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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
B. 6/H340 NORTH of JERICHO	1/9/18		<p>O.C. Corps of Guides and Believed to be captured 11th Intelligence Summary No. 1. issued and attached Orders for reliefs and movements attached for night 1/2nd Sept. attached 7.00. Command of LEFT Intelligence Summary No. 2. issued and attached Preliminary Interrogations of Deserters attached at Order numbering of Sub-sectors in LEFT SECTOR attached</p>	<p>Appen. 1 Appen. 2 Appen. 3 Appen. 4</p>
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M. 3.	2/9/18		<p>Intelligence Summary No. 1. issued and attached</p>	<p>Appen. 5</p>
	3/9/18		<p>D. G. C. S. and Battalion Commanders attended Conference with G. O. C. at 1100 on ABU TELLU</p>	<p>Appen. 11</p>
M. 5.			<p>Corps Commander and Major General at FIGHTERSTONE D. G. M. S. visited 1st and 2nd Regiments at at 1530.</p>	<p>Appen. 12</p>
			<p>Intelligence Summary No. 3 attached.</p>	<p>Appen. 63</p>
			<p>Copy of Order giving moves of Brigades in the RIGHT and LEFT SECTORS attached. G. O. C.</p>	<p>Appen. 7</p>
			<p>Intelligence Summary No. 4 attached.</p>	<p>Appen. 8</p>
M. 54	4/9/18		<p>Allocation of Orders appended attached.</p>	<p>Appen. 9</p>
	5/9/18		<p>Maj. General R. W. C. Chayton assumed Command of the RIGHT and LEFT Sectors JORDAN Valley Defences at 50900.</p>	<p>Appen. 16</p>
			<p>Intelligence Summary No. 5 attached</p>	<p>Appen. 17</p>

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B6/H34 a NORTH of JERICHO			One troop 2nd L.H. Regt. relieved in one of Camp. By 1st Lt. H. P. Regt. for duty D.H.Q.	Appendix 17
			B.C.C. 2nd L.H. Bde. assumed command of the RIGHT SECTOR at 0900. Command of LEFT SECTOR passed to C.O.C. N.Z.M.R. Bde. at 1930.	Appendix 18
	M. 5		1st L.H. and N.Z.M.R. Bdes. completed graves at 2300.	Appendix 19
			Intelligence Summary No. 13 attached.	Appendix 10.
M. 3	6/9/18.		Intelligence Summary No. 14 attached.	Appendix 11
M. 5	7/9/18		Intelligence Summary No. 15 attached.	Appendix 12
	8/9/18		Co-operation with Aeroplane, future scheme with P.O.P.H.A.M. Panel at 0600.	Appendix 20
M. 3			Intelligence Summary No. 16 attached.	Appendix 21, 3.
	9/9/18		Defence Scheme, JORDAN Valley Defence attached. C.O.s. 1st and 2nd Bde. B.W.I. attended C.O.C.	Appendix 22
			Conference at MESSALAZEH at 1000.	Appendix 23
M. 3			Intelligence Summary No. 17 attached.	Appendix 25.
	10/9/18		B.C.C. N.Z.M.R. Bde. and C.O. 38th Royal Fusiliers attended Conference at D.H.Q. at 1500.	Appendix 26
			Intelligence Summary No. 18 attached.	Appendix 26

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BL/H 34 a NORTH of JERICHO			March Table for movement of 10 th and 11 th Cav. Brigades attached.	Appendix 17
	11/9/48		Movement of 1 st L.H. and 2 nd L.H. Bde. to take place on night 11 th /12 th September. Attached.	Appendix 18
			Intelligence Summary No. 19 attached.	Appendix 19
M.S.			Movement of 1 st L.H. and 2 nd L.H. Bde. H.Q.s completed 1945. C.O.C. and G.S.O. I attended C. in C.	Appendix 28
			Conference at C.H.Q. at 1100, arriving back at 2200.	Appendix 29
	12/9/48		Aeroplane co-operation programme with Pop 4000. Panel at 0520 carried out. Programme attached.	Appendix 20
M.S.			Instructions issued to Brigades for taking two portions of each Bde. in the valley of the enemy 75 M.M. gun, and attached. Sept. cancelled.	Appendix 21
			Intelligence Summary No. 20 attached.	Appendix 22
	13/9/48		Location of Troops, Jordan Valley Defences.	Appendix 23
			Intelligence Summary No. 21 attached.	Appendix 24
M.B.			Nos. 1 and 4 Light Car Batches and Nos. 11 and 12 Light Command Mtn Bde. moved out of valley.	Appendix 32
			Instructions issued to 39 L.A.T. E. Bde. arrived in Jordan Valley morning of 14/9/48.	Appendix 25

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B6/H34 NORTH of JERICHO	14/9/18		39 th R.F. Batt ⁿ arrived in JORDAN Valley at 0500 Reconnaissance carried out by 15 th & 13 th H. Regt. and occupied position covering B7/T, R 22 central and R 26 central at 0430. Report attached. Instructions for Reconnaissance by RIGHT SECTOR Attached.	Appen. 26
M.B.			Intelligence Summary No. 22 attached.	Appen. 27
			Orders for move of 39 th R.F. Batt ⁿ from present line of march area B6/K11 attached.	Appen. 28
	15/9/18		Instructions for all future operations attached.	Appen. 29
			One Coy, Major FRANKLIN D.S.O. 1 st L.H. Bde. moved from Valley to an area to Corp's Camp.	Appen. 30
M.B.			School courses commencing at ZEITOUR and ALEXANDRIA on 16 th Sept. cancelled.	Appen. 31
	16/9/18		Intelligence Summary No. 23 attached.	Appen. 32
			C.O.C.'s Conference held at D.H.Q. at 1100.	Appen. 33
			B.G.C.s. and Batt ⁿ Commanders attended.	Appen. 34
			C.O.C. and G.S.O.I. visited 2nd L.H. Bde H.Q.s at 1600.	Appen. 35
M.B.			Intelligence Summary No. 24 attached.	Appen. 36
			Corp's H.Q.s. moved from TALAT ED DUMM at 0900 and the whole of the Troop in the JORDAN	Appen. 37

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Remarks and references to Appendices

Place	Date	Hour
B6/H34a NORTH of JERICHO		
	17/9/18	
	18/9/18	

Valley, at the same hour came under the command of Maj. Gen. Sir E.W. CHAYTOR and known as CHAYTOR'S FORCE. 3rd L. Id. Regt. moved out at 1730 and returned to Bivouac area at 2130 to set up camp with Special Reconnaissance by 2nd L.H. Bde. 7th L.H. Regt. returned to camp at 0400 for night reconnaissance. RIGHT SECTOR. Intelligence Summary No. 25 attached. General instructions issued for the force during forthcoming operations. CHAYTOR'S FORCE Operation Order No. I attached. Intercommunication, Defences, JORDAN VALLEY. long range 4.2" or 5.9" guns fired on D.H.Q. from 0430 - 0600. 10/R killed 30/R; wounded (Signal Squadron). Again fired at 1400 - 1500 in vicinity of D.H.Q. and JERICHO, no casualties. G.S.O.I. visited ABUTELKUB at 2000.5 - 900.5 and G.S.O.I. visited 2nd L.H. Bde during afternoon. Intelligence Summary No. 26 attached. G.S.O.I. visited 2nd L.H. Bde during afternoon. B.W.I. visited during 06/R 36 camp at 1445.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
B6/H34 a NORTH of JERICHO.	19/9/18.		<p>Situation report dispatched to G.H.Q. at 0620. During night patrols pushed out to BAGHALAT and GRANT HILL. Enemy still fired on patrol and put down Artillery barrage in front of BAGHALAT and on ROMAN ROAD EAST of GRANT HILL. Situation at present quiet. G.O.C. visited British Headquarters on ABU TELEUL at 1030.</p> <p>R.A.F. reconnaissance 0540-0845 reports. Eastern areas normal.</p> <p>At 1150 Situation quiet. RIGHT SECTOR - Patrol to B7/R246 observed 20 men entering trench at KABR MUJAMID also movement about TEL EL KEERBIN.</p> <p>Patrols report considerable movement about TEL EL SHAGHUR B7/R32 d. 40 mounted men observed in 43rd cent. LEFT SECTOR. - Patrol reports TEL ELECTRONY and TEL EL RISHEN not occupied by enemy. BAKR RIDGE and GRANT HILL occupied by enemy. Patrol to C6/W242 sheltered from diversion C6/W7. Patrol on working C6/Y132 fired on by Rifle fire from North-West. Enemy situation sent to G.H.Q. at 1715 - at 1205 enemy fired 10 77mm shells on patrols B7/P7 and 13. at 1350 mounted patrol to C6/W21 came under Shrapnel and Rifle fire from BAKR RIDGE and GRANT Hill. at 1445 patrol 2nd B.W.I. reached line C6/R36 central - W21 central</p> <p style="text-align: right;">M. S. Morrison Lieut</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
B 6/H 34a NORTH of JERICHO.	M. 5.		<p>and at 1530 patrols were shelled by enemy battery from C 6/W 1 contact. At 1600 enemy long range gun fired 3 rounds on JERICHO from B 7/P 6 d. At 1645 enemy still holding BAKR RIDGE. At 1645 no movement on ROMAN Road - FUSAIL Road or DAMIEN - SALT Road. At 1700 situation both RIGHT or LEFT sectors unchanged. Dispositions for night from 1700 to 1800 both sectors will continue to watch enemy carefully during the night. Early reports of any movement are required. G. O. C. LEFT Sector will in particular watch GRANT HILL and BAGHALAT and will occupy them at once if the enemy leaves them. 2nd Battalion B. W. I. will picket the ridge they at present hold opposite the enemy, being ready to move forward and occupy BAKR RIDGE at once should he leave it. Both sectors while keeping a constant watch on the enemy will give as much contact possible to men and animals. Patrols B 7/P 7 and 13. At 1850</p>	<p>Append. 38 Append. 39</p>

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B6/H34 a NORTH of	20/9/18		This period covered by narration of CHAYZORS force.	appen. 38
JERICHO M.S.	23/9/18		Copy attached.	
On march from	23/9/18		Narration of CHAYZORS Force attached.	appen. 38
JERICHO to	30/9/18		M. El Hussein	
AMMAN M.S.			M. El Hussein	

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1st L.H. Bde.
2nd L.H. Bde.
H.E. M.R. Bde.
4th Cavalry Divn.
"A" Branch.

SUBJECT:- MOVES.

The following moves will take place on night September 1st/2nd.

10 Moves will commence before dark and all will be completed before daylight.

1. One Regiment 2nd L.H. Brigade to the GHORANIYEH Bridgehead to the bivouac site at present occupied by the Middlesex Yeomanry. This Regiment will not enter the defile leading through the clay hills down to GHORANIYEH Bridge before 2030 night September 1st/2nd. On arrival this Regiment will come under orders of the B.C.C., 11th Cavalry Brigade.

2. One Regiment 2nd L.H. Brigade to AIN HAJLA to a bivouac site to be indicated by the B.C.C., 10th Cavalry Brigade. On arrival this Regiment will come under orders of the B.C.C., 10th Cavalry Brigade.

5. Advanced parties of both Regiments will report to H.Q.s., 11th and 10th Cavalry Brigades respectively at 1030 on 1st inst.

4. From tonight onwards (September 1st/2nd) 1st L.H. Brigade will take over from the 2nd L.H. Brigade the pat/rolling of the gap and the garrison of TURTLE POST.

Wm Anderson

for

Major

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

1st September 1918.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

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Following reliefs and moves will take place night 1st/2nd September aa Middlesex Yeo will leave present area at 1930 for TALAAT ED DUMM and continue march under instructions issued in G.T. 275 of 31st August AAA 6th L.H. Regt will move into the area vacated by the Middlesex Yeo and come under orders of G.O.C., 11th Cav, Bde AAA 6th L.H. Regt will not enter the defile before 2030 AAA 7th L.H. Regt will move into No.1 Sunsector area under cover of darkness and come under orders of G.O.C., 10th Cav. Bde AAA Advanced parties from 6th and 7th L.H. Regts will report at 1030 on 1st instant to H.Q. 11th and 10th Cav. Bdes respectively AAA ACKNOWLEDGE AAA Addressed 10th and 11th Cav, Bdes repeated Field Sqdn, Signal Sqdn, Divisional Train; ANZAC Mounted Division, A. & Q., A.P.M. and A.D.M.S.

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Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 3/12/42

1. ENEMY MOVEMENTS - From a report all clear.

1 Off. 6 G.Ms left SEAR POST so reconnaissance broken ground of B.6/P.1.c. - B.7.c. This ground was found to consist of a number of small mounds running from the plain to the JORDAN. About half way along these mounds, they were spaced for about 50 feet, then slope gradually away again. Cover is available under which to approach or retire from the enemy position B.1.a. Patrol from SEAR POST proceeded to the vicinity of enemy trenches in B.6/P.1.a. A Turkish sentry and 6 men were observed in this position. The ground from SEAR POST to B.6/P.1.a. affords no cover for a large body of men.

1 Off. 6 G.Ms left G.6/K.32.b.3.2. and proceeded due N. An easy road, which would take troops in column of fours was found practically all the way to the plateau. Patrol advanced 300 yards over the plateau. Immediately to the front voices were heard occasionally at about 3/400 yards distant. To the right and slightly to the rear voices were also heard. At 2200, noise of stakes being driven commenced from H.E. Hills W. of THIS POST were found clear of enemy.

2. HELLANAH. quiet. Rifle and automatic rifle fire on 5th L.H. Patrols EAST of JORDAN from enemy position B.7/P.5.a.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENTS. No. 1 Subsector. Usual movement about watering areas. Considerable movement observed throughout the day in the vicinity of UMM BSH SHEET of small parties of infantry, bathing parties etc. (Report from patrols EAST of JORDAN.) Nos. 2 & 3 Subsectors. Usual movement of ration and other parties N. & S. 0800 100 horses WADI BAKR to grazing or water in G.6/U.27.a. 0930 2 men carrying boxes to B.6/T.10.b. Slight movement about all day. Throughout the day small parties entered and left WADI BAKR.

<u>Time.</u>	<u>No. Rds.</u>	<u>Cal.</u>	<u>Nature.</u>	<u>Area Shelled.</u>	<u>Direction fired from.</u>
1000-1030	-	77	-	W. HELLANAH.	Sound 354° N. from B.6/P.13.c.
1545	-	77	-	W. AUJAH	G.6/R.22.
2030	-	77	-	MUSALLABEH	Flash 390° from Y.11.a.9.3.
2100	12	77	-	Y.11.central.	
0615-0630	-	77	-	W. HELLANAH.	Approx. G.6/C.26.
2030 & intermittently all night.	-	77	-	MUSALLABEH (G.6/W.35.a.) & B.6/Y.5.b.	Flash 327° from Y.11.a.9.0. Flash to sound 5 secs.

<u>Time.</u>	<u>Batty.</u>	<u>No. Rds.</u>	<u>Area or target shelled.</u>
1645	195 Bty.	-	Silenced gun in B.6/T.22.
1700	439 Bty.	6	Supposed gun in G.6/W.21.a.
	"	5	Road in G.6/W.20.d.7.8.
	29th Bty.	Registered.	G.6/W.20.d.2.3. & G.6/W.20.c.8.8.
	11th Mtn.	32	Retaliation Batty positions.

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5. WIRE DEFENCES. About 200 yards of new wire observed on left of trenches in C.6/K.3.b & c. Parties carrying coils of wire, branches and stakes vicinity of B.6/P.8.d.2.4. From day observation enemy appear to be working hurriedly to close gap in wire B.7/T.4. & P.5. (as reported in I.3. 30/8/18). Communication trench 200 yards long on S. of B.6/H.1.2. now reported Sangar. How sangar B. side of B.6/H.1.2. 100 yards long.

6. P./I. and DESERTERS. One deserter. Identification and details not received yet.

7. 3.4.3. Report tactical areas normal. 4 bombs dropped on camp in B.7/C.10. All direct hits and much damage to camp. Propaganda dropped at HERRIN and RESALL.

M. E. Chapman

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

1st September 1918.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

USUAL ADDRESSES.

NAME OF OFFICER	RANK	REGIMENT	COMPANY	STATUS
W. H. HARRISON	WO	1st	1	Present
J. H. HARRISON	WO	1st	1	Present
Y. H. HARRISON	WO	1st	1	Present
Y. H. HARRISON	WO	1st	1	Present
Y. H. HARRISON	WO	1st	1	Present
Y. H. HARRISON	WO	1st	1	Present
Y. H. HARRISON	WO	1st	1	Present
Y. H. HARRISON	WO	1st	1	Present
Y. H. HARRISON	WO	1st	1	Present
Y. H. HARRISON	WO	1st	1	Present

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PRELIMINARY INTERROGATION OF DESERTERS.

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D.13.

Sergt. OMEN LOFTI, Turk, belongs to 1st Coy., 1st Batta., 23rd Regt., 48th Divn., deserted to 5th L.H.Reg't patrol at approx: B.7/R.22.

Remarks.

fairly intelligent, but has only been on this front for 15 days. He came direct from Constantinople with a draft of 150 men. All were sent to ES SALT, where deserter remained for 4 days. Did not know how remainder of draft were distributed; Reports JELAL PASHA to be in ES SALT with his H.Qrs. Came to unit via NEIRAN, where he saw a German M.G. Coy., the only fighting German troops he has seen since leaving Constantinople, although a large number of technical troops have been seen while at HABLUS, he saw several German Lorry drivers teaching the Turks to drive.

Locations.

Left flank of 23rd Regt located $\frac{1}{2}$ hour from SHUNEF NEIRAN North along foothills. Right flank unknown. 1st Batta in line with 2nd and 3rd Battns in reserve (Not reliable). The whole of the Battalion (3 Coys) in trenches at night with L.Ps in front about $\frac{1}{2}$ hour distant just clear of foothills, consisting of 8 men. Patrols move out about $\frac{3}{4}$ hour distant. Line held by Batta is not continuous but a series of strong posts in the foothills, consisting of sangers. Parties from Reserves come up every night as working parties. During day Coys., withdraw a short distance leaving small day C.Ps. No wire exists in front of 1st Coy.

Blank formations. No known.

Strength. 55 rifles.

Reinforcements. 10 men left his Coy., sick since deserter joined but reinforcements arrived immediately to replace. Deserter is very decided that a unit exists, (from diagrams etc., in vicinity of ES SALT) name unknown, from which reinforcements are drawn (sources of information not known).

Morale.

Bad, due to short rations and our propaganda which is having the desired effect.

D.14.

Pte. SIMAN KASSIM, Arab, belongs to 1/1/23rd/48th Divn, deserted with D.13 to 5th L.H.Reg't patrol at B.7/R.22.

Remarks.

Anxious to give information but ignorant. Has been 12 days on present front. Was wounded on Coastal front some time back, and evacuated to ALLEPO. He left ALLEPO one month ago with a draft of 800 men but this draft was divided at a station between ALLEPO and DAMASCUS. Deserter was sent on with 400 to ES SALT where he remained for 5 days. Does not know how remainder of draft were disposed of.

M. Stewart
for Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

1st September 1918.

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1st L.H.Bde.	Signal sqdn.
2nd L.H.Bde.	Field sqdn.
N.Z.M.R.Bde.	Divn. train.
C.R.A. LEFT SECTOR.	'A' Branch.
No. 12 L.C.Patrol.	A.D.M.S.
No. 7 L.C.Patrol.	A.D.V.S.

SUBJECT:- RE-NUMBERING OF SUBSECTORS, LEFT SECTOR.

As No.1 subsector (AUJAH BRIDGEHEAD) passed to RIGHT SECTOR on 15th August 1918, the original Nos. 2, 3, 4 Subsectors of the LEFT SECTOR will be renumbered as follows :-

No. 2 Subsector (MELLAHAN POSTS)	becomes No.1 Subsector.
No.3 " (MASHKIRAH-GIRUM)	" No.2 Subsector.
No. 4 " ('U' POSTS)	" No.3 Subsector.

Wm Anderson

for Major. Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

1st September 1918.
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No. 10.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 2/9/18.

1. OPERATIONS. Patrol 1 M.C.O. & 6 o.rs left POOL POSE and proceeded N. of SHARPS TOOTH then W. to C.6/X.22.c. Patrol returned at 0415, reporting all clear.
- 2215 1 Off. 6 o.rs left THE POST to reconnoitre C.6/X.35.d. & b. up to C.6/Y.29.control. Proceeding due N. through WADI for the first 500 yards, ground rises gradually. Turning to the right, the ground was hilly before the plain, to the East, commences. Patrol returned at 2400 reporting all clear.
- 2000 1 off. 6 o.rs left SAFE POST and proceeded S.E. to reconnoitre broken ground in F.7.c. and F.13.a. thence to the JORDAN. From the L.P. in B.6/F.7.c. the ground becomes increasingly precipitous culminating in two large wadis leading down to the JORDAN. Patrol returned at 2300 reporting all clear.
- Day patrol in Square F. reported nothing of importance.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. quiet.
Small enemy mounted patrols seen about B.7/F.12 moving S. along foothills also W. side of JORDAN near ULM BSH SHEEP crossing, and B.7/F.6.control.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENTS. No. 1 subsector.
Usual movement about watering areas.
1045 50 camels moving S. in C.6/V.16.b. & d.
Nos. 2 & 3 subsectors.
Usual movement of ration and other parties N. & S. in Sq. W.
0830 70 horses W. WAR to FUSAIL C.6/U.27.c.

4. ARTILLERY. enemy.

Time.	No. Rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area Shelled	Direction fired from.
1155	-	77	-	MUSALLABEH.	Sound 315° E. from Y.11.a.
1345	100	77	-	W. MULLANAH	C.6/C.14.d.
1415-1530	30	77	S + H.B.	B.6/F.29.c.	W. of RED HILL.
"	50	77	S + H.B.	B.6/F.29.c.	W. of RED HILL.
1815	12	77	H.E.	Y.11.c & d.	Sound 200° from Y.11.a.
1520	-	77	-	Y.11.c & d.	Sound 200° from Y.11.a.
2100	-	77	-	MUSALLABEH.	-

OURS.

Time	Batty.	No. Rds.	Area or Target shelled.
0755	439th Bty.	5	B.6/T.17.a. & M.C. position.
1800	No. 11 Bn.	57	Retaliation. C.6/W.27.
0600	-	5	Small parties in C.6/Y.28.b.7.4.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES About 800-1000 yards of barb wire single fence has been erected running E.E. through B.7/F.11.b., F.5.d., and F.6.c. as far as ruin on foothills. (Woods confirmation).
Additional wire and work observed on bearing of 50° from TAIL POST (probably works in C.6/X.36.b). Suspected O.P. on hill to left of B.6/F.2.a.8.2.
- 0700-0900 Working parties seen in B.6/F.7. and B.7/F.4.
Sanger on GRANT HILL sand-bagged and loop holed.

6. P/7 and DESERTERS For 24 hours - NIL.

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No. 11.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hour ending 0700 3/9/18.

1. OPERATIONS. Usual patrols report all clear.
2230 1 Offr. 6 o/rs left TICH ROSE and proceeded via X.35.a.4.2. to
1/2nd. R.35.central. On reaching X.35.a.4.2. patrol found a deep wadi
due E. with a narrow strip of ground 150 yards by 30 yards running
into it. The sides of this strip were found to be very steep.
No trace of enemy was found.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. Quiet.

3. ENEMY ARTILLERY.

Time.	No. Rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area shelled	direction fired from.
0920	-	87	-	plat 3. of AUJAH	W. of RED HILL.
1200	-	77	-	Broken ground E. of AUJAH bridge- head.	EL HAUD.
1545	-	77	-	MUSALIAH & VISE.	30° E. from Y.25.a.7.9. & 3350 T. from Y.10.a.4.7.

OURS.	Time.	Batty.	No. Rds.	Area or Target shelled.
-	-	Inverness (75)	Registered.	Half constructed wire in C.6/X.36.c.
-	-	Inverness	"	Enemy posts in Square T.
1045-1130	-	11th Htn.	11	C.6/7.20.c.
1800	-	439th Bty.	8 (harassing)	C.6/7.14. & C.6/7.21.a.

4. ENEMY MOVEMENT. No. 1 Subsector.
Usual movement about watering areas.
0615 60 horses grazing in B.7/P.11.a.
Nos. 2 & 3 subsectors.
Usual movement E. and S. of ration and other parties in C.6/Sq. 7.
Slight movement all day about B.6/T.10.central and T.10.c.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES.
1620 Working party of about 12 men digging trench on hill in B.6/P.2.c.
1805 Working parties observed at both ends of redoubt in C.6/C.32.c.
1700 17 men seen digging in C.6/C.25.d.

6. P/W and DESERTERS. For 24 hours.
P/W Deserters Unit. Taken by Taken at
- 1 Turk. Identifications 5th L.H. Bde. B.7/P.21.a.
Unknown.

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

3rd September 1918.
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1st L.H.Bde.	field Sqdn.
2nd L.H.Bde.	signal Sqdn.
H.Z.M.R. Bde.	'A' branch.
C.R.A. LEFT SECTOR.	A.D.H.S.

Reference this office G/23/85 of 29/8/18.

1. COMMAND OF RIGHT SECTOR.

At 1200 on September 5th the B.C.C., 2nd L.H. Brigade will take over command of the RIGHT SECTOR from G.O.C., 4th Cavalry Division, and will move his H.Qrs., to the present site of the 4th Cavalry Division H.Qrs., at JIBEL KURITTEL, Square K.5.c., until the Monastery at KASH HAJLA is vacated by a Brigade of the 4th Cavalry Division.

2. From the same hour No.1 subsector of LEFT SECTOR will come under the command of the B.C.C., 1st L.H. Brigade, who, will then be in command of the whole of the LEFT SECTOR.

3. For the present the Regiment, 2nd L.H. Brigade will remain in the AUJAH bridgehead in its present camp until a camping area about AIN HAJLA is clear. This Regiment will continue to carry out the reconnaissances EAST of JORDAN for the present.

4. MOVES OF H.Z.M.R. BDE.

- (a) On the night September 5th/6th the B.C.C., H.Z.M.R. Brigade will take over command of the LEFT SECTOR.
- (b) He will have his H.Qrs., about the present site of the 1st L.H. Brigade.
- (c) He will have his Regiments disposed as follows :-
 - (i) One Regiment close to AUJAH bridgehead.
 - (ii) One Regiment about WADY SIMTA.
 - (iii) One Regiment at some central position in rear of brigade H.Qrs., ready to be brought up in case of attack either towards the BELLANAH or West of ABU BELLUL.
- (d) He will relieve the Machine Gun Squadron of the 2nd L.H. Brigade which at present has guns in position in the BELLANAH POSTS.

5. MOVES OF 1st L.H. BDE.

- (a) 1st L.H. Brigade on relief by H.Z.M.R. Brigade will come into Divisional Reserve and will be camped temporarily at the present site of H.Z.M.R. Brigade H.Qrs.
- (b) One Regiment will be at AIN DUK.
One Regiment about H.33.a.
One Regiment about K.4.b.

6. MOVES OF 2nd L.H. BDE.

- (a) The M.G. Squadron of the 2nd L.H. Brigade on relief in the BELLANAH will be camped for the time being at a camp site to be allotted by A.A. & Q.M.G.

7. All moves will begin after 1930, and will be completed ^{before} daylight.

8. Completion of all moves will be wired 'PRIORITY' to this office.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J.G. Pitt-Rivers

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff.

3rd September 1918.

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

Copy to Desert Mounted Corps,
4th Cavalry Division.

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AUSMILIAI & MILITARY DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 4/9/18.

No. 13.

1. OPERATIONS.

Usual patrols report all clear.

1830
2nd/3rd.

1 Offr. & 6 o/rs left BAR POST and proceeded thro' B.6/26.b.5.5. - C.6/7.36.c.7.5. At this spot the patrol saw 2 men, about 40 yards to their left who disappeared. After moving a further 70 yards a patch of grass about 1 foot high 80 yards long and 20 yards wide was reached. Sentries were seen on both flanks of the grass and advance through the dry grass was impossible. On attempting to move back the patrol was fired on from trenches to right, left and in front. (Approx positions C.6/7.36.c.5.6., 7.36.c.8.5. and B.6/26.b.2.9.) No parties were working on the wire. This part of the plain is carefully watched by the enemy in front of the wire being erected. Casualties NIL.

1930

Patrol from BAR POST proceeded to SHARIS TOON thence 500 yards to C.6/X.21. Noise of hammering was heard away on the left. The ground is rather swampy but can be easily crossed by troops. Report all clear.

2000

1 Offr. & 6 o/rs. left BAR POST proceeded N. keeping the broken ground on their right. At a distance of 1200-1500 yards four shallow trenches were seen. 3 large ones (25 feet long, 2 ft wide and 2ft 6ins deep) and 1 small 8 ft long 2 ft wide and 2ft 6ins deep. The trenches were 80 yards apart in a straight line and facing N. They were unoccupied and freshly dug. Continuous noise of working parties could be heard until 6:00 when patrol withdrew.

2. MILITARY ACTIVITY.

Quiet but alert.

3. MILITARY MOVEMENT.

No. 1 subsector.

Movement usual during the day N. of the JORDAN in vicinity of watering areas.

1030

About 100 animals grazing 3.7/3.11.a.
About 100 dismounted men, 20 MGA men and 40 mules seen going into river from W. bank near THE 3RD SHERK in parties, apparently for water. Nos. 2 & 5 Subsectors.

Usual movement N. & S. of station and other parties in C.6/31.7.

4. ARTILLERY.

Time.	No. Rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area Shelled.	Fired from.
0715-0830	12	6.2	-	INWALLABEH & 11th Hbn. postn.	-
0800	6	77	-	INWALLABEH	True N. from Y.11.a.9.8.
1415	4	77	-	"	"
1450-1530	8	77	-	7.27.c. & 27.d.	Sound 359° E. from Y.11.a.8.9.

OURS.	Time.	Batty.	No. Rds.	Area or Target shelled.
	1040	439th	7	Pack animals moving S. in <u>C.6/7.20.b.</u>
	1050	11th Hbn.	72 total.	<u>THE 3RD SHERK.</u>
	1415	"	6	"
	-	29th.	Registered.	<u>C.6/7.26.b.5.1.</u> , <u>B.6/7.26.c.4.c.</u> , <u>C.6/7.30.c.8.4.</u> , <u>C.6/7.16.c.1.1.</u>
	1750	Inverness 75.	4	wiring party in <u>C.6/C.32.d.</u>
	0615	11th Hbn.	7	<u>B.6/7.5.b.</u> (watering horses.)

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1. Reference our G/26/85 of 3/9/18 para 1. COMMAND OF RIGHT SECTOR, 1st line.

For "1200 on September 5th" read "0900 on September 5th".

2. Add following paragraph.

(a) From 0900 of September 5th, Major-General H.W.C. CHAYTOR, KCMG., C.B., will be in command of both sectors of the JORDAN VALLEY DEFENCES.

(b) H.Qrs., will remain as at present at H.34.d.

Wm. Anderson
Major.

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

4th September 1918.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 5/9/18.

No. 13.

1. OPERATIONS. Usual patrols report all clear.
- 1700 2 off. 2 O.rs., left TMA POST and proceeded down the WADI to G.6/X.35.d. Here the patrol could see an enemy post at G.6/X.35.a.10.6. and G.6/X.3.5.b.3.7. They proceeded up the side of the wadi to G.6/X.35.b.5.0. From here they could see that the post at G.6/X.35.a.10.6. was manned. One man was seen on duty. Within a few minutes sentry opened fire and at the same time about 8 shells dropped in G.6/X.35.d. This post is manned by day and night.
- 1830 1 H.C.O. & 6 O.rs. left G.6/X.34.d.2. and proceeded N.E. They reached the edge of the plateau at about G.6/X.39.a. A little further from here, noises of an enemy working party were heard about 200 yards ahead. They appeared to be digging.
- 1900 1 Off. & 6 O.rs., left SCRAP POST and proceeded via B.6/Z.12.b.8.8. to reconnoitre ground at B.6/Z.6.d. & b. and B.6/Y.1.a & c. At about 2.6.d.8.9. an enemy sentry was seen. Attempt was made to locate his group but a Very Light was sent up and the patrol apparently seen. Patrol moved round to left and on a second Very Light being sent up took cover in the broken ground in B.6/Z.12.c. A H.C. opened fire on the ground where patrol had been operating. Voices and the sound of stakes being driven in, and wire being strained on the posts were clearly heard. Enemy were found to be very alert.

3. ENEMY ACTIVITY. Quiet but found alert by day and night.

5. ENEMY MOVEMENT. No. 1 Subsector.
Usual movement in vicinity of watering areas and grazing parties seen in B.7/Y.11.a. & b. & B.7/C.33.c.
- 1615 6 wagons drawn by oxen going N.W. in B.7/C.17.c.
- 1800 A party about 50 observed in B.6/C.32.b. (Impossible to distinguish what they were doing).
- No. 2 & 3 Subsectors.
Usual movement N. & S. in G.6/3q. W.
- 0630 50 horses grazing in G.6/U.21. & 22.
- 0530-0900 30 men moved S. to B.6/Y.10.d. in small parties.
- 1615 40 cattle being driven N.E. in G.6/Y.2.

4. ARTILLERY. Enemy.

Time.	No. Rds.	Pl.	Nature.	Area shelled.	Fired from.
1750	6	77	-	MUSALLABEH	Sound 325° from B.6/Y.11.b.
2130	-	77	-	"	365° F. from B.6/Y.10.c.7.
2240	10	77	6 H.E. 4.S.	"	325° F. from G.6/Y.35.a.7.9.

GUNS.

Time.	Batty.	No. Rds.	Area or target shelled.
-	29th	Registered.	Musallabeh barrage
0055	G/267	5	Led horses on track G.6/Y.6.
1700	Inverness	Registered	Enemy O.P. on G.6/C.33. & watering area G.6/C.26.
1730	29th	10	Men & packs in G.6/Y.30.b.
1750	11th Mtn.	-	G.6/Y.30.
1745	Inverness 75	-	Enemy post in B.6/Y.3.
0615	"	-	Mounted party in B.6/Y.3.
0630	"	-	Mounted in enemy post G.6/C.35.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES. New wiring with 2 sentries posted in G.6/X.35.b. A new manned trench 1500-1600 yds reported N.E. of TMA POST. Digging and wiring parties reported working on defences W. of JORDAN during night.

6. P/7. Deserters.

Unit.	Taken at	Taken by.
1 Turk.	1/74/25th Div.	TMA POST
2 Turks.	3/24th Divn.	B.6/Y.14.b.0.7.
6 Turks.	56/24th Divn.	MUSALLABEH

M. Shanderson
Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,
AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

5th September 1918.
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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 6/9/18.

NIGHT SECTION.

1. OPERATIONS. Usual patrols report all clear.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. quiet.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENT.

0530 17 men and 24 packs moved North in small parties from TEL ER RAHIL.
0630 45 mules observed grazing in C.6/Y.5.
1735 70 men moved from KH. FUBAIL to trenches in C.6/T.11.c.
Usual enemy movement in watering area C.6/C.26.c.

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4. ARTILLERY. Enemy.

Time.	No. Rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area shelled.	Fired from.
0830	31	A.A.	-	OUR pl/ no.	325° from C.6/Y.35.a.7.9.
1215	14	77	H.L.	MUSALLAH.	292° from -do-
-	17	77	S.	-do-	-do-
1520	15	77	9.H.B., 6.S.	VEH. POST	325° from B.6/Y.10.a.4.7.
1630	27	77	H.L.	B.6/Y.6.c.	330° from B.6/Y.10.a.4.7.

5. ENEMY DEFENCES.

New trench observed about C.6/Y.21. facing S.E.
Double fence of barb wire 300 yards long in front of trenches. Wire crosses road at C.6/Y.21.c.2.3. 3rd row barb wire in C.6/C.32.d.4.2.

NIGHT SECTION.

1. OPERATIONS. Usual patrols report all clear.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. At dawn 6/9/18 enemy holding SHARH in B.7/T.1.c. strongly and shelling camp N. of HIL. 10th Cav. attempting to envelope enemy on both flanks. 2 Sqdns 38th C.I.H. determining flanks. C.I.H. (less 2 Sqdns) with 2 Hqs. to attack from South 7th L.H. Regt plus 2 Hqs from the North.

Later. Enemy showing signs of retiring, 38th C.I.H. on both sides of WADI RAHIL endeavouring to gain contact.

0900 Enemy withdrew. 7th L.H. Regt returned to camp. 2 German prisoners taken. details later.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENT. None throughout area.

0730 About 40 horses moved S. from BOOQAN HOUSE.

4. ARTILLERY. Enemy.

Time.	No. Rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area shelled.	Fired from.
-	36	77	-	Registered between B.7/P.15.a.29.	
1800	4	4.3	H.L.	B.7/O.28.b., O.16.b.	

5. ENEMY DEFENCES. NIL.

6. P/W.

2 Germans. No details yet known.
3 Turks. 1/25/18th Divn. B.6/P.27.b.0.5. 5th L.H. Regt.

7. LIGHTS & SIGNALS.

Time seen.	Where seen	No. and Colour.
1920	350° from O.7.a.10.8.	2 White.
1930	Direction DEAD HILL.	(2 Red 2 White.
2000	350° from O.7.a.10.8.	1 Red.
2225	3.5. approx.	3 white.

No subsequent action resulted. At 1910 a fire was observed on top of far hills 25° from O.7.a.10.8. for 45 minutes. Ten minutes later what appeared to be an answering signal was observed from direction of DEAD SEA (a white light for about 3 minutes and then twice again at about 1 minute interval) about 190° - 200° from O.7.a.10.8.

M. Stewart
Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff,

6th September 1918.
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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence summary for 24 hours ending 0700 7/8/18.

LEFT SECTOR.

1. OPERATIONS.

1930

1 Off. 3 c.rs., special patrol to W.25.c.3.3. then to W.22.a.8.5. furthest point reached. To find out (a) whether GRANT HILL was occupied by the enemy at night. (b) whether enemy has a bivouac area to the North of GRANT HILL W.22.a.

Information.

Enemy defences is 1 small sanger at W.22.d.3.3. occupied by enemy and sanger at W.22.a.8.4. New work - Nil. There is no wire round posts.

Enemy movement.

Party of 12 men carrying what appeared to be either 2 furtis or large boxes passed within 100 yards of our patrol from sanger W.22.d.3.3. They came down the ridge and proceeded across the flat in a N.E. direction.

Special Topographical Features.

GRANT HILL is a low-lying ridge running in a N.W. direction from W.29.s.1.1. - about W.22.a.5.5. The country to the E. of it is a flat plain covered with low scrub 3 ft to 6 ft high. West of this plain during rain would be marshy. There is a small shallow WADI running roughly N.E. behind GRANT HILL at W.22.a.5.7. The E. end of GRANT HILL at W.22.a. is rocky and will afford shelter for a small party.

General.

The enemy appear to hold GRANT RIDGE from W.22.d.3.5. to extreme E. end of ridge at W.22.a.8.4. There is a small bivouac area in the rocks just under the crest at W.22.a.7.4. There are swarms of mosquitoes in this area.

Patrol returned from W.22.a.8.5. via W.23.d.3.7. to W.36.c.8.5.

0420 Special patrol 1 N.C.O. & 4 c.rs., to report on nature of ground in X.13. Patrol proceeded from X.31.a. to W.24.c. thence to X.13.

Information.

Marsh in X.25. & 26 very swampy and impassable for any traffic. From X.31.a. to W.24. and X.13 bushy but splendid country for mounted troops. X.13 is bushy but not swampy, and passable for mounted troops. Patrol returned by same route.

1845 1 Off. & 6 c.rs., left STAR POST and proceeded via Z.6.a.1.8. to about F.2. control. Noises of wiring and digging were heard in F.1.a. & of wiring in W.36.c.

1845 1 N.C.O. & 6 c.rs., left THIN POST and proceeded N.W. At X.23.c. this patrol came in contact with enemy working party on the plateau and opened fire. Very lights were sent up by the enemy. 3 posts were observed N.W. E. and N.E.

2. TRUHY ACTIVITY. N.E. opened fire from TEL ER RISHI on patrol withdrawing
1720 from TEL EL TRUHY.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENT. Usual movement during the day of small parties from U.13. to WADIS EL WAR, ABU MAHLUD also in W.10.d., F.10.c., F.11.c., C.26.c., F.3. and F.32.

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4. ARTILLERY.

Time.	No.	Rds.	Cal.	Arturo.	(a) Arce shelled.	Fired from.
0930	19	77	H.L.	H.L.	330°	from Y.10.c.4.7.
0940	15	77	S	MUSALLABEH.	320°	from Y.10.c.4.7.
0950	6	77	H.E.	Y.10.b.	3000	from Y.10.c.4.7.
0950	10	77	H.E.	Y.10.b.	-do-	
1000	5	77	H.E.	Y.32.c.	Not located.	

5. P/W and DESERTERS.

6. CASUALTIES. 1 Officer & 1 soldier wounded.
3 horses killed, 3 wounded from shell fire.

RIGHT SECTOR.

1. OPERATIONS. Dry outposts found enemy holding FORD T.1.c. and HARR FENDE EL RAIZ Shrine at 0500 in strength estimated at two Cav. Regts with 200 inf. in support and 4 guns with one Cav. Regt in vicinity TEL GHASSAL T.14.b. The 38th C.I.B. moved up of JORDAN and by 0800 all enemy clear of line N. & S. through 2.30 cent. while artillery were withdrawing H.E. Enemy artillery fired 86 rds on H.E.U. corps. Our casualties 1 B.Off. wounded, 7 G.ers., killed 1 wounded, 2 missing. Enemy casualties at least 30 of whom ten were killed with the lance.

2. P/W & Deserters.

Unit.	Taken at	Taken by.
1 Greek Officer.	Attack Bn., 8th Corps, vicinity T.1.c.	10th Cav. 300.
1 Greek Officer.	4th B.C.	
1 Greek Officer.	1st Bn.	
1 Greek Officer.	25th Regt.	O.28.
1 Greek Officer.	48th Divn.	18 hr stans.

No further intelligence from RIGHT SECTOR to hand.

3. GENERAL.

from 23/8/18 to 31/8/18. taken by ANZACS.

P/W.	Deserters.
5	18

M. Thompson

Mout. Colonel,
General Staff,

7th September 1918. AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTAIN DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 8/9/18.

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LEFT SECTOR.

1. OPERATIONS.

1900

Special patrol 1 Off. 4 O.Cs., left MUSALLABEH and moved via

W.52., 7.27 to 7.21.d. to verify position of trench and wire reported at

7.31.c.1.3.

Information. Trench runs between 7. RISHM and track approx W.20.d.9.4. to

W.20.d.10.4.

Wire is erected from 7. RISHM to within 30 yards of track
W.20.d.0.2. to 7.21.c.2.3. 6 men working on wire immediately S. of trench.
Enemy Activity. Strength of garrison estimated at 30 rifles. 24 shots were

fired from N. of trench. An enemy patrol fired 10 rds and threw 1 bomb at

our patrol from right rear and withdrew in the direction of GRANT HILL.

Topographical features. Ground offered good cover to within 700 yards of

enemy position.

Remarks. No enemy H.Gs. were observed in the trench.

0630

1 Off. 2 O.Cs., proceeded from 7.36.a.0.5. to 7.16.b.0.7. to ascertain

position of wire and defences at BACHALAT.

Information. Enemy defences - There is a small constructed sangar heavily

sand bagged at the S. end BACHALAT RIDGE. At the N.E. end of the ridge

there also appears to be a sangar. The top of the ridge is very rocky

and would afford good cover for riflemen. At about 7.10.c.5.3. there

appears to be a small sangar used either as a bombing post or a H.G.

emplacement. It is close to the wire and overlooking it. BACHALAT appears

to be a B.M. shaped ridge about 600-700 yards in length. All along the

Western slope there is a double row of wire and on the S. end of the ridge.

Topographical features. BACHALAT does not appear to be more than 900 yds

N. of GRANT HILL. There is a well defined depression between the northern

end of GRANT RIDGE and southern end of BACHALAT. The ground slopes down

from the plain in a pan like depression on the East side of BACHALAT to

the 7. ALY. The 7. ALY is shallow but appears to have steep sides. The

plain in squares 17, 18, 23, 24, 29, 30 is covered by low scrub 3' to 6'

in height affording good cover from view. At present the plain is dry and

suitable for all arms. Wheel traffic could make its way through the scrub.

Usual patrols report all clear.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. Quiet.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENT. Usual movement during the day of small parties in following areas :-
C.26.c., U.15., W.10.d., RED HILL, C.1 & C.2. Slight movement near
suspected S.P. in F.2.a.0.2. where a signal station was observed.

4. ARTILLERY.

Time.	Enemy No. Rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area Shelled.	Fired from.
0900	11	77	H.E. & S.	VALS & VEIN.	310° from Y.10.c.4.7.
0900	10	77	H.E.	MUSALLABEH	- do -

5. ENEMY DEFENCES. See para 1.

6. P/1.

Deserters.	Unit.	Taken at	Taken by.
1 Greek	5/2/143/24th Divn.	7.7.d.8.6.	38th R.F.
1 Turk.	7/2/143/24th Divn.	"	"
1 Turk.	evacuated to 2nd L.H.F. Amb.		5th L.H.Rgt.

RIGHT SECTOR.

Usual patrols reported all clear.

1. OPERATIONS.

2. EARLY MOVEMENT.

0535 Car patrol to P.15.c. heavily fired on by rifle and M.G. from P.1.c.
Enemy strength estimated 50 Infy. 1 horse killed 1 horse wounded.
0600 Patrol from JACOB HOUSE to P.26 fired on by M.G. & rifles from P.27.c.
Patrols to P.12.c., P.27.c., P.35.c., R.5.c., R.8.c.,
Report all clear.

3. EARLY MOVEMENT.

0500 18 lhd Men in P.1.c. moving South.
0635 2 platoons at intervals of 200 yards observed moving to E. in P.4.c.
1225-1320 Small parties of men moving N. to S. in P.4.c.
The usual small movement on terrain during the day.
0500 10 G.V. 20 Infy retiring N. from P.7.

4. EARLY OPERATIONS.

0715 Blasting operation (a) on slopes of DERBASI P.29 & 30.
1015 Blasting operations on N. slope of EL HAUD.

5. P./ and Deserters.

M. Stewart

Lieut. Colonel,
General Staff.

AUSTRALIAN & MALAYALAN MOUNTED DIVISION.

6th September 1918.

USUAL ADDRESS.

Usual patrols reported all clear.

Time	Location	Observations
0500	P.1.c.	18 lhd Men moving South.
0635	P.4.c.	2 platoons at intervals of 200 yards moving to E.
1225-1320	P.4.c.	Small parties of men moving N. to S.
0500	P.7.	10 G.V. 20 Infy retiring N.
0715	DERBASI P.29 & 30.	Blasting operation (a)
1015	EL HAUD.	Blasting operations on N. slope

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DEFENCE SCHEME, JORDAN VALLEY DEFENCES.

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1. AREAS & BOUNDARIES.

They remain the same as in Desert Mounted Corps Defence Scheme - Jordan Valley No. S.C. 700/16 and repeated in Defence Scheme of LEFT SECTOR dated June 12th., No. S.C. 269 Australian Mounted Division and in Defence Scheme of RIGHT SECTOR dated July 30th., No. G.S. 45/9.

2. GENERAL LINE OF DEFENCE.

The General line of Defence runs as follows :-

HENU EL HAIR on the DEAD SEA up the JORDAN with bridgeheads at HENU, MARIADAT HAJLA, GHORANIYEH & AUJAH thence up the East bank of the R. YADY MERLIANAH following the line of POSTS - SAFA, SAIT, SCRAP, SHULL, SARR, TRA, TAIL, TICE, TIEB, TART, TOOL. From TOOL the line runs straight across to HASKERAH and thence MUEJALLAHH VISE, VALE, VINE, VAUK, ZEISS, ZEHUM, and thence along the line WOOD, WINE, WIT and WAZ.

3. DIVISION INTO SECTORS.

This General line of Defence is divided into two Sectors the RIGHT and LEFT, the boundary between them runs as follows :-

From S.26.central, through S.25.central, to Z.30.central, and thence to the East bank of the R. YADY MERLIANAH, it then runs southwards down the East bank of the R. YADY to square J.5.d.7.0. and thence through J.10.-J.15-NH. ES SHIMAH -- H.30.central to JEREL KURUNTUL.

4. TROOPS AVAILABLE.

The Troops available in each of the Sectors are as follows :-

(a) IN RIGHT SECTOR.

2nd L.H. Brigade. H.Qrs.

5th L.H. Regiment.

6th L.H. Regiment.

7th L.H. Regiment.

20th Indian Inf. Bde

H.Qrs., & 2 Battns.

1 Bttn.

1 Bttn.

Ayrshire Bttny R.F.A.

Section 75 m.m.

corps Artillery.

195th Heavy Bttny (1 Sect).

102 A.A. Section.

96 "

K.3.c. (but will move to KASR HAJLA later).

J.12.d.0.8, AUJAH Bridgehead.

Q.3.a.central, GHORANIYEH Bridgehead.

Q.25.d. KASR YEHUD.

In GHORANIYEH Bridgehead.

In AUJAH Bridgehead.

In HENU and MARIADAT HAJLA Bridgehead.

L.6.a.7.5.

Q.7.c.3.0.

East of R. JORDAN.

L.6.b.4.0.

L.15.b.

K.26.a.

COMMAND. Brig-General G.de.L. HINE, CB., CMG., Commanding 2nd L.H. Brigade is in Command of the RIGHT SECTOR.

(b) IN LEFT SECTOR.

N.Z. M.R. Brigade H.Qrs.

Auckland Mtd Rifles.

Canterbury Mtd Rifles.

Wellington Mtd Rifles.

1st Bn. B.7.1. Regt.

2nd Bn. B.7.1. Regt.

36th Bn. Royal Fusiliers.

Inverness Bttny R.H.A.

A/263 Bttny R.F.A.

32nd Indian Mtn Bty R.G.A.

195 Heavy Bty (1 Sect)

Section 75 m.m. Bty.

Y.29.a.7.4.

Y.29.c.2.8.

J.5.b.8.2.

Y.27.d.6.4.

Y.23.a.4.9.

Y.21.d.0.5.

Z.18.c.7.7.

Z.26.a.8.4.

Y.17.c.3.5.

J.5.d.3.4.

Z.27.b.5.5.

Z.28.a.5.3.

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29th Indian Inf. Batty.	Z.16.a.
6.9	Y.28.d.5+5.
130 A.A. Section.	H.18.d.

Command. Brigadier-General W. HEDDERLEY, OBE., DSO., Commanding H.Q. M.R. Brigade Commands the LEFT SECTOR.

5. RESERVES.

- (a) The 1st L.H. Brigade will be in reserve.
- (b) This Brigade is located as follows:-

H. Grce.	H.17.c.2+4. (But will move to JIBEL KURUNTUL later). H.3.c.
1st L.H. Regiment.	H.25.d.5+9.
2nd L.H. Regiment.	H.33.c.4+2.
3rd L.H. Regiment.	H.44.b.2+7.

Each SECTOR will keep at least one Mounted Regiment in reserve.

6. REAR LINES.

These have been already named in this office G.26/54 of 9/7/18.

A certain amount of work is required to complete as far back as the MADINET SYSTEM. This will be taken in hand by O.C., SECTORS and completed without delay. The Corps lines are still un-dug and will not be taken in hand without orders from Corps.

7. SYSTEM OF DEFENCE.

- (a) All Posts are wired all round, and intended for all round defence.
- (b) A reserve of rations and water stored in fanatics or petrol tins as well as a suitable reserve of ammunition, Very Lights, flares, Hand and Rifle Grenades, will be kept in every post.
- (c) Every command down to company or Squadron must be organized in depth.
- (d) ACTION IN CASE OF ATTACK.

In the event of attack the General Line described in para. 2 will be held. Should the enemy succeed in penetrating between the Posts, or in capturing one of the Posts all the others will continue to hold on, and the enemy will be ejected by an immediate counter-attack by the reserves at hand, without waiting for Artillery support. Should this not be successful a further counter-attack will take place after due preparation with Artillery support. On no account will any post or any part of the line be withdrawn. The garrisons of all posts must understand that their role in case of enemy attack is to form a pivot for counter-attack. They must therefore resist to the last and all posts must be capable of all round defence.

If the enemy penetrates in strength into a gap between any of the groups or defences, or should he succeed in pushing round our left between the 7th and 10th and the line held by the 29th Corps, he will be ejected by counter-attack delivered by the Sector reserves. A scheme to meet the various possibilities should be drawn up by each Sector Commander always having in view the cutting off of any enemy who penetrate into the gaps.

(e) CONTROL OF "NO MAN'S LAND".

The ground between our defences and those of the enemy will be controlled by means of active patrolling by day and night. Detachments will invariably attack parties of the enemy who they meet. Infantry patrols should make reconnaissances over the ground as frequently as possible so as to gather all information of value for future operations. Continuous observation will be maintained and careful reconnaissance made to discover opportunities for minor enterprises.

8. ARTILLERY ARRANGEMENTS.

- (a) Artillery arrangements will be issued later in Appendix 'A'.

- (b) In each sector one 5.5 inch Battery will be earmarked as a Mobile Battery and prepared to move at short notice from Corps Headquarters. This is not to prevent the battery being in action in normal times, but, the Artillery defence of the sector will be arranged so as to be in some measure independent of the fire of this battery.

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(c) The S.O.S. signal is a RED, a GREEN, a RED light. It will not be sent up by anyone holding a command under that of a Squadron or Company. A supply of Very Lights is to be kept in each H.Qrs.
 (d) All guns North of the WADY EL AUJAH (exclusive) will be wired in.

9. ENGINEER ARRANGEMENTS.

Engineer arrangements will be issued later in Appendix 'B'.

10. MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Medical arrangements are given in Appendix 'C'.

11. INTER-COMMUNICATION.

(a) Arrangements for Inter-communication will be issued later in Appendix 'D'.

(b) By special arrangement O.C., AUJAH Bridgehead in case of threatened attack can call on O.C., GHORANIYEH Bridgehead by telephone. Similarly O.C., AUJAH Bridgehead will render all assistance to O.C., GHORANIYEH if called on.

12. ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS.

Administrative arrangements are given in Appendix 'E' and have been already issued.

13. ROADS & TRACKS.

All roads and tracks in the area will be clearly marked. G.O.C., Sectors are responsible that sign boards are in position.

14. PROHIBITED AREAS.

(a) The following are prohibited areas for natives on the Corps front.

(i) The broken ground on both banks of the JORDAN.
 (ii) All ground between -

- (x) The Right bank of the WADY EL ARRID and EL AUJAH.
- (x) Left bank of the WADY BAKR to its junction with WADY EL MELLAHAH thence a straight line to UMI ISH SHIRT.

(b) No natives except those are known to be Agents will be allowed in the above areas.

All others will, if found, be arrested, or if they attempt to escape be shot.

(c) P.I.O. has been asked to ensure that natives are informed of this.

(d) No arrests of natives will be made except in cases of active hostility in ground outside the above areas.

15. ACKNOWLEDGE.

J. G. Gibb Brown
 Lieut. Colonel,
 General Staff,

AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

9th September 1918.

DISTRIBUTION. -

- No. 1 Desert Mounted Corps.
- 2 XXth Corps.
- 3 RIGHT SECTOR, JORDAN VALLEY DEFENCES.
- 4 LEFT SECTOR " " "
- 5 C.R.G. JORDAN VALLEY DEFENCES.
- 6 Signal Sqdn.
- 7 Field Sqdn.
- 8 Divisional Train.
- 9 'A' Branch.
- 10 A.D.H.S.
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AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

MEDICAL ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS No.51

By

COLONEL. D.G.CROLL. A.D.M.S.

Issued with Defence Scheme Jordan Valley Defences.

JERICO 7.9.18.

A. RIGHT SECTOR.

Units available:-

- 2nd. L.H.F.Ambulance.
- 110th. Indian Field Ambulance.

Lt-Col. BEITH. 2nd. L.H.F.Amb. will command medical units of Right Sector.

Dressing Stations will be established at GHORANIYEH BRIDGE and at AIN HALLAH.

B. LEFT SECTOR.

Units available:-

- N.Z.M.F.Ambulance.
- 1/1st. Welsh Field Ambulance, 2 Sections.

Lt-Col. WALTON. N.Z.M.F.Amb. will command medical units in Left Sector.

Dressing Stations will be established at H 17 a. and J 5 a.

RESERVE.

1st. L.H.F.Amb. will be in reserve.

RECEIVING STATION; composed of Immobile Sections of 2nd. and N.Z. M.F.Ambulances and one section of 1/1st. Welsh Field Ambulance will be at W 34 c.

EVACUATIONS. will be by horse ambulances and by returning supply waggons to TEL EL SULTAN. By motor ambulance from TEL EL SULTAN and GHORANIYE BRIDGE. From GHORANIYEH BRIDGE horse ambulance and re-turning empty waggons will be used as much as possible for lighter cases.

In the event of a general action, motor ambulances will be used from H 17 a.

Acknowledge.

Headquarters,
7.9.18.

D.G. Croll COLONEL.
A.D.M.S.
AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

Copies to:-

1. 1st. L.H.F.Amb.
2. 2nd. L.H.F.Amb.
3. N.Z.M.F.Amb.
4. 1/1st. Welsh Field Amb.
5. 110th. Indian Field Amb.
6. Anzac Receiving Station.
7. "G" Branch.
8. D.D.M.S.
9. D.D.M.S.
10. War Diary.
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Appendix 'B'.

ENGINEER ARRANGEMENTS TO DEFENCE SCHEME
JORDAN VALLEY DEFENCES.

The Field Squadron will be disposed as follows :-

1. Detachments of one Officer and thirtyseven other ranks from 'A' Troop, 'B' Troop and 'N.Z' Troop will be at the disposal of the G.O.C., 1st L.H. Brigade, 2nd L.H. Brigade and N.Z.M.R. Brigade respectively.

Each detachment will have three G.S. Wagons as Transport
These detachments will be required for maintenance of watering arrangements, maintenance of signboards and perhaps some wiring.

2. The Field Squadron less the above detachments will in addition to carrying out similar duties for Divisional Units, proceed with the improvements of Communication and the construction of the Battle Headquarters.

During an attack a small reserve will be available here.

3. The 35th Army Troops Coy. R.E., will be responsible for the maintenance of the JORDAN BRIDGES.

(Sgd) R. Mac Allen Major,
Commanding,
1st Field Squadron.

14th Sept. 1918.

Distribution as per our G.26/91 dated 9/9/18.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 9/9/18.

LEFT SECTION.

1. OPERATIONS. (a) 1 Off. 6 cars reconnoitred B.6/Y.35.a & b. Patrol moved from B.6/Z.5.a.6.7. to N.35.x.a. & b. Answering party was heard driving stakes about C.6/X.68.a.5.5. ground travelled was flat and probably for all arms. (b) 1 off. 16 cars reconnoitred B.6/Z.6.b & c. Patrol left B.6/Z.5.1.1.7. and moved through B.6/Y.6.a.2.1. to B.6/Z.6.b & d. Driving parties were heard driving stakes about B.6/P.1.a. and B.6/X.36.c. The ground is very flat with small patches of scrub.

2010. (a) 1 Off. 6 cars special patrol to reconnoitre and locate enemy ground in C.6/X.25, 26 and 19. Patrol left FURLE POST and proceeded to C.6/X.25.d.5.10 thence to N.26.a.5.5. Information. No movement was observed and no trace of recent movement was seen on ground patrolled. The banks of the marsh were precipitous varying from 60/100 feet in height. The surface of the ground is soft and damp with a salt crust, the whole being covered with dense scrub. The marsh is impassable to all arms. No tracks were observed leading into or out of the marsh.

1845 (d) 2 Offs. 6 cars special patrol to reconnoitre country N. of MURALLAHEN and N. of GRANT HILL. Patrol went along track to where it meets R.1. at C.6/Y.3.a.1.9. thence N.7. still meeting track in C.6/Y.27.a.10.8. thence due W. to R.1. C.6/Y.21.d.9.9. then moved E. for 5 minutes then due S. to R.1. C.6/Y.34.a.

Stone scatters in C.6/Y.22.a.8.a. No movement seen here. Slight movement observed in small camp about C.6/Y.22.a.3.10. The crossing of the R.1. running N. part of Sec C.6/Y.54.a.8b presents great difficulty. The only track seen would allow only led horses in single file. R.1s in 21., 27 & 28 are shallow and easily crossed. Country between R.1s is flat, chalky and covered with short scrub about 6ft high with very little stone. Track running W.22.c & 28.a. is unmetalled but well defined. No water found. Remarks. Five enemy dead observed in proximity of track C.6/Y.22.c.1.4. evidently killed by our Artillery. Lights of a camp were seen on N. side of R.1. C.6/Y.25.b.

(b) Usual patrol to BEL EL ENUY report all clear during the day.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITIES. 1715 L.C. fire on our patrol withdrawing from BEL EL ENUY from F.L. IR RISHIM and P.17.b.3.1. Enemy snipers were more active than usual in Nos. 1 & 2 subsectors.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENTS. Usual movement during the day of small parties. Usual movement observed during the day near C.P. B.6/S.2.a. 120 horses were observed during the day in B.7/P.11.a. and 30 in C.56.d. At daybreak 20 horses proceeded East from B.6/S.8.

4. ARTILLERY. Enemy.

Time.	No.	R's.	Cal.	Nature.	Area shelled.	Fired from.
0755	17		77	H.E.	MURALLAHEN	370° from C.6/Y.25.a.7.9.
0900	5		77	"	"	"
1750	5		77	"	"	530° from B.6/Y.10.c.4.7.

During the morning 77 lbs shelled MISS. B.6/Y.22.b., 27.b & d., ZERUK and B.6/Y.22.c.

OURS. Reports not yet to hand.

5. ENEMY DEMANDS. See para 1. Operation.

6. P/W and DESERTERS. NIL.

7. CASUALTIES. 1 O.R wounded.

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NIGHT REPORT.

1. OPERATIONS. Usual patrols report all clear.
2. ENEMY ACTIVITY.
 0500 40 Infy and 30 Cav. holding line of bushes approx B.7/O.5.0. O.5.0.0. b
 P.7.a. opened fire on our patrol at 400 yards and then retired to foothills.
 0500 (9/9/18) 10 enemy opened fire from B.7/P.12. on patrol.
3. ENEMY MOVEMENT. Morning patrol found fresh tracks and gun position at B.7/P.15.a. G.9. also fresh signs of Turkish Cav. regt having crossed the R. EL JORNA from B.7/P.15.c.0.5. - P.15.b.cant.
- 11-1200 returning parties each 40 strong, moved along track behind DECCAN HOUSE.
 1040 30 strong moved N. from B.7/P.23a.
 1505 15 men moved S. to R. in B.7/P.3.0.0.
 0525 40 horsemen going N. to W. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H. H.
 0600 100 horsemen going N. to R. as B.7/D.1. approach. fired on by our 60-pdrs.
4. ENEMY AIR. Enemy. One 200 ft alt. 10.00 am. 10.00 am. 10.00 am. 10.00 am.
 0915 200 ft alt. 10.00 am. 10.00 am. 10.00 am. 10.00 am.
 OURS. 1000 ft alt. 10.00 am. 10.00 am. 10.00 am. 10.00 am.
5. TOPOGRAPHICAL. At the bifurcation of roads in B.7/P.23.d.0.0.0. - The Southern track is well defined, but the northern one is only a road path.
 6. P/W. 2 deserters. B.7/P.19.0.0.0. taken by 29th Lancers.

M. Sheppard
 For

Lieut. Colonel,
 General Staff,

9th September 1918.

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AUSIER LEAF & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 10/9/18.

1. OPERATIONS. (a) Special patrol left 3.6/7.11.d.3.6. and proceeded via 2.11.b., 6.d., and 6.b. to reconnoitre Sq. 9.1. & c. Enemy trench was observed about 3.6/2.6.b.10.3. No wire was observed. Ground traversed was flat with very little cover.

(b) 1 Offr. 11 o.rs., with 1 Lewis gun moved out with the object of preventing enemy working on wire already reported in 3.6/2.55.d.5.0. Patrol left 3.6/2.5.2.6.V. and moved through 7.3.b. to 3.6/2.35.d. Wire was seen at 7.35.a.5.8. but no movement was seen or heard.

(c) 2 Offrs. 6 o.rs., special patrol moved out via 7.3.b. & 2.5.6. - 27.d.4.3 & 2., 21.c., and 20.b.7.10.

Information :- Enemy defences - wire runs along foothills from 3.6/7.30.d.9.4. to 7.11.11.1 about 20.d.5.5. Talking and singing could be heard from behind wire in 7.30.d. No enemy seen.

Topographical :- The whole traversed ground is suitable for mounted troops in sections with the exception of about 100 yards of very rough WDI bog in 3.6/2.27.c.9.3. - 27.d.1.1. The enemy have a good field of fire in front of wire in 7.30.d., position being almost flat for about 700 yards. The only cover is in 7.11.11.1 and small WDI in 7.21.c & d.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. Snipers active in Nos. 1 & 5 subsectors.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENTS. More movement than usual at 3.6/U.15 to WDI EL VAR, HAKUD, ALY (W.10.d). 100 horses grazing at 3.7/2.11.a. Usual movement elsewhere.

4. ENEMY DEFENCES. Wire strengthened at works 3.6/2.8, 9 & 17.

5. P/W. and DESERTERS. NIL.

NIGHT SECTOR.

1. OPERATIONS. Usual patrols report all clear.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. Quiet.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENTS. Small parties of horsemen seen moving W. in foothills in W.11.11.1. Considerable movement of UNK UNK UNK crossing on both sides of the JORDAN. A donkey came into the FORD from the East at about 3.6/6.32.east.

4. ENEMY DEFENCES. Day patrol East of JORDAN reports that there appears to be a continuous fence of barbed wire, commencing in 2.2 thence through 2.5, 4 and 5.east., thence South to 2.11.b.

P/W.	Deserters.	Unit.	Taken at	Taken by.
1 Turk		M.G. Sqdn/11th Cav. Regt.	-	2nd Lt. [unclear]

M. S. [Signature]
 Lt. Col.
 General Staff.
 AUSIER LEAF & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

10th September 1918.

USU L. DESERTERS.

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G.O.C., RIGHT SECTOR.
10th Cav. Bde.
11th Cav. Bde.
C.O.A. JORDAN VALLEY DEFENCES.

MOVES.

1. 11th and 10th Cavalry Brigades and 4th Field Squadron (less Headquarters and 1 Troop) will move from RIGHT SECTOR on the night September 11/12th in accordance with the attached March Table.

ROUTE.

2. Mounted men will march by the OLD (Roman) Road, all wheels by the NEW (Southern) Road.

HOOR.

3. No troops will leave their present bivouacs before 1930.

STARTING POINT AND ORDER OF MARCH.

4. (a) The starting point will be the Supply Depot, JERICHO.

- (b) Heads of Brigades will pass the starting point as follows :-
- | | |
|--|------|
| 11th Cav. Bde. | 2145 |
| 10th Cav. Bde. | 2225 |
| 4th Field Sqn. (less H.Qrs and 1 troop). | 2305 |

(c) The 4th Field Squadron (less H.Qrs., and 1 troop) will march in rear of 10th Cavalry Brigade and will be under orders of the B.C.C., 10th Cavalry Brigade.
B.C.C., 11th Cavalry Brigade will arrange that the Field Troop with his brigade joins the 10th Cavalry Brigade at the starting point.

(d) From the starting point onwards Brig-General G.L. GREGORY, CB., Commanding 11th Cavalry Brigade will be in command of the column consisting of 10th and 11th Cavalry Brigades and 4th Field Squadron (less H.Qrs., and 1 troop).

MARCH ARRANGEMENTS.

5. Detailed orders for the march by the D.A. & Q.M.G. DESERT MOUNTED CORPS are attached for 10th and 11th Cavalry Brigades.

6. ACKNOWLEDGED

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION.

10th September 1918.

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Signal Squadron.
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MARCH TABLE ISSUED WITH G/59/87 OF 10th SEPTEMBER 1918.

FORMATION.	Night Sept. 11/12th	Night Sept 12/15th	Night Sept 13/14th	Night Sept 14/15th	Night Sept 15/16th	Night Sept 16/17th	Night Sept 17/18th	Night Sept 18/19th	Remarks.
11th Cavalry Bde (less Dorset Yoo). 10th Cavalry Bde. (less Middlesex Yoo). 4th Field Sqn. (less H.Qrs., & 1 Troop)	Night Sector to TALAT ED DUM.	TALAT ED DUM to ERAB.	ERAB to JUNCTION.	JUNCTION	JUNCTION to RAHLEH	RAHLEH.	RAHLEH to SELMEH - SADEH.	SELMEH - SARONA to 004.p.7.	Ref. JAFFA RD MAP. Along road by LUD D-JAFFA Railway via SAHRIYEH to YAZUR Station - thence due North along track to SELMEH and into No.1 bivouac area on night 17/18th September.

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1st L.H. Bde.	Field Squadron.
2nd L.H. Bde.	Signal Sqn.
H.Q. M.R. Bde.	G.R.A. JORDAN VALLEY DEFENCES.

SUBJECT:- MOVES.

Reference this office G/26/85 of 29th/8/18 and G/26/85 of 3rd/9/18.

1. The following moves will take place on night 11th/12th September :-
 - (a) H.Q., 1st L.H. Brigade from H.17.c.2. to present H.Q., 2nd L.H. Brigade at JERIL KURUWUL K.8.b.6.8.
 - (b) H.Q., 2nd L.H. Brigade, 2nd A.M.C. Squadron and 5th L.H. Regiment from K.8.6.8., L.1.8., and AUJAH respectively to the neighbourhood of AIN HAJLA.
H.Q., 2nd L.H. Brigade will occupy present H.Q., 10th Cavalry Brigade at IS.3R HAJLA.
2. From 0400 on 11th September 1918, H.Q. M.R. Brigade will be responsible for the reconnaissance which is at present being carried out by 5th L.H. Regiment, East of the JORDAN. The present arrangements arranged between G.C., AUJAH Defences and Regiment providing reconnoitring detachments will hold good.
3. All moves will begin after 1930 and will be completed before daylight.
4. Completion of all moves will be wired 'PRIORITY' to this office.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND MOUNTED DIVISION
Intelligence Summary for 24 hours ending 0700 11/9/18.

No. 19.

WEST SECTOR.

1. OPERATIONS. (a) 1 Offr. 2 Cars., special patrol to reconnoitre Squares X.19.a., b., c., & d. and to reconnoitre and locate enemy redoubt in X.19.c. & d. and X.20.a & b., and report if same is held by night.

Patrol left KURELE POST at 2045 and moved W. 500 yards then North 500 yards to X.25.a, thence to X.19.b., X.20.b., X.14.c., X.14.d.

Enemy defences: Post consisting of dugouts at X.20.b. unoccupied. Dugouts at X.14.c. unoccupied. Trench in X.14.d. running E. & W. unoccupied. No wire was encountered.

Enemy movement: Working party heard in approx X.15. central. Traces of recent mounted patrol in X.19.c.

Topographical: X.25.a. Marshy ground at least 400 yards wide covered with scrub 6' to 8' high and matted with dead brushwood. At present dry and passable for Cavalry and Infantry. When wet impassable.

X.19.a., b., c. Solid ground covered with small stones. Passable all arms.

X.19.d. Marsh with steep bank to North and very heavily timbered, bottom soft and muddy and impassable.

X.14.c., d., & X.20.a., b. Ground solid and passable for all arms.

Much noise is caused passing through brushwood. Passage of marshy ground running from X.20.b. through X.19.d. must be made by X.19.c. Mosquitoes are bad in this sector.

(b) 1 Offr. 6 cars., special patrol to reconnoitre North end of GRANT HILL. Patrol went through W.34.b., W.28.c., W.22.c.

Information: Line of Sangars at North end of GRANT HILL.

(c) 1 Offr. 6 cars., special patrol to reconnoitre route to W.22.c & c.

Patrol proceeded from W.34.d. through W.34.c., W.28.a & c., W.21.d., W.22.c.

Information: Several small wadis difficult for mounted troops but passable for Infantry. At bottom of Wadi in W.22.c. & d. patrol came in contact with bombs which were linked together by wire. No enemy were observed and no wire or defences seen.

(d) Patrol of 6 cars., reconnoitred Square Z.6.b & d. Moved through Z.6.a., Z.6.b. to Z.12.b. New wire was observed about P.1.c. No enemy seen. Ground very flat in front of wire.

(e) 1 Offr. 6 cars., to reconnoitre X.35. Patrol left X.5.c. & proceeded through X.5.b. up branch of WADI MELLANAH to X.35.d. There patrol drew rifle fire and bombs from redoubt about X.35. Returned by same route.

(f) Day patrol of 1 Offr. 52 cars., from 5th L.H. Post moved from SUJAH Bridgehead to P.10.c., 17.c., & 29.d.

Information: There appears to be a continuous barbed wire running from P.2.a. through P.3., 4., 5 & 11.b. Eastward. Redoubts also wired seen in P.3.cont., P.4.c., & P.4.d. No unusual enemy movement seen.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. None.
3. ENEMY MOVEMENT. 100 Pack horses loaded moved W. from main (P.6) to UMM BEN SEIF. Small party observed repairing wire in P.11. More movement than usual of small parties observed about MUKHETRAH and RISHM.
4. ENEMY DEFENCES. New wire in X.29.b.
5. P/W & DESERTERS. NIL.
6. CASUALTIES. NIL.

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RIGHT SECTOR.

1. OPERATIONS.

(a) Usual patrols saw no unusual enemy activity.
(b) 1 Offr. 3200.rs., special patrol to clear enemy from country extending from JORDAN EAST to P.17.23., 29 & O.5 inclusive. North to P.14.b. and south to O.2.3.4. & 5 inclusive. Patrol crossed ANJAM Bridge and moved to O.5.cent. thence to P.23 & P.14.b. 1 H.C.O & 4 O.rs., proceeded to P.16.b., and thence to P.23. & O.5.d. Patrol reached P.29.b. about 1700.

2. ENEMY ACTIVITY. Patrol was fired on by enemy troop at P.7. No new work or wiring were observed.

3. ENEMY MOVEMENT. 1030 Enemy troop moved towards LONDON HOUSE from P.9.d.

4. ENEMY DEFENCES. New rifle pits in T.2.a. H.C. position in S.6.c.

5. CASUALTIES. NIL.

6. P/W & DESERTERS. NIL.

ARTILLERY - JORDAN VALLEY. For period of 24 hours ending 0700 10/9/18.

Time.	No. rds.	Cal.	Nature.	Area shelled.	Fired from.
0800	-	A.A.	-	-	P.6.
0630	4	77	H.E.	P.28.d.	-

A few rounds 77mm fell on MUSALIABH during the day.

Time.	No. rds.	Batty.	Area or target shelled.
0830	7	60-pdrs.	G.29.c. working party.
1530	3	"	"
1600	6	75	P.22.b. - 1st BATT
1600	Registration	"	road in P.16.
1600	1 H.C.	"	transport on road T.20.b.
1715	3	15-pdrs.	Horses in road G.21.c.
1715	Registration	5.9.	"
0600-0700	60-pdrs.	"	foothills approx 90° from G.7.c.

Note :- Reference I.S. No.18 RIGHT SECTOR para. 3. After "enemy" insert "train".

Gen. W. D. M. ...

11th September 1918. AUSTRALIAN & NEW ZEALAND BOMBARDING DIVISION.

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