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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
<u>NOVEMBER 1918.</u>				
	1st	0720	Australian Mounted Division reported Divisional Headquarters opened 2 miles North of HOMS. Whole Division less 10th A.L.H. Regiment will be concentrated at HOMS at 0900.	
		0730	Chaytor 's Force reported moving from AMMAN at 0815 for ESXSALT.	
		1010	26th Machine Gun Squadron at Descamp, JERUSALEM asked for authority to draw two machine guns with accessories for training purposes as they have no guns in possession. A reply was sent (GA.763) stating that they could draw them if Ordnance would issue.	
		1230	O.A.M.182 from G.H.Q. asking for present disposition of 5th Cavalry Division. This was given later in situation report (GA.769 at 2230).	
		1415	G.A.760 to situation addresses advising that Adv Corps Headquarters arrived HOMS at 1330 and located in Government offices at South West entrance to town.	
		1730	G.A.764 to C.G.S.,G.H.Q. asking if it is permissible to move Australian Mounted Division to HAMA.	APPX. 1
		1730	G.H.Q. G.A.765 to C.G.S.,G.H.Q. asking if, on Chaytor's Force ceasing to exist, A.& N.Z.Mounted Division will come under orders of Desert Mounted Corps.	
		1735	G.A. 767 to C.G.S.,G.H.Q., asking if normal aeroplane reconnaissances may continue.	APPX. 2
		1820	5th Cavalry Division reported 13th Cavalry Brigade heard heavy explosion and saw much smoke in direction of KATMA at 1130.	
		1830	G.A.769 to G.H.Q., in reply to their O.A.M.170 giving particulars of 15th Cavalry Brigade action on 28th inst.	APPX. 3
		1925	G.A.768 to 4th Cavalry Division and 5th Cavalry Division advising that Australian Mounted Division is concentrated at HOMS and is to remain until further orders.	

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	2nd	0940	G.A.773 to Military Governor HOMS forwarding message from Lieut Col Cornwallis for transmission to Military Governor LADIKIYA.	APPX. 4
		1015	O.A.M.191 from G.H.Q., asking present location of 20th Corps Cavalry Regiment, and if the regiment is concentrated.	APPX. 5
		1030	4th Cavalry Division reported Hyderabad Lancers not yet arrived at BAALBEK. Their advanced party just reported SHTORA.	
		1045	G.A.776 to Brigadier General i/c Training reference B.G.G.S. lecturing at Senior Officers School.	APPX. 6
		1045	G.A.777 to Adv 142 Squadron R.A.F. DAMASCUS reference dispatches despatches forwarded by aerial service from ALEPPO.	APPX. 7
		1045	Message from 5th Cavalry Division reference Australian Mounted Division and Hyderabad Lancers continuing march to ALEPPO.	APPX. 8
		1200	C.R.E., reported from ALEPPO advising that railway repairs are going well, and stating his opinion that a special railway officer should be sent to ALEPPO. Arab government ask no help at present. Major Alexander R.E., is now in charge of R.E. work there. Col Pearson C.R.E. leaving there today with road workers, and will arrive HOMS on the 4th inst.	
		1240	O.A.M.196 from G.H.Q., advising that Rear Admiral, Egypt, has been instructed to sweep ALEXANDRETTA Harbour for mines and that Detachment of French Troops of XXIst Corps will be landed there.	APPX. 9
			G.A.774 to Hyderabad Lancers requesting them to forward a report on the road from JISR BENAT YAKUB to HOSH SHTORA, mentioning any incidents connected with the villages reported as having been raided.	

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	2nd.	1240	G.A.775 requesting 4th Cavalry Division to instruct Hyderabad Lancers to remain at BAALBEK until further orders and that they should be administered by 4th Cavalry Division for the present.	
		1245	Adv 142 Squadron R.A.F. replied to our G.A.777 that two packages received by air from HAIFA on 1st inst addressed DESCORPS were handed over to Despatch Rider, DAMASCUS same day.	
		1305	O.A.M.198 from G.H.Q., giving full terms of Armistice with Turkey.	APPX. 10
		1410	G.A.778 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their cipher message timed 1045 advising them that the question of Australian Mounted Division and Hyderabad Lancers continuing their march to ALEPPO had already been referred to and refused by G.H.Q.	
		1430	G.I.181 from 5th Cavalry Division giving report from Doctor of Military Hospital JERABLOUSK.	APPX. 11
		1800	G.A.781 ordering report to be wired giving casualties and evacuations of Staff Officers in Divisions, and names of officers officiating; also to forward Form "B" to date for all Staff Trainees.	
		1810	D.A. & Q.M.G., A. & N.Z. Mounted Division asked for authority to be given for Richon Cavalry School buildings to be used as Anzac Divisional Headquarters.	
		1900	P.of W., for previous 24 hours:- Turkish O.R. 5 surrendered to 4th Cavalry Division. Turkish O.R. 40 Chaytor's Force.	
		1910	Hyderabad Lancers reported arrival at HOSH SHTORA at 1730 today. Halting there tomorrow and moving to BAALBEK 4th inst. G.A.784 reference passes authorising civilians to travel on lorries.	APPX. 12

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	3rd	0700	Chaytors Force reported:- Chaytors Force Headquarters and 1st A.L.H. Brigade less two Squadrons moving to TALAT ED DUMM at 0800.	
		0810	G.A.788 to D.A.Q.M.G., Anzacs stating there is no objection to A. & N.Z. Mounted Division occupying Richon School buildings until required again for school purposes.	
		0815	G.A.789 ordering Hyderabad Lancers to continue their march to HOMS via LEBWE, EL KAA, KHAN KUSSEIR.	APPX. 13
		0915	G.A.790 to 5th Cavalry Division giving information conveyed in G.H.Q. wire No. O.A.M. 196 that Rear Admiral, Egypt has been instructed to sweep ALEXANDRETTA Harbour for mines. Detachment French troops of XXIst Corps will be landed there.	
		0940	G.A.791 to Australian Mounted Division, 4th and 5th Cavalry Divisions and Heads of Departments giving Chief points of Armistice with Turkey.	APPX. 14
		1020	G.A.792 to Armwing HAIFA asking them to reconnoitre by low flying aeroplane, the railway from HAMA to ALEPPO.	APPX. 15
		1025	G.A.793 to 5th Cavalry Division asking how many railway engines at ALEPPO have been made serviceable by now and are now fit to run.	
		1045	O.C., Descorps Cavalry School Details, RICHON asked if authority is given for A. & N.Z. Mounted Division to take over School, and if authority is granted, what are instructions for disposal of School personnel.	
		1125	O.A.M. 207 from G.H.Q., advising that Chaytors Force ceases to exist from 1200 today.	
		1130	4th Cavalry Division reported receipt of message from Hyderabad Lancers advising that they arrive BAALBEK tomorrow.	

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	3rd	1155	G.A.794 to 4th Cavalry Division asking of EMIR FEISAL has arrived BAALBEK yet, and if he is travelling by car or by horse; and asking them to ascertain his movements, as he left DAMASCUS this morning for ALEPPO.	
		1240	O.A.M.208 from G.H.Q., stating that terms of Armistice need not be treated as secret and should be communicated to troops.	APPX. 16
		1455	O.A.M.210 from G.H.Q., ordering Australian Mounted Division less detachments to move to TRIPOLI.	APPX. 17
		1 500	A. & N.Z.Mounted Division reported arrival in bivouac at TALAT ED DUMM at 1430.	
		1755	4th Cavalry Division in reply to our G.A.794, giving movements of EMIR FEISAL.	APPX. 18
		1800	G.R.E., at HAMA, reported that officer, (Lt.Steed) sent on railway reconnaissance ALEPPO to HAMA, arrived HAMA yesterday, and returned ALEPPO this morning. Report not yet received.	
		1815	G.A.795 to Descorps School, Richon and Lieut Col Williams giving particulars of wires from and to DAQMG., ANZACS reference occupation of School buildings by A. & N.Z.Mtd Divisional H.Q.	APPX. 19
		1900	P.of W. for previous 24 hours:- 1 Turk O.R. arrested by Gendarmerie, Damascus. 9 Turk O.R. evacuated to Hospital by 5th Cavalry Divn.	
		2045	G.A.798 orders for move of Australian Mounted Division to TRIPOLI.	APPX. 20
			G.A.799 to G.H.Q.(O) advising that, in accordance with their O.A.M.210 Australian Mounted Division would move on 5th inst., arriving TRIPOLI on 8th inst.	
		2100	Rear Descorps advised that Maj Gen H.W.Hodgson, G.O.C., Australian Mtd Divn was evacuated sick today., Brig-Gen Grant, G.O.C., 4th ALH., Brigade assumed Command of the Division.	

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	4th	1755	G.T.232. 4th Cavalry Division reported that owing to supplies for Hyderabad Lancers not being available at LEBWE until 7th it will be necessary for the Regt to halt at BAALBEK tomorrow 5th.	
		1900	P.of W. for previous 24 hours:-	
			<u>Officers.</u>	<u>O.Rs.</u>
			German... .. -	1 Taken by 5th Cavalry Division.
			Turk. 11) From Hospital.
			German... .. -	
			Turk..... 6	92 From Sherifian Force.
		2115	O.A.M.220 from G.HQ., reference capture by 5th Cavalry Division of railway material at ALEPPO.	APPX. 27
		2150.	G.A.812 to 4th Cavalry Division reference supplies for Hyderabad Lancers.	APPX. 28
		2200	G.A.813 to Army Wing R.A.F. HAIFA expressing thanks for the excellent report on HAMA-ALEPPO railway made by one of their aeroplanes from HAMA on a low flying reconnaissance.	
		2230	G.A.814 to 5th Cavalry Division asking for duplicate copy of Narrative of Advance on ALEPPO to be forwarded together with a list of stores captured. These having apparently been miscarried.	APPX. 29
		2230	G.A.815 to G.H.Q.(O) in reply to their O.A.M.220 reference railway stock captured at ALEPPO.	APPX. 30

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	<u>NOVEMBER 1918.</u>			
	5th	0400	G.T./232/1 from 5th Cavalry Division in reply to our G.A.812 reference delay in march of Hyderabad Lancers owing to ration question.	APPX. 31
		0720	A. & N.Z. Mounted Division reported Divisional Headquarters and 1st A.L.H. Brigade (less 2nd A.L.H. Regiment) moving to JERUSALEM at 0800.	
		0750	G.I.196 from 5th Cavalry Division reference Turkish Officer and escort entering ^{entering} 13th Cavalry Brigade lines with note regarding disposal of Allied P.of W.	APPX. 32
		0920	4th Cavalry Division reported that Sherif Feisal arrives MOALLAKA 1600 today 5th; stays night 6/7th BAALBEK, and proceeds HOMS on 7th.	
		1000	G.A.820 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.A.14 reference demobilisation of Turkish Force.	APPX. 33
		"	G.A.821 to CGS., GHQ reference greatcoats for 5th Cavalry Division.	APPX. 34
		1035	G.A.822 to 5th Cavalry Division informing them of report from 21st Corps that following detachment of D.F.P.S. will be sailing from BEIRUT to ALEXANDRETTA on a date to be notified later:- One Battalion, M.C. Section. Troop of Cavalry and few Engineers and Medical personnel. Probable date of arrival at ALEXANDRETTA 7th inst., but this will be confirmed later.	
		1045	G.A.823 to 5th Cavalry Division reference their G.I.196 regarding Allied P.of W.	APPX. 35
		1050	G.A.894 from Australian Mounted Division reference detachment to be left at ER RASTAN Bridge.	APPX. 36
		1115	Liaison Officer DAMASCUS advised that Sherif FEISAL leaves there today for ALEPPO, in two borrowed cars, and asking if possible that these two cars be relieved en route and returned to DAMASCUS.	
		1145	G.A.830 to C.G.S., G.H.Q. asking if reconnaissance may be sent forward on ALEPPO-ALEXANDRETTA road.	APPX. 37
		1200	G.A.829 to G.H.Q., giving particulars of aeroplane reconnaissance of railway HAMA to ALEPPO.	APPX. 38

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	5th	1220	ANZACS reported arrival in bivouac $\frac{1}{2}$ mile south of Railway Station, Jerusalem at 1200.													
		1500	G.A. 338 from 5th Cavalry Division reference Communications from Turkish Commander.	APPX. 39												
		1505	G.A. 467 from 21st Corps reference delay to D.F.P.S., leaving BEIRUT for ALEXANDRETTA until 7th owing to Officer not being available to point out minefields in ALEXANDRETTA Harbour.													
		1615	Corwing asked us to instruct Lt. Cook, R.A.F. Liaison Officer to report 5th Wing Headquarters if his services are no longer required by us.													
		1700	Australian Mounted Division reported that their Divisional Headquarters closes at HOMS at 1730 and reopens same hour at TRIPOLI Point 1730 on HOMS - TRIPOLI road.													
		1715	O.A.M. 228 from G.H.Q. giving orders for one Australian and one New Zealand Regiment to be dismounted and sent to DARDANELLES immediately.	APPX. 40												
		1720	G.A. 832 to 5th Cavalry Division reference Allied P. of W.	APPX. 41												
		1720	G.A. 833 to G.H.Q. reference communications from Turkish Commander of troops North of ALEPPO.	APPX. 42												
		1740	G.A. 468 from 21st Corps reference landing troops at ALEXANDRETTA. This was repeated to 5th Cavalry Division (GA. 840)	APPX. 43												
		1840	G.A. 838 to G.H.Q. (O) reference Australian Mounted Division marching to TRIPOLI in two groups owing to shortage of water.	APPX. 44												
		1900	P. of W. for previous 24 hours:- <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td></td> <td>Officers.</td> <td>O. Rs.</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Turks.</td> <td>-</td> <td>47</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Turks.</td> <td>-</td> <td>3</td> </tr> </table> Received by 5th Cav Divn from Hospital. evacuated to Hospital by 5th Cav Divn.		Officers.	O. Rs.			Turks.	-	47		Turks.	-	3	
	Officers.	O. Rs.														
	Turks.	-	47													
	Turks.	-	3													
		1915	G.A. 470 from 21st Corps reference Turkish Commander's objection to landing of troops at ALEXANDRETTA, and that DFPS will not proceed until further orders.	APPX. 45												

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	6th	0605	Australian Mounted Division reported that Divisional Headquarters closes at Point 1730 at 0615 and resumes their march to TRIPOLI.	
		0650	Anzacs reported Divisional Headquarters Divisional troops and 1st A.L.H. Brigade (less 2nd A.L.H. Regiment) moving from present bivouac at 0700 for LATRON.	
		0700	G.A.847 to 5th Cavalry Division reference reconnaissance of ALEPPO - ALEXANDRETTA road.	APPX. 52
		0750	4th Cavalry Division wired that Camp Commandant, MOALLAKA reported that Sherif FEISAL leaves there at 0900 and should arrive at BAALBEK between 1500 and 1600.	
		0825	G.A.342 from 5th Cavalry Division in reply to our G.A.844 reference terms of armistice.	APPX. 53
		0830	G.A.848 to 4th Cavalry Division asking what is the composition of Sherif FEISAL's party and if there are any British officers with the party.	
		0915	G.A.849 to D.A.G., G.H.Q. advising that Major N.H.P. WHITLEY assumed duty as G.S.O.2 'I' today.	
		0940	G.A.850 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.A.342 reference terms of armistice.	APPX. 54
		1015	Australian Mounted Division reported that Divisional Headquarters opened at JISR ASWAD at 1000.	
		1020	4th Cavalry Division reported that Sherif FEISAL's party consists of 300 Mounted men of all ranks ; no British officers.	
		1130	G.23 from General Chaytor recommending that Australian regiment to proceed to DARDANELLES be taken from 2nd A.L.H. Brigade.	APPX. 55
		1350	Anzacs reported arrival in Bivouac area LATRON at 1245.	

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	6th	1430	G.A.853 to General Chaytor in reply to his wire G.23 reference regiment for DARDANELLES being chosen from 2nd A.L.H. Brigade; agreeing to his proposal.	APPX. 56
		1430	G.A.854 to G.H.Q. in reply to their O.A.M.198 asking if full terms of armistice are included in O.A.M.198 and News Summary, London 1st Novr.	APPX. 57
		1520	Hyderabad Lancers arrived at LEBWE en route for HOMS.	
		1745	O.A.M.234 from G.H.Q., in reply to our G.A.854 reference full terms of Armistice with Turkey.	APPX. 58
		1830	O.A.M.235 from G.H.Q., in reply to our G.A.815 reference material captured by 5th Cavalry Division at ALEPPO.	APPX. 59
		1900	P.of W. for previous 24 hours:- One Turkish Officer taken by 5th Cavalry Division.	
		1905	F.X.1273 from D.A. & Q.M.G. reference underclothing etc., for 4,000 liberated Allied P.of W. shortly expected to be handed over to 5th Cavalry Division by the Turks.	APPX. 60
		2000	O.A.M.237 from G.H.Q., ordering that 5th Cavalry Division less one Brigade group will be prepared to march to ALEXANDRETTA shortly.	APPX. 61
		2300	G.A.859 to 5th Cavalry Division embodying O.A.M.237 from G.H.Q.	APPX. 62
		2330	O.A.M.238 from G.H.Q., in reply to our G.A.833 of 5th inst., reference Turks being asked to withdraw North of ALEPPO - KATMA - ALEXANDRETTA road, and also reference handing over Allied P.of W.	APPX. 63

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	7th	0630	Australian Mounted Division reported that Divisional Headquarters closes at JISR ASWAD at 0630 and resumes march.	
		0710	A. & N.Z. Mounted Division reported Divisional Headquarters and 1st A.L.H. Brigade (less 2nd A.L.H. Regiment) moving from LATRON to RICHON area at 0800.	
		0900	4th Cavalry Division reported that Sherif FEISAL leaves BAALBEK today at 1200 by motor car. This was repeated to Military Governor HOMS at 0930.	
		0905	Australian Mounted Division reported Divisional Headquarters opens at JISR ARAA at 1000 today.	
		0945	G.A. 864 to 5th Cavalry Division advising that full terms of armistice with Turkey are expected to arrive today.	
		0945	5th Cavalry Division reported that arrangements are being made today with Turkish Commander to enable reconnaissance of ALEPPO - KILLIS - ALEXANDRETTA road to be carried out.	
		1025	G.A. 33 from Anzacs reporting that 7th A.L.H. Regiment is the Australian Regiment selected to proceed dismounted to the DARDANELLES.	APPX. 64
		1205	5th Cavalry Division reported (GX 243) many refugees at ALEPPO desiring repatriation to DAMASCUS. If they can get there they can obtain means of livelihood, but at ALEPPO they are without means. 5th Cavalry Division ask if arrangements can be made for gradual transport of these people.	APPX. 65
		1230	G.A. 866 to A. & N.Z. Mounted Division asking which is the other regiment selected to proceed to the DARDANELLES.	APPX. 66
		1300	A. & N.Z. Mounted Divisional Headquarters and 1st A.L.H. Brigade (less 2nd A.L.H. Regiment) arrived RICHON. Divisional Headquarters established at the Cavalry School, Richon.	
		1335	Anzacs replied (GA. 36) to our G.A. 866 stating that Canterbury Mounted Rifles is the other regiment chosen to proceed to DARDANELLES.	APPX. 67

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	7th	1430	G.A.868 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their Q.X.243 reference refugees.	APPX. 64
		1458	G.240 from Liaison Officer DAMASCUS in reply to our G.A.309 reference Armenian P.of W. whom French desire released to join Legion D 'Orient.	APPX. 69
		1500	G.A.869 to G.H.Q. giving railway situation from ALEPPO Southwards.	APPX. 70
		1645	FX.1295 from DA & QMG reference Spanish Consul in ALEPPO paying British, American and Italian subjects there.	APPX. 71
		1810	G.A.872 to 11th Cavalry Brigade and British Liaison Officer DAMASCUS reference release of Armenians amongst P.of W.	APPX. 72
		1815	G.A.345 from 5th Cavalry Division reference reconnaissance of ALEPPO - KILLIS - ALEXANDRETTA road.	APPX. 73
		1845	G.A.875 to General Sir Edmund Allenby conveying congratulations of all ranks of Desert Mounted Corps on his promotion to G.C.B.	APPX. 74
		1845	G.I.210 from 5th Cavalry Division giving report of Armoured Car reconnaissance to IDLIB.	APPX. 75
		1900	P.of W. for previous 24 hours:- Officers. O.Rs. Turk. 1 7 taken in ALEPPO by 5th Cavalry Division.	
		1935	G.A.873 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.A.345 reference full text of Armistice.	APPX. 76
		1935	O.A.M.249 from G.H.Q., ordering one Light Car Patrol to be despatched to report to G.O.C., 9th Indian Infantry Brigade at DAMASCUS on 14th inst.	APPX. 77
	21	25	G.A.346 from 5th Cavalry Division reference Advantell Central No.202 reference rumour of Turkish intention to endeavour to recover recapture ALEPPO.	
	2130.		G.A.876 ordering No. 4 Light Car Patrol to move from HOMS on 12th inst to DAMASCUS to report to G.O.C., 9th Indian Infantry Brigade on 14th inst.	

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	8th	0745	Australian Mounted Division reported Divisional Headquarters closing at JISR ARAA at 0700 and resuming their march to TRIPOLI.	
		0845	G.A.882 to G.H.Q. (O) reference rumoured Turkish offensive against ALEPPO.	APPX. 78
		0845	G.A.883 to G.H.Q. containing report of Armoured Car reconnaissance to IDLIB. (See Appx GI.210)	
		0900	G.A.881 to H.Q., Sherifian Army forwarding information from Advantell Central, ALEPPO.	APPX. 79
		0945	G.A.884 to G.H.Q., reference their O.A.M.169 of 31st. Asking if the troop of Stafford Yeomanry now doing duty with G.H.Q. Signals, could now rejoin 4th Cavalry Division.	
		1010	Cipher message from 5th Cavalry Division asking if duration of Armistice with Turkey is only 10 days. After referring question to G.H.Q. it was replied that the Armistice is permanent until signing of peace.	
		1140	Cipher message to 5th Cavalry Division giving message for Cherif Nasir from Sherif Feisal.	APPX. 80
		1200	Australian Mounted Division reported Divisional Headquarters opened at Pt.200 3 miles S.E. of TRIPOLI at 1200. Communication for the present through Tripoli office.	
		1215	Cipher message to G.H.Q., saying that Turkish impression is that Armistice is of 10 days duration only and asking if this is so.	APPX. 81
		1235	O.A.M.253 from G.H.Q., asking for result of reconnaissance under white flag, of ALEPPO ALEXANDRETTA road.	
		1425	G.A.887 to G.H.Q. reference reported attack on ANTIOCH by 600 or 700 men.	APPX. 82
		1425	G.A.888 to 5th Cavalry Division reference their GI.210 re ANTIOCH.	APPX. 83
		1520	Australian Mounted Division reported that 3rd AL.H. Brigade group arrived in bivouac in vicinity of JISR ARAA.	

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	8th	1555	G.A.889 to G.H.Q., in reply to their O.A.M.253 reference reconnaissance of ALEPPO-KILLIS-ALEXANDRETTA road.	APPX. 84
		1655	5th Cavalry Division reported explosion heard at 1200 at Bridge on ALEPPO-ALEXANDRETTA road 3 miles N.W. of 13th Cavalry Brigade line.	
		1715	G.A.353 from 5th Cavalry Division in reply to our G.A.888 reference reconnaissance of ALEPPO-ALEXANDRETTA road.	APPX. 85
		1750	O.A.M.257 from G.H.Q., advising that Armistice with Turkey is permanent pending settlement of peace.	APPX. 86
		1900	B.of W. for previous 24 hours. 1 Turk Officer captured at ALEPPO by 5th Cavalry Division.	
		2000	O.A.M.260 from G.H.Q. conveying appreciation of C.in C. of 5th Cav Division's Narrative of Operations against ALEPPO. This was repeated to 5th Cav Divn on wire GA.901 at 0830 on 9th inst.	APPX. 87
		2100	G.A.893 to G.H.Q., reference reconnaissance of ALEPPO-ALEXANDRETTA road.	APPX. 88
		?	G.A.894 to 5th Cavalry Division reference their GA.353 ref reconnaissance of ALEXANDRETTA road.	APPX. 89
		2130	O. 5th Cavalry Division replied our G.A.892 stating that reconnaissance of ALEPPO-KILLIS-ALEXANDRETTA road is not yet permitted. Also that explosion reported at 1655 was our R.E. detonating an unexploded charge drawn from partly demolished Bridge one mile NW.of HARITAN. Civilians were using this bridge.	
		2145	G.A.896 to ARMWING, stating that Turks were reported in ANTIOCH and asking for a reconnaissance to be sent as early as possible.	
		2145	G.A.897 to G.H.Q., reference senders numbers on cipher messages.	APPX. 90
		2230	G.A.354 from 5th Cavalry Division giving further particulars of refusal by Turkish Commander to allow reconnaissance of ALEXANDRETTA road to proceed, and also reference Turkish troops at IDLIB or south of their line.	APPX. 91

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	9th	0815	O.A.M. 261 from G.H.Q. in reply to our G.A. 897 saying that GS 842 of 14/9/18 refers to one code only. All other messages should be numbered. This was sent out to all concerned at 1020.	
		0850	G.A. 902 to 21st Corps reference situation at ANTIOCH and disturbances reported there.	APPX. 94
		1040	G.A. 504 from 21st Corps reference situation at ANTIOCH. This was repeated to 5th Cavalry Division in G.A. 907 at 1520.	APPX. 95
		1100	GA. 904 to 5th Cavalry Division asking if there are any further developments re ALEXANDRETTA reconnaissance.	
		1105	OAM. 263 from G.H.Q. in reply to their our G.A. 884 saying that the relief of the troop of Stafford Yeomanry employed with G.H.Q. signals is being arranged, and that we will be notified of arrangements shortly. This was communicated to 4th Cav Divn in GA. 905 at 1215.	
		1120	Cipher message from 5th Cavalry Division reference advance on ALEPPO.	APPX. 96
		1240	5th Cavalry Division reported that Turks agree to reconnaissance to ALEXANDRETTA being carried out. 5th Cavalry Division asked if ALEXANDRETTA is held by our troops.	
		1300	G. 518 from Adv 20th Corps reference Brig Gen Luard assuming command of force at DAMASCUS i.e., 11th Cavalry Brigade and 9th Indian Infantry Brigade.	APPX. 97
		1320	GST. 323 from G.H.Q. saying that it is proposed to close Cavalry School at RICHON LE ZION and asking if any objection on our part.	
		1505	OAM. 267 from G.H.Q., reference Communicating Conditions to Turkish Commander.	APPX. 98
		1540	GA. 910 reference move of Hyderabad Lancers and Troop of Sherwood Rangers.	APPX. 99
		1600	Australian Mounted Division reported 3rd A.L.H. Brigade arrived in bivouac in vicinity of ZGARTA at 1345.	

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	NOVEMBER 1918.			
	9th	1725	G.A.913 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.I.216 advising them that we have received no information of any of our troops being at ALEXANDRETTA, but we will ascertain for certain.	
		1725	G.A.914 to G.H.Q. in reply to their GST.323 reference closing down Cavalry School, RICHON.	APPX. 100
		1805	G.A.918 to Australian Mounted Division asking if any railway engine Drivers are to be found in Field Squadron or rest of the Division.	
		1820	G.A.919 to G.H.Q. asking if we have any troops or Navy in ALEXANDRETTA.	
		1820	O.A.M.268 from G.H.Q., reference conditions given in OAM.267 stating that these have been cabled to the War Office for transmission to the Turkish Government. This was communicated to 5th Cavalry Division in GA.922 at 2145.	
		1830	GA.510 from 21st Corps reference landing troops at ALEXANDRETTA. This was repeated to 5th Cavalry Division (GA.923 at 2200)	APPX. 101
		1950	G.A.920 to 5th Cavalry Division conveying instructions contained in GHQ wire OAM.267.	APPX. 102
		1950	OAM.270 from G.H.Q., in reply to our G.A.919 saying that none of our troops are yet at ALEXANDRETTA and that the harbour harbour has not yet been cleared of mines.	Appx 102 ^a
		2145	G.A.359 from 5th Cavalry Division reference reconnaissance to ALEXANDRETTA and ANTIOCH, also reference Allied P.of W.	APPX. 103
		2200	G.A.924 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their GI.216 reference our GA.923 saying that ALEXANDRETTA was not now held by our troops but should be on 12th inst. Presume reconnaissance to there will now be carried out.	
		2220	GA.925 to 5th Cavalry Division giving itinerary of march of Hyderabad Lancers from HOMS to ALEPPO.	APPX. 104

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	10th	0900	G.A.927 ordering detachment of No. 3 L.C.Patrol now protecting communications at HAMA to rejoin No. 3 L.C.Patrol at HOMS forthwith.	APPX. 105
		0 905	G.A.928 to G.H.Q. conveying the following wire from Sherif Feisal dated 9th inst. begins aaa Arrived at HOMS the day before yesterday and today at HAMA and found matters very quiet and in good order.	
		0930	G.A.516 from 21st Corps giving wire from French Admiral reference evacuation of ALEXANDRETTA by Turkish Garrison.	APPX 106
		0945	P.L.347 from A.D.L.R., DAMASCUS asking if any bridges on railway HOMS to HAMA are damaged and if so at what kilo. H.49 from Lt. Col Williams (Admin Hosp. Damascus) regarding disposal of equipment at Corps School.	APPX. 107
		1145	G.A.M.274 from G.H.Q. advising that ALEXANDRETTA has been occupied by the Navy. Instructions for move of 5th Cavalry Division will be issued shortly.	APPX. 107
		1150	G.A.936 to 5th Cavalry Division advising them that it is reported that FEISAL leaves HAMA for ALEPPO by car about midday today.	
		1210	G.A.938 to A.D.L.R., DAMASCUS in reply to his P.L.347 reference Bridges destroyed HOMA to HAMA.	APPX. 107
		1410	G.A.939 to G.H. Q. in cipher regarding garrison of ALEPPO.	APPX. 110
		1540	G.A.359 from 5th Cavalry Division in reply to our GA.920 reference conveying terms to Turkish Commander, who desires MERSINA as meeting place with our representative. This was repeated to G.H.Q. in our GA.941 at 1800)	APPX. 111
		1725	G.A.940 to 5th Cavalry Division instructing them to inform Sherif NASSIR, ALEPPO that FEISAL is at MUARRHA tonight and expects to be in ALEPPO before noon tomorrow 11th inst.	
		1840	GA.521 from 21st Corps saying that French Detachment for ALEXANDRETTA will not embark until the British Admiral has reported that all danger from mines to conveyance of troops has been removed. This was repeated to 5th Cav Divn. GA.947 on 11th inst.	

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	11th		A.D.A.S., reported following deliberate damage done to telegraph route between KHAN TUMAN and SERMIN recently:- 4 poles removed., 8 poles broken off short, and a number of insulators shot off.	
		0700	G.A.945 to 5th Cavalry Division repeating G.H.Q., wire O.A.M.281 of 10th inst.	
		0730	G.A.946 to 5th Cavalry Division instructing them to ask Sherif Feisal to return to Corps H.Q., the cars loaned to him as they are required here, and it is understood he will be in ALEPPO at least a week. His return journey can probably be arranged by train to HAMA and we can then meet him there.	
		0825	GA.947 to FIVECAV informing them French Det., will not embark till ALEXANDRETTA Harbour reported clear of mines etc., by British Admiral.	113
		0950	G.A.950 to 4th Cavalry Division and 11th Cavalry Brigade reference Brig-General Luard assuming control of DAMASCUS area and the Force therein.	APPX. 114
		1000	G.A.949 reference closing Descorps School at RICHON.	APPX. 115
		1300	G.A.531 from 21st Corps reference ALEXANDRETTA now being safe for disembarking troops and detachment of D.F.P.S., moving there starting on 12th inst. This was repeated to 5th Cav Division in GA.954	APPX. 116
		1640	O.A.M.284 from G.H.Q., giving wireless message from MALTA reference Armistice with Germany, stating "Armistice signed 0600 today Novr 11th" This was reptd to Divisions, Milgov HOMS and Heads of Depts at 1710 GA.953.	APPX. 117
		1845	GA.362 from 5th Cavalry Division giving report of situation. This was repeated to G.H.Q. in G.A.957 at 2130.	APPX. 118
		1900	P. of W. for previous 24 hours. Officers. Other ranks.	
			Turks. 2 8 Taken by 5th Cav Divn in ALEPPO.	

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	12th	0810	G.A.961 to 5th Cavalry Division reference damage to telegraph line between TUMAN and SERMIN instructing them to request FEISAL have some disciplinary action taken.	and APPX. 120
		0950	Australian Mounted Division reported Divisional Headquarters bivouacked at point 200 near MEJDELAYA. Divisional troops, 3rd and 4th Brigades camped on both sides of TRIPOLI-ZAGARTA road between point 200 and ZGARTA. 5th A.L.H. Brigade at HOMS under Corps.	
		1045	O.A.M.286 from G.H.Q., in reply to our GA.957 reference Entente P.of W.	APPX. 121
		1045	O.A.M.286 from G.H.Q. forwarded for our information in connection with Entente P.of W.	APPX. 122
		1045	G.T.262 from 4th Cavalry Division asking if 12th Cavalry Brigade now at LEBWE may be moved on 14th inst to SHTORA halting night of 14/15th at BAALBEK. A reply to this was sent at 1300 in GA.172 instructing 4th Cavalry Division to arrange but not to move 12th Bde until further orders.	
		1130	G.A.969 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.A.362 asking for information about Entente P.of W. Required by G.H.Q.	APPX. 123
		1135	GA.371 from FIVECAV forwarding wire from FAISAL for C-in-C. This reptd to GHQ. in GA.971 at 1300	APPX. 124
		1140	G.A.966 to G.H.Q., conveying message from FAISAL reference Government at ALEPPO; and also disturbances alleged to have taken place at EL BAB and AINTAB.	APPX. 125
		1200	G.A. 970 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.A.368 asking if they have any information about alleged disturbances through Agents or other sources.	
		1208	O.A.M. 290 from G.H.Q., in reply to our G.A.958 saying there is no objection to sending aeroplane reconnaissance, and asking what steps are being taken to get into touch with Col KEELING 's party.	APPX. 126
		1500	G.A.373 from 5th Cavalry Division in reply to our GA.970, stating that nothing more is known of disturbances than given in their GA.362. Armoured cars proceeded today to EL BAB to discover situation.	

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	13th	0115	GA.983 to G.H.Q. giving report that armoured car reconnaissance to EL BAB found the place quiet and occupied by the Sherifian troops. No Turks have been seen there since the Armistice.	APPX. 130
		0715	G.A.985 to 4th Cavalry Division in reply to their GT.262, instructing them to postpone the move of 12th Cavalry Brigade from LEBWE to SHTORA until ALEPPO situation clears up; also advising them that Corps Commander and BGGS proceed to ALEPPO to-day.	
		0715	G.A.986 to C.G.S., G.H.Q., advising that Corps Commander and BGGS proceed to ALEPPO today.	
	0900		G.A.987 to G.H.Q. (O) forwarding message from FAISAL for transmission to King of Arabs, MECCA.	APPX. 131
	0945		G.A.378 from 5th Cavalry Division in reply to our GA.847 giving report of ALEPPO-ALEXANDRETTA road.	
			OAM.294 from GHQ., in reply to our GA.971. This was repeated to FIVECAV in GA.992	APPX. 132
	0945		Aeronautics Austn., HAIFA wired that DRLS machine which left HAMA 0900 yesterday not yet arrived HAIFA and asking whether machine landed at HOMS and if so, time of departure from there.	AAPX. 133
	1100			
	1115		G.A.989 to G.H.Q., 21st Corps ADST and DA & QMG giving report on ALEPPO-ALEXANDRETTA road. GA.990 to C.R.E. as above.	APPX. 134
			G.A. 991 to Aeronautics HAMA reference DRLS machine referred to in Aeronautics Austn., HAIFA wire; also stated that no machine landed at HOMS yesterday and asked if it started from HAMA.	
	1315		OAM.302 from G.H.Q., reference FAISAL proceeding to G.H.Q.	APPX. 135
	1318		O.A.M.300 from G.H.Q., reference probability of Turks endeavouring to enlist sympathy of Senior British Officers.	APPX. 136
	1410		Anzacs reported 5th A.L.H.Regiment arrived at SEMAKH at 1130 today.	
	1445		A.F.O., Observer Lt.Vyner forwarded report of reconnaissance endeavouring to gain touch with Col Keeling's party from NISIBIN.	APPX. 137
	1445		G.A.382 from 5th Cavalry Division giving report of Col Keeling's party at NISIBIN.	APPX. 138
	1530		Anzacs reported 5th A.L.H.Regiment arrived TIBERIAS 1415 today.	

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	13th	1600	G.A.992 to 5th Cavalry Division conveying message from G.H.Q. for communication to Feisal reference his proposal to bring Arabs in from scattered parts to form villages and cultivate the land.	APPX. 139
		1610	G.A.993 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.A.379 repeating G.H.Q., wire O.A.M.302 and instructing 5th Cavalry Division to wire date of departure and numbers for shipping accommodation required direct to G.H.Q. repeating this to this office.	
		1615	Aeronautics HAMA wired no D.R.L.S machine landed at HOMS yesterday. It left HAMA for HAIFA 0900 yesterday. This was repeated to Aeronautics HAIFA at 1830 in GA.1.	
		1730	4th Cavalry Division reported that Escort for Survey party is being detailed in first instance by 11th Cavalry Bde. Our letter G.957 refers.	
		1755	G.A.2 to G.H.Q., reference arrival of Col KEELING at ALEPPO.	APPX. 140
		1825	5th Cavalry Division reported reference G.H.Q. wire O.A.M.302 that FAISAL is proceeding from ALEPPO tomorrow 14th inst. Shipping accommodation required for 20 persons, including four from EGYPT.	
		1830	5th Cavalry Division GA.834 ³⁸⁴ in reply to our G.A.992 reference FAISALS proposal to bring Arabs in from scattered parts. This was repeated to G.H.Q. in our GA.8 at 0015.on 14th.	APPX. 141
	1	815	G.A.5 to G.H.Q. forwarding wire from FAISAL for transmission to King of HEDJAZ.	APPX. 142

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	14th	0010	G.A.9 ordering 5th Cavalry Division to arrange reconnaissance of railway from MUSILIMIE Junction as far as possible towards ALEXANDRETTA.	APPX 143
		0010	G.A.10 to G.H.Q. requesting that 21st Corps be instructed to reconnoitre railway from ALEXANDRETTA with a view to linking up with 5th Cavalry Division from ALEPPO.	APPX. 144
		0910	Liaison Officer DAMASCUS (C.285) stating that he has received roll of Armenians from MEZZE Camp only. States he is informed there are several Armenians at KUNEITRA, and requests that C.C. there be instructed to advise him (Liaison Officer).	
		1000	G.A.12 to 5th Cavalry Division reference our G.A.969 of 12th., asking them if they have ascertained the number of Entente P.of W. the Turks propose to hand over at MERSINA.	
		1145	G.A.13 to Liaison Officer DAMASCUS in reply to his G.285 reference Armenians at Kuneitra instructing him to apply to L.of C. DAMASCUS or to G.O.C., 9th Indian Infantry Brigade.	
		1155	C.A.M.309 from G.H.Q., in reply to our G.A.10 reference reconnaissance of railway from ALEXANDRETTA saying that this is not possible and asking cannot reliable information be obtained from Turkish railway personnel. This was repeated in cipher to 5th Cavalry Division at 1820 (GA.21)	
		1205	G.A.14 to G.H.Q. and 21st Corps giving Sherif Feisal's itinerary as follows:- HAMA 14th TRIPOLI 15th BEIRUT 16th.	
		1210	G.A.17 to G.H.Q., ADST., DA & QMG giving number and details of Entente P.of W. to be handed over by Turkey.	APPX. 145
		1235	C.288 from Liaison Damascus stating that C.in C. has instructed Feisal to proceed to G.H.Q. en route for PARIS and asking if we can arrange transport from ALEPPO to DAMASCUS. Reply G.A.22 was sent at 1720 giving Feisal's itinerary, stating he was proceeding from BEIRUT by sea.	

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	14th	1310	O.A.M.311 from G.H.Q. reference placing Lieut Johnson at disposal of Feisal to accompany him as Arabic Speaking Officer. This was repeated to 5th Cav Division GA.18 at 1500.	APPX. 146
		1820	G.A.580 from 21st Corps advising that ALEXANDRETTA was occupied by our forces today.	
		1825	9th Infantry Brigade advised that No.4 L.C.Patrol reported arrival to General, Damascus at 1530 today.	
		1830	G.G.7 to C.G.S., G.H.Q. giving Col KEELING'S report on railway from ALEPPO to NISIBIN and asking for sanction of expenditure to employ and pay former employees to repair and run this railway.	APPX. 147
		1847	I.C.466 from G.H.Q. advising that rails are reported removed ALEXANDRETTA to PAYAS and possibly to ERZIN.	
		1900	5th Cavalry Division reported that Emir Feisal left ALEPPO this morning. Impossible to send Lt. Johnson with him now.	
		1900	P.of W. for previous 24 hours, 2 Turkish O.Rs from Chaytor's Force, balance of working party left at AMMAN.	
		1930	G.A.26 to 5th Cavalry Division reference rails removed on railway ALEXANDRETTA northwards to TOPRAK KALE.	APPX 148
		1950	G.R.585 from 21st Corps asking time of Feisal's arrival at TRIPOLI. A reply was sent (GA.28) advising them that we would wire when Feisal passes through here.	
		2015	S.A.B.281 from Advantell BEIRUT reference Emir Feisal arriving BEIRUT.	
		2220	7th Indian Infantry Division wired QA.1760 asking time Emir Feisal leaves HOMS tomorrow and number of party in order that accommodation may be arranged.	APPX 149

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	15th	0845	G.A.395 from 5th Cavalry Division giving report on ALEPPO - ALEXANDRETTA railway. This was repeated to G.H.Q. in G.A.38 at 1130	APPX. 153
		0940	G.589 from Adv 20th Corps advising that G.H.Q. say 20th Corps Cavalry Regiment likely to be withdrawn as soon as weather conditions permit. They are still under Descorps for Administration and under General Luard actually.	
		0945	G.A.33 to G.H.Q. in reply to their O.A.M.311 reference Arabic Speaking Officer to accompany Emir Feisal, stating that as Lt. Johnson is unable to accompany him it is proposed to send Capt Thomson from here.	APPX. 154
		0945	G.A.802 from 21st Corps in reply to our G.A.29 reference repairs on HOMS-TRIPOLI road. This wire was repeated to D.A. & Q.M.G. and C.R.E. in G.A.42 at 1500.	APPX. 155
		1020	O.A.M.316 from G.H.Q., reference P.of W.(Allied) being railed to SMYRNA from West of ALEPPO to be handed over. This was repeated to 5th Cav Divn and BGGS e/o FIVECAV and DA & QMG at 1200 on G.A.41.	APPX. 156
		1045	G.A.35 to 7th Indian Division reference their information invitation to Emir Feisal.	APPX. 157
		1047	G.A.36 to Scott, Advantell BEIRUT advising him that Emir Feisal left HOMS 1020 for TRIPOLI where he stays the night, arriving BEIRUT 16th.	
		1100	O.A.M.319 from G.H.Q., reference moves of 20th Corps Cavalry Regiment from DAMASCUS to LUDD.	APPX. 158
		1100	G.A.37 to 21st Corps in reply to their GR.585 advising them that Emir Feisal passed through HOMS at 1020 for TRIPOLI and that he is interviewing Governor of TEL KELECH at that place en route.	
		12 00	G.A.40 to 7th Indian Division and 21st Corps repeating reference informing G.H.Q. of arrival and departure of FEISAL from TRIPOLI and arrival at BEIRUT.	APPX. 159
		1650	G.A.44 to 7th Indian Division reference their Q.A.1760 advising them that Gen Fane's invitation was delivered to Emir Feisal at TEL KELECH and accepted by him. Party consists of 7 Arab Officers 5 servants. 3 British officers.	

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	NOVEMBER 16th.			
	16th	0900	A.162 from 10th Infantry Division repeating 21st Corps wire G.A.615 asking location of 2/155th Pioneers.	
		0945	G.A. 51 giving proposed itinerary for march of 20th Corps Cavalry Regiment from DAMASCUS to LUDD, in accordance with G.H.Q., wire O.A.M.319 of 15th.	APPX. 163
		1152	J.A.450 from 5th Cavalry Division asking when may C.O. and 2nd in Command of 21st M.G. Sqn be expected; vacancies occurred 28/10/18 and 21/9/18 respectively. This was wired to G.H.Q. in G.A.54 at 1450.	
		1200	QKT.274 from D.Q.M.G., G.H.Q., reference our G.A.38 of 15th and C.G.7 of 15th reference repairs to railway from MUSLIMIE Junction to NISIBIN. This was repeated to DA & QMG, CRE, and ADST in G.A.65. and to FIVECAV & BGGSc/o FIVECAV in GA.63.	APPX. 164
	15	30	5th Cavalry Division reported Hyderabad Lancers arrived at ALEPPO having marched from KUNEITRA and JISR BENAT YAKUB where they had been employed on L.of C.	
		1900	P.of W. for previous 24 hours 6 Turkish O.R. taken by 5th Cavalry Division.	
		2000	G.A.57 to 4th Cavalry Division C.R.E, DA & QMG and ADLR reference half battalion of 2/155th Pioneers proceeding from RAYAK to HOMS by first available train.	APPX. 165
		2000	G.A.60 to 10th Division in reply to their A.162 reference 2/155th Pioneers. G.A.58 reference placing half battalion 2/155th Pioneers in road MOALLAKA to BAALBEK. Regtl H.Q. and other half battn to entrain for HOMS for work on HOMS - TRIPOLI road.	APPX. 166 APPX. 167
		2245	G.A.59 reference move of transport of 2/155th Pioneers.	APPX. 168

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	NOVEMBER 1918.			
	18th		O.C., 5th Field Squadron reported that Descorps section of KATMA - MUSLIMIE railway will be repaired by 20th inst.	
			5th Cavalry Division reported reference railway line North of HAMA being repaired by local labour under O.C., 5th Field Squadron.	APPX. 175
		1100	G.A.78 to G.H.Q. in reply to their G.S.T.365 advising that vacancies for cycle of courses commencing 9th December cannot be filled. None required.	
		1100	G.A.657 from 21st Corps giving report of D.F.P.S. reference situation in ALEXANDRETTA. This was repeated to FIVECAV, DA & QMG and CRE in GA.81 at 1610.	APPX. 176
			G.A.80 to C.G.S., G.H.Q. asking if four R.E. officers and as many sappers as can be made available be attached to this Corps for supervision on roads and railways which require constant attention.	APPX. 177
		1800	G.A.82 to 21st Corps reference their G.A.657 that BAGHDAD railway could still be used; asking them to which section of railway their wire refers.	APPX. 178
		1940	G.S.T.332 from G.H.Q. in reply to our G.A.80, advising that an A.T. Company could be made available.	APPX. 179
		2150	A.C.R.3 to O.C., 5th Field Squadron asking when discs cut out of boiler plating may be expected. These are required for fitting lorries on railway line. Lorries have been ready for some days awaiting receipt of the discs.	
		2200	G.A.85 to G.H.Q., reference report on ALEPPO - ALEXANDRETTA road forwarded on 17th, giving further report on Bridge near HARITAN.	APPX. 180

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	19th	0948	R.C.R.4 from Adjt RWS. giving report of road between MAARIT EN NAAMAN and ALEPPO.	APPX. 181
		0950	G.A.664 from 21st Corps giving report by D.F.P.S. of situation at ALEXANDRETTA. This was repeated to 5th Cav Divn and DA&QMG at 1135 in G.A.93	APPX. 182
		1035	G.A.90 to G.H.Q., in reply to their G.S.T.332 reference A.T.Company for work on railway and roads between HOMS and HAMA.	APPX. 183
		1035	G.A.91 to 5th Cavalry Division informing them that permission has been given for two cars of the D.F.P.S. to be used for reconnaissance of ALEXANDRETTA road. Officers making reconnaissance instructed to report 5th Cav Divn H.Q. for information regarding road.	
		1130	G.A.92 to S.M.T.O. and O.C., Workshops MT. Depot HAMA advising them that 5th Field Squadron report belting for lathes for cutting discs for motor lorries, only received by them today and work proceeding forthwith. S.M.T.O., and O.C. Workshops were requested to wire receipt of these discs which should arrive by train.	
		1431	G.A.407 from 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their our G.A.41 giving suggestion from Turkish Commander that P.of W. should be railed to ERZIN and handed over at ALEXANDRETTA. This was repated to G.H.Q. in G.A.95 at 1630.	APPX. 184
		18 00	G.A.96 to 4th Cavalry Division reference visit there by Corps Commander and B.G.G.S.	APPX. 185
		1900	P.of W. for previous 24 hours:- 1 Turk O.R. deserter taken by 5th Cavalry Division.	
		2040	G.T.289 from 4th Cavalry Division in reply to our G.A.96 reference visit of Corps Comdr.	APPX. 186

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	20th	0945	G.632 from 20th Corps advising that Adv 20th Corps closing HAIFA 1500 on 22nd and opening at ZEITOUN on arrival.	
			G.631 from 20th Corps advising that Rear 20th Corps will be located near ZEITOUN and not at CITADEL, CAIRO.	
		1600	G.T.292 from 4th Cavalry Division reference relief of Troop of Stafford Yeomanry attached to G.H.Q., Signals.	APPX. 187
		1715	O.C.5th Field Squadron reported Railway line MUSLIMIE to KATMA completed 1200 today.	
		1835	G.A.411 from 5th Cavalry Division reporting railway line to KATMA from MUSLIMIE has been repaired by Civil labour from ALEPPO and trains can now run on this section. (This was repeated to G.H.Q. in G.A.104 at 2200.)	
		1900	G.A.100 to G.H.Q., reference their O.A.M.263 of 9th inst asking them when troop of Stafford Yeomanry attached G.H.Q., Signals may be expected to rejoin Regiment.	
		2044	G.A.687 from 21st Corps advising that C.E.21st Corps inspected TRIPOLI-HOMS road and reports road will be impassable after next rains.	
		2100	S.T.294 from 5th Cavalry Division in reply to our G.A.101 reference visit of Corps Commander to LEBWE and BAALBEK.	APPX. 188
		2200	G.A.104 to G.H.Q. (O) reference railway line ALEPPO - MUSLIMIE - KATMA being repaired and trains can now run.	APPX. 189
		2300	G.A.106 to 4th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.T.294 reference visit of Corps Commander.	APPX. 190
			Copy of wire D.M.T.273 from H.Q., P.L. of C. DAMASCUS giving itinerary of move of Worcester Yeomanry from DAMASCUS to RAMLEH.	

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	NOVEMBER 1918			
	21st		D.A. 191 from D.A. & Q.M.G., reference road ALEPPO - ALEXANDRETTA report by DADST.	APPX. 191
		1115	O.A.M. 356 from G.H.Q. stating 571 A.T. Company R.E. can be placed at disposal of Descorps but railway to HOMS unable to convey transport of Company and asking if Coy., was required without transport. Strength 2 Officers, 111 O.Rs including transport personnel.	
		1450	G.A. 110 to G.H.Q., asking may information be given as to where Company is proceeding from. Arrangements can be made for transport to proceed RAYAK to HOMS by road.	
			P. 11/4 from C.R.E., reference repairs to ALEPPO - ALEXANDRETTA road and advisability of accepting labour from Turks.	APPX. 192
		1500	G.S.T. 404 from G.H.Q. ^{to Lt. Gen Chauvel} (G.G.S.) / Your letter of 12th arrived to-day, Chief approves of your visit to EGYPT.	
		1800	O.A.M. 362 in reply to G.A. 110. 571 A.T. Company now in JERUSALEM - RAMLEH area. Impossible to move transport to RAYAK - suggest sending supervising personnel only.	
		1800	C.G. 2 to C.G.S., G.H.Q., reference move of 4th Cavalry Division less Brigade at DAMASCUS, to BEIRUT owing to condition of roads, wet weather and difficulty of supplies.	APPX. 193
			C.G. 1 to C.G.S., G.H.Q. reference report by C.R.E., on ALEPPO - ALEXANDRETTA road asking if offer of labour by Turks should be accepted.	APPX. 194
		1900	O.A.M. 364 from G.H.Q., reference Navy embarking Allied P. of W. at PAYAS and advisability of Turks handing over P. of W. at ERZIN to march them to ALEXANDRETTA.	APPX. 195
			P. of W. for previous 24 hours; - 2 Turk O.Rs collected by 5th Cav Divn in ALEPPO.	
		1920	G.A. 101 to 4th Cavalry Division suggest reference Corps Comdr and B.G.G.S., leaving by train at 0800. should arrive LEBWE 1100.	
		1930	G.A. 114 to D.A. & Q.M.G., reference wood situation for trains.	APPX. 196

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	NOVEMBER 1918.			
	22nd	0930	G.A.713 from 21st Corps stating:- On day French arrived at ALEXANDRETTA telegraph was working between PAYAS and TORRAK KALE and CONSTANTINOPLE. The line was cut on 15th. This was repeated to A.D.A.S.	
			G.A.714 from 21st Corps stating rails of BAGHDAD line have been taken up between ALEXANDRETTA and SARISAKI 10 Kilos North and possible as far as ERZIN.	
		0030	O.A.M.367 from G.H.Q., in reply to our G.A.100 stating Troop of Stafford Yeomanry now in process of being relieved. You will be notified as soon as relief is complete and they are available to rejoin Regt. This was repeated to 4th Cavalry Division.	
		1100	G.A.118 to A.D.L.R., asking when railway will be through from HOMS to HAMA.	
		1230	G.A.119 reference warning order to 5th L.R. Brigade re move to BAALBEK.	APPX. 199
		1500	A.D.L.R. in reply to our G.A.118 states railway HOMS to HAMA expected to be through before end of year.	
		1510	G.A.120 to C.R.E., reference supervising personnel of the 571 A.T. Company.	APPX. 200
		1750	G.A.415 from 5th Cavalry Division reference Turkish Commander's conference with C.S.O., Arab Army re alleged plundering ANTIOCH.	APPX. 201
		1810	G.A.126 to Australian Mounted Division. Corps Commander proposes to inspect one Brigade Australian Mounted Division on 24th.	
		1815	G.A.127 to 4th Cavalry Division reference their proposals for march to BEIRUT.	APPX. 202
		1830	P.11/9 from C.R.E., saying supervising personnel of 571 A.T. Company would be most useful also Company if available, at ALEPPO and for BAILAN Pass with section based on HOMS.	
		1900	G.A.417 from 5th Cavalry Division reference arrangements Turks could make to convey P. of W. to ALEXANDRETTA via ERZIN.	APPX. 203

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	22nd	1945	O.A.M. 365 from G.H.Q., reference move of 4th Cavalry Division to BEIRUT and portion of 5th A.L.H. Brigade to BAALBEK.	APPX. 204
		2105	G.A. 129 to 5th Cavalry Division reference conference Turkish Commanders with Arab Army. All communications to proceed through 5th Cavalry Division. Arab Army cannot communicate direct with Turks.	
		2110	G.A. 130 to G.H.Q., reference conferences between Turkish Commander and Arab Army.	APPX. 205
		2112	G.A. 131 to G.H.Q., reference arrangements Turks can make to convey P. of W. to ALEXANDRETTA via ERZIN.	APPX. 206
		2125	G.A. 132 reference move orders for 5th A.L.H. Brigade HOMS - BAALBEK.	APPX. 207
		2130	G.T. 309 from 5th 4th Cavalry Division giving their proposals for march to BEIRUT to commence on 25th.	
		2210	G.A. 135 to C.R.E., states " Do you require supervising personnel 571 A.T. Coy or whole Company 571 A.T. less transport".	
			P. of W. for 24 hours ending 1900 , 21/11/18 :- 4 Turk O.Rs collected by 5th Cav Div in ALEPPO.	
		2330	O.A.M. 373 from G.H. Q. in reply to our C.G.1 stating offer should not be accepted. This was repeated to CRE under G.A.141 dated 23rd.	Appx 208

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	NOVEMBER 23rd.														
	23rd	0530	G.A.136 issued regarding move of 4th Cavalry Division and 5th A.L.H. Brigade.	APPX. 209											
		0600	G.A.137 to Australian Mounted Division approving proposals for inspection of Brigades by Corps Commander.	APPX. 40											
		0938	G.A.419 from 5th Cavalry Division reference control of railway between ALEPPO and ERZIN.	APPX. 211											
		1026	G.T. 312 from 4th Cavalry Division proposing to hand over half Battn 2/155th Pioneers and all Turk P.of W. now working on road MOALLAKA - BAALBEK, to G.O.C., 5th A.L.H. Brigade on 28th inst.												
		1157	H.206 from O.C., M/ T HAMA reporting arrival of steel discs for motor lorries.	APPX. 212											
		1507	P.11/13 from CRE reference Turks offer regarding repair of roads												
		1554	P.L.411 from A.D.L.R., KUS asking for report on bridge which is in parts as consigned, at NISIBIN. Asking if suitable for bridge over CRONTES at Kilo 194. (G.A.148 to FIVECAV for report).	APPX. 219											
		1600	C.D.1175 from D.A. & Q.M.G., Descorps regarding railway organisation.	APPX. 214											
		1657	O.A.M.375 from G.H.Q., regarding maintenance of road from E. of Hospital at TRIPOLI to Ausdiv Camp at ZIGARTA. Orders to be issued to Aust Mtd Division to maintain this portion.	APPX. 215											
		1730	G.A.145 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.A.419 regarding control of railways.	APPX. 216											
		1740	G.A.146 to 5th Cavalry Division regarding handing over of Syrian Political Exiles.	APPX. 217											
		1830	G.A.147 to Australian Mounted Division ordering them to maintain road from E. of Hospital at TRIPOLI to camp at ZIGARTA, in accordance with instructions received from G.H.Q. (OAM.375)												
		1900	P.of W. for previous 24 hours. <table style="display: inline-table; vertical-align: middle;"> <tr> <td></td> <td>Offrs.</td> <td>O.Rs.</td> <td rowspan="2">} Medical personnel taken over by FIVECAV in ALEPPO.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>German.</td> <td>1</td> <td>7</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Turk.</td> <td></td> <td>2</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>		Offrs.	O.Rs.	} Medical personnel taken over by FIVECAV in ALEPPO.	German.	1	7	Turk.		2		
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		2050	OAM.378 from G.H.Q., reference wireless messages to and from ALEXANDRETTA. Above was repta to AUSDIV, FOURCAV, FIVECAV and Heads of Depts in GA.154 at 1100 on 24th.	APPX. 218											
		2140	G.A.150 to all concerned ordering 5th Field Troop to remain at HOMS.												

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	24th	0730	G.A.152 to G.H.Q., advising that Corps Commander and B.G.G.S. leave for TRIPOLI today to inspect Australian Mounted Division.	
		0800	B.M.128 from 5th A.L.H. Brigade reporting that Brigade group (less 14th ALH. Regt) Field Troop and one section N.Z.M.G. Sqn) move from bivouac HOMS at 0900 for KUSSEIR.	
		0930	G.A.425 from 5th Cavalry Division in reply to our G.A.148 reference Officer inspecting bridge at BISISIN.	APPX. 219
		1035	QKT.459 from D.Q.M.G., G.H.Q. reference Corps Commander going to G.H.Q. to discuss demobilisation. This was reptd to BCGS c/o AUSDIV in G.A.155 at 1125.	APPX. 120
		1100	O.A.M.379 from G.H.Q., ordering Detachment No. 6 Pack W/T now with Desert Mounted Corps to move to TRIPOLI to join remainder of Section there.	APPX. 221
		1240	G.A.429 from 5th Cavalry Division reference Sherifian Govt being anxious to establish Local Govt North, South, East and West of ALEPPO. 5th Cavalry Division asked up to what limits C. in C. wishes this done.	APPX. 122
		1300	C.G.1 from Corps Commander in reply to D.Q.M.G. wire Q.K.T.459 advising that Corps Commander is motoring via BEIRUT and HAIFA and proposes arriving at G.H.Q. night of 28th.	Appx. 227
		1445	G.A.157 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.A.425 advising them reference BAGHDAD Railway; that it appears to be included in the conditions laid down in C.D.1175.	
		1830	5th A.L.H. Brigade reported arrival at KESSEIR at 1830. Bivouacked one mile S. of the town, moving on at 0800 tomorrow.	
		1835	G.A.158 to G.H.Q. (O) reference Sherifian Government being anxious to establish Local Govt., North, South, East and West of ALEPPO and asking for instructions as to what limits C. in C. wishes this done.	
		1835	G.A.160 to G.H.Q. (O) advising that 4th Cavalry Division less 11th Cav Bde will be concentrated at EL ALUZAI, South of BEIRUT on 30th inst.	

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	26th	1022	4th Cavalry Division reported Divisional Headquarters established AIN SOFAR.	
		1030	G.A.175 to D.A. & Q.M.G., reference wire G.A.132 from 5th Cavalry Division regarding request by Turkish Commander that Officers, Soldiers and Civilians demobilised and released respectively may be permitted to return to their homes which are in territory now occupied by us.	APPX. 230
		1100	No.15 from Sir Mark Sykes giving Armenian Situation in HOMS.	APPX. 231
		1105	O.A.M.384 from G.H.Q. reference repatriation of Allied P.of W. from ERZIN, via ALEXANDRETTA.	APPX. 232
		1125	G.A.178 to G.H.Q., asking if it is still the intention to move two Brigade Groups to ALEXANDRETTA when Turkish Command permits this.	APPX. 233
		1125	G.A.179 reference 5th Cavalry Division sending Motor Ambulances to ALEXANDRETTA to convey sick from ERZIN.	APPX. 234
		1400	G.T.327 from 4th Cavalry Division reporting that Divisional Troops reached AIN SOFAR at 1200. 10th Cavalry Brigade and 12th Cavalry Brigade at SHTORA. Divisional Troops march BEIRUT, 10th Brigade AIN SOFAR tomorrow., 12th Cav Brigade remains SHTORA until 29th inst.	
		1415	B.M.132 from 5th A.L.H. Brigade reporting arrival in bivouac 4 miles S. of LEBWE at 1430; moving at 0730 tomorrow to BAALBEK.	
		1550	G.A.772 from 21st Corps reference arrival of Col Lawrence Col Newcombe at ALEXANDRETTA to arrange with Turks for evacuation of Allied P.of W. from ERZIN.	APPX. 235
		1800	G.A.437 from 5th Cavalry Division reference Motor Ambulances for transport of P.of W. from ERZIN.	APPX. 236
		1800	G.A.438 from 5th Cavalry Division reference road ALEXANDRETTA to ERZIN.	APPX. 237
		1845	G.A.439 from 5th Cavalry Division reference G.S.O. Arab Army asking permission to send representative to ALEXANDRETTA for political purposes. 5th Cavalry Division informed that permission cannot be granted. (G.A.188 at 2120)	APPX. 238

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	27th		H.L.443 A.D.A.S. reported in reference to our G.A.165 of 25th that Detachment No.6 Pack W/T Section are to leave ALEPPO tomorrow and should arrive TRIPOLI 7th December.	
		0956	O.330 from Aeronautics G.H.Q. in reply to our G.A.190. Positions of R.A.F.Squadrons as follows:- No.1 Squadron A.F.C. one Flight at RAYAK. two Flights at RAMLEH. No.111 Sqn R.A.F.) No.145 Sqn R.A.F.) KANTARA.	
			G.A.196 to DDMS and DA&QM reference Ambulance Convoy for evacuation of P/W from ERZIN.	APPX. 244
		1205	G.A.198 to 5th Cavalry Division reference para 1 of proposals put forward by Turkish Commander. 5th Cavalry Division instructed to inform Turkish Commander that he should commence evacuation forthwith. 5th Cavalry Division also instructed to have Turkish Communications translated by Lieut Johnston before these are sent to Corps Headquarters.	APPX. 245
		1230	G.A.201 to G.H.Q. reference their O.A.M.356 of 21st., asking that 571 A.T. Coy with tools may be sent to HOMS by train.	
		1400	E.M.139 from 5th A.L.H. Brigade reporting arrival at HAALBEK at 1200. One Squadron 15th A.L.H., Regiment with Section N.Z.M.G. Squadron proceeding to RAYAK today. Two troops and Section M.G. will take over duties at RAYAK with one troop at MCALLAKA and one Troop at SHTORA. Further details of duties being forwarded later.	
		1430	G. A.442 from 5th Cavalry Division reference Ambulance Convoy to ALEXANDRETTA. 5th Cavalry Division wire G.A.437 appears not to have been received by Base Comdt ALEXANDRETTA as convoy has returned ALEPPO. These ^{cars} are being returned to ALEXANDRETTA tomorrow.	APPX. 246
		1630	4th Cavalry Division reported (GT.331) that Div H.Q. and Divisional Troops arrived at BIR HASSAN area at 1400.	
		1900	P.of W. ^{Ag 175} for previous 24 hours. 2 P.W. ^{Ag 175} handed to 5th Cav Divn by ALEPPO Police. HL.436 from ADAS reporting damage to railway telegraph line on ALEPPO-HAMA railway. Lt.Col Cornwallis asked by ADAS to take action to prevent this.	

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	28th	0840	G.R. 333 from 4th Cavalry Division giving Locations of the Divisions as follows:- Divisional Headquarters and Divisional Troops.. ... Bir HASSAN Area. 10th Cavalry Brigade en route BIR HASSAN Area from SHTORA. 12th Cavalry Brigade (less 6th Cav Regt) at SHTORA. 6th Cavalry Regiment en route from BAALBEK to SHTORA. 12th Cavalry Brigade Group will march from AIN SOFAR TOMORROW 29th inst., en route for BIR HASSAN area. G.A. 206 to A.D.L.R., Kus advising him (in reply to his A.T. 120) that arrangements have been made to report on bridge reported ready for loading at NISIBIN.	
		1230	G.A. 451 from 5th Cavalry Division reference our G.A. 148 giving report of reconnaissance to DJIRJIB by Major Alexander to inspect bridge.	
		1300	B.M. 142 from 5th A.L.H. Brigade reporting relief of all duties at BAALBEK and RAYAK previously found by 4th Cavalry Division. This was included in our G.A. 216 to G.H.Q. at 2240. (see Appx)	
		1310	O.A.M. 408 from G.H.Q. in reply to our G.A. 193 reference request by Turkish Commander for alterations in terms of Armistice.	APPX. 24)
		1450	G.A. 209 to A.D.L.R. KUS, D.A. & Q.M.G. and C.R.E. giving report re bridge at DJIRJIB.	APPX. 248
		1545	4th Cavalry Division reported 10th Cavalry Brigade arrived BIR HASSAN Area.	
		1700	5th A.L.H. Brigade reported relief completed at MOALLAKA and SHTORA at 1400. Whole relief now complete.	
		1730	4th Cavalry Division reported 6th Cavalry Regiment having been relieved by 5th A.L.H. Brigade rejoined 12th Cavalry Brigade at SHTORA today.	
		1825	O.A.M. 412 from G.H.Q., reference their O.A.M. 408 instructions as to notify 21st Corps when terms have been communicated to Turks.	

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	9th	1025	G.A.456 from 5th Cavalry Division reference our G.A.213 of 28th, clause 7.	APPX. 252
		1830	G.A.457 from 5th Cavalry Division in reply to our G.A.215 reporting that terms given in our G.A.213 have been communicated to Turkish Commander at 1400 today. This was repeated to G.H.Q. and 21st Corps in G.A.223 at 1910.	APPX. 253
	1910		G.A.220 to 5th Cavalry Division in reply to their G.A.456 reference terms laid down in G.A.213	APPX. 254
				

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