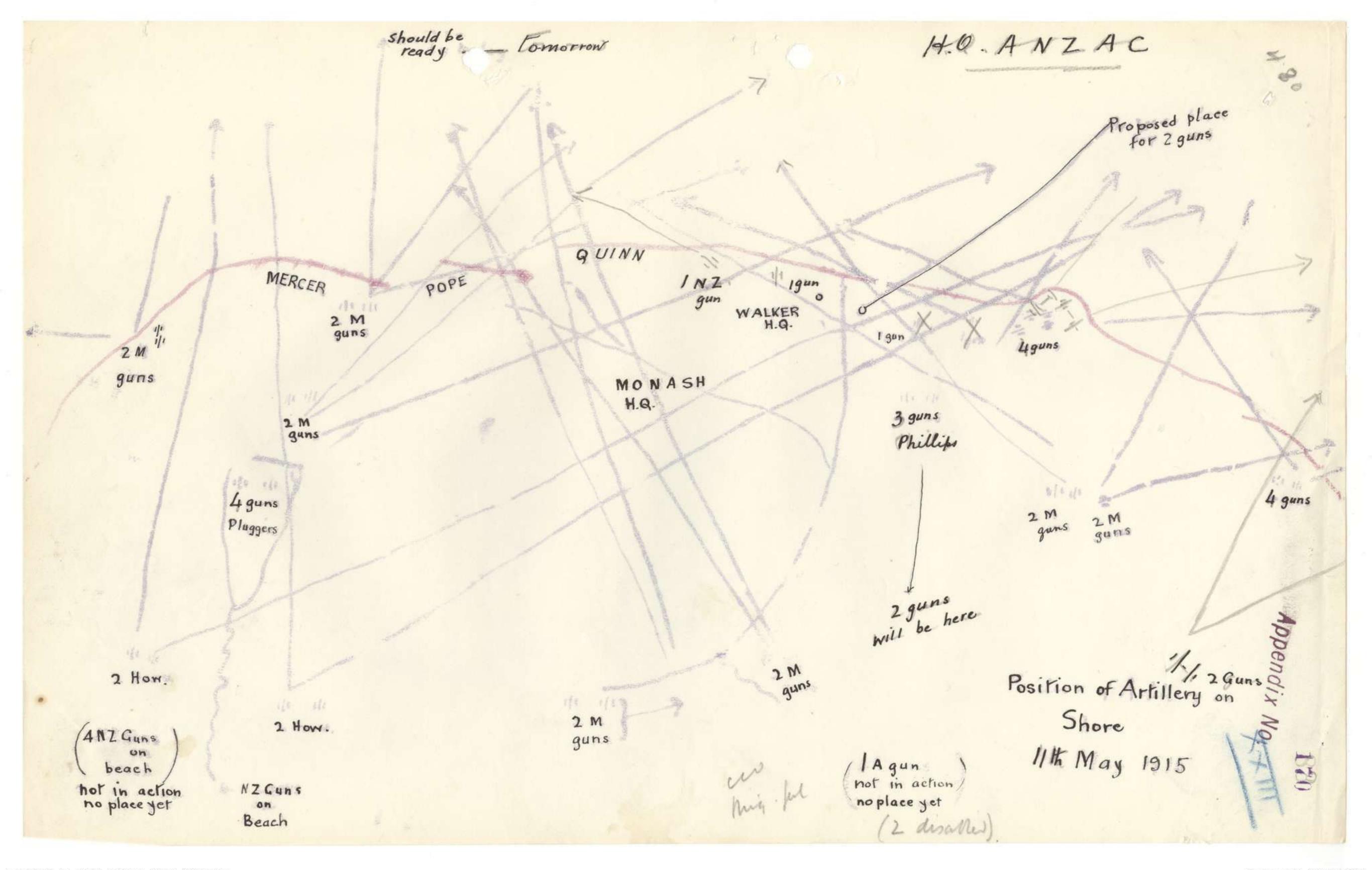
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The following instructions regarding Maval fire support are repeated for guidance of all concerned; they will be republished in divisions.-

- (1). Requests for fire of Naval guns on new or particular targets will be made only by commanders of Brigades or larger formations. Except in cases of extreme urgency these requests should be passed through Divisions and the Army Corps.-In all cases they will be addressed to the Flagship.
- (2). The duty of flank observation officers is to spot and control the fire of ships on targets where fire is opened; in this duty they will communicate direct with firing ships through Flank Signal Stations. These officers will be in touch with Infantry Brigadiers in the front line, and will assist them in formulating their requests for Naval fire support, but will not themselves ask for fire on new targets.
- (3). It must be understood that Naval guns cannot fire on enemy's guns close to our line. It is too dangerous, because all fire from ships is by compass, as the map is not accurate. The guns on shore are responsible for watching and firing on hostile guns or trenches near our lines; the Naval guns take outside zones only.

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APPENDIX NO. 24.

Anzac Cove, 12/5/15.

ARMY CORPS ORDER NO. 7.

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1. The Army Corps maintains its position. Reports indicates that a large force of the enemy, probably over 2 Divisions, is being contained by the presence of the Army Corps on the flank of the main communication in the Peninsula; and that considerable losses are being inflicted on him in our assaults and during his operations against our lines.

In the South it is understood that progress is being made, necessarily slow in the face ofmdetermined opposition and strong positions.

The 2nd. Australian Brigade and the N. Z. Infantry Brigade are reported to have behaved with great gallantry in the attacks of the 8th. May and following days.

The 1st. Light Horse Brigade (dismounted) less one regiment, Light Horse Field Ambulance, and Light Horse Train, arrived last night on H.M.T. Devanha, disembarked this morning, and rejoined the New Zealand and Australian Division.

Distribution

2. The 1st. Light Horse Brigade will relieve the Marine Brigade (Brig.-Genl. Trotman) to-day.

The Marine Brigade will be withdrawn on relief, and will embark at 8 p.m. to-night to rejoin the R. N. Division at Cape Helles. Arrangements for embarkation are attached

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for Brig.-General, General Staff, A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

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APPENDIX NO. 24 Instructions for Re-embarkation of Marine Brigade, R.N. Division. 12.5.15 1. The Marine Brigade on relief by the 1st Australian Light Horse Brigade will be withdrawn, and will rendezvous in the re-entrant, South of the road leading up toPLUGGES PLATEAU from the old New Zealand Divisional Headquarters.

2. The Brigade will be ready to embark at 8 p.m. The arrangements for the embarkation are:-

A lighter and a horseboat are to be in readiness at the following piers :-

5. Pier No. 6 (Northern Red Cross)

Pier No. 4 (Pier with derricks)

3. Pier No. 5 (Water Pier)
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1. Pier No. 3 (Water pier)

The Brigade will be divided into 5 detachments of approximately 200, each of which will be marched under guidance of one of the beach control officers to its pier, commencing with No. 3, and embarked at once.

Mules which landed with the Brigade will remain in charge of New Zealand and Australian Division, without personnel - and will be sent on later or be retained here as may be ordered.

- All work will cease on the beach between 8. and 8.30 p.m.
- 4. Equipment and supplies will be taken as follows:-

S.A.A. 200 rounds per man on person. 5,500 rounds in machine gun belt boxes.

Tools. To extent with which the Brigade landed. Supplies- for the 13th.

All issues of supplies, tools, and ammunition are to be made before leaving the rendezvous.

- 5. Beach control personnel Naval Captain Vyvyan and his staff. - Military- Lt-Col. Lesslie, Captains Godwin and Edwards, and 2 officers N. Z. Divisional Staff.
- 6. Lights and smoking are permitted until troops have embarked.
- 7. Arrangements for a hot meal, and for drying clothing, etc., are being made by P.N.T.O. on board the transport which is to convey the

Brigade to Cape Helles 8. G.H.Q. are being informed that the transport conveying the Brigade will arrive off Cape Helles at daylight tomorrow, so that the night is available for rest. 9. A return of troops embarked will be submitted to Army Corps H.Q.by 9 p.m. tonight, or as soon after that hour as the troops have embarked from the piers.

Anzac Cove. 12/5/15.

Lt-Colonel, for Brig-General, General Staff. A. & N. Z. A. C.

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Anzac Cove, 12th. Hay, 1915.

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

Headquarters, Top Australian Dividon. N. Z. & A. Division.

MEMORANDUM

It has been found that, owing to the intricate nature of the ground, commanders and staffs of the different sections have difficulty in recognizing the positions occupied in other portions of the line than their own, and, in places, in rendering support to other portions of the line in their vicinity.

The Army Corps Commander wishes this to be remedied, and suggests as a suitable solution that tours of inspection be arranged on the following lines-

Firstly, Divisions should arrange to take, in relays, the staff and battalion commanders of each section to suitable observation points or throughthe trenches of the other section, and thus make them acquainted with the positions held by their own division.

When this has been done, Divisions should arrange between themselves for a similar interchange between the inner sections of each division, so that these sections may be acquainted with both their flanks.

Finally, if desired, the process can be repeated by mutual arrangement till all sections are acquainted with the whole position.

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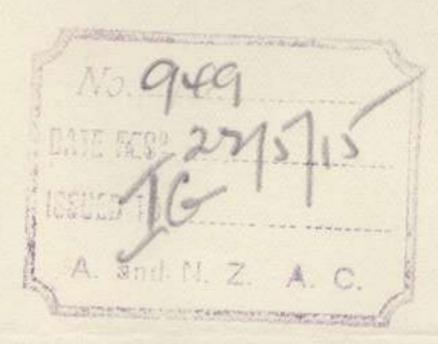
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- It is the general opinion that the Turks are putting up a very good fight, and that their merale appears to be good. They have a large number of machine guns, which they omploy freely and with great skill. It is reported that in some cases the Turks will not wait to face a bayonet attack: at the same time other reports show that they wait in their trenches, and fight to the ond.
- The Turks are learning the "ruses de guerre" employed 2. by the Germans. For instance, in one case an order was shouted out in English "Officers to the left", and subsequently a heavy fire was opened on that point, by which several officers were killed. Another instance: a regiment, when advancing, was challongod in English, "What unit is that ?" On the roply boing given, "---- Regiment, the further order was given, "---- Regiment this way!" An effective fire was then opened on the Regiment when it had gone forward in the direction indicated.
- Sniping is regularly carried out by picked shots, and 3. cases are reported of snipers having been found behind our lines. Our tonches are also swept at regular intorvals by machine gun fire. One Brigade adopted the following method, specially to suppress sniping: - The enemy's front was divided into sectors, each of which was continually under observation by a man with strong field glasses. As soon as he discovered a sniper, three picked shots who had been told off with him, picked him off. In this way, a decisive fire superiority was obtained on this part of the front.
- As far as is known, thoro has been no instance of misuse of the white flag by the Turks opposite to the British Force. The French however, report that a few days ago, a number of snipers under cover of a white flag, moved to a . favourable position, whence their fire saused considerable loss.





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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

ARMY CORPS ORDER NO. 8

Anzac Cove,

13th. May, 1915.

1. The New Zealand Mounted Rifle Brigade (Brig.-Genl. Russell) disembarked last night, along with the 3rd. Light Horse, completing the 1st. Light Horse Brigade.

The Marine Brigade (R. N. Division) embarked last night and proceeded to Cape Helles to rejoin the Royal Naval Division.

2. The Maval Brigade (Brig.-Genl. Mercer) will be relieved to-day under arrangements to be made by New Zealand and Australian Division, and will be in in readiness to embark at 8 p.m. to-night for Cape Helles.

Arrangements for embarkation will be on the lines for embarkation of 12th. - detailed instructions will follow

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Lieut.-Colonel, for Brig.-General, General Staff, A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR EMBARKATION. 13/5/15.

- 1. The Naval Brigade (Brig.-Genl. Mercer) on relief by the New Zealand Mounted Rifles Brigade, will be withdrawn and will rendezvous by 7.45 p.m. in the open space North East of the Howitzer guns and sick mule lines.
- 2. The arrangements for the embarkation are :The Brigade is to be embarked on one transport.

 Horseboats will be in readiness at

Pier No. 6
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These horseboats will take off about 100 men/at a time, and some more on the steamboats.

The Brigade will therefore move down in detachments of 600, dropping 120 men at each pier.

The first detachment will be on the beach at 7.45 p.m. ready to embark. The next will move down at 8 p.m. and the last detachment will wait at the rendezvous till called for.

- 3. Mules which landed with the Brigade will be handed over to N.Z.& A. Division, and retained here.
- 4. All work, and all movements of animals or people not having business connected with the embarkation, is to cease at 7.45 p.m., and is not to be resumed till 9.30 p.m.
- 5. Equipment and supplies will be taken as follows -

S.A.A. 200 rounds per man on person

3500 "in machine gun belt boxes.

Tools - to extent with which the Brigade landed.

Supplies for the 14th.

All issues of supplies, tools, and ammunition are to be made before leaving the rendezvous.

6. Beach control personnel -

Naval Captain Vyvyan, R.N. and his staff.

Military Lt.Col.Lesslie, Major Villiers-Stuart,

Captains Godwin and Edwards, and 2 officers

N. Z. & A. Divisional Staff.

- 7. Lights and smoking are permitted till troops leave the beach
- 8. Arrangements for a hot meal are being made by N. T. O. on board the transport which is to convey the Brigade to Cape Helles.
- 9. G.H.Q. are being informed that the transport conveying the Brigade will arrive off Cape Helles at daylight to-morrow so that the night will be available for rest.

10. A return of troops embarked will be submitted to Army Corps Headquarters by 9 p.m. to-night or as soon after that time as the troops have embarked from the Piers.

> Lieut.-Col., for Brig.-General, General Staff, A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

Anzac Cove, 13th. May, 1915.

AUSTRALIAN AND MEN ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

TREATMENT OF BURRELEDERS.

During the last two days, several instances of the enemy showing a white flag have been reported.

The white flag merely means a desire to treat, usually with a view to surrender. As it is necessary to be on guard against treachery, no one should expose himself to answer the white flag, but to show the white flag that his signal has been seen. A flag, of any colour, may be waved in token of acceptance by the officer in command of the section of trench opposite the white flag.

If any of the enemy then come forward, unarmed, and obviously intending to surrender, they should be allowed to advance, though full proceutions against troachory should be taken. On arrival at our tronches, they are to be taken in one by one, blindfolded, and led to the headquarter of the section.

This procedure applies also to the approach of an enemy without a white flag, but unarmed and obviously intending to surrender.

Casos may occur, however, when a white flag is displayed, but nothing further occurs. In such a case, the efficer nearest the spot is at once to inform his battalion commander, who will make application for an interpreter through his section headquarters. The interpreter, on arrival, will call to the enemy, ordering them to come in one by one without arms, if the intention is to surrender, otherwise to remove the flag at onco.

Army Corps Headquarters, Anzac Cove.

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AUSTRALIAM AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

No.Ga 62/

Army Corps Headquarters,
Anzac Cove, 14 May, 1918

From: Brigadier-General.

General Staff.

Australian and New Zealand

Army Corps.

TO) :- D.A & Q.M.G.

MEMORANDUM.

observation has confirmed the statement - that the water arrangements inland require re-organization. Hen are using the springs for washing - washing in buckets close to the water and fouling it. The Engineer Officer in charge has reported to Major Hancock that an officer of the 1st Light Horse Brigade took water from the Monash gully reservoir in spite of his protests for washing, andthis sort of thing probably happens daily.

I would suggest

- (a) All water to be clearly marked.
- (b) An order warning all ranks to use no fresh waber for washing.
- ablishments, to enable them to post sentries armed with the badge and authority of Military Police.
- 2. I found today several latrines, and notably the series of latrines by the Col at South end off main beach, not filled in. Apart from the stench, flies are gathering and with open latrines the chances of excremental pollution are increased.

I suggest that disenfectants be provided and a full supply /allowed for and placed by every latrine. Sanitary squads should be doubled and definite areas alloted to be under the supervision of medical officers.

Numbers of tins with meat etc. in them are still 3. to be found, breeding flies.

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From: Brig.-General, General Staff,

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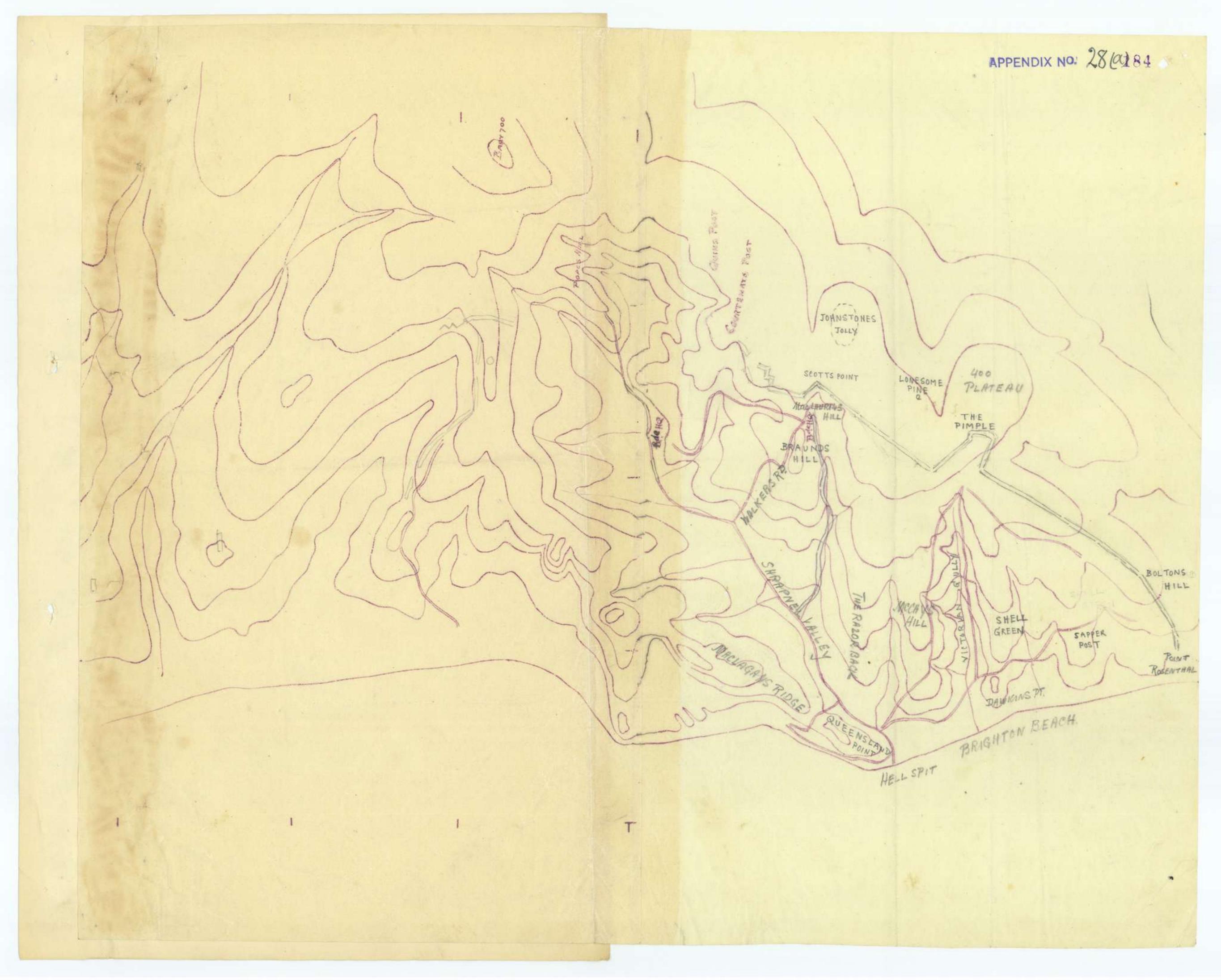
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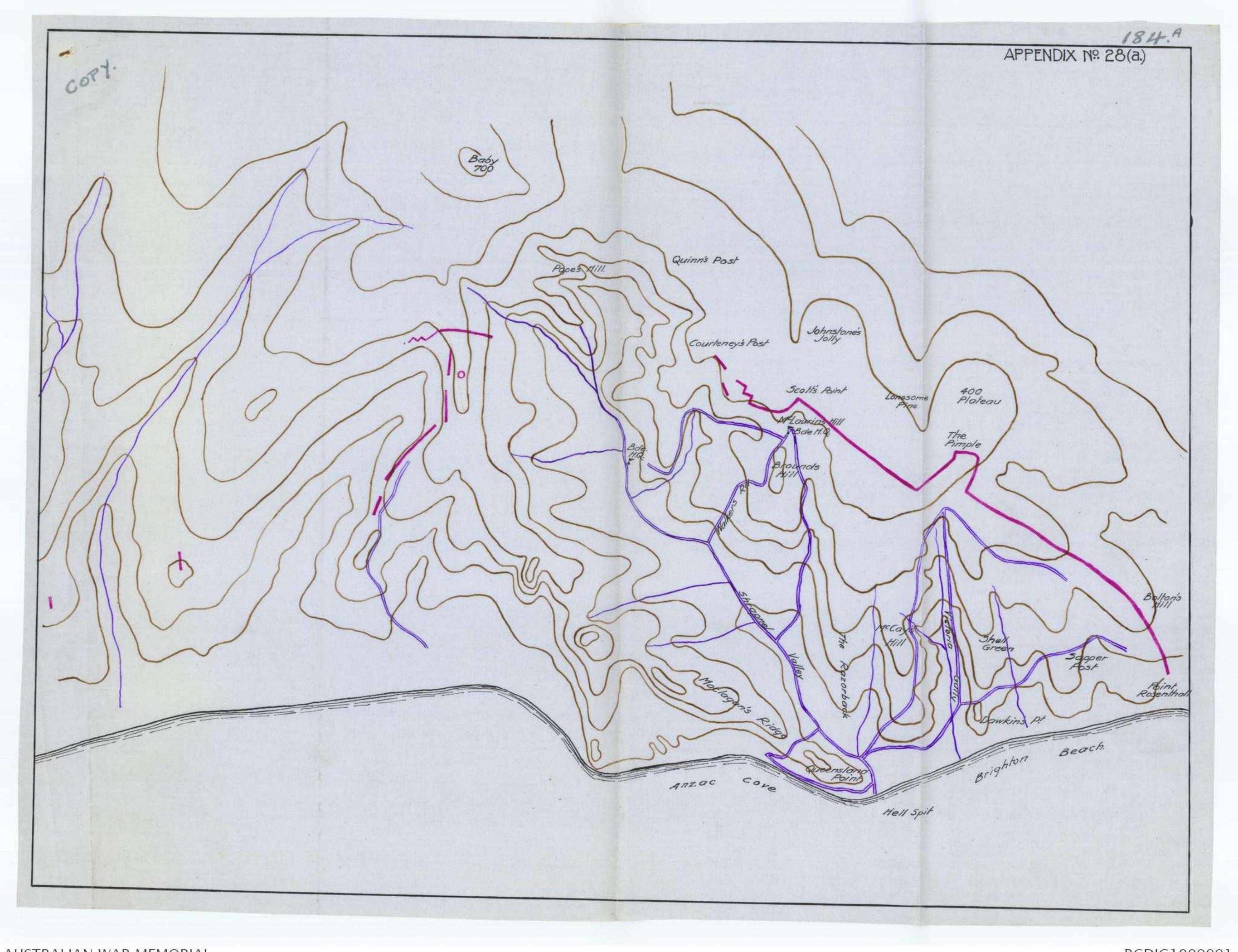
the position, to send in a list of the names which are in common use within their section to describe portions of the position or prominent features. These will then be published in orders for general information and used in official communications.

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QUINN'S POST. is immediately N.E. of G. Post Courtners Post.

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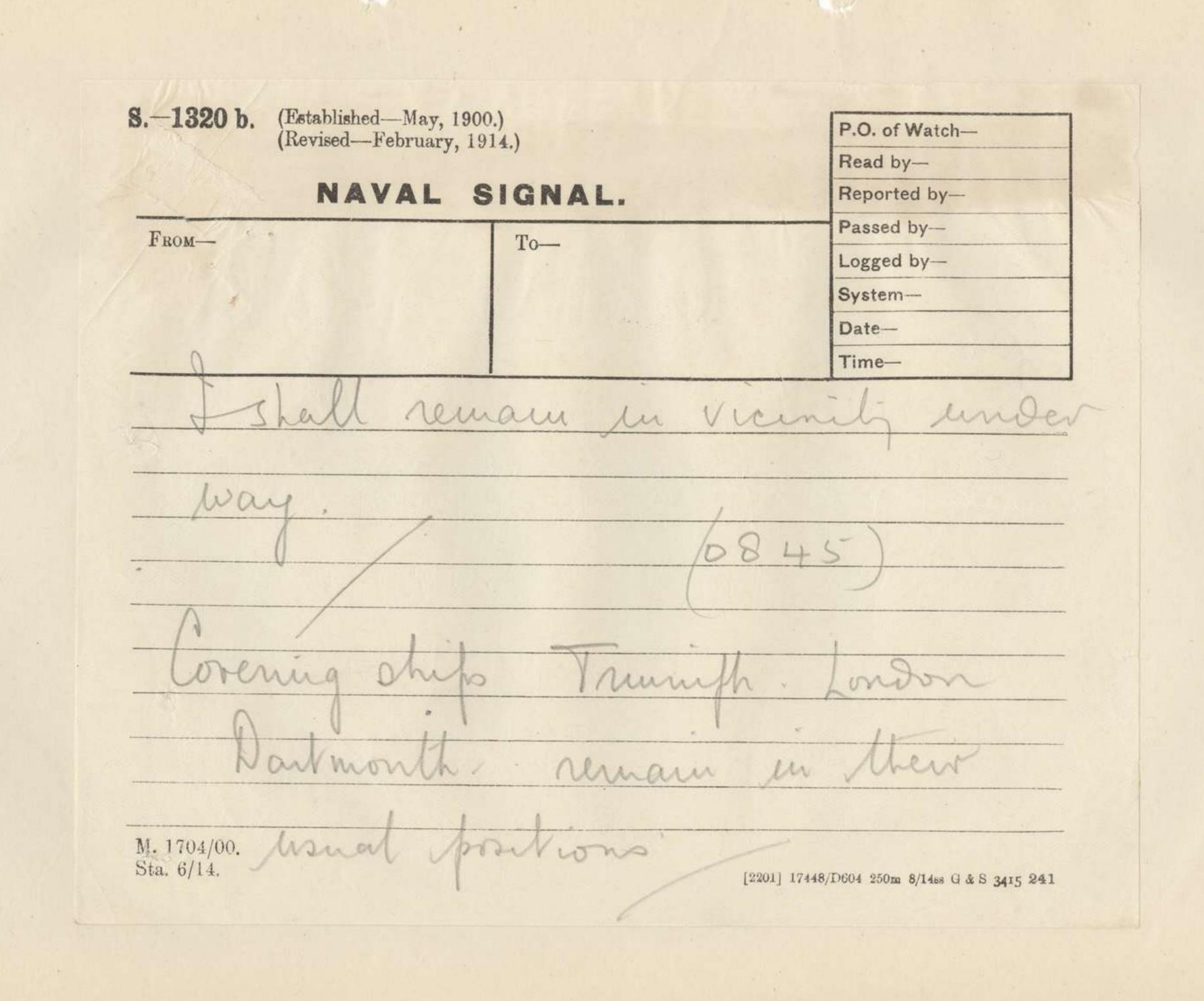
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FORCE ORDER NO. 8.

General Headquarters,

11th May 1915.

The General Commanding wishes to congratulate all ranks on their magnificent work of the last fortnight. He feels sure that the heroism displayed by the troops at the disembarkation, and during the subsequent operations, will send a thrill of pride throughout the whole British Empire when the story becomes known to the public.

The arduous work of the past fortnight has, however, necessitated a brief pause to recoup, refit and prepare for fresh exertions.

2. Owing to the numerous and well planned entrenchments now held by the enemy in the vicinity of ACHI
BABI and also at KABA TEPE, the operations in the immediate future will approximate more to semi-siege warfare than to open operations in the field.

Further progress must now be made by continuous and systematic attacks on certain portions of the hostile line rather than by a general action involving the advance of the whole line at once.

The first step in this nature of warfare is to consolidate effectively our own position against hostile attack by strengthening and improving trenches. The second step is to assume the offensive against the enemy, and gain further ground in the Peninsula.

The front trenches should form one continuous line; this facilitates the reinforcement of any threatened position

open ground, and also enables portions that are shelled by the enemy to be temporarily vacated. Such portions should be at once reoccupied if threatened by hostile infantry attack, or directly the shell fire ceases.

Every trench must be carefully traversed. Support trenches should be dug from 150 to 250 yards in rear of the front line trenches. Support trenches should be linked by strong supporting points, or small redoubts, the garrisons of which will not leave these positions but assist in the recapture of any portion of our front trenches which may be lost by bringing fire to bear on such trenches and thus facilitating the advance of our infantry from our support trenches.

It is the duty of the troops in these support trenches to recapture at once with the bayonet any portion of the front line of trenches which may be temporarily lost.

- The position of the machine guns in the front line trenches must be carefully chosen with view to bringing effective flanking fire to bear on any hostile attack.

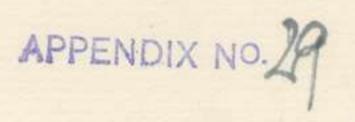
 Alternative positions should be constructed. For the purpose of testing the mechanism, machine guns should never fire more than single rounds, so as not to disclose their position. In case of hostile attack their position will then come as a surprise to the enemy and full benefit will the derived from their use.
- offort should be made to locate the exact positions of the hostile trenches. Although considerable progress can be achieved

achieved in this direction by day yet, as a rule, this can be effected with fewer casualties by the means of night reconnaissance. The information so obtained should be placed on a map by the staff of the higher formations.

These maps can then be pieced together by General Headquarters and a fairly accurate idea can thus be obtained of the hostile positions. Plans can then be made for the capture of one or more of these positions consecutively.

- Means in their power and every effort should be made to gain ground at night by sapping, or by advancing and then digging in, but care must be taken by previous reconnaissance to ensure that trenches thus constructed are not under hostile enfilade firing when daylight appears. Such digging parties must be covered by a firing party. Picked shots should be selected in each company to deal with enemy snipers.
- As regards the artillery the hostile area in front of the trenches should be divided into areas. One or more batteries should be detailed for the purpose of affording assistance if required to our infantry in each of these areas in case of attacks by the enemy. When our trenches are in close proximity to (i.e. within about two to three hundred yards of) the hostile trenches this is most important. Artillery observation officers in such cases must be located night and day in the infantry trenches, and the batteries must be carefully registered on the hostile trenches. In case of a hostile attack the remaining batteries, which should have also been previously registered, make a wall of fire from 200 to 500 yards in front of those of our trenches which are

being



being attacked with a view to preventing any supports reaching the enemy.

As the front held by our troops is comparatively small it is necessary that as many batteries as possible should be able to fire on the area in front of any portion of our trenches.

The heavy guns should be reserved as a cule for offensive operations against hostile trenches and artillery, on which they should be carefully registered as soon as these have been located.

8. Telephonic communications are all important. If

possible all lines from observing stations should be duplicated or triplicated and laid with connecting cross lines

Artillery lines should be labelled with a triangular, and infantry lines with a square shaped, disc to facilitate the linesmen identifying their wires especially in the dark.

Infantry must on no account ever approach the artillery observation stations, the concealment of which is of the greatest importance.

Directly hostile trenches have been located artillery will be registered on them.

Both in attack and defence in this nature of warfare the secrets of success are good co-operation between infantry and artillery, and efficient communications.

9.

9. If another offensive in the immediate future is now prepared for on the above lines, the General Commanding feels sure that the capture of the ACHI BABI position will be certainly and speedily achieved and will lead to further victory by the army under his command, the fine fighting qualities of which have already achieved success under conditions hitherto considered impossible.

Major-General, C.G.S. Medtn. Exped. Force,

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W.P. Braithwaite, Major-General, C.G.S., Mediterranean Expeditionary Force.

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FORCE ORDER NO. 11.

General Headquarters, 13th May 1915.

EXPENDITURE OF ARTILLERY ADJUNITION.

- 1. The expenditure of artillery ammunition during the recent operations has been considerable. During the present period of comparative inactivity it is necessary to husband our resources in this respect.
- 2. As regards 18 pdr. and 60 pdr. ammunition, only what is absolutely necessary for the maintenance of our position or for the purpose of retaliation should be used; and, where possible, the 15 pdr. guns should be fired in preference to the 18 pdr.
- o" Howitzer and 4.5" Howitzer ammunition should be most carefully economised and should as a rule only be expended when co-operating with infantry, in a definite tactical enterprise.
- ammunition can only be governed by the one principle of the amount necessary to defeat the attack, but even at such a time the necessity for economy of ammunition should never be lost sight of.

Major General, C. G. S. Mddtn. Exped. Force.

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At 11 am.

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPS.

Anzac Cove, 15th. May, 1915.

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

To: The Chief of the Gemeral Staff, General Headquarters.

MEMORANDUM.

Major- eneral Godley has asked that the Maori Contingent, now at Halta, may be sent to join his Division as a reinfercement.

I should be yery glad if this could be done as soon as convenient.

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Commanding A. & N. Z. Army Corps.