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Hour, Date, Place.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices
ISMAILIA 14. 2. 16.	The organisation of a Second Australian & New Zealand Army Corps was commenced under the authority of Circular Memorandum No 3 dated 14/2/16. issued by Brigadier General /c Administration Australian & New Zealand Forces. The organisation was to be carried out under the orders of Lieut. Gen. Sir W. B. Birdwood K.C.S.I., K.C.M.G., C.B., C.I.E., D.S.O. as Commanding Australian & New Zealand Forces and the new units were to be formed at TEL-EL-KEBIR under the command of Maj. Gen. Sir H. V. Cox K.C.M.G.	Appendix I (A & NZ Circular Memo No 3 dated 14/2/16). ack
19. 2. 16.	A provisional Army Corps staff & HQ personnel was formed as detailed in attached provisional list. HQ offices were established in RUA NEGRELLI ISMAILIA.	Appendix II (Provisional list of Army Corp Staff re) clm

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Hour, Date, Place.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices
20 - 2 - 16.	The organisation of units was commenced as follows:- 1. <u>Infantry</u> - in accordance with G.S. Circular Memorandum N/14 (1 st A.M.Z.A.C.) dated 12/2/16.	Appendix <u>III</u> Clerk
	2. <u>Divisional Mounted Troops</u> " <u>Artillery units</u> .. A.M.Z. forces Circ. Mem. No 4 dated 17/2/16	" <u>IV</u> Clerk
	3. <u>Field Ambulances</u> .. No 5 .. 18/2/16	" <u>V</u> Clerk.
	4. <u>Engineer units</u> .. No 8 .. 20/2/16	" <u>VI</u> Clerk
21. 2. 16.	5. <u>Divisional Trains</u> .. No 9 .. 21/2/16	" <u>VII</u> Clerk
22. 2. 16.	6. <u>Pioneer Battalions</u> .. No 11 .. 22/2/16	" <u>VIII</u> Clerk
24 - 2 - 16	7. <u>Brigade machine gun companies</u> .. No 13 .. 24/2/16	" <u>IX</u> Clerk
	8. <u>Sanitary Sections</u> .. No 14 .. 24/2/16	" <u>X</u> Clerk.
28 - 2 - 16	9. <u>Divisional Signal companies</u> .. No 19 .. 28/2/16	" <u>XI</u> Clerk
	Lt. Col. <i>for</i> <i>Asst. Gen. Commanding 2nd A.M.Z. A/c</i> 28/2/16.	

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND FORCES.

Headquarters, Ismailia,
14/2/1916.

Circular Memorandum No. 3.

Subject; Organisation, Second "ANZAC" Corps.

1. Authority has been given for the organisation of a second "ANZAC" Corps.

The new Corps
will be known
as the 2nd
ANZAC Corps.

The existing Corps will hereafter be known as the 1st ANZAC Corps. The allotment of Divisions to Corps will be published later. For the present the 1st ANZAC Corps will remain as at present composed.

2. Two Australian Divisions will be organised in Egypt out of available reinforcements, using portions of existing Divisions as a veteran nucleus. These two Divisions will be designated the 4th and 5th Australian Divisions. The third Australian Division is being raised in Australia.

3. The re-organisation will be carried out under the orders of Lieut.-General Sir W. R. Birdwood as Commanding the Australian and New Zealand Forces, to whom all questions of principle affecting organisation and establishment will be referred.

Headquarters for the G.O.C., A. and N. Z. Forces, will be in the block facing the Sweet Water Canal, bounded on the east by the Rue d'Edinbourg and on the west by the Rue de Suez.

Headquarters, 1st A.N.Z.A.C., will remain at ANZAC House, ISMAILIA.

Headquarters, 2nd ANZAC, will be established in the quarters recently occupied by the Commander, Canal Defences (Military), Rue Negrelli, ISMAILIA.

Major-General Sir H. V. Cox will temporarily command all provisional organisations at TEL EL KEBIR.

4. Instructions regarding the manner in which the infantry battalions and brigades will be formed and numbered were issued as an ANZAC General Staff Circular No. 14, dated 12/2/1916.

Similar instructions will be issued by Circular as to the manner of forming Divisional Units.

(Signed) C. B. B. White

Brigadier-General,
i/c Administration,
A. and N. Z. Forces

Copies to H.Q., A.I.F.
N.Z.E.F.
G.O.C., Cairo District
H.Q., 1st A.N.Z.A.C.
2nd "
1st Aust. Div.
2nd "
4th Inf. Bde.
8th "

Provisional List of Army Corps Staff and Headquarters Personnel.

- Organisation** 1. Under the Authority of Australian and New Zealand Forces Circular No. 3, the formation of the Headquarters, 2nd ANZAC Corps, was commenced on 15th February, 1916.
- Appointments Officers** 2. The following provisional appointments were made -
- Commander - Lieut.-General Sir W. R. Birdwood, K.C.S.I., K.C.M.G., C.B., C.I.E., D.S.O.
- Senior G.S.O. - Lieut.-Colonel C. M. Wagstaff, C.I.E., D.S.O., R.E.
- G.S.O., Second Grade - Major S.S. Butler, South Staffordshire Regiment, from G.S.O.2, Dardanelles Army - Acting A.Q.M.G., Anzac
- G.S.O., Third Grade - Captain C.G.M. Kennedy, Herts. Regiment, from G.S.O.3, Anzac
- G.S.O., Third Grade - Temp. Lieut. H. Woods, from G.S.O.3, D. A.
- D.A. and Q.M.G. - Brigadier-General R. A. Carruthers, C.B., from D.A. and Q.M.G., Anzac
- D.A.A. and Q.M.G. - Captain J.G. McConaghy, 25th Cavalry (F.F.), from D.A.A. and Q.M.G., Anzac
- Camp Commandant - Major J. S. S. Churchill, Q.O.O.H., from Camp Commandant, D. A.
- B. G., R. A. - Brigadier-General C. Cunliffe-Owen, C.B., from B.G., R.A., Dardanelles Army
- Staff Officer, R.A. - Captain R. C. Seys, R.G.A., from Staff Officer, R.A., Dardanelles Army
- Chief Engineer - Brigadier-General A. C. J. de Lotbiniere, C.S.I., C.I.E., from C.E., Dardanelles Army.

Establishments 3. Army Corps Headquarters Clerks

No. 426	S. Sgt.	C.R. Allanson	1st From Anzac H.Q.	15/2/16
87	Q.M.S.	A.H. Puttick-Wynne	4th Fd. Coy., A. Engrs.	"
1618	Corpl.	H.G. Brain	31st Bn., A.I.F.	19/2/16
537	Corpl.	R.E. Fricker	29th Bn., A.I.F.	19/2/16
S4128403	Pte.	A. Williamson	A. S. C.	20/2/16
7	Corpl.	S.A. Webb	2nd D.H.Q.	24/2/16
8432	Gnr.	J.E. Bradley	2nd D.A.H.Q.	24/2/16

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND ARMY CORPSAppendix IIIHeadquarters,
12/2/1916.GENERAL STAFF CIRCULAR NO. 14Subject : Organization - two new Australian Divisions.

1. It is intended to create two new divisions out of the surplus Australian reinforcements now available in Egypt. These two new Divisions will be numbered 4th and 5th; they will be formed at Tel el Kebir.

The 4th Inf. Bde. (with its proportion of Divisional troops) now unallotted, will be transferred to the 4th Division.

The 8th Inf. Bde. (with its proportion of Divisional troops) now unallotted, will be transferred to the 5th Division.

Orders for the movements of the 4th and 8th Brigades will be issued separately.

2. Out of the 16 veteran battalions in the A and N.Z.A.C. (1st to 16th) it is intended to form 16 new battalions.

∅ This will be done by dividing veteran battalions into two wings as shewn below:- a HdQrs wing and a second wing. Both wings will then be filled up by reinforcements. A table has been issued separately shewing the numbers of the new Battalions and the manner in which they will be grouped into Brigades.

(i) Headquarters. will not actually be divided but the following details will be transferred to the second wing.

Pioneers	5
Signallers	12

(ii) M.G. Sections will not be divided. It will remain with Headquarters wing.

(iii) Companies, will be fairly divided into two parts. In cases where the establishments shew only one of a particular rank that one will remain with the Headquarters wing.

(iv) Transport will not be divided

3. In dividing Infantry Battalions the division will be made on the basis of the Australian War Establishments 1912.

4. Nominal rolls in triplicate will be prepared of all men transferred to the second wing of the battalions. These rolls will be prepared in the following form:-

<u>State</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Existing Unit</u>	<u>Transferred to</u>
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∅ The division will be made up at once in the battalions named

The numbers now allotted to men will not be ~~changed~~.

5. In the transfer of men to Tel el Kebir rifles will be taken but machine guns, tents, and specialist equipment, will not be taken.

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Two days' rations will always be carried by men moving from the Canal to Tel el Kebir and vice versa.

6. Instructions will be issued separately as to the manner in which Divisional troops will be raised for the new Divisions.

(Sgd) C.B.B. WHITE Brigadier General
General Staff
A and N.Z. Army Corps.

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2nd Aust Division
N.Z & A. Division
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1st Inf Bde
8th Inf Bde.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND FORCES.

Headquarters, ISMAILIA,
17/2/1916.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM NO. 4.

Subject: Organisation - Divisional mounted troops and divisional artillery.

1. In continuation of Circular Memorandum No. 3, dated 14/2/1916, the organisation of divisional mounted troops and divisional artillery will begin forthwith, in the following manner -

- (1) Divisional Mounted Troops - The 11th and 12th Light Horse Regiments will be reformed. The machine gun sections and squadrons of these regiments are at present disposed as follows -

<u>Squadron, etc.</u>	<u>Attached to</u>
11th Light Horse Regiment	
M. G. Sec.	
"A" Sqn.)	2nd A. L. H. Regt.
"B" Sqn.	5th A. L. H. Regt.
"C" Sqn.	9th A. L. H. Regt.
12th Light Horse Regiment	
M. G. Sec.	
"A" Sqn.)	1st A. L. H. Regt.
"B" Sqn.	7th A. L. H. Regt.
"C" Sqn.	6th A. L. H. Regt.

The regiments complete will be assembled at ZEITOUN and MAADI respectively as soon as possible.

The 11th Regiment under the command of Lieut.-Col. W. GRANT will be allotted to the 4th Division.

The 12th Regiment will be allotted to the 5th Division. The name of the officer appointed to command will be communicated later.

(ii) Artillery -

(a) The 1st and 2nd Australian Divisions will each detail temporarily one field artillery brigade (the 3rd and 4th) as the nucleus of the artillery of the 4th and 5th Divisions respectively. The 1st and 2nd Divisions will by reinforcements and by transfers within the Divisions each organise another Brigade in lieu of that temporarily transferred. When this new Brigade has been organised application may be made for the re-transfer of the 3rd and 4th Brigades. The 3rd Echelon have been asked to supply all available reinforcements.

The numbering of Brigades temporarily allotted to the new Divisions will not be changed.

(b) Lieut.-Col. C. ROSENTHAL and Lieut.-Col. S.E. CHRISTIAN will temporarily command the artillery of the 4th and 5th Divisions respectively. The organisation of the two Field Artillery Brigades and Ammn. Colns. for each Division will be effected by them by selected transfers from the artillery of the 1st and 2nd Divisions and from reinforcements.

The 1st Australian Division will make available the

following

following artillery personnel to the artillery of the 4th and 5th Australian Divisions -

Personnel	Numbers to be made available to	
	4th Division	5th Division
Staff, Div. Art., H.Q.	all	all
Bde. Commdrs. and Adjts.	2	2
Batt. Commdrs.	3	3
Captains	4	4
Subalterns	10	10
Warrant Officer	1	1
Armament Artificer	1	
Batt. Sergt. Majors	2	2
Carrier Sergeants	2	2
Sergeants	14	14
Corporals	21	21
Bombardiers (including proportion specialists)	34	34
Gunners	40	40
Drivers	10	10

The transfers will be arranged direct between the artillery commanders of the 4th and 5th Divisions and the General Officer Commanding 1st Division.

A list will be supplied separately giving the number of officers, and n. c. o's. and men which can be supplied to the artillery of the 4th and 5th Divisions from the 2nd Australian Division.

Transfers from the 3rd and 4th F. A. Brigades other than any included in above will not be made without the concurrence of the G. O's. C., 1st and 2nd Australian Divisions respectively.

The Ammunition Details of the Aust. Div. Amm. Park will be distributed equally to the artillery brigades of the 4th and 5th Divisions by Major-General Sir H. V. Cox.

Nominal Rolls in triplicate will be prepared of all men transferred.

(c) The new Brigades to be formed in the 4th and 5th Divisions will be numbered -

4th Division		5th Division	
Brigades	Batteries	Brigades	Batteries
10th	28th, 29th, 30th	14th	40th, 41st, 42nd
11th	31st, 32nd, 33rd	15th	43rd, 44th, 45th

The brigades to be formed in the 1st and 2nd Divisions in place of the 3rd and 4th Brigades will be numbered respectively the 12th and 13th Brigades, and will be composed of the 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th Batteries.

The brigades being formed in Australia for the 3rd Division will be numbered 7th, 8th, and 9th.

(d) Separate instructions will be issued regarding the organisation of Divisional Ammunition Columns.

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H.Q., A. I. F.

G.O.C., 1st Aust. Div.

2nd "

G.O.C., N.Z.A.F.

1st L.H. Bde.

2nd "

3rd "

N. Z. M. R. Bde.

Lt.-Col. S.E. Christian

" C. Rosenthal

(Signed) C.B.B. WHITE

Brigadier-General

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A. and N. Z. Forces

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND FORCES.

Headquarters, ISMAILIA,
18/2/1916.

Circular Memorandum No. 5.

Organisation - Field Ambulances for 4th and 5th Divisions.

1. In continuation of Circular Memorandum No. 3, dated 14/2/1916, the organisation of the field ambulances for the 4th and 5th Divisions will be taken in hand at once.

2. Lieut.-Cols. G.W. BARBER and C.H.W. HARDY are appointed temporarily as A.D.M.S. of the 4th and 5th Division respectively, and will take up their appointments at once.

3. (1) Of the six field ambulances required there are available -

4th F. Amb.	Now at MOASCAR
8th F. Amb.	Now at SERAPEUM
4th L.H.F. Amb.	Now at MAADI

The 4th F. Amb. will be allotted to the 4th Division; the 8th F. Amb. to the 5th Division; the 4th L.H.F. Amb. will be distributed under the orders of the D.M.S., A.I.F. The transport of this ambulance will be transferred to the 8th F. Amb.

(ii) The ambulances to be formed will be numbered and allotted as follows -

12th and 13th F. Amb. to 4th Division;
14th and 15th F. Amb. to 5th Division.

4. (i) The 1st and 2nd Australian Divisions will detach "C" Section complete with transport of each of their existing Field Ambulances and despatch them at once to TEL EL KEBIR. Thereafter the Field Ambulances of these Divisions will for the time being consist of two sections - "A" and "B" - only, but to each Section an addition of 18 privates, stretcher bearers, will be made.

(ii) "C" sub-section of the 4th and 8th F. Amb. will be similarly detached, and an addition of 18 privates, stretcher bearers, per section will be made to the two remaining sections.

5. The new Field Ambulances, i.e., the 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th, will then each be formed of two sections as follows -

12th F. Amb.	-	"C" Sec., 4th F. Amb. "C" Sec., 8th F. Amb.
13th F. Amb.	-	"C" Sec., 3rd F. Amb. "C" Sec., 7th F. Amb.
14th F. Amb.	-	"C" Sec., 1st F. Amb. "C" Sec., 2nd F. Amb.
15th F. A.	-	"C" Sec., 5th F. Amb. "C" Sec., 6th F. Amb.

One "C" Section will in each case be converted to an "A" Section - the other will be designated "B" Section. A "C" Section will not be formed.

To each Section an addition of 18 privates, stretcher

bearers.

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bearers, will be made.

6. In all cases of men transferred from ^{one} unit to another nominal rolls in triplicate will be made of all men so transferred.

(Signed)

C. B. B. WHITE
Brigadier-General,
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G.O.C., 1st Aust. Div.
2nd Aust. Div.
N.Z. and A. Division
Lieut.-Col. G. W. Barber
C. H. W. Hardy
1st L. H. Bde.
2nd L. H. Bde.
3rd L. H. Bde.
N. Z. M. R. Bde.

AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND FORCES

Headquarters,
ISMAILIA,
20/2/1916.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 3

Subject : Organisation - engineer units for 4th and 5th Divisions.

1. In continuation of Circular Memorandum No. 3, dated 14/2/1916, the organisation of the engineer field companies for the 4th and 5th Australian Divisions will be taken in hand at once in the following manner :-

- (i) The 4th Field Co. will be moved to TEL EL KEBIR and there form the nucleus of the three field companies to be raised for the 4th Division.
- (ii) The 8th. Field Co. will be moved to TEL EL KEBIR and there form the nucleus of the three field companies to be raised for the 5th Division.
- (iii) The new companies will be numbered and allotted as follows :

4th. Field Co.	}	-	4th Aust. Div.
12th Field Co.			
13th Field Co.			
8th. Field Co.	}	-	5th Aust. Div.
14th Field Co.			
15th Field Co.			
- (iv) Lieut.-Col. G.C.E. ELLIOTT, from C.R.E., 2nd. Aust. Div., will assume the appointment temporarily of C.R.E., 4th. Aust. Div.

The transfer will be made at once and Lieut.-Col. Elliott will report to Major-General Sir H. V. Cox at TEL EL KEBIR.
- (v) Lieut.-Col. Elliott will, under the direction of Major-General Sir H. V. Cox, organise the two additional companies required for each of the new divisions.
- (vi) Special transfers or any other subdivision found necessary by Lieut.-Col. Elliott may be made from the 4th and 8th Field Co's. allotted as nucleus. * In addition to above, Lieut.-Col. Elliott may obtain from the 1st and 2nd. Divisions respectively the following personnel by special transfer

4th Aust. Div.	}	Ranks and trades up to but not in excess of the War Establishment of a Field Co.	}	From Engineer Companies of 2nd. Aust. Div.
5th Aust. Div.	}	- ditto -	}	From Engineer Companies of 1st. Aust. Div.

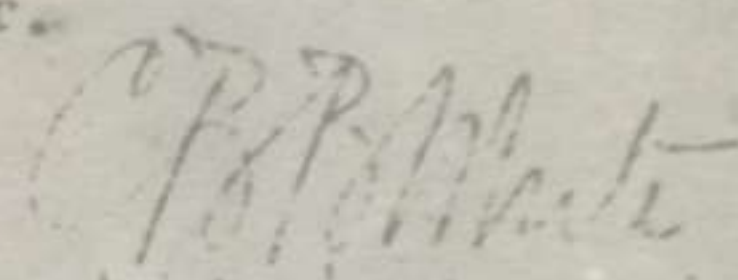
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The balance required will be made up from reinforcements and by special transfers from infantry units, which may be approved by Major-General Sir H.V.Cox.

Special transfers of engineer officers from the 1st and 2nd Aust. Divs. to the new formations will be arranged between Lieut.-Col. Elliott and the General Officers Commanding.

(vii) Nominal rolls in triplicate will be made out for all men transferred from one unit to another.



Brigadier-General,
D.A. & Q.M.G.,

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N.Z. Div.
1st. A.L.H. Bde.
2nd. A.L.H. Bde.
3rd. A.L.H. Bde.
N.Z.M.R. Bde.
D.M.S., A.I.F.
Lt.-Col. Elliott.

Appendix VII

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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND FORCESHeadquarters,
ISMAILIA,
21/1/1916.CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 9.Subject : Organisation - Divisional Trains for 4th and 5th Divisions.

1. In continuation of Circular Memorandum No. 3 dated 14/2/1916, the organisation of the Divisional Trains for the 4th and 5th Divisions will be taken in hand at once.
2. Majors Holdsworth and Francis are appointed temporarily as C's.C. 4th and 5th Divisional Trains respectively.
3. Of the 2 Headquarter Companies and 6 Brigade Companies required, there are available -

7th A.A.S.C.	-	(now at Zeitoun).
18th A.A.S.C.	-	(now at Serapeum).
20th A.A.S.C.	-	(now at Heliopolis). (Headqrs. Coy).

The 20th A.A.S.C. will be divided into 2 equal parts and each part will be expanded into a Headquarters Company; that of the 4th Division being styled ~~20th~~ ¹⁴ A.A.S.C., and that of the 5th Division, ~~20th~~ ¹⁰ A.A.S.C.

The 7th A.A.S.C. will be divided into 3 parts and each expanded into 3 Companies and styled 7th; ~~25th~~ ²⁷ and 26th A.A.S.C.

The 18th A.A.S.C. will be divided into 3 parts and each expanded into 3 Companies and styled 18th; 28th, and 29th A.A.S.C.

Attached is a table showing distribution among the companies.

4. The Trains will be formed at ZEITOUN and ALEXANDRIA respectively.
5. All Trains of the Australian and New Zealand Forces will be organised on a pair-horse basis on WAF ESTABLISHMENTS (New Armies) Part VII, 1915.
6. The 1st and 2nd Australian Divisional Trains will transfer all men surplus to the new establishments to the 4th and 5th Divisional Trains respectively, at a date to be notified later, retaining reinforcements up to 10% of their new strength.
7. The 1st Australian Reserve Park will be divided into 2 parts, one part to be allotted to the 4th Divisional Train and the other part to the 5th Austr. Divisional Train according to attached distribution table. These parts will be distributed evenly between the four companies of each Train.
8. The disposal of surplus wagons, horses and harness of 1st and 2nd Divisional Trains set free by the new organisations will be dealt with later. The horses and vehicles of the 7th A.A.S.C. and 1st Reserve Park will be distributed between the Companies of the 4th Divisional Train and 5th Divisional Train respectively.
9. The personnel of half the 20th A.A.S.C. will at once proceed to ALEXANDRIA, relieving half of the personnel of the 1st Reserve Park which will be moved to ZEITOUN.

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10. The 18th A.A.S.C. personnel will proceed to ALEXANDRIA, as soon as possible.

11. In all cases of men transferred from one unit to another, nominal rolls in triplicate will be made of all men so transferred, (vide Circular Memorandum No. 7 of 19/2/1916, A. & N.Z. FORCES).

12. The numbers now allotted to men will not be changed. Equipment and rifles will be taken.

C. B. M. M. M.

Brigadier-General,
D. A. & Q. M. G.

Australian and New Zealand Forces.

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2nd Aust. Division.
N. Z. Division.
D.M.S., A.I.F.
Major A.A. Holdsworth.
Major F.H. Francis.

1st AUSTRALIAN RESERVE PARK and 20th A. A. S. C.

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ALLOTMENT TO 4th and 5th DIVISIONAL TRAINS.

RESERVE PARK

20th A. A. S. C.

DETAIL	4th Train	5th Train	4th Train Headqrs Coy.	5th Train Headqrs Coy.
<u>TRANSPORT.</u>				
Major		1	1	
Captain	1			
Subalterns	1	2	2	1
W. O.	1			1
C. S. M.		1	1	
C. Q. M. S.	1			1
Sergeants	2	2	3	2
Wheelers	4(a)	4(a)	4(a)	3(b)
Saddlers	4(a)	4(a)	2(b)	3(a)
Barriers	4(a)	4(a)	3(a)	3(b)
Corporals	2	2	3	3
Privates		1	1	
Motorcar Driver			1	
Drivers	94	94	56	57
Batmen	2	5	6	6
<u>ATTACHED -</u>				
M. O.		1		
V. O.		1	1	
A. A. M. C.		4		
A. P. S.			1(g)	2(b)
Horses R.H. D.H. 22 323 Vehicles Wagons, G.S. 152 W.C. 1 Malt.C. 1				
<u>SUPPLY DETAILS.</u>				
Captain				1
Clerks				3(e)
Issuers				3
For requisitioning duties				
Subaltern			1	
Clerk			1(b)	
Other ranks			6(d)	

NOTES.

- (a) Including 1 Staff sergeant and 1 corporal
 (b) Including 1 corporal.
 (c) Including 1 staff sergeant.
 (d) Including 1 horse transport sergeant and 1 staff sergeant issuer.
 (e) A Staff sergeant or Staff Quartermaster Sergeant.
 (g) Staff Sergeant or Sergeant.

All surplus men of 20th A.A.S.C. to be divided equally between 4th and 5th Australian Divisional Trains.

Trumpeters to be absorbed as drivers.

A Weekly Return of Strength by Companies will be rendered on Sundays, made up to noon on Saturday to Headquarters, A. & N. Z. Forces, ISMAILIA.

4th AUSTR. DIVISIONAL TRAIN.

DETAIL	20th 14th A.S.C.		7th A.S.C.		26th A.S.C.		27th A.S.	
	20th A.S.C	Res. Park	7th A.S.C	Res. Park	7th A.S.C	Res. Park	7th A.S.C	Res. Park
<u>TRANSPORT.</u>								
Major	1		1					
Captain						1	1	
Subalterns	2		1					1
W. O.			1		1			
C. S. M.	1			1				
Q. M. S.		1						
Sergeants	3				1	1	1	1
Wheelers	4(a)	1	2	1(b)	1(c)	1	1(b)	1(c)
Saddlers	2(b)	1	1	1(c)	2(b)	1	1(c)	1(b)
Farriers	3(a)	1	2(c)	1	2(b)	1(c)	2	1(b)
Corporals	3					1		1
Privates	1							
Motorcar Drivers	1		1					
Drivers	56	26	1/3	23	1/3	23	1/3	23
Batmen	6					1		
<u>SUPPLY, & REQUISITIONING.</u>								
Supply Officer			1					
Subaltern	1				1			
Clerks	1(e)		1/3S. Sec		1/3S. Sec		1/3S. Sec	
Other ranks	6(d)		(g)		(g)		(g)	
<u>ATTACHED</u>								
W. O.								
V. O.	1							
A. P. S.	1(g)							

- (a) Including 1 staff sergeant and 1 corporal
 (b) Including 1 corporal
 (c) Including 1 staff sergeant.
 (d) Including 1 horse transport sergeant and 1 staff sergeant issuer.
 (e) A staff sergeant or staff quartermaster sergeant
 (g) Staff sergeant or sergeant.

5th AUSTR. DIVISIONAL TRAIN.

DETAIL	20th A.S.C.		18th A.S.C.		28th A.S.C.		29th A.S.C.	
	20th A.S.C.	Res. Par.	18th A.S.C.	Res. Par.	18th A.S.C.	Res. Par.	18th A.S.C.	Res. Par.
<u>TRANSPORT.</u>								
Major		1						
Captain			1					
Subalterns	1	1	1			1	1	
W. O.	1				1			
C. S. M.			1					1
C. Q. M. S.	1							1
Sergeants	2		1	1	1		1	
Wheelers	3(b)	1	2	1(b)	1(c)	1	1(b)	1(c)
Saddlers	3(a)	1	1	1(c)	2(b)	1	1(c)	1(b)
Farriers	3(b)	1	2(c)	1	2(b)	1(c)	2	1(b)
Corporals	3	1				1		
Privates		1						
Motorcar Driver								
Drivers	57	25		23		23		23
Batmen	6	4	3		1	1	1	
<u>SUPPLY.</u>								
Supply Officer	1				1			
Clerks	3(g)							
Issuers	2		1/3S. Sec (g)		1/3S. Sec (g)		1/3S. Sec (g)	
Requisitioning Officer.			1					
<u>ATTACHED.</u>								
W. O.		1						
V. O.		1						
A. A. M. C.		4						

(a) Including 1 staff sergeant and 1 corporal.

(b) Including 1 corporal.

(c) Including 1 staff sergeant.

(d) Including 1 horse transport sergeant and 1 staff sergeant issuer.

(e) A staff sergeant or staff quartermaster sergeant.

(g) Staff sergeant or sergeant.

Headquarters,
 ISMAILIA,
 22/2/1916.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 11

Subject : Organisation - pioneer battalions

1. In continuation of Circular Memorandum No. 3, dated 14/2/16, the organisation of 4 pioneer battalions (on War Establishments 1915 New Armies) will be taken in hand at once.

2. (i) Nos. 1 and 2 pioneer battalions will be organised in and allotted to the 1st and 2nd Australian Divisions respectively.

(ii) Nos. 4 and 5 pioneer battalions will be organised by Major-General Sir H.V.Cox and be allotted to the 4th and 5th Divisions respectively.

3. (i) There is being despatched from Australia a Mining Corps comprising a headquarters and three companies; the total establishment being 51 officers and 1001 other ranks.

The establishment of each of these companies and the distribution of ranks by trades are shown in the attached table marked "A".

(ii) One company of the Mining Corps will be allotted to each the 1st., 2nd., and 4th. Divisions to form the nucleus of the divisional pioneer battalion.

(iii) The headquarters of the Mining Corps will be allotted to the 5th Division as nucleus of the divisional pioneer battalion.

(iv) The transport with the Mining Corps will be allotted later under orders from this office.

4. The additional personnel required to complete the pioneer battalions to war establishment will be drawn from reinforcements and by special transfer from existing units.

Officers will include a proportion of engineer officers the numbers so transferred being at the discretion of divisional commanders.

Recommendations for command will be submitted to Headquarters A. & N.Z. Forces as soon as possible.

5. The table attached and marked "B" shows the distribution by trades in each company of the pioneer battalions. Rigid adherence to this distribution may not always be practicable and divisional commanders may therefore ~~authorise~~ authorise variations which in their opinion are necessary.

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~~MINING CORPS, A. I. F.~~

Detail

NOTES. - (a) Mining Engineers with mining experience.
(b) Foreman carpenter. (c) Pay and orderly room duties.
(d) 1 orderly, 2 fitters, 1 tailor, 1 shoemaker, 1 storekeeper,
1 surveyor, 1 motor mechanic, 1 electrician.
(e) 2 for Box Car, 1 for water cart.
(f) Batmen are fully armed and trained soldiers.
(g) For water and sanitary duties.
(h) Underground managers, Mining surveyors with good knowledge
of underground work.
(i) 1 blacksmith, 1 carpenter, 1 storekeeper, 1 cook and
2 listeners.
(j) Drivers for motor lorries, 1 Corporal and 1 L/Cpl. are
included in the 8 lorry drivers per company.
(k) Shift boss type. (l) Picked miners capable of acting
as shift boss.

MINING CORPS (COMPANY).

DISTRIBUTION OF RANK AND FILE BY TRADES.

Detail	Batmen	Electrician Tool sharpener	Carpenters	Cooks	Fitters	Listeners	Orderly	Safekeeper	Shoemaker	Surveyor	Tunnellers	Tunnellers' Mates.	Tailor	Motor mechanic	Electrician
Headquarters	3	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
For each section	3	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	36	24	1	1	1
TOTAL	15	4	4	4	2	6	1	5	1	1	144	96	1	1	1

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Appendix "B"

PIONEER BATTALION.

DISTRIBUTION BY TRADES OF RANK AND FILE IN EACH OF THE FOUR COMPANIES.

Detail	Batmen	Cooks	Blacksmiths and Tool Shar- peners.	Farriers	Carpenters	Motor Mechanics	Electricians	Enginedrivers	Fitters	Plumbers	Builders	Pricklayers	Masons	Tinsmiths	Shoemakers	Tunnellers and mates.	Well borers	Storekeeper	Privates - handy men, pick and shovel men.
Each Company	6	2	5	1	12	3	3	2	4	3	3	6	10	2	1	66	10	1	70

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Appendix IX

Headquarters,
ISMAILIA,
24/2/1916.CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 13.Subject : Organisation, Brigade Machine Gun Companies.

1. A Bde. Machine Gun Company will be formed in each Infantry Brigade in accordance with the establishment issued with Army Order No. 414 of 22nd. October, 1915, copy of which is attached.

Each Machine Gun Company will bear the number of the brigade to which it belongs.

2. Personnel selected for the Machine Gun Companies will be transferred to a Machine Gun Corps which will be formed in the Australian Imperial Force and New Zealand Expeditionary Force respectively. The necessary record will be made in Army Form B213. The Corps shall be the unit for purposes of appointments and promotions.

3. (i) The principle on which the machine gun companies will be formed is that the Maxim or Vickers guns in each battalion will be replaced by 4 Lewis guns. The Machine Gun Company will be equipped with 16 guns.

(ii) Divisional Commanders will decide whether the whole of the existing personnel of the machine gun sections of battalions will be transferred to the machine gun corps or whether a part will be retained as a nucleus upon which to maintain the Lewis gun sections.

Bde. Machine Gun Officers should where suitable be nominated to command brigade machine gun companies and their names submitted for publication in orders.

4. The mechanism of the Lewis machine gun is entirely different from that of the Maxim or Vickers gun. This will necessitate training battalions Lewis gun sections ab initio.

5. The tactical employment of Lewis guns will require reconsideration owing to their limitations as compared with Maxims and Vickers guns due mainly to the biped mountings. The Lewis gun may be described as more nearly in the nature of an automatic rifle, in the limited sense of that term, than the Maxim or Vickers - either of which is more suitable than the Lewis for overhead or indirect fire, etc. etc.

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MACHINE GUN COMPANY
(HEADQUARTERS AND 4 SECTIONS EACH OF 4 GUNS)
WAR ESTABLISHMENT

(i) Personnel and horses

Detail	Personnel						Horses				Bicycles	Remarks
	Officers	Warrant Officers	Staff Sergeants and Sergeants	Artificers	Rank and File	Total	Riding	Draught	Heavy Draught	Total		
Headquarters, (excluding attached)	1	1	2	2	26	32	1	3	-	4	4	
Attached	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Four sections	8	-	8	-	100	116	8	40	-	48	-	
Total Company (excluding attached)	9	1	10	2	126	148	9	43	-	52	4	
Total Company (including attached)	9	1	10	2	128	150	9	43	-	52	4	

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COMPOSITION IN DETAIL

Detail	Personnel						Horses				Bicycles	Remarks.
	Officers	Warrant Officer	Stf Sgts and Sgts	Artic-Ofers	Rank & file	Total	Riding	Draught	Heavy Draught	Total		
Headquarters,												
Major or Captain	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	
Company sergeant-major	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Company quartermaster sergeant	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Transport sergeant	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Articifer	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Shoeing smith	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Signallers	-	-	-	-	4 (a)	4	-	-	-	-	4	
Privates	-	-	-	-	16 (b)	16	-	-	-	-	-	
Drivers	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	3	-	3	-	
Storemen	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Cooks	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Batman (c)	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	
Total	1	1	2	2	26	32	1	3	-	4	4	
Attached -												
R.A.M.C.	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Drivers, A.S.C. (train transport)	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	2	-	
Total Headquarters (including attached)	1	1	2	2	28	34	1	3	-	4	4	
Machine Gun Section -												
Subalterns	2	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	2	-	
Sergeants	-	-	2	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Corporals	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Privates	-	-	-	-	16	16	-	-	-	-	-	
Drivers (1st line transport)	-	-	-	-	5	5	-	10	-	10	-	
Batmen (c)	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	
Total Machine Gun Section	2	-	2	-	25	29	2	10	-	12	-	

(a) includes 1 corporal
(c) All batmen are fully

armed and trained soldiers and are available for duty in the ranks.
(b) 8 range takers and 8 scouts

MACHINE GUN COMPANY

TRANSPORT

225

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Detail

1st Line

Headquarters -
 Bicycles (cooks'
 Carts (water
 Each Section -
 Wagons (for 4 machine guns, tripods, ammuni-
 Limbered (ition and 4 ammunition pack
 G.S. (saddles (d), (e)
 (for ammunition (f)
 Train -
 Wagon, G.S. for baggage and supplies

Vehicles	Drivers	Horses	
		Draught	Heavy Draught
4	-	-	-
1	1	1	-
1	1	2	-
2	4	8	-
1	1	2	-
1	1	-	2
Total	18	22	43

(d) for lead horses

(e) 7,000 rounds in each limbered wagon.
 (f) 18,000 rounds.

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Appendix XHeadquarters,
ISMAHIA,
24/2/1916.CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 14.Subject : Organisation - sanitary sections for 4th and 5th. Australian Divisions.

1. The A.A.M.C. personnel shown in War Establishments as attached to units will be provided as follows :-

- (i) Officers and N.C.O's. will be detailed by the D.M.S. A.I.F.
- (ii) Rank and file will be raised by units from reinforcements and the personnel so allotted will be transferred to the A.A.M.C.

2. The Sanitary Sections for the 4th and 5th Divisions will be organised and distributed by the D.M.S., A.I.F. They will be numbered 4th and 5th Sanitary Sections, respectively.

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Appendix VI

Head Quarters,
ISMAILIA,
28-2-1916.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM NO. 19.

Subject : Organization - Divisional Signal Companies
for 4th and 5th Australian Divisions.

1. The formation of the 4th and 5th Divisional Signal Companies will be begun forthwith at Tel-el-Kebir by ~~direction of~~ Lt.Col. H.L. Mackworth, D.S.O., R.E., assisted by Major Rossiter, under the direction of Maj.-Gen. Sir H. V. Cox.

The new companies will be numbered 4th and 5th Divisional Signal Companies.

2. The personnel immediately available as a nucleus is :-
(i) The Headquarters and No. 1 Section (duplicate) of No. 2 Divisional Signal Company at present commanded by Major Rossiter and attached to 1/ANZAC Corps Signal Co.

(ii) The Brigade Signal Section of the 4th Brigade.
(iii) -do- -do- 8th Brigade.

(iv) Such Officers, N.C.O's and men as can be made available from the 1st and 2nd Div. Sig. Co's.

The units mentioned in (i) and (ii) of para. 2 will concentrate at once in camps at Tel-el-Kebir under the command of Major Rossiter who will report to General Cox at that place.

3. As a general principle the whole of the Australian Signal Units on active service will be treated as one Service as regards the seniority and promotion of Officers and senior N.C.O's.

4. War Establishments, Part VII, 1915, will govern the formation, and it will be noted that the O.C. of a Div. Signal Co. is not necessarily a Major and will only be promoted Major if entitled to the promotion under para.3. All variations in original establishment are cancelled.

5. Captain Fraser, at present attached to 2nd Australian Division, is appointed to command the 4th Divisional Signal Co. temporarily, and will report to Major Rossiter as soon as possible. The appointment of the O.C. 5th Div. Signal Co. will be made later.

6. Lt.-Col. Mackworth will arrange under para. 3 with G.O's C. 1st and 2nd Divisions direct regarding the transfer of such Officers, N.C.O's and men of 1st and 2nd Div. Signal Co's. respectively.

It is desired that personnel equivalent to one half of Hd. Qrs. and No. 1 Section and one Brigade Section be made/

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made available if necessary from each of the 1st and 2nd Divisions.

Any personnel of existing Signal Companies supernumerary to establishment by reason of the change to 1915 Part VII Establishments will be transferred to the Signal Companies of the 4th and 5th Divisions by direct arrangement with Lt. Col. Mackworth.

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