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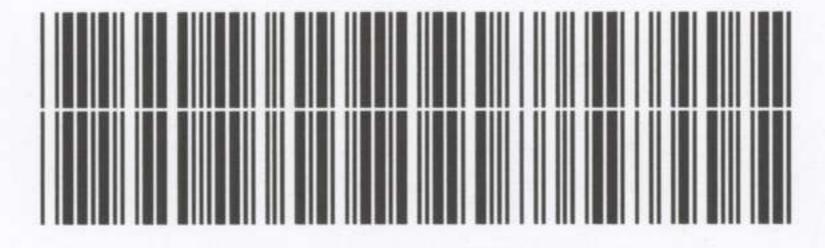
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DEIRAN. 1. 12.17.

REFILLING POINTS for 2nd.

Anzacs and Camel Brigade will draw to-night at 1900, under cover of darkness at Junction of main RAMLEH-JAFFA road, and road from AYUN KARA in 071 Square L.29. Ausdiv, less 10th L.H. Regt. at Latrum at 0900. 10th L.H. Regt at LATRUN at 0900. H.K. & S. Battery under Ausdiv at LATRUN at 0900. Ausdiv horses and men with them at RAMLEH at 0930. Yeodiv at AKIR at 0930. Notts Battery at RAMLEH at 0930. 7th Mounted Brigade at AKIR at 0930.

DAILY STATE LORRIES.

154.	Workshops Coy Work	13.		
			Corps Supply Column (on road)	82.
	Available	136.	Supplies (Julis, Deir Seneid & return) Sundries.	99.

LOCATION OF TRAINS.

Details of Lorries for 2nd as to-day. Location of Trains: - Ausdiv-LATRUN.
Yeodiv & 7th Mounted Brigade @ AKIR. Anzac - YAZIR. Camel Companies as to-day.

L.A.M.B's & A.C.B's Workshop Established at JUNCTION STATION.

D.A.D.S.T. visits L.A.M.B's Workshop - Also Dump at K.27 B.

Position where Lorry convoy for Anzacs and Camel Brigade dumped their load last night shelled heavily this morning.

DEIRAN 2. 12.17.

REFILLING POINTS for 3rd.

Anzacs and Camel Brigade supplies will be drawn to-night 2nd inst at 1900 at Junction of main RAMLEH-JAFFA road, and road from AYUN-KARA in 971 Square L.29.

Ausdiv (less 10th L.H. Regt) at LATRUN at 0900. 10th L.H. Regt at LATRUN at 0900.

H.K. & S. Battery (under Ausdiv) at LATRUN at 0900. Ausdiv horses and men with them at RAMLEH at 0930. Yeodiv at AKIR at 0930. 7th Mounted Brigade at AKIR at 0930.

Notts & Hants Battery at RAMLEH at 0930.— with supplies for AUSDIV horses. Corps H.O. at AKIR at 0930.

Inspect Yeomanry Mounted Divnl Train horses.

DAILY STATE LORRIES.

Workshops 6. Coy Work 5.

Available 152.

(Corps Troops Supply Column (on road)	99
(:: :: (left dumn 2nd)	95
(Moving Old nump Julis to K.27.	36.
(From Deir Seneid to K.27 (grain)	35
(Sundries	5.

LOCATION OF TRAINS.

163.

Details of Lorries 3rd inst as to-day, except Location - K.27 B.
Location of Trains: - Ausdiv-RAMLEH. Yeodiv and 7th Mounted Brigade at AKIR.
Anzacs-YAZIR. Camel Companies DEIR SENEID.

DEIRAN. 3. 12.17.

REFILLING POINTS for 4th.

Same as 3rd inst.

DAILY STATE OF LORRIES.

Workshops 9. 163. Coy Work 4.

Available 150.

(Corps Supply Column (on road) 95.

(:: :: (in park loaded) 91.

(Grain from old dump to new dump (2 jrnys) 38.

(Sundries.

LOCATION OF TRAINS.

Details of Lorries. Location of Trains and Camels for 4th as to-day.

D.A.D.S.T. yisits Yeomanry Divisional Train.
One Company of this Train is at NAANEH, working between NAANEH and AKIR carrying bulk rations for horses, which are being brought from JAFFA by Motor Lorry.

DEIRAN. 4. 12.17.

REFILLING POINTS for 5th.

Refilling Point Anzacs and Camel Brigade for to-night 4th inst, same as last night.
Other Refilling Points for 5th inst, same as for to-day.

DAILY STATE OF LORRIES.

Workshops 6. Coy Work 5.

Available 152. (Corps Supply Convoy (:: ::: :: (leaving 0600 5th.) 54. (Old Dump at Julis to KUSTINEH 16.

Wire D.S.T., re D.T.2158.

"No.S.209. Instructions issued to put Descorps on full rations, as far as transport
will permit."

Details of Lorries with Descorps.:
906 M.T. Coy., 1 Workshop, 1 Store, 76-3 Ton;
86 - 3 Ton. 1 "Opel" Lorries located K.27B. All available working daily, one portion Between DEIR SENEID and refilling points, another portion between Dump K.27B. and Brigade - AKIR AAA Train Locations Anzac - YAZIR, Ausdiv-RAMLEH. Yeodiv & 7th Mounted

Wire D.S.T., S.226.
"Camel Brigade should arrive FUKHARI rationed up to evening 9th.AAA S.O. Brigade instructed
to submit Indents in accordance with instructions contained in Descorps G.O.27.

D.A.D.S.T. inspects detachment of 250 Camels attached to Ausdiv, BEIT SIRA. Ausdiv detachment of 250 Camels watering under 20th Corps arrangements.

Several camels suffering from swollen feet and pads, due to the stoney nature of the country.

DEIRAN. 12.17.

REFILLING POINTS for 6th inst.

Two days supplies for camel Brigade will be taken to YEBNA to-morrow morning AAARemainder same as for to-day.

D.A.D.S.T. visits Ausdiv Dump at RAMLEH, and the Australian Mounted Divnl Train also at RAMLEH.

DETAILS Lorries etc., for 6th inst, same as reported yesterday.

Daily State Lorries.

Workshops 1 Coy. Work	. (Corps supply Convoy.	54.
163. Available 14	Lorries to M.S.D. DEIR SENEID. (Anzac Supplies (Sundries	72 126 36

CAMEL BRIGADE MOVE TO FUKHARI AREA.

DOOL TOIL	YEBNA to KAUKABA, BEIT TIMA, EL HUZEIKA. KAUKABA, BEIT TIMA, EL HALEIKA to HAREIRA.
THE RESERVE OF THE PARTY OF THE	HAREIRA to HISEIA, SHELLAL JUNCTION. HISEIA, SHELLAL JUNCTION to FUKHARI.

SUPPLIES.(A) One days rations will be carried at starting.

(B) Three days :: :: drawn at YEBNA.

(C) One :: :: :: drawn at SHELLAL JUNCTION.

DEIRAN 6. 12.17.

Owing to heavy rainfall last night, Lorries late to-day. Lorry convoy left KUSTINE 0930 this

REFILLING POINTS FOR 7th inst.

As Notts & Hants Batteries are rejoining their Divisions, supplies will be sent to respective Divisions. Remainder same as for to-day.

DAILY STATE LORRIES.

Workshops 13. 163. Coy Work 5.

Available 145.

(Corps Supply Convoy (Anzac, convoy on road., (Sundries

131.

Details Lorries etc., for 7th as reported 4th inst.

DEIRAN 3.

Heavy falls of rain all day - and during night.

DAILY STATE LORRIES.

Workshops 12.
Coy work 5.

Available 146.

Corps Supply Convoy. Sundries

121.

LOCATION OF TRAINS etc., 8th inst, same as reported 4th.

Refilling Points for 8th inst.

Anzacs on main RAMLEH-JAFFA road about L.29 central, morning time uncertain.

Yeodiv and 7th Mounted & Corps H.Q., one mile West JUNCTION STATION on main road @ 1000.

Bulk forage for Yeodiv - Ramleh Station in the afternoon, time uncertain.

Ausdiv at LATRUN at 1200. - at RAMLEH 1300. All lorries move via Main Metalled road through LATRUN.

Greatest difficulty found in working lorries from DEIR SENEID to K.27. road very bad.

Following wire received from Major. Dunningham.

Can get trucks on light railway for bread, meat and vegs. AAA Shall I send them through to Junction Station AAA If not, please advise me re disposal.

Wire in reply: - S.324.

Yes, send perishables on Light railway AAA Advise departure.

Major Dunningham wires in reply. D.60.

Perishables on Light Railway departure of Train uncertain AAA If at all possible will send perishables by Motors early 8th AAA If not all perishables will go by camels.

DEIRAN 8. 12.17.

showers of rain all day - continues through the night.

DAILY STATE LORRIES.

	Workshops 16. Coy work 5.	(Corps Supply Convoy	61.
163.	Available 84.	(Deir Seneid (road) (El Kustine	22.
		(Balance on road (Sundries	58. 4.

Refilling Points for 9th inst.

Same as for to-day. Times uncertain. Approximate times will be notified later. No Motor Lorries will leave the main metalled roads.

LOCATION OF TRAINS etc., for 9th inst, same as reported 4th inst.

Wire DESCORPS S.O. No.S.329.
"Until weather breaks Mobile Rations only AAA Notify Major. Dunningham your requirements."

Sending forward Rations on Light Railway, Train left DEIR SENEID 2130. Grain for Corps Troops, Ausdiv, Yeodiv, and 7th Mounted Brigade will be drawn from Junction Station Dump.

Descorps Supplies - Kustine - Wire following:-

(1) Ausdiv convoy ready, and will move out here by 2045 Mobile Rations.

(2) Loading Yeodiv & 7th Mtd Bde convoy to-night, mens rations only, Grain will be issued from Junction Station. Will advise time of departure.

(3) Corps Troops supplies moved off with Ausdiv, 7th Mounted Bde and Yeodiv moved off 2330 with Mobile Rations for men only. Grain to be picked up from Junction.

(4) Anzacs convoy left here 1745 with Mobile Rations.

DEIRAN 8. 12.17.

- "Q" wires re Rum issue A.Q.568.

 "A by-weekly issue of rum at discretion of Divisional & 7th Mounted Brigade Commanders is sanctioned."
- "Q" wires:"A bi-weekly issue of rum for Corps Headquarters and attached Gorps Troops is sanctioned."
- Wire Descorps Supplies, No.S.329.

 "For information a bi-weekly issue of Rum at discretion of Divisional and 7th Mounted Brigade Commanders has been sanctioned."
- "Q" wires A.Q.577.

 "Reference this office A.Q.568 of 7th. AAA While weather (present) continues a daily issue of Rum is approved at discretion of Division and 7th Mounted Brigade Commanders AAA This issue will be stopped when weather changes. This includes Corps H.Q."
- Wire Supplies re above. S.335.
 "While present weather continues a daily issue of rum is approved. (as above)."
- After 24 hours rain, road practically impassable for Motor Lorries, with exception of main Mettalled road. All Troops for the Corps fed for 8th inst. Rations for the 9th coming forward by Lorry on Mobile Scale.
- Wire O.C. Descorps AMBULANCES.

 "L.C.C. Bde Ambulances are to be collected and located with the Australian Receiving Station near LATRUN."

DEIRAN. 9. 12.17.

Rain still continues, all Lorries for feeding Divisions to-day did not get there last night, have been issued:-

"Anzacs and Australian convoys will be stopped on return journey at Station Junction, where they will load up One days Mobile Rations from RESERVE DUMP at that place."

Yeodiv, Corps Troops, 7th Mounted Brigade: Mobile Rations will come forward from w.27 as far as Junction Station, where they will be picked up by wheel transport.

Refilling Points for 10th inst.

Yeodiv, 7th Mounted Brigade & Corps Troops main road One Mile west of Junction Station at 1000. Anzacs and Ausdiv Will be notified later.

Wire received from D.I., C.T.C., BL.447.

Heavy rain here from present appearances doe not think possible for camel Convoy to proceed K.27 B. to-morrow. Will advise you by wire if convoy starts or not.

"Convoy must leave to-morrow AAA No reserves in hand."

DAILY STATE LORRIES.

Workshops 12. Coy Work 5.

163.

Available 44.

Corps Supply Column 39.
Sundries 5.
On Road 0600 to-day (10th) 111.

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as Deiran.	10.		(Obntinued) DAILY STATE LORRIES.	
			(Workshop 14. (Coy Work. 5. (Corps Supply Convoy. (On road not returned. (Available 115. (Sundries. (Sundries.	
			LOCATION OF TRAINS etc., for 11th inst, same; YEODIV moving MEJDEL. "Q" wire: G.A.7 - 10th.	
			Adv G.H.Q. wire begins:- "Send back 7th Mounted Brigade to EBDUD area on the 14th AAA Troops will be supplied from ESDUD Railhead AAA 21st Corps ordered to send there A. & N.Z. Division whole or part AAA Arrange direct with 21st Corps about water and areas AA Urgent to relieve Lorries for employment elsewhere."	

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S DEIRAN.	1017.		REFILLING POINTS for 10th inst, same as for to-day.	
			G.S. wire No.G.A.999 of 10th inst. "Under instructions received from G.H.Q., YEODIV will move to-morrow 11th inst complete to MEDJEL area temporarily and will draw supplies direct from Railhead to ease Supply Situation AAA Teams of guns under repair will accompany Division AAA Instructions re bivouacs and watering arrangements will be issued by D.A. & Q.M.G. direct AAA Departure and arrival will be reported by priority wire to this office AAA Acknowledge AAA" Instructions re 7th Mtd Bde will be issued later."	
			G.S. wire No. G.A.5 - 10th inst. "In continuation of this office G.A.999 AAA 7th Mounted Brigade will not move with YEODIV and will remain in its present bivouacs and will come under and will be administered by Corps Headquarters direct."	
			"Q" wire No.T.584 - 10th, addressed YEODIV. "Reference move of your Division to MEDJEL AAA Send as soon as possible representative to confer with Admincom DEIRSENEID regarding Camping site and water arrangements AAA You will draw supplies by means of your Train AAA Camping site should therefore be selected with this in view AAA G.H.Q., have been asked to take your supplies to MEDJELA AAA Until this is approved you will draw supplies from DEIR SENEID AAA."	
			"Q" wire No.T.585 - 10th, addressed D.Q.M.G G.H.Q., "Can supplies for YEODIV be unloaded at MEDJEL Station AAA If approved would like to draw supplies for consumption on 13th from that place AAA."	
			"Q" wire No.T.590 - 10th. "D.Q.M.G G.H.Q., wire begins AAA In view of the present situation as regards supplies no authority can be given for stores etc., to be taken on Turkish Rail-way AAA Ends. "	
			D. D. & L., London, E.C. (A8004) Wt. W1771/M2'31 750,000 5/17 Sch. 53 Forms/C2118/14	

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AS DEIRA	N. 11. 12.17		DAILY STATE OF LORRIES. (Workshops. 20. (Coy Work. 5. (On road 0600 to-day. 58. (Available 108. (Being loaded at Dump 0600 to-day. 36. (Sundry duties. 5.	
			DETAILS LORRIES for 12th inst same AAA TRAIN LOCATIONS: Anzacs-Yazir, Ausdiv- Surafend, Yeodiv-Mejdel, 7th Mounted Brigade-Akir, AAA Camel Companies location DEIR-SENEID.	
			REFILLING POINTS for to-morrow 12th inst, ANZACS & AUSDIV same as for to-day, time early morning almost certain by 1000 AAA YEODIV draw from DEIR-SENEID by wheels AAA 7th Mounted Brigade and Corps H.Q., draw from Junction Station by wheels at 1100.	
			"Q" wire: G.149115h.	
			"Anzac Division (less One Brigade, One Battery, and the two Regiments now with 52nd and 54th Divisions, and such administrative troops necessary for above) will concentrate ESDUD area by evening 13th inst AAA Anzac Division will then be supplied from Railhead AAA Name and location of Bde.Cdr. left behind to report to this office."	
			D.S.T. wires DESCORPS following:- "T.2974P. An increased staff of my directorate has been granted by War Office AAA I propose to transfer Major. Pereira from Descorps to G.H.Q., for duty as D.A.D.S.T., P.L. of C. AAA Do you agree AAA If so kindly wire Nomination for successor."	
			Propose to D.A. &.Q.M.G., as successor to Major.Pereira, Capt. F.P. Howell-Price at present Commanding Anzac Train.	
			D. D. & L., London, E.C. (A800) Wt. W1771/M2031 750,000 5/17 Sch. 52 Forms, C2118/14	

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S DEIRAN.	12. 12.47		"YEODIV by Train to be fed daily at MEJDEL. ANZAC DIVISION, less One Brigade and Two Regiments, plus 7th Mounted Brigade will be fed on the 14th inst, for consumption on the 15th inst at Point.C.23 A. until ESDUD Siding is opened on the 16th inst, when the base will be transferred to ESDUD.	
			The remaining Troops comprising Descorps to continue as at present until the 18th inst. Supplies for the Advanced Troops for consumption on the 19th, will be drawn on the 18th at RAMLEH. A convoy from ESDUD for Corps Troops at DEIRAN.	
			One Camel Company will be handed over on the 16th; One on the 17th, and One on the 18th.	
			250 Camels of "H" Company, at present doing duty with AUSDIV, to remain until Ausdiv with- draws from its present position.	
			60 Motor Vehicles to be released at once to report to D.I. M.T., Station Junction.	
	THE STATE OF THE S		The remainder of 347 Company to be handed over on the 18th.	
			906 Company to remain with Descorps to feed Troops based on RAMLEH."	
			DETAILS LORRIES for 13th inst same AAA TRAIN LOCATIONS: Anzacs-Yazir, Ausdiv-Surafend, Yeodiv-Mejdel, 7th Mounted Brigade moving Mejdel AAA Camel Companies located DEIR-SENEID.	
			REFILLING POINTS 48th inst: Yeodiv Mejdel by wheels AAA Anzacs, less one Brigade, one Regiment, YAZIR, AAA Ausdiv same as yesterday AAA Corps Troops Station Junction.	
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S DEIRAN	12.		(Continued)	
			"Q" wire: T.59812th inst.	
			"Area about ESDUD to be occupied by 7th Mounted Brigade and Anzacs less 1 Bde and 2 Regts will be on edge of Sand Dunes extending South from Square T.19 AAA Watering of horses in Wadi SUKEREIR AAA Water for men One Brigade ESDUD AAA Water for remainder of troops will require developing AAA Instructions regarding which have been issued by Lieut-Col R.E. to Anzacs AAA Allottment of ground into Brigade Areas for the whole of the above troops will be ordered by Anzacs."	
			D.S.T. wire No.S.T.2334 of 12th. "Reference my telegram ST2309, first daily train will be loaded to-day ready to leave leave early to-morrow with Supplies required for consumption 14th AAA Supply Officers Descorps concerned instructed to Indent on you AAA Full fresh rations full grain and hay will be required AAA Train must not be delayed more than 2 hours for offloading AAA A.D.S.T. Descorps should arrange fatigue parties for stacking on dump because labour sent on train must return by empty train. "	
			Requisitioning will cease from to-day, with the exception of Oranges.	
			D.S.T. wire: S.T.232712th. "Reference my S.T.2323 of 11th inst, Railway authorities now state they prefer not to run train to limit of line but they can put in a train daily at C.23A. in place of C.6 B. until such time as ESDUD siding available AAA Presume this will not materially affect you as it is only 2 Milesnearer Mejdel AAA Can you arrange to send your A.D.S.T, to meet me at MEJDEL Supply Dump at 1400 to-day to discuss Tramsport and supply situation."	
			D. D. & L., London, B.C. (A8004) Wt. W1771/M2031 750,000 5/17 Sch. 52 Forms/C2118/14	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	references to Appendices
AS DEIRAN	13. 12.17	•	Wire S.M.T.O. Descorps, No.S.395. "Sixty Lorries of 347 M.T. Coy., are to report to D.I. M.T., Station Junction, as soon as they can be spared AAA Remainder of this Company will report to him on the 18th AAA Acknowledge and report departure by wire."	
			D.S.T. wire: No.ST.2352 - 13th. "Reference my S.T.2345 of the 12th inst, Supply Trains for Anzac Division plus 7th Mounted Brigade will continue to run daily to point C.23 A. up to and including the 16th AAA From 17th inst above force will be based on G.H.O. Depot ESDUD for consumption 18th AAA The Two A.S.C. Officers you have kirdly arranged to supply should report to Major. Vincent-Smith D.A.D.S., at 1200 on the 16th inst at ESDUD Siding."	
			Wire ANZAC & AUSDIV No.S.400.	
			"Please instruct 2/Lieut. Clark, Anzac Train, and 2/Lieut. Upfold, Ausdiv Train, to report to Major. Vincent-Smith D.A.D.S., at 1200 on the 16th inst.at ESDUD Siding. Acknowledge."	
			Descorps Supply Officer, K.27 B. wire No. D.S.121 - 13th. "May authority be obtained to hand over commodities at Junction Station to Main Supply Depot AAA Advise early."	
			Wire Descorps Supply Officer, No.S.403 re above.	
			"Yes, if you do not require them."	
			DETAILS LORRIES 14th inst same AAA LOCATION TRAINS Anzacs 2 Coys., YAZIR, One Coy., ESDUD, Ausdiv-SURAFEND, Yeodiv-MEJDEL, 7th Mounted Brigade-ESDUD AAA Camel Coys, DEIR-SENEID.	
			REFILLING POINTS 14th inst AAA YASUR-Anzacs 1000, Ausdiv-LATRUN 0930, RAMLEH 1000, Corps Troops STATION JUNCTION 0900."	
			DAILY STATE - LORRIES. (Workshop 18. Corps Supply Convoy. 117. Strength 164. (Coy Work 5. To Deir-Seneid 15. Available 141. Sundry Duties 4. (ASoo) Wt. Wijii/M2031 750,000 5/17 Sch. 52 Forms/C2(18/14 Available 0600-14th. 76.	

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RAS DEIRAN			(Continued) Wire D.I. C.T.C. Descorps. S.426. "You will come under instructions of G.H.Q., from 16th inst AAA Last convoy will leave DEIR SERBID for KUSTINE 16th inst AAA Acknowledge." Wire Descorps Supply Officer, K.27 B. "After making your last issue you will arrange with S.M.T.O. to bring forward to RAMLEH your remaining stock on the 17th inst AAA Later instructions will be issued reference its disposal AAA Acknowledge." Wire D.A. & Q.M.G., S.419. "The 500 E.L.C. Labourers now employed at KUSTINE will not be required after 17th inst. AAA Please instruct reference disposal." Following letter from G.O.C. Australian Mtd Divn to D.A. & Q.M.G., "There has been a most unsatisfactory report rendered by our A.D.V.S. on the state of the horses at RAMLEH and LUDD, which he attributes chiefly to the want of bulk forage. The issue has been most irregular and varies from day to day - he reports that just now the horses are not fit for prolonzed operations. Requisitioning is not now permitted. but it is hoped that the bulk forage that is now so necessary may be requisitioned. Could not a zeneral requisition by the Headquarters of the Corps be made and collected under Corps Orders? I make this suggestion as I am of opinion that such an arrangement would prove more satisfactory than any Divisional system. Every effort is being made to keep up the condition of the horses, in exercise, grooming and general attention. All 2nds in Command are with led horses."	
			D. D. & L., London, E.C. (A8001) Wt. W1771/M2031 750,000 5/17 Sch. 52 Forms C2118/14	

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AS DEIRAN.	14.		DAILY STATELORRIES FOR TO-DAY. (Available 88. (On road 67. (Corps Convoy. 78. (Available 145. (Available 145. (To. D.I. M.T. Station Junction. 37. (Sundries. 10. (Left on Convoy duty this morning. 72. Details Lorries for 15th inst same, also Location of Trains and Camels.	
			Refilling Points to-morrow 15th inst, all same time and place as to-day AAA Rations and Forage for Ausdiv men and horsesmoving to AKIR-ZERNUKAH Area to be drawn from RAMLTH before leaving and transported to new area." Wire ANZAC TRAIN. S.422. "26th A.D.U.S. will come under your instructions from 16th inst AAA Please issue necessary instructions."	
			Wire AUSDIV TRAIN. S.423. "27th A.D.U.S. will come under your instructions from 16th inst AAA Please issue necessary instructions." Wire S.M.T.O. Descorps. S.424. "Last M.T. Convoy will leave Kustine morning 16th inst AAA 906 Coy., will move to RAMLEH on the 17th inst, bringing with them any unissued rations then on dump AAA The remaining Lorries of 347 Coy., will report to D.I. M.T., Station Junction on the morning of the 18th inst AAA Acknowledge."	
			Wire D.S.T. G.H.Q., S.425. "Two Coys., Camels can be placed at your disposal 16th inst, other Company 17th AAA please instruct D.I. C.T.C., Descorps as to whom he should report.AAA To whom are Indents for Camels for Corps Troops convoy to be submitted." (A800) D.D. & L., London, E.C. (A801) Wt. WI771/M2031 750,000 5/17 Sch. 62 Forms C2118/14	

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S DEIRAN	15. 12.17		Appendix No.1. APPROXIMATE DAILY TONNAGE AND MILEAGE OF 347 M.T. Coy., and 906 M.T. Coy DESERT MOUNTED CORPS. From the 9th to the 14th December, 1917. ***********************************	
			Date. Company. Loads carried Tonnage. Mileage. 9-12-17 347 25 62 282 9-12-17 906 16 40 344 10-12-17 347 25 62 282 10-12-17 906 58 141 1366 11-12-17 347 68 175 3061 11-12-17 906 42 105 2409 12-12-17 347 27 68 2192 12-12-17 906 36 90 1611 13-12-17 347 69 173 2397 13-12-17 347 40 100 1146 14-12-17 347 40 100 1146 14-12-17 906 46 115 1624	
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S DEIRAN	J5.		LORRIES available 16th inst, 27-347 Coy., 76-906 Coy., AAA LOCATION of TRAINS, except Ausdiv-NAANEH, same AAA One Company Camels DEIR-SENEID.	
			REFILLING POINTS to-morrow 16th inst AAA Anzacs-Yeodiv-7th Mounted Brigade, and Corps Troops, same time and place as to-day AAA Ausdiv Troops in front line at LATRUN at 0800, Horses and men with them at NAANEH at 0800."	
			DESCORPS Supply Officer, K.27 B. S.458-16th inst. All surplus supplies are to be handed in to Station Junction AAA Please arrange.	
			DAILY STATE LORRIES. (Corps Convoy 85.	
			Strength104. (Workshops 19. (Sundry Duties 4. (Convoy on road 16th. 70.	
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AS DEIRAN.	16. 12.17		Wire Supply Officer, Station Junction. "No.S.459-16th. D.S.T. directs you will take on charge surplus stores from Descorps Dump AAA Will probably arrive this afternoon."	
			LORRIES available 17th inst; 27-347 Coy., 76-906 Coy., moving RAMLEH AAA LOCATION TRAINS same."	
			REFILLING POINTS to-morrow 17th inst; ANZACS no convoy will be sent for Troops in AYUN KARA-JAFT area, Troops in ESDUD area will draw same time and place as to-day AAA AUSDIV no convoy will be sent AAA YEODIV. 7thMOUNTED BRIGADE & CORPS HEADQUARTERS, all same time and place as to-day AAA."	PA
			DAILY STATE LORRIES.	£
			Strength 83. (Corps Supply Convoy 74. (Sundry Duties. 9.	
			DESCORPS wire to AUSDIV. "T.632165#. "In confirmation of conversation to-day AAA Owing to verbal report of condition of your horses you may requisition hay stuff to make good any balance deficits in the day's issue of Hay stuffs or its equivalent as laid down in G.R.O's AAA Such shortages will be at once reported to this office AAA This authority will hold good until the 22nd inst inclusive when the matter will be reconsidered AAA Addressed Administrative Headquarters "Q" wire No.H.A.8578.	
			Order Major. Pereira to report D.S.T., G.H.Q., as soon as possible AAA Capt. F.P. Howell-Price A.A.S.C., will report for duty as D.A.D.S.T., Descorps, forthwith, Addressed A.D.S.T. repeated ANZACS."	
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RAS DEIRAN 17. 12.17.	DETAILS Lorries with Descorps 18th inst; 76-3 Ton, 1 Workshop, 1 Store, located RAMLEH, 906 Company AAA Approximate number available 56 AAA LOCATION of TRAINS; ANZACS 2 Companies YASUR; 1 Company ESDUD; 7th MOUNTED BREGADEESDUD; AUSDIV 2 Companies NAANEH; 1 Company LATRUN; YEODIV MEJDEL.* DAILY STATE LORRIES. (Corps Supply Column 39. (Ordnance 23. (Sundry Duties 5.	
	Following wire from D.S.T. "S.T.2428-17th. Reference our metting yesterday to discuss your Supply and Transport situation, I have instructed Supplies Esdud to feed in addition to the portion of the ANZAC Division 7th Mounted Brigade and Corps Troops all details of the Australian Division in the area KHIRBET DEIRAN from 18th inst inclusive for consumption on the 19th until further orders AAA Indents for Supplies should be telegraphed giving as much notice as possible to Supplies ESDUD who will arrange with D.I. C.T.C., the necessary daily convoys to run out AAA As regards M.T. reorganization I will inform you as soon as possible proposals AAA I expect you will have 1010 Coy., in place of 906 Coy., but cannot state definitely at present AAA Acknowledge." Addressed DESCORPS.	
	Following wire from D.S.T., "T/3051/M17th. With the view to getting M.T. Companies allocated to Corps in place of as at present being partially split up and in some instances working for more than one Corps, and also to attain the naximum efficiency the following moves will take place as soon as possible AAA Portion of 905 Coy., now working with 21st Corps to 20th Corps AAA 1010 Coy., two sections with G.H.O., Junction, and two sections with 20th Corps to 21st Corps AAA 1009 Coy., from G.H.Q., Junction to Descorps AAA 906 Coy., from Descorps to G.H.Q., Junction AAA Transfers as above to be made as opportunity occurs without in any way interfering with the duties at present carried out AAA Addressed H.Q. 20th Corps, 21st Corps, Descorps, reptd D.I.M.T. Junction Stn." D.D.&L.L.London, E.C. (A800) Wt. Wiyiribliogi 750,000 5/17 Sch. 52 Forms C2118/14	

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S DEIRAN	18.		LORRIES with Descorps 19th inst; 76-3 Ton, 906 M.T. Coy., RAMLEH AAA LOCATION OF T same except AUSDIV in KATRAH AREA."	RAINS	
			DAILY STATE - LORRIES. Strength 71. (Corps Convoy 36. (Sundry Duties 5. (To Junction report D.I.M.T. 30.		
			D. D. & L., London, E.C. * (A800;) Wt. W1771/M2031 750,000 5/17 Sch. 52 Forms/C2118/14		

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S DEIRAN	19.		Handing over of 906 M.T. Coy., to D.I.M.T., G.H.Q., STATION JUNCTION and 1009 M.T. Coy., from G.H.Q., JUNCTION to DESCORPS completed:-	
			Total Strength 1009 M.T. Coy., 61 "Albion" Lorries, 1 Workshop, 1 Store, 1 Ford Car, 5 Douglas CyclesLocation, RAMLEH.	
			Number of Lorries Descorps 20th: 21-3 Ton, 1 Workshop, 1 Store906 Coy., 55 "Albion" 1009 Coy., located RAMLEH. LOCATION of Trains same.	
			Daily StateLorries.	
			Strength. 52. Corps Convoy 44.	
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AS DEIRAN	DEIRAN 20. 12.17.		DAILY STATE LORRIES.WITH DESCORPS. 55 Albion, 1 Workshop, 1 Store, 1009 Company, RAMLEH AAA LOCATIONS of Trains same. (Corps Convoy 44 (Field Troops 6.	
			Wire Descorps Troops Supply Officer, ESDUD. "D.S.T. wires Petrol required for Descorps should be drawn from MEJDEL AAA Supplies ESDUD and MEJDEL have been advised." "Q" wire as follows:- "No.AQ/627."	
			"Please see this office A.Q./577 of 8th December, which clearly stated while wete weather continued daily issue of RUM approved, and that this issue will be stopped when wet weather changes AAA This change from daily issue in wet weather becomes a bi-weekly issue in fine weather as authorised in this office AQ/568 of 7th December AAA Addressed issue in fine weather as authorised in this office AQ/568 of 7th December AAA Addressed REAR AUSDIV REPEATED ANZACS YEODIV 7th MOUNTED BRIGADE CAMP COMMDT and A.D.S.T."	
			D. D. & L., London, E.C. (A8001) Wt. W1771/M2031 750,000 5/17 Sch. 82 Forms C2118/14	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
AS DEIRAN			DAILY STATE LORRIES. Strength. 51. For 22nd, Deatils Lorries and Trains same.as to-day. In view of shortages in Forage ration being issued to Descorps from RAMLEH, and scarcity in fresh vegetables etc., send following wire to D.S.T., G.H.Q.:- D.S.T., G.H.Q., No.S.512. "Forage ration issued Descorps from RAMLEH last three days only averages 18 lbs AAA Shortages also in Bacon, Candles, Cheese, Petrol AAA Only half issue Fresh Vegs 19th and 20th no issue 21st, no potatoes available AAA No fresh Vegs issued ESDUD to-day AAA Can anything be done to improve situation especially as regards fresh vegs and forage, as the condition of horses causing grave concern AAA Issue of Australian Butter not vet to hand AAA Only third issue tobacco available RAMLEH to-day."	
			D. D. & L., London, E.C. (A8004) Wt. W1771/M2031 750,000 5/17 Sch. 52 Forms C2118/14	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
AS DEIRAN	22.		DAILY STATE. LORRIES. Strength - 49. (Corps Convoy 42. (Sundry Duties 4.	
			For 23rd Details Lorries and Trains same.	
			Major. A.B.P. Pereira left to-day to report to D.S.T., G.H.Q.,	
			Major. F.P. Howell-Price A.A.S.C., takes over duties of D.A.D.S.T., 18.12.17.	
	25.		DAILY STATELORRIES.	
	12.1		Strength - 50. (Corps Convoy 50. (Sundry 2.	
			LORRIES with Descorps 55 "Albion" 1009 Coy., AAA Lorries and workshop located RAMLEH. LOCATION TRAINS same.	
			Owing to difficulty found by D.S.T., G.H.Q., in feeding troops in front line, D.S.T. asks for release of all Camels at present working on convoy for Descorps. Camels to be replaced by Wheels. Look into this matter.	
			D. D. & L., London, E.C. (A8004) Wt. W1771/M2-31 750,000 5/17 Seh. 62 Forms/C2118/14	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
RAS DEIRAN.	24.		"We were cut off this morning but I understand the transport and supply situation to be as follows AAA Owing to water difficulties you require a camel echelon every second day until I can supply you from YEBNA Depot in addition to you supplying yourself at ESDUD and MEJDEL AAA Once YEBNA Depot is opened you no longer require Camels AAA That you can release on morning of 26th two sections of 1009 M.T. Coy., AAA These two sections should report to H.Q., 1011 Coy., at JUNCTION STATION AAA Please confirm."	
			Further to my notes of 23rd, reference releasing Camels with Descorps. Issue following in- structions to Units concerned.	
			Wire O.C. Ausdiv Train. No.S.570. "Please make arrangements to draw supplies for your Division in KATRA-YEBNA area from ESDUD on 26th and 28th insts with Train wagons AAA Camels will go to refilling point in ordinary way on 25th and 27th AAA YEBNA Depot opens 28th Supplies for consumption 30th will be drawn YEBNA 29th by your wheeled transport AAA Acknowledge. Copy to D.A. & O.M.G."	
			Wire Supplies ESDUD. No.S.571. "Remainder Anzac Mounted Division moving ESDUD to-day AAA Approximate requirements for Division British 7700 Natives 400 Horses and Mules 9600 Donkeys 238 Camels 125 AAA Require draw 25th for consumption 26th AAA Acknowledge." repeated 27th A.D.U.S.	
			Wire Lt. Davis, 26th A.D.U.S. No.S.572. "After to-day no further convoys required for Anzacs."	
			Wire O.C. Anzac Train. No.S.573. "Your Division will draw for consumption 26th at ESDUD on 25th by wheeled transport AAA Forward figures to supplies ESDUD immediately and make necessary arrangements re staff etc., at that phace AAA Acknowledge." Wire D.S.T. G.H.Q., No.S.574. "Wheeled Echelons will work ESDUD to YEBNA for AUSDIV on 26th and 28th insts AAA Camel Echelons 25th and 27th insts AAA Daily convoy for Corps Troops still required AAA Anzac Division, 7th Mounted Brigade will draw from ESDUD by wheeled transport AAA Yeodiv from	
			MEJDEL by wheeled transport AAA After opening of YEBNA 295h inst camel convoys will not (A800) Wt. W1771/M2031 750,000 5/17 Sch. 52 Forms/C2118/14 (Continued)	

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AS DEIRAN	24. 12.17		D.S.T. S.574 - continued. be required AAA Two echelons 1009 Coy., will report H.Q., 1011 Coy., at JUNCTION STATION on 25th inst AAA Ausdiv men and portion horses only will draw from RAMLEH and from there to LATRUN by remaining portion of 1009 Coy., "Repeated D.A. & Q.M.G.,	
			Wire S.M.T.O. S.575. "Anzac Division now based for feeding on ESDUD AAA M.T. Convoy for there no longer required AAA Arrange two Echelons 1009 Coy., to report H.Q., 1011 Coy., at JUNCTION STATION on 25th inst AAA Acknowledge."	
			O.C. Anzac Train. S.576. "50 E.L.C. Labourers reported DEIRAN to-day AAA Send N.C.O. take them over 0700 25th inst at that place instead of RAMLEH AAA Acknowledge."	
			LORRIES WITH DESCORPS 25th25 "Albion" 1009 Coy., Workshop and Store located RAMLEH AAA 30 Lorries reporting 1011 Coy., JUNCTION STATION AAA Location Trains ANZAC 3 Coys., YAZIR 1 Coy., ESDUD, AUSDIV 2 Coys., KATRAH AREA, 1 Coys., LATRUN; YEODIVMEJDEL; 7th Mtd Brigade ESDUD."	
	25. 2.17.		DAILY STATE LORRIES. Corps Convoy 30. Strength 53. (These Lorries afterwards reported to H.Q. 1011 Coy., JUNCTION STN.	,
1	24.		Strength 50. Corps Convoy 40.	
	25. 12.17		LORRIES WITH DESCORPS 26th. 26 "Albion" Workshop & Store 1009 Coy., RAMLEH. Location Trains same.	
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DAILY STATE -- LORRIES.

Available -- 26.

Corps Convoy -- 15.

LORRIES WITH DESCORPS 27th. 26 "Albion" Workshop & Store 1009 Coy., located RAMLEH AAA Location Trains ANZAC--ESDUD; AUSDIV 2 Coys., KATRAH AREA, 1 Coys LATRUN; YEODIV..MEJDEL; 7th Mounted Brigade...ESDUD."

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DAILY STATE -- LORRIES.

Strength--26.

Corps Convoy Sundry Duties .. 3.

LORRIES 28th same, also Train Locations.

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RAS DEIRAN.	28.		Wire D.S.T., G.H.Q., No.S.623. "No advice received this office reference Corps being on half rations AAA S.S.O. Anzacs advises only 6 lbs issue grain Esdud Depot to-day, although plenty Grain in Depot AAA O.C. A.S.C. Ausdiv reports D.I. C.T.C. informs him no camel convoy arrangements for to-morrow for Ausdiv AAA May D.I. C.T.C., be instructed to work alternate days with wheels until YEBNAH Depot opens as per our arrangement."	
			Received following reply from D.S.T., "ST.2661 28th. "Telegram QKT/5380 dated 25th sent to Headquarters Descorps by D.O.M.G. AAA Grain at ESDUD is required for RAMLEH, and LATRUN as well as for local issue till situation again normal AAA Instructions being sent to D.I. C.T.C., to continue working alternate days starting with camels to-morrow."	
			LORRIES 29th, same, also Train Locations.	
			DAILY STATE OF LORRIES. Corps convoy Available 22. Prisoners to Junction 1.	
			D.Q.M.G. approves of Anzac drivers replacing Imperial A.S.C. drivers on cars at present attached to Anzac Divisional H.Q., Before doing this Anzac drivers to be tested by S.M.T.O. in general knowledge of cars, upkeep etc., and certificates rendered to D.S.T., G.H.Q., so that a registered number can be allotted to such drivers. Instruct S.M.T.O. to test drivers first opportunity.	
			D.S.T. instructs that after S.M.T.O. has tested Anzac drivers, he is to report to A.D.S.T. 20th Corps for duty. In view of this, put up letter to D.S.T. asking for another M.T. Officer to be posted to replace, as the time has now come when the services of such an Officer are required. Corps H.Q. and Divisional Units are now being brought up to W.E.PartXI. EGYPT, 1917, which will mean a large increase in cars with the Corps, besides having Nos. 1 and 7 Light Car Patrols, and 150 odd Cycles with Signal Units etc., At present also no workshop. flacilities exist for the repair of these vehicles. (ASOM) W. W. W. Y. T. M. W. W. T. T. M. S. S. Forms/Cart8/14	

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RAS DEIRAN.	29.		DETAILS Lorries for 30th inst same, also Train Locations. DAILY STATE OF LORRIES.	
			Available 21. Corps Convoy. 14.	
	30.		DAILY STATE OF LORRIES. Available 22. Corps Convoy 16.	
			Available 22. Corps Convoy 16. DETAILS Lorries for 31st inst same, also Train Locations.	
			G.H.Q. wire begins "Animals from now onwards can be put on full grain rations and draw haystuffs as available up to their full ration." ends.	
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AS DEIRAN	31.		Wire Supplies, GAZA - No.S.664. "Rations required to be drawn from you on the 2nd inst by YEOMANRY DIVISION British 6824, Egyptians 343, Horses 5204, Mules 1714, Donkeys 290, Camels 133 AAA On 3rd inst 7th MOUNTED BRIGADE British 1551, Egyptians 93, Horses 1117, Mules 582, Donkeys 42, Camels 36 AAA Above approximate strength." Wire Supplies, BELAH - No.S.665.	
			"Rations required to be drawn from you on the 3rd inst and onwards YEOMANRY DIVISION approx strength, Men 6824, Egyptians 343, Horses 5204, Mules 1714, Donkeys 290, Camels 133 AAA On 4th inst 7th MOUNTED BRIGADE will also draw from you, approx strength, British 1551, Egyptians 93, Horses 1117, Mules 582, Donkeys 42, Camels 36 and onwards."	
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AS DEIRAN	31.		DAILY STATE OF LORRIES. Available 24. Corps Convoy 16.	
			Lorries with Descorps 1st prox, 28 "Albion" 1 Workshop, 1 Store, 1009 Coy., located RAMLEH AAA Train Locations Anzacs ESDUD, Ausdiv 21 Coys KATRAH AREA 11 Coys LATRUN, Yeodiv moving GAZA, 7th Mounted Brigade moving MEJDEL.	
			Descorps Troops moving back to BELAH in following formation:-	
			1. YEODIV from MEJDEL on 2.1.18. 2. 7th MOUNTED BRIGADE from ESDUD on 2.1.18. 3. 5th MOUNTED BRIGADE from LATRUN to YEBNA on 2.1.18. YEBNA to BELAH on 4.1.18. 4. AUSDIV (less 4th Light Horse, and 5th Mtd Bde) from KEFR RUT to KATRAH on 2.1.18. KATRAH to BELAH on 5.1.18. The A. & M.Z. Division will, for the present, remain in Yebna Area.	
			Wire D.S.T. G.H.Q., No.S.660. "Rations will be required on afternoon 2nd inst for YEODIV at GAZA Depot and 7th Mounted Bri at MEJDEL AAA On 3rd inst YEODIV at BELAH 7th Mounted Brigade at GAZA AAA From 4th inst YEODIV and 7th Mounted Brigade at BELAH."	gade
			S.S.O Weodiv - No.S.661. "Place Indents on GAZA Depot for drawing 2nd inst BELAH 3rd inst and onwards as early as possible AAA Acknowledge.	
			Wire S.O. 7th Mtd Bde No.S.662. "Place Indents on MEJDEL Depot for drawing 2nd inst; GAZA, 3rd inst; BELAH,4th inst and onwards as early as possible AAA Acknowledge."	
			Wire Supplies, MEJDEL, No.S.663. "Rations required to be drawn from you on 2nd inst by 7th Mounted Brigade British 1551, Egyptian 93, Horses 1117, Mules, 582, Donkeys 42, Camels 36 AAA Above approximate strength. (A8004) Wt. W1771/M2-31 750,000 5/17 Sch. 52 Forms/C2118/14	"Sionesidali
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