

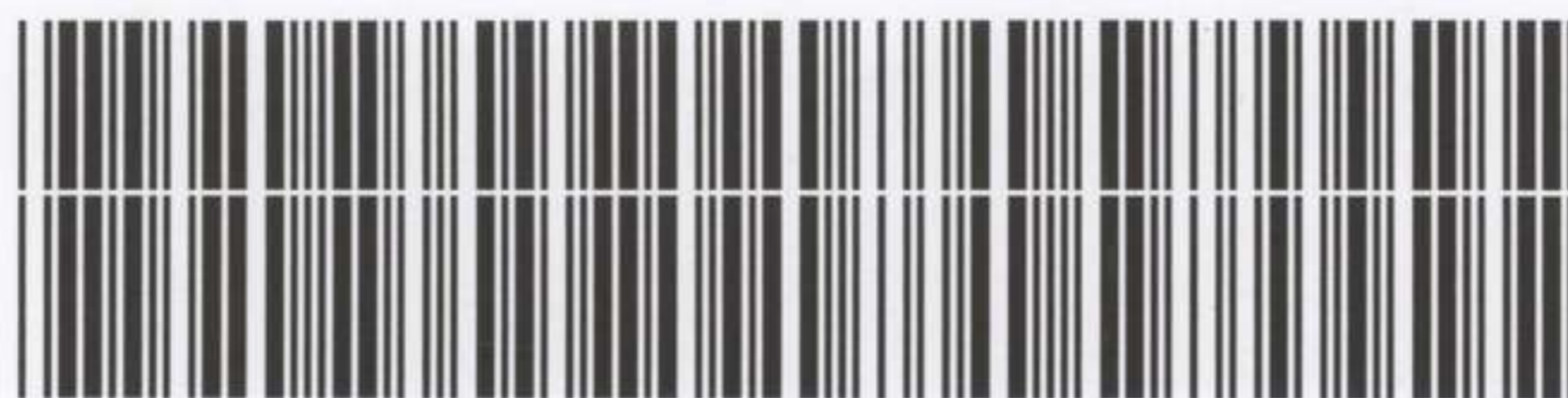
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RAFA	3-18		Advanced party of ambulance Capt G S SHIPWAY & 150R proceeded to SHELLAL 10R sent to Cooking School ISMAILIA <u>W/4</u>	
SHELLAL	2-318		Remainder of ambulance moved to SHELLAL. All camels were led over walking whole way. <u>W/4</u>	
"	3-318		Training of camels commenced. Half ambulance sent out for 80 miles back starting 0620 riding through the day returning 1420. Camels given only 10th part daily & grazing on the country around. In camp near site of old supply dump grazing is very plentiful & of good quality.	
"	9		Capt DOLMAN rejoined from school MOASCAR. Capt G S SHIPWAY reported to AMC school MOASCAR. Capt E S JOSE detached RMO 4th Batt. Lt Col CHRISTIE to school MOASCAR. <u>W/4</u>	
"	9-318		Subs. state of camp ending 9th March admission 0-OR44 evacuation 0-OR39 round 0 ^{OR} remaining 6 <u>W/4</u>	
"	8-5-18		10R reported to Muzen (for transport ADS)	
HAREIRA	10-218		Brigade dump formed at SHELLAL. Capt T S CAMPBELL & 30R detached to Brigade dump. Also 40R 97th Port unit ambulance moved via SHELLAL crossing of WADE GHUZZE to HAREIRA arriving 1800 en route for KILO 293 (DEIRAN) <u>W/4</u>	
JULIS	11-318		Lt HAREIRA 0600 arrived HULEIKAT 1300 1 native & 2 camels killed by accidental bomb explosion. 3 other camels wounded <u>W/4</u>	
DEIRAN	12-3-18		Arrived JULIS 1720.	
DEIRAN	16-3-18		Lt JULIS 0630 arrived DEIRAN 1900 day midday, Hall YASUR. Good luck fine weather till arrival at DEIRAN. <u>W/4</u>	
DEIRAN	17-3-18		Advanced dump formed KILO 295. 10R detached. Brigade dump moved from SHELLAL to RAFA.	
DEIRAN	17-3-18		Subs. state ending 16-3-18. Remained admission 0-OR24 evacuation 0-OR28 20 days DRZ remaining <u>W/4</u>	
"	17-3-18		Capt SHIPWAY rejoined from MOASCAR. Capt JOSE rejoined from 4th Batt. <u>W/4</u>	
JUNCTION STAKARIEN	18-3-18		Advanced ambulance left DEIRAN 1000 en route for SOLOMON'S POOLS BETHLEHEM. Road in bad state owing to rain. <u>W/4</u>	
BETHLEHEM	19-3-18		near JUNCTION STATION 2000. unable to reach destination ZARBIEN. <u>W/4</u>	
"	20-3-18		Lt Bismac 0600 still in the mud. road very rough places for wheel traffic. 2 sand carts abandoned owing to bad roads. Burned 1920 6 miles from SOLOMON'S POOLS. <u>W/4</u>	
"	21-3-18		Lt Bismac 0645 arrived SOLOMON'S POOLS 1800 & rejoined Brigade. Oules of all sand carts had. sent immediately to advance JERUSALEM. One riding camel destroyed. 1 riding camel & 1 baggage abandoned. <u>W/4</u>	
"	21-3-18		Resting. <u>W/4</u>	
JERICHO	1-4-18		24 more camel castrated. one taken with ambulance from <u>W/4</u> (13 part of Jerusalem in Appendix II)	
"	1-4-18		Arrived JERICHO 1300 after completion of operation across JORDAN towards AMMAN. <u>W/4</u>	

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Bethlehem	21 315		Left Bethlehem with ICBde 1830. Passed through JERUSALEM about 2300 and pushed up the sand carts which had been sent to Sidman Works shops for repair of axle. Arrived TATATED DUMM 0530 22nd March	
TATATED DUMM	22 215		Arrived at TATATED DUMM	
"	23 315		Left TATATED DUMM 2200 in rear of Brigade moved on to JORDAN PLAIN (KUSR HAZLE) 0500 crossed the JORDAN	
JORDAN PLAIN	24th		by MAKHADET HAZLE ford & proceeded to TELEIL MUSLIM (AMMAN map 1/63360) arriving there 1730	
"	25th		All sand carts reported here to CRA AAVZM th Amman as road up to Plateau held up for all wheels. Left TELEIL MUSLIM 2200 by and hauled by #03 Road (Amman sheet 1/63360) moved on to Plateau the whole way. Moon set 1 hour before daylight & ambulance halted till dawn when it started to rain. The next day spent in loading camels around the sides of hills along slippery muddy paths. Progress very slow. Reached a point on #03 Road about 6 miles SW of NA'AVR by 1800. Halted for 3 hours. Left this point 2100.	
NA'AVR	26 315		Arrived NA'AVR 0500 camels & mules very exhausted. Camels led the whole way. Road slippery & boggy. 3 hours spent at NA'AVR on to cross roads & made out of AIN ES SIR 1400. Stayed the night there.	
AIN ES SIR	27 315		Capt SHIPWAY & Capt JOSIE 200 OR ^s dispatched to BIRMET VMM AMMVD to help from Amman collecting stn. 0500. Remains of AMMAN Capt DOLMAN Lt Col PHILLIPS & DONNELLY & OR. Arrived at Amman 0200 eastward along ES SIR Amman Rd behind Brigade. Brigade got into action shortly afterwards & ambulance halted & found dressing stn about 3 miles east of ISSAR. Capt DOLMAN ^{200 OR} sent forward to BTR 1 mile eastward to forward advanced dressing stn. 1st wounded arrived about 2030. Only tent accommodation was 2 COX tents. All wounded dressed by 0400 28th. 10 + 11 OR wounded. 6 OR tents admitted 24 hrs ending 29/3/15. Wounds mostly GSW & very few fractured limbs.	
"	28 315		ORS discharged to duty. 25 OR evacuated to Amman collecting stn. BTR VMM AMMVD by camel cart. For 2 hrs end of 2400 29/3/15 30 200 OR wounded & 2 OR sent admitted. Patients given additional shelter by drawing blankets & shelter from Battalion. Rain coming & with wind. Patients drawn away which	
"	29th		NZ Mde F th Amb mobile section called brigade on. Few medical supplies available. Only 200 OR evacuated owing to confusion at collecting stn. Security of forward by drawing blankets in night. Red dressings for wounded.	
"	30th		Dressing changed by casualty 200 & 600 to collecting stn & transferred to NZ F th Amb in readiness to move into AMMVD. Arrived forward to where Captain DOLMAN was stationed arrived 1330. Tents used 18 + 11 OR wounded admitted & evacuated to ^{collecting stn} AMMVD. Transport away ordered by GOC ICBde to return to	
"	31st		brigade by 1800 owing to general retirement of line. Burmaced 2030. Moved out behind Brigade 0600 did not get through village ES SIR till 1330 owing to narrow track proceeded to SHUNET NIMRIN via N4 Road. Rain by 1800. Burmaced 1800 owing to darkness & very slippery state of road.	
"	1 4 15		Moved off 0600 & formed Brigade at SHUNET NIMRIN 1000. with camels 1100 & moved out 1430 arrived east of SERICHO 1600.	

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RAPA	1 3 15		Advanced party of ambulance Capt G S SHIPWAY & 15 OR proceeded to SHELLAL. 1 OR sent to Cochrane School ISMAILIA	
"	2 3 15		Remainder of ambulance moved to SHELLAL. All camels were led now walking, while they.	
SHELLAL	3 3 15		Training of camels commenced. Half ambulance sent out for 8 miles back starting 0630 working through the day, returning 1430. Camels given only 10th grain daily & grazing on the scrubby ground. As camp was safe & all supply dumps grazing is very plentiful. Food quality.	
"	9		Capt BOLMAN rejoined from school MOASCHAR. Capt G S SHIPWAY reported to AGC school MOASCHAR. Capt ESSOKE	
"	3		detached RMO 4th Batt. Lieut CHRISTIE to school MOASCHAR	
"	9 2 15		Sick state of days ending 9th March. Admission 0 OR 24 evacuation 0 OR 39 to unit 0 OR 24 Remaining 8	
"	5 3 15		1 OR reported to Mission for Corps AADS	
HAREIRA	10 2 15		Brigade dump moved to SHELLAL. Capt T S CAMPBELL & 3 OR detached to Brigade dump. Also 4 OR 9 th Dental unit. Ambulance moved	
"	11 3 15		via SHELLAL crossing of WADE GHUZZE to HAREIRA arriving 1100 en route for KILU 295 (DEIRAN). 2 camels killed by accidental fire in camp.	
JULIS			Lieut HAREIRA 0600 arrived HULEIKAT 1500. 1 mule & 2 camels killed by accidental fire in camp.	
DEIRAN	12 2 15		arrived JULIS 1720. Lieut JULIS 0630 arrived DEIRAN 1900. Day Midday, Heat YASUR. Good track fine weather. All arrived at DEIRAN	
DEIRAN	16 3 15		Advanced dump formed KILU 295. 1 OR detached. Brigade dump moved from SHELLAL to RAPA.	
DEIRAN	17 3 15		Sick state ending 16 3 15. Remained 0 admission 0 OR 24 evacuation 0 OR 25 to duty OR 22 Remaining 11	
"	17 3 15		Capt SHIPWAY rejoined from MOASCHAR. Capt SOISE rejoined from 4th Batt.	
"	17 3 15		Advanced ambulance left DEIRAN 1000 en route for SOLOMON'S POOLS BETHLEHEM. Road in bad state owing to rain. Camels humored.	
{ JUNCTION ST	18 3 15		near JUNCTION STATION 2000. unable to reach destination ZARARIEN	
ZARARIEN	18 3 15		Lieut Birnie 0600. still in the mud. road very rough in places for sand ripples. 2 sand carts abandoned owing to bad tracks. Burned 1930 6 miles	
BETHLEHEM	19 3 15		from Solomon's Pools. Lieut Birnie 0645. arrived Solomon's Pools 1100. reported Brigade. Gave off all sand carts. Tent. Tent immediately to advance JERUSALEM	
"	20 3 15		One sand cart destroyed. 1 sand cart & 1 baggage abandoned.	
"	21 3 15		Resting. 24 camels were taken to ambulance from Bethlehem. Ambulance moved to Brigade to take part in operations across JORDAN. Sand carts rejoined ambulance moved through JERUSALEM.	
JERICHO	1 4 15		(Report of operation in Appendix II.) around JERICHO 1800 after completion of operation across JORDAN. Reached AMMAN.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Bethlehem	21/3/15		Left Bethlehem with IC Bde 1830 Passed through JERUSALEM about 2300 and picked up the sand carts which had been sent to various work shops for repair of axles Arrived TATATEDDUMM 0530 22nd March	
TATATEDDUMM	22/3/15		Perked at TATATEDDUMM	
"	23/3/15		Left TATATEDDUMM 2200 in company of Brigade moved on E JORDAN plain (KUSR HASLE) 0500 crossed the JORDAN	
JORDAN PLAIN	24th		by MAKHADET HASLE ford - proceeded to TELEIL MUSLIM (AMMAN MAP 1/63360) arriving there 1730	
"	25th		All sand carts reported here to CRA HQ 2nd Division arrived up to Plateau about 1000 for all wheels left TELEIL MUSLIM 2200 by and travelled by NO3 Road (Amman sheet 1/63360) moved in file practically the whole way. moon set - then before daylight so ambulance halted till dawn when it started to rain. The next day spent in loading carts around the side of hills along slippery muddy paths. Progress very slow. Reached a point on NO3 Road about 5 miles SW of MA'AVR by 1500. Halted for shelter. Left this point 2100	
MA'AVR	26/3/15		Arrived MA'AVR 0500 remains a section very unbalanced. Limited but the whole way. Road slippery & boggy. Shores of the river moved on to	
AIVE'SIA	27/3/15		cross roads 1 mile east of AIVE'SIA 1400. Stayed the night there.	
"			Capt SHIPWAY & Capt JOSHIE & 20 ORs dispatched to BIRJET UMM AMMUD to help form Amman collecting party. 0500	
"			Remains of 1st Bde left DOUMAN local PHILLIPS & DONNELLY & OR	
"			Moved out from Damma 0500 eastward along ES SIA - Amman rd behind brigade. Brigade got into action shortly afterwards	
"			4 Ambulances halted & formed dressing station about 3 miles east of ISSAR. Capt DOLMAN, sent forward to BTR 1 mile eastward to form advanced dressing station. 1st wounded arrived about 2030. Only tent accommodation was 2 OR tents. All wounded	
"	28/3/15		dressed by 0400 28th. 10 + 11 OR wounded. 6 OR tents admitted 24 hrs ending 29/3/15. Wounds mostly GSW & very few fractured limbs.	
"			ORS discharged to day. 25 OR evacuated to Amman collecting party BTR UMM AMMUD by camel cart for 24 hrs ending 2400 21/3/15 30 20 OR wounded & 2 OR tents admitted. Patients given additional shelter by drawing blankets & shelter from Battalion. Rain evening of 28th night. Patients drawn under blankets	
"	29th		IC Bde F.A.M.B. immediate action called during night. Few medical comforts available. Only 200 OR evacuated owing to congestion at collecting station	
"	30th		Dressing station closed by evacuating 20 OR & 6 OR to collecting party & transferred to IC Bde F.A.M.B. in readiness to move into AMMAN. Moved forward to where Captain DOLMAN was stationed arrived 1330. Tents used 10 + 11 OR wounded admitted & evacuated to collecting station. Evacuated by 1800 owing to general retirement of line. Burned 2030	
"	31st		Moved out toward Brigade 0600 did not get through village ES SIA till 1330 owing to narrow track proceeded to SHUNET NIMRIN via NO3 Road	
"	1/4/15		Rain by day. Burned 1500 owing to darkness & very slippery state of road	
"			Moved off 0600 & formed Brigade at SHUNET NIMRIN 1000. water camels 100 & moved out 1430 arrived east of SERIHO 1500	

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Report on Capt Shipway's party in Appendix IIIA

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Detachment - attached

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2nd Brigade - of Home

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
71. 26. 8. (Amman Street)			<p style="text-align: center;">Appendix 2a</p> <p>At 0520 on 27/3/18 Captaine G.S. Shipway, Captaine E.S. Joske and 20 OR's composing Tent Sub. Division moved off from Amman - es - Sir to join Mobile Section of 2nd A.L. 76.7 Unit. Stationed at Bkt. - Umman - Amud. We proceeded at 0800 with 2nd Lt. No. 742 in the advance on AMMAN, and formed advanced Dressing Station at W. 26. B. (Amman Street), 7/3/20, at 1100. During this day's (27/3) operations we admitted: 43 Wounded (5 officers and 38 OR's), and 6 Sick (6 OR's), and evacuated: 42 Wounded (5 officers, 37 OR's) 6 OR's sick. 1 OR. died in station same date. None remained.</p> <p>On second day's operations, viz 28/3/18 we admitted 59 wounded (4 off, 55 OR's) and 2 OR's sick, and evacuated 56 wounded (4 off and 52 OR's), and 2 OR's sick. 2 OR's died in station same date, and 1 OR (wounded) remained in station.</p> <p>On 29.3.1918 1 OR (wounded) remaining in from previous day died. Same date we admitted 4 wounded (1 off and 3 OR's), and 2 OR's sick, and evacuated all.</p> <p>On 30.3.1918 we admitted 7 OR's wounded and 1 OR. sick, and evacuated all same day, making a total of admissions wounded 10 officers, 103 OR's and 11 OR's sick: found total 124 4 died in Dressing station, leaving a total of 120 evacuations to Det. Collecting Station. The four men who died were buried at spot 20 yards N. of Dressing Station, their particulars being - 1259 Pte Press A.E. 7th A.L. Home. 25th Chest. died 27/3/18. Buried by Cpl. Chaplain.</p> <p>292 Pte BAKER E.J. 6th A.L. Home. 1st Stomach died 27/3/18. Buried by Cpl. Chaplain.</p> <p>1428 Pte O'Brien A.J. 6th A.L. Home. 1st Head died 27/3/18. Buried by Cpl. Chaplain.</p> <p>952 Sgt. PEEB WA 7th A.L. Home. 1st R. thigh died 27/3/18. Buried by Cpl. Chaplain.</p>	
			<p>At 2000 on 27/3/18 the Detachment returned to the Mobile Section of 2nd A.L. 76.7 Unit (Det. Collecting Station at Bkt. Umman Amud). We immediately commenced the receiving and treatment of wounded on arrival, taking over available tentage accommodation, viz 2 operating and 4 Bell - to the utmost. During next day, 28/3/18 we worked in conjunction with Det. Collecting Station in the treatment and evacuation of wounded, and at 1700 same day the Detachment proceeded to Esalt, thence by way of Jericho - Esalt Road to Sherid Nimrin, where rations and water were drawn (14/18).</p> <p>On 7/4/18 we moved across the Jordan, and rejoined Unit near Tel-el-Sultan, N. of Jericho. No casualties occurred in Detach. amongst either men or animals.</p>	

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SHELLAL	3.3.18.		Training of camels commenced. Half Ambulance sent out daily for 8 miles trek starting 0630 resting through the day, returning 0430. Camels given only 10 lbs. grain daily and grazing on the country around. As camp is on site of old supply dump grazing is very plentiful, & of good quality.	
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"	8.3.18.		1 O.R. reported to Moascar (for troops A.A.D.S.)	
HAREIRA.	10.3.18.		Brigade dump formed at SHELLAL Capt. T.S. CAMPBELL & 3 O.R. detached to Brigade dump also 4 O.R. 9th Dental unit. Ambulance moved via SHELLAL crossing of WADI GHUZZE to HAREIRA arriving 1800 en route for KILO 29 (DEIRAN) 3 other camels wounded. W.Mc.L.	
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"	20.3.18.		Resting. W.Mc.L. 24 pairs camels cailets were taken to Ambulance from Battalion.	
"	21.3.18.		Ambulance moved to Brigade to take part in operation across JORDAN. Sand Carts rejoined Ambulance in march through JERUSALEM. (Report of operation in Appendix H) W.Mc.L.	See Appendix
JERICHO.	1.4.18.		Arrived JERICHO 1800 after completion of operations across JORDAN towards AMMAN. W.Mc.L.	

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"	"		Capt. SHIPWAY rejoined from MOASCAR. Capt. JOSKE rejoined from 4th. Battn.	
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"	20.3.18.		Resting. W.Mc.L. 24 pairs camels caiclets were taken to Ambulance from Battalion.	
"	21.3.18.		Ambulance moved to Brigade to take part in operation across JORDAN. Sand Carts rejoined	
"	"		Ambulance in march through JERUSALEM. (Report of operation in Appendix H) W.Mc.L.	See Appendix
JERICHO.	1.4.18.		Arrived JERICHO 1800 after completion of operations across JORDAN towards AMMAN. W.Mc.L.	

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WAR DIARY

OF

AUSTRALIAN CAMEL FIELD AMBULANCE

FOR

March 1918

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INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Operation of ACFA during Road in Amman

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Bethlehem	21 31E		Left Bethlehem with 10 Bde 1830. Passed through JERUSALEM about 2300 and picked up the sand carts which had been sent to Helwan via the ships for repair of axle. Arrived TATATED DUMM 0530 23rd March.	
TATATED DUMM	22 31E		Arrived at TATATED DUMM.	
"	23 31E		Left TATATED DUMM 8200 in company of Brigade moved on to JORDAN plain (KUSR HASLE) 0500. Crossed the JORDAN by MAKHADET HASLE ford. Proceeded to TELEIL MUSLIM (AMMAN MAP 1/67260) arriving there 1730.	
JORDAN PLAIN	24th		All sand carts repaired here by C.R.A. 44th Bde. Arrived at station held until for all wheels. Left TELEIL MUSLIM 2200 by air hauled by 1003 Bde (Amman sheet 1/63360). Moved in file practically the whole way. Arrived at station before daylight. Ambulance halted till dawn when it started to rain. The next day spent in loading carts around the station. Halted along slippery muddy paths. Progress very slow. Reached a point on KUSR Road about 5 miles SW of MA'ARA by 1600. Halted for dinner. Left the point 2100.	
MA'ARA	26 3 15		Arrived MA'ARA 0500. Under a netting system. Carts led the whole way. Road slippery & boggy. Showers fell. Carts moved on to cross roads 1 mile east of AIN EL SYR 1400. Stayed the night there.	
AIN EL SYR	27 3 15		Capt SAIDWAY & Capt SOUCE + 20 ORs detached to BIRJAT YAMM AMMUD to help from Amman. Capt SAIDWAY & Capt SOUCE + 20 ORs detached to BIRJAT YAMM AMMUD to help from Amman. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500.	
	28 3 15		Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500.	
	29th		Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500.	
	30th		Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500.	
	31st		Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500. Arrived at Birjat Yammmud 0500.	
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