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ISMAILIA	1916			
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	1		<p>Divisions were warned of the impending move of the Army Corps to France The second course of instruction for senior office in "Co-operation of Aircraft with other Arms" began at Headquarters, 5th Wing, R.F.C.</p> <p>Moves -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 3rd L.H.Bde and 1st Aust Inf. Bde completed move to SERAPEUM. (ii) 18th Coy, A.S.C. moved from SERAPEUM to ALEXANDRIA to form nucleus of new A.S.C. formations. (iii) No. 2 N.Z.Mobile Vety Section arrived MOASCAR. 	File 40/4/1
	2		Lieut.-Col. Lord C. Cavendish-Bentinck, A.A.& Q.M.G., left for England.	
	4		<p>There was a meeting of Corps and divisional staffs to discuss details in connection with the move to France.</p> <p>Corps Order No. 5 re move of 2nd Aust. Div from "B" Subsection to MOASCAR and of New Zealand Division from MOASCAR to FERRY POST was issued.</p>	Appendix "B"
	5		<p><u>Moves</u></p> <p>3 battalions of 7th Infantry Brigade at FERRY POST changed places with 3 battalions 1st N. Z. Infantry Bde at MOASCAR, and 13th Light Horse Regiment from FERRY POST changed places with Otago M.R. Regt at MOASCAR.</p> <p>N.Z.M.R. Bde moved from SERAPEUM to railhead "B" Subsection to take over front line from 2nd Australian Division.</p>	

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	10		<p>Moves -</p> <p>2nd Australian Divl Ammn Column arrived MOASCAR.</p>																			
	11		<p>G.O.C. visited New Zealand Division. A refresher course for Machine gun company commanders and sergeant-majors concluded at Machine gun school, Ismailia.</p>																			

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	1916 March 12		<p>B.G.G.S. and G.S.O.2 went to KABRIT by launch and thence inspected front line of "A" subsection to SERAPEUM.</p> <p>The concentration of the 1st Australian Division at SERAPEUM was completed except for the companies holding "inner line". <i>and 3rd LH Bde took over front line of "A" subsection</i></p> <p>Officers and other ranks recalled from School of Instruction, Zeitoun.</p> <p><u>Moves -</u></p> <p>13th L.H.Reg't, less 1 squadron, MOASCAR to TEL-EL-KEBIR, 1 squadron to join 4th Australian Division, 1 to join 5th Australian Division.</p> <p>Advanced party 2nd Australian Division (16 officers) to FRANCE.</p> <p>Note. They were sent to join ship at Suez. Ship was held up three days, officers were recalled and sailed with second lot of troops of 2nd Division.</p>	
	13		<p><u>Moves -</u></p> <p>3rd Bn, N.Z. Rifle Bde arrived MOASCAR from NEW ZEALAND and marched to Staging camp to join Brigade. They were without arms or equipment.</p> <p>Headquarters F Coy, Camel Transport Corps, moved to desert railhead "B" Subsection, from FERRY POST.</p> <p>First flight of 2nd Australian Division as under entrained at MOASCAR for ALEXANDRIA en route for FRANCE.</p> <p>7th Infantry Bde Hdqrs. <i>8 officers 25 OR. 19 horses per MINNEAPOLIS</i></p> <p>25th Battalion <i>30 " 995 " 56 " " "</i></p> <p>Transport animals of 26th, 27th, and 28th Battalions. <i>1 officer 25 OR. 56 horses each per MINNEAPOLIS</i></p> <p>4th Aust. F.A. Bde <i>8 officers 471 OR. 24 horses per MINNEAPOLIS. 16 officers 259 OR. 480 horses per KNIGHT of GARTEK</i></p> <p>7th Aust. Field Coy. <i>6 " 225 " 19 " " "</i></p> <p>7th Aust. Field Ambulance. <i>9 officers 202 OR. 56 horses per "</i></p> <p>all less vehicles and guns.</p>	

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	1916 March 14		<p>Corps Commander visited front line of "A" subsection.</p> <p>Moves - First flight of 2nd Australian Division to FRANCE continued - 26th Battalion) 27th Battalion (600)) 7th Aust. Inf. Bde, MOASCAR to ALEXANDRIA. 7th Bde. Machine gun coy.)</p>	<p>29 officers 970 OR per NORTHLAND 20 " 600 " " " 8 " 139 " " "</p>
	15		<p>Corps Commander visited New Zealand Division Pipe water reached railhead "A" Subsection.</p> <p>Moves - 28th Battalion) 27th Battalion (remainedr)) 7th Aust Inf. Bde } Divisional Headquarters (part only)) MOASCAR to ALEXANDRIA. Divl. Signal Co. (part only))</p>	<p>29 officers 970 OR per THEMISTOCLES 9 " 360 " " " 21 " 76 " " " 5 " 130 " " "</p>
	16		<p>New system introduced into office and Central Registry abolished. Corps Commander visited New Zealand Infantry Brigade.</p> <p>Moves - Entrainment of 2nd Australian Division continued:- (MOASCAR to ALEXANDRIA, all less guns and vehicles)</p>	<p>5 officers 98 OR per ARCADIAN 1 " 40 " 145 horses per CRISPIN } 1 " 25 " 69 " " " } 4 " 12 " 17 " per CRISPIN } 3 " 3 " 7 " " " } 3 " 15 " " " " } 1 " 25 " 95 " " CRISPIN } 6th F.A. Brigade 10ff. 200 OR per ARCADIAN 5th Field Company 5 " 205 " " " " 10ff. 30 OR 99 " " " " } 5th Bde Machine Gun Co. 9 " 140 " " " " 1 " 1 " " " " } 17th Battalion 29 " 970 " " " " " " " " " } 18th Battalion (107 only) " " " " " " " " " " " } 5th Field Ambulance 6 " 120 " " " " " " " " " } 2nd Mobile Veterinary Section 8 " 182 " " " " " " " " " } 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th and 10th Depot Units of Supply. 5 " 65 " " " " " " " " " } 2nd Field Bakery 1 " 92 " " " " " " " " " } 2nd " Butchery 1 " 20 " " " " " " " " " }</p>
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ARMY CORPS ORDER No. 4

Copy No. ...

By
 Lieutenant-General Sir A. J. GODLEY, K.C.M.G., C.B.,
 Commanding 1st Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

Reference, Map 1/125,000

Headquarters,
 Ismailia,
 3.3.1916.

BOUNDARIES. 1.

i. Para 2 (i) of Army Corps Order No. 1 is amended to read as follows -

South: A line starting from 1 mile north of the Coal Depot opposite KARRIT and running north-east touching the southern edge of and including Hill point 75.

North: A line from a point on LAKE TIMSAH 1 mile south of BIR-EL-FOWAR running approximately east through and including point 620.

ii. Para 2 of Army Corps Order No. 3 is hereby cancelled.

C. W. GWYNN,

Colonel,
 General Staff,
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24	58th Siege Battery
25	R.A.M. Bridging Train
26	14th Fortress Co., R.E.
27	134th Army Troops Co. R.E.
28	1 flight (A) No. 14 Sqdn R.F.C. (5th Wing)
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ARMY CORPS ORDER No. 5

By

Lieutenant-General Sir A. J. GODLEY, K.C.M.G., C.B.,
Commanding 1st Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

Headquarters,
Ismailia,
4.3.1916.

1. The 2nd Australian Division will be withdrawn forthwith from Subsection B to MOASCAR Camp and will be relieved as detailed below by the New Zealand Mounted Rifles Brigade and the New Zealand Divn.
 - (a) The N.Z.M.R. Bde will take over the whole of the front line at present occupied by the 5th and 6th Infantry Brigades.
 - (b) The New Zealand Divn will concentrate at FERRY POST East.
2. The command of B Subsection will be taken over by the G.O.C., N. Z. Division when the Headquarters, 2nd Australian Division is withdrawn.

The G.O.C., 2nd Australian Division will report to Corps Headquarters when he has handed over command.
3. Detail of movements (see table attached)
4. (a) The N.Z.M.R. Bde will hand over their camp equipment and tentage to the 2nd Australian Divn and will take over the equivalent in the front line of B Subsection.
 - (b) The 2nd Australian Divn will take over tent accommodation at MOASCAR vacated by the N. Z. Division, and will hand over to the latter the equivalent at FERRY POST East. The remainder of the camp equipment and tentage of the 2nd Australian Divn will be brought to MOASCAR.
5. The guns of the 2nd Australian Divn will remain in their present position in charge of personnel detailed for transfer to the 4th and 5th Divisions. The G.O.C., N.Z. Division will be responsible for the custody of the guns on departure of Headquarters, 2nd Australian Division.
6. The transport of the 2nd Australian Division will be utilised for the movements of both divisions, moving from FERRY POST in the morning and returning from MOASCAR in the afternoon with the baggage of the N.Z. Division.
7. The transfer of supply duties will be arranged mutually by G.O.C., 2nd Australian Division and G.O.C., N.Z. Division.

The supply of the N.Z.M.R. Bde will be undertaken by the 2nd Australian Division until the transfer takes place.
8. All telephone and telegraph lines will be left standing and the system will be taken over by the Signal Troop, N.Z.M.R. Bde and the Signal Company, N.Z. Division, under arrangements to be made by G.O.'s C. Divisions.

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Colonel,
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1st A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

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6	1st Australian Division
7	2nd Australian Division
8	New Zealand Division
9	2nd. A. L. H. Bde
10	3rd. A. L. H. Bde.
11	N. Z. M. R. Bde.
12	R.A.N. Bridging Train.
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20	"C"
21	A/AIF
22	2nd ANZAC
23	9th Corps
24	15th Corps
25	O.C., No. 14 Sqdn, R.F.C.
26	58th Siege Battery
27	14th Fortress Co., R.E.
28	134th Army Troops Co., R.E.
29	1 flight (A) No. 14 Sqdn R.F.C. (5th Wing)
30	35th R.G.A. Bde
31	32nd Siege Bde
32 - 45	Retained.

DETAIL OF MOVEMENTS.

Attached to Army Corps Order
No. 5, dated 4.3.1916.

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Unit.	From	To	Date	Concentrate at	Remarks.
N. Z. I. R. Bde	Sarapeum	Railhead, B Subsection.	5th March	-	Take over front line of E Subsec- tion by 12 noon, 6th March, in- cluding post reserves of ammuni- tion and custody of Engineer stores.
13th Light Horse Rgt	Ferry Post East	Moascar	5th "	-	Take over lines of 13th M.H. Rifles Rgt.
7th Inf. Bde (less 1 battalion)	do	do	5th "	-	Take over lines of 3 battalions, N. Z. Inf. Bde.
13th M.H. Rgt.	Moascar	Ferry Post East	5th "	-	Take over lines of 13th L.H. Rgt.
N.Z. Inf. Bde (less 1 battalion)	do	do	5th "	-	Take over lines of 3 battalions, 7th Infantry Bde.
5th Inf. Bde	Ferry Post East	Moascar	7th ") Ferry Post East) on 6th March.	
6th Inf. Bde	do	do	8th "		
5th and 6th Field Coys all Field ambulances (less 1 section of one), A.S.C. and other details.	do	do	6th "	Ferry Post East on 5th March	
Artillery personnel and horses	do	do	6th "	-	Other than those required for practice firing (Remainder proceed on conclusion of prac- tice)

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Unit	From	To	Date	Concentrate at	Remarks.
N.Z. Rifle Bde (2 bat- talions)	Moascar	Ferry Post East	7th March	-	
7th Inf. Bde (1 batta- lion)	Ferry Post East	Moascar	8th "	-) In relief
N.Z. Inf. Bde (1 batta- lion)	Moascar	Ferry Post East	8th "	-	
N.Z. Division - Engin- eer details, 1 sect- ion Field Ambulance	do	do	-	-	
2nd Australian Divn - 7th Field Co., 1 sec- tion Field Ambulance	Ferry Post East	Moascar	-	-) In relief. Date and details) to be arranged mutually by) G.O's C. Divisions)))

N.B. (i) Other details, N.Z. Division will remain at Moascar.

(ii) The Canal bridge at Ferry Post will be swung from 0900 to 1200 and 1500 to 1800 on 5th March, and at similar hours on succeeding days if possible.

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ARMY CORPS ORDER No. 6

By
Lieutenant-General Sir A. J. GODLEY, K.C.M.G., C.B.,
Commanding 1st Australian and New Zealand Army Corps

Headquarters,
Ismailia,
6.3.1916.

1. The 1st Australian Division will be withdrawn from the front line of Subsection A forthwith and will concentrate at SERAPEUM to complete reorganisation prior to entrainment, less Artillery and other units now at TEL-EL-KEBIR, and the D.A.C., now at CAIRO.
2. The 3rd A.L.H. Brigade will occupy the front line of Subsection A at present held by the 1st Australian Division under orders to be issued by Major-General Chauvel.
3. The movement will be completed by March 11th.

All camel transport now under the orders of 1st Australian Division is available for the movement, work on roads, etc. being held up as necessary.
4. The 1st Divisional Artillery and other units of Division now at TEL-EL-KEBIR and the D.A.C. in CAIRO will complete their reorganisation at their present stations and entrain there.
5. All telephones and telegraph wires in connection with defences will remain intact.
6. The G.O.C., 1st Australian Division will retain the Command of Subsection A until the departure of the Division from SERAPEUM.

C. W. GWYNN,

Brig.-General,
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1st A. & N. Z. Army Corps.

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5	C. E.	22	3rd A.L.H. Brigade
6	"A"	23	N.Z.M.R. Brigade
7	"Q"	24	O.C.Co., Bikanir Camel Corps.
8	A/AIF		
9	Hdqrs, A. & N. Z. Forces	25	R.A.N. Bridging Train
10	2nd ANZAC	26	O.C., A.C. Signals.
11	G.H.Q., M.E.F.	27	O.C.No.14 Sqdn, R.F.C.
12	D.D.M.S.	28	58th Siege Battery
13	9th Corps	29	14th Fortress Co.R.E.
14	15th Corps	30	134th Army Troops Co.R.E.
15	S.N.O., 2nd Sqdn, R.N.	31	1 flight (A) No.14 Sqdn, R.F.C. (5th Wing)
16	B.G.i/c L.of C.Defences.	32	35th R.G.A. Brigade
17	1st Australian Division	33	32nd Siege Brigade.

34 - 45 Retained.

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ARMY CORPS ORDER No. 7

By
Lieutenant-General Sir A. J. GODLEY, K.C.M.G., C.B.,
Commanding 1st Australian and New Zealand Army Corps.

Headquarters,
Ismailia,
17.3.1916.

CORRESPONDENCE. 1. Correspondence intended for Commanders of "A" and "B" Subsections of No. 2 Section, Canal Defences as such, will be addressed Headquarters, "A" or "B" Subsections as the case may be.

Correspondence intended for Divisions or other units irrespective of their duties in connection with "A" or "B" Subsections will continue to be addressed to the Headquarters of the Division or other unit concerned.

COMMAND. 2. For the present

Headquarters of "A" Subsection is the Hdqrs of the Anzac Mtd Division.

Headquarters of "B" Subsection is the Hdqrs of the New Zealand Division.

CORPS TROOPS. 3. With reference to Army Corps Order No. 2, para 1, the 8th Australian Infantry Brigade having been transferred to the 5th Australian Division, will be deleted from the list of Corps Troops given therein.

C. W. GWYNN,

Brig.-General,
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8	D.D.M.S.	25	R.A.N. Bridging Train
9	A/AIF	26	O.C., A.C. Signals
10	Hdqrs, A. & N.Z. Forces	27	O.C.No.14 Sqn R.F.C.
11	2nd Anzac	28	58th Siege Battery
12	G.H.Q., M.E.F.	29	14th Fortress Co. R.E.
13	9th Corps	30	134th Army Troops Co. R.
14	15th Corps	31	1 flight (A) No.14 Sqn R.F.C. (5th Wing)
15	S.N.O. 2nd Sqn, R.N.	32	35th R.G.A. Brigade
16	B.G.i/c L.of C.Defences	33	32nd Siege Brigade
17	1st Australian Division		

34 - 45 retained.

General Birdwood's Message to Men of the Australian and New Zealand Forces. March, 1916

Now that we are proceeding to France, I am re-publishing Lord Kitchener's message to the troops of the British Expeditionary Force, which was originally issued to the Australian and New Zealand Forces before their departure from their homes in October, 1914. I feel that it is hardly necessary for me to emphasize to all ranks how sincerely I trust that they will bear in mind all that Lord Kitchener says, and do their utmost to live up to the ideal which he has placed before you.

Since the Australian and New Zealand Forces left their respective countries, you have made for yourselves a national reputation as good fighters, which has earned for you the esteem of our comrades, alongside of whom we will shortly be fighting. The training that you have had will, I hope, enable you to utilise your fighting qualities to advantage. But, in addition to these two qualifications, there is still a third which is essential to success—**DISCIPLINE**; and it is the greatest of the three, for without discipline the best fighting troops in the world will fail at the last to achieve success.

You will undoubtedly be faced with temptations in France, for we shall probably have to pass through and be billeted in densely populated French villages. Drink will, I am afraid, be obtainable, while villages will mostly be full of women and children, whose fathers, husbands and brothers are fighting for their country in the trenches against our common enemy. That you will respect the women I have not the slightest doubt, because I well know how absolutely repugnant the idea of any offence against a defenceless woman is to every Australian and New Zealander. It is against drink, however, that I particularly wish now to warn you, and to implore you to take hold of yourselves, and in the case of every man to absolutely make up his mind and determine for himself that he will not give way to it, and that he will remember that the honour of either Australia or New Zealand is in his personal keeping. In saying this you all know that I am only referring to a very small proportion indeed of your numbers. The great majority of you want no such warning, for I know you will already have made up your minds on the subject, and all such I earnestly beg to do what is in their power to look after their comrades, who may not have the same strength of mind as they have.

Remember that a few black sheep can give a bad name to a whole flock, so let there be none such among us and let us make up our minds that the Australian and New Zealand Forces are going to prove themselves second to none in the way of discipline, as they have already done where sheer hard fighting was concerned.

See to this, boys! You know you are capable of it, if you will only determine that it shall be so, and if you will do this, you will be able to return to Australia and New Zealand after peace and victory with an unsullied reputation, which will go down for all time in your home.

W. R. BIRDWOOD, Lt-General.

EARL KITCHENER'S MESSAGE TO THE TROOPS

"You are ordered abroad as a soldier of the King to help our French comrades against the invasion of a common enemy. You have to perform a task which will need your courage, your energy, your patience. Remember that the honour of the British Army depends on your individual conduct. It will be your duty not only to set an example of discipline and perfect steadiness under fire, but also to maintain the most friendly relations with those whom you are helping in this struggle. The operations in which you are engaged will for the most part take place in a friendly country, and you can do your own country no better service than in showing yourself in France and Belgium as the true character of a British soldier."

"Be invariably courteous, considerate and kind. Never do anything likely to injure or destroy property, and always look upon looting as a disgraceful act. You are sure to meet with a welcome and to be trusted. Your conduct must justify that welcome and that trust. Your duty cannot be done unless your health is sound, so keep constantly on your guard against any excesses in this new experience. You may find temptations both in wine and women. You must entirely resist both temptations, and while treating all women with perfect courtesy, you should avoid any intimacy. Do your duty bravely. FEAR GOD. HONOUR THE KING."

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