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			Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
Place	Date	Hour		
TALAT-ED-DUMN	22/3/18		The Inverness RHA. came under orders of 18 th Bde RHA. their brigade having moved out.	S.V.H.
	23/3/18		Somerset	S.V.H.
			The 18 th Bde RHA. (less Ayrshire RHA who marched with the 2 nd FLH Bde) left TALAT-ED-DUMN	
			marched all night crossing River JORDAN & reaching KARR-MUJAHID at 1600 24/3/18	S.V.H.
KARR-MUJAHID	24/3/18		The 18 th Bde RHA. was to have marched with the Ayrshire 14 th Division to AMMAN by No 3 road, but this track was found impossible for wheeled traffic. The 18 th Brigade RHA. therefore remained in bivouac at KARR-MUJAHID, & the OC. was put in command of all wheeled transport camels etc left behind.	S.V.H.
	25/3/18		The 18 th Bde RHA & details Ayrshire Division marched to SHONET-KIMRIN in accordance with instructions received from G.O.C. Ayrshire mounted division & remained in bivouac there.	S.V.H.
SHONET-KIMRIN	25/3/18		Road No 4 reconnoitred by officers patrol on instructions from G.O.C. to division & found impossible for guns & other wheels.	W/19
	28/3/18		Ayrshire RHA. & Inverness RHA. were sent out to support the 18 th A.H. Bde who were holding a line near UMM-ESHERT. on orders received from 60 th Division.	S.V.H.

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SHUNET-NIMRIN	29/3/18		Inverness RHA. Took up a position at F 9 (b) (AMMON-SHEET) fired on snipers. & also dis- persed an observation party. Range 5700. Ammunition expended 37 rounds. Sharpsh Anywhere RHA. Took up a position at F 16 (ESALT-MAR) fired on road & enemies positions. ammunition expended 40 rounds. Sharpsh. Casualties personnel 60R Killed 1.0R wounded & two horses killed.	1.1.4
			The Somerset RHA. Left SHUNET-NIMRIN at 1900 to join General Chaytor's force near AMMAN marching via ES-SALT.	4.1.4
			Somerset Section AAC left SHUNET-NIMRIN & marched to ES-SALT (leaving at 2300)	7.1.4
"	30/3/18		Inverness RHA. Shelled enemy trenches on West bank of Jordan. Ammunition expended (AMMAN saw 7.30.18) 30 Sharpsh. 8 H.E.	7.1.4
			The Somerset RHA reached Amman. Arrived at 0900 & received instructions to support 181 Infantry Bde & came in to action at W 26 (a) (AMMAN shot) at 10.20. Target Superior enemy reinforcements & M.B. gun placements. Range 2000' to 4200'. Since at 0230 Somerset RHA retired / General with division being ordered) & took up a position at day light at R 30 (d) (AMMAN shot) to cover the Cavalry & Infantry with division. At 0230 the battery retired down in Section at R 26 (a) (AMMAN shot). At 11.30 the battery withdrew to R 26 (a) & RHA to ES-SALT. & stood to arms all night. Total Ammunition expended 91 rounds.	7.1.4
	31/3/18		Inverness RHA. fired on snipers & enemy posts. Ammunition expended 60 rounds. Anywhere RHA. - Enemy movement.	W 10/4/18