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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
H A L (Belgium)	4/3/19		Personnel of unit still remaining at H A L. All equipment being disposed of in accordance with wire from Qm S. that is to say, all equipment required by relieving unit, whether S1098 or Medical or Surgical, is to be handed over to that unit. Personal equipment of unit being completed, + Q1 forms filled in atts.	
	2/3/19		Summer time commenced from 23.00 hours on 1st. Nothing special to report. Awaiting instructions for move of personnel.	atts
	3/3/19		Thresh disinfectors + shovels (S1098 equipment) taken over by 46th Field Amb. All ordnance equipment now accounted for. S1098 equipment ready for transfer to Ban of Depot (Calais). 3 x 20 ton trucks obtained from R.O.O. for transport of this equipment to Calais.	atts
	4/3/19		Under instructions from 5th Army, the two 3 ton Motor Lorries attached to this CCs were despatched to report to O/C. Amb. C. T. M.T. Coy. at Beaumont.	atts
	5/3/19		Capt LEEDMAN, MC, evacuated sick (Influenza + asthma). Lt Black (QM), with 4.0.r., proceeded today to Calais, with S1098 equipment, to hand it over to 05. Demob. Depot, Beaumont, Calais. Lt. Boyer + Cpl. E. B. Kewley proceeded today to England, for early repatriation. + Pk Andrews for discharge in U.K.	atts L11

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H A L	6/2/19		<p style="text-align: center;">②</p> <p>Letter received from Dms AIF, (2M. 3747 dated 26/2/19) enclosing copy of letter (2M 1504/9/48 of 7/2/19) referring to disposal of personnel of this Unit. Visit received to day from Dms. 5th Army, who was shown above letter. Dms 5th Army immediately gave instructions to act upon this letter. A.S.S.</p>	
	7/3/19		<p>11 O.R. (all 1917 Category) despatched this morning, to report to O/C no 3A.CCs for duty, in accordance with letter mentioned yesterday. A.S.S.</p>	
	8/3/19		<p>Preparations made for despatching 3 off (Major Marshall, Major Champion, &amp; Lt. Behrend) with 40 O.R., to AB B &amp; Have, for demobilization. Unit inspected by O.C., No instructions having been received concerning disposal of 41st Dental Unit, I am despatching this unit with the other personnel, to AB B &amp; Have. Letter written to day to S.O. A.D.S. (AIF. H. 2nd) asking him to forward instructions to O/C 41st Dental Unit (Lt. Behrend), at Have. I had previously consulted S.O. A.D.S., France, who had no instructions concerning this Dental Unit, and wished this unit to proceed with the C.C.S.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">A.S.S. Gibson A.S.S.</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	<p>③ Summary of Events and Information</p>	Remarks and references to Appendices
HAL.	9/3/19		<p>3 off. 40. OR. left this morning, with equipment &amp; papers complete, to report to O.C. A.G.B.D. Havre, for transfer to Forant; officers (3) to report to Dms A.I.F. Lt. Behrend (Dental Off.) had instructions to await further orders at Havre. Myself (OC) was unable to leave HAL, on account of one of the members of the unit (Pte. Merison) awaiting trial by courtmartial on 11/3/19. PADRE REYNOLDS was also detained as prisoner's friend, others detained are: one clerk, 2 witnesses, 1 prisoner, 1 man returned from Hospital, 1 batman (Off. 2, OR. 6)</p>	
	10/3/19		Nothing special to report.	AWB
	11/3/19		<p>J.S. Cm. held in case of Pte. Merison, at office of Camp Commandant III Corps. Pte. Merison was charged with ① Drunkenness ② Sect. 44: Creating a disturbance in Cafe Madrid, Brussels. ③ Violently resisting an escort. Arrangements were made by me for the proceedings of the J.S. Cm. to be forwarded to A.G.B.D., where confirmed. AWB</p>	
	12/3/19		<p>Remainder of unit, comprising O.C., Padre REYNOLDS, and 6 O.R. left HAL, en route for A.G.B.D. HAVRE.</p>	
	13/3/19		<p>Arrived CALAIS, 2. am. OC met Lt. BLACK + party, who had</p>	AWB

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13/3/19 (cont)			Completed the handing in of Ordnance equipment, at Base Ordnance Dept, BEAUMARIS (CALAIS). MAJOR BIGNELL, DSO, who was returning from leave to PARIS, was also met at CALAIS. MAJOR BIGNELL & LT. BLACK proceeded via CALAIS, to report to Dms AIF LONDON. <span style="float: right;">ASB</span>	
14/3/19 15/3/19			Remainder of unit (2 off 10 OR) proceeded today to AGBD Havre. Arrived ROUEN 2 am. Left Rouen 10 am for Havre. Arrived AGBD 3.30 pm. Here the party who had left in charge of MAJOR MARSHALL, were found still awaiting.	
<del>14/3/19</del> 16/3/19			With exception of Major Marshall, who had left for England 2 days previously. Unit (off 3, OR 46) embarked on Western Australia for Southampton. <span style="float: right;">ASB</span>	
17/3/19			Arrived Southampton 8 am. Arrived FOVANT 1 pm. On arriving at Fovant, OC, Major Champion proceeded to report to Dms AIF. <span style="float: right;">ASB</span>	
18/3/19			OC reported to Dms AIF. Unit's records brought to London by OC and arrangements made for handing over records to War Records section. <span style="float: right;">ASB</span>	

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19/3/19			Unit records handed over to War Records Section A.I.F. Headquarters London	
			A.W. Brown Lt Col 270 not accs	