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Ypres	1/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Order No. 49 re S.O.S received	Marked <u>I</u>
			4 <sup>th</sup> a.d.a. Amendment to Location Report received	<u>II</u>
			4 <sup>th</sup> a.d.a. S/101 received	<u>III</u>
	2/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Location Statement No 6 received	<u>IV</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. A 35/85 normal distribution of orders	<u>V</u>
	3/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Order No. 51 received	<u>VI</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Order No 50 with amendment No 2 attached	<u>VII</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Order No 52 received	<u>VIII</u>
	4/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. A 35/89 received re SOS during misty weather	<u>IX</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Amendment No 1 to Order No 51 received	<u>X</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Order No 53 received	<u>XI</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Order No 54 received	<u>XII</u>
	5/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Signal Company Order re Communications and locations received	<u>XIII</u>
	6/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Order No 56 received	<u>XIV</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Order No 55 received	<u>XV</u>
	7/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Order No 57 received	<u>XVI</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> a.d.a. Location statement No 7	<u>XVII</u>

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YPRES	7/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> ad a Order No 58 received	<u>marked</u> <u>XVIII</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> ad a Order No 59 received	<u>XIX</u>
	8/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> ad a Amendment No 1 to Order No 61	<u>XX</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> ad a Order No 61 received	<u>XXI</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> ad a Order No 60 received	<u>XXII</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> ad a Normal distribution of orders received	<u>XXIII</u>
	9/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> ad a Order No 62 received	<u>XXIV</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> ad a Order No 63 received	<u>XXV</u>
			2 <sup>nd</sup> ad a Addendum No 1 to Order 63 received	<u>XXVI</u>
	10/10/17		Prior to this date, during this month, 4 <sup>th</sup> Brigade Hqrs have been at Wagon Lines and today Lt Col. Shellshear and 4 <sup>th</sup> Brigade Hqrs staff took over command of the Group in the line.	
		Group Hqrs at KIT-KAT, WESTHOEK RIDGE	<u>XXVII</u>	
(KIT-KAT)	10/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> ad a Order No 64 received	<u>XXVIII</u>
			Situation Map showing front line up to 7pm 10/10/17 received	<u>XXIX</u>
	11/10/17		4 <sup>th</sup> ad a Order No 96 received	<u>XXX</u>
			12 <sup>th</sup> a Infantry Brigade Order 171 re attack received	<u>XXXI</u>
		4 <sup>th</sup> ad a Instruction No 21 re normal distribution of orders received	<u>XXXII</u>	
		4 <sup>th</sup> ad a wire giving Zero hour for attack		

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YPRES (KIT-KAT)	11/10/17		<p>2<sup>nd</sup> a d a Order No 65 going instructions re attack, <del>group</del> <sup>secret</sup> map showing artillery barrage attached</p> <p>4<sup>m</sup> a d a S/104 received</p> <p>2<sup>nd</sup> a d a Location statement No 8 received</p> <p>D Group Intelligence Report 11/12/10/17 attached</p>	<p>XXXIII</p> <p>XXXIV</p> <p>XXXV</p> <p>XXXVI</p>
	12/10/17	5.25am	Barrage for attack commenced	
		7.23am	Brigade Liaison report Infantry were timed 5.40am states "Everything going well, Battalions can be seen on ridge. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Division Infantry also seen on ridge on left"	
		7.40am	B/major rang up and gave following instructions "From zero plus 300 to zero plus 340 D Group will fire on SOS lines from E 13 a 5.4. to E 7 d 0.0. Smoke shell will be used"	
		8am	Bde Liaison Officer reports message per pigeon from Infantry Coy Cmdr on left stated "On Red Line. 3 <sup>rd</sup> Div <sup>n</sup> on left meeting opposition and not get up. Prisoners coming in and being interrogated"	
		8.4am	Rang up B/M and gave him above information. He stated Army Report Centre said "9 <sup>th</sup> Brigade on Red Line"	
		8.10am	4 <sup>m</sup> a d a were re S.O.S. received 8 a.m. attached	
			Sent out SOS lines to all batteries	

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KIT & KAT.	12/10/17.	A.M.	Rang up Brigade Liaison - He reported that Liaison 9 <sup>th</sup> Mt Bde were now on red line.	
		8:20	B.M. rang up & instructed us to continue firing on S.O.S lines until zero + 398. to use smoke shell as much as possible & not to run ourselves dry of ammunition.	
		9.	All Batteries advised. orders got out re above.	
		10.	S.O.S. lines altered to extend to E. 7. D. 6. 3.	
		10.5	Passed to Batteries.	
		10:40	Batteries asked about ammunition & urged to get up as much as possible.	
		3 P.M.	B.M. rang up & gave new S.O.S. line E. 13. A. 7. 8 to E. 7. C. 8. 5 but if post at E. 7. C. 5. 3 was evacuated by Infantry the line would be E. 7. C. 5. 3 to E. 13. A. 7. 8.	
		4.	All Batteries advised by message my F. 8/365.	
		4:10	B.M. advised enemy being brought up to MOORSLEDE & DADIZELEE by motor buses. Also many troops on the roads. He advised us to be on the lookout	Stanley Smith for CO 4 <sup>th</sup> A.S.B.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
YPRES (KIT-KAT)	12/10/17	7pm	Batteries all told to cease fire after 15 minutes.	<del>XXXVIII</del> <del>XXXIX</del> <del>XL</del> <del>XLI</del> <del>XLII</del> <del>XLIII</del> <del>XLIV</del> <del>XLV</del> <del>XLVI</del> <del>XLVII</del> <del>XLVIII</del> <del>XLIX</del> <del>L</del> <del>LI</del> <del>LII</del> <del>LIII</del> <del>LIV</del>
			Message from Liaison Officer (12 <sup>th</sup> B'de) attached	
			3 Messages re SOS from 4 <sup>th</sup> A & D A received & attached	
			Situation map to 9pm 12/10/17 attached	
			Trench map showing dispositions at 8am 12/10/17 attached	
			Map showing points held by enemy attached	
			4 <sup>th</sup> A & D A wire giving SOS lines received and attached	
			D Group order to batteries giving SOS lines	
			4 <sup>th</sup> A & D A wire re alteration of guns in Group	
			4 <sup>th</sup> A Divisional Order Nos 85 and 94 re Infantry relief recd & attached	
			D Group Intelligence summary 12/13 October attached	
			4 <sup>th</sup> A & D A Instructions No 23 re normal distribution of orders received	
			4 <sup>th</sup> A & D A Order S/108 received	
			D Group Intelligence Summary 13/14 October attached	
			F.O.O. report of duties during attack including period 12/14 October attached	
D Group order re artillery targets issued and attached				
D Group order re relief of one section per battery issued and attached				
D Group order re test SOS issued and attached				

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
YPRES (KIT-KAT)	14/10/17		4 <sup>th</sup> ADA Order G/1226 re expenditure of amm <sup>n</sup> received	LXV
			D Group order M/1 re arrangements for SOS issued	LXVI
	15/10/17		D Group Intelligence Summary 14/15 October attached	LXVII
			A very heavy gas shell bombardment took place during night 14/15	LXVIII
			4 <sup>th</sup> ADA Order S/110 re harassing fire received	LXIX
			Memo from Liaison Officer re position on our front.	LXX
			4 <sup>th</sup> ADA Instructions No 52. D Group order M/5 attached	LXXI
	16/10/17		Message re night firing recd. from 4 <sup>th</sup> ADA	LXXII
			4 <sup>th</sup> ADA instructions No 17 re amm <sup>n</sup> supply received	LXXIII
			4 <sup>th</sup> ADA G/1228 received and attached	LXXIV
		D Group Intelligence Summary 15/16 October attached	LXXV	
		Map showing enemy dispositions October 16 attached	LXXVI	
17/10/17		4 <sup>th</sup> ADA message re gas shell bombardment of MOORSLEDE	LXXVII	
		D Group Intelligence Summary 16/17 October attached	LXXVIII	
		4 <sup>th</sup> ADA Order S/111 re amm <sup>n</sup> required for tasks received	LXXIX	
18/10/17		Message from Infantry re patrols going out	LXXX	
		D Group order re harassing fire issued and attached	LXXXI	
		Message from Infantry Liaison Officer re patrols recd and attached	LXXXI	

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YPRES (KIT-KAT)	19/10/17		D Group order M/9 issued and attached	LXXII
			D Group Intelligence summary 18/19 October attached	LXXIII
			4 <sup>th</sup> A D A Order S/III/1 received	LXXIV
	20/10/17		D Group Order M/10 issued and attached	LXXV
			4 <sup>th</sup> A D A Instructions 24	LXXVI
			Secret map showing starting line of barrages received and attached	LXXVII
			D Group Intelligence summary 19/20 October issued and attached	LXXVIII
HANNEBERE RAILWAY DUGOUTS D 26 C 1.3	21/10/17		4 <sup>th</sup> A D A Order No 97 received and attached	LXXIX
			D Group order M/11 re SOS Lines issued and attached	LXXX
			Message from 4 <sup>th</sup> A D A " 5 <sup>th</sup> Bde Hqrs to relieve 4 <sup>th</sup> Bde Hqrs on 23 <sup>rd</sup> inst	LXXXI
			D Group Intelligence summary 20/21 October issued and attached	LXXXII
			4 <sup>th</sup> Aust Div <sup>n</sup> order No 88 re Infantry relief received and attached	LXXXIII
	22/10/17		D Group Intelligence summary 21/22 October issued and attached	LXXXIV
			D Group Order M/13 re SOS lines issued and attached	LXXXV
	23/10/17		D Group rosters for O.P. and Bat <sup>n</sup> Liaison Duties issued and attached	LXXXVI
			4 <sup>th</sup> A D A Order No 98 received and attached	LXXXVII
			4 <sup>th</sup> A D A Order re change of Group Comdr's Carried out. Lt Col Lloyd CMG PSO took over Command. Lt Col Shellshear and 4 <sup>th</sup> Bde Hqrs staff proceeded to Wagon Lines Stanley Smith & Co for Co 4 <sup>th</sup> A D A Bde	

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HANNEBEKE RAILWAY DUGOUTS D 26 C 1.3	24/10/17		4 <sup>th</sup> ADA Order No 99 received	XXXVIII
			4 <sup>th</sup> Aust D.A. <del>Order</del> Instructions No 25 received	XXXIX
	25/10/17		4 <sup>th</sup> ADA Order No 100 received	XC
	26/10/17		4 <sup>th</sup> ADA Order No 101 received	XCI
	27/10/17		2 <sup>nd</sup> ADA Order No 66 received	XCII
			2 <sup>nd</sup> Aust. Div <sup>n</sup> location statement received and attached	XCIII
			<p>During the last two or three weeks the Artillery has been subjected to a severe gas shell <sup>VHE</sup> bombardment at varying intervals. The casualties to personnel have been severe owing to the extended period the Artillery has been in the line. The moral of the men has been excellent and the complete confidence which exists between the Australian Artillery and Infantry has done a great deal towards the splendid success of the Australian troops who have practically captured the whole of the BROODSEINDE RIDGE</p>	
			Casualty List per Ocb attached.	
			<p>Stanley Smith Lt Col for CO 4<sup>th</sup> ADA Bde</p>	



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2nd AUSTRALIAN DIVNL. ARTILLERY

ORDER No. 49.

1st October 1917.

S. O. S.

- 1. In future, on a "S.O.S." message or signal being received from their Sector, Batteries covering the Sector will open, and continue firing for 10 minutes *on* their "S.O.S." lines.

The superimposed Brigades will then search back by hundreds of yards for 5 minutes in minute lifts, the remaining Brigades will still fire *on* their "S.O.S." lines.

After a total of 15 minutes, fire will die down, unless the "S.O.S." message or signal is again sent up, when the same procedure will be repeated.

- 2. All Battery positions are to be fitted with a rake and pointer, clearly defining the limits of sectors, both Group and Divisional. direction
- 3. Batteries will see that they are constantly in touch with their respective transmitting stations, by visual as well as telephone.
- 4. On a "S.O.S." signal being received, flank batteries of Groups will invariably warn the flank battery of the neighbouring Group to which they must be connected direct.
- 5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Major R.A.

Brigade Major 2nd Aust. Divnl. Artillery.

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

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LOCATION REPORT.

Headquarters,  
1st October 1917.

Reference Location Report issued by this Office, 30th Sept.  
Please amend as follows :-

"C" Group H.Q. = I 11 b 60 20.  
"D" " H.Q. = I 12 c 10 90.

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HEADQUARTERS,  
1st October 1917.

1. AMENDMENT to 4th Australian Divisional Artillery INSTRUCTION No. 17, paras. 11 and 14 and INSTRUCTION No. 20, para. 6 :-

For "10 a.m., October 2nd" read "6 a.m. October 2nd"  
whenever the words occur.

2. AMENDMENT to 4th Australian Divisional Artillery INSTRUCTION No. 21 :-

Time of commencement of R.1 Barrage will be 7.15  
a.m. and NOT 3.30 a.m..

3. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

*CM Baker*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

LOCATION STATEMENT

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UNIT	CODE NAME	LOCATION	WAGON LINES
2nd Aust. Div.	JEWEL	RAMPARTS, I.14.b.10.60.	
LEFT ANZAC GRP. ART. (2nd Aust.D.A.H.Q.)	MOTH	RAMPARTS, I.14.b.10.60.	
4th F.A.Bde.	MART	H.19.a.70.40.	H.19.a.70.40.
10th Battery,	ENGINE	J.7.b.15.10.	
11th Battery,	HAZEL	J.7.b.00.40.	
12th Battery,	HOUSE	J.7.a.88.78.	
104th How. Bty,	EXPERT	J.7.b.30.18.	
"D" Group (5th A.F.A.Bde)	MASK	I.12.c.10.90.	G.29.a.50.90.
13th Battery	EGG	J.1.c.95.60.	
14th Battery,	HARROW	J.7.a.67.95.	
15th Battery,	ENVY	J.1.d.35.30.	
105th How. Battery	HEAD	J.1.c.65.65.	
4th Aust.Div.Arty.	PILCHARD		OUDERZEELE.
"C" Group (10th A.F.A.Bde)	PAPER	I.11.b.60.20.	G.23.c.7.0.
37th Battery,	PULP	J.2.d.15.75.	
38th Battery,	PRINT	J.7.a.03.15.	
39th Battery,	PUFF	J.7.c.57.62.	
110th How. Battery,	POND	J.7.c.13.78.	
11th A.F.A.Bde, 41st Battery,	PIOUS PSALM	G.24.b.6.7. J.7.c.37.55.	G.24.b.6.7.
42nd Battery	PURGE,	J.2.d.62.62.	
43rd Battery,	PURPLE	I.12.d.90.88.	
111th How. Battery,	PROWL	J.2.c.05.75.	
5th Inf. Brigade,	JAY	BELGIAN CHATEAU, H.23.b.	G.18.c.6.8. H.16.d.9.3.
6th Inf. Brigade	QUAIL	I.12.c.3.5.	
7th Inf. Brigade,	POPPY	D.26.c.1.3. J 2 a 3 5	
2nd Aust.D.A.C.	MIRE		
4th Aust.D.A.C.	JURY		
2nd Aust.D.T.M.O.		H.13.d.0.5.	
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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

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4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. LIAISON.

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\*\*\* O R D E R No 51 \*\*\*

Headquarters,  
3rd. October, 1917.

1. On the capture of the BLUE LINE, S.O.S. Lines will approximately be as follows:-

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|--|--|
| <u>18-pdr</u>  | <u>4.5" How.</u>   |
| "Q" Group, D.29.b.6.W.- D. <sup>23</sup> 35.d.6.9.   | Points D.24.a.6.8.-D.18.c.3.3.<br>D.18.d.17.17.<br>Valley N. edge of BUSY WOOD,                |
| "D" Group, D.23.a.6.8.- D. <sup>d 20</sup> 17.d.2.0. | BROODSEINDE-MOORSLEDE Rd to<br>De Mispelaere Cabt.<br>Valley between CHINA and<br>ANVIL WOODS. |

Lines to conform to the ground. Liaison Officers must get definite information regarding posts, etc, and make the necessary alterations. Group and D.A. H.Qs will be informed at once.

2. Barrage on the evening of "S" DAY.

The following programme will be carried out on "S" DAY on the front of the Second Army (viii Corps excepted):-

- (a) { 9.45pm to 10 pm - silent period-no firing except in case of attack
- { 10. pm to 10.6pm- standing Barrage, in depth from 200 yards to 1000 yards beyond S.O.S. Lines,
- { 10.6 pm to 10.11pm- silent period.
- (b) { 10.11pm to 10.17pm- standing Barrage in depth from 1200 yards to 2000 yards beyond S.O.S. Lines.

3. The order of separate barrages from W. to E. will be A - B - D - E (8" & 9.2" Hows) - E (60-pdrs)

4. Distance between M.P.1 of Barrage, 200 yards.

5. Barrage "A", 200 yards beyond S.O.S. Line in the first barrage; 1200 yards beyond S.O.S. Lines in the second Barrage.

6. Rates of Fire:-

18-pdrs ---	2 rds p.g.p.m,
4.5" Hows, , , ,	1 1/2 "

7. BARRAGE on "T" DAY;

- (i) At 5.15 a.m. on "T" DAY, a barrage in depth will be put down on the Second Army front ( less viii Corps)
  - (a) Barrages normal order W. to E. viz: A - B - D - E.
  - (b) "A" Barrage on S.O.S.Lines.
  - (c) Distance between barrages-150 yards
  - (d) Pace- 100 yards in 3 minutes.
  - (e) Rates of fire as for Bombardment Barrages.
  - (f) Barrages will creep straight down the Group Zones and jump back to S.O.S. Lines at Zero plus 30, remaining there till cease fire.
  - (g) 18-pdrs cease fire at Zero plus 33; other natures at Zero plus 37, unless otherwise required by the tactical situation.

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7.(ii) 10.pm Bursts of fire for 6 mins. } As for "S" DAY (a)  
10.11pm do }  
11. pm do } As for "S" DAY (b).  
11.11pm do }

8. SUBSEQUENT DAYS:

"U" DAY } Destructive, Harassing and Isolating fire;  
"V" " } No Barrages.  
"W" " } 2 Barrages per diem, at least one of which will  
"X" " } be during the night;  
"Y" " } Bursts of fire at 9.30pm and 9.41pm as on "S" DAY.  
"Z" " } At 5.30 am, a barrage over the Second Army front.

Details for above will be issued later.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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ORDER No 59

Reference Map. : 28 N.W.2) 1/10,000  
 28 N.W.1)

Headquarters,  
 2nd October, 17.

INFORMATION

1. The Second Army, in conjunction with the Fifth Army, will continue the present operations on Attack Day, in order to capture the PASSCHENDAELE RIDGE.
2. The 1st ANZAC will capture the line J.5.b.4.2. to D.23.a.8.8.
3. The operation will be carried out in two stages, as shown by the Red and Blue Lines in the Barrage Maps already issued.
4. The 2nd Australian Division will attack on a two-Brigade Front; the 6th Australian Infantry Brigade on the Right; the 7th Australian Infantry Brigade on the Left.
5. The 1st and 3rd Australians Divisions will be attacking on the Right and Left respectively.
6. Each Brigade will attack on a one Battalion front; the 22nd Battalion on the Right; the 25th Battalion on the Left.
7. The Inter-Brigade (and Artillery Group covering) Boundary will be from D.28.e.40.45. - D.23.50.60. to D.24.a.30.00.  
 19.22.55 c
8. Headquarters: 2nd Aust. Div. Advanced I.14.b.1.6. rear,  
 H.21.b.6.4.  
 2nd Aust. D.A. Advanced I.14.b.1.6.; Rear H.21.b.6.4.  
 6th Aust. Inf. Bde. do J.2.a.3.5. do I.12.c.3.5.  
 7th do do do D.26.c.4.3. do I.12.c.3.5.  
 5th do do do I.11.b. do BELGIAN CHATEAU.
9. Barrages: The Infantry will advance from a Jumping-off Line as shown in Barrage Maps, under a Creeping Barrage in depth as detailed in Barrage Diagram already issued. "A" Barrage will be 150 yards in front of the Jumping-off Line.
10. Every gun of the "A" Barrage will fire 4 rounds of Smoke Shell in quick succession on reaching the Protective Barrage of the Red and Blue Lines.
11. For four minutes prior to commencing to creep forward from the Red Line, 18-pdrs of "A" Barrage will fire at the rate of 4 rds p.g.p.m. to give the Infantry warning that they are about to advance.
12. Fire ceases at Zero plus 360 minutes, unless further required.
13. Rates of Fire:-
 

	18-pdr	4.5"
During Advance, rds p.g.p.m.	2	1
During time Inf. are halted	1	1/2
During first four minutes.	4	-
During 4 min. before advancing) from Red Line )	4	1
14. Ammunition Proportion: Half H.E. and Half Shrapnel with corrector for 50% on Graze.
15. Arrangements for F.O.O's, Liaison, Wireless, Resting of guns and personnel, N.F., G.F. and L.L. Calls, and synchronisation of watches; will be as detailed in Instructions and Orders for the Operations on 20th September and 4th Aust. D.A. Instruction No 20.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

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16. The Day of Attack and Zero Hours will be notified separately

17. Moves Forward:

On taking the Blue Line, the Batteries of "C" Group, West of BELLEWARDE RIDGE will be ordered to advance to positions in D.27.c. and d., which are being reconnoitred. "D" Group will be ordered to advance to positions in D.26 and J.2.

Orders for the advance will be issued from this office.

Not more than half of the guns will be out of action at one time.

18. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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- "C" Group,
- "D" Group,
- L.O., Left Inf. Bde, 2nd Aust Div
- L.C., Right Inf. Bde. 2nd Aust. Div
- L.O., 3rd & 5th Aust. D.A.'s.

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AMENDMENT No 1 to ORDER No 50

Rates of Fire: When the 18-pdr Barrage "A" is on the RED Protective Barrage, its rate will be 2 rounds p.g.p.m. and not as previously ordered. Rate of fire for the period Zero to Zero plus 3 will be Four rounds p.g.p.m. for 18-pdrs. Previously this rate was to be fired for four minutes,

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To all recipients of Order No 50.

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AMENDMENT No 2 to

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

ORDER No 50

H. Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
No.....  
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2nd Aust. D. A. H. Q.,  
3rd October, 1917.

Para 7, Line 2, for "D.28.c.40.45" read "D.28.a.22.55."

*A. J. Park*

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

4TH AUSTRALIAN F. A. BRIGADE.

\*\*\* ORDER No 52 \*\*\*

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Headquarters,  
3rd October 1917.

1. ~~On the BLUE LINE~~ On the BLUE LINE being secured, Batteries will move forward as follows:-

2. "D" Group:

(a) 4th A.F.A.Bde. During afternoon of ATTACK DAY, one section per Battery at quarter hour intervals, will get into position and register. Remainder will proceed at Half hour intervals, as soon as forward sections are reported registered.

(b) 5th A.F.A.Bde: will continue work on their forward position and get up as much ammunition as possible, ready to occupy the position at short notice. This will be carried out as detailed for 4th A.F.A. Brigade, probably on "U" DAY.

3. "C" Group: will continue work on the forward positions about D.27.c.5.3. and D.27.d.2.4. and get forward as much ammunition as possible. They should be prepared to move up one section per Battery on the afternoon of "T" DAY to register; the remainder going up as soon as they have done so.

4. 2nd and 4th D.T.M.O's will get into communication with O.C's "D" and "C" Groups, respectively, and place all available men at their disposal for the work. D.T.M.O's will arrange for the rationing of these parties. Each will be supplied by 2nd and 4th D.A.C's with necessary transport on application.

5. Wagon Lines will move forward to areas selected by Staff-Captain who will make all arrangements and notify Brigades.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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4TH AUSTRALIAN	
F. A. BATTALION.	
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Headquarters,  
3rd October, 1917.

"C" Group,  
"D" Group,  
4th A.F.A.Bde,  
11th A.F.A.Bde

1. During misty weather, when visual signals cannot be seen, the S.O.S. will be given by STROMBOS HORN.
2. The Signal will be A SERIES OF SHORT BLASTS repeated back from Horn to Horn from the Front Line.
3. The same procedure will hold good as detailed in Order 49 of 1/10/17.

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AMENDMENT No 3. to

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

ORDER No 51  
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Headquarters,  
4th October, 1917.

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4th Aust. Div.
F. A. L. L. L.
No. ....
Date. ....

1. Reference para 7 (i)

(a) Lifts will be 100 yards in three minutes

(b) At Zero plus 30 the 18-pdrs of "A" and "B" Barrages jump back to their starting line; ceasing fire at Zero plus 33.

(c) At Zero plus 36, 4.5" Hows/similarly/cease fire at Zero plus 51.

2. Reference para 7 (ii), delete and substitute:-

9.45 pm to 10 pm  
10 pm to 10.6 pm

Silent period,  
Barrages "A", "B", "D" and "E" put down a standing barrage; starting line "A", 200 yards beyond S.O.S. Line, normal distances.

10.6 pm to 10.11 pm

Silent period.

10.11 pm to 10.17 pm

As for 10 pm to 10.6 pm, but starting line, Barrage "A" 1200-yards beyond S.O.S. Line.

10.45 pm to 11 pm

Silent period.

11 pm to 11.6 pm

As for 10 pm to 10.6 pm

11.6 pm to 11.11 pm

Silent period.

11.11 pm to 11.17 pm

As for 10.11 pm to 10.17 pm

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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## SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

H. No.
4th AUSTRALIAN F. A. BATTALION.
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----- O R D E R No 54 -----  
=====Headquarters,  
5th October, 1917.FOURTH STAGE OF OPERATIONS:

- The following preparations will be made for the FOURTH and subsequent stages of the current operation.
- The objective for the Fourth Stage will be approximately the line - FLINT FARM - RHINE - TIBER.
- On the capture of this line, the 4th and 5th Australian D.A.'s will be prepared to move forward under mobile warfare conditions. A Mobile Heavy Group will be formed for the same purpose.
- Details for the move to forward positions of the 2nd Aust. D.A. Group have been issued in Order No 52.
- IN-ENTRY RELIEF: The 5th Aust. Inf. Bde will relieve the 6th and 7th Aust. Inf. Bdes tonight (5/6th Oct) in the front line captured on 4th October. There will be two Battalions in the front line.
- Headquarters of Inf. Bdes:-

5th A.I.Bde,	Advanced	D.26.c.1.3.
	Rear	I.12.c.3.5.
6th A.I.Bde,	Advanced	SANS SOUCI.
	Rear	I.12.c.3.5.
7th A.I.Bde	RAILWAY WOOD	
- Liaison will be carried out as heretofore during period when actual operations are not in progress.
- ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Signal Communication Orders Part III

- (1). Adv'd 2nd D.H.Q. - YPRES RAMPARTS  
 4th Adv'd 5th Bde - D.22.d.1.5  
 5th Bde Hqrs - D.26.o.1.3  
 6th Bde Hqrs - SAN SOUCI - J.2.a.3.6  
 7th Bde Hqrs - D.26.o.1.3



(2). Synchronisation of TIME Watches to be synchronised with Brigades at 9am and 9pm daily.

(3). CABLE. Bury Cable Head will be at TOKIO - D.27.d.7.6. Lines on Bury Route will be allotted on application to O.C. Signal Coy; O.C. 5th Bde Signal Section will maintain a cable in conjunction with O.C. No 1 Section, between advanced 5th Bde Hqrs and Cable Head.

(4). VISUAL. Visual Stations, receiving and transmitting; will be established as follows:-

By 5th Bde Signal Section.

- At 5th Bde Rear Hqrs - D.26.o.1.3
- At 5th Bde Adv'd Hqrs - D.22.d.2.5
- At Bde Forward Station - D.23.a.3.7

By 5th Bde Signal Section.

- At Bde Hqrs - SAN SOUCI - J.2.a.3.6
- At Cable Head - D.27.d.7.6
- At Bde Forward Station - DE-KNOTES FARM - D.28.b.4.6

(5). VISUAL TO AEROPLANES. As in Part II of these Orders.

(6). RUNNERS. As in Part II of these Orders.

(7). PIGEONS. ditto.

(8). WIRELESS ditto.

(9). AMPLIFIER CONDUCTION SERVICE. Service will be all up and down working.

- No 1 Station at SAN SOUCI - J.1.b.9.5
- No 2 Station transmitting at ANZAC.
- No 3 Station transmitting - Cable Head - TOKIO.
- No 4 Station at advanced 5th Bde Hqrs - MOVLIN FARM.
- No 5 Station at present at DE-KNOTE FARM, to go forward after the attack to about - D.23.a.3.7 (5th Bde Forward Station)

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*P.H. Watson*  
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O.C. 2nd Aust Div Signal Coy.

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H.Q. 4TH AUSTRALIAN F. A. LIAISON.
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\*\*\* ORDER No 56 \*\*\*  
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Headquarters,  
6th October, 1917.

1. The 1st ANZAC CORPS in conjunction with the Corps and Army to the North, will advance on a day and hour to be notified.
2. The approximate objectives on the Corps Front have been notified.
3. On night of 6/7th October, the 7th Inf. Bde takes over the Sector up to Railway as detailed in Order 55.  
  
On night of 7/8th October,  
the 6th Aust. Inf. Bde will take over the Right Sector of the Divisional front;  
the 5th Aust. Inf. Bde will take over the Left Sector of the Divisional front.  
The 7th Aust. Inf. Bde will be in Divisional Reserve.
4. The 4th stage of current operations will probably take place on "X" DAY.
5. Two Bombardment Barrages will be carried out on "Y" and "W" DAYS, instead of as notified in D.A. Order No 51. Diagrams attached (*Groups Only*).  
(a) Starting Line on Diagram will be 18-pdr S.O.S. Line (Heavy Artillery will be notified of S.O.S. Line)  
(b) Rates of fire:-  

<u>18-pdr</u>	<u>4.5" How</u>
2 rds p.g.p.m.	1½ rds p.g.p.m.

  
(c) Times of commencement will be notified later.  
(d) The usual restrictions as to use of 106 Fuze.
6. With reference to D.A. Order No 54, para 3, the O.C., "C" Group will reconnoitre positions about D.22 and D.28. These should be close to the Ridge in order to avoid observation from N.N.E., compatible to clearing the crest at required range.
7. Orders to move to these positions will be issued from this office on taking the 4th objective. The Staff-Captain is arranging for forward Wagon Lines.
8. The WESTHOEK- ZONNEBEKE ROAD is being remade and <sup>will</sup> be-timbered. No traffic is allowed while under formation. ^
9. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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## SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

\*\*\* O R D E R No 55 \*\*\*  
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REFERENCE MAP -  
ZONNEBEKE, 28 N.E.1-1/10,000

Headquarters,  
6th October, 1917.

1. The Boundary of the Second Australian Division will be extended to the Railway on night 6/7th October. The Northern Boundary will then follow the Railway towards ROULERS from D.22.a.5.0. where it leaves it at present. Railway inclusive to 2nd Aust. D.A.
2. The 2nd Aust. Div. will accordingly take over that portion of the line held by the Right Div., 2nd ANZAC as far as the Railway on the night of 6/7th October. The relief will be carried out by mutual arrangements between G.O.C's <sup>Inf. Bdes</sup> concerned. Command will pass on completion of relief and at that hour Artillery Groups will be responsible for Sectors as detailed in para .3. Inf. Bde. Liaison Officers to notify the time of relief to Groups, who will report same and completion to D.A.H.Q.
3. The inter- Inf. Bde (and covering Group) Boundary will be SANS SOUCI -- St. JOSEPH'S INSTITUTE along ZONNEBEKE-BROODSEINDE ROAD to D.22.d.6.5. - direct line through N.W. corner of DAIRY WOOD to E.13.c.15.95.
4. The Headquarters of 7th Aust. Inf. Bde will be at D.26.c.1.3.
5. Groups will ascertain exact front line after being taken over, through Bde. Liaison Officers and inform D.A.H.Q.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE.

  
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F. A. BRIGADE.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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\*\*\* O R D E R No 57 \*\*\*  
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REFERENCE MAP:  
ECHEBEKE, Sheet 28 N.E.1

1. As (from 8 a.m. 7th October, 1917) the Divisional Front will be extended to the North, two Brigades 1st D.A. will be attached to 2nd Aust. D.A. Group for offensive purposes, when operations recommence. In the meantime, Groups will cover Inf. Bdes as detailed in Order No 55.

2. The 1st Aust. D.A. Group will be known as "C 1" Group and will cover the Right Sector of the Division. Headquarters-HALFWAY HOUSE.

3. Inter-Group boundaries during time 1st D.A. are attached will be as follows:-

"C 1" Group	( Right Divisional Boundary, ( D.23.c.25.55 - D.24.b.8.3. )	} Cover Fight Inf. Bde.
"G" Group	( D.23.c.25.55 - D.24.b.8.3. ( D.23.a.40.65 - E.13.c.15.95. )	
"D" Group	( D.23.a.40.65 - E.13.c.15.95 ( Railway )	} Cover Left Inf. Bde.

4. The S.O.S. Lines will be extended North at 8 a.m. 7th October, from D.17.d.4.0 to D.17.a.95.20. Any alteration thought advisable by the S.O.C., Inf. Bde., will be arranged by the Bde. Liaison Officer.

5. For the 4th phase of operations,

Lt-Col. P.M. EDWARDS will act as Liaison Officer with the Right (6th) Inf. Bde, and  
Lt-Col. J.L. SHELLSHEAR with the Left (5th) Inf. Bde.

These Officers will report at Bde Headquarters on the afternoon of 8th October, 1917.

6. The same arrangements for F.O.O's as detailed in 2nd Aust. D.A. Instruction No 1, para 17, will hold good. It is essential that F.O.O's pick their proposed positions for lamps before operations commence, and personnel at the old O.P. are thoroughly cognisant of F.O.O's intentions.

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2nd Aust. Div. Artv.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

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LOCATION STATEMENT

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4th Aust. Div.  
F. A. LOISELLE

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UNIT	CODE NAME	LOCATION	
2nd Aust. Div	JEWEL	RAMPARTS, I.14.b.10.60.	
LEFT ANZAC GRP ART. (2nd Aust.D.A.H.Q)	MOTH	RAMPARTS, I.14.b.10.60.	
4th A.F.A.Bde	MART	}	
10th Battery,	ENGINE		J.2.a.85.47.
11th Battery,	HAXEL		J.2.b.05.37.
12th Battery,	HOUSE		J.2.a.65.65.
104th How. Bty.,	EXPERT		J.2.b.38.75.
(D'GROUP 5th A.F.A.Bde)	MASK	J.1.d.35.67	
13th Battery,	EGG	( J.1.c.95.60-3 guns J.2.a.95.85-3 guns )	
14th Battery	HARROW		J.7.a.67.85.)
15th Battery,	ENVY	J.1.d.35.30 } Moving	
105th How. Bty.	HEAD	J.1.c.65.55.)	
4th Aust. Div. Arty	PILCHARD	1.1.d.65.10	
(C'GROUP 10th A.F.A.Bde)	PAPER		
37th Battery,	PULP	J.2.d.15.75.	
38th Battery,	PRINT	( J.7.a.03.15 -4 guns D.27.c.30.40-2 guns J.7.c.57.62 -4 guns D.27.c.80.00-2 guns J.7.c.13.78.-4 guns D.27.d.35.20-2 guns )	
39th Battery,	PUFF,		
110th How. Bty.	POND		
11th A.F.A.Bde	PIOUS		}
41st Battery,	PSALM		
42nd Battery,	PURGE	J.2.d.62.62.	
43rd Battery,	PURPLE	I.12.d.90.88.	
111th How. Bty.	PROWL	J.2.c.05.75.	
2nd Aust. D.A.C.	MIRE	H.13.d.0.5. G.28.b.	
4th Aust. D.A.C.	JURY		
2nd Aust.D.T.M.O. 4th Aust. D.T.M.O.			

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ORDER No 59  
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4th AUGUST 1917  
I. A. LEASE.

Headquarters,  
7th October, 1917.

1. Order No 53 of 4/10/17 is cancelled.
2. (a) Daily allotment from noon, "T" DAY to midnight "W/X" DAY.
 

18-pdr per gun	4.5" per How.		
230 rds for } 3 1/2 days	230 rds for } 3 1/2 days	805	805
- (b) Allotment from midnight "W/X" DAY to noon "Y" DAY
 

460	460
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- (c) Daily Allotment from noon "Y" DAY to midnight "B/C" DAY
 

230 rds for 3 1/2 days	230 rds for 3 1/2 days	805	805
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- (d) Allotment from midnight "B/C" DAY to noon "D" DAY
 

460	460
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- TOTAL ALLOTMENT from noon "T" DAY to noon "D" DAY
 

2,530	2,530
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3. To be at Gun positions at midnight "W/X" DAY and midnight "B/C" DAY.
 

960	760
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4. To be on hand at gun positions at noon "Y" DAY and noon "D" DAY
 

500	300
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5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Major, R.A.  
Brigade-Major,  
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY  
 4TH AUSTRALIAN  
 F. A. BATTALION

No.....  
 Date.....

ORDER No 61  
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Headquarters,  
8th October, 1917.

- Para 6, Line 1, After "22nd Bn and 23rd Bn" INSERT "21st and 24th Bn"  
 (All four Battalions will be in the line).  
 Line 4, DELETE "18th"; INSERT "20th",  
 Line 5, DELETE "19th" INSERT "17th",
- Para 7, Line 1, DELETE "D.23.c.1.3." INSERT "D.22.d.15.45."
- Para 10, Line 3, DELETE "that the Barrage is about to advance".
- Para 17, Line 6, DELETE "23rd", INSERT "24th",  
 line 7, DELETE "18th and 19th"; INSERT "20th and 17th".

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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Major, R.A.  
Brigade-Major,  
2nd Aust. Div. Art.

To all recipients  
of ORDER No 61.

H.C.
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F.A.L. SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY
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Appendix No. XXXI

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

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ORDER No 61  
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Headquarters,  
8th October, 1917.

1. INFORMATION:

The 3rd Phase of the operations having been brought to a successful issue, the Second Army is proceeding, after due preparation, to make a further advance; the Fifth Army co-operating on the Left Flank.

2. The 1st ANZAC is on the Right of the Advance and will have as its 1st Objective the line D.23.d.1.0. - RHINE-ASSYRIA - D.18.b.0.8. (BLUE LINE)

3. The advance will be made in two stages, as shown by the RED and BLUE LINES in Barrage Maps attached. \*

4. The 2nd Australian Division will carry out the attack on "X" DAY. Divisional and Inter-Brigade Boundaries as detailed in Order 55.

5. On the 2nd Aust. Div. Front, the attack will be carried out by the 6th Aust. Inf. Bde on the RIGHT and the 5th Aust. Inf. Bde. on the LEFT. The 7th Aust. Inf. Bde will be in Div. Reserve.

6. The 6th Aust. Inf. Bde will attack on a 2 Bn Front *(22nd Bn. on Rk. - 23rd Bn. on Left.)* having practically only one phase and a wide front.

The 5th Aust. Inf. Bde will attack on a 1 Bn Front;  
18th Battalion will take the RED LINE;  
19th Battalion will take the BLUE LINE.

The 66th Division will attack on the LEFT of the 2nd Aust. Div.; the 167th Bde will be the RIGHT BDE. of the 66th Division.

7. HEADQUARTERS:- 5th Aust. Inf. Bde. D.26.c.1.3.

6th Aust. Inf. Bde. J.2.a.5.6.,

7th Aust. Inf. Bde. D.26.c.1.3.

8. ARTILLERY: The 2nd Aust. Div. will be covered by 1st, 2nd and 4th D.A.'s, the 1st Aust. D.A. having been allotted for tactical purposes.

The 1st A.D.A. ("C 1" Group) and 4th A.D.A. ("C" Group) will cover the 6th Aust. Inf. Bde.

The 2nd A.D.A. will cover the 5th Aust. Inf. Bde.

Inter-Group Boundaries as detailed in Order No 57.

9. BARRAGES

(a) The advance will be made under cover of a barrage in depth. Jumping Off Line, Lifts and Timings are shown in attached Map and Diagram.

(b) The 18-pdr "A" Barrage will halt when it reaches each Protective Barrage, as shown on the Map.

(c) The Barrage will lift off the RED Protective Barrage North of BIRMA at Zero plus 106; South of BIRMA it remains on the RED Protective Barrage until fire ceases on the BLUE Protective Barrage at ZERO plus 334.

(d) At Zero plus 106, the Barrage North of BIRMA lifts at the rate of 100 yards in 8 minutes, up to the BLUE Protective Barrage.

(e) The "A" Barrage will commence 150 yards in front of the Infantry Jumping Off Line.

2nd Aust Div. Arty.  
ORDER No 61

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10. Every 18-pdr of "A" Barrage will fire 4 rounds of SMOKE shell in quick succession as it reaches the Protective Barrage as a signal to the Infantry that the Barrage is about to advance. The rate of fire will be quickened to 4 rds p.g.p.m. four minutes previous to lifting. Similarly the 4.5" Hows will quicken to 1 rd p.g.p.m.

11. RATES OF FIRE:(p.g.p.m.)

	18-pdr	4.5" How
Zero to Zero plus 4	4	1
Infantry moving	2	1
Infantry halted	1	1/2
"x" Zero plus 102 to Zero plus 106	4	1

"x" applies only to guns creeping forward to BLUE Protective Barrage.

12. Fire ceases at Zero plus 334, unless required.

13. The 1st Aust. Div. Arty will come under the tactical command of the 2nd Aust. D.A. Group (Brigadier-General G.J. (JOHNSTON, C.B., C.M.G., V.D.,) at 6 p.m. on 8th October, 1917. Zones will be covered by Groups as detailed in this office Order No 57, except that "C" Group will superimpose two Batteries over "C 1" Sector in case of S.O.S. until Zero minus 1 hour.

14. Groups will cover their zones with one Brigade - superimposing the other.

15. COMMUNICATIONS: The buried cable is being continued from present cable-head (TOKIO) to MOULIN FARM. The same arrangements as heretofore will hold good for F.O.O's. It is essential that visual signalling is put into action immediately the first F.O.O. has reached his selected position, while the other F.O.O. is laying the wire to him. Shutters may be visible over this short advance.

16. SYNCHRONISATION will continue as heretofore.

17. Liaison Lt-Col. EDWARDS and Lt-Col. SHELLSHEAR will act as Liaison Officer with the 6th and 5th Inf. Bdes respectively. Lt-Col O'MAHONY will act as Div. Liaison Officer with the 5th and 3rd Aust. D.A's. "C" Group F.O.O. will work as previously detailed with 23rd Battalion. "D" Group F.O.O. with 18th and with 19th Bn on passing through for the BLUE LINE Objective.

18. WIRELESS: L.L. Calls, G.F. and N.F. Calls will be answered on the same principles as laid down in Instruction No 3.

19. The move forward for the 10th A.F.A. Bde will be ordered from this office.

20. Zero Hour will be notified separately.

21. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Major, F.A.

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*INFANTRY BRIG. 9E*

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13	"C1"	group	will	not
fire	on	new	sector	for
S.O.S	until	last	hour	mentioned
AAA	consequently	until	that	hour
SOS	boundary	between	"C"	and
"D"	groups	will	be	from
right	to	left	as	follows
RIGHT	DIVISIONAL BOUNDARY D-23-B0-6:			
to	D-13-C0-3	left	divisional boundary	
AAA	hourly	on	likely points	
of	assembly	and	approaches beyond	
18-PDA	SOS	line		

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

ORDER No 60

Headquarters,  
8th October, 17.

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4th AUG 1918  
F. A. L. E.

1. Owing to the present weather conditions, it is not considered possible for guns to move forward by the WESTHOEK-ZONNEBEKE ROAD from their positions in D.27.c.
2. In consequence of this, and in order to have a mobile Brigade consisting of one command, ready to move forward in accordance with this office Order No 54, Batteries will be re-adjusted as follows:-

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10th A.F.A. Brigade				
Battery	Location	Guns		
		In position	Take Over	
37th	J.2.d.15.75.	5	-	1 at W.L.
38th	J.7.a.05.15.	3	2 from 41st	1 at I.O.M.
39th	J.7.c.57.62.	4	2 " 43rd	
110th	( J.7.c.13.78.	4		
	( D.27.d.3.2 (detached)	1		1 coming back.
11th A.F.A. Brigade. (Forward).				
41st	( D.27.c.6.2.	2		
	( D.27.c.3.4.			2 from 38th
	( D.27.c.8.0.			2 from 39th
42nd	J.2.d.62.62.	6		
43rd	D.27.d.1.4.	3		(2 at I.O.M. (1 coming back
111th	J.2.c.05.75.	5		1 at I.O.M.

4. "C" Group will make the necessary arrangements for personnel to take over as above immediately.
5. Positions for one Brigade have been reconnoitred and found possible from D.28.a.0.9. to D.21.d.60.35. The road must not be blocked. A report on this has been forwarded to "C" Group.
6. Battery Commanders concerned will reconnoitre and mark exact positions and access thereto immediately. It is proposed to come in by the BIRR X Rds - FREZENBERG - ZONNEBEKE ROADS, by permission of 2nd ANZAC; no other road being possible.
7. The 10th Brigade must be ready to move forward immediately the final objective on ATTACK DAY has been secured.
8. ACKNOWLEDGE. *gpc*

*J. J. P. Palmer*

Major, R.A.  
Brigade-Major,  
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

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2nd Aust. Div. Arty H.Q.,  
 8th October, 1917.  
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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

4TH AUSTRALIAN F.A. BATTALION
No.....
Date.....

ORDER No 62  
-----oOo-----Headquarters,  
9th October, 1917.

1. In addition to the barrage arranged for "Y" DAY in order No 58, there will be a Corps Barrage at 5 pm on that day as follows:-

Starting Line "A" and "B" Barrage, S.O.S. Line;

Lifts 100 yards in 3 minutes for four lifts;

Zero plus 12 mins, all Batteries cease fire for 3 minutes;

Zero plus 15 minutes, all calibres form a standing barrage in depth.

"A" Barrage, S.O.S. Line.

Distance between M.P.I. - 200 yards.

Cease fire, Zero plus 21.

Rates of fire, 18-pdrs - 2 r.p.g.p.m.

4.5" How.- 1 r.p.g.p.m.

2. On "Z" DAY there will be an Army Barrage at 5 a.m., similar to that to be fired on "Y" DAY at 4.45 am.

3. Neutralisation of Hostile Batteries will be carried out from 4.30 a.m. to 5.30 a.m. as for an attack.

4. There will be a Corps Barrage on "Z" DAY, for which orders will be issued later.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

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F. A. BRIGADE.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

ORDER No 63  
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Headquarters,  
9th October, 1917.

1. Provided that the 2nd Aust. Division effect their action and no further operations take place, they will be relieved by the 4th Aust. Division on the night 10/11th October. After relief the 2nd Aust. Division will move to the STEENWORDE Area.
2. The distribution of the 2nd Aust. Div. Arty in the line will remain the same as at present, but the C.R.A., 2nd Aust. Division will be relieved by the C.R.A. 4th Aust. Division, who will assume responsibility for the Field Artillery defence of the Left Divisional Front at 10 a.m. on 11th October.
4. 2nd Aust. Div. Art.H.Q. will close at their present position at 10 am, 11th October and reopen at BENINGHELST at the same hour.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*H. J. P. [Signature]*

Major, R.A.  
Brigade-Major,  
2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

ADDENDUM No 1 to ORDER no 63  
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Headquarters,  
9th October, 17.

On the night 10/11th October, the 12th Aust. Inf. Bde will  
relieve 5th Aust. Inf. Bde in the Left Sector and the 13th Aust.  
Inf Bde will relieve the 6th Aust. Inf. Bde in the Right Sector.

Major, P.A.  
Bde-Major, 2nd Aust. Div. Arty.

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## SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

O R D E R No 64

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Headquarters,  
10th October, 1917:

1. With reference to para 4, 2nd Aust. D.A. ORDER No 62, Corps Bombardment Barrage in depth will take place at 5.30pm on "Z" DAY
  - (a) Starting Line, "A" Barrage on S.O.S. Line,
  - (b) Lifts forward, 100 yards in 3 mins in 6 lifts,
  - (c) Stop firing, Zero plus 18 to Zero plus 21,
  - (d) Jump back to) starting line) Zero plus 21 to Zero plus 24,
  - (e) Cease firing, Zero plus 24.
2. Rates of fire:- 18-pdr ... .. 2 r.p.g.p.m.  
4.5" Hows. ... .. 1 r.p.g.p.m.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*H. P. K.*  
Major, R.A.  
Bde-Major, 2nd Aust. Div. Artv.

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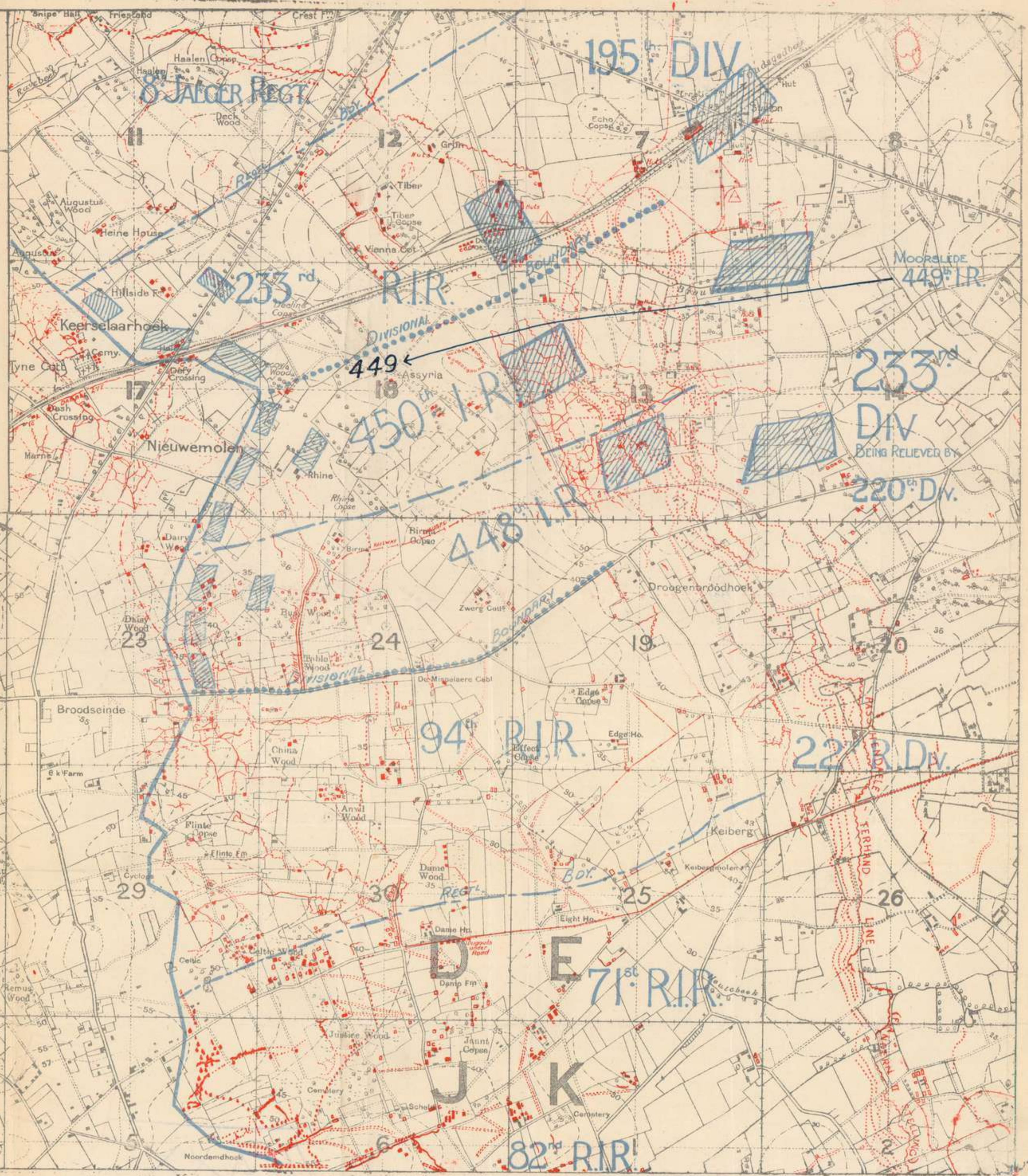
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# Situation Map

APPROX. BRITISH FRONT LINE—  
from information received up to 7 pm. 10/10/17.

Coy's Shewn  
Battns



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4th AUG. 1918  
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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY COPY NO. 18

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No.....
Date.....

ORDER NO. 96

HEADQUARTERS,  
11th October 1917.

1. The 4th Australian Division will resume the attack on the PASSCHENDAELE Ridge on "A" day. Zero hour will be notified separately.
2. Barrage maps, Diagrams and Instructions for the same were issued under 2nd Aus. Divisional Artillery Order No. 65 .
3. The task of the 4th Australian Division will be to move forward S. of the YPRES - ROULERS Railway and form a flank to the II ANZAC. Corps which is attacking further North. The barrage map shows the 2 objectives, viz., the RED and BLUE lines.
4. The attack will be carried out by the 13th Aus. Inf. Bde. on the Right and the 12th Aus. Inf. Brigade on the Left.
5. Lieut.-Colonel F. O'MAHONY will be Liaison Officer with the 12th Aus. Inf. Brigade. Lieut.-Colonel T.I.C. WILLIAMS, D.S.O. will perform the same duties for the 13th Aus. Inf. Brigade.
6. SLOKE SHELL -
- Each 18-pr. as it reaches its RED and BLUE Protector will fire 4 rounds of smoke shell in quick succession to mark its arrival on its line.
7. F.O.Os. -
- F.O.Os. and parties will be worked under the same arrangements as in Attack No. 4 on the 9th October for "C" and "D" Groups. Names of F.O.Os. detailed to be telephoned to this Office.
8. The 9th Aus. Inf. Brigade is attacking on our Left. The 4th Aus. Inf. Brigade will be in Divisional Reserve.
9. After Zero plus 300 the 4th Australian Division are placing a post out at E 7 c 5 3, and the 3rd Australian Division (9th Aus. Inf. Brigade) are advancing further till their Right is on the Railway at E 7 d 1 8.
10. After Zero plus 300 the S.O.S. line on the Divisional front will be as follows :-

Along the BLUE Line Protector barrage from  
D 29 b 4 6 to E 13 a 7 8 and thence parallel to  
the Railway to E 7 d 0 0. E 7 c 8 8.  
E 7 c 5 3.

There must be no fire North of a line joining E 13 a 7 8 to E 8 c 2595.

With the above proviso the above line may be varied at the request of C.O.s.C. Infantry Brigades, as circumstances may arise.

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ORDER NO. 96

H.Q.  
(Continued)  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.

No. ....

11. The boundaries between Groups will be as follows along the above line :-
- Between "C" and "C 1" Groups - D 24 a 5 0  
Between "C" and "D" Groups - D 18 d 9578.
12. At 10 a.m. on "B" day, "C" and "D" Group will exchange zones, in order to ensure that the shortest range guns are on the Left of the Divisional front. The "A" Day Liaison Officers will be relieved at the same hour. of "C" and "D" Groups Group Commanders/will arrange mutually the shift over of S.O.S. Lines.
13. Signal communication between Right Infantry Brigade Headquarters and "C 1" Group Headquarters will be arranged for Liaison purposes.
14. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.  
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*C.M. Jates*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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12<sup>TH</sup> AUST. INF. BRIGADE ORDER NO 171.REF. ATTACHED SHEET.  
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HEADQUARTERS

11-10-17

H.Q.  
4<sup>TH</sup> AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BATTALION.

1. 12<sup>TH</sup> AUST. INF. BDE. will advance under cover of Artillery support from present front line to a line running approximately from RHINE to the railway on E Y. a 15.20.

Date 11<sup>TH</sup> October 1917. Time to be notified later.

2. (a) The Operation will be carried out in two stages.

The first or RED LINE being taken by the 4<sup>TH</sup> BATTALION and the second or BLUE LINE by the 4<sup>8</sup><sup>TH</sup> BATTALION.

The front will be held by a line of posts.

(b) The 13<sup>TH</sup> AUST. INF. BDE on the Right will not advance.

The 9<sup>TH</sup> AUST. INF. BDE on the Left will advance till its right flank rests at E Y. d. 1.8. at final objective.

(c) After capturing the Blue Line the CO. 4<sup>8</sup><sup>TH</sup> BATTALION will establish a post on railway at E Y. e. 5.3. connecting with a post of 3<sup>RD</sup> AUST. DIVISION.

(d) 12<sup>TH</sup> ALT M BTRY will supply 1 mortar with each Battalion.

~~2<sup>ND</sup>~~ 4<sup>6</sup><sup>TH</sup> BATTALION will furnish carrying party 2 NCO and 16 OR to report to 12<sup>TH</sup> ALT M BTRY 4 P.M. today 11<sup>TH</sup> inst.

3. The attack will be carried out under a barrage (vide tracings).

(a) The ~~barrage~~ face of the barrage will be 100 yards in 8 minutes.

(b) The barrage will dwell for 8 minutes after it first comes down before advancing.

(c) It will remain in front of the RED LINE from + 72 to + 180 when it will begin creeping forward to BLUE LINE in front of which will be placed the final protective barrage till + 300.

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4. (a) A Machine Gun Creeping Barrage will also be used during the advance and consolidation. It will be arranged by the DIV. MG OFFICER who will have at his disposal 8 guns of 12<sup>TH</sup> AMGCoy and 12 guns of 13<sup>TH</sup> MG Coy.

5<sup>TH</sup> Aust Division will also cover our front.

(b) 12<sup>TH</sup> AUST MG Coy will send one section forward with 48<sup>TH</sup> Battalion to establish 2 guns near DECOY WOOD facing SW and 2 guns in E 18.6.28. approx facing down BROUBEEK.

5. 48<sup>TH</sup> Battalion will be responsible for LIAISON with 9<sup>TH</sup> AUST. INF. BDE.

6. Acknowledge.

*[Signature]*

12<sup>TH</sup> AUST. INFANTRY BRIGADE  
BRIGADE MAJOR  
MAJOR

- COPY TO
- 45<sup>TH</sup> BN
  - 46<sup>TH</sup> BN
  - 47<sup>TH</sup> BN
  - 48<sup>TH</sup> BN
  - 12<sup>TH</sup> MG COY
  - 12<sup>TH</sup> ARTILLERY
  - 4<sup>TH</sup> AUST. DIVISION
  - ~~CPT~~ 9<sup>TH</sup> AUST INF BDE
  - 13<sup>TH</sup> AUST INF BDE
  - 12<sup>TH</sup> FLD COY
  - D GROUP A.F.A.

Secret. Special Instructions issued in connection with

12<sup>th</sup> Aust Inf Brigade Order 171. 11. 10. 17

1. Brigade & Battalion Intelligence Officers will take out Brigade forming up lines on line E 17 d 90.05 to Road Railway Junction at E 17. b 20.25. Direction tapes will also be put out for 50 yds on either side & an inter-battalion flank tape at E 17. d 65 65. approx. These will be placed out as soon as possible after dark. 46<sup>th</sup> Battalion will lay a tape line from end of Duckboard track near ZONNEBEKE to approx Centre of present front line.
2. 45<sup>th</sup> Battalion will arrange to vigorously patrol the front & deny NO MANS LAND to the enemy. thus covering the forming up of the Brigade.
3. Battalions concerned will reconnoitre routes from their units to forming up place. They will be formed up on the tapes one hour before ZERO time.
4. 45<sup>th</sup> Battalion will arrange for the following.
  - (a) To dig a C.T. forward to approx E 18. b 2.1 commencing at ZERO time
  - (b) To carry forward material & ammunition to dump as far forward as possible.
  - (c) The rear waves of the attacking units will act as carriers.
  - (d) Special Junction will be effected at the RED LINE at D 18 a 95.80 & at DETROIT CROSSING D 12. d 95.10.
5. Prisoners will be sent back to 46<sup>th</sup> Battalion who will arrange to escort them to Brigade Head quarters where they will be handed over to a M.P. escort.
6. The following articles will be carried by each man
 

2 water bottles	48 hours Rations
220 rounds S.A.A.	2 Grenades (Rifle)
4 Sandbags	1 shovel
2 Ground Flares	one white, one red.
7. When an Aeroplane calls for flares, both red & white flares will be lit as the Germans have got our red flares which they light.
8. Capt Parley will act as Prisoner Officer with 9<sup>th</sup> Brigade
9. Acknowledges

*John W. D. D. D.*

Brigade Major  
12<sup>th</sup> Aust Inf Brigade.

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Appendix No. XXXX I

H. G. ...  
 4TH AUSTRALIAN  
 F. A. BATTALION  
 No. FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.  
 Date.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. COPY NO...

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HEADQUARTERS,  
11th October 1917.

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| for    | ( | 32  | 4th Aus. Div..       |
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*gpl*

*W. J. A. ...*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.



## SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

ORDER No 65

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H. 4TH AUSTRALIAN

F. A. BRIGADE

Headquarters,  
11 th October, 1917.Reference: Recelacre Sheet 1/10,000

1. INFORMATION: The 4th Phase of the Operations having been completed, the Second Army, after due preparation, will continue its operation in conjunction with the Fifth Army on the Left.
2. The main objective of the Second Army is PASSCHENDALE, to be taken by the Second ANZAC. The 3rd Australian Division (2nd ANZAC) will be on the Left of the 4th Aust. Div., who will take the objective shown in attached map on the 1st ANZAC front. The 5th Aust. Div. will be on the defensive.
3. The advance will be made in two stages, as shown in attached map.
4. It is anticipated that the operation will take place on or about "A" DAY.
5. ORGANISATION: The attack on 1st ANZAC front will be carried out by the 4th Aust. Div. covered by 1st, 2nd and 4th D.A.'s under Brig-Gen. W.L.H. BURGESS, D.S.O. The 1st Aust. D.A. ("1st" Group) will be transferred for tactical purposes to the 4th Aust. D.A. at 1 hour before Zero and will revert to the 5th Aust. D.A. at an hour to be notified by G.O.C., R.A. They will cover the same zone as detailed before in 2nd Aust. D.A. Order No 57.
6. PREPARATION: The preparation for the attack will be the same as for the 4th phase; preparatory bombardments being carried out on "Y" and "Z" DAYS as already detailed.
7. BARRAGES (a) At zero on the day of ATTACK, the 4th Aust. Div. will advance under a creeping barrage in depth, as shown in attached map.  
 (b) The barrage on the 5th Aust. Div. front will only consist of 18-pdrs and 4.5" Hows.  
 (c) North of a line E, and W, through point D.23.d.7.3, the barrage will creep forward as shown.  
 (d) South of above line, the barrage will remain stationary.  
 (e) "A" Barrage will remain as Protective barrage on the RED and BLUE LINES as shown on the attached map; the remainder will go on as shown in Diagram. Each gun of "A" Barrage will halt as it reaches the RED and BLUE Protective Barrage Lines.  
 (f) Timings, Lifts and cease fire, as shown in attached Diagram.  
 (g) The Jumping off Line of the Infantry is shown on attached map. "A" Barrage will start 150 yards in advance of this line.
8. Every 18-pdr, "A" Barrage, will fire four rounds of smoke shell in quick succession on reaching the RED Protective Barrage.
9. RATES OF FIRE: (Rounds p.g.p.m.)

(a) North of D.23.d.7.3, -	18-Odr	4.5" How.
Infantry Halted,	1	1
Zero plus 4 to Zero plus 8	4	1
Infantry moving	2	1
Infantry halted	1	1
Zero plus 175 to Zero plus 180,	4	1
etc	etc	etc,

Guns and Howitzers having reached their Protective Barrages will automatically reduce their rates of fire.

P.T.O.

2<sup>ND</sup> D.A. ORDER 65 (CONTD.).

(2)

9 RATES OF FIRE (Contd)

(b) South of D.23.d.7.3. -	18-pdr	4.5" How
Zero to Zero plus 4	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
Zero plus 4 to Zero plus 8	4	1
Zero plus 8 onwards,	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$

10. Fire ceases at Zero plus 300, to enable posts to be put out along the Railway Line.

11. MOVE: The Mobile Artillery organised for the 4th phase of the attack (2nd Aust D.A. Order No 54) will be held in readiness to move forward at the shortest notice.

12. Liaison, Wireless, F.O.O's, Rest of guns and personnel will be carried out as detailed for previous operations.

13. ATTACK DAY and Zero hour will be notified separately.

14. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*H. J. S. J. S.*

Major, P.A.  
Brigade-Major,  
2nd Aust. Div. Art.

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4.5" How	18-pdr	(a) North of D.23.d.7.3. -
7	1	Intensified
1	4	Zero plus 4 to Zero plus 8
1	8	Intensified
1	1	Intensified
1	4	Zero plus 12 to Zero plus 100
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P.T.O.





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H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
Date...

No. S/104

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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HEADQUARTERS,  
11th October 1917.

"C" GROUP )  
"C 1" GROUP ) 3 copies each.  
"D" GROUP. )  
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- S.O.S. HOWITZER TASKS -

Howitzer Tasks on an S.O.S. after operations on "A" DAY will be as follows :-

*F155*

*D Group*

"C" GROUP :-

- 1 Battery (110th) - Search from E 7 d 0 0 to Road at E 8 c 3 9. *Search S. side of Railway from E.7.c.25 to E.7.B.9.3 sweeping for 200' to S. of above line.*
- 1 Battery - Eastern end of BUSY WOOD and DROOGEN BROODEHOEK - BROODSENDE Road in D 24 c and d.

"C 1" GROUP :-

- 1 Battery - On Road between BIRMA COPSE and E 13 c 0 5.
- 1 Battery - Search Valley D 29 b.

"D" GROUP :-

- 1 Battery - Search from E 13 c 0 5 to BROUBEEK.
- 1 Battery - CHINA and TABLE WOODS and houses D 24 d 0500.

ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

*C. M. Bates*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Appendix No. XXXIV  
"C" Form

Army Form C. 2123.  
(In books of 100.)

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Prefix <u>S/M</u> Code..... Words..... £ s. d.	Received From <u>DA</u> By <u>PH</u>	Sent, or sent out <u>4<sup>TH</sup> AUSTRALIAN</u> At <u>1.12.17</u> m.	Office Stamp. <u>AQX</u> <u>12/10/17</u>
Charges to collect	No.	To.....	
Service Instructions.	By.....		
Handed in at <u>F.Y.D.</u> Office..... m.		Received <u>4.55</u> m.	

TO "D" Ltp

*Sender's Number <u>BM 22</u>	Day of Month <u>12<sup>TH</sup></u>	In reply to Number <u>AAA</u>
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Reference	this office	S/104	Howitzer
S.O.S.	tasks	AAA	Amend 110 <sup>TH</sup>
Battery	to read as	follows	AAA
Search	south side	of	railway
from	E7 A 85 to	E7 B93	sweeping
for	200 yds to	south	of
above	line	AAA	Address
groups.			(C & D)

FROM 4<sup>TH</sup> Aust S. A.

PLACE & TIME 4.5 pm

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
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## SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

LOCATION STATE MENT <sup>H.Q.</sup> 4th AUSTRALIAN

F. A. BRIGADE.

-- No 8 --

LOCATION OF UNITS AT 10 a.m., 11th OCTOBER, 1917

No.....  
Date.....

UNIT	CODE NAME	LOCATION	WAGON LINES
2nd Aust. Div. 2nd Aust. Div. Arty. LEFT ANZAC GRP. ART. (4th Aust D.A.H.Q.)	JEWEL MOTH PILCHARD	STEENVORDE RENINGHELST (I.14.b.1.6. (RAMPARTS	
"D" GROUP 4th A.F.A. Bde)	MART	J.1.d.35.30.	H.19.a.70.05.
10th Battery,	ENGINE	J.2.a.50.70.	H.24.a.4.1.
11th Battery	HAZEL	J.2.a.80.38.	
12th Battery,	HOUSE	J.2.a.52.47.	
104th How. Bty.	EXPERT	J.2.a.92.47.	
5th A.F.A. Bde,	HASK		G.29.a.5.9.
13th Battery,	EGG	J.2.a.83.34.	H.18.b.5.1.
14th Battery,	HARROW	J.2.a.92.23.	
15th Battery,	ENVY	D.26.c.46.10.	
108th How. Bty.	HEAD	J.2.c.65.55	
10th A.F.A. Bde,	PAPER	I.16.c.3.4.	I.16.c.3.4.
37th Battery,	PULP	J.2.d.15.70.	3 Batteries I.16.c.7.4.
38th Battery,	PRINT	D.21.d.60.25.	
39th Battery,	PUFF	D.27.b.90.30.	
110th How. Bty.	POND	D.27.b.90.90.	
"C" GROUP 11th A.F.A. Bde	PIOUS	J.2.a.35.50	G.24.b.6.7.
41st Battery,	PRALM	D.27.c.60.25.	
42nd Battery,	PURGE	J.2.d.62.62.	
43rd Battery,	PURPLE	D.27.d.05.45.	
111th How. Bty.	PROWL	J.2.c.10.70.	
2nd Aust. D.A.C. 4th Aust. D.A.C. 2nd Aust. D.F.M.O. 4th Aust. D.F.M.O.	MIRE JURY	H.13.d.0.5 G. .b.5.5.	G.18.c.6.8. H.18.b.3.0.

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2nd Aust. D.A.H.Q.,  
10th October, 1917.

Appendix No. XXXXV

"D" Sub-Group Artillery.

SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE from 6.a.m. 11.10.17. to 6.a.m. 12.10.17.

4th AUSTRALIAN F. A. ENGINE. No. ....

ENEMY ARTILLERY.-

Time started	Locality shelled	Direction	Calibre	No. of Rds.
Intermittent during day	Battery Area	Keiberg	4.2. Gun	150rds.
5.30. to 6.p.m.	Westhoek Ridge	Unknown	15cm.	125 "
8.p.m to 9.p.m.	J.2.a.	do	15cm. 21cm.	50 "
During Night	J.1.b. & J.2.a.& c.	do	21cm.HV. 15cm.Hov.	80 "
				100 "

Our Operation Commenced at 5.25.a.m. Particulars carried forward to next return.

OUR ARTILLERY.-

Harrassing fire carried out on Roads and Tracks during the night in Group zone.

358 "A". 362 "AX" 229 "BX"

AIRCRAFT.- Active when visibility permitted.

Stanley Smith Lieut. for Lt.-Col. CO. 4th "D" Sub-Group Artillery. A.C.D.

"C" Form. (IN BOOKS OF)  
**MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.** No. of Message.....

Prefix <u>9.M. 9LON</u>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
Code <u>9LON</u> Words	From <u>FYD</u>	At <u>Appendix No. XXVII</u>	
Charges to collect	By <u>805</u>	To <u>4th AUSTRALIAN</u>	
Service Instructions. <u>FYD</u>		By <u>F. A. ENGAGE.</u>	
Handed in at	Office	m. Received <u>7 am.</u>	
TO <u>D Group</u>	No.		
Sender's Number <u>BM 12</u>	Day of Month <u>12</u>	In reply to Number	<b>AAA</b>

From Zero plus 300 to Zero plus 240 D groups will fire on I U S from 67 Doo 213 A. 54 a a a any smoke shells available to be used a a a addressed to D group repeated 3rd Aust D Co.

FROM  
 PLACE & TIME

4 Aust D. Co  
 7:45 a.m.

Appendix No. XXXVIII

D Group.

No definite information has been received since the capture of the RED LINE.

At 12 noon a message was received from 47th Bn (who had taken RED LINE) timed 10.40 am, that all RED LINE was captured except ASSYRIA where opposition was met.

A message was also received that at 10 am flares were observed on 3rd Div front as under  
 D 12 a 97, D 12 Central & D 12 do 525

Unconfirmed report from liaison with 9th Bde has since stated that 3rd Div (9th Bde) are on BLUE LINE.

Rumour has it that the New Zealanders have not taken RED LINE. Unable to raise you on phone.

Liaison 12th Bde.

12 45 pm.  
 12/10/17

J. O'Mahony heloc



Prefix <i>SM</i> Code <i>KEAN</i> Words <i>10</i>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
£ s. d.	From <i>Lt Col DA</i>	At <i>H.Q.</i> m.	<i>X</i>
Charges to collect	By <i>WV</i>	To <i>4TH AUSTRALIAN</i>	<i>11/10/17</i>
Service Instructions. <i>AYD</i>		By <i>F. A. ERISADE.</i>	
Handed in at	Office No. .... m.	Received <i>10.42</i> m.	
TO <i>9 Group</i>			
*Sender's Number <i>DM 14</i>	Day of Month <i>12</i>	In reply to Number	AAA

Your SOS line will extend northwards to E 7 D 5545 and from this point 3rd Aust DA and also have one section of eighteen pounder including from E 7 D 00 to E 7 D 5545

FROM *Lt Col DA*  
 PLACE & TIME

Prefix <i>SM</i> Code <i>KEAN</i> Words <i>10</i>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
£ s. d.	From <i>Lt Col DA</i>	At <i>H.Q.</i> m.	<i>2</i>
Charges to collect	By <i>WV</i>	To <i>4TH AUSTRALIAN</i>	<i>12/10/17</i>
Service Instructions.		By <i>F. A. ERISADE.</i>	
Handed in at	Office No. .... m.	Received <i>11.15</i> m.	
TO <i>9 Group</i>			
*Sender's Number <i>DM 16</i>	Day of Month <i>12</i>	In reply to Number	AAA

SOS line will be extended to E 7 D 5545 at which point 3rd Aust DA and also have one section of eighteen pounder including E 7 D 5545 to E 7 D 00 from zero plus 300 to 300 plus 398 9th Group will fire 1200 rounds on SOS line E 7 D 5545 to E 13 A 54 and address all recipients of 4th DA order 96

FROM *Lt Col DA*  
 PLACE & TIME *11 a.m.*

Appendix No. XXXIX

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Appendix No. XXXIX "C" Form Army Form C. 2128. (In books of 100.)

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Prefix <i>Am</i>	Code <i>CKP-13</i>	Words <i>13</i>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp
Charges to collect			From <i>YSA</i>	At.....m.	<i>13/10 10/17 3317</i>
Service Instructions.			By <i>YSA</i>	To.....	
Handed in at.....			Office.....	Received.....	m.

TO *D. G. Group*

*Sender's Number <i>BM 17</i>	Day of Month <i>17</i>	In reply to Number	<b>AAA</b>
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*cancel BM 14 aaa. from E 13 A 78*

*E 13 A 78 SOS Barge <sup>will</sup> run*

*to railway at E 7 C 85 aaa.*

*when news recd. that part at*

*E 7 C 52 is withdrawn line*

*will run to railway at E 7 C 53*

*aaa order 96 from 10 cancel*

*proviso about no fine work*

*of line E 13 A 78. to E 8 C 2595.*

FROM *addressed D Group reported GARY*

PLACE & TIME *4 am DA. 3.35 pm.*

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# D.11 to K.2

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Trenches corrected to 5-10-17

**LEGEND**

DUGOUTS OF STRUCTURES (verified by Air photographs)  
 supposed to be CONCRETE Do. Do. Not Do.  
 DUGOUTS not CONCRETE Do. Do. Not Do.

TRENCHES in Good Repair ---  
 Do. damaged or apparently not used ---  
 Huts

## E.A.

# Situation Map

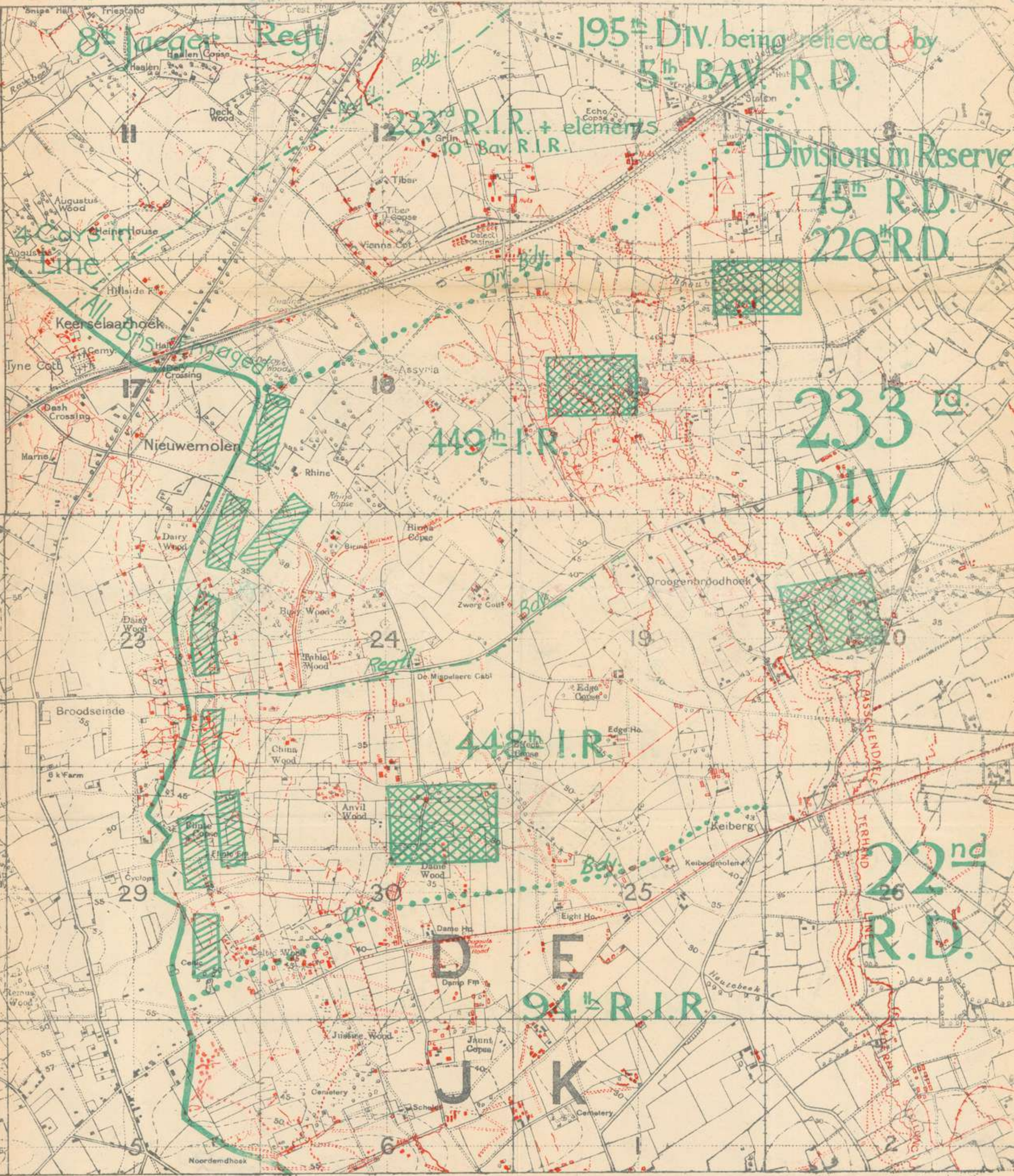
APPROX. BRITISH FRONT LINE —  
from information received up to 9 p.m. 12-10-17.



Coy.



Bn.



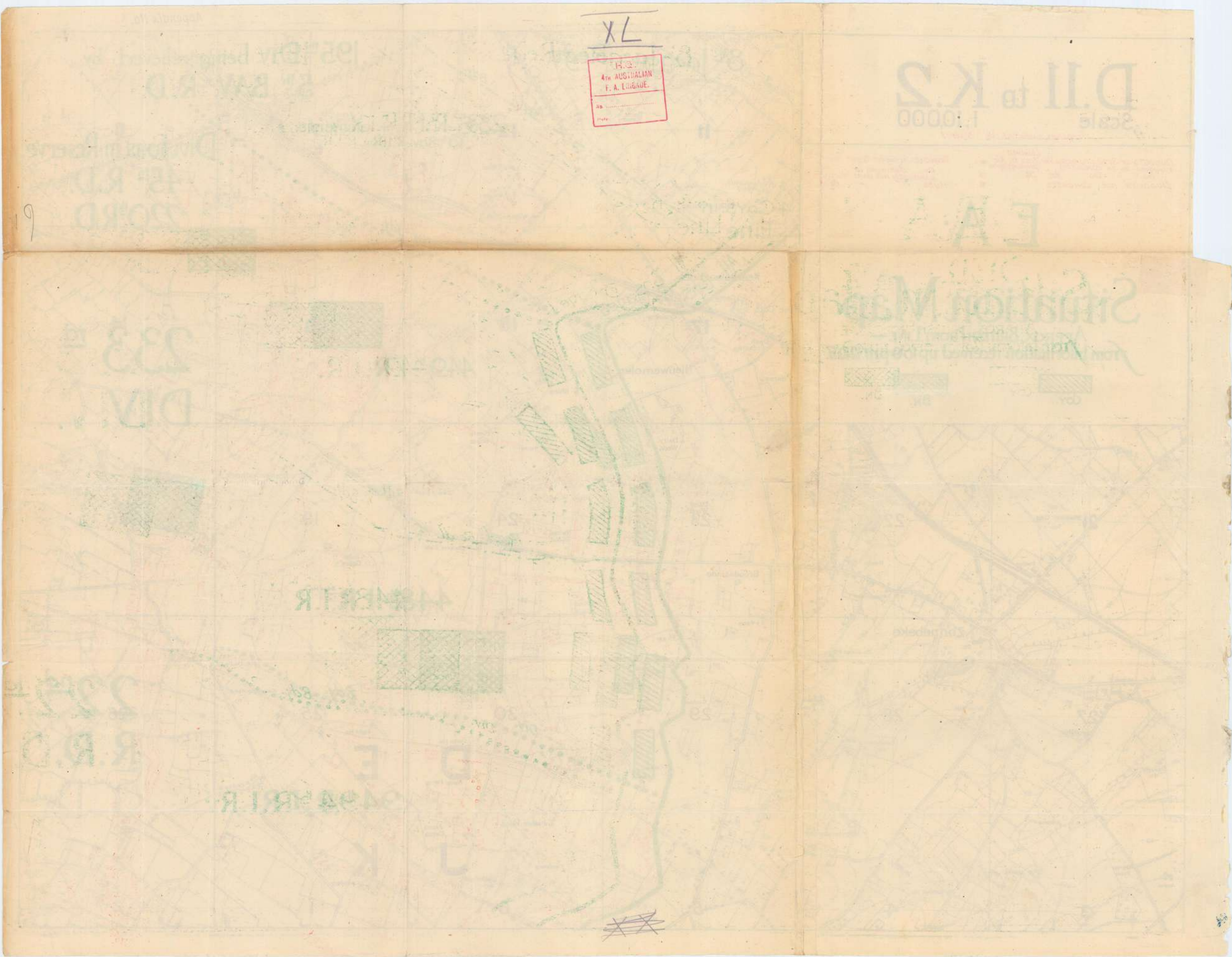
XL  
H.Q.  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. LEGION.  
No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

D.II to K.S  
Scale 1:10000

E.A.

Station Map

From Station formed up to position

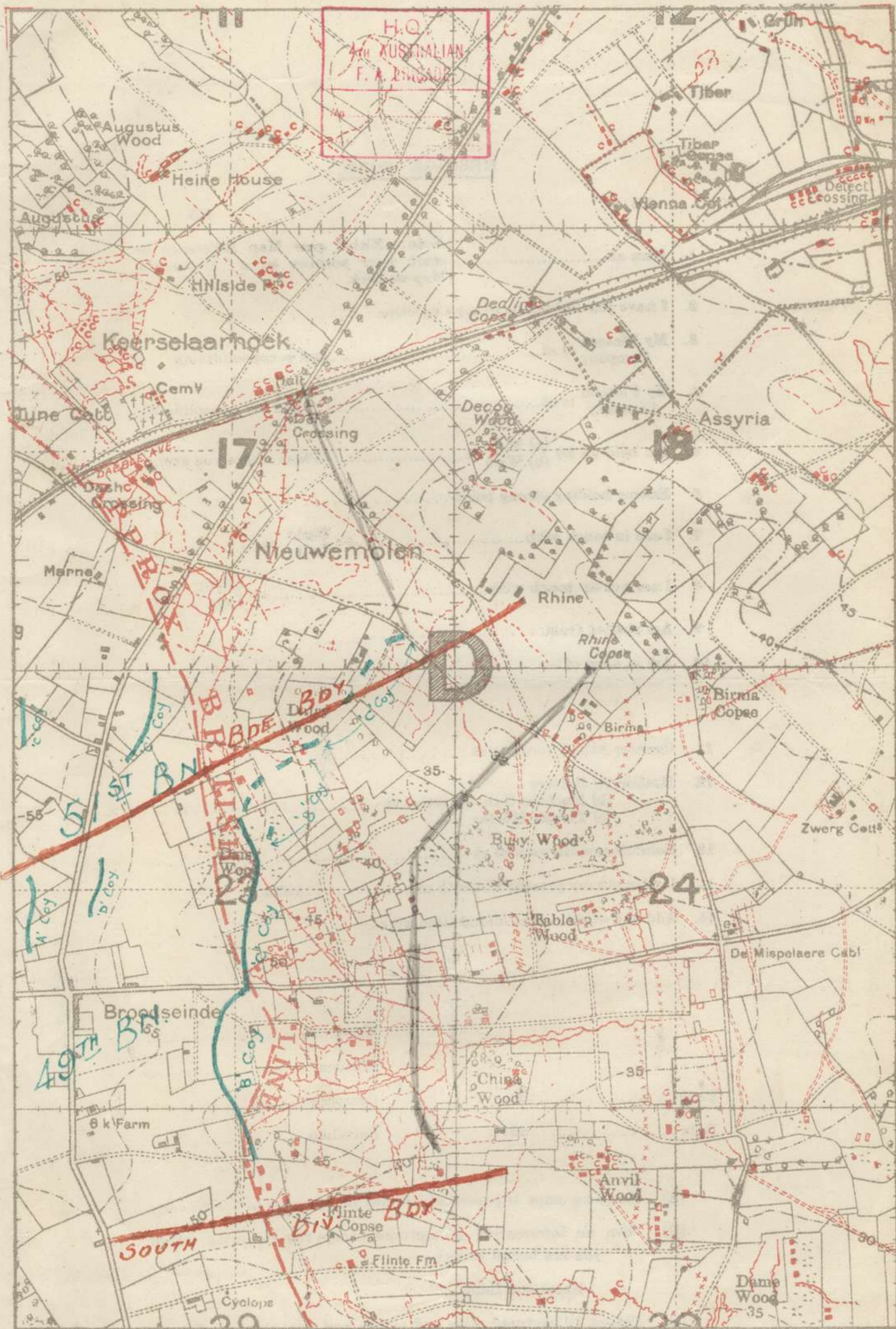


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MESSAGE MAP.

Scale 1:10,000

Yards 500 400 300 200 100 0 500 1000 Yards



DUGOUTS or STRUCTURES } verified by Air Photographs ■ C  
 Supposed to be Concrete  
 Do Do Not □  
 Dugouts Not Concrete □  
 Machine Guns. ← Headquarters. ▶

Old Gun Positions )  
 Trenches in good repair ~~~~~  
 Do damaged or apparently not used - - - - -

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Trenches Corrected to 4-10-17.

MESSAGE FORM.

To:—

No.

- (Note:—Either give Map Reference or mark your position by a 'X' on the Map on back.)
1. I am at.....
  2. I have reached limits of my Objective.
  3. My Platoon is at..... and is consolidating.  
Company
  4. My Platoon is at..... and has consolidated.  
Company
  5. Am held up by (a) M.G. at..... (Place where you are).  
(b) Wire
  6. Enemy holding strong point .....
  7. I am in touch with..... on Right  
Left. at.....
  8. I am not in touch with..... on Right.  
Left.
  9. Am shelled from. ....
  10. Am in need of:—
  11. Counter Attack forming at .....
  12. Hostile (a) Battery  
(b) Machine Gun } active at .....
  - (c) Trench Mortar
  13. Reinforcements wanted at .....
  14. I estimate my present strength at ..... rifles.
  15. Add any other useful information here:—

Name.....

Platoon.....

Company.....

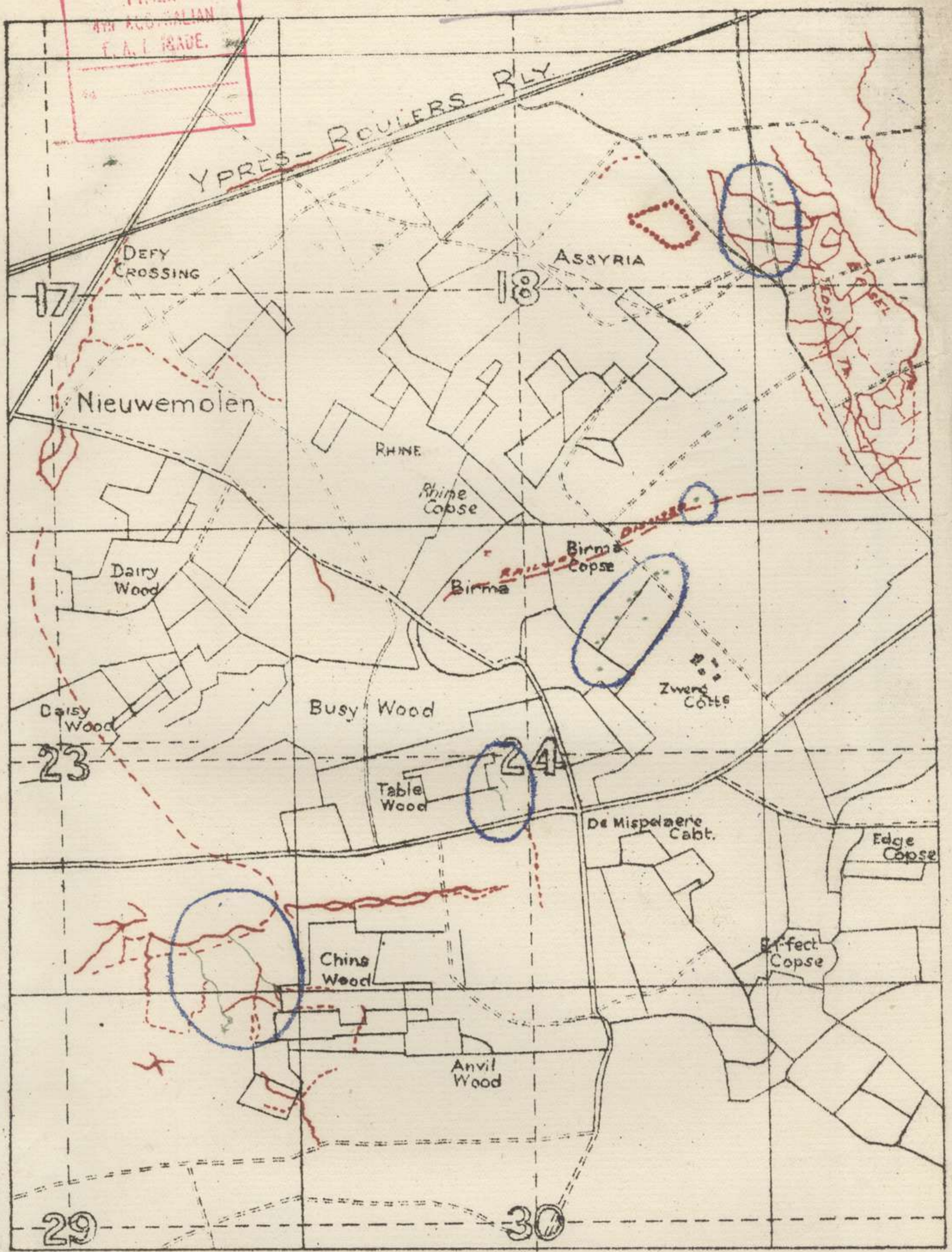
Battalion.....

Time ..... m.

Date ..... 1917.

- (A). Carry no maps or papers which may be of value to the Enemy.
- (B). Give no information if captured, except the following, which you are bound to give:—  
Name and Rank.
- (C). Collect all captured maps and papers and send them in at once.

H. ...  
 4TH AUSTRALIAN  
 F. A. I. BRIGADE.



# MAP

Showing points held by Enemy. Information from  
 Photos taken 12-10-17.

Information in Green and ringed thus O

B. I. S. N° 4 R.F.C.

Appendix No. X LIII  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. EINHAEDE.

"C" Form.

Army Form C. 212  
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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message.....

Prefix.....	Code.....	Words..... £ s. d.	Received From: <i>Da</i> By: <i>Des.</i>	Sent, or sent out At..... m. To..... By.....	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect					
Service Instructions.					

Handed in at..... Office..... m. Received *7.30 p.m.*

TO *D Group.*

Sender's Number <i>BM 24</i>	Day of Month <i>12</i>	In reply to Number	AAA
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*SOS line will be same*  
*D. 29 B65 to D24 C06 to*  
*D24 a65 to D18 C62*  
*to D17 B94 a a a*  
*C (1) group will be superimposed*  
*on right infantry Bde front. a a a*  
*dividing point between C & D group*  
*D18 C62!*

FROM	<i>4th Aust D.A.</i>
PLACE & TIME	<i>4. p.m.</i>

\* This line should be erased if not required.

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BATTALION.  
No. ....  
Date .....

Appendix No. XLIV

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Headquarters.  
13th. October 1917.

"S.C.S." LINES.

The S.C.S. Lines from receipt of this message will be as follows.-

10th. Battery.-	D.18.c.60.00.	to	D.24.a.25.45.
13th. do	.. D.24.a.25.45.	to	D.23.d.85.85.
12th. do	.. D.18.c.60.00.	to	D.23.d.85.85.
11th. do	.. D.23.d.85.85.	to	D.23.d.70.60. to D.23.d.67.23.
14th. do	.. D.23.d.67.23.	to	D.29.b.60.50.
15th. do	.. D.23.d.85.85.	to	D.23.d.70.60. to D.29.b.60.50.

Acknowledge by wire.

Copies to.-  
All Batteries.

*A. Bowler*  
Capt.  
Adj. "D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Appendix No. XLV

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
I. A. L. BRIGADE

"C" Form.

Army Form C. 2123.  
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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message.....

Prefix <u>SM</u>	Code <u>F. A. L. BRIGADE</u>	Words.....	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect			From <u>DA</u>	At.....m.	<u>AQX</u> <u>13/10/17</u>
Service Instructions.			By <u>MB</u>	To.....	
				By.....	

Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received 2.32 pm.

TO "D" Gyp

*Sender's Number <u>BM 32</u>	Day of Month <u>13<sup>TH</sup></u>	In reply to Number <u>---</u>	<b>AAA</b>
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C 1	will	return	to	5 <sup>TH</sup> ADA
at	3pm	today	AAA	after
that	hour	"D" Gyp	will	
be	alone	responsible	for	SOS
line	from	Dion	Southern	Boundary
to	D18 C60			

FROM 4 ADA.

PLACE & TIME

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Appendix No.

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**SECRET.**

4th AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. LINGARD

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4th. AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ORDER No. 15.

Headquarters,  
13th. OCTOBER, 1917.

Reference Map 1/10,000.

1. Reliefs will take place as per table overleaf.
2. All arrangements for relief of the 12th. Aus. Infantry Brigade by the 4th. Aus. Infantry Brigade will be made by the Brigadiers concerned and command will pass on completion of relief which will be notified to Divisional Headquarters.
3. In the relief of H.G. Companies the Divisional Machine Gun Officer will ensure that the S.O.S. barrage line is maintained.
4. G.O.C. 13th. Aus. Infantry Brigade will arrange to rest one Battalion at a time at BELGIAN CHATEAU Camp H.23.b.S.P.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*D.K. Bernard.*

Lieut-Colonel,  
G.S., 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Issued at 10.30 am

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|          | 23 ) | I ANZAC (2)         |
|          | 24   | 5th Aus. Division.  |
|          | 25   | 3rd Aus. Division.  |
|          | 26   | 4th A.F.A. Brigade. |
|          | 27   | 5th A.F.A. Brigade. |
|          | 28   | 57th H.A.G.         |

TABLE OF MOVES.

DATE.	UNIT.	FROM.	TO.	REMARKS.
Oct. 13 ) 13/14)	2 Battalions 4th Aus. Inf. Bde.	YPRES AREA.	Support and Reserve. Left Sector.	
	2 Battalions 12th Aus. Inf. Bde.	Support and Reserve Left Sector.	YPRES AREA.	
Oct. 14 ) 14/15)	4th Aus. Inf. Bde. (Less 2 Battns)	YPRES AREA.	Left Sector.	
	12th Aus. Inf. Bde. (Less 2 Batt ns)	Left Sector.	YPRES AREA.	
Oct. 15 ) 15/16)	24th Aus. M.G. Coy. H.23.b.		LINE	In relief of 13th Aus. M.G. Company.
	13th Aus. M.G. Coy.	LINE.	H.23.b.	



13th AUST. INF. BDE, ORDER No. 94.

H.Q.  
 13th AUST. INF. BDE  
 13th October 1917

Brigade Headquarters,  
 13th October, 1917.

1. (a) The 50th Battalion will relieve the 49th Battalion in right sector of the Brigade Front tonight, 13/14th instant.
- (b) The 52nd Battalion will relieve the 51st Battalion in the left sector on the night of 14/15th instant.
- (c) Arrangements for relief will be made between Commanding Officers concerned.
- (d) Completion of relief will be wired to Brigade Headquarters.
2. Table of moves are as under :-

Date	Unit	From	To	Relieves	On relief move to
October: 13/14th	50th Bn.	Support	Front Line Right Sector	49th Bn.	HUTTING CAMP. CANAL AREA.
14/15th	52nd Bn.	3 Coys. ANZAC Ridge 3 Coys. WESTHOEK Ridge.	Front Line Left Sector	51st Bn.	3 Coys. TOKIO Ridge 3 " ANZAC "
15/16th	24th H.G. Coy.	Reserve.	Line	13th H.G. Coy.	CANAL AREA.

3. Bombs, water, flares, S.O.S., etc., and ammunition in excess of 120 rounds per man will not be brought out by the Battalion going to the CANAL AREA. A small Battalion dump will be made and handed over to incoming unit.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

*R. Howell* Major.  
 Bde. Major, 13th Aust. Inf. Bde.

Issued at 1 p.m.

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- 14 13th Field Coy. Engrs.
- 15 A.P.M. 4th. Aus. Div.
- 16 27th A.A.S.C.
- 17 4th A.I. Bde.
- 18 13th A.I. Bde.
- 19 8th A.I. Bde.
- 20 24th H.G. Coy.

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H.Q.  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
F. ARTILLERY.  
No.....  
Date.....

Appendix No. XLVII

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.  
SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE.

From 6 a.m. 12th. to 6 a.m. 13th. October 1917.

OUR ARTILLERY.-

Time	TARGET	Rds. Fired.			Remarks.
		"A"	"AX"	"BX"	
5.25.a.m.	BARRAGE	7524	6928	1108	
6.45.p.m.	S.O.S.Lines	354	326	176	
Night Firing	Approaches & Tracks in Group Zone.	162	198	120	

ENEMY ARTILLERY.-

Time	Started	Stopped.	Locality shelled	Direction of shelling	Calibre	Rds.	Remarks
10.a.m.	4.30.p.m.		J.1.b. J.2.c. and J.8.a.	S.E.	21cm.) 15cm.)	250	
12.20.p.m.	2.15.p.m.		Light sweeping barrage Ridge D.23.a.-D.28.b. & d.	<u>NE</u>	21cm.) 15cm.)	190	
1.25.p.m.	2.55.p.m.		Ridge D.5.-		15cm.) 10.5.c.m.)		Heavy Barrage
During Day			J.1.d. & J.2.c.		15cm.	200	Inter mittent
3.30.p.m.	4.p.m.		D, 26.d. & J.2.a.		10cm.	40.	
4.p.m.	11.p.m.		Sans Souci		15cm.	200.	
During Night			J.1.d.	S.E.	15cm.) 10.5.c.m.) H.V. Gun		Inter- mittent

No heavy Barrage was observed in response to opening of our attack but the heavier calibre guns were fairly active all day particularly on the left of our Zone Front. The Trama Line passing over Westhoek Ridge came in for attention all day and vicinity of Westhoek Ridge was shelled most of the night with a 15cm. How. and 10.5. H.V. Gun. at the rate of about one round every three minutes. Otherwise during the night the conditions on our front were normal.

AIRCRAFT.- Enemy planes were fairly active and came over our lines four and five at a time- this morning his planes are again active.- 10 being observed at one period.  
Balloons.- The enemy had four balloons up during the day at 15° to 71° T.B.  
Our planes were active all day and one was brought down in about D.21.d.

VISIBILITY.- Good in morning but low in afternoon at times owing to showers

*Stanley Smith* Lieut  
for Lt.-Col  
CO. D. SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY A.C.D

H. ....  
 4th AUSTRALIAN  
 F. A. BRIGADE.  
 No. ....  
 Date. ....

Appendix No. XLVIII

FOURTH      AUSTRALIAN      DIVISIONAL      ARTILLERY.

SECRET      INSTRUCTION      NO.      23

HEADQUARTERS,  
 13th October 1917.

1. INSTRUCTION NO. 21 is cancelled.
2. The following will be the NORMAL DISTRIBUTION of 4th Australian Divisional Artillery ORDERS and INSTRUCTIONS :-

COPIES.

Nos.	1	--	9	"C" Group.
	10	--	18	"D" Group.
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			20	5th Aus. F.A. Bde..
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		(	22	5th Aus. D.A..
		(	23	R.A. 1st ANZAC..
for		(	24	4th Aus. Div..
inf.		(	25	4th Aus. Inf. Bde..
		(	26	12th " " "
		(	27	13th " " "
		(	28	5rd Aus. D.A..
		(	29	57th H.A.G..
		(	30	H.A. 1st ANZAC..
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Major, R.A.  
 Brigade-Major,  
 4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. L. B. S. D. E.

No. ....

Date. ....

Appendix No. XLIX

4th  
AUSTRALIAN  
DIVL. ARTILLERY.

No. S/108

Date. ....

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

SECRET.

	4th Aus. Inf. Bde. )	} for <u>Inf.</u>
	12th " " " )	
"C" Group.	13th " " " )	
"D" Group.	2nd Aus. B.A. )	
	4th Aus. Div. )	

HEADQUARTERS,  
13th October 1917.

1. In accordance with ORDER NO. 98, the front of the Division is now covered as follows :-

<u>Right Inf. Brigade</u>	--	"D" GROUP (4th & 5th Aus. F.A. Bdes.)
<u>Left Inf. Brigade</u>	--	"C" GROUP (10th & 11th Aus. F.A. Bdes.)

2. The S.O.S. line on the Divisional front is as follows :-

D 29 b 6 5 - D 24 c 0 6 - D 24 a 6 5 -  
D 18 c 6 0 - D 17 b 9 4.

The Dividing line between Groups being a line through E 13 c 1540 - D 18 c 6 0.

In consultation with G.Os.C. Infantry Brigades, Group Commanders may alter the above, according to the situation, provided that the points of junction with Divisions on flanks and between Groups (at D 18 c 6 0) are not changed, without reference to this Office.

3. Group Commanders will arrange that each Brigade in their Group covers by its S.O.S. lines the whole Group Sector, one Brigade being superimposed on the other. One 18-pr. Battery from the superimposed Brigade will form the 18-prs. in the mixed 4.5 and 18-pr. Barrage (the "B" Barrage).

4. The reply to an S.O.S. Signal will be as follows :-

<u>18-prs.</u>	-	5 minutes,	4 rounds per gun per minute.
		3 minutes,	2 " " " " " "
		3 minutes,	1 " " " " " "
<u>Howrs.</u>	-	Half these rates.	

when fire will cease, unless the signal is repeated - in which case the above procedure will be repeated.

During the last 10 minutes the Superimposed Brigades will search back by lifts of 100 yards every two minutes.

5. Group Commanders will select suitable points for the Howitzers' S.O.S. line in consultation with G.Os.C. Infantry Brigades.  
106 fuze will be used and a supply put aside for this purpose and the points selected reported to this Office.

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

*CM 10/17*

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
No .....  
Date .....

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

SUMMARY OF INTELLIGENCE

From 6.a.m. 13th to 6.a.m. 14th. October 1917.

OUR ARTILLERY.-

Harassing fire was carried out on approaches and tracks in Group zone 510 "A", 570 "AX", 354 "BX".

ENEMY ARTILLERY.-

Time		Locality shelled, Direction,	Calibre,	No. Rds.	Remarks
Started	Stopped				
11.30.	2.p.m.	D.26.c.	S.E.	15cm. 10.5cm. 21cm.	50 70 30
2.p.m.	4.p.m.	I.6 & .7.	-	15cm.	80
3.p.m.		J.2.a.6.8.		28cm.	2. 1 Blind
3.p.m.	5.p.m.	J.2.a. & b.		15cm.	40
4.p.m.	6.p.m.	D.25.c.		10.5.c.m.	20
During Day		J.1.a. & c.		15cm.	Intermittent
7.p.m.	8.p.m.	HANNEBEKE WOOD		10.5cm. 77mm.	10 15
9.15.	10.45.p.m.	J.1.c. & J.7.a. & c.		15cm	40
12 M.n.	1.a.m.	D.26.c.		15cm. 10.5cm.	50 5

ENEMY ARTILLERY.- NORMAL. The usual scattered shelling carried on ~~the~~ during the night. 1. 18-pdr Gun was completely destroyed by heavy shell J.2.a.6.8. yesterday afternoon.

AIRCRAFT.-

Below Normal, owing to bad weather conditions.

One enemy Balloon was up in front of our zone at 12.45.p.m. ~~was~~ was drawn down after half an hour

VISIBILITY.-

LOW.

*J. Stanz Smith*  
Lieut.  
for Lt.-Col.  
C.O. "D" Sub-Group Artillery.  
A.C.D.



H. Q. Report 12<sup>th</sup> / 14<sup>th</sup> October 1917  
 4<sup>TH</sup> AUSTRALIAN  
 F. A. CRUSADE.

After reporting to Lt. Colonel O'Mahoney (Liaison Officer) at 2 P.M. on the 12<sup>th</sup>. and receiving instructions I reported to the 45<sup>th</sup> Battalion Headquarters in the line at 4 P.M. The Battalion Commander (Major Allan) showed message which he had received about 2 P.M., stating that Contact Aeroplane had reported massing of enemy troops at Noordlaede and Dadrzeelle and that H.A. were then engaging.

This information he assured me was known throughout our Heavy Artillery and the area of course was beyond the range of our field guns.

At about 5.15 P.M. the first S.O.S. signal was sent up which I observed and caused to be wired back immediately.

Shortly afterwards the signals were repeated twice, and were immediately telephoned through to Liaison and the barrage went down about 5.20 P.M. Principally owing to the troops on the left of our sector retiring and partly of course to the increased pressure on our front, our troops were compelled to fall back to their jumping off line of the morning, where they remained.

Everything was quiet at 6.30 P.M. During the night fairly heavy enemy shelling was carried out on our lines and on the roads and railway to rear, mostly 15 C.M.

At 10.30 A.M. 13<sup>th</sup> established temporary O.P. at road corner at D23 a 40-65. and observed parties of enemy moving about on ridge in the vicinity of D18 a 9. 5. also enemy moving away from a tall structure possibly old

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windmill on bearing (Magnetic) of  $95^{\circ}$   
from road corner possible location being  
E 13.C. 7. 2



Hail storm prevented further observation  
for a few hours.

At 4 PM & 4.2 PM. artillery fire on new S.O.S  
lines was carried out, and from my  
position I estimated it at about 200 yds  
in front of our line.

Heavy shelling was carried out during the  
evening of the 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup>. The 45<sup>th</sup> Battalion  
was relieved by the 46<sup>th</sup> without casualties.

From information obtained from  
German officer prisoner messages were  
promulgated throughout the front line  
to the effect that the front was to be shelled  
with gas at first favourable opportunity.

I was relieved at 10 A.M. on the morning  
of the 14<sup>th</sup> inst.

B. G. Roberts  
Lieut.  
10<sup>th</sup> Battery

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Appendix No. LII

H.Q. 4th AUSTRALIAN T.M. BRIGADE.
No. ....
Date. ....

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY

Headquarters.  
14th. October 1917.

The following information has been received from CORPS, and may be of use to Battery Commanders in picking targets.

Enemy Trench from D.23.d.53.20. to D.29.b.70.80. is occupied and a number of men can be seen all along it.

The Trench from D.23.d.70.22. to D.23.d.90.00. is also occupied.

A M.G. Emplacement can be seen at the end of the trench at D.29.b.70.80.

The extremity of Trench at D.24.a.15.67. is occupied.

There is a concrete shelter at H.W. portion of ANVIL WOOD and at D.30.a.52.82., and a small one at D.30.a.62.83.

Grass Dugout at D.24.a.74.19.

BUSY WOOD is supposed to be little used.

TABLE WOOD is occupied.

*W. Bowler*

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All Batteries.

Capt.  
Adj. "D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

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"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY. *Appendix No. LIII*  
Headquarters.

14th. October 1917.

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
No. Batteries  
Date

RELIEF OF PERSONNEL.

Batteries may relieve personnel of one section.  
Relief will not interfere with four guns per battery being  
in action.

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All Batteries.

*[Signature]*  
Adj. "D" SUB-GROUP ARTY. *Capt.*

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"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Appendix No. LIV.

H.Q.,  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BATTALION.

Headquarters.  
14th October 1917.

~~TEST~~ "S.C.S."

Three rounds Gun fire will be fired at 2.p.m. on 14th. instant  
on S.C.S. Lines as test S.C.S.

Watches will be synchronised during day by phone.

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All Batteries.

*Robertson*  
Adj. "D" SUB-GROUP ARTY. Capt.

Appendix No. LV

4th  
AUSTRALIAN  
DIVL. ARTILLERY,  
No. 91/226  
Date 14.10.17

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H.Q.  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
No. ....  
Date. ....

AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

Headquarters,  
14th October 1917.

"C" Group,  
"D" "  
2nd Aus. D.A.C.  
4th " D.A.C.  
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REFERENCE INSTRUCTION No. 22, para. 1.

The bulk allotment for expenditure, from noon  
15th to 25th instant will be as follows :-

18-pdrs, per gun, per diem,	--	40.
4.5" Howitzer " " "	--	40.

The dump of 400 rounds per 18-pdr, and 300  
rounds per 4.5" Howitzer will be maintained in addition.

*W. R. A.*

Major R.A.,  
Brigade Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery..

Copy to (for inf.)  
4th Australian Division.

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4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Headquarters.  
14th. October 1917.

No. H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
Ref. 4th. D.A.H.Q. S/1084

The arrangements for S.O.S. are that 5th. Brigade shall superimpose the 4th. Brigade, and the S.O.S. Lines are changed accordingly.

see  
M/13  
22/10/17

- 10th. Battery.- D.18.c.60.00. to D.24.a.15.25.
- 11th. do .- D.24.a.15.25. to D.23.d.70.60.
- 12th. do .- D.23.d.70.60. to D.29.b.60.50.
- 13th. do .- D.18.c.60.00. to D.23.d.70.60.
- 14th. do .- D.18.c.60.00. to D.23.d.70.60. to D.29.b.60.50
- 15th. do .- D.23.d.70.60. to D.29.b.60.50.

The reply to an S.O.S. will be as follows.-

18-pdrs.-	5. minutes	4rds.	P.G.P.M.
	5. "	2. "	" " " "
	5. "	1. "	" " " "

when fire will cease unless the signal is repeated.- in which case the above procedure will be repeated

During the last 10. minutes the superimposed Brigade (Fifth Brigade) will search back by lifts of 100 yards every two minutes.

4.5"Hows. half these rates.

The 14th. Battery will be the Battery used with Hows. forming B. barrage when barrage is used.

4.5"Hows. S.O.S. Points will be issued later.

Copies to.-

All Group Batteries.

*W. Bowler* Capt.  
Adj. "D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Appendix No. LVI

From  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BATTALION.

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Headquarters.  
15th October 1917.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

From 6.a.m. 14th to 6.a.m. 15th. October 1917.

## ENEMY ARTILLERY.-

Time Started	Time Stopped	Locality shelled	Direction	Calibre	No. rds.	Remarks.
8.a.m.	11.p.m.	J.2.a & b & D.26 .d.	90° TB.	15cm	80	Bearing t taken from J.2.a.7.8.
11.15.	11.50.a.m.			21cm	100	
1.15.	2.30.p.m.					
2.15.	2.45.p.m.	Road D.26.a.	-	21cm ) 15cm )	150	1 gun damaged
4.30.	5.30.p.m.	J.1. & 2.	90° TB	21cm	90	ditto
4.50.	5.10.p.m.	J.10.a. & b.	-	77mm Heavy 10.5.cm. Barrage		
5.30.	6.30.p.m.	J.7.b.	90° TB	15cm ) 21cm )	100	
12mn.	4.a.m.	D.26.k.j.1.-j.2.- j.7.- j.8.		77mm Heavy 10.5.cm bombard- ment		Gas Shells

The enemy was using his heavy guns and freely particularly around the 18-pdr. battery areas. At 12 midnight a Gas bombardment was opened by the enemy this appeared to be along the whole front and was very intense keeping on until about 4.a.m. when it eased off. During the day the enemy shelled the front line system with 77mm. intermittently. Shelling on the front line system below normal.

## OUR ARTILLERY.-

Harrasing fire was carried out on the roads and occupied areas in Group Zones. At 2.p.m. a Test S.O.S. Barrage was put down - 3rds per gun were fired, and results very satisfactory.

## AIRCRAFT.-

At 7.a.m. enemy plane flew low over battery position.  
At 12.40.p.m. 10 Gothas Planes flew over our lines towards YPRES. A few bombs were dropped on route.  
At 2.45.p.m. 5 Gother planes flew over our lines.  
Enemy Balloon observed at 10.40.a.m. at 90° T.B.  
(bearing taken from J.2.a.7.8.)

## MOVEMENT.-

F.C.O. reports Train observed travelling westward S.W. direction from Moorslede (No time given)

## MISCELLANEOUS.-

A 77mm. Battery is reported Active from E.26.a.4.5. and a 10.5.cm. Battery is reported active from E.20.a.1.2.



INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY  
(Continued.)

OUR AIRCRAFT.-

One of our planes was forced to land about D.24.b. F.C.O. reports that Germans were seen to assist the pilot out of the plane, which was damaged.

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.

*Stanley Smith* Lieut.  
for Lt.-Col.  
C.O. "D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY  
A.C.D.

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Appendix No.

LVIII

4th

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AUSTRALIAN  
DIVL. ARTILLERY.

No. S/110  
Date 15. 10. 17

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. ENIGADE.  
No. ....  
Unit .....

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

SECRET.

HEADQUARTERS,  
15th October 1917.

"C" GROUP.  
"D" GROUP.  
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Reference this Office INSTRUCTION NO. 22,  
HARASSING FIRE.

Groups will please render to this Office  
their programmes for this work.

Track maps were issued on the 14th instant.

Field Artillery are responsible for the area  
3000 yards East of our front line.

"C" GROUP will be responsible for enfilading  
the DROOGEN BROODEMOEK to BROODSENDE Road from  
E 14 a 4 4 to D 19 a 1 7, and also road E 20 d 9 2 to  
D 19 d 8 4.

*CM Date*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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5th Aus. F.A. Bde..  
10th Aus. F.A. Bde..

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Appendix No.

Co. D Group

LIX

The left Boundary of the  
13 Bde H.Q. is now D 23 B 25.60.



I do not think it is  
necessary to allow our S.V.S.  
in any way.

Our front today to date  
remains fairly quiet.

12/11/17

Russell Park Ridge

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Copies to  
all batteries  
secret

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY COPY NO...

SECRET

H.Q.	
INSTRUCTION NO.	22
AUSTRALIAN	
F. A. BRIGADE.	
No.	.....
Date.	.....

HEADQUARTERS,  
13th October 1917.

1. Dumps at guns will be maintained at the following strengths per gun :-

18-pr.	--	400
4.5" How.	---	300

In addition to the above the daily allotment will be dumped as required. This amount is expected to be about 40 rounds per gun per diem. Exact instructions on this point will be issued later.

2. Opportunity will now be taken to complete the consolidation of the Artillery. The intention as regards Grouping and locations of Brigades is as follows :-

2nd Aus. D.A. (4th and 5th Brigades)

Grouped in and about J 2 and D 26.

4th Aus. D.A. (10th and 11th Brigades)

Grouped in and about D 21, 27 and 28.

3. The first step in the above will be the above will be the completion of the 38th, 39th, 43rd and 110th(How) Batteries in their forward positions as early as possible, and the move of the 105th and 111th How. Batteries to their selected positions.

As soon as the 38th, 39th, 43rd and 110th How. Batteries are complete, the 37th Battery will be moved forward to a position to be selected, and this will be followed by the 42nd Battery.

Group Commanders will report the map locations of the positions selected.

4. Instructions will be issued shortly on what use may be made of the trench tramway running up to ZORNEBEKE from WESTHOEK. It is hoped that guns may be moved by this.

5. Artillery policy will be as follows :-

- A -- Harassing fire on enemy's approaches and communications -  
30 rounds per gun per night.  
10 " " " " day.
- B -- Prompt engaging of living targets.

720 A + Ax 240 Bx

A HARASSING FIRE.....

INSTRUCTION      NO.      22      (Continued)5 Continued.A      HARASSING FIRE      :-

Each Group will operate in its own zone, and an amended track and occupation map will shortly be issued.

B.      ENGAGING LIVING TARGETS      :-

Every advantage must be taken of our observation from the Ridge.

~~Two~~ <sup>one</sup> O.Ps. per Brigade will be established and direct visual communication to Battery positions maintained from the Ridge.

Lists showing map locations of these O.Ps. and Group tactical O.Ps. will be forwarded to this Office by the evening of the 14th instant.

6.      WIRELESS SETS. :-

Wireless masts will be established by each Group as follows :-

At Group Headquarters	--	1 mast
With a selected Battery	--	1 mast.

Locations of the latter will be sent in as soon as possible.

7.      Group Commanders are again reminded of the necessity of the maintenance of a system of reliefs. Every opportunity must now be taken to rest personnel as much as possible. At their discretion, Group Commanders may send the personnel of one Section per consolidated Battery back to wagon lines. Battery Commanders will, if possible, be sent back to wagon lines and Battery Captains put in command of the gun positions.

8.      SALVAGE OF AMMUNITION      :-

Rear dumps of Batteries must be cleared before fresh ammunition is drawn, and Group Commanders will ensure that their rear positions are so cleared.

9.      ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

*CM Jate*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Normal  
Distribution.

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Charges to collect	Service Instructions. <i>FYP</i>	Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received.....m.	
TO <i>P. Gray</i>		No..... Date.....	

*Sender's Number <i>BM 35</i>	Day of Month <i>13</i>	In reply to Number	AAA
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*Instruction No 22 Para 5B DHA*  
*for two read one on the*  
*Brigade OP must be separated*  
*for each other.*

FROM	<i>4 Am W 17</i>
PLACE & TIME	<i>5:25 PM</i>

\* This line should be erased if not required.

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"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
No. ....  
Date .....

Headquarters.  
15th October 1917

All Group Batteries.

REFERENCE INSTRUCTION No. 22. para. 1.

The bulk allotment for expenditure from noon 15th. to 25th. instant will be as follows.-

18-pdrs. per gun, per diem. --- 40.

4.5"Hows. " " " " --- 40.

The dump of 400 rounds per 18-pdr, and 300 rounds per 4.5"How. will be maintained in addition.

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
No. 16/5  
Date .....

*Stanley Smith* Lieut  
for Adjt.  
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

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Charges to collect	By <u>(initials)</u>	To .....	<u>18/10/17</u>
Service Instructions.		By .....	
Handed in at <u>F. A. L. ...</u> Office <u>DIA</u> m. Received <u>1-8p</u> m.			
TO <u>F. A. L. ...</u>			
*Sender's Number <u>62162</u>	Day of Month <u>18</u>	In reply to Number	<b>AAA</b>

Reference Instructions 22 para. 5a  
 loose and substitute harassing fire  
 720 A & AX and 240 Bx per  
 group per diem one third during  
 day and two thirds during night

FROM H<sup>2</sup> ADA

PLACE & TIME

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Appendix No. LXI

"C" Form.

Army Form C. 2123.  
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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

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Prefix <i>SM</i>	Code <i>FM</i>	Words <i>3</i>	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect			From <i>4007</i>	At.....m.	<i>APX</i>
Service Instructions <i>P/D <del>AP</del></i>			By <i>CMZ</i>	To.....	<i>16/10/17</i>
Handed in at.....			Office.....	m. Received.....	<i>6:10P</i>

TO *D group*

*Sender's Number <i>BM 52</i>	Day of Month <i>16<sup>th</sup></i>	In reply to Number	<b>AAA</b>
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*night-firing tonight AAA.  
get touch with infantry  
and if necessary drop line  
west of dividing line between  
D & E except for SOS.*

FROM	<i>4007 DPT</i>
PLACE & TIME	<i>5:50P</i>

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Appendix No. LXII

COPY NO. 35

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONNO. 17HEADQUARTERS,  
16th October 1917.

1. INFERNO Dump situated at (Sheet 28) I 16 d 6 7 will be established on 18th instant. Batteries will draw from there for either pack animals or wagons.
2. O.C. D.A.C. of whichever Divisional Artillery operating, will be responsible for the working of the Dump.
3. O.C. 4th Aus. D.A.C. will arrange to have necessary Dump party at above, ready to receive lorries on morning of 17th instant.
4. O.C. 4th Aus. D.A.C. will arrange for the disposal of ammunition at present at GORDON Dump.
5. All ammunition arriving at INFERNO will arrive by lorry, thus freeing D.A.C. a great deal. Os. C. D.A.Cs. will therefore place as much transport or as many pack animals as possible at the disposal of Brigades for ammunition carrying, on application through Groups. Group Commanders will keep in constant touch with Os. C. D.A.Cs., to ensure the Battery most in need of ammunition getting assistance.
6. ✓ ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached. (D.A.Cs. by wire).

*Arthur R. White*

Captain,  
Staff Captain,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

Nos. 1 to 5	4th Aus. F.A. Bde..
6 " 10	5th " " "
11 " 15	10th " " "
18 " 20	11th " " "
21 " 24	2nd Aus. D.A.C..
25 " 28	4th Aus. D.A.C..
	29 R.A. 1st ANZAC. ) for
	30 4th Aus. Div. 'Q' ) inf.
31	S.C..
32	File.
33	1st ANZAC. 'Q'.
34	O.C. HOWE Dump.

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"C" Form.

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MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

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Charges to collect			From <i>PA</i>	At.....m.	
Service Instructions.			By <i>[Signature]</i>	To.....	
			By.....		

HQ  
 4TH AUSTRALIAN  
 F. A. BATTALION  
 Date: *D Group*

Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received *10.55* m.

TO *D Group*

*Sender's Number <i>BM 55</i>	Day of Month <i>17</i>	In reply to Number	AAA
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*Harassing fire will be not be brought west of line E 19 central*

*E 13 A 00 D 18 central D 18 B 08*

FROM *4<sup>th</sup> Aus D. A.*

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Service Instructions.			By <i>[Signature]</i>	To.....	
			By.....		

Handed in at..... Office.....m. Received *6.18* m.

TO *D Group*

*Sender's Number <i>BM 58</i>	Day of Month <i>17</i>	In reply to Number	AAA
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*4.5 Hows will expend 240 rounds per group harassing fire and not 360 as previously ordered*

*[Signature]*

FROM *4<sup>th</sup> Aus D. A.*

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4th AUSTRALIAN DIVL. ARTILLERY. No. 9 1/226 Date 16/10/17

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

H.Q. 4th AUSTRALIAN F. A. BRIGADE. No. Date 5th Aus. F. A. Bde. 10th " " " End Aus. D. A.

SECRET

HEADQUARTERS, 16th October 1917. for inf.

"C" GROUP. "D" GROUP.

1. This Office No. G 1/226 of 14/10/16 is cancelled as from noon 17th. From that hour until noon 25th the allotment for expenditure will be per diem per gun :-

Table with 3 columns: 18-prs., 4.5" Hows., and rounds (120 rounds each).

The dump remains as before.

2. Harassing fire will be continued:

1080 rounds 18-pr. 360 rounds 4.5" How. } per day per Group,

two thirds to be fired by day and one third by night. This fire will extend as far East as a North and South line through E 8 c 0 0. 10 more rounds per gun and Howitzer per diem are allotted to Groups for other purposes. The balance of the 120 rounds per gun (viz. 80 rounds) will be reserved.

3. It is expected that preparatory barrages will be ordered for the 22nd, 23rd, 24th and 25th, absorbing 160 A and AX and 120 BX on each day. Groups are reminded that the ammunition expended on these barrages is equally as important in the final result of an attack as ammunition expended on the day of an attack itself, and the amount ordered to be fired must on no account be diminished.

4. From para. 1 it will be seen that each gun, were it possible, could have up at its pits at noon on the 17th, a Dump of 400 rounds plus 960 rounds, this last figure being 8 x 120 rounds allotted for expenditure.

5. It is expected that orders will be received to have 960 rounds per gun up at the pits on the night 25th/26th. Orders will be issued on this subject later.

6. Group Commanders will please give the subject of weather protection for ammunition their attention. Small cupolas are available.

7. Howitzer Batteries of "C" GROUP will each have 300 rounds of special shell in the vicinity of their positions.

8. In view of the great difficulties experienced in getting up ammunition, and the large amounts recently destroyed, the C.R.A. directs that no Dump shall consist of more than 200 rounds or 200 4.5" cartridges.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE by wire. ✓

Major, R.A., Brigade Major, 4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

CMR

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F.A. BRIGADE.

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

No. ....  
Date PERIOD 6.a.m. 15th. to 6.a.m. 16th. October 1917.

## ENEMY ARTILLERY.-

Time		Area Shelled	Direction	Calibre	No of Rds.	Remarks
Started	Stopped					
6.a.m.	4.p.m.	J.2.a.&.b.&. (at varying intervals)	D.26.c.&.d. 80° & 90° from J.2.a.6.8.21cm	15cm T.B. 10.5cm 21cm	500	
7.a.m.	8.a.m.	Kit & Kat	88° RT.	15cm	50	Bearing taken J.1.d.35.60.
2.p.m.	2.15.p.m.	Duckbeards to Zonnebeke	D.27.cen. --	10.5cm	200	This was a searching fire
2.10.	2.30.p.m.	Zonnebeke Rd. and Railway from Westhoek Ridge to Zonnebeke	All guns were concentrated	Annihilating Barrage	-	-
3.a.m.	6.a.m.	Sans Souci	approx bearing by sound 75°	15cm 21cm	50	bearing taken from J.2.a.6.9
Intermittently		D.26.c.	-	10.5cm 15cm 21cm	400	

Gas shells (Gas having strong onion smell) were fired from 12 m. to 5.a.m. in area D.26. J.1. & J.2. The eyes were effected by this gas. Two Officers were badly gassed and evacuated.

Enemy Artillery yesterday reached higher activity than it has done for the past week.

## OUR ARTILLERY.-

838 "A" 601 "AX" &amp; 415 "BX"

Harrasing fire carried out mostly in rear areas of our zones as Infantry patrols were out during the day and most of the night.

PATROLS. Infantry Patrols went out as far as D.24.d.20 00 and/24. d. 25.75. approx. They encountered no enemy and report that while they were out the enemy was shelling S-East of them approx. E.25.a.2.8.

## AERIAL ACTIVITY.-

Enemy Aeroplanes very active. 11.30 a.m. 5 bombs dropped in wood in J.2.a., wounding 8 battery men. Offensive patrols operating between front line and Westhoek Ridge at frequent intervals between 7.30.a.m. and 4.p.m. 2.30.p.m. Enemy planes flew low along BROCDSEINE Ridge using their Machine Guns freely on dugouts and working parties. Five Baloons up on our Section during the day. Bombs were dropped in vicinity of Batteries and wood in J.2.Cen. (about 30 bombs). at 6.15.p.m.

## FLASHES.+

Our C.P. Reports flashes of a 5.9 observed at about 41° TB. (Bearing taken from J.1.d.35.60.) R of Passchendaele Church and well behind the line. Time from flash to Detonation in J.2.b. 14sec.5. Also flashes presumably of T.Ms. approx. enemy front line 115° TB. taken from J.1.d.35.60.

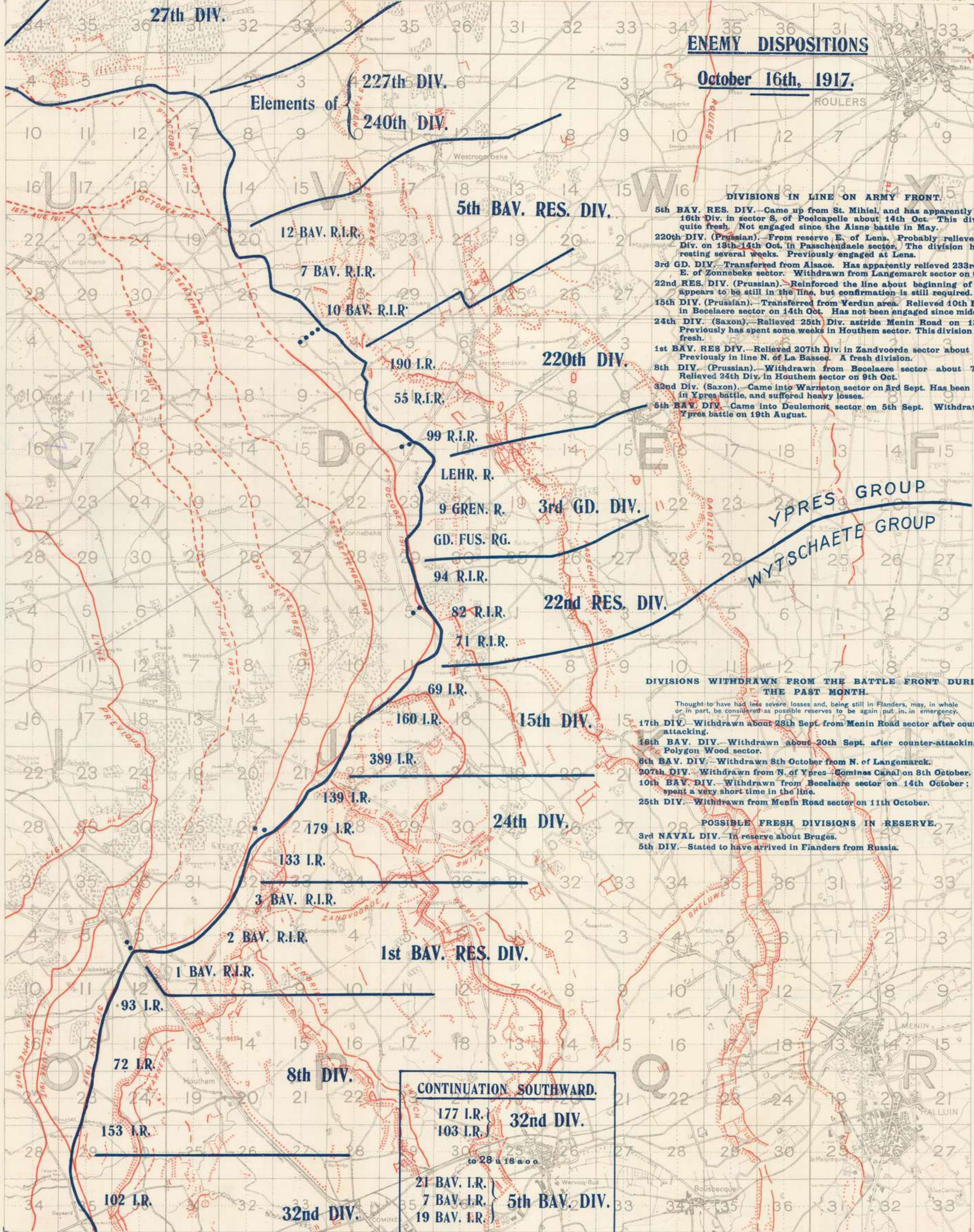
*Stanley Smith*  
Lieut  
for Adj.   
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

EDITION I A

THE YPRES FRONT (Nº 2)

German Trenches corrected to 12-10-17.

Parts of Sheets 20 and 28.



ENEMY DISPOSITIONS  
October 16th, 1917.

**DIVISIONS IN LINE ON ARMY FRONT.**

5th BAV. RES. DIV.—Came up from St. Mihiel, and has apparently relieved 16th Div. in sector S. of Poelcapelle about 14th Oct. This division is quite fresh. Not engaged since the Aisne battle in May.

220th DIV. (Prussian).—From reserve E. of Lens. Probably relieved 195th Div. on 13th-14th Oct. in Passchendaele sector. The division has been resting several weeks. Previously engaged at Lens.

3rd GD. DIV.—Transferred from Alsace. Has apparently relieved 233rd Div. in E. of Zonnebeke sector. Withdrawn from Langemark sector on 6th Aug.

22nd RES. DIV. (Prussian).—Reinforced the line about beginning of Oct. It appears to be still in the line, but confirmation is still required.

15th DIV. (Prussian).—Transferred from Verdun area. Relieved 10th Bav. Div. in Becelaere sector on 14th Oct. Has not been engaged since middle July.

24th DIV. (Saxon).—Relieved 25th Div. astride Menin Road on 13th Oct. Previously has spent some weeks in Houthem sector. This division is fairly fresh.

1st BAV. RES. DIV.—Relieved 207th Div. in Zandvoorde sector about 7th Oct. Previously in line N. of La Bassee. A fresh division.

8th DIV. (Prussian).—Withdrawn from Becelaere sector about 7th Oct. Relieved 24th Div. in Houthem sector on 9th Oct.

32nd Div. (Saxon).—Came into Warneton sector on 3rd Sept. Has been engaged in Ypres battle, and suffered heavy losses.

5th BAV. DIV.—Came into Deulemont sector on 5th Sept. Withdrawn from Ypres battle on 19th August.

**DIVISIONS WITHDRAWN FROM THE BATTLE FRONT DURING THE PAST MONTH.**

Thought to have had less severe losses and, being still in Flanders, may, in whole or in part, be considered as possible reserves to be again put in, in emergency.

17th DIV.—Withdrawn about 28th Sept. from Menin Road sector after counter-attacking.

16th BAV. DIV.—Withdrawn about 20th Sept. after counter-attacking in Polygon Wood sector.

8th BAV. DIV.—Withdrawn 8th October from N. of Langemark.

207th DIV.—Withdrawn from N. of Ypres—Cominas Canal on 8th October.

10th BAV. DIV.—Withdrawn from Becelaere sector on 14th October; only spent a very short time in the line.

25th DIV.—Withdrawn from Menin Road sector on 11th October.

**POSSIBLE FRESH DIVISIONS IN RESERVE.**

3rd NAVAL DIV.—In reserve about Bruges.

5th DIV.—Stated to have arrived in Flanders from Russia.

**CONTINUATION SOUTHWARD.**

177 I.R. } 32nd DIV.  
103 I.R. }

21 BAV. I.R. } 5th BAV. DIV.  
7 BAV. I.R. }  
19 BAV. I.R. }

SCALE 1:40,000

ENEMY DISPOSITIONS

October 1917

THE YPRES FRONTING 21

22nd DIV.

22nd DIV. 21st BATT.

5th BAY RES. DIV.

12 BAY BATT.

10th BATT.

23rd DIV.

100th BATT.

93rd BATT.

60th BATT.

3rd GD. DIV.

80th BATT.

94th BATT.

22nd RES. DIV.

11th BATT.

80th BATT.

12th DIV.

200th BATT.

120th BATT.

24th DIV.

103rd BATT.

2nd BATT. R.I.R.

2 BAY BATT.

1st BAY RES. DIV.

1 BAY BATT.

93rd BATT.

75th BATT.

122nd BATT.

100th BATT.

CONTINUATION SOUTHWARD

177th BATT. 32nd DIV.

103rd BATT.

21 BAY BATT.

7 BAY BATT.

5th BAY DIV.

19 BAY BATT.

H.Q. 4th AUSTRALIAN F. A. L.I.S.I.C. No. Date.

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THE YPRES FRONTING 21  
ENEMY DISPOSITIONS  
October 1917  
The map shows the positions of various Australian divisions and battalions in the Ypres region during October 1917. The divisions are color-coded: 22nd Division (blue), 5th Bay Reserve Division (green), 23rd Division (red), 3rd General Division (purple), 22nd Reserve Division (orange), 12th Division (yellow), 24th Division (brown), 1st Bay Reserve Division (pink), and 8th Division (grey). The map also shows the positions of various battalions within these divisions. The Ypres front is indicated by a blue line, and the Ypres-Schaete front is indicated by a red line. The map is oriented with North at the top.

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H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN "D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.  
F. A. BATTALION.  
No. ....  
Date PERIOD 6.a.m. 16th. to 6.a.m. 17th October 1917.

Appendix No. LXVII

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

ENEMY ARTILLERY.-

Time Started	Time Stopped	Area Shelled	Direction	No of Hds.	Calibre	Remarks.
6.30.a.m.	4.p.m.	D.26.c. & J.2.b.		800 (Approx)	10.5.cm. 15cm.	
11.15.	4.p.m.	J.1.b.& d. Westhoek Ridge			10.5cm 15cm	Firing was continual throughout this period
8.a.m.	8.30.a.m.	J.2.a.& b.		100	77mm.	Gas shells
10.p.m.	4.a.m.	D.26.d.	Kieberg	100	15cm	
Intermittent throughout the night		Wood J.2.a.		100	15cm	

Enemy Artillery above normal.

The great amount of movement on the Westhoek Ridge is no doubt responsible for a lot of hostile shelling.

OUR ARTILLERY.-

Ammunition expenditure.- 814 "A" 598 "AX" 419 "BX"  
Harrassing fire carried out in rear areas of our zone.  
Registration was carried out on E.13.c.95.10.

Aerial Activity.-

Our own and enemy aircraft above normal during morning but below normal during afternoon and evening.  
At 11 a.m. E.A. flew down very low over Kit & Kat but when engaged by our aircraft flew home wards.

VISIBILITY.- Low

BAR.

MOVEMENT.-

Very little movement was observed. Our patrols went out during the night 15/16th. as far as Cross Roads in D.24.d. without coming into contact with enemy. It is believed he is entrenched on the Kieberg Ridge. Parties of 2 or 3 men could be seen moving about this ridge from time to time.  
Smoke from train which appeared to be moving away from Roulers was observed about 11.30.a.m.

*Stanley Smith*  
Lieut.  
for Adj. Lt Col  
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

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Appendix No. LXVIII

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

4th 98
AUSTRALIAN DIVL. ARTILLERY.
No. <u>S/III</u>
Date.....

SECRET.

HEADQUARTERS,  
17th October 1917.

H.Q.  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
"C" GROUP.  
F. "D" Group.  
No.....  
Date.....

- 5th Aus. F.A. Bde.)
- 10th " " " )
- 2nd Aus. D.A.. ) for
- 2nd D.A.C.. ) inf.
- 4th D.A.C.. )
- R.A., 1st ANZAC.. )

1. The attached Table shows the tasks in ammunition carrying, per Battery required, up to the morning of the 26th instant and is based on :-

- A - The amounts at Battery positions at noon 17th.
- B. - The amount required to be at the Battery positions by dawn, 26th, or
- C - Tasks already set or outlined

B is as follows :-

1050 per 18-pr. = dump of 400 plus 650 for operation  
 700 " 4.5" How. = " " 300 plus 400 " "

2. Orders have been issued for the expenditure of 960 rounds A and AX and 720 rounds 4.5" How. ammunition up to the 25th inclusive,

so that  $\begin{matrix} 960 \\ 650 \\ \hline 1610 \end{matrix}$  18-pr. and  $\begin{matrix} 720 \\ 400 \\ \hline 1120 \end{matrix}$  4.5" How. is the amount

which will have to pass through the gun positions per gun or Howitzer over and above the Dump of 400 (18-pr.) and 300 (4.5" How.), between the 17th and the morning of the 26th.

3. It is realised that a high organisation will be required to carry this out, and the utilisation of all our resources will be necessary to reach the state aimed at. Tram-lines may be available to supply the forward positions of "C" GROUP, but reliance is not to be placed on them.

4. With the above object in view, as from the 19th instant, the C.O. of the Brigade of each Divisional Artillery, who is not in the Line, will be responsible for supervising the forwarding of ammunition to his Divisional Artillery Brigades after its delivery from INFERNO Dump in I 16.

He will have the Battery states of ammunition sent down to him daily by the Group Commander and on these states will allot tasks to Battery Wagon Lines, utilising his resources where required.

Each D.A.C. will carry one third of the ammunition sent forward to its Group daily, and will take it to such Batteries as may be detailed by the C.O. of the above Brigades.

5. Para. 5 of ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 17 will be cancelled where it is in conflict with the above.

6. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

*CMW*

*V. J. H.*

## Appendix No. LXVIII

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

## T A B L E

showing

Carrying Tasks of Batteries  
up to night 25th/26th inc.

Unit	On hand 17th	Excess over Pump.	Balance to bring up	Pack horse loads	Pack horse loads per diem from 17th inc.
✓ 10th Battery	3529	1129	8531	1070	134
✓ 11th Battery	2502	102	9558	1195	144
✓ 12th Battery	2719	319	9341	1168	146
✓ 13th Battery	2955	555	9110	1140	143
✓ 14th Battery	3435	1035	8625	1078	136
✓ 15th Battery	4227	1827	7833	979	122
37th Battery	3204	804	8816	1102	137 *
38th Battery	4574	2174	7486	936	107
39th Battery	4045	1645	7915	979	122
41st Battery	3378	978	8682	1083	136
42nd Battery	3694	1294	8366	1046	131 *
43rd Battery	2373	"	9687	1211	151
104th How. Bty.	3064	1264	5456	1364	170
105th How. Bty.	4005	2205	4515	1130	142 *
110th How. Bty.	3023	1223	5497	1374	171
111th How. Bty.	2079	279	6441	1610	201

\* On the move.

III  
2 a road  
2 on tracks  
2 in position  
Copley

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"A" Form, MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C.2121 (in pads of 100.) No. of Message

Prefix	Code	m.	Words	Charge	Appendix No. LXV III This message is on a/c of:	Recd. at	m.
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.				Sent		Service.	Date
				At	m.	From	
				To		By	
				By	(Signature of "Franking Officer.")		

TO			

Sender's Number.	Day of Month.	In reply to Number.	AAA
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\*  
 A/492. 17  
 Reference this Office S/111 AMMUNITION  
 SUPPLY AAA In para. 4 line 3  
 for 'Brigade' read "Brigades" AAA  
 In line 14 for 'Brigades' read "Brigade".  
 AAA Addressed all concerned.

From	
Place	
Time	4th Aug. 9.45

The above may be forwarded as now corrected. (Z)  
 Censor. Signature of Addressor or person authorized to telegraph in his name.

\* This line should be erased if not required.  
 4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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"C" Form.

Army Form C. 2123.  
(In books of 100.)

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS. No. of Message.....

Prefix <u>SM</u>	Code	Words	Received	Sent, or sent out	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect <u>H.Q.s. d.</u>			From <u>Kate</u>	At.....m.	<u>18/10/17</u> <u>AOX</u>
Service Instructions, <u>4TH AUSTRALIAN A. BRIGADE.</u>			By <u>COER</u>	To.....	
Handed in at			Office	m.	Received <u>4:55 PM</u> m.

TO Dagon ARB

*Sender's Number <u>M169</u>	Day of Month <u>18</u>	In reply to Number	<b>AAA</b>
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Send no patrol tonight -  
 lost CHINA WOOD - TABLE WOOD  
 - BUSY WOOD AAA Artillery will  
 staff hostile posts located  
 by you. Address Keel Keel  
 when rpt. Dat Kyou  
 Dagon ARB

FROM	<u>Kate</u>
PLACE & TIME	<u>2:30 PM</u>

\* This line should be erased if not required.

Appendix No. LXX

H.Q. 4TH AUSTRALIAN F. A. LEGION.
No. ....
Date. ....

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Headquarters.  
18th. October 1917HARASSING FIRE.

Tracing showing roads, tracks, and centres of activity used by the enemy is attached.

Battery zones for harassing fire purposes only are shown on tracing and batteries will fire systematically on targets in their own zone.

104th. Battery will fire on targets in right half of Group zone, and 105th. Howitzer Battery will fire on targets in left half of Group zone.

Exact Co-ordinates of targets engaged must be shown in morning Intelligence report.

Full allotment of 120 rounds per 18-pdr. Battery and 120 rounds per Howitzer Battery is to be expended, - two thirds of this amount is to be expended by night, and one third by day.

*Stanley Smith* Lieut.  
for Adjt.  
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

COPIES TO.-

All Batteries.

CO. D Group. Appendix No. [XXXI]

H.Q.,  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. EXISADE.

Patrols will be going out tonight  
as far out as Busy Wood - TABLE  
WOOD - CHINA WOOD. They will leave  
at approx 6.30 PM.

The G.O.C. is desirous of having fire  
brought to bear on the following places.

Crossroads at D int D 75.70.

EDGE CORSE in E 19 C.

Crossroads at E 19 A 9.7.

Dugouts } at D int D 05.05  
in Cluster }

Copies of Patrol Instructions will be  
forwarded later.

17/10/17 Richard North Capt.



Appendix No.

LXXXII

4TH F. A. BRIGADE, N.A.I.F.
No. ....
Date .....

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY X.

Headquarters.  
19th. October 1917.

1. The attached table shows the tasks in ammunition carrying per Battery required up to the morning of the 26th. instant, and is based on:-

- (a) The amount at Battery positions at noon 17th.  
 (b) The amount required to be at the battery positions by dawn 26th, or  
 (c) Tasks already set or outlined <sup>(b)</sup> is as follows:-  
 1050 per 18-pdr = Dump of 400 plus 650 for operation.  
 700 " 4.5.Hew. = " " 300 " 400 " "

2. Orders have been issued for the expenditure of 960 rounds A and AX and 720 rounds 4.5" Hew. ammunition up to the 25th inclusive.

960	720
650	400
So that 1610 18-pdr.	1120 4.5" Hew.

which will have to pass through the gun positions per gun or Howitzer over and above the Dump of 400 (18-pdr) and 300 (4.5.Hew) between the 17th and the morning of the 26th.

3. It is realised that a high organisation will be required to carry this out, and the utilisation of all our resources will be necessary to reach that state aimed at.

4. With the above object in view as from the 19th instant the C.O. of the Brigade of Divisional Artillery who is not in the line will be responsible for supervising the forwarding of ammunition to his Divisional Artillery Brigades after its delivery to INFANTRY DUMP at I.16.

He will have the battery states of ammunition sent down to him daily by the Group Commander and on these states will allot tasks to battery wagen lines, utilising his resources when required.

The D.A.C. will carry one third of the ammunition sent forward to the Group daily, and will take it to such batteries as may be detailed by the C.O. of the above Brigade.

5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*Stanley Smith* Lieut.  
for Adjt.  
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

TABLE  
showing

Carrying tasks of batteries up to night 25th/26th inst.

Unit	On Hand 17th	Excess Over Dump	Balance to bring up	Pack Horse Leads	Pack horse leads per diem from 17th inc.
10th. Battery	3529	1129	8531	1070	134
11th Battery	2502	102	9558	1195	144
12th Battery	2719	319	9341	1168	146
13th Battery	2955	555	9110	1140	143
14th Battery	3435	1035	8625	1078	136
15th Battery	4227	1827	7833	979	122
104th How. Bty	3064	1264	5456	1364	170
105th How. Bty	4005	2205	4515	1130	142 ©

© on the move

Appendix No. LXXIII

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Periods.- 6.a.m. 18th. to 6.a.m. 19th. instant

ENEMY ARTILLERY.-

Time Started	Time Stopped	Area Shelled	Direction	Calibre	No of Rds.	Remarks.
7.p.m.	3.30.p.m.	D.27.a.		77mm.	100	
9.50.p.m.	10.10.p.m.	Front Line		15cm.	300	medium barrage
& continued intermittently till 12.30.p.m.			10.5cm			
3.p.m.	3.3.p.m.	zonnebake		15cm	20	Sudden bursts
3.5.p.m.	3.10.p.m.	do		15cm	50	" "
1.30.a.m.	4.30.a.m.	Forward Areas		Heavy fire with all calibres		Evidently directed against movement

D.26.c. & J.1 & 2. was intermittently shelled throughout the day and night from the direction of Moorslede.

Enemy Artillery-below normal.

## OUR ARTILLERY.-

Harassing fire was carried out on roads and tracks in rear areas of our zone.

The following targets were engaged last night at the request of the Infantry.- Cross Roads E.19.a.; Edge Copse E.19.c.; Cross Roads D.24.d.; and Block of Houses D.24.d.05.05.

Ammunition expended. 403 "A" 358 "AX" 228 "BX"

AERIAL ACTIVITY.- Active. Four enemy planes flew low over forward areas from 4.p.m. to 5.p.m. but withdrew on being engaged by M.G. Fire.

Bombing planes were fairly active in back areas during the night.

Balloons were observed at Tb 62°30'; 78°30'; 87°30' and 92°30'. Bearings taken from D.29.a.1.9.

MOVEMENT.- At 11.45.a.m. Train was observed travelling south through E.26.a. to E.25.b. (apparently trench tramway)

Smoke, what appeared to be from a train going west was observed at TB 47° from D.29.a.1.9. at 1.30.p.m.

Red Cross Flag was observed on top corner of building at TB 64° from D.29.a.1.9. (Moorslede)

MISCELLANEOUS.- Flashes were observed at the following bearings taken from D.29.a.1.9.- At 10.10.a.m. TB 81°; 11.20.a.m. TB 102°; 9.a.m. to 12 noon 95°; 2.15.p.m. 109°30'-3 guns; 3.30.p.m. TB 28°.

At 3.15.p.m. Large Dump was blown up at 33° T.B. and at 3.30. a small Dump was also blown up at 46°30' TB. both taken from D.29.a.1.9.

*Stanley Smith*  
Lieut  
for Adjt.  
"D" SUB GROUP ARTILLERY



S/ 111/1

AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

S E C R E T.

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	5th Aus. F.A. Bde.	
	10th " "	
"C" GROUP.	2nd Aus. D.A.. )	
"D" GROUP.	2nd Aus. D.A.C.. )	
-----	4th Aus. D.A.C.. )	for
	R.A., 1st ANZAC. )	inf.
	1st ANZAC. 'Q' )	
	4th Aus. Div. )	

HEADQUARTERS,  
19th October 1917.

REFERENCE PARA. 2 of this Office S/111 of 17th instant.

Closer information having now been received as to the amount of ammunition which will probably be expended before the 26th instant, the figures in the abovementioned para. will be amended:-

For 960 A and AX and 720 4.5" How.

read 302 A and AX and 420 BX

consequently,

for 1610 18-pr. read 1302, and

for 1120 4.5" How. " 870

Resultant on the above, the attached table will be substituted for that issued with S/111 of the 17th.

It should be noted that Column 1 gives the ammunition up at Batteries at noon 18th October.

ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

*C. H. Bates*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.



FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

A M E N D E D T A B L E

(To accompany S/111/1)

showing

Carrying tasks of Btys.  
up to night 25th/26th inclusive.

Unit	On hand 18th	Excess over Dump	Balance to bring up	Pack horse loads
10th Battery	3739	1339	6473	809
11th Battery	2342	-	7870	984
12th Battery	2639	239	7583	948
13th Battery	2901	501	7311	912
14th Battery	3315	915	6897	862
15th Battery	4067	1367	6145	768
104th How. Bty.	3024	1224	3996	999
105th How. Bty.	4005	2205	3015	754
37th Battery	3024	624	7188	898
38th Battery	4414	2014	5798	722
39th Battery	4125	1725	6087	761
41st Battery	3678	1278	6534	817
42nd Battery	3934	1534	6278	785
43rd Battery	2213	-	7999	999
110th How. Bty.	2833	1033	4187	1047
111th How. Bty.	2022	222	4998	1249

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4TH / 31ST BATTAL F.A.	
No.	M/10
Date	

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Headquarters.  
20th October 1917.

REFERENCE PARA. 2. of this office w/9. of the 19th instant.

Closer information having now been received as to the amount of ammunition which will probably be expended before the 26th instant, the figures in the above mentioned para. will be amended.-

For 960 A and AX and 720 4.5" How.

read 602 A and AX and 420 BX

consequently,

for 1610 18-pdr. read 1302, and

for 1120 4.5" How. " 870

Resultant on the above, the attached table will be substituted for that issued with w/9 of the 19th.

It should be noted that Column 1. gives the ammunition up at the Batteries at noon 18th. October.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

*Stanley Smith*  
Lieut.  
for Adjt.  
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Appendix No. LXXV

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY

A M E N D E D T A B L E  
to accompany M/10.

showing  
Carrying tasks of batteries  
up to night 25th/26th inclusive.

H.Q.
4TH AUSTRALIAN
F. A. BATTERY.
No. ....
Date. ....

Unit	On hand 18th	Excess over Dump	Balance to bring up	Pack horse loads.
10th. Battery	3739	1339	6473	809
11th Battery	2342	-	7870	984
12th Battery	2639	239	7583	948
13th. Battery	2901	501	7311	912
14th. Battery	3315	915	6897	862
15th. Battery	4067	1667	6145	768
104th. Battery	3024	1224	3996	999
105th. Battery	4005	2205	3015	754

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
BATTALION

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN

DIVISIONAL

ARTILLERY.

COPY NO. 14

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INSTRUCTION NO. 24

Date

HEADQUARTERS,  
20th October 1917.

1. There will be two Bombardment Barrages on each of "K", "L", "M" and "N" days, "K" Day being the 22nd instant.

2. Times of commencement

"K"	(A)	To be notified later.
"K"	(B)	5.45 p.m..
"L"	(A)	6 a.m..
"L"	(B)	4 p.m..
"M"	(A)	9.15 a.m..
"M"	(B)	5.30 p.m..
"N"	(A)	7 a.m..
"N"	(B)	1.30 p.m..

"K" (A) and "M" (A) are Army Barrages; the remainder are Corps Barrages.

3. Maps are issued herewith showing the Starting lines for the Army Barrages and the Corps Barrages.

4. The position of these barrages with reference to these lines is shown on the Barrage diagrams also issued herewith, the Starting line being taken as that marked start

5. Rates of fire during the Barrages will be as follows :-

18-prs. -- 2 rounds per gun per min.

4.5" Hows. - 1 round per How. per min.

6. From Zero to Zero plus 6, all available guns will be used.

After Zero plus 6, not more than 4 guns per Battery will be used.

7. Mistakes in barrages will be looked for and corrected during "L" (B) "M" (A) and "N" (B) Barrages.

8. Special observations will be taken on the enemy reply to all barrages and reports of observers will be sent in to this Headquarters by earliest possible D.R.. These reports will show :-

- (A) Time of enemy reply.
- (B) Nature of reply and location.
- (C) Time of cessation.

9. STANDING BARRAGES "L" and "M" Days -

On "L" and "M" days, Standing Barrages will be put down with the "A" Barrage on the "Army Barrage Starting Line" and the "B" Barrage 200 yards East of it at the following times :-

8.15 to 8.21 p.m..

8.45 to 8.51 p.m..

Rates of fire, as in para. 5.

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INSTRUCTION NO. 24 (Continued)

10. Silent periods "L" DAY -

On "L" Day there will be two Silent Periods during which no firing will take place, except in response to S.O.S. Signals:-

8 to 8.15 p.m. and 8.30 to 8.45 p.m.

11. Synchronisation of watches will be carried out as previously, a watch being sent to each Group from D.A.H.Q.

12. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

*C. J. Wall*  
Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

Normal  
Distribution.

Issued to Signals at 2.15 p.m.

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"C" Form.  
MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

Army Form C. 2123.  
(In books of 100.)

No. of Message.....

Prefix <i>SB</i> Code <i>FCRA</i> Words.....	Received <i>Appendix No. XXVI</i>	Sent or sent out	Office Stamp.
Charges to collect	From <i>W.C.</i>	At.....m.	<i>21/10/17</i>
Service Instructions <i>Priority</i>	By <i>F.A. L. H. B. J. L.</i>	To.....	
Handed in at.....		Office.....	m. Received <i>6:17</i> m.

TO *D Group*

*Sender's Number <i>DM 77</i>	Day of Month <i>21</i>	In reply to Number	<b>AAA</b>
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*K (A) aaa 222*

*43666 68506 46651*

*31048 aaa Acknowledged*

*Zero hour no*

*5:35 am*

FROM	<i>H Aus D C</i>
PLACE & TIME	<i>6:10 pm</i>

\* This line should be erased if not required.

Starting Lines of BARRAGES

H.Q.  
 4TH AUSTRALIAN  
 F. A. BRIGADE.  
 No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_

Northern  
SECRET No. 39

Boundary

17

18

17.10.17

Line

23

2

Front

Starting Line  
Corps BARRAGE

Starting line  
Army BARRAGE

British

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3

Approx.

D

E

Boundary

southern

J

K

Corps

Appendix No. LXXVIII

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BATTALION

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Headquarters.  
20th October 1917

## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Period 6.a.m. 19th. to 6.a.m. 20th. October

## ENEMY ARTILLERY.9

Time Started	Time Stopped.	Area Shelled	Direction	Calibre	No of Rds.	Remarks.
9.a.m.	intermittent throughout day and night	J.2.a. & b. D.26. & Duckboards track J.2.a. & J.3.		15cm 21cm	5.rds per min most of the time	
	During afternoon and evening	D.25.26.27.& J.1.2.&3.		10.5cm 15cm	Heavy Area Strafe	
10.a.m.	12 noon	Duckboard track between DeKnoet Farm & Tokio Ridge		Intermittent 15cm		
1.30.	2.p.m.	Passchendaele Ridge			Intermittent	
8.p.m.	9.p.m.	J.2.c.	Kieberg	10.5cm H.V. 77mm.	150 approx	

Intermittent Front Line  
Most of enemy's 77mm shells coming from a very long range, they appear spent on arrival.

## OUR ARTILLERY.-

Harassing fire was carried out on roads and tracks in ~~area~~ rear areas of our Zone.

Ammunition expended 356 A 369 AX 248 BX3.

AERIAL ACTIVITY.- Below normal. weather unfavorable.  
At 7.p.m. enemy plane dropped bombs in Wood J.2.a.  
Enemy Observation plane flew low over Battery position at an early hour this morning.  
No enemy Balloons up.

MOVEMENT.- Very little movement seen on this sector, occasionally small parties of two or three of enemy seen on Western Slope of Ridge in E.13.a. & c.  
Infantry report having seen enemy moving on more than one occasion at D.30.b.75.75.

PATROLS.- Infantry report that enemy is in occupation of point at E.13.c.5.C., and apparently has a post there.  
At D.30.a.2.9. the enemy occupies with M.G. at night time.

MISCELLANEOUS.- At 11.15.a.m. sound heard of 4 gun battery firing into our back country at the rate of 4.rds. per. min. from 120° TB from D.23.c.10.15.  
Infantry also report having frequently seen flashes from E.25.b.7.9. evidently a 3 gun battery.  
Heavy shells going over to back areas heard from bearing of 117° 30' TN. from D.23.c.10.15.

*Stanley Smith*  
Lieut  
for Lieut Col  
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Appendix No. LXXXIXAUSTRALIANDIVISIONALARTILLERYCOPY NO. <sup>10</sup>...ORDERNO.97HEADQUARTERS,  
20th October 1917.

1. Consequent on the change of Divisional Front ordered in 4th Australian Division ORDER No. 87, the following re-distribution of Artillery boundaries will take place at 10 a.m., 21st October 1917 :-

*Amended  
see Technical File*

2. S.O.S. LINE -

The S.O.S. Line on the Divisional Front will be as follows :-

D 24 a 20 - D 18 c 60 - D 18 a 05.

3. ZONES FOR S.O.S. -

Both Groups for S.O.S. purposes will cover the whole Divisional front.

"C" GROUP will, however, not fire for an S.O.S. unless asked to by G.O.C. Infantry Brigade holding the Line, or ordered to do so by this Office.

4. ZONES FOR OFFENSIVE OPERATIONS -

For Bombardment Barrage purposes and Attack Days the Group Zones will be as follows :-

"C" GROUP Northern Boundary :-

ROULERS - YPRES Railway inclusive.

Inter-Group Boundary :-

A line through D 18 d 06 - D 23 a 4032 and its continuation East.

"D" GROUP Southern Boundary :-

A line through E 19 a 08 - D 23 c 9053 and its continuation East, and overlap this line 50 yards.

5. BRIGADES SUPERIMPOSED -

For Offensive operations, one Brigade in each Group will be superimposed on its Group Zone.

6. HARASSING FIRE -

"C" GROUP only will carry out harassing fire, firing 720 rounds A and AX and 240 rounds BX daily. Two thirds by night and one third by day.

H.Q.  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
F.A. BRIGADE  
No. ....

7. COMMAND OF "C" GROUP -

Orders have been issued to 10th and 11th Aus. F.A. Brigades for the C.O. 10th Aus. F.A. Brigade to relieve the C.O. 11th Aus. F.A. Brigade in Command of "C" Group by 8 a.m., 21st instant.

8. LIAISON -

"D" GROUP will find the Liaison Officer with the Infantry Brigade holding the Line.

9. LIAISON BARRAGE -

"C" GROUP will be prepared to assist the Right Division on the Code call -- "HELP FLINTE", and will barrage from

D 30 a 0011 - D 29 b 6080 - D 24 a E O.

with one Brigade, the Howitzers being placed on selected spots not less than 200 yards East of the above line.

10. REPLY TO S.O.S. -

Replies to S.O.S. will be as follows :-

<u>18-prs.</u>	<u>5 minutes</u>	--	4 rounds per gun per min.,
	<u>5 minutes</u>	--	2 rounds per gun per min.,
	<u>5 minutes</u>	--	1 round per gun per minute,

when fire will cease unless the signal is sent again - in which case the procedure will be repeated.

4.5" Hows. Half the above rates.

After the first five minutes alternate guns or, if a Brigade be superimposed, the guns of the Superimposed Brigade will search back for 500 yards in lifts of 100 yards every 2 minutes.

11. WIRELESS MAST DISTRIBUTION -

There will be - 1 wireless mast at each Group H.Q.,  
1 wireless mast with direct communication to a selected Battery in each Group.

4th Aus. D.A.H.Q. set will be in Reserve.

12. N.F., G.F. and L.L. CALLS -

"C" GROUP will answer all N.F. calls in Square E.Y., and will turn on one Brigade to all G.F. Calls. The reply to a G.F. Call will be 10 rounds per gun and Howitzer to be repeated if the signal is repeated. L.L. Calls will be answered by every gun and Howitzer which can reach, with 5 minutes' rapid fire when N.F., G.F., or L.L. Calls are received. If engaged in other important tasks, the equivalent of 1 Section per Battery must be used.

13. For Bombardment Barrages and Attack Days the 18-prs. in the "B" Barrage (4.5" How.) will be those of 1 Battery per Group.

14. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached (Groups by wire).

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

*C.M. Bates*

SEE CORRIGENDUM 1/10/17 attached

Issued to Signals at 1.15 P.M.



FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. COPY NO. .... 18

SECRET

CORRIGENDUM TO ORDER 97

HEADQUARTERS,  
21st October 1917.

Reference 4th Aus. Divisional Artillery ORDER No. 97 of  
20th October 1917.

For para. 12 N.F., G.F. and L.L. CALLS, substitute  
the following :-

" "C" GROUP will answer all N.F. Calls in square  
E.Y., and will turn on one Brigade to all G.F. Calls.  
The reply to a G.F. call will be 10 rounds per gun  
and Howitzer to be repeated if the Signal is repeated.  
L.L. Calls will be answered by every gun and  
Howitzer which can reach, with five minutes' rapid  
fire.  
When N.F., G.F. or L.L. Calls are received, if  
engaged in other important tasks, the equivalent  
of 1 Section per Battery must be used. "

ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

*C. J. Bates*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

As for Order No. 97.

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H.Q.  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
No. M/11  
Date .....

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY

Headquarters.  
21st. October 1917.

H.Q.  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
No. ....

4th. A.D.A. Order No. 97. herewith.

Reference para 2. - S.O.S. Lines will be as follows from  
10.a.m. to-day 21st. instant.

- 10th. Battery.- D.18.a.00.50. - D.18.a.15.14.
- 11th. Battery.- D.18.a.15.14. - D.18.c.30.75.
- 12th. Battery.- D.18.c.30.75. - D.18.c.45.35.
- 13th. Battery.- D.18.c.45.35. - D.18.c.60.00.
- 14th. Battery.- D.18.c.60.00. - D.24.a.40.50.
- 15th. Battery.- D.24.a.40.50. - D.24.a.20.00.

The 104th. and 105th. How. Batteries will fire on selected  
points (marked on map attached) in front of 18-pdr. S.O.S  
Line.

Re para. 4. Zones for batteries for offensive operations  
will be as shown on map (attached). The 5th. Brigade Batteries  
superimposing the 4th. Brigade.

Re para. 13. The 14th. Battery will be the battery in "B"  
barrage (with 4.5"Hows.).

ACKNOWLEDGE.

Copies to.-  
All Batteries.

*Stanley Smith*  
Lieut.  
for Adjt.  
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.



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Appendix No. LXXXI

(S.O. 1074). Wt. W 4819/M920 11/16. 50,000 Pads. McC. & Co., Ltd.

"B" Form.

Army Form C. 2123.

MESSAGES AND SIGNALS.

No. of Message.....

Prefix <u>SM</u>	Code <u>Bp.</u>	m.	Received	Sent	Office Stamp
Office of Origin and Service Instructions.			At <u>2:15 PM</u>	At <u>/</u>	<u>HQX</u> <u>21/00/04</u>
Words. <u>FVD 32</u>			From <u>DA</u>	To <u>/</u>	
			By <u>[Signature]</u>	By <u>/</u>	

TO MART

Sender's Number. <u>* BM 75</u>	Day of Month <u>21</u>	In reply to Number. <u>/</u>	<u>AAA</u>
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MASK will relieve MART in  
 Command "D" group on 23<sup>RD</sup> inst  
AAA Add MART and MASK  
 repeated 2<sup>ND</sup> ADA. MASK and  
MART to acknowledge.

From FILCHARD.  
 Place  
 Time

\* This line should be erased if not required.

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

H. A. ...  
 4<sup>TH</sup> INTELLIGENCE  
 F. A. BRIGADE.  
 No. ....  
 Date. ....

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

PERIOD from 6.a.m. 20th. to 6.a.m. 21st. October.

ENEMY ARTILLERY.-

Time started	Time Stopped	Area Shelled	Direction	Calibre	No of Rds.	Remarks.
6.a.m.	6.p.m.	J.1.b. & d. J.2.a. & c.		15cm 21cm	3000 approx	
During afternoon		J.7.a.			200 approx	
4.p.m.	5.p.m.	D.28.a.5.5.		15cm	50	
6.p.m.	3.a.m.	D.26.c. & J.2.a.		10.5cm	200	
3.a.m.	3.30am.	J.2.a.6.7.			50	Gas shells.
3.30.	6.a.m.	J.2.a. & D 26.c.		15cm	30	

Most of enemy shelling comes from 67° TB. sound bearing from D.29.a.1.9.

The shelling appeared to be directed on communications rather than on Batteries.

Enemy Artillery.- Above Normal.

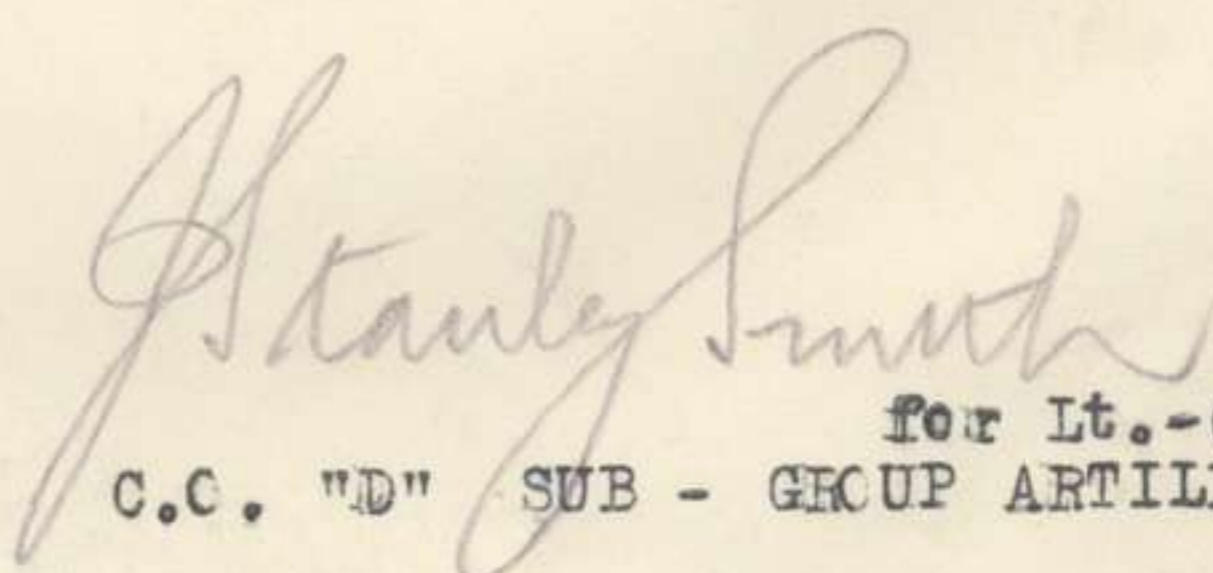
OUR ARTILLERY.-

Harassing fire was carried out on roads and tracks in rear areas of our Zones.

Ammunition expended 353 A 368 AX 243 BX.

AIRCRAFT.- Early morning normal, from when on below normal. Between 8.a.m. and 9.30.a.m. 9 E.As. were over our lines. At 10a.m. and 11.30.a.m. single German machines crossed our lines, possibly observing shooting. 7.35.a.m. to 8.a.m. One enemy balloon up on our sector. At 6.a.m. E.As. Active, and dropped about 20 bombs in vicinity of battery positions.

FLASHES ETC.- At 1.p.m. and 4.p.m. Smoke observed from train at E.7.b.5.2. Ten enemy batteries were seen firing between 1.p.m. and 2.30.p.m. on back areas on our right flank at 108°30', and 111°30' TB from D.29.a.1.9.

  
 Lieut.  
 for Lt.-Col.  
 C.C. "D" SUB - GROUP ARTILLERY.

Appendix No. LXXXIII

H.Q.  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.  
No. ....  
4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ORDER NO. 88.

Copy No. 28

SECRET.

Headquarters,  
21st October, 1917.

Reference 1/40,000 Map.

1. 4th Aus. Division (less Artillery) will be relieved by 1st Aus. Division, (less Artillery,) and will move back as per table overleaf.
2. The relief of the Brigade in the Line will be arranged between Infantry Brigadiers concerned, and command will pass on completion of relief, which will be notified to Div. H.Q.
3. Further instructions regarding relief of Pioneer Battalion, and Engineer and Medical Units will be issued.
4. (a) 24th Aus. M.G. Company will move back with 4th Aus. Infantry Brigade and be billeted by them.  
(b) Other M.G. Companies will move with their Brigades.
5. Usual intervals will be maintained on the march.
6. Personnel from the Reinforcement Camp will rejoin their Brigades on arrival at the WIPPENHOEK, REMIINGHELST and HALIFAX AREAS. Separate instructions will be issued to them.
7. G.O.C., 4th Aus. Division will hand over command of the Left Sector of the Corps Front to G.O.C., 1st Aus. Divis on at 10 a.m., October 24th.
8. ACKNOWLEDGE.

D.K. Bernard.

Lieut-Colonel,  
G.S., 4th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

Issued at 6.30 a.m.

Extra Copies to -

- 22 } I ANZAC.
- 23 }
- 24 1st Aus. Division.
- 25 3rd Aus. Division.
- 26 5th Aus. Division.
- 27 57th H.A.G.
- 28 4th A.F.A. Brigade.
- 29 5th A.F.A. Brigade.

APPENDIX

APPENDIX, No LXXXIII

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DATE.	UNIT.	FROM.	TO.	REMARKS.
Oct. 21st.	13th Aus. Inf. Bde.	CANAL Area and YPRES.	OUDERDOM Area.	Not to enter OUDERDOM Area before 12 noon.
Oct. 22nd.	12th Aus. Inf. Bde.	CANAL Area and YPRES.	HALIFAX Area.	Via BELGIAN BATTERY CORNER - DEF GROENEN JAGER CABT. Move to be completed by 1.p.m.
Oct. 23/24.	4th Aus. Inf. Bde.	LINE.	YPRES Area (H.Q. INFANTRY) (BARRACKS.)	On relief by 2nd Aus. Inf. Bde.
	24th Aus. M.G. Coy.	LINE.	H. 23.b.	
Oct. 24th	4th Aus. Inf. Bde.	YPRES Area.	RENINGHELST Area.	By bus. Separate instructions will be issued.
	24th Aus. M.G. Coy.	H. 23.b.	RENINGHELST Area.	By bus. Under orders of 4th Aus. Inf. Bde.
	Div. H.Q.	YPRES SMITH CAMP	SCOTTISH LINES (G. 25. a. 9. 7.)	Opens at 10.a.m.
Oct. 25th.	13th Aus. Inf. Bde.	OUDERDOM Area.	WIPPENHOEK Area.	Via RENINGHELST. No t to enter RENINGHELST before 1.p.m.

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*Handwritten note:* 2nd Aus. Inf. Bde.

Appendix No. LXXXIV

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN "D" SUB GROUP ARTILLERY.  
F. A. BRIGADE.

## INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

PERIOD 6.a.m. 21st. to 6.a.m. 22nd. October 1917.

## ENEMY ARTILLERY.-

Time started	Time stopped	Area Shelled	Direction-Calibre	No of Rds	Remarks.
5.A.M.	11.45.a.m. )	J.2.	15cm	500	Concentrating at times on Sans Souci & Hannebeke Wood.
1.30.p.m.	3.15.p.m. )		21cm		
9.a.m.	12.15.p.m.	D.26.c.	10.5cm.	150	Evidently directed against Railway.
4.p.m.	7.p.m.	J.2.	10.5cm 15cm	250	searching & sweeping.
4.30.p.m.	6.a.m.	D.26.c.	15cm 21cm	200	
5.30p.m.	7.15.p.m.	J.12.	10.5cm 15cm.	200	

## Enemy Artillery Above Normal.

On our bombardments opening nothing was seen until 5.42.a.m., when a rocket bursting into two red stars was observed to go up on our sector. At 5.45.a.m. the enemy commenced to shell Westhoek Ridge, and from J.1.d. to J.7.b. & c. also occasionally J.12. The enemy shelling on a whole was very feeble.

## OUR ARTILLERY.-

5.35.a.m. to 6.17.a.m. Practice Barrage was fired as per instructions.

Ammunition Expended 917 A 931 AX 420 BX

AERIAL ACTIVITY.- NORMAL. About 1.30p.m. 9 E.A. crossed over this Area.  
12 Enemy Balloons up on our sector during the morning.  
5.p.m. to 8.p.m. Few E.A. crossed our lines and dropped bombs in Hannebeke Wood.

MOVEMENT.- Nil.

FLASHES ETC.- Nil.

*Stanley Smith*  
Lieut.  
for Lt.-Col.  
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

H.Q. H. ....	
4TH AUSTRALIAN BRIGADE.	
F. A. BATTALION.	
No. ....	.....
Date. ....	.....

Appendix No. LXXXV

"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

Headquarters.  
22nd. October 1917

The S.O.S.Lines from receipt of this message will be as follows.-

- 10th. Battery.- D.18.a.15.55. to D.18.a.28.13.
- 11th. Battery.- D.18.a.28.13. to D.18.c.38.77.
- 12th. Battery.- D.18.c.38.77. to D.18.c.47.38.
- 13th. Battery.- D.18.c.47.38. to D.18.c.60.00.
- 14th. Battery.- D.18.c.60.00. to D.24.a.40.50.
- 15th. Battery.- D.24.a.40.50. to D.24.a.20.00.

The 104th. and 105th. How. Batteries will fire on selected points in front of 18-pdr S.O.S.Lines.

ACKNOWLEDGE. *by wire*

COPIES TO.-  
All Batteries.

*Stanley Smith* Lieut.  
for Adjt.  
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY.

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.

No.....  
Date.....

LEFT ANZAC GROUP ARTILLERY.  
"D" SUB-GROUP

4TH F. A. BRIGADE,  
A. I. F.

No.....  
Date 22/10/17

TACTICAL FILE.

ROSTERS FOR O.P. AND BATTALION LIAISON DUTIES.

The F.O.O. will report to Group H.Q. at Railway Dugouts D.26.c.1.3. and receive instructions as to locality of Battalion etc..

The relieving F.O.O. will leave in time to relieve F.O.O. punctually at 4.p.m.  
Instructions as to Equipment, Personnel and reports as usual.

F.O.O. & BATTALION LIAISON

From 4.p.m.	21st Oct.	to 4.p.m.	22nd Oct.	14th. Battery
"	"	"	"	11th "
"	"	"	"	15th "
"	"	"	"	12th "
"	"	"	"	105th "
"	"	"	"	104th "
"	"	"	"	13th "
"	"	"	"	10th "

and so on.

T.O.P.  
KIT & KAT J.1.d.36.63.

Written reports to be furnished to Group H.Q. at 7.30a.m. and at 4.30.p.m.

From 4.p.m.	21st Oct.	to 4.p.m.	22nd Oct.	12th. Battery
"	"	"	"	105th "
"	"	"	"	104th "
"	"	"	"	13th "
"	"	"	"	10th "
"	"	"	"	14th "
"	"	"	"	11th "
"	"	"	"	15th "

and so on.

COPIES TO:-  
All Group Batteries.

*Stanley Smith* Lieut  
for Adjt.  
"D" SUB-GROUP ARTILLERY

H.Q.  
 4th Australian Div.  
 S E C R E T A. LANGUAGE.  
 No.....  
 Date.....

ORDER NO. 98

HEADQUARTERS,  
 23rd October 1917.

1. The 1st Australian Divisional Artillery (1st and 2nd Brigades) will be attached to the Left Divisional Artillery Group for Attack Day (No. 6) as from Zero minus 1 hour.
2. The Zone for barrage purposes for the 1st Australian Divisional Artillery will be the whole Left Divisional Front, superimposed over the 2nd and 4th Aus. Div. Artillery Brigades.
3. The 1st Australian Divisional Artillery Brigades will be known as "C (1)" GROUP.
4. Signal communication will be arranged by the Officer-in-Charge R.A. Signals -
  - A - between <sup>"D"</sup> Group Headquarters and "C (1)" GROUP Headquarters.
  - B - between "C (1)" Group Headquarters and 4th Australian Divisional Artillery Headquarters.
5. "C (1)" GROUP will return to the Right Divisional Artillery Group at an hour to be notified later, and after the attack.
6. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

*(M) Mate,*  
 Major, R.A.,  
 Brigade-Major,  
 4th Australian Div. Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.  
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 39) ..  
 40) -- 1st Aus. D.A.,  
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FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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ORDER NO. 99

HEADQUARTERS,  
24th October 1917.

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F.A. ESCADE.

1. ~~No.~~ The 4th Australian Divisional Artillery will be relieved by the 2nd Australian Divisional Artillery as follows :-

10th Battery	relieves	37th Battery	-	(4 guns)
12th "	"	39th "	"	(5 " )
13th "	"	41st "	"	(5 " )
14th "	"	43rd "	"	(5 " )
15th "	"	42nd & 38th Btys.		(3 guns each).
104th How. "	"	110th How. Bty		(4 guns)
195th How. "	"	111th " "		(4 guns).

2. The guns of the 2nd Australian Divisional Artillery in HANNEBEEK will be disposed of as follows :-

10th Battery retains one Section in action, hands over one gun to each of 11th and 12th Batteries and the remaining 2 guns (1 damaged) to the 37th Battery.

11th Battery Remains in action. One in action damaged to 37th Battery.

12th Battery 3 in action damaged to 39th Battery. 1 good gun to 2nd Battery. 1 good Section to 4th Battery. All in position.

13th Battery 4 good guns (to 41st Battery. 1 damaged

14th Battery 5 guns in position to 2nd Battery.

15th Battery 4 guns (2 damaged) to 38th Battery 1 gun to 42nd Battery.

105th How. Battery 5 good guns to 102nd How. in position. 1 bogged to 111th How. Bty..

104th How. Battery Retains 1 Section. 1 Section to 105th How. Battery. 1 good gun and 1 damaged gun to 110th How. Battery.

3. Guns as per attached Schedule will be withdrawn from Battery positions by 4th Australian Divisional Artillery Batteries, with the exception of some of those of the 2nd Aus. Divisional Artillery and 1st Aus. Divisional Artillery, all are bogged or damaged. Good guns must on no account be withdrawn from forward positions.

4. All Batteries will retain their own stores. Guns will be handed over stripped except for sights and sight clinometers.

ORDER NO. 99 (Continued).

H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.

5. The relief will be carried out as follows :-

The 2nd, 4th and 102nd How. Batter<sup>ies</sup> will take over from the 12th, 14th and 105th How. Batteries on bloc, commencing at 6 a.m. *25th instant*

On relief the 12th, 14th and 105th How. Batteries will relieve the 39th, 43rd and 111th How. Batteries.

The remaining reliefs will be carried out by Sections and will be completed by 6 p.m. on 25th instant. On relief, 4th Australian Divisional Artillery Batteries will withdraw guns as per attached Schedule, to wagon lines.

6. As from 6 a.m., 25th, both the present "C" and "D" GROUPS will cover with S.O.S. lines the whole Divisional front.

The guns of the 1st Australian Divisional Artillery in action at 6 a.m. will be prepared to put a barrage on receipt of an S.O.S. signal, from D 24 b 0 4 to D 18 b 0085.

7. On completion of the relief the Artillery will be grouped as follows :-

"C" GROUP	--	2nd Aus. D.A..
"D" GROUP	--	1st Aus. D.A..

Zones will be as at present held by the present "C" and "D" Groups.

8. Group Headquarters will be as follows :-

"C" GROUP	--	I 6 b 9505
"D" GROUP	--	D 26 c 4045 in dugouts on the South side of the Railway.

The new "D" GROUP will temporarily remain at HALF WAY HOUSE until after Attack Day No. 3.

9. Command of Batteries will devolve on 2nd and 1st Aus. Divisional Artillery B.Cs. on completion of each Battery relief. "C" and "D" GROUPS as re-constituted in para. 7 will come into effect on the completion of the relief of the 4th Australian Divisional Artillery Batteries, and after its notification to this Office, when the Command of "D" GROUP will pass to the C.O. 1st Aus. Divisional Artillery Group, and the Command of "C" GROUP will pass to the C.O. 2nd Aus. Divisional Artillery Group.

10. The new "C" and "D" GROUPS will both cover the Divisional front with S.O.S. lines until 1 hour before ZERO on Attack Day No. 3. After this hour S.O.S. zones for Groups will be the Offensive Zones,

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ORDER NO. 89 (Continued)

11. Group Commanders will ensure that both they and their Battery Commanders hand over all instructions and orders for offensive operations to Units relieving them.

12. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached. (Groups by wire).

*C.M.A.C.*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

1 - 9 "C" GROUP.  
10 - 18 "D" GROUP.  
19 11th Aus. F.A. Bde.,  
20 4th Aus. F.A. Bde.,

For inf. :-

21 2nd Aus. D.A..  
22 5th Aus. D.A..  
23 1st Aus. D.A..  
24 R.A. 1st ANZAC..  
25 1st Aus. Div..  
26 1st Aus. Inf. Bde..  
27 2nd Aus. Inf. Bde..  
28 3rd Aus. Inf. Bde..  
29 4th Canadian Division.  
30 57th H.A.C..  
31 H.A. 1st ANZAC..  
32 1st Aus. F.A. Bde.. } c/o 5th Aus. D.A..  
33 2nd Aus. F.A. Bde.. }  
34 Sig. Officer.  
35 C.R.A..  
36 S.C..  
37 R.O..  
38 File.  
39 - 41 Diary.

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

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INSTRUCTION NO. 25

HEADQUARTERS,  
24th October 1917.

1. A Barrage Map (on the scale of one per Battery and Group Headquarters) for Attack Day No. 6 is issued herewith. The Group Boundary between "C" and "D" Groups is shown on the map; also the Dividing line between the Left Division and the Right Division, and the Left Division and the 4th Canadian Division on our Left. The former differs slightly from that given in 4th Australian Divisional Artillery ORDER NO. 97. Owing to the relief, the Barrage Maps for "C" GROUP have been divided into Battery Sectors. (viz. 50 yards every 4 minutes) Barrage Diagrams showing Lifts and timings/are also issued on the Scale of 1 per Group.

2. The Barrage covers the operations of the 1st Australian Division whose object is the securing of the Right flank of the 4th Canadian Division by joining from our present front line about NIEWHOLEN Spur to and including DECLINE COPSE South of the Railway Line.

3. There will be no definite "Jumping-off" line as heretofore.

4. Every 18-pr. of the "A" Barrage will fire 4 rounds Smoke shell in rapid succession to mark its arrival on the Protective Barrage.

5. Rates of fire will be as follows :-

	<u>18-pr.</u>	<u>4.5" How.</u>
ZERO to Z plus 4	2	1
Z plus 4 to Z plus 8	4	1
Zero plus 8 until arrival at Protective Barrage	2	1
After arrival on Protective Barrage	1	$\frac{1}{2}$

Ammunition will be used as follows :-

A = 75%, AX = 25%  
provided Dumps will consist of not less than 50% A (for S.O.S. purposes) on conclusion of operation.

6. Groups will cease fire at Zero plus 150 unless further required.

7. The Barrage Map shows the over-lap of 50 yards on the Northern Boundary. There will be no over-lap on the inter-Divisional Boundary.

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H.Q. 4th Australian F. A. BRIGADE.
INSTRUCTION NO. 25 (Continued)
No. ....

8. The C.O. 2nd Aus. F.A. Brigade will be Liaison Officer with the attacking Infantry Brigade at D 26 c 4045 and will take up his duties on the 25th instant.

9. Battery Commanders of 4th Australian Divisional Artillery Batteries will work out the Barrages for their guns before handing over to 2nd Aus. Divisional Artillery Batteries, and give every assistance possible to Battery Commanders, 2nd Aus. Divisional Artillery Batteries.

10. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached. (Groups by wire).

*CMater*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

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DISTRIBUTION.

1	-	9	"C" Group.
10	-	18	"D" Group.
19	-	28	"G1" Group. (c/o 5th Aus. D.A.).
		29	11th Aus. F.A. Bde..
		30	4th Aus. F.A. Bde..

For inf.

31	2nd Aus. D.A..	
32	5th Aus. D.A..	
33	1st Aus. D.A..	
34	R.A. 1st ANZAC..	
35	1st Aus. Div..	
36	1st Aus. Inf. Bde..	43
37	2nd Aus. Inf. Bde..	44
38	3rd Aus. Inf. Bde..	45
39	4th Canadian Division.	46
40	57th F.A.C..	47)
41	H.A. 1st ANZAC..	48)
42	Sig. Officer.	49)
		C.R.A..
		S.C.
		R.O..
		File
		Diary.

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SECRETORDER NO. 100HEADQUARTERS,  
25th October 1917.H.C.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F.A. BRIGADE.

1. (a) The 2nd and 5th Armies are to attack on "O" Day, the operations forming part of a series of operations for the capture of PASSCHENDALE.

(b) The 10th Canadian Brigade of the 4th Canadian Division is attacking on the left of the 1st Australian Division.

2. (a) The 2nd Aus. Inf. Brigade will attack on "O" Day for the purpose of protecting the right flank of the 4th Canadian Division, and will establish a strong point on the spur in D 18 a extending well out towards ASSYRIA.

Zero hour will be communicated later.

(b) The operation will be carried out in one stage.

3. (a) DECLINE COPSE south of the railway and the YPRES - ROULERS Railway are inclusive to this Division.

(b) The 4th Canadian Division has been instructed to afford the necessary facilities for supports of this Division to move north of the Railway.

4. (a) A creeping barrage will be put down along the whole Div. front as shown in the Barrage maps issued with 4th Australian Divisional Artillery INSTRUCTION NO. 25.

(b) (i) The creeping barrage will be put down at Zero 150 yards in front of the post at D 17 b 7540.

(ii) At Zero plus 8 minutes the barrage will move forward at the rate of 100 yards in 8 minutes. The 18-pr. barrage will advance in lifts of 50 yards every four minutes.

(iii) On the arrival of the barrage at a line 200 yards beyond the objective a protective barrage will be formed there and a special searching programme will be carried out by the Heavy Artillery up to a line well down the reverse slopes of the KEIBERG Ridge.

5. (a) The 1st and 2nd Australian Divisional Artilleries under the command of Brigadier-General W.L.H. BURGESS, D.S.O. have been allotted to the Division for the attack.

(b) Two 6" How. Batteries from the Bombardment Group affiliated to the Division will be at the call of the Divisional Commander on "O" Day.

Requests for their assistance will be made through Divisional Headquarters.

6. (a) A contact Aeroplane will fly at about Zero plus 60 minutes, at which time flares will be called for by dropping a white Very light and sounding a succession of "A"s on the KLAXON Horn.

(b) WHITE FLARES ONLY WILL BE LIT.

These will be supplemented by the use of WATSON fans, and the waving of helmets, handkerchiefs, etc..

(c).....



6 (Continued).

(c) The following success signal will be fired on gaining the objective :-

3 White Very Lights fired in rapid succession and repeated once or twice with a definite interval in each case.

7. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

*C. W. F. J. J.*

Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,

4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

No. 1	"C" Group.
2	"D" Group.
3	"Cl" Group.
4	11th Aus. F.A. Bde..
5	4th Aus. F.A. Bde..
6	Liaison Officer.

For inf. --

7	2nd Aus. D.A..
8	5th Aus. D.A..
9	1st Aus. D.A..
10	R.A. 1st ANZAC.
11	1st Aus. Div..
12	1st Aus. Inf. Bde..
13	2nd Aus. Inf. Bde..
14	3rd Aus. Inf. Bde..
15	4th Canadian Division.
16	57th H.A.G..
17	H.A. 1st ANZAC..

18	C.R.A..
19	Sig. Off..
20	S.C..
21	R.O..

22	File
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24)	Diary.
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Appendix No. XCI

FOURTH AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY. COPY NO. 1

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H.Q.  
4TH AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.

ORDER NO. 101.

HEADQUARTERS,  
26th October 1917.

1. COMMAND.

The C.R.A. 4th Australian Division will hand over command of the Field Artillery covering the Left Division 1st A.ZAC. to the C.R.A. 1st Australian Division, at 10 a.m. 27th October 1917.

2. MOVE OF HEADQUARTERS :-

Headquarters 4th Australian Divisional Artillery will move to REMINGHELST at 10 a.m., 27th October.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE on form attached.

*initialed*  
Major, R.A.,  
Brigade-Major,  
4th Australian Divisional Artillery.

DISTRIBUTION.

- No. 1 to 4th Aus. F.A. Ede..
- 2 5th " " "
- 3 1st " " "
- 4 2nd " " "
- 5 10th " " "
- 6 11th " " "
- 7 2nd Aus. D.A.C..
- 8 4th Aus. D.A.C..
- 9 4th Aus. D.T.R.O..
- For inf -
- 10, 1st Aus. D.A..
- 11 2nd Aus. D.A..
- 12 5th Aus. D.A..
- 13 1st Aus. Div..
- 14 4th Aus. Div. 'Q'.
- 15 4th Aus. Div. 'G'.
- 16 57th H.A.C..
- 17 R.A. 1st ANZAC..
- 18 H.A. 1st ANZAC..
- 19 C.R.A..
- 20 B.C..
- 21 R.O..
- 22 File
- 23 )
- 24 ) Diary.
- 25 )



Appendix No. XC II

H.Q.  
4th AUSTRALIAN  
F. A. BRIGADE.

Copy No 1

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No. ....

SECOND AUSTRALIAN DIVISIONAL ARTILLERY.

ORDER No 66  
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Headquarters,

27th October, 1917.

1. C.R.A., 2nd AUSTRALIAN DIVISION, will take over command of the Artillery covering the RIGHT DIVISION of 1st ANZAC CORPS from C.R.A., 5th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION at 10 a.m. on 28th October, 1917.
2. 2nd Aust. Div. Arty. Headquarters will close at OUDEZELLE at 10 a.m. on 28th instant and open at LILLE GATE, YPRES, (I.14.a.8.3.) at the same hour.

*R. Osborn* Captain,  
For Brigade-Major,  
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	<i>Killed</i>	<i>wounded</i>
<i>Officers</i>	5	17
<i>Other Ranks</i>	19	110

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