

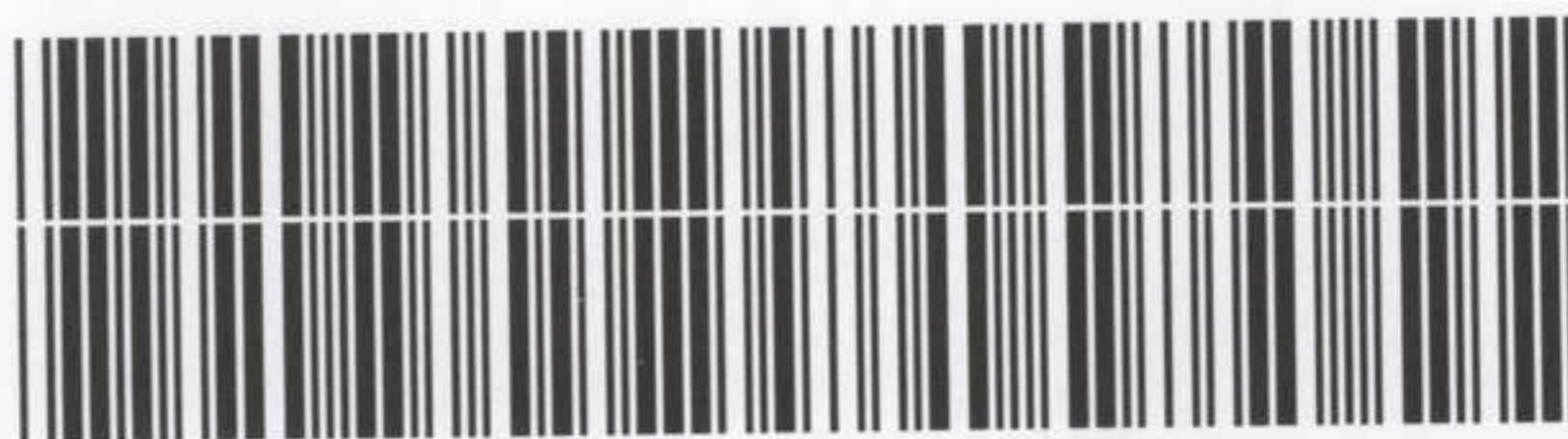
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
CARMELITE MONASTERY	1/8/18	8	Practice exercise carried out by Wireless Section of Signal Squadron with Desert Mounted Corps. G.S.O.I visited 20th Corps and then proceeded to 60th Divisional H.Q.s. and inspected line held by them.	
BETHLEHEM				
M.S.				
	2/8/18		Major Wogulhart returned from leave. G.O.C. + G.S.O.I attended conference at Desert Corps H.Q.s.	
M.S.				
	3/8/18		Practice exercise carried out by Wireless Section of Signal Squadron with Desert Corps. G.O.C. + G.S.O.I visited 20th Corps H.Q.s. and then proceeded to line held by 60th Division with a view to observing enemy line.	
M.S.				
	4/8/18		Nothing to report.	
M.S.				
	5/8/18		G.O.C. inspected the M. 2. M. R. Brigade during morning and afternoon.	
M.S.				
	6/8/18		G.O.C. inspected A. + M. 2. Divisional Train in the morning and the Signal Squadron and Field Squadron in the afternoon.	
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CARMELITE MONASTERY BETHLEHEM	7/8/18	M. 5	G.O.C. with G.S.O. I and A.A. + Q.M.G. left BETHLEHEM at 0730 for RICHON LE ZION to inspect 1st L.H. Bde at WADI HANEIN.	
	8/8/18	M. 5	Wireless exercises carried out by Wireless Section of 1st Signal Squadron with Descoops. G.O.C. G.S.O. I and A.A. + Q.M.G. arrived from JAFFA at 1430, having stayed at JAFFA the previous night after inspecting the 1st L.H. Bde.	appen. I
	9/8/18	M. 3	Wireless exercises carried out by Wireless Section with Descoops. G.O.C. and G.S.O. I left for 60th Divisional H.Q.s 2nd L.H. Bde arrived in SAKOMON Pool Area at 0430, being relieved at TALATED DUMMI by 4th L.H. Bde.	appen. 2
	11/8/18	M. 3	G.O.C. and G.S.O. I arrived back from 60th Div. H.Q.s. 2nd L.H. Bde relieved Duty Troop of M.Z.M.R. Brigade today.	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
CARMELITE MONASTERY BETHLEHEM	12/8/18	M.S.	4 Officers 3 M.C.O.s. reported to 142 nd Squadron R.A.F. JERUSALEM to carry out reconnaissance in Aeroplane contact work, with POPHAM panel, for two days.	
	13/8/18	M.S.	C.O.C. inspected mess and horses of A.T.M.Z. Mtd. Div. H.Q.s. this morning. Test demonstration, with day by day signal machine, carried out on WADI HADES just south of SOLOMON'S POOL.	appen. 2
	14/8/18	M.S.	5 Officers and 7 O.P.R.s. reported to 142 nd Squadron R.A.F. JERUSALEM to carry out reconnaissance in Aeroplane contact work, with P. EDWARDS panel, for two days. 7 th Mtd. Div. carried out test demonstration with night signal machine.	
	15/8/18	M.S.	A.T.M.Z. Mtd. Division. Order No. 134 issued. Test demonstration with night signal machine, carried out last night 13 th /14 th .	appen. 2.
	16/8/18		M.Z. Mtd. Division sent to CAIRO. G.S.O.1 and G.S.O.2 visited 142 nd Squadron R.A.F. JERUSALEM to watch practice in Aeroplane Contact work with POPHAM panel. G.S.O.1 visited	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
CARMELITE MONASTERY BETHLEHEM	17/8/18	M. 5.	Deserops Sigaller School at BEIT JALA to inquire into progress of and results obtained by desambles of this Division. M. Z. M. R. Brigade moved from Somonon Pools Area for TALAT ED DUMM at 1500. Further instructions refer to Div. Order No. 134 issued. 1 st A. L. H. Bde moved from WADI HANEIN Area at 0700 arriving at LATRON at 1430. M. Z. M. R. Brigade arrived TALAT ED DUMM at 0415.	Append. 3
	18/8/18	M. 5.	Deserops Sigaller School at BEIT JALA finished. M. Z. M. R. Brigade moved from TALAT ED DUMM to LEFT SECTOR. 1 st A. L. H. Brigade moved from LATRON at 0900 arriving ENAB at 1345.	
	19/8/18	M. 5.	C. S. O. 1 visited MAR SABA during the day. G. O. C. inspected 2 nd A. L. H. Brigade in the Somonon Pools Area at 1000, finishing about 1600. 1 st A. L. H. Brigade moved from ENAB at 1400 for TALAT ED DUMM (K. 20. 17). M. Z. M. R. Brigade completed relief with Cavalry Brigade in No. 4 Subsector, LEFT SECTOR.	



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Remarks and references to Appendices

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CARMELITE MONASTERY	20/8/18		Move of 1st A.L.H. Bde to Kilo 17 in the direction of the area completed at 0645.	
BETHLEHEM	21/8/18		Div. H.Q.s. Signal Squadron and 4th Field Squadron left BETHLEHEM for Kilo 3 at 1600. G.O.C. stayed at JERUSALEM for the night 21/22/18. G.S.O. 2 remained at BETHLEHEM until 0900 on the 23rd inst. Div. H.Q.s., 4th Field Sqdn and Signal Squadron arrived MESHRAH at 0630. G.O.C. visited G.S.O. 1 at MESHRAH at 1530.	
BETHLEHEM	22/8/18		1st A.L.H. Bde moved at 1930 and relieved 1st A.L.H. Bde in No. 3 and No. 4 Sub sectors.	
BETHLEHEM	23/8/18		Div. H.Q.s., 4th Field Squadron and Signal Squadron moved from MESHRAH at 0400 and arrived LEFT SECTOR at 0615. Command of LEFT SECTOR passed from G.O.C. to Cust. Mtd. Division at 0900. Cust. Mtd. Division opened communication at 0525 into the G.O.C. attended conference at G.H.Q. West in evening.	
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B6/H34 a NORTH of JERICHO.	M 8.		G.S.O.1 visited H.Q. of 12 th Cav. Bde. by AELIN G. Bde. M.Z.M.R. Bde and C.R.A. LEFT SECTOR (afternoon). Situation quiet throughout LEFT SECTOR.	
	24/8/18		A.J.M.Z. Mtd. Div. Order No. 135 issued. G.O.C. arrived at H.Q. at 2145. G.S.O.1 visited 12 th Cav. Bde during the morning. Intelligence Summary No. 31 issued.	appen. 4
	M 8.		G.S.O.1 visited G.S.O. in 4 th Cavalry Division at B6/K3c.	appen. 5
	25/8/18		G.S.O.1 visited 12 th Cavalry Bde during morning. 2 nd L.H. Bde arrived LEFT SECTOR camp site B6/L1 and 2 at 0715. Officers from Brigade sent to forward during the day to acquire the area with No. 2 Subsector. G.O.C. visited G.O.C. Fourth Cavalry Division about 1530. 2 nd L.H. Brigade, less 7 th L.H. Regt. remaining in bivouac in B6/L1a70, moved at 1800 and completed relief with 12 th Cavalry Brigade at 2200, and 12 th Cavalry Brigade moved into site at B6/L1 and 2. Intelligence Summary No. 2 issued.	appen. 3
	M 8.			appen. 6

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B6/H34a NORTH of JERICHO	26/8/18.		G.O.C. and G.S.O. I attended lecture by G.I. G.H.O. at XX th Corps H.Q. JERUSALEM at 1100, subject Topographical Features in PALESTINE. G.O.C. visited 2nd Batt ⁿ B.W.I front No. 4 Subsector evening. AIN ED DUK at 1530. Intelligence Summary No. 3 issued. Preliminary Interrogation of Prisoners captured for previous 24 hours issued.	appen. 1 appen. 7 appen. 8
	27/8/18.		G.O.C. visited Batt ⁿ Commander of 38 th Royal Fusiliers Regt. in WADI MELLAHAN at 1015. G.S.O. I inspected ABUTELKHA with a view to select Battle Post for advanced Divisional H.Q., then visited No. 4 Subsector. Major UROUHART G.S.O. 3 left to report 3 rd L.A. Brigade, RAMLEH Area to assume duties as Acting Brigade Major via Major ANDERSON to acting G.S.O. 2 Auger Divisional H.Q. STEVENSON 3 rd L.A. Regt. appointed acting G.S.O. 3 Auger Div. Intelligence Summary No. 4 issued.	appen. 12 appen. 14 appen. 15 appen. 16 appen. 17 appen. 9

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B6/H 34a NORTH of JERICHO	28/8/18.		M. Z. M. R. Bde. for the present placed in Corps Reserve, and remaining in the Valley. A temporary defence scheme for LEFT SECTOR issued.	appen. 10. appen. 11.
M.B.	29/8/18		Intelligence Summary No. 5 issued. G.O.C. and G.S.O.I. attended conference at Corps H.Q. TALAT ED Dumm.	
M.S.	30/8/18.		Order showing redistribution of Mounted Troops in the JORDAN VALLEY defences attached. Intelligence Summary No. 6 issued. Brigadier and C.R.A. LEFT SECTOR attended a conference at Div. H.Q. at 1500. G.O.C. and G.S.O.I. visited ABU TELLUH during the morning.	appen. 12. appen. 13.
M.S.	31/8/18.		Preliminary interrogation of deserters attached. Intelligence Summary No. 7 attached. G.S.O.I. visited defences of LEFT SECTOR with G.S.O.I. Fourth Cavalry Division. Preliminary interrogation of Prisoners attached. Intelligence Summary No. 8 attached.	appen. 14 appen. 15 appen. 16 appen. 17
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GENERAL STAFF, AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

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LIST OF APPENDICES.

No.	Subject.
1.	Operation Order No.133.
2.	" " No.134.
3.	G/59/81 dated 16/8/18 - Move of Divn. H.Q., and 2nd L.H.Bde to JORDAN VALLEY.
4.	Relief of 12th Cavalry Brigade by 2nd L.H. Brigade.
5.	Intelligence Summary No.1.
6.	" " No.2.
7.	" " No.3.
8.	Interrogation of P. of War.
9.	Intelligence Summary No.4.
10.	Defence Scheme, LEFT SECTOR.
11.	Intelligence Summary No.5.
12.	Redistribution of Brigades in JORDAN VALLEY.
13.	Intelligence Summary No.6.
14.	Interrogation of P. of War.
15.	Intelligence Summary No.7.
16.	Interrogation of P. of War.
17.	Intelligence Summary No.8.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
ORDER No. 133.

~~Orders of the day...~~

August 9th 1918.

Reference Map 1/63,360.

1. INFORMATION.

(a) In order to enable Brigades to be moved out of the line and have opportunities for Mounted Training which is so essential after a long period of stationary warfare, certain Brigades in the line are being relieved by Infantry. Adequate Mounted troops are being held in each Sector for reconnaissance, and to act as a Mobile Reserve for the Infantry.

(b) In accordance with the above arrangements the 235th Infantry Brigade is moving into the Left Sector, and, to facilitate administration from about August 15th, No. 1 Subsector of Left Sector, that is the AUJER bridgehead, will be included in the right sector.

(c) No change is being made for the present in the responsibility for reconnaissances and patrols.

2. MOVES. Move of N.Z.M.R. Brigade Coy. of Train.

- (a) Leave SOLOMONS POOLS for Kilo 3, Jerusalem-Jericho Road, at 1600 on 15th and halt there. During halt 14th Cavalry Brigade Coy. of Train will pass on route to ERAB.
- (b) Leave Kilo 3 for Corps Hdqrs., Area at 0300 on 16th and arrive at Camp Site and be clear of the road for lorry traffic by 0700.
- (c) Representative will report to Admincom, Corps Hdqrs., Area, at 1600 on 15th inst for camp site and water.
- (d) Rations for consumption on 15th and 17th will be drawn at TALAAT ED DUMM.
- (e) Leave Corps Hdqrs. Area for Left Sector at 1500 on 17th inst.
- (f) Representative will report to Hdqrs., Australian Mounted Division at 1400 on 17th inst for camp site and water.
- (g) Rations for consumption on 18th inst will be arranged by Australian Mounted Division.

2. Move of N.Z.M.R. Brigade (less Coy. of Train).

- (a) Leave SOLOMONS POOLS for Kilo 3, Jerusalem-Jericho Road, at 1500 on 16th inst, and halt there. During halt 14th Cavalry Brigade will pass en route for ERAB.
- (b) Representative will report to Admincom, Corps Hdqrs, Area, at 1600 on 16th inst for camp site and water.
- (c) Rations for consumption on 17th inst will be drawn at TALAAT ED DUMM.
- (d) Leave Kilo 3 for Corps Hdqrs, Area at 0300 on 17th inst and arrive at camp site and be clear of the road for lorry traffic by 0700.
- (e) Leave Corps Hdqrs, Area for Left Sector at 0300 on 18th inst, and will pass the 15th Cavalry Brigade at Kilo 19½, who will be clear of road and waiting to occupy TALAAT ED DUMM Camp site. Men and horses proceeding by Old Roman Road (northern), vehicles by New Road (Southern).
- (f) Representative will report at Hdqrs, Australian Mounted Division, at 1600 on 17th inst for camp site and water.
- (g) Rations for consumption on 18th inst will be arranged by Australian Mounted Division.

3 Further details will be issued by A.A. & Q.M.G. Anzac Mounted Division.



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AUSTRALIAN MOUNTED DIVISION
2nd Cavalry Brigade

3. Orders regarding movements Westward and Eastward will be strictly adhered to.

4. Brigades whilst at TAIAT ED DUMM will be in Corps Reserve.

5. In order to enable Brigades to be moved out of the area have organizations for mounted brigades which is an essential after a long period of inactivity, certain Brigades in the line are being relieved by Infantry. The mounted Brigades are being held in each sector for the purpose of being used as a Reserve for the Infantry.

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Colonel, General Staff
9th August 1918.

Issued at 1400.

(a) No change is being made for the present in the responsibility for reconnaissance - No. 20 Australian Mounted Division

2. MOVING - 1st Cavalry Brigade Coy. of Train.

(a) Leave BRIDGES FOR THE 1st Cavalry Brigade Coy. of Train will leave on 15th inst. and take there. During this time Cavalry Brigade Coy. of Train will leave on route to TAIAT ED DUMM.

(b) Leave Hill 3 for Corps Hdqrs. At 0800 on 15th inst. and arrive at camp site and be clear of the road for lorry traffic by 0700.

(c) Representative will report to Adjutant, Corps Hdqrs. At 1600 on 15th inst. for camp site and water.

(d) Systems for consumption on 15th and 17th inst. will be drawn at TAIAT ED DUMM.

(e) Leave Corps Hdqrs. Area for 1st Sector at 1800 on 17th inst. Representative will report to Hdqrs. Australian Mounted Division at 1400 on 17th inst. for camp site and water.

(f) Systems for consumption on 15th inst. will be arranged by Australian Mounted Division.

3. MOVING - 2nd Cavalry Brigade Coy. of Train.

(a) Leave BRIDGES FOR THE 2nd Cavalry Brigade Coy. of Train on 16th inst. and take there. During this time Cavalry Brigade Coy. of Train will leave on route to TAIAT ED DUMM.

(b) Leave Hill 3 for Corps Hdqrs. At 0800 on 16th inst. and arrive at camp site and be clear of the road for lorry traffic by 0700.

(c) Representative will report to Adjutant, Corps Hdqrs. At 1600 on 16th inst. for camp site and water.

(d) Systems for consumption on 16th and 18th inst. will be drawn at TAIAT ED DUMM.

(e) Leave Corps Hdqrs. Area for 1st Sector at 1800 on 18th inst. Representative will report to Hdqrs. Australian Mounted Division at 1400 on 18th inst. for camp site and water.

(f) Systems for consumption on 16th inst. will be arranged by Australian Mounted Division.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
ORDER No. 134.

Reference Map 1/63,560

BETHLEHEM,
August 14th 1918.

1. INFORMATION. The following rearrangement of the line is being made by orders of MOUNTED CORPS.

NEW DIVIDING LINE.

(a) To facilitate administration, at 1200 on August 15th, No. 1 Subsector, LEFT SECTOR will be included in the RIGHT SECTOR.

(b) The new dividing line between SECTORS will then be -

(B.6) F.26.central - F.25.central - Z.30.central - due South along the Eastern bank of the Wady BELLARAH to J.5.d.7.o. through J.10 - J.15 - KH. IS SEIRAH - E.30.central - to JEBEL KURUNTUL.

(c) The Command of all troops in the ANJAH Bridgehead defences including those on the West bank of the JORDAN passes to G.O.C., RIGHT SECTOR at 1200 on 15th August.

(d) The responsibility for reconnaissance and patrols remains as at present.

2. MOVES. Moves of the ANZAC Mounted Division will be as in the Attached March Table.

3. COMMAND. Command of the LEFT SECTOR passes from G.O.C., AUSTRALIAN Mounted Division to G.O.C., ANZAC Mounted Division at 2300 on August 23rd under arrangements to be made between G.O.C.'s concerned.

4. Brigades whilst at TALAAT ED DULI will be in Corps Reserve.

5. Orders regarding movement Westward and Eastward will be strictly adhered to.

6. On relief Brigades and Units will take over all ammunition, Area stores, and orders for the subsectors and posts. A certificate being rendered to Divisional H.Qrs., that this has been done.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

P. J. Maguire
Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff.

Issued at 1500.

Normal distribution plus

- No. 20 Australian Mtd Division.
- 21 4th Cavalry Division.
- 22 12th Cavalry Brigade.

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— AUSTRALIAN MOUNTED DIVISION —

March Table issued with D.O. 134.

Formation	August 17	August 18	August 19	August 20	August 21	August 22	August 23	August 24	August 25	Remarks.
<u>1st A.L.F. Brigade.</u>	Deiran to Latron	Latron to nab	nab to Kilo 3	Kilo 3 to Released Dunn	Released Dunn to Left Sector.	-	-	-	-	Relieving 3rd A.L.F. Brigade. 7
<u>2nd A.L.F. Brigade.</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	Solomon Pools to Kilo 3	Kilo 3 to Released Dunn	Released Dunn to Left Sector.	Relieving 12th Cavalry Bde. 6
<u>H.Q. & Divl. Troops A.S.M.S. Bde. Division.</u>	-	-	-	Solomon Pools to Kilo 3	Kilo 3 to Released Dunn	Released Dunn to Left Sector.	-	-	-	-

5 Coming under orders of A.O.C., Australian Mounted Division on leaving T.M. 120 DUNE.

6 Coming under orders of S.O.C., A.S.M.S. Mounted Division on leaving T.M. 120 DUNE.

REPORT.

2nd L.H. Bde. A.A. & Q.M.G.
Signal Sqn. A.D.M.S.
Field Sqn. Camp Commandant.
Divn. Train.



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SUBJECT:- MOVES.

Reference moves in ANZAC Mounted Division Order No.134 of 14th August 1918.
The following details and instructions are issued.

1. INSTRUCTIONS.

Rations will be drawn by Units and formations for consumption for the next 24 hours after arrival at Corps H.Qrs., Area or Talaat ed Dumm.

2. The hour of starting as laid down in the detailed instructions of moves issued herewith is not to be varied. It is essential that units march at the time laid down.

3. Marching out states will be wired 48 hours ahead to the office to which the Unit representative reports for camp site, water, and rations, and, will be reported to ANZAC Mounted Divisional H.Qrs.

4. Sufficient supply personnel must be sent with the Company of Train moving into Corps H.Qrs., free to assist this depot handling supplies drawn.

5. No wheeled transport is allowed to move on the old ROMAN ROAD (Northern). It must use the NEW ROAD (Southern).

6. Personnel, riding and pack horses may use the OLD ROMAN ROAD (Northern) except between the hours of 0900 - 1400.

7. MOVES. (a) Move of A. & N.Z. Mounted Division Company of Train.

- (i) Leave Bethlehem for Kilo 5 at 1600 on 20th inst. 15th Cavalry Brigade passing during halt.
- (ii) Leave Kilo 3 for Corps Hdqrs Area at 0300 on 21st inst.
- (iii) Leave Corps Hdqrs Area at 1500 on 22nd inst. Mounted Signallers may move at 1400.

(b) Move of A. & N.Z. Mounted Divnl. Hdqrs. & Divnl. Units.

- (i) Leave Bethlehem for Kilo 3 at 1600 on 21st and halt there.
- (ii) Leave Kilo 3 for Corps Hdqrs Area MESHRAB at 0300 on 22nd.
- (iii) Leave Corps Hdqrs Area for Left Sector at 0400 on 23rd.

(c) Move of Train Coy. 2nd A.L.H. Brigade.

- (i) Leave Solomons Pools at 1500 on 22nd inst for Kilo 3, where 3rd A.L.H. Brigade Coy. of Train will pass.
- (ii) Leave Kilo 3 for Talaat ed Dumm at 0300 on 23rd inst.
- (iii) Leave Talaat ed Dumm at 1500 on 24th inst.

(d) Move of 2nd A.L.H. Brigade (less Coy. of Train).

- (i) Leave Solomons Pools at 1600 on 23rd inst for Kilo 3 where 3rd A.L.H. Brigade will pass.
- (ii) Leave Kilo 3 for Talaat ed Dumm at 0330 on 24th inst.
- (iii) Leave Talaat ed Dumm at 0400 on 25th inst for Left sector.

8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. Pitt-Rivers

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

Australian & New Zealand Mounted Division.

16th August 1918.

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ORDER No. 135

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Reference Maps - 1/40,000
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II. MOVES.

(a) The 2nd L.H. Brigade will relieve the 12th Cavalry Brigade in the JERICHAN VALLEY on the night August 26/27th, and will be camped in a site about Square L.11 and 2. near WADY NUBINEH. 25726

(b) After relief the 12th Cavalry Brigade will march as follows -

- Aug. 26th 1930 - Leave Left Sector for TALAAT ED DUMM.
- Aug. 27th 1930 - Leave T. S. T ED DUMM for EL KHUHE.
- Aug. 28th 1930 - Leave EL KHUHE for JUNCTION STATION, marching via Z.K.HIYA.

- Aug. 29th - Halt at JUNCTION STATION.
- Aug. 30th 1930 - Leave JUNCTION STATION for MEJIBEL.

(c) Marching out states will be wired to Admincom, Corps Hdqrs Area, and to Staff Office P. L of C., 48 hours before the arrival of the Brigade in the above areas.

(d) A representative of the 12th Cavalry Brigade will report at 1800 on the day before the arrival of the Brigade to the Admincom, Corps Hdq Area, Staff Office, P. L of C., at JUNCTION STATION and MEJIBEL to obtain instructions regarding camp site, water and rations.

2. B. G. C., 12th Cavalry Brigade will hand over to the B. G. C., 2nd L.H. Brigade -

- (a) All area stores, for which receipts will be given, and forwarded to A.A. & Q.M.G. A. & N.Z. Mounted Division.
- (b) All special maps, sketches, defense schemes, orders, plans and information.

A certificate that this has been done will be forwarded to General Staff, A & N. Z. Mounted Division.

3. The hour of starting will be strictly adhered to. All movement Westward from JERICHAN is to be carried out under cover of darkness.

4. No wheeled transport is allowed on the old ROMAN ROAD (Northern). It must use the NEW ROAD (Southern).

5. Personnel, riding and pack horses may use the old ROMAN ROAD (Northern) except between the hours of 0900 - 1400.

6. Rations will be drawn by units and formations for consumption for the next 24 hours after arrival at TALAAT ED DUMM or Corps Hdqrs Area.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. R. Broune
Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff.

Issued at 1300

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The 2nd L.N. Brigade will relieve the 12th Cavalry Brigade in the
sector on the night August 28/29th. The 12th Cavalry Brigade will be
about 20 miles from the front. The 2nd L.N. Brigade will be available for
amendment to Australian & New Zealand Mounted Division
order No. 138.

(a) After relief of the 12th Cavalry Brigade the 2nd L.N. Brigade will be available for

amend para 1 (a) to read as follows:-

The 2nd L.N. Brigade will relieve the 12th Cavalry Brigade in
No. 3 subsector JORDAN VALLEY Defences on night August 28/29th.
After relief the 12th Cavalry Brigade will be camped until
1930 August 28th about S.6/ L.1 and 2, and will be available for
corps reserve.

P. J. Hughes Major
Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,
AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

23rd August 1918.
Order 138 distribution.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
INTELLIGENCE - SUMMARY

No. 1

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A. OPERATIONS. Usual patrols.

B. MILITARY ACTIVITY. Quiet throughout LEFT SECTOR.

0645-0700 H.M. fire at our plane from C.6/7.17, C.6/7.25, C.6/7.34 and VAN HAN SHUNT.

0710 Two snipers left SAWN post
0715 One snipe found at P.6.31

Direction fired from.

0700 55 our plane W.18.b.

0710 77 3 HERRILLASH U.23.c.

0745-0815 77 3 HERRILLASH U.23.c.

1600 77 3 HERRILLASH U.23.c.

1645-1730 77 3 HERRILLASH U.23.c.

1715 77 3 HERRILLASH U.23.c.

1730 77 3 HERRILLASH U.23.c.

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C. SNIPERS.

Time. No. H.M. Area of target shelled.

0645 65 BARK RIDGE, CHALK RIDGE, CAVE HILL.

0650 11th H.M. 72 W.36. & W.32.a.4.9.

0705-0907 C/267 52 retails. W.30.d. & W.25.a.

1540 11th H.M. 7 W.36.b.5.9.

1715 11th H.M. 26 W.36 and W.32.a.

1725-1800 C/267 20 retails. W.30.d. and W.25.a.

1730 12 Inverness 75. 33 Watering party in C.55. and C.54. 7.5.2.0

0600-0630 " " 15 Working party in C.33

0635 C/267 2 W.30.d. and W.25.a.

0655 C/267 12 C.P. on BARK RIDGE W.32.c.5.9.

1730 8 No. 11 H.M. 25 Posting Barrages H.M., H.M., H.M., H.M. POSTS.

D. MILITARY MOVEMENTS.

0630-1730 Usual movement U.15 to W. ALL, AND HERRILLASH MUDAHASH and HERRILLASH. Most movement to W.14 and W.9. & 10.

E. 1st Subsector.

0615 235 about 50 horses grazing in C.6/4.32.

0715 About 20 disconnected men moving about C.6/7.3.a.

Usual movement of small watering parties and pack horses at VAN HAN SHUNT during the day. Movement in C.32, 33 & 34 slightly above normal.

F. 2nd Subsector.

1500 30 horses grazing U.34.a.

1830 24 pack mules from HERRILLASH to W.41 W.22.a. carrying boxes. 45 30

Movement south. action parties 65 men, 49 pack mules - other parties 52 and 53 on foot

Movement north. action parties 70 men, 67 pack mules - other parties 59 and 55 on foot.

G. WIRE DEFENCES.

New double fence of wire about 200 yds in extent E. & W. P.2.a. & b. New double fence of wire extending about 1000 yds S.E. across C.26.a. & b.

H. P/S. AND BARRAGES. 24 hours ending 0700 24/8/18 - NIL.

M. E. [Signature]

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

24th August 1918

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OPERATIONS. Usual patrols B.6/F.2 & B.7/T.11 and B.6/T.26 - B.7/V.25 report all clear.

0315 Light 23/24th. Two snipers left SAFE post. Snipers post was found at B.6/F.7.a.2.6. Sand bagged in front and completely hidden. Unoccupied but contained 50 rounds S.A.A.

2245 Light 23/24th. 1 Officer 23 other ranks with 1 Lewis Gun left IRA POC. reported small trenches in C.6/X.35.b. Lewis Gun and 4 O/Rs were stationed on bank of Wadi about C.6/X.35.d.1.9., 1 Sergt and 6 O/Rs about C.6/X.35.d.5.8., Officer and remainder of party endeavoured to encircle enemy who were occupying the trench by going round in East side. At 0010 enemy opened fire on Officers party at 200 yards of position and also on Sergts party. Raiding party withdrew owing to brightness of night and flatness of ground over which it was necessary to advance.

ENEMY ACTIVITY. Very quiet.

Time.	No. Rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area Shelled.	Direction fired from.
0630	12	A.A	S.	Our plane.	Sound C.6/W.1.
0900	Few	77		Our patrol B.7/O. 14 B.6/T.9 & 10	Sound 850 from B.6/F.7.a.2.6
1730	8	77		B.3/Y.17	2800 from B.6/Y.11.b.o.7
0640	Few	4.2			

CURS.	Time.	Batty.	No. Rds.	Area or Target shelled.
	0700-0830	No. 11 Mtn.	42	VALE, VIEW and VAUX Barrages.
	0700	C/267	12	C.6/C.26.c. O.P. BAKR RIDGE.
	1350	No. 11 Mtn.	75	Registerir various targets.
	1650	C/267	10	Wadi in C.6/W.25.c. behind bivouac area.
	1730-1815	Inverness	75 16	Party 30 pack horses in C.6/C.33 and watering area.
	0600	No. 11 Mtn.	4	ZENUB Barrage.
	0630	C/267	Retaliation	On C.6/W.20.d.5.4. and C.6/W.25.a.3.2.
	05-0	Inverness	75	Watering area C.6/C.26.c.

D. ENEMY MOVEMENT; - No. 2 Subsector.
0600 50 horses grazing in C.6/A.32.d.
0630 Working party about 40 men in C.6/W.7.a.1.
1540 Large number of horses and camels grazing in C.6/W.32.
The movement in B.6/F.2 & 3 C.6/C.33 & 34 seems to increase daily.

No. 3 & No. 4 Subsectors.
Usual movement of ration parties and other parties SOUTH and NORTH between WADIS ARAK HALAJ, ABU MAHJUD, LUDANDER, ALY and RISHER. Most movement to WADIS MEDANDER and ALI (C.6/W.9 & c).

Slightly more movement than usual observed throughout SECTOR.

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1. Intelligence - Private Signal Intelligence Division
Intelligence activity for 24 hours ending 0700 23/8/13.

2. Naval Patrols - Usual patrols. Nothing to report.

3. Army Activities - Quiet.

4. Aviation - Incidents about 200 yds in air.

5. Weather - Partly cloudy. Wind light. Sea calm.

Time	Activity	Remarks
0700	No. 11 Ltr.	10
0710	C/257	54
0850	No. 11 Ltr.	10
1545	No. 11 Ltr.	46
1630	Ilwaco 75	-
	C/257	-
	(Forward) 15	-

6. Army Movements - No. 3 subsector - Quiet. No. 3 & 4 subsectors: - Usual movement South and North of nation and other parties from C.S./U.13 - WADIA, ANU, U.13, E. 28, L.M. HERRAN, L.M. (C.S.C.)

Time	Deserters	Unit	Taken at	By
4	-	10/3/23/24 Div.	C.S./X.23.b.	1st Bn. 3.4.1.
12	-	Not yet known	C.S./X.23.b.	38th R.F. Bn.

7. Casualties - Nil.

M. E. ...
Lt. Col. ...
Signal Corps ...

26th August 1913.

Australian & New Zealand Mounted Division.

Usual progress.

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Appendix 8

Summary of present-day prisoners of war.

War Diary
 GENERAL STAFF
 No. ...
 Date: *E/1/19*
 ANZAC MOUNTED DIVISION

P/W No. 1.

Identification :- Private AHMED, Turk. Belongs to 10th Coy, 3rd Batta 58th Regt, 24th Divn.
Remarks. Captured at G.6/X.31.a. by 1st Bn. B.W.I. No. 3 Subsector. Very ignorant.
Location. 2nd and 3rd battns of 58th Regt in line with 1st Batta in reserve about 2 miles in rear. 3rd Batta on left. 2 Coys of each Batta man the trenches at night with other 2 Coys in support about 200 yds in rear. Coys in trenches are withdrawn during the day leaving O.P. of 1 Sergt, 1 Corpl, and 6 c/rs. 10th Coy. 30 to 40 rifles.

P/W No. 2.

Identification :- Private HONOLISE, Turk, belongs to 10th Coy, 3rd Bn, 58th Regt, 24th Divn.
Remarks. Captured at G.6/X.31.a. by 1st Bn. B.W.I. Fairly intelligent. Has been 2 months with his unit. Came direct from Constantinople with draft of 500, 125 of which were sent to 3rd Batta.
Location. 58th Regt holds line of trenches from about G.6/X.9.d - W.6.b. 2nd & 3rd battns in line with 3rd Batta on left. 1st Batta in reserve about 2 miles in rear. 2 Coys from each Batta hold the trenches by night and withdraw during the day leaving O.P. of 2 H.C.Os and 6 c/rs. The remaining 2 Coys of the Batta are close up in support. H.C. Coy in line with 2nd & 3rd battns, number of H.Cs not known by prisoner. Line held by 10th Coy a continuous line of trenches. Depth with parapet about 5 ft 6 ins. Sections of barb wire only in front of 10th Coy line. Listening posts are thrown out at night about 100 yds in front. Patrols of 2 H.C.Os and 5 c/rs are sent out after dark each night to patrol towards our line.
Flank formations. Not known, except one Regt holds line from JORDAN to left flank of 58th Regt.
Strength. About 35 rifles. (Much sickness and desertion).
General. Cannot read nor write but has heard men in his company discussing the contents of our propoganda, which he states has given them the desired effect.

P/W No. 3.

Identification :- Corpl. AHM HANUN, Turk, belongs to 10th Coy, 3rd Batta, 58th Regt, 24th Divn.
Remarks. Captured at G.6/X.31.a. by 1st Bn. B.W.I. One month on present front. Statements confirm those of P/W No. 2.

P/W No. 4.

Identification :- Corpl. BALISE HANNE SULTAN, Turk, belongs to 10th Coy, 3rd Batta, 58th Regt, 24th Divn.
Remarks. Captured at G.6/X.31.a. by 1st Bn. B.W.I. Too sick to interrogate.

Note :- These men were in a bad state physically when captured, due they state to fever and small issue of rations.

M. Chapman
 for Lieut. Colonel,
 General Staff,
 Australian & New Zealand Mounted Divisions

August 1918.

Australian & New Zealand Mounted Divisions



1. OPERATIONS. Usual patrols. Report all clear.

2. ARMY ATTITUDE Very quiet.

3. ARTILLERY. Engd.

Time.	No. Rds.	Q.L.	Nature.	Area shelled.	Direction fired from.
0945	POW	77	-	Y.17.a.	-
1130	6	4.2	-	Y.23.b.	Sound 205° from Y.10.d. S.7. & 280° from Y.24.d.4.c.
2100	POW	4.2	-	MUSALIA MH	Sound 280° from Y.34.d. 4.c.
0645	-	1.4.	S	Our plane	317° from Y.11.b.6.c.

Intermittent shelling of MUSALIA MH throughout night 26/27th.

Our Time.	Enemy	No. Rds.	Area or target shelled.
0945	No. 11 Bn.	22	U.25.a & b and U.32.a.2.7.
1115	G/267	20	Retaliation. U.30.a & U.25.a.

During night 26th/27th harassing fire carried out on various targets.

4. RELLY MOVEMENT No. 2 Subsector.

Small parties and single men moving in scrub on East bank of JORDAN
 from F.26 - G.25.

1600-1800 Numerous grazing parties observed in U.32 & 35.

No. 3 & 4 Subsectors.

0915 80 horses grazing in U.30.

2237 5 wagons (4 mules each) from T. RISHAH U.30.d. to PUYVES HILL.

0530-1030 Usual movement between U.15, Tadis El Har, Abu Mahrad, Madahdora, Aly (U.9.d) and Rishah.

5. ENEMY DEFENSES. Fresh work observed in G.6/X.56.b.

0740 4 men working in G.6/X.16.c.

6. AIRCRAFT. Hostile.

0600 Aeroplane flew over sector from north to south.

7. SIGNS.

1645-1915 Red light on skyline about G.6/R.12.

8. P/W & DESERTERS. For 24 hours.

P/W	Deserters.	Unit.	Taken at	By.
-	2 Trucks	Not yet known	E. JORDAN	5th L.M. Coy.
-	1 Truck	2/145 240th Div.	SAPH POST	58th R.P. Bn.

9. GENERAL. (a) During the week ending 21st, 39 deserters surrendered to Descorps and 25 prisoners were taken.

(b) On the 21st inst our aeroplanes on this front dropped no less than 4,500 lbs of bombs.

During one of the raids on JERAM one of the escort machines noticed an A.A. battery firing at the formation so came down and attacked it with H.C. fire, silencing the guns till the last of the formation had got out of range. (Deserted 1st Coy 1.5.51/101 of 26th Aug)

12 deserters shown in Int. Summary 10.3 of 26/8/18 belonged to 1st Coy, 1st Bn, 2nd Regt, 24th Divn.

Addenda.

M. S. [Signature]
 for Lieut. Colonel,
 General Staff,

27th August 1918.
 usual address.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

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DEFENCE SCHEME --- LEFT BATTN.

The scheme of defence for this sector up to a date to be notified later will be as follows :-

1. TROOPS AVAILABLE.

AREAS COVERED DIVISION.

	Location.
1st Bde. B.C.S.	H.34.a. (3.6)
2nd Bde. B.C.S.	Y.29.a.7.4. "
N.Z.M.R. Bde.	J.5.b.6.2. "
1st & 2nd British West Indian Batts.	H.17.c.3.4. "
58th Royal Fusiliers.	Y.25.a.3.9. "
10th Bde R.F.A. (less 3 batteries in P.I. section)	Z.18.c.7.7. "
10th Mountain Battery.	J.0.c.central "
C/267 Battery.	Y.17.a.2.3. "
One 75 mm gun.	Y.17.d.3.0. "
Section 69 pdrs.	Z.26.c.central "
6th F.A. Battery.	Z.27.b.4.0. "
	Z.5.a.5.5. "

2. GENERAL LINE OF DEFENCE.

- (a) Right bank of MULLIAH from Z.18 to Y.33.b. with post on left bank (SAFE POST) at Z.13.b. thence to MULLIAH and thence MULLIAH - VYSE, VALS, VI W. VALS, ZOO, MISS, ZINER.
- (b) All posts are wired in all round and a reserve of water and rations kept in each.

3. ACTION IN CASE OF ATTACK ON THIS LINE.

If the enemy penetrates between, or captures any post, all posts will continue to hold on, and the enemy be immediately counter-attacked with the reserves at hand.

Commanders of Subsectors will have plans for local counter-attacks worked out as soon as they take over, and will have these practised. It is particularly important to see what time will elapse before the counter-attack can take place on any area penetrated by the enemy.

4. OTHER LINES OF DEFENCE.

Behind the general line of defence other lines have been made as follows:-

- (a) A line of strong points, which runs as follows:-

THE CLIFF	Z.21.d.7.7.
SANDHAY	Z.15.c.0.0.
TURTLE	Z.14.b.5.9.
THE BLUFF	Y.5.b & d.
ABU TRILUL	Y.11.a & c. and Y.10.d & c.

- (i) The first three are redoubts wired in all round for all round defence. None are yet completely dug except TURTLE which is garrisoned by 1 Offr. 20 men at night with a Lewis Gun. Water and rations are in the post.
- (ii) The BLUFF and ABU TRILUL are subdivided into -

- THE BLUFF
- ABU TRILUL RIGHT
- ABU TRILUL LEFT

These are dug completely and wired. They are held all times by garrisons from the B.W.I. Batta.

- (b) Behind this line runs a line of strong points along the AUJAH on to MABEN and thence along the line of the 'W' Posts - WASP, WOOD, WILD, WANE, WART, WAX. This is known as the MABEN SYSTEM.

This is a series of posts all of which (except WART and WAX, which are not completely wired) are dug and wired for all round defence.

From POLIO as far as WASP POST none of these are occupied and garrisons will only be put in by order of the Division.

The remaining posts WOOD, WILD, WANE, WART, WAX are held by 2 Companies 2nd Batta. B.W.I. Regt.

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- (c) A series of lines have been chosen in rear and are called:-
- (a) The QUARRIE SWITCH
 - (b) The IH LINE
 - (c) The JERICHO LINE
 - (d) The MOUNTAIN LINE

These have been already described in our G/26/54 of July 9th 1918. The lines have been picked by Desert Mounted Corps and marked; but, are not yet dug.

5. DIVISIONAL RESERVE.

The Divisional Reserve for the Sector is one Mounted Brigade and 2nd Bn. B.V.I. Regt (less 2 coys. holding W.V. Posts) which are located as follows:-

H.Q. Mounted Bde.	H.17.c.2.4.
One Regt.	K.4.b.2.7.
"	H.23.c.5.5.
"	H.33.c.4.2.
K.C.S. Bn.	K.4.a.7.5.
H.Q. 2nd Bn. B.V.I. Regt.	Y.21.d.10.5.

6. POSSIBLE ACTION BY ENEMY.

The points where the enemy might attack are the following:-

- (a) Through the gap between SAFE POST and the Northern defences of the AJMAN Ridgehead by moving troops through the rough ground along the JORHAN.
- (b) To attack the line of the MELLEMANH POSTS from the North.
- (c) To push in through the gap between the MELLEMANH POSTS and MELLEMANH.
- (d) An attack from the east of the line of the W.V. Posts to capture ABU JILLU.
- (e) To move down the foothills west of VAUK POST to get round our flank.

As soon as it is decided in which direction the Mounted Brigade in reserve will be required to act, it will be moved by the Division to a position of assembly which will be in the case of (a) (b) or (c) about H.17.a. and in the case of (d) and (e) about H.14.a.

G. G. Gibbon
Colonel,
Australian & New Zealand Mounted Division.

26th August 1918.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

THE GENERAL
THE GENERAL

These are the original and correct copies of the G.O.C. orders.

(b) Pointing this line from a line of great points along the AJMAN on to the MELLEMANH POSTS - the line of the W.V. Posts - SAFE POST, VAUK POST, etc.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 28/8/18.

- 1. OPERATIONS. Usual patrols report all clear.
- 2. ARMY ACTIVITY. Very quiet. Shrapnel active in No. 2 Subsector.

3. ARTILLERY. Enemy.

Time.	No. Rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area shelled.	Direction fired from.
0730	10	77	H.E.	Our patrols, R.15.	-
0830	50	77	-	Patrols C.15 & 21	E. H. UD.
1900	10	77	-	Y.23.c.	W. KR.
2015	6	77	S	MUSALLAH	Flash 18° from
0540	27	4.6.	H.E.	Our plane	35.2.7.8. Sound 336° from Y.10.c.2.8.

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Time.	Batty.	No. Rds.	Area or targets shelled.
-	No. 11 Hdn.	13	H.36.cant. & R.30.c.
Night 27/28th	32 Hdn.	-	Harassing fire in C.31., R.3.b., I.30 and K.24.

- 4. ARMY MOVEMENT. No. 2 Subsector.
Usual movement east of JORDAN vicinity of C.20., 26 & 27, mostly watering parties.

Horses grazing in C.17.a. & c.
Party of 60 horses adv. moving E. in C.12.

Nos. 3 & 4 subsectors.
Usual movement between U.15, YAHIS, EL TAR, ABU MAHMOUD, MUDANDERAH, AIX (W.9.d) and RISHBI.

- 5. ARMY DEFENSURES.
0930 Wiring parties in front of barbed wire P.8.d.2.4., carrying coils of wire and stakes from this point - P.8.b. disappearing in scrub.
0915 Wiring party 8 men in P.3.

- 6. P/T. and DESERTERS. for 24 hours - NIL.

M. S. Humphreys
Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

28th August 1918.

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1st L.H.Bde.	Field Sqdn.
2nd L.H.Bde.	Signal Sqdn.
H.M.M.R.Bde.	'A' branch.
C.R.A. LEFT SECTOR.	A.P.M.S.

summary

On the C.G.C., Anzac Mounted Division taking over command of the whole of the JORDAN VALLEY Defences, a redistribution of the Mounted Troops will become necessary.

- (a) 1st L.H. Brigade will come into Divisional Reserve with H. re., about JEBEL MURUJUL where 4th Cavalry Division are now camped.
- One Regiment AI DUK.
 - One Regiment about H.33.a.
 - One Regiment about K.4.b.

- (b) B.G.C., 2nd L.H. Brigade will take over command of the RIGHT SECTOR. He should have his Headquarters about KASR HAJLA, *with 2 Regts camped in that neighbourhood.*

One Regiment in the neighbourhood of GHORANIYEH bridgehead. The brigade will take over all the patrolling at present done by the Mounted Troops of the RIGHT SECTOR. Officers should therefore be sent to accompany the reconnoitring detachments of the 4th Cavalry Division from now onwards. Arrangements for this will be made between the Divisions, the number of Officers being sent, being forwarded by the Brigade to Anzac Divisional Headquarters.

- (c) B.G.C., H.M.M.R. Brigade will take over command of the LEFT SECTOR. He should have his Headquarters about the present site of the 1st L.H. Brigade H. re., with -
- One Regiment close to AJJAH bridgehead.
 - One Regiment about WADY SERATA.
 - One Regiment at some central position in rear of Brigade Headquarters ready to be brought up in case of attack either towards the KILLANAH or West of ABU BELJUL.

Officers from H.M.M.R. Brigade should make themselves acquainted with the line at once by arrangement between the two Brigades.

R. H. Browne

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

29th August 1918.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 29.8.18.

No. 4.

OPERATIONS. Usual patrols report all clear.
1830

Night 27/28th Special patrol 1 off. and 60 o/rs left TEL POST to reconnoitre enemy trench at G.6/X.35.a.5.a. (probably trench in G.6/X.36.c) to find out if it was manned by night.

The patrol proceeded to within 150 yards of the trench when they came under heavy rifle fire, six bombs were thrown and the patrol heard supports coming up a communication trench. Patrol then commenced to work round to the right of the post but were again seen and this time fired on in volleys. The shooting was good. The patrol withdrew one by one and returned to TEL POST at 2015.

2300 Patrol reached point about G.6/X.29.c. where voices were heard also stakes being knocked in (possible position of enemy heard, at well known enemy position G.6/X.29.b.5.7.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. quiet.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENT. No. 2 Subsector.

Usual movement in vicinity of watering area west of JORDAN from G.6/G.20 - G.6/G.32.

grazing all day about B.7/G.17.c.

0700 Small parties carrying coils of wire and stakes observed in B.6/F.3.C, 9 & 14.

0315 20 men moving west in G.6/X.16.c.

Nos. 3 & 4 Subsectors.

Usual movement between U.15 JAMES EL WAR, ABU HAMEED, AIX (G.6/Y.10.c) MADAMIRAH and RASHEH.

0800 10 men and 100 horses W. EL WAR to U.27.a.

0450 Movement seen at T.16 and 11 in 3 parties.

4. ARTILLERY. ENEMY.

Time.	No. Rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area Shelled.	Direction fired from.
0950	20	77	-	TEL POST	Sound 350° N. from
0445	4	77	-	Patrols	S.28.c.4.5.
0830	gov	77	-	AUJAH bridge-head.	East of JORDAN. RED HILL.

OURS.

Time.	Batty.	No. Rds.	Area or Target shelled.
2100-0300	G/267	87	EL MACHJAT G.6/Y.16.c.
1930-0130	No. 11 Mtn.	50	Harassing fire B.3.b. & B.32.c.
During night	Howitzer	100	" " Various targets.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES. Fresh earth seen near trenches in G.6/X.36.b & c. In B.7/F.16 & 17 wire seen running zig-zag across plain to foothills has been strengthened. Suspected breastwork in B.6/F.21.c.

6. P/W & DESERTERS. for 24 hours -

P/W.	Deserters	Unit.	Taken by	Taken at.
1 Turk	-	3/143/24th Div.	38th R.F. Bn.	Approx. B.6/F.1.c.
	1 Greek.	"	" "	TICK POST.
	1 Turk	5/136/53rd Div.	1st B.7.I. Bn.	About G.6/Y.34.c.

7. CASUALTIES.

Killed.	Wounded.	
2 o.rs.	1 o.r.	Shell fire.
1 o.r.	1 o.r. & missing.	Patrol to B.6/F.1.n. night 28/29th.

M. Sturges
for
Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

29th August 1918.
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Preliminary Interrogation of
P/W and Deserters.

D. 1. A/Serjt. HAME KIRIAB AHI, belongs to 1st Coy, 1st Bn, 2nd Regt, 20th Divn
deserted to 30th N.S. Bn, at G.O./K.33.b.

Remarks:- Fairly intelligent.

2. Locations. Deserter's Regt holds line of trenches from R. JORDAN (post
bank) to about G.6/K.16.a. 1st & 2nd Bn, in line with 3rd Bn in
Reserve (location not known). Machine Gun Coy., in line with 6 H.C.'s which
are distributed on Bn front.

2nd Bn has its four Coys in the trenches at night but at daylight these
withdraw 100 yards in rear of trenches, each Coy leaving O.P.s of 3 - 4 men
in the trenches.

At night listening posts of 1 H.C. & 4 men are posted about 100 yards in
front, and an officers patrol moves out towards our line.

3. Enemy Defences. Each Coy holds a more or less continuous line of trenches.
Trenches are 5 feet deep with earth parapet, does not know of sandbags in
line. There are sections of wire in front of his Bn but indications
show that there is to be a continuous wire fence.
Parties at work every night on trenches.

4. Enemy Intentions. Does not know, although is certain there are no
indications of attack.

5. Our Intentions. Does not know.

6. Strength. 60 rifles.

7. Supplies. Statements not reliable.

8. General. Nothing of special importance.

D. 2 - D. 12. Can give no further information, but confirm locations of D.1.

M. *[Signature]*
Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

30th August 1918.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTAIN DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 30/8/18.

1. OPERATIONS. Usual day patrols report all clear.

0800 Special patrol (one s/cn) 5th L.F. Regt. moved out to verify reports that a continuous wire fence exists in front of enemy defenses from P.6/P.3.a - P.6/P.3.c & d - P.7/P.4.a & b - P.7/P.6.c thence South to about P.7/P.13.a & b.

Information gained :-

A continuous wire fence exists from JUBAHT - P.5.c.0.0.0 approx. Wire also exists between approx. P.5 & P.6 running in direction of foot hills, no wire was observed running South towards P.13, though dense scrub makes observation extremely difficult.

It would appear there is a gap roughly between P.4 & P.5 through which patrol advanced. This gap is held by strongly manned entrenched posts in front and on either flank.

It would appear that the intention of the enemy was to cut off patrol from the apparent opening in the wire. Patrol crossed empty trenches but firing came from behind these. No M.G.'s were used on patrol as patrol withdrew enemy 77m fired 5 shells from M.G. Our casualties 1 o/r wounded 1 horse wounded.

1900 Special patrol of 1 M.G.C. & 5 men from 58th R.F. Sgt. LARA SMAR ROSE and proceeded via P.6.b.0.5. to reconnoitre vicinity of P.1.a.2.8. Patrol got to within 30 yards of the enemy where it encountered an enemy sentry who was taken prisoner. Prisoner stated that there were more men in a trench behind him. The P.C.O. in command of the patrol (J1837 Sgt. LEVY C.) proceeded in direction of the trenches, was heavily fired upon and was seen to be hit and fall into the trench. The patrol then only 15 yards from enemy trench were subjected to heavy rifle fire patrol withdrew. Casualties 1 o/r killed. 1 o/r wounded and missing.

2330 A volunteer patrol 1 M.G.C. & 6 men moved out in direction of enemy position about P.1.a.2.9. to search for Sgt. LEVY reported wounded and missing from previous patrol. Patrol got to within 30 yards of enemy trench when it was subjected to very heavy rifle fire. Ground to the enemy trench could be seen but no signs of Sgt. LEVY. After firing 30 rounds each, 6 men were observed to be hit. Information :- there was no wire in front of this position. The trenches did not appear to be properly completed. Enemy strength estimated at 50. 14 shells were fired in vicinity of SMAR and SCRAP ROSES. Propaganda was left by patrol

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. Quiet.

3. WEAPONS MOVEMENT. No. 2 Subsector.

- 0610 2 water carts left watering area C.2.b & c proceeding W.
- 0930 10 men loading 20 horses moving W. in P.17.d.
- 1550 40 horses grazing P.11.a.

Nos. 3 & 4 Subsectors.

Usual movement of ration and other parties between WADIS EL WAR, ABU HANNUD, ALY, MUDANDERAH, and KISHKI.

0600 10 pon 98 horses W. EL WAR to FUSALL U.27.a.

Movement throughout Sector normal.

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4. ARTILLERY.

Time.	No. Rts.	Cal.	Altitude.	Area or Shell.	Direction fired from.
1015	6	77	-	Patrols	SHULP HIRAN.
1030-1130	30	77	-	Vicinity of ALJAH bridge-head.	
1400	12	77	-	Registering.	Sound 86° from Y.11.2.9.8.
1330	4	4.2	-	Y.23.2.	Sound 296° from Y.11.2.9.8.
1600-1800	20	Mtn. How.	N.E.	MUSALLAH	Sound from N. from Y.11.2.9.8.
1805	4	-	-	Y.26 Registering Barrages.	

OURS.

Time.	Battery.	No. Rts.	Area or target shelled.
2100-2300	-	49	EL Y. HALAT W.1.2.2.
1930-2130	No. 11 Mtn.	50	Harassing W.32.2.
	MUSALLAH	4	Harassing UH MSH SHIRP.

6. BURNING.

1040 1000 carrying coils of barb wire from scrub, about P.8.d.2.4. apparently wiring party.

7. P/N & DESERTING.

P/N.	Deserters.	Taken by	Location.
1	2/143/24th divn.	38th R.F.	B.6/P.1.b.

M. E. ...
 Licut. Colonel,
 General Staff.

30th August 1918. AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND BOMBARDING DIVISION.

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Preliminary Interrogation of Prisoners of War.

P.W. 5. Sergt ISMAIL OLI ISMAIL belongs 7th Coy, 2nd Bttn, 143rd Regt, 24th Divn captured by 38th R.F. Bttn, on night 28/29th at S.6/Y.1.B.

Remarks. Intelligent.

Came with 24th Divn from the Caucasian front 6 months ago. Divn arrived at ALLIPEO 600 strong stayed there for 2 months then left for Palestine front 1000 strong, having drawn reinforcements from the Base Depot at ALLIPEO. Remained 2 months with unit, was wounded, since returned and soon afterwards was sent to NAZARETH sick, then to convalescent camp there, thence to small Base Camp at MESSUDIM. Has only been with 7th Coy, 3 days. Was in charge of Listening Post night 28/29th and during the night went out by himself to try and gain touch with Turkish patrol when he ran into our patrol and surrendered.

Location. 2nd & 3rd Bttns. in line with 1st Bttn. in Reserve.

2nd Bttn relieved 1st Bttn previous night.

Approx. location of Regt from JORDAN to about C.6/X.16.a. with 3rd Bttn. on left.

The 4 Coys., of 2nd Bttn., man the trenches at night with Listening Post consisting of 6 men about 35 yards in front and Patrols towards our lines. Orders to the patrols that when in contact with our patrols to warn the rear and retire with L. Posts immediately. Coys. withdraw a short distance at daylight leaving sentries in the trenches. Coy. line consists of small sections of trenches about 5 feet deep. No wire on front of 7th Coy, but wire exists on left as far as Prisoner knows towards JORDAN. Prisoner very decided that wire is to be erected WEST towards foothills. Fairly large supply of wire and stakes has been brought up lately by Motor Lorries to Bttn. H.Qrs., about 600 yards in rear (location not known). Possibly by road running N.W. through C.6/X. then by pack horses and mules to the lines. This confirms continuous reports from Day O.P. that wiring parties have been observed carrying coils of wire.

Flank Operations.

No mention among the troops in his company of Germans on either flank. Only Technical German troops seen when on his way back from NAZARETH.

Enemy Attitude. Quiet. At night alert.

Supplies. Brought by Horse Transport to Bttn H.Qrs., where Bttn. C.M.'s draw and then by pack horses and mules to Coy., 600 grammes issue of bread per day. Supply fair.

Morale. In company good, due to very popular Corp. Commander. Men work well.

Reinforcements. No reinforcements for some considerable time, only returned wounded and sick seen in Base Camps at NAZARETH and MESSUDIM.

General. Heard at H.Qrs., that there were 9 Divisions on the Palestine Front. Since the New Sultan has come into power, conditions throughout has been improved.

M. Shumway
for Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

31st August 1918.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 31/8/18.

1. OPERATIONS. 1 Off. 60 O/2s from 58th R.F. Bn., left TAIL POST and proceeded
2300 N. via C.6/X.28.a. to SHANK'S TOOTH. They then went N.E. to Y.22.a.
29/30th. striding the ISHAFAT EL MELLIHAN. From X.22.a. there is an open plain
covered with high grass suitable for cover for a small party. The plain
is commanded on the N.E. side from Y.16.cent., looking S.E. towards X.23.
Two rows of barbed wire could be distinguished from Y.22.b. towards enemy
position N.E. The patrol returned at 0200.
Usual patrols report all clear.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. Quiet.

3. KELLY MOVEMENT. No. 2 Subsector.
Usual movement about watering areas. Considerable movement in enemy C.P.
in C.6/C.33.c.
0630 About 100 horses grazing in B.7/P.11.a.
1550 30 horses grazing in B.7/P.11.a.
No. 3 & 4 Subsectors.
Considerably less movement of ration and other parties H. & S.
0725 60 horses grazing C.6/Y.4.d.
0800 10 men & 90 horses from WADI WAR to U.24 grazing.
1750 40 men on skyline of T.12.c.10.d.

4. ARTILLERY. Heavy.

Time.	No. Rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area Shelled.	Fired from.
1145	10	77	-	Wadi AUJAH.	Sound 358° E. from Y.11.a. 9.8.
1540-1700	50	77	-	AUJAH & MELLIHAN	Sound 356° from Y.18.d.1.5
1630-1800	-	77	-	MUSALLAHEH & W. AUJAH.	Sound 330° N. from Y.10.d.5.6.
1710	-	77	-	MUSALLAHEH.	Sound 320° T. from Y.10.a.0.4.
1725	-	77	-	VAUK	Sound 291°
1730	-	77	-	Road in Y.20.c.8.2.	Sound 335° from Y.10.a.4.7.
1740	-	77	-	Y.25.a.2 & Y.4.d.1	(Shells marked W.D.1/2/18)
1715	-	77	-	WISE POST & ASH TELLUL	Sound 325° E. from Y.11.a.9.8.
1720	-	77	-	W. AUJAH.	Sound 358° N. from Z.18.d.5.2.
1630	-	77	-	P.7.	Direction EL HAUD.

OURS.	Time.	Batty	Area Shelled.	No. Rds.
		11th Btn. 29th Coy.	Retaliation W.32.a. Registered WADI Barrage R.30.c.6.4., Y.25.b.4.2., W.16.c.1.1., W.26.c.4.0.	48
	2000-0200	Inverness	Harassing fire on various targets.	
	2100-0315	11th Btn.	Harassing fire.	50 H.E.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES. Now wiring observed on true bearing 75° TAIL POST.
0600 Now communication trench S. side of BACHAJAT 200 yards long.
7 men working with derrick excavating C.6/U.20.central.

6. P/V. & DESERTERS. For 24 hours NIL.

M. S. [Signature]
Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff.

31st August 1918.
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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.