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FORTRESS

Darwin Fortress

September - November 1944



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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C. 2118
(adapted.)

Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 SEP 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 SEP 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	1	0900	Fine and Warm.	
		0900	Nil to report.	
	2	0900	Fine and Warm.	W 3008 and W3009 attached.
		1100	Chap - General (Meth) Amf Rev Thomas CRAIKE RENTOUL accompanied by Chap - General NT Force visited Frt Comd Col F.N. NURSE and discussed matters relevant to the Spititual Welfare of personnel in DARWIN Fortress.	AMENITIES Report attached.
	3	0900	Fine and Hot.	
		0900	In accordance with wishes of His Majesty King GEORGE VI, for National Day of Prayer, a combined Protestant Church Parade was held at LARRAKEYAH Theatre, and was attended by Fortress Commander Col F.N. NURSE and Staff.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1820	DH 6a Aircraft crashed into the sea off MINDIL BEACH. Pilot Doctor FENTON and 3 passengers including Capt SELLEN OC NT Force Printing and Press Unit rescued, some occupants were seriously injured.	
	4	0900	Warm and cloudy.	
		1000	Capt SCHLINK S.M.O. introduced Major W.H.L. DUNCAN Opthalmologist L.H.Q. to Frt Comd	
		1400	Major J.A.R.K.STRONG SORA ii visits RAA 12 Aust Div.	
		1700	G.O.C. Maj General ALLEN CB, CBE, DSO, VD and Brig DOLLERY visited Frt Comd and discussed reallotment of accommodation in LARRAKEYAH area.	
	5	0900	Fine and warm.	Routine Orders Part 1 Serial 37 attached
		1100	Brig i/c A[illegible] Brig DOLLERY visited Frt Comd.	
		1115	G iii INT Capt B.WALKER visits HQ DARWIN Fortress.	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (A1F) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 SEP 44 *To* 2400 Hrs 30 SEP 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	6	0900	Fine and warm.	
		0900	SORA ii Major Strong and SC Capt WHITBY carried out recce of QUARANTINE area for AA Defence of DARWIN Area.	
		1400	Wing Comd RYAN CO RAAF Station DARWIN and Sqn Ldr McNAMARA LO RAAF visit Frt Comd.	
		1900	Coast Artv SA training Cadre carried out demonstration MG trajectory shoot and 3 inch Mtr flash demonstration at LUDMILLA Range.	
	7	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1000	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE accompanied by Major ROBINSON AA & Frt Sigs NT visited cable laying ship BANKA preparatory to laying of submarine cable connecting DARWIN to COX PENINSULA.	
		0900-1045	GSO ii Major A.T.STOCKER and SORA ii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG attended SA demonstration at Coast Arty Trg Cadre.	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) Date and Time.—From 0000Hrs 1 SEP 44 To 2400Hrs 30 SEP 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1430	Lt Col NELSON Comd 2/2 Aust Tk/A Regt visited Frt Comd preparatory to visiting Coast Arty and AA installations.	
	8	0200	Heavy downpour of rain, the first fall of the "Wet Season".	
		0900	Warm and overcast.	
		1030	GOC Major General ALLEN CB, CBE, DSO, VD inspected and addressed a parade of transportation troops, in DARWIN area, at TEMERA SQUARE. Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE accompanied by GSO 11 Major A.T.STOCKER attended the parade.	
	9	0300	Local showers DARWIN area.	
		0900	Fine and warm.	
		1000	Capt BARTON GIII SD NT Force visits HQ DARWIN Fortress and discussed matters relative to accommodation in LARRAKEYAH.	
		1100	Reconnaissance of LAA defence requirements of Civil Airfd completed.	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 SEP 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 SEP 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1400	1 Aust Fd Regt commenced move out of DARWIN Fortress.	
		1600	Lt Col MOFFATT AACS visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
		1700	"A" Tp 159 Aust LAA Bty moved from Sattler area and concentrated at Quarantine area, for defence of new F/B base at EAST ARM, one gun sited at 901022 (DARWIN 1 inch - 1 mile.).	
			POSTED STRENGTH 11 Offrs 23 ORs — ATTACHED STRENGTH 3 Offrs 8 ORs — DETACHED STRENGTH Nil Offrs 4 Ors	
	10	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1400	HQ 4 Aust AA Gp completed move to new location at LARRAKEYAH.	
	11	0900	Warm and cloudy	
		1100	1 Aust Fd Regt complete move from DARWIN Fortress.	
	12	0800	Working party under RAE supervision commences rehabilitation of LARRAKEYAH area.	
		0900	Fine and warm.	
		0900	GSO ii Major A.T.STUCKER and SORA ii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 SEP 44 *To* 2400 Hrs 30 SEP 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		attended Coast Arty Weapon Trg Cadre 3 inch Mortar shoot at Leanyer. Personnel of Cadre all practiced in field firing, ranging and field duties of a mortar detachment.	
		1400	Capt HAAGENSEN Salvage Control Officer visits Frt HQ and received instructions in reference to defensive wiring to remain in DARWIN area preparatory to organising DARWIN clean up campaign.	
	13	0900	Fine and warm.	Routine Orders Part 1 Serial 38 attached
		1100	GSO i NT Force Lt Col NYMAN accompanied by G iii SD Capt BARTON visited Frt Comd.	
		1130	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE had first telephone conversation with COX PENINSULA via the new submarine cable when OC AA & Frt Sigs Major ROBINSON made initial call. Reception ~~clear and loud.~~ R5	
	14	0900	Fine and warm.	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) Date and Time.—From 0000 Hrs 1 Sep 44 To 2400 hrs 30 Sep 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	0930	Sqn Ldr McNamara LO RAAF DARWIN visits HQ DARWIN Fortress.	
		1000	SORA ii Major J.A.R.K. STRONG and SC Capt B.J.WHITBY attended conference at RAA NT Force representing the Frt Comd, to discuss matters relevant to accomodation and general administration arrangements of future AA Defences in DARWIN area.	
		1630	Telephone comminications from DARWIN to COX PENINSULA via new submarine cable made available for service use after successful completion of tests.	
	15	0900	Warm and cloudy.	
		1030	SORA i RAA NT FORCE Lt Col R.M.FORD visited Frt Comd.	
		1045	Brig McKENZIE Comd 13 Aust Inf Bde visited Frt Comd.	
		1400	SORA ii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG carried out reconnaissance of EAST ARM - QUARANTINE Area prior to submission by Frt Comd of recommendations relevant to AA defence of EAST ARM F/B Base.	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIr) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 Sep 44 *To* 2400 Hrs 30 Sep 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1800	GSOii Major A.T.STOCKER and SOMA ii Major J.A.R.K. STRONG visited HQ Coast Arty, remained until 2200 hrs and discussed with CCA Lt Col FORBES and Major HOGAN role of Coast Arty in Seawards and Landwards defence.	
	16	0445	Lieut J.G.CROPLEY Amenities Officer HQ DARWIN Fortress departed for South via Air on 28 Days ARL and 28 days Leave without pay.	
		0900	Fine and warm.	
		1100	Brig TOVELL DAG iii LHQ accompanied by DAD Amenities NT Force Major PATERSON visited Frt Comd and discussed general policy with regards to Amenities and Education.	
			POSTED STRENGTH 10 Offrs 23 OR — ATTACHED STRENGTH 2 Offrs 9 OR — DETACHED STRENGTH NIL Offrs 4 OR	
	17	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1000	DADMG NT Force Major COSTELLO and Giii (SD) NT Force Capt BARTON visited HQ DARWIN Fortress and discussed matters relevant to	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 SEP 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 SEP 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		accommodation in LARRAKEYAH BARRACKS.	
		1030	Lieut R.AVERY arrived DARWIN Fortress and commenced duties of Amenities Officer vice Lieut J.G.CROPLEY.	
	18	0800	Course No 2 Coast Arty weapon training cadre commenced with demonstration of 3 inch Mortar, MMG and LMG.	
		0900	Fine and warm.	
		0900	GSO ii Major A.T.STOCKER discussed with Major DUXSON QC LARRAKEYAH Area; outline of defence requirements of LARRAKEYAH Area.	
		1000	Sqn Ldr McNAMARA LO RAAF visited Frt Comd and introduced Lt Col STEWART Assistant Military Attache' US Embassy CANBERRA.	
		1800	Fire reported at Electric Power House 800KW Set burnt and slightly damaged expected out of order for several days.	
	19	0900	Fine and warm.	[signature]

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 SEP 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 SEP 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1400	Lt Col DAVIES Comd 10/48 Aust Inf Bn, visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE and discussed relief of battalion working parties.	Routine Orders Part 1 Serial 39 attached
	20	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1100	Work completed on building of public conveniences at MINDIL BEACH. Buildings erected by HQ DARWIN Fortress for D.E.S.(C).C.	
		1600	Capt BARTON Giii (SD) NT Force visits Frt HQ.	
		1630	Frt Comd issued directions to CCA Lt Col FORBES that intensive observation of fire instructional practice be commenced to improve standard of training in COAST ARTY (AIF) DARWIN.	
	21	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1000	GSO ii Major A.T.STOCKER and SORA ii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG discussed Harbour defences with RAN CSO Comd TURNER and subsequently Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE conferred with CCA Lt Col FORBES on this matter.	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 SEP 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 SEP 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1530	CCA Lt Col FORBES visited Frt Comd and conferred further on matters relating to Harbour defences.	
	22	0400	Heavy shower of rain fell.	
		0900	Warm and cloudy.	
		0900	Capt CORR OC 15 Aust Small Ships Coy visited Frt Comd Col F.N. NURSE and introduced Lt Col LEDGERWOOD CRE 2 Aust Water Tpt Gp, who discussed activities of Water Tpt Gp in DARWIN Area.	
		1400	S.C. Capt B.J.WHITBY attended meeting of Fire Control Sub-Committee D.E.S.(C).C.	
		1430	GSO ii Major A.T.STOCKER and SORA ii Major J.A.R.K. STRONG attended conference at RAN HQ DARWIN; conference held at request of Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE, to discuss contentious matters relevant to defences of Port DARWIN. CSO Comd TURNER acted as Chairman, representatives present were,	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		RAN - Base Gunnery Officer, Extended Defence Officer.	
			AMF - CCA Lt Col FORBES, Deputy Fire Comd.	
			Satisfactory decisions were reached on all points. Subsequently	
			GSO 11 Major A.T. STOCKER and SORA 11 Major STRONG discussed	
			with Base Gunnery Officer, naval role in event of land attack.	
		1500	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE accompanied by Lt Col STEWART US Military	
			attache' US EMBASSY CANBERRA, carried out tour of Coast Arty	
			installations at EAST POINT.	
	23	0445	OC AA and Frt Signals NT Major ROBINSON departed for South on	
			32 Days ARL.	
		0900	Fine and Warm.	
			POSTED STRENGTH: 10 Offrs 24 ORs — ATTACHED STRENGTH: 3 Offrs 7 ORs — DETACHED STRENGTH: Nil Offrs 4 ORs	
	24	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1600	BGS Brig ANDERSON visits Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
	25	0001	Waugite Bty Coast Arty DARWIN commenced role of Examination Bty.	

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Unit H.Q. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 SEP 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 Sep 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	0445	Lt Col GOBLE CO 5 Aust Inf Bn marched out DARWIN Fortress on transfer to 47 Aust Inf Bn.	
		1000	Capt W.H.CRISWICK attended Meeting No 7 of D.E.S.(C).C.	
		1400	Conference convened by Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE at request G Branch NT Force held at H.Q. DARWIN Fortress to discuss works programme of Coast Arty and AA Defences. Chairman Major CARAH NT Force, representatives present were CCA Lt Col FORBES, AADC Lt Col YOUNG, 2 i/c Major DUXSON, GSOii Maj A.T.STOCKER, SORAii Maj J.A.R.K.STRONG, SC Capt B.J.WHITBY. A summary of all outstanding arty works was prepared for submission to GOC.	
		2100	GSO ii Major A.T.STOCKER and SORAii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG attended combined RAN and Coast Arty exercise.	
	26	0900	Warm and cloudy.	Routine Orders Part 1 Serial 40 attached.
		1130	CCA Lt Col FORBES discussed results of RAN and Coast Arty exercise held on 25 Sep 44 with Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1500	CCA Lt Col FORBES, SORA ii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG, CSO Comd TURNER, SCO Lt Comd WHITFORD, conferred on Coast Arty and RAN exercise held at 2130 hours 25 Sep 44 and items affecting defence of DARWIN.	
	27	0900	Warm and Cloudy.	Location Statement as at 2359Hrs attached.
		1100	Lt Col DENISON R.E. and party visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE prior to making reconnaissance in COX PENINSULA area for chemical warfare trials.	
	28	0900	Warm and cloudy	
		0900	GSO 11 Major A.T.STOCKER visited Adv HQ NT Force to confer with GS on new scheme for defence of DARWIN.	
		1100	B.G.S Brig R.H.NIMMO visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
		1130	SORA ii Major J.A.R.K. STRONG carried out reconnaissance Magazine area with view to siting LAA Tp HQ.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1400	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE escorted BGS Brig R.H.NIMMO on tour of DARWIN Defences.	
	29	0900	Fine and warm.	
		0900	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE escorted BGS Brig R.H.NIMMO on tour of SL Stations located at COX PENINSULA, EAST ARM and MIDDLE ARM areas.	
		1000	9 Aust Dock Op Coy complete move from LARRAKEYAH to PARAP.	
		2000	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE and Staff attend concert at WHITMORE Theatre LARRAKEYAH given by celebrity artist Miss STRELLA WILSON.	
	30	0300	GSOii Major A.T.STOCKER and SORAii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG attended Coast Arty 18 Pr Seawards practice.	
		0900	Fine and warm.	
		2000	Concert at WHITMORE Theatre LARRAKEYAH by Celebrity Artist Miss Strella WILSON.	
			POSTED STRENGTH 10 Offrs 24 ORs ATTACHED STRENGTH 3 Offrs 7 ORs DETACHED STRENGTH NIL Offrs 4 ORs	

Colonel,
Comd DARWIN Fortress.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

36/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/9/1944 HQ DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. VI/3/3. OFFRS. 9 O.R's. 24 + OFFRS. — O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E. 9 - 20
O.R.s 3 Supernumerary to W.E. Authorities
LHQ 134149 and LHQ 91562.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
W.E.	Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
1				1	COLONEL					
					Lieut.-Colonels					
3				3	Majors					
3	N.R.	1	2x AA	ChD 4	Captains	x Chaplains (2) on Strength Surplus to W.E.				
2			1	3	Lieutenants					
					Quarter-masters					
					A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
					Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
9	N.R.	1	3	11						

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	DETAIL.		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
	A.		11									11
	E.(1)											
	E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX114[illegible]6	Lieut	[illegible] D.K.	COAST ARTY (AIF) DARWIN	27-[illegible]-44.	Ceases to be Attach
[illegible]	Lieut	[illegible] F.J.	4 AUST AA GP (AIF)	1-[illegible]-44.	Ceases to be Attache

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../...../194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

W.E. SURPLUS AND DEFICIENCIES - OFFICERS

	SURPLUS	DEFICIENT	REMARKS REQD
Captain A.A.L.C.	-	1	N.R.
Lieut A.A.L.C.	1	-	
Captain A.A.Ch. D	2 (Chaplains)		

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[illegible] DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF) ..... Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday [illegible]../[illegible]../194[illegible]... (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col T/Col	[illegible]	[illegible]	P.N.	COMD	YES		
Major	[illegible]	STRONG	J.A.R.K.	S.C. II ARTY	YES		
Major	[illegible]	STOCKER	A.T.	OSO II	YES		
Major	[illegible]	WILLIAMS	A.J.	DAA & QMG	YES		
Lt T/Capt	[illegible]	WHITBY	B.J.	S.C.	YES		
Lt T/Capt	[illegible]	CHISWICK	W.H.	I.O.	YES		
Lieut	[illegible]	[illegible]	R.B.	I.O.	YES		
Lieut	[illegible]	HIGGS	P.A.	LEGAL OFFICER	YES		
Lieut	[illegible]	EVANS	C.O.	[illegible] OFFICER	YES		
Chaplain	[illegible]	[illegible]	T.C.	C.N. CHAPLAIN	YES		
Chaplain	[illegible]	COSGROVE	J.N.	R.C. CHAPLAIN	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	[illegible]	SCHLINK C.W.A.J.	AAMC	[illegible]	ATTACHED AS FORTRESS S.M.O.
Lieut	[illegible]	C[illegible]TEY J.G.	A.A.A.S.	[illegible]	ATTACHED AS AMENITIES OFFR.

[illegible]
Colonel.
Comd DARWIN FORTRESS.

[illegible] SEP 44
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

Truth—7/43.

W.R. SURPLUS AND DEFICIENCIES - OFFICERS

	SURPLUS	DEFICIENT	BRIEFS REQD
Captain A.A.L.C.	-	1	N.R.
Lieut A.A.L.C.	1	-	
Captain A.A.Ch. D.	2 (Chaplains)		

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

36 44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2 / 9 /194 4. HQ DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. VI/ 3 / 3. OFFRS. 9 O.R's. 24 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E. 9 - 29
O.R.S 3 Supernumerary to W.E. Authorities

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

LHR 134149 and LHR 91568.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E.	W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.			DETAIL. W.E.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
	Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
					W.Os. Class I.					
					W.Os. Class II.					
					Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
2	N.R.	1		1	Staff Sergeants					
7	N.R.	2	1	6	Sergeants					
3	N.R.	1	2	4	Corporals					
12	N.R.	1	2	13	Troopers, Privates, etc. 2	A.A.C.C.	1		1	1
					Civilians counting as O.R.					
24	N.R. *	5	5	24 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2. 2		1 .		1	1 .

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 16 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 19 Years and over	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		20 1		3 1				[redacted]	[redacted]		25
B(1)											
B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
3	COAST ARTY (AIF) DARWIN		
2	5 AUST INF BDE (AIF)		
1	8 A.O.D.		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	65 AUST MCB		
	S.L. BTY (A.A.E.S. SGT)		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To_____(Unit) is Particularly Requested. ___/___/194___

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

	TRADE	W.E.	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENCIES	SURPLUS	No	RANK	NAME	AGE	MED CLASS	REMARKS
S/Sgt	CLERK	1	-	1 N.R.							
Sgt	"	3	2	1 N.R.							
Cpl	" (AALC)	1	-	1 N.R.							
Sgt	A.A.E.S.	2	1	1							
Sgt	-	-	1	-	1 Sanitation Sec Sgt.	VX134964	Sgt	BURCH P.H.	22	A.1.	Surplus to W.E. vide Norforce A 4410 & Reinforce order 57R.
Cpl	A.A.M.C.	-	1	-	1 R.A.P. Cpl	WX109134	Cpl	McCANN J.B.	27	A.1.	Surplus to W.E. vide MT Force 4/17/10 "M" & LHQ 91588.
Cpl	HYGIENE	-	1	-	1 Hygiene Cpl for DES (C) C.	WX29850	Cpl	WELLS D.A.	35	A.2.	Surplus to W.E. pending new W.E.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF) *Unit*

Army Form W.3009
(Adapted) (Page 2)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 2 / 9 /1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfs. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths			
Bricklayers			
Computors			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters			
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)			
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber			
Saw Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD			

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfs. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering			
Surveyors, R.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			
GROUP II.			
Armourers			
Axemen			
Bakers			
Bty. Comd's. Asst.			
Boilermakers			
Carpenters			
Carpenters and Joiners			
Cooks			
Dental Mechanics			
Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)			
Driver-Operator			
Drainers			
Electricians			
Electricians (Engineers)			
Fire Control Operators			
Gun Operator			
Hatchman			
Height Taker			
Hello Operator			
Instrument Operator			
Intelligence Duties			
Joiners			
Lineman			
Lineman, Signals			
Lithographers			
Machinists, Metal			
Machinists, Wood			
Masons			
Masseurs			
Mechanics, M.T.			
Miners			
Moulders			
Nurses, Trained			
Observation Post Asstn.			
CARRIED FORWARD			

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfs. Required.
Operating Room Asstn.			
Operator, Keyboard			
Operator, Line			
Operator, Signal			
Operator, Switchboard			
Operator, Wireless			
Opticians			
Painters			
Panel Beaters			
Photographer, Dry Plate			
Predicter Numbers			
Printers			
Radiographers			
Riggers			
Sawyers			
Signallers			
Signwriters			
Telescope Identfn. Numbers			
Well Borers			
Wheelers			
Winchman			
Wireman			
Woodturners			
GROUP III.			
Battery Surveyors			
Butchers			
Clerks	8	5	3
Clerks, Supply			
Clerks, Technical			
Coach Trimmers			
Concreters			
Cooks			
Dental Clerk Orderlies			
Despatch Riders			
Draughtsmen	1	1	
Drivers, H.T.			
Driver Mechanics			
Driver Tptn. Plant			
Engine Hands, I.C.			
Equipment Repairers			
Farriers			
Fitters' Mates			
Gun Layers			
CARRIED FORWARD	9	6	

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfs. Required.
G.P.O. Assistants			
Hammermen			
Leather Stitchers			
Orderlies, Nursing			
Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Plate Layers			
Rangetakers			
Riveters			
Roughriders			
Saddlers			
Saddletree makers			
Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Stevedores			
Stokers, Stat. Engine			
Storemen, Technical			
Tailors			
Textile Refitters			
Tinsmiths			
Vulcanizers			
Wagon Erectors			
Whitesmiths			

DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Batmen	4	4	
Drivers MT	4	3	MR
Duty NCOs	2	2	
Gun Duties	2	2	
Hygiene N.C.O.s	1	2	
Batmen Des		2	
Sanitation NCO		1	
AAMC Cpl		1	
AAMC NCOs	3	1	
ATTACHED BY W.E.			
A.A.C.C.	2	1	1
Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	26	26 *	1 *

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on Part I.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of "N.R." in col. "Reinfs. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

2 SEP 44.
Date of Despatch

Colonel.
Comd DARWIN FORTRESS.
Signature of Commander

* Form hks 3/43

	TRADE	POSTED W.E.	STRENGTH	DEFICIENCIES	SURPLUS	No	RANK	NAME	AGE	MED CLASS	REMARKS
S/Sgt	CLERK	1	-	1 N.R.							
Sgt	"	3	2	1 N.R.							
Cpl	" (AALO)	1	-	1 N.R.							
Sgt	A.A.E.S.	2	1	1							
Sgt	-	-	1	-	1 Sanitation Sec Sgt	VX154954	Sgt	BURCH F.E.	22	A.1.	Surplus to W.E. vide Norforce A 4410 & Reinforce Order 57K.
Cpl	A.A.M.C.	-	1	-	1 R.A.F. Cpl	NX109134	Cpl	McCANN J.B.	27	A.1.	Surplus to W.E. vide NT Force 6/17/10 "M" & LHQ 91563.
Cpl	HYGIENE	-	1	-	1 Hygiene Cpl for DMS (C) C	WX29850	Cpl	WELLS D.A.	35	A.2.	Surplus to W.E. pending new W.E.

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Headquarters
DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF)
1 SEP 44.

AMENITIES - REPORT FOR MONTH ENDING 31 AUG 44

1. CONCERT PARTIES

The following touring shows visited DARWIN during August:-

(a) Vic L of C Concert Party. (OC Lt J.FRASER).
This unit gave five performances for AMF, two for RAN ~~xxxxone~~ for US Army and two for AWC pers during the month.

(b) Stars and Stripes Revue.
By courtesy of US Army this company gave a performance for A.I.F. personnel at the "Whitmore" Theatre, LARRAKEYAH on 13 Aug 44.

The contrast between these two shows was most marked. Whereas one, (The Vic L of C Concert Party) is entirely self contained and required no outside assistance whatsoever, it was necessary to provide working parties, stage properties, public address system and piano for the other, and it is extremely doubtful whether the time and labour expended was justified by the resultant performance. Opportunity was taken to frank unit mail after the performances and adverse comment about the second show was general. In every case where a comparison was drawn it was favourable to Vic L of C Concert Party. It is therefore strongly recommended that in future, civilian shows, where the standard of talent is not high, and who chiefly rely on the fact that there are women in the company to provide an audience, be discouraged from visiting the area. Throughout its tour, the Vic L of C Concert Party was very popular and audiences increased with each performance. On the other hand. it is doubtful whether many of the very large number who attended the Stars and Stripes Revue, would have been present at a second performance.

2. CINEMA PROJECTION & PROGRAMMES

(a) Circuit "A" (Mobile Plant No 64) has maintained it's normal circuit throughout the month.

(b) Circuit "K" (Mobile Plant No 71). Normal showings have been maintained throughout the month although further trouble has been experienced with the Generator; (see monthly report for Jul 44). A separate report on this equipment, which is badly worn and nearing the end of it's life, has been forwarded to AA Amenities Service NT Force and it is understood that action is being taken to have it replaced. As an experiment , a double feature was shown on this circuit during the week ending 26 Aug 44. However, the plant (single head "Simplex") overheated badly during the second feature and the experiment was not persevered with.

(c) Cinema Programmes:- There has been considerable variation in the programmes presented during the month, one in particular was very good. However, it is considered that there is room for improvement in the make up of the programme. For instance, on two recent occasions, the programme consisted of two very short pictures of rather poor quality, and was followed by another programme consisting of two very long pictures of high quality. One programme - "Mutiny on the Bounty", and "Johnny Come Lately", at present on K circuit, and due to be shown on "A" circuit next week, is estimated to take approx four hours. This is considered to be far too long. Whilst it is realised that the supply of film is NOT under control of Aust Army Amenities Service, NT Force, it is suggested that, as far as possible, programmes be balanced so that the duration of showings will be more nearly uniform.

3. SPORTING ACTIVITIES

(a) Basketball Competitions.

Finals of the above competition were played early in August, the following teams being successful:-

No 1 Competition - 5 Aust Inf Bn "A" Team
No 2 Competition - 27 Aust Wks Coy.

(b) Rugby Competition.

This competition has reached the finals stages, the leading four teams being:-

70 Aust (Mob) SL Bty - undefeated.
Coast Arty "A" Team
19 Aust AA Bty
R.A.N.

(c) Cricket Competition.

Two cricket competitions involving twenty unit teams have been commenced, details are attached at Appx "A".

(d) NT Force Combined Services Sports Carnival.

The above Carnival commenced on 9 Aug with a Hockey Competition, the grand final of which was played on Sat 26 Aug 44, between RAN and DARWIN Frt. Scores were, RAN - 1 goal, DARWIN Frt, Nil.

Preliminary matches to other sports are at present being played between units.

4. SPORTING MATERIAL

Supply of sporting material etc, remains satisfactory and most unit requirements can be fulfilled promptly.

5. SUMMARY

It is considered that Amenities Services in this area have now reached a fairly satisfactory standard. Units generally realise the value of regular organised sport and recreation periods as an aid to the maintenance of morale and physical fitness and as a result, co-operate willingly at all times.

Lt.
AMEN OFFR DARWIN FORTRESS.

RESTRICTED

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

COLONEL F N HURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS

SERIAL 37 (Pa ras 184 - 187) 5 SEP 44

Para 184 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS

4 A ust AA Gp (AIF) will provide the Security Guard for the week commencing Frid 8 Sep 44.

STRENGTH	: 1 Sjt and 7 ORs.
DRESS	: Full marching Order.
EQUIPMENT	: Bedding and messing gear will be provided by 4 Aust AA Gp.
RATIONS & QUARTERS	: Provided by HQ DA RWIN FORTRESS.
DUTIES	: As per Guard Standing Orders.

Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN FORTRESS at 1630 hrs Frid 8 Sep 44.

NEXT FOR DUTY	: Frt Inf Bn commencing Frid 15 Sep 44.

Para 185 PICQUET - NIGHTCLIFFS RUBBISH DUMP

4 Aust AA Gp (AIF) will provide the picquet for the week commencing Frid 8 Sep 44.

NCO i/c will report to Hygiene Inspector at 0900 hrs at NIGHTCLIFFS FOP on the day above stated.

NEXT FOR DUTY	: Frt Inf Bn commencing Frid 15 Sep 44.

Para 186 DAMAGE TO ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS

Numerous reports have been received of damage to Electricity Supply mains through personnel playing football in close proximity to such mains. The playing of football or other sports in places where damage to electrical installations or mains is likely to result, is forbidden, and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

(To be repeated in Unit RO's.)

Para 187 AAB83 - RECORD OF SERVICE BOOK

LHQ 119561 of 29 Aug 44 is repeated below for information and direction of units:-

1. It has been brought to notice that in some cases the pages provided in AAB83 Record of Service Book for recording entries of leave having been filled, the member concerned is being issued with a new AAB83 to enable further entries to be made.

2. AAB83 has been revised and at present is in course of re-printing. In the revised book additional pages have been included for recording entries concerning leave.

3. Pending stocks of AAB83 (revised) being available for issue, it is not considered necessary for members to be issued with another AAB83. If the pages for recording entries concerning leave are full, units will arrange for a temporary insert typed page to be inserted. As soon as stocks of AAB83 (revised) are available for issue, the member will then be issued with another AAB83.

Maj
DAA & QMG DARWIN FORTRESS
(A.J.WILLIAMS)

RESTRICTED

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

COLONEL F H NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS

SERIAL 38 (Paras 188 - 189) 13 SEP 44

Para 188 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS

Frt Inf Bn will provide the Security Guard for the week commencing Frid 15 Sep 44.

STRENGTH : 1 Sjt and 7 O/Rs

DRESS : Full marching order

EQUIPMENT : Bedding and messing gear will be provided by Frt Inf Bn.

RATIONS & QUARTERS : Provided by HQ DARWIN FORTRESS.

DUTIES : As per Guard Standing Orders.

Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN FORTRESS at 1630 hrs Frid 15 Sep 44.

NEXT FOR DUTY : Coast Arty (AIF) DARWIN, commencing Frid 22 Sep 44.

Para 189 PICQUET - NIGHTCLIFFS RUBBISH DUMP

Frt Inf Bn will provide the picquet for the week commencing Frid 15 Sep 44.

NCO i/c will report to Hygiene Inspector at 0900 hrs at NIGHTCLIFFS FOP on the day above stated.

NEXT FOR DUTY : Coast Arty (AIF) DARWIN, commending Frid 22 Sep 44.

Maj.
DAA & QMG DARWIN FORTRESS
(A .J.WILLIAMS)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

COLONEL F.M.NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS

SERIAL 39 (Paras 190-191) 19 SEP 44.

Para 190 GUARD - SECURITY - H. DARWIN FORTRESS

DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF) will provide the Security Guard for the week commencing Fri 22 Sep 44.

STRENGTH : 1 Sjt and 7 O/Rs

DRESS : Full marching order

EQUIPMENT : Bedding and messing gear will be provided by DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF).

RATIONS & QUARTERS : Provided by H. DARWIN FORTRESS.

DUTIES : As per Guard Standing Orders.

Guard will report to Orderly NCO H. DARWIN FORTRESS at 1630 hrs Frid 22 Sep 44.

NEXT FOR DUTY : 4 AUST AA GP (AIF), commencing Fri 29 Sep 44.

Para 191 PICQUET - NIGHTCLIFFS RUBBISH DUMP

DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF) will provide the picquet for the week commencing Fri 22 Sep 44.

NCO i/c will report to Hygiene Inspector at 0900 hrs at NIGHTCLIFFS FOP on the day above stated.

NEXT FOR DUTY 4 Aust AA Gp (AIF) DARWIN, commencing Fri 29 Sep 44.

Capt
A.C. DARWIN FORTRESS
(R.J.WHITBY)

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

COLONEL F N NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS

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Para 192 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS

4 AUST AA GP (AIF) will provide the Security Guard for the week commencing Fri 29 Sep 44.

STRENGTH : 1 Sjt and 7 O/Rs

DRESS : Full marching order.

EQUIPMENT : Bedding and messing gear will be provided by 4 AUST AA GP (AIF).

RATIONS & QUARTERS : Provided by DARWIN FORTRESS.

DUTIES : As per Guard Standing Orders.

Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN FORTRESS at 1630 hrs Fri 29 Sep 44.

NEXT FOR DUTY FRT INF BN, commencing Fri 6 Oct 44.

Para 193 PICQUET - NIGHTCLIFFS RUBBISH DUMP

4 AUST AA GP (AIF) will provide the picquet for the week commencing Fri 29 Sep 44.

NCO i/c will report to Hygiene Inspector at 0900 hrs at NIGHTCLIFFS FOP on the day above stated.

NEXT FOR DUTY FRT INF BN commencing Fri 6 Oct 44.

Para 194 SWIMMING

Subjoined for infm and necessary action is LHQ memo 129144 of 18 Sep 44.

" The importance of all ranks of the Military Forces being able to swim needs no stressing and becomes more important with the increase of operations in island areas North of AUSTRALIA.

2. Wherever facilities permit it is desired Commanders arrange for instruction in swimming to be given to all ranks, to the extent that operational trg programmes permit.

3. Swimming instruction will be given by competent instructors, either qualified students from LHQ School of Physical trg or other experienced personnel.

4. In this connection LHQ Mobile Physical Trg Team, which is at present visiting Formations, includes qualified instructors a nd should be used to assist."

PARA 194 SWIMMING (continued)

2. Further to para (4) of the above memo, Units will be advised later when this team is available to assist units.

Capt
S C DARWIN FORTRESS
(B J WHITBY)

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HEADQUARTERS,
DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF)

LOCATION STATEMENT FOR DARWIN FORTRESS AS AT
2359 HOURS 27 SEP 44

Reference Maps:- DARWIN, SOUTHPORT & HUMPTY DOO 1 Inch to 1 Mile.

UNIT	LOCATION	COMD OR REMARKS
HQ UNITS		
HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF)	790088	
Det 28 Aust FS Sec	801110	Fortress
COAST ARTY		
HQ Coast Arty (AIF) DARWIN	782142	"
EAST Bty	782152	"
DUDLEY Bty	778150	"
EMERY Bty	778094	"
WEST Sec	717113	"
WAUGITE Bty	698126	"
ELLIOTT Sec	781189	"
AA DEFENCES DARWIN AREA		
HQ 4 Aust AA Gp (LE) (AIF)	785089	"
4 Aust AA Ops Room (Type A) (AIF)	919099	"
HQ 4 Aust HAA Bty (STATIC)(HE)(AIF)	896116	"
HAA Site 427(Tp 458)(")(")(Berrimah)	896120	"
" " 426(" 381)(")(")(Quarantine)	893067	"
HQ 19 Aust HAA Bty (")(")	798092	"
HAA Site 358(Tp 358)(")(")(McMillans)	852180	"
" " 359(" 359)(")(")(Fanny Bay)	800139	"
" " 360(" 360)(")(")(Oval)	808079	"
HQ 161 Aust LAA Bty	807094	"
"A" Tp HQ	853122	"
"B" Tp HQ	824142	"
HQ 159 Aust LAA Bty	893070	"
"A" Tp HQ	893070	"
"B" Tp HQ	807094	"
HQ 65 Aust Mob SL Bty	810108	"
"A" Tp HQ	857163	"
"C" Tp HQ	729053	"
75 Aust Mob SL Bty		
"C" Tp HQ	719103	"
HQ 70 Aust Mob SL Bty	904115	"
"A" Tp HQ	934113	"
"B" Tp HQ	809104	"
"C" Tp HQ	979979	"
SADTLER - HUGHES AREA		
AA Ops Room HUGHES	079826	"
HQ 135 Aust HAA Bty	077826	"
"A" Tp HQ	099835	"
"B" Tp HQ	087803	"
153 Aust LAA Bty		
"A" Tp HQ	104764	"
HQ 233 Aust LAA Bty	112740	"
"A" Tp HQ	079980	"
"B" Tp HQ	089818	"
HQ 69 Aust Mob SL Bty	080930	"
"A" Tp HQ	045013	"
"B" Tp HQ	080884	"
"C" Tp HQ	092820	"
SIGNALS		
AA and Frt Signals NT (AIF)	787090	"
201 Aust AA Comp Sig Sec	787090	" Att Frt Signals.
INFANTRY		
HQ 5 Aust Inf Bn	815105	"
A.E.M.E.		
Frt Wkshops DARWIN (AIF)	Larrakeyah	"
3 Aust Radio Maintenance Sec	Larrakeyah	"
DENTAL		
74 Aust Dental Unit		
"B" Sec	778094	"
85 Aust Dental Unit		
"F" Sec	Parap	"
129 AGH Sec	793095	"

UNIT	LOCATION	COMD OR REMARKS
PAY		
49 Depot Cash Office (Type B) (AIF)	809097	14 L of C
ENGINEERS		
9 Aust Docks Ops Coy	788089	"
2/3 " " " "	788089	"
2/10 " " " "	Parap	"
2 Pl 1 Aust Port Maint Coy	788089	"
19 Aust Works Coy	825140	"
27 Aust Works Coy	811102	"
NT Coastal Recce Unit (AIF)	DARWIN	"
15 Aust Small Ship Coy	786087	"
6 Aust Water Craft Works Coy	Larrakeyah	"
Sec 21 Aust Maint Pl	Vesteys	"
Det 2 Aust Army Tps	Vesteys	"
9 Aust AA & Frt Coy RAE	790091	"
SIGNALS		
HQ 2 Coy 17 Aust L of C Signals	805091	17 L of C Sigs
DARWIN Signal Office	811081	"
HQ 1 Coy 1 Aust Line Const Gp	815089	" New Location
A.A.S.C.		
HQ Comd AASC 14 L of C	804091	14 L of C
11 Aust Sup Depot Coy 69 Pl (AIF)(S&T Port Det)	Vesteys	"
" " " " " 74 " (") DID)	Vesteys	"
40 Pl - 5 Aust Fd Bakering Coy (AIF)	Vesteys	"
3 Aust Bulk Petrol Storage Coy	812088	"
Det 1 Aust M.A.C.	799093	"
MEDICAL		
129 A.G.H.	793095	"
Det 10 Aust Anti-Malaria Control Unit(Type A)	788093	"
ORDNANCE		
82 Fd Ord Depot	806100	"
Det 12 Aust Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit	793095	"
PROVOST		
2 Aust L of C Pro Coy	806090	"
MISCELLANEOUS		
HQ 5 Aust Movement Control Gp	802088	"
Det 2 Aust L of C Postal Unit	806089	"
NT Printing and Press Unit	796090	"
Det 1 Aust Div Salvage	Vesteys	"
Det Aust Army Canteens	807083	"
" " " "	Vesteys	"
Det Directorate of Public Relations	800092	Force Tps
A.E.S.	Larrakeyah	
Area Camp Staff (Type C)	Vesteys	14 L of C
F.E.L.O.	708093	
Regulating Officer G.H.Q.	801088	
F.E.A.S.C.	802086	US ARMY
HQ US NAVY	810082	US NAVY

DISTRIBUTION	COPY NO
HQ NT Force (AIF)	1
Coast Arty (AIF) DARWIN	2
4 Aust AA Gp (AIF)	3
AA & Frt Sigs NT (AIF)	4
5 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	5
DARWIN Signal Office	6
Staff Captain	7
WAR DIARY	8 & 9
Int Section	10

Capt.
for Major GS DARWIN Fortress.

Units will check their locations with this statement and advise HQ DARWIN Fortress immediately of any alterations or amendments.

All previous location statements issued by this HQ will be destroyed by fire.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required).

Army Form C. 2118
(adapted.)

Unit H. Darwin Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *to* 2400 hrs 31 OCT 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	1	0900	Fine and Warm.	
		1000	Brig C.E.K.LLOYD Comd (TEMP) 12 Aust Inf Bde accompanied by CO 10/48 Aust Inf Bn Lt Col DAVIES visited Frt Comd Col F.N. NURSE.	
		1900	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE and Staff attend service at Garrison Church, DARWIN.	
	2	0430	Light rain.	
		0900	Warm and cloudy	
		0930	DDMS Col SALTER visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE and had a general discussion on medical matters in DARWIN Fortress.	
		1000	Inspector of Hygiene Lt G.O.EVANS visited WAUGHTS BAY Coast Arty and carried out water tests on new bore.	
		1800	2/3 Aust Docks Op Coy and 9 Aust Docks Op Coy completed move from LARRAKEYAH to PARAP.	
	3	0900	Fine and warm.	

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H 1004 2/42 *Unit* H.Q. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *To* 2400Hrs 31 OCT 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1100	SORA ii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG attended 4 Aust AA Gp 40mm Bofors practice shoot at EAST PT. Practice carried out by 19 Aust HAA Bty, 4 AustHAA Bty and 161 LAA Bty at drogue target towed by aircraft. SORA 1 RAA NT Force Lt Col FORDE accompanied by SORA 111 Capt CUTHBERTE and SC Capt ARMSTRONG,attended shoot.	Routine Orders Part 1 Serial 41 attached.
		1400	SORA 1 RAA NT Force Lt Col FORDE called on Frt Comd Col F.N. NURSE and discussed Bofors practice at EAST Pt.	
	4	0900	Warm and cloudy.	
		0930	SORA 11 Major J.A.R.K.STRONG visited RAN HQ and discussed with CSO Comd TURNER problems involved in towing of splash targets for Coast Arty Practice.	
		1000	GSO 11 Major A.T.STOCKER had further discussions with CCA Lt Col FORBES with regard to redistribution of light automatic weapons.	

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Unit H. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *To* 2400Hrs 31 OCT 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1445	CEME NT Force Lt Col REDPATH visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
		1730	AA & Frt Signals NT complete move from LARRAKEYAH to PEEWIT	
			barracks EAST Pt.	
	5	0900	Fine and Warm.	
		1500	GSO 11 Major A.T.STOCKER and SORA 11 Major J.A.R.K.STRONG	
			visited XDO NIGHTCLIFF and subsequently inspected NIGHTCLIFF	
			FOP and NIGHTCLIFF SL Station.	
		1539	Spitfire carrying out manoeuvres over DARWIN Area dived and	
			crashed into FRANCES BAY.	
	6	0900	Fine and Warm.	
		1000	BGS Brigadier NIMMO visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
		1030	BGS Brigadier NIMMO, Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE & AADC DARWIN -	
			HUGHES area Lt Col YOUNG, carried out reconnaissance of RAAF	
			Flying Boat base at EAST ARM relevant to LAA defence of this area.	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) Date and Time.—From 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 To 2400Hrs 31 OCT 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	7	0900	Fine and Warm.	W 3008 and W 3009 attached
		1800	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE and Staff attended wedding ceremony at	
			Christ Church, Sister I.A.BROOM 129 AGH was married to Lt	
			C.CARTER 5 Aust Inf Bn. Bride was given away by GOC Maj Gen	
			A.S.ALLEN CB, CBE, DSO, VD.	
	8	0900	Fine and Warm.	Defence Plan No 3 attached
		0900	Lieut J.HUTCHINSON marched into HQ DARWIN Fortress preparatory	Adm Orders No 5 Attached
			to commencing duties of Amenities Officer.	[signature]
	9	0445	SMO Capt C SCHLINK marched out DARWIN Fortress via air to	
			BRISBANE for posting to 2/12 AGH.	
		0830	SORA ii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG attended Coast Arty 18pr practice at EAST PT.	
		0900	Fine and warm.	
		1000	GSO ii Major A.T.STOCKER discussed with SO AA & Frt Signals NT	
			Capt WAUGH signal plan for DARWIN Def Plan No 3. Requirements	
			and proposed layout checked and approved by Frt Comd COL F.N.NURSE. [signature]	

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Unit H.Q DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *To* 2400 Hrs 31 OCT 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		Capt WAUGH delivered plans of Coast Arty Cable communications and discussed same with Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
		1020	Mr GAHAN Chief Commissioner of Commonwealth Railways accompanied by Mr HARRIS Chairman Victorian Railways visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
		1300	Brig McKENZIE Comd 13 Aust Inf Bde and Major FINLAY BM 13 Aust Inf Bde visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
		1400	Major J.A.R.K.STRONG attended meeting of Works Sub-Committee D.E.S.(C).C.	
	10	0900	Fine and warm.	
		0900	4 Aust AA Gp 40mm AA Practice held at E.ST PT. Practice carried out by 161 Aust LAA Bty and 159 Aust LAA Bty at drogue target towed by aircraft.	
		1100	Lt Col Rev C.R.WHEREAT M.B.E. DACG(C of E) NT Force visited	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
		1400	DAD Amenities Major PATERSON visited Frt Comd prior to his departure South to new posting.	
		1430	DDMS Col SALTER visited Frt Comd C61 F.N.NURSE and introduced Brig Sir Howard FLOREY noted Scientist and co-discoverer of drug Penicillin.	
		2000	Brig Sir Howard FLOREY lectured to Medical Officers at 129 AGH.	
	11	0900	Fine and Warm.	Routine Orders Part 1 Serial 42 attached
		1400	GSO ii Major A.T.STOCKER and SORA ii Major L.A.R.K.STRONG visited Tp 360-19 HAA Bty and carried out inspection of armament and radar equipment.	
		2000	No 2 Amenities Concert Party held performance at PARAP.	
	12	0900	Fine and Warm.	
		0900	4 Aust AA Gp 40mm AA practice held at EAST PT. Practice carried	

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Unit H.Q. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *To* 2400Hrs 31 OCT 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		out by 159 Aust LAA Bty at drogue target towed by aircraft.	
		0930	Conference of Unit Loan Officers held at HQ DARWIN Fortress.	
			Major FARQUHSON NT Force Loan Officer acted as Chairman and	
			introduced Mr SLADDEN War Loan Representative, a general	
			discussion was held on methods of presenting opportunities to	
			troops to invest in SecondVictory Loan	
		1100	Capt SHEPPARD J.W. marched in DARWIN Fortress and commenced	
			duties of SMO.	
	13	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1430	SORA i RAA NT Force Lt Col R.FORDE visited Frt Comd Col F.N.	
			NURSE.	
		2000	No 2 Amenities Concert Party held performance at "WHITMORE"	
			Theatre LARRAKEYAH.	
	14	0900	Fine and warm.	

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H. 1004 2/42 *Unit* HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *To* 2400Hrs 31 OCT 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1000	Mr S.M.DERAVIN and Mr S KIDMAN = Staff of Chief Inspector Adm,	
			Dept of Treasury called on Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
			POSTED STRENGTH ATTACHED STRENGTH DETACHED STRENGTH	
			[illegible] Offrs 27 ORs 2 Offrs 7 ORs Nil Offrs 6 ORs	
	15	0900	Fine and warm.	
		0900	2/10 Aust Docks Op Coy march out DARWIN Fortress.	
		2000	DACG (C of E) NT Force Lt Col Rev C.R.WHEREAT MBE visits	
			HQ DARWIN Fortress.	
	16	0900	CRA NT Force Brig CHALMERS and GSO i NT Force Lt Col NYMAN	
			visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE and discussed recommendations of	
			LHQ C of B investigation committee.	
		1500	Parliamentary Delegation arrived DARWIN Fortress on inspection	
			of AWC projects.	
		1530	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE and GSO ii Major A.T.STOCKER accompanied	
			Parliamentary Delegation on an inspection of 9.2" Coast Arty equipt.	

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Unit H. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *To* 2400Hrs 31 OCT 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	17	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1100	GSO 11 Major A.T.STOCKER visited EAST POINT and discussed with EAST POINT Area Comd Major A.WATT defence of area under DARWIN Fortress Defence Plan No 3.	
		1800	Lieut E.BATEMAN marched in H. DARWIN Fortress on return from ARL and commenced duties of SC.	
		1930	Visual training film screened at HQ DARWIN Fortress.	
	18	0900	Fine and warm	Routine Orders Part 1. Serial 43 attached
		1400	Capt WAUGH SO AA and Frt Sigs NT called and discussed with GSO ii Major A.T.STOCKER revised signals plan under DARWIN Fortress Defence Plan No 3. Signal plan submitted to and approved by Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
			Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE, GSOii Major A.T.STOCKER and Capt WAUGH discussed arrangements for retention of manning details of	

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Unit H. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *To* 2400 Hrs 31 OCT 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		operational switchboard in view of abolition of Fortress	
			Signal Office.	
		1530	Capt CHAMPION ACF representative visited Frt Comd.	
	19	0400	DARWIN Coast Arty CA No 1 Portable Radar (ABEL) transferred	
			to new FOP/BOP tower at EAST POINT and became operational. This	
			will increase range of warning of surface craft on a greater	
			arc than hitherto.	
		0900	Fine and warm.	
		1130	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE visited B.G.S Brig NIMMO.	
		1400	4 Aust AA Gp hold 3.7" HAA firing practice. 4 Aust HAA Bty and	
			19 Aust HAA Bty participated.Target was drogue towed by aircraft.	
	20	0900	Warm and hazy.	
		0900	4 Aust AA Gp continued 3.7" HAA firing practice from 4 Aust	
			HAA Bty and 19 Aust HAA Bty at drogue target towed by aircraft.	[illegible]

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H. 1004 2/42 *Unit* H.Q. D.A.R.I.N Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *To* 2400 Hrs 31 OCT 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
D.A.R.W.I.N	Contd	0930	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE, CBO ii Major A.T.STOCKER , SCRA ii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG carried out tour of Coast Arty and AASL Stations on COX PENINSULA, Frt Comd inspected installations, works being carried out, accommodation and personnel.	
	21	0800	Fine and warm.	
		0900	Three dets of "A" Tp 153 Aust LAA Bty vacated gun sites LIVINGSTON airfield and occupied L24, L23, L19 gun sites on CIVIL aerodrome.	
			POSTED STRENGTH 11 Offrs 27 OR ATTACHED STRENGTH 2 Offrs 8 OR DETACHED STRENGTH NIL Offrs 6 OR	
	22	0800	Amenities Officer Lieut J.HUTCHINSON carried out tour of Coast ARty and AASL Stataions on COX PENINSULA with view to improving amenities for personnel in area.	
		0900	Fine and warm.	
	23	0900	Warm and cloudy.	

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Unit H.Q. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *To* 2400 Hrs 31 OCT 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	0900	5 Aust Inf Bn commenced move from DARWIN Frt to NSW.	
		0900	Three dets "B" Tp 233 Aust LAA Bty vacated gun sites on STRAUSS airfield and occupied L1C, L11 L18 gun sites at HUGHES airfield.	
		0900	Three dets "A" Tp 153 Aust LAA Bty on being relieved by "B" Tp 233 Aust LAA Bty vacated gun sites on HUGHES airfield and occupied L20, L21, L22 gun sites at CIVIL aerodrome.	
		1100	B.G.S. Brig NIXON visited Frt Comd.	
	24	0001	112 Aust LAA Regt. 112 Aust LAA Sig Sec. 112 Aust LAA Regt Wkshp placed under command H.Q. DARWIN Fortress.	
		0900	Warm and cloudy.	
		0900	DARWIN Coast Arty carried out 18Pr firing practice from DUDLEY Bty, EAST PT.	
		0900	GSOii Major A.T.STOCKER visited Coast Arty and discussed defence of EAST PT area with area Comd Major WATT.	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) Date and Time.—From 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 To 2400 Hrs 31 Oct 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	25	0300	Adv HQ NT Force and Rear HQ NT Force closed locations at 57 ml	Routine Orders Part 1 Serial No 44 attached
			and reopened HQ NT FOrce LARRAKEYAH BARRACKS ref map DARWIN	
			1 inch 1 mile 788089.	
		0900	Warm and cloudy.	
		0900	13 Aust Inf Bde working party in LARRAKEYAH moved from LARRAKEYAH	
			to PARAP Staging Camp.	
		0900	9 AA and Frt Coy RAE completed move from Sgts Mess building	
			LARRAKEYAH to ref map DARWIN 1 inch 1 mile 785093, LARRAKEYAH.	
		1600	CRA NT Force Brig CHALMERS visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	[signature]
	26	0900	Warm and cloudy	
		0900	135 Aust HAA Bty ceased to be operationally deployed in HUGHES	
			area.	
		1500	GOC Major Gen A.S.ALLEN CB, CBE, DSO, VD officially opened new	
			HOWARD SPRINGS Water Supply to DARWIN. Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE	[signature]

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Unit H.Q. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) Date and Time.—From 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 To 2400 Hrs 31 OCT 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		and Capt [illegible].H.CRISWICK, Chief Executive Officer D.E.S.(C).C. attended function.	
	27	0900	Fine and warm	Location Statement DARWIN Fortress Attached
		0900	SORA ii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG, SMO Capt SHEPPARD and Hygiene Officer Lt EVANS carried out inspection of 159 Aust LAA Bty camp site at EAST ARM.	
		1030	SORA i RAA NT Force Lt Col FORDE visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
		1130	5 Aust Inf Bn completed move from DARWIN Fortress, Major RODDICK Adm Comd 5 Aust Inf Bn reported final details of move to Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
		1230	Heavy shower of rain.	
		1500	Parade of HQ NT Force held at LARRAKEYAH. Parade addressed by GOC NT Force Major Gen A.S.ALIEN CB, CBE, DSO, VD. Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE attended parade.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	28	0900	Fine and warm	
		1030	Conference held at H. RAA NT Force to discuss matters concerning the relief by 55 Aust Comp AA Regt in DARWIN Fortress Area and relief of 70 Aust (Mob) SL Bty by 69 Aust (Mob) SL Bty. Representatives present were SORA i NT Force Lt Col FORDE, AADC DARWIN-HUGHES Lt Col YOUNG, CO 55 Aust Comp AA Regt Lt Col BAGLIN, Major FRASER Adm Comd 112 Aust LAA Regt, Capt TRAYNOR Adm Comd AA & Frt Signals NT, SORA ii NT Force Major BURROWES, SORA ii DARWIN Fortress Major J.A.R.K.STRONG.	
		1700	Aircraft obstruction lights on Waugite Bty BOP tower completed and ready for action.	
		1800	A Tp 233 Aust LAA Bty (SATTLER) became non operational.	
			POSTED STRENGTH 11 Offrs 28 OR — ATTACHED STRENGTH 2 Offrs 10 OR — DETACHED STRENGTH Nil Offrs 6 OR	
	29	0800	69 Aust(Mob) SL Bty became non operational	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) Date and Time.—From 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 To 2400 Hrs 31 Oct 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1030	SORA ii RAA NT Force, SORA ii DARWIN Fortress conferred with GS NT Force as to whether 55 Aust AA Comp Regt will be placed under Comd DARWIN Fortress.	
	30	0900	Fine and warm	Operation Order No1/44 attached
		1030	Lt Col HORLEY Comd 16 Aust Inf Bn visited Frt Comd Col F.N.HURSE.	
		1100	Frt Comd Col F.N.HURSE attended Commanders Conference convened by the Officer Administering Command NT Force. Conference outlined the organisation and command NT Force for Operations consequent upon receipt and proposed changes in OOB; other matters of training and administration discussed.	
		1800	One det "A" Tp 233 Aust LAA Bty moved from SATTLER airfield and occupied def posn on island in EAST ARM ref map DARWIN 1 inch to one mile 886050, for defence of Flying Boat base.	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 OCT 44 *To* 2400 Hrs 31 OCT 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	31	0900	Hot and cloudy.	
		0930	GSOii Major A.T.STOCKER visited GSOii NT Force Major CARAH and discussed redistribution of small arms weapons as result of NT Force Op Instn No 75.	
		1000	Mr A.CAMERON MHR visited DARWIN Fortress and inspected 9.2" Coast Arty installations at EAST POINT.	
		1800	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE, SORA 11 Major J.A.R.K.STRONG and DAA&QMG Capt B.J.WHITBY visited RHQ 112 Aust LAA Regt.	

Colonel,

Comd DARWIN Fortress.

R E S T R I C T E D

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

COLONEL F N NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS

SERIAL 41 (Paras 195 - 198) 3 OCT 44

Para 195 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS.

Frt Inf Bn will provide the Security Guard for the week commencing Fri 6 Oct 44.

STRENGTH : 1 Sjt and 7 OR

DRESS : Full Marching Order

EQUIPMENT : Bedding and messing gear will be provided by Frt Inf Bn

RATIONS & QUARTERS : Provided by HQ DARWIN Frt

DUTIES : As per Guard Standing Orders

Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN Frt at 1630 hrs Fri 6 Oct 44.

NEXT FOR DUTY : Coast Arty (AIF) DARWIN commencing Fri 13 Oct 44.

Para 196 PICQUET - NIGHTCLIFFS RUBBISH DUMP

Frt Inf Bn will provide the picquet for the week commencing Fri 6 Oct 44.

NCO i/c will report to Hygiene Inspector at 0900 hrs at NIGHTCLIFFS FOP on the day above stated.

NEXT FOR DUTY : Coast Arty (AIF) DARWIN commencing 13 Oct

Para 197 STEEL HELMETS - ISSUE OF

LHQ Circular B61350 of 18 Sep 44 authorises 100% issue of steel helmets to units of NT Force.

Units will ensure that all tps under comd have been issued with a steel helmet.

Para 198 PERSONNEL SUITABLE FOR RLY DUTIES

Ref NT Force circular AI as amended by NT Force letter Q11589 of 13 Sep 44.

Units will submit returns as at first of each month showing any alterations to the return submitted in accordance with the abovementioned NT Force letter.

The returns will be submitted to reach this HQ on the second day of each month. NIL returns will be submitted where applicable.

HQ DARWIN Frt memo P.1370 of 27 Jun 44 is cancelled.

Capt.
for Major DAA&QMG DARWIN Frt.

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

41/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7/10/1944. HQ DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. VI/3/3. OFFRS. 8 O.R's. 24+ OFFRS. - O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E. 9 - 29
ORs 3 Supernumerary to WE Authorities

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.
LHQ 134149 and LHQ 91568.

WE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL. WE	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
	Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
					W.Os. Class I.					
					W.Os. Class II.					
					Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
2	NR	1		1	Staff Sergeants					
7	NR	1	1	7	Sergeants					
3	NR	1	2	4	Corporals					
12	NR	2	2	12	Troopers, Privates, etc. 2	AACC	1		1	NR
					Civilians counting as O.R.					
24	NR *	4	5	25 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2. 2		1		1	NR

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		A.I.F. A	C.M.P. Under 19 Years.	C.M.P. 19 Years and over B	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A		24		1 1				[redacted]	[redacted]		26
B(1)											
B(2)							[redacted]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
4	DARWIN COAST ARTY (AIF)		
1	5 AUST INF BN (AIF)		
1	8 AOD		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	[illegible] AUST [illegible]		
	SL BTY (AAES SJT)		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To_____(Unit) is Particularly Requested. __/__/194__

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

	TRADE	WE	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENCIES	SURPLUS	No	RANK	NAME	AGE	MED CLASS	REMARKS
S/Sgt	CLERK	1	-	1 NR							
Cpl	" (AALC)	1	-	1 NR							
Sjt	AASS	2	1	1							
Sjt	-	-	1	-	1 Sanitation Sec Sjt	WX34954	Sjt	BURCH FH	22	A1	Surplus to WE vide Norforces A 4410 & Reinforce Order 57R.
Cpl	AAMC	-	1	-	1 RAP Cpl	WX[illegible]	Cpl	McCANN JB	27	A1	Surplus to WE vide NT Force 4/17/10 "M" & LHQ 91568.
Cpl	HYGIENE	-	1	-	1 Hygiene Cpl for DMS (C) C.	WX29550	Cpl	WELLS DA	35	A2	Surplus to WE pending new WE.

DARWIN FORTRESS (RAF) ..... Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 7 / 10 / 1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfs. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths			
Bricklayers			
Carpenters			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters			
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)			
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber			
Saw Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD			

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reinfs. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering			
Surveyors, E.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			

	TRADE	WE	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENCIES	SURPLUS	No	RANK	NAME	AGE	MED CLASS	REMARKS
S/Sgt	CLERK	1	-	1 NR							
Cpl	"(AALC)	1	-	1 NR							
Sjt	AAES	2	1	1							
Sjt	-	-	1	-	1 Sanitation Sec Sjt.	WX134954	Sjt	BURCH FH	28	A1	Surplus to WE vide Norforce A 4410 & Reinforce Order 57R.
Cpl	AAMC	-	1	-	1 RAP Cpl	WX109134	Cpl	McCANN JB	27	A1	Surplus to WE vide NT Force 4/17/10 "M" and LHQ 91568.
Cpl	HYGIENE	-	1	-	1 Hygiene Cpl for DSS (C) C.	WX29850	Cpl	WELLS DA	35	A2	Surplus to WE pending new WE.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7 / 10 / 194 4. HQ DARWIN FORTRESS (41 44 Serial No.)
(Unit)

W.E. VI / 3 / 5. OFFRS. 4 O.R's. 24 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E. 9 - 29
Offs 3 Supernumerary to WE Authorities

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.
LHQ 134149 and LHQ 91568

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
1			1	COLONEL *					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
3	1		2	Majors					
3 NR	1	2x AA CmD	4	Captains	x Chaplains (2) on Strength Surplus to WE.				
2		1	3	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
9 NR	2	3	10						

	DETAIL.		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of Instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.		9	1								10
	E.(1)											
	E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 10 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
SX22326	Chaplain	SMITH PA	HQ 14 L of C SUB AREA	5-10-44	Ceases to be Attached.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ..../.../194 .....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

NE SURPLUS AND DEFICIENCIES - OFFICERS

	SURPLUS	DEFICIENT	REMARKS
Major AAA & CRG	-	1	NE
Captain AALC	-	1	NE
Lieut AALC	1	-	
Captain AA Ch D	2 (Chaplains)		

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41/44 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7/10/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col T/Col	VX[illegible]	NURSE	FR	Comd	YES		
Major	VX102	STRONG	JARK	SO II ARTY	YES		
Major	WX28894	STOCKER	AT	GSO II	YES		
Lt T/Capt	VX114228	WHITBY	BJ	S.C.	YES		
Lt T/Capt	VX114230	CRISWICK	WH	IO	YES		
Lieut	VX54998	BRENNAN	RB	IO	YES		
Lieut	NX31130	MIGGS	PA	LEGAL OFFICER	YES		
Lieut	WX20845	EVANS	GO	HYGIENE OFFICER	YES		
Chaplain	DX908	COSGROVE	JN	RC CHAPLAIN	YES		
Chaplain	T471	BIGGS	AR	C OF E CHAPLAIN	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Captain	NX[illegible]	SCHLINK CWAJ	AAMC	1-8-44	ATT AS FRT SMO.
Lieut	VX[illegible]	ABERY HR	14 L OF C SUB AREA	17-9-44	ATT AS AMENITIES OFFICER.

7 OCT 44.

Date of Despatch

[signature] Colonel.
Comd DARWIN FORTRESS.

Signature of Commander

[illegible] Truth—7/42.

AR SURPLUS AND DEFICIENCIES - OFFICERS

	SURPLUS	DEFICIENT	REMARKS
Major DAA & CMS	-	1	NR
Captain AALC	-	1	NR
Lieut AALC	1	-	
Captain AA Ch D	2 (Chaplains)		

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF)
8 OCT 44

DEFENCE PLAN NO 3 DARWIN FORTRESS

Ref Maps DARWIN 1" to 1 mi
" 8" to 1 ml

1 Defence Plan DARWIN Fortress (plan No 2) issued 5 Jan 44 together with amendments Nos 1 & 2 is hereby cancelled. Copies on issue will be destroyed by fire and certificate of destruction forwarded to this HQ. The following plan is substituted and is operative forthwith.

2 In view of the Allied successes in the CENTRAL PACIFIC and in NEW GUINEA, heavy enemy commitments in those areas, and the present Allied Naval and Air superiority, enemy action against DARWIN area is now considered remote other than air raids and naval bombardment. Nevertheless, there still remains a possibility of attack by sea-borne tps or paratps against the DARWIN area. Such action may take the form of attempts to destroy

(a) Aircraft and installations at the RAAF and CIVIL airfields immediately adjacent to DARWIN

(b) Port facilities and adm installations

(c) Coast Arty, AA arty and radar eqpts

3 It is considered that any enemy force which may be used against the DARWIN area would not exceed one regt

4 DARWIN Fortress Area, sketch plan att Appx A, is defined as follows

From a point on the coast at 809152 South to 809145 thence along to Eastern bank of LUDMILLA CREEK floodline to THE NARROWS at 832127 thence South to 833124 thence East along the Eastern bank of SADGROVES CREEK floodline to 852101 thence East to creek junc 858100 thence South along REICHARDT CREEK to FRANCIS FAY. thence generally West and North along the shores of PORT DARWIN to EAST POINT thence East to the starting point.

5 The following tps will be employed in the def of VAs within DARWIN Fortress Area and fortress installations

(a) Tps under comd

Coast Arty DARWIN
4 Aust AA Gp and attached tps
1 Coy AA & Frt Sigs NT
DARWIN Fortress Wkshops AEME
3 Aust Radio Maint Sec

(b) Additional tps to come under comd when ordered

One Aust Inf Bn
2/3 Aust Docks Op Coy
2/10 Aust Docks Op Coy
9 Aust Docks Op Coy

(b) Additional tps to come under comd when ordered (Contd)

19 Aust Wks Coy
27 Aust Wks Coy
Two Pns RAN
Any other Fd tps and L of C units located in DARWIN Fortress area

6 The role of the Fd Force is to be prepared to destroy the enemy as close as possible to any points of landing, and to reinforce or relieve units of DARWIN Fortress if so ordered by NT Force.

7 PLAN

(a) In op emergency all tps referred to in para 5 will come under Comd DARWIN Fortress. Assumption of comd and grouping of units under area comds will be automatic and effective immediately on the issue by Comd DARWIN Fortress of the pre-arranged signal to all units within Fortress area to "MAN BATTLE STATIONS". This signal will convey the information that enemy ops have begun or are deemed imminent and that action will be taken immediately to man the def in protection of the vital installations

All vital installations will be def to the last man and the last round. There will be no withdrawal

(b) DEFENDED AREAS

The def will be based on the organisation of def localities in the following areas containing vital installations and the development within those localities of all practicable security measures with the tps allotted to the def

(i) EAST POINT AREA

Comd Major AD WATT RAA

Tps HQ Coast Arty DARWIN
East Bty
Dudley Bty
1 Coy AA & Frt Sigs
det RAN (PWSS)

Role All round def of EAST POINT DUDLEY POINT arty and radar eqpts

(ii) CIVIL AIRFIELD RAAF

Comd Gp Capt P JEFFREY RAAF

Tps All RAAF pers in area

Role Def of vital RAAF installations and eqpt

(iii) VESTEYS AREA

Comd — Capt DJ HILLER Area Camp Staff

Tps — Area Camp Staff
69 Pl 11 Aust Sup Dep Coy
74 Pl 11 Aust Sup Dep Coy
75 Pl 11 Aust Sup Dep Coy
40 Pl 5 Aust Fd Bakery
det RAE 2 Aust Corps Tps

Role — All round def of vital installations of transit area

(iv) LARRAKEYAH AREA

Comd — Maj MR DUXSON 4 Aust AA Gp

Tps — Emery Bty
HQ 4 Aust AA Gp
15 Aust Small Ships Coy
6 Aust Watercraft Wkshops
Frt Wkshops DARWIN
3 Aust Radio Maint Sec

Role — Def of vital installations within LARRAKEYAH penin incl coast arty, radar installations and comm centres

(v) DOCTORS GULLEY FB BASE

Comd — Wing Comd RB BURRAGE RAAF

Tps — All RAAF pers in FB Base area

Role — Def of aircraft and fuel installations

(vi) BOOM DEPOT AREA

Comd — Comd AC MATHER RAN

Tps — 1 & 2 Naval Bns
360 AA Tp

Role — Def of vital port installations incl wharves, naval wkshops oil fuel tanks, and AA eqpt

(vii) BULK PETROL AREA

Comd — Major GE NEALE 3 Aust BPS Coy

Tps — 3 Aust Bulk Pet Storage Coy

Role — Def of fuel storage tanks

(viii) MAGAZINE & POWER HOUSE AREA

Comd — 2 i/c Frt Inf Bn

Tps — 2/3 Aust Docks Op Coy
9 Aust Docks Op Coy
2/10 Aust Docks Op Coy
27 Aust Wks Coy

Role — Def of Naval magazines, NA Rly wkshops and DARWIN power house

(ix) RAN VICTUALLING YARDS

Comd Lt CMH HOWARD RANR

Tps RAN pers in area

Role All round def of victualling store sheds

(x) FANNY BAY AREA

Comd Lt HH MURRAY 4 Aust A A Gp

Tps 359 AA Tp

Role All round def of AA arty and radar eqpt FANNY BAY gun sta

8. RESERVE

Comd CO Frt Inf Bn

Tps Frt Inf Bn

Location PARAP Staging Camp

Role Frt Inf Bn will be prepared to reinforce or counter attack any threatened area as directed by Fortress Comd. Alternative plans will be prepared covering the employment of coy gps to meet enemy attack at more than one point

9 INSTALLATIONS OUTSIDE DARWIN FORTRESS

All coast arty, AA arty and SL installations outside the Fortress area will be organised in def localities in conformity with the determination to def all vital areas. The isolation and location of certain installations render them more likely to attack by raiding parties without warning. Such installations include

WAUGITE BTY
WEST BTY
McMILLANS AA STA
BERRIMAH AA STA
QUARANTINE AA STA

In event of attack the senior combatant will comd

10 ADM UNITS WITHIN FORTRESS AREA

All adm units in Fortress area not allotted to the def of vital installations will be organised to def their own localities against small enemy raiding parties and paratps

11 WATER PATROL

When ops are imminent NOIC will provide a nightly RAN water patrol from incl EAST PT to incl SADGROVES CREEK. Role of these patrols will be to detect and frustrate any enemy attemps to land on beaches within the area of the patrol. All round sweeps by aldis lamp will be carried out, and the alarm signal made if enemy craft are sighted, the enemy posn being indicated with the beam of the aldis lamp

11 WATER PATROLS (contd)

RAN will also be prepared to carry out water patrols by day or night of such portion of the foreshores and upper reaches of DARWIN Harbour as required by Fortress Comd

Alarm signal will be a series of 5 single RED VERY LIGHTS fired at intervals of one minute

12 ADM

Issued separately

13 INTERCOMN

LT,WT. Details as per plans attached as appx B & C

14 ACK

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Maj
GS DARWIN FORTRESS
(AT STOCKER)

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Frt Inf Bn	Copy No	1
CCA	"	2
AADC	"	3
OC Ea st Point Area	"	4
OC Larrakeyah Area	"	5
OC Vestoys Area	"	6
OC Magazine Area	"	7
OC Boom area	"	8
AA & Frt Sigs NT	"	9
HQ NT Force	"	10
NOIC Darwin (2) NOIC	"	11
Comd Naval Bde	"	12
HQ NW Area (RAAF) (3)	"	13-15
HQ 14 L of C Sub Area	"	16
Comd Darwin Fortress	"	17
War Diary (2)	"	18-19
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APPENDIX "A" TO DARWIN FRT DEFENCE PLAN # 3

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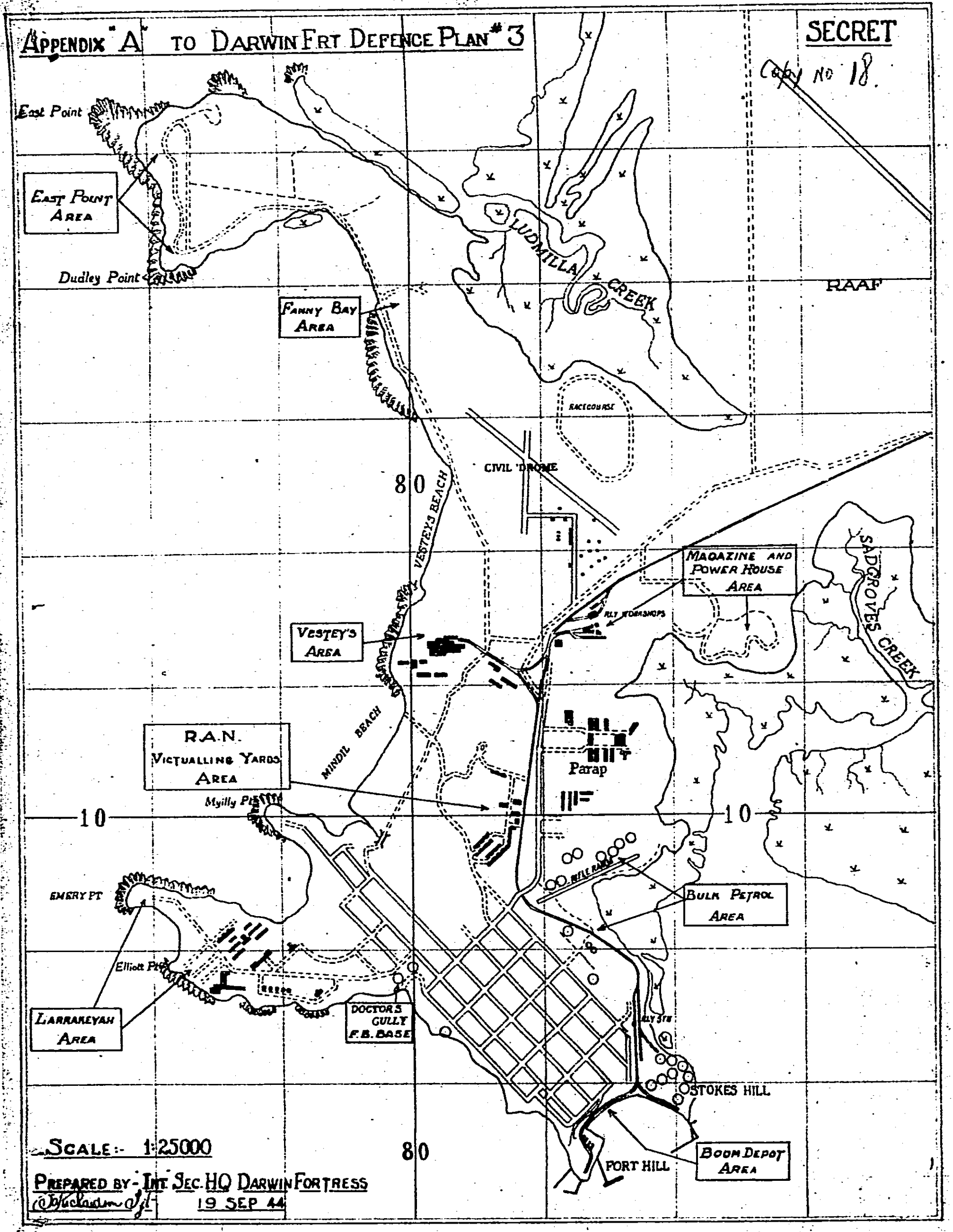

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DARWIN FORTRESS AREA - ADM ORDER NO 5

Issued in conjunction with DARWIN DEFENCE PLAN NO 3

Ref Map DARWIN 1" = 1 ml
8" = 1 ml

This Adm Order becomes operative forthwith and cancels DARWIN Fortress Adm Order No 4 and amendments thereto

1 AMN

Scale of holdings for all units will be as under

(a) Fortress Inf Bn

Normal first line holdings for all weapons

(b) All other units

Weapon	On Man or with weapon	Unit Reserve	Total held
Pistol	12	6	18
Rifle	50	100	150
SMG	200	400	600
LMG	1000	500	1500
MMG	3500	4500	8000
Mort 3" HE	84	42	126

(c) GRENADES

All units one grenade per man

2 SUPS

Each unit will hold within its area 3 days hard rations and two days emergency rations as a unit reserve. These rations will be turned over regularly.

3 WATER

1 gallon per man will be stored in unit areas, precautions being taken to prevent mosquito breeding, and to ensure frequent turnover.

4 MED

Cas Stas will be established in the following areas

EAST POINT
CIVIL AIRFIELD (RAAF)
LARRAKEYAH
BOOM AREA
PARAP CAMP
WAUGITE BPY

GS.

All other areas or def localities will establish Aid Posts

Evacuation of cas from all areas except WAUGITE will be by Amb or other veh to DARWIN Hospital. Evacuation from WAUGITE will be by water via LARRAKEYAH Cas Sta

Amb waggons from MAG will be allotted by SMO DARWIN Frt Area to following areas as soon as possible in the event of attack

LARRAKEYAH AREA
EAST POINT AREA
VESTEYS AREA
BOOM DEPOT AREA
PARAP Staging Camp (for Frt Inf Bn)

A res of vehs will be maintained for evacuation of cas from other localities on request

5 PW

CO Fortress Inf Bn will establish and maintain PW Cage in PARAP area when necessary

O'sC def areas will be responsible for temporary custody of PW pending their removal to PW cage

6 ACK

Time/Date of signature
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OC MAGAZINE AREA	" 7
OC BOOM AREA	" 8
AA & FRT SIGS NT	" 9
HQ NT FORCE	" 10
NOIC DARWIN (2) NOIC	" 11
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

COLONEL F N NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS

SERIAL 42 (Paras 199 - 203) 11 OCT 44

Para 199 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS

DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF) will provide the Security Guard for the week commencing Fri 13 Oct 44.

STRENGTH	:	1 Sjt and 7 ORs
DRESS	:	Full Marching Order
EQUIPMENT	:	Bedding and messing gear will be provided by DARWIN Coast Arty(AIF)
RATIONS & QUARTERS	:	Provided by HQ DARWIN Frt
DUTIES	:	As per Guard Standing Orders

Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN Frt at 1630 hrs Fri 13 Oct 44.

NEXT FOR DUTY	:	4 Aust AA Gp (AIF) commencing Fri 20 Oct 44.

Para 200 PICQUET - NIGHTCLIFFS RUBBISH DUMP

DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF) will provide the picquet for the week commencing Fri 13 Oct 44.

NCO i/c will report to Hygiene Inspector at 0900 hrs at NIGHTCLIFFS FOP on the day above stated.

NEXT FOR DUTY	:	4 Aust AA Gp (AIF) commencing Fri 20 Oct 44.

Para 201 ELECTRIC POWER MAINS - REPAIR OF

As from 1 Oct 44 consumers pole fuzes on overhead power mains will not be repaired between the period 1700 and 0730 hrs excepting under special circumstances.

2. Units will continue to report breakdowns as they occur but repairs will not normally be effected until the following day when the AWC Electrical Inspector will inspect premises for probable causes of the breakdown and issue necessary instns for repair of mains and/or circuits.

Para 202 TRADE GROUPING - EFFECTIVE DATE OF RELINQUISHMENT

Attention of all COs and OCs is directed to the provisions of HT Force Circular of 3 Oct which has been issued separately.

Para 203 VACANCIES FOR OFFRS IN AMF

Attention is directed to NT Force circular I0472 of 7 Oct 44.

Recommendations from units under comd this HQ will be fwd to reach this HQ NOT later than 16 Oct 44. Later submissions will NOT be considered or forwarded.

Capt.
for Major DAA & QMG DARWIN FORTRESS.

NOTICE

PERMANENT DANGER WARNINGS - RAAF BOMBING AND GUNNERY RANGES

Regardless of permanent danger warnings issued by RAAF for bombing and gunnery ranges in NT, personnel are still persisting in entering these areas.

2. It is pointed out that these ranges are leased from landowners and are published through the Government Gazette. Therefore, if any person is injured or killed in these areas, the Government will not pay compensation or pensions.

3. If any unit is in doubt concerning the location of existing ranges they may communicate direct with the Staff Officer Training, HQ NW Area, RAAF.

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COLONEL F N NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS

SERIAL 43 (Paras 204 - 207) 18 OCT 44

Para 204 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS

4 Aust AA Gp (AIF) will provide the Security Guard for the week commencing Fri 20 Oct 44.

STRENGTH	:	I Sjt and 7 ORs.
DRESS	:	Full Marching Order.
EQUIPMENT	:	Bedding and messing gear will be provided by 4 A ust AA Gp (AIF).
RATIONS & QUARTERS	:	Provided by HQ DARWIN Frt.
DUTIES	:	As per Guard Standing Orders.

Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN Frt at 1630 hrs Fri 20 Oct 44.

NEXT FOR DUTY	:	DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF) commencing Fri 27 Oct 44.

Para 205 PICQUET - NIGHTCLIFFS RUBBISH DUMP

4 Aust AA Gp (AIF) will provide the picquet for the week commencing Fri 20 Oct 44.

NCO i/c will report to Hygiene Inspector at 0900 hrs at NIGHTCLIFFS FOP on the day above stated.

NEXT FOR DUTY	:	DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF) commencing Fri 27 Oct 44.

Para 206 TRAFFIC OFFENCES

It is apparent from the varied scale of punishments awarded by COs particularly in connection with speeding that these offences in most cases are not being treated with the seriousness warranted.

2. Attention of all CO's is again directed to NT Force Adm Orders 90 and 91 of 18 July 44 certain paragraphs whereof are repeated:-

"Breaches of Traffic Regulations are prevalent offences in NT Force Area.

Every CO will be held responsible that SEVERE disciplinary action is taken against any officers or ORs committing such an offence.

It is directed that the offence of speeding be viewed GRAVELY by all authorities who have occasion to administer the disciplinary code in NT."

Para 207 MAXIMUM SPEED OF VEHS - GRO Q340/44

Attention is directed to NT Force circular I0571 of 9 Oct 44 which has been issued separately.

Capt.
DAA & QMG DARWIN FORTRESS.
(B J WHITBY)

NOTICE

MISSION - RC CHURCH DA RWIN

Rev Father SJ CARROLL USAAF will conduct a MISSION at RC Church SMITH ST DARWIN for one week commencing SUNDAY 22 Oct 44.

Mass will be celebrated each morning at 0630 and 0700 hrs. Evening devotions at 1930 hrs.

Units are requested to make facilities available for Catholic members to attend meetings of this MISSION.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

COLONEL F H HURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS

SERIAL 44 (Paras 208 - 211) 25 OCT 44

Para 208 PICQUET - NIGHTCLIFFS RUBBISH DUMP

DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF) will provide the picquet for the week commending Fri 27 Oct 44.

NCO i/c will report to Hygiene Inspector at 0900 hrs at NIGHTCLIFFS FOP on the day above stated.

NEXT FOR DUTY : 4 Aust AA Gp (AIF) commencing Fri 3 Nov 44.

Para 209 SECURITY AND CENSORSHIP - GRO G371/44

Attention is directed to the provisions of the abovementioned GRO which has been issued separately.

Para 210 ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE

CO's are reminded of the provisions of Para 101 of GRO A593/43 (as amended by Adm 161/44) extract of which is as follows:-

"(a) Periods of absence without leave will be debited against authorised recreation leave ..... Such debit is not part of the penalty imposed for absence without leave but is an administrative act and is made on the basis that the member by absenting himself without leave has to the extent of his absence used up his elegibility for leave."

2. This provision is mandatory and will be followed in all cases in the absence of very exceptional circumstances.

3. The provisions of sub paras (b) and (c) of Para 101 as to procedure should be carefully noted.

Para 211 ADVANCES AGAINST DEFERRED PAY

Attention is directed to Finance General Memorandum No 109 (issued under instns to Pay Sergeants 49) which authorises advances against security of a member's deferred pay under certain conditions.

Instructions to Pay Sergeants 49 will be issued by Paymaster separately.

Capt.
DAA & QMG DARWIN FORTRESS.
(B J WHITBY)

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Headquarters,
DARWIN Fortress (AIF)

LOCATION STATEMENT FOR DARWIN FORTRESS AS AT 2359 HOURS 27 OCT 44

Reference Maps:- DARWIN, SOUTHPORT & HUMPTY DOO 1 inch to 1 mile.

UNIT	LOCATION	COMD OR REMARKS
HQ INF		
HQ Darwin Fortress (AIF)	790088	
COAST ARTY		
DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF)	782142	Fortress
EAST Bty	782152	"
DUDLEY Bty	778150	"
EMERY Bty	778094	"
WEST Sec	717113	"
WALCOTT Bty	698126	"
ELLIOTT Sec	781159	"
AA DEFENCES		
HQ 4 Aust AA Gp (LE)(AIF)	785089	"
4 Aust AA Ops Room (Type A) (AIF)	819099	"
HQ 4 Aust HAA Bty(Station)(HE)(AIF)	896116	"
HAA Site 427(Tp458)(")(")(Berrimah)	896120	
" " 428(" 381)(")(")(Quarantine)	893067	"
HQ 19 Aust HAA Bty (")(")(AIF)	798092	"
HAA Site 358(Tp358)(")(")(McMillans)	852180	"
" " 359(" 359)(")(")(Fanny Bay)	800139	"
" " 330(" 360)(")(")(Oval)	808079	"
HQ 65 Aust Mob SL Bty	810108	"
"A" Tp HQ	719103	"
"B" Tp HQ	857163	"
"C" Tp HQ	739052	"
HQ 70 Aust Mob SL Bty	904115	"
"A" Tp HQ	Not deployed	"
"B" Tp HQ	979079	"
"C" Tp HQ	934113	"
75 Aust Mob SL Bty		
"C" Tp HQ	809104	RAA NT Force.
HQ 69 Aust Mob SL Bty	060930	Fortress
"A" Tp HQ	045013	"
"B" Tp HQ	080824	"
"C" Tp HQ	092920	"
112 Aust LAA Regt (AIF)	138692	" Marrakai 1 inch.
159 Aust LAA Bty	893079	"
"A" Tp	882076	"
"B" Tp	807091	"
160 Aust LAA Bty	128719	" Marrakai 1 inch
"A" Tp	128719	" " " "
"B" Tp	128719	" " " "
161 Aust LAA Bty	807094	"
"A" Tp	882192	"
"B" Tp	824143	"
153 Aust LAA Bty		
"A" Tp	824118	RAA NT Force.
AA Ops Room HUGHES	079826	"
HQ 135 Aust HAA Bty	077826	"
"A" Tp	099835	"
"B" Tp	087803	"
HQ 233 Aust LAA Bty	112740	" Marrakai 1 inch.
"A" Tp	079980	"
"B" Tp	089818	"
SIGNALS		
1 Coy AA and Frt Sigs NT (AIF)	783144	Fortress
112 Aust LAA Regt Sig Sec	138692	" Marrakai 1 inch.
A.E.M.E		
Frt Wksp DARWIN(AIF)	Larrakeyah	"
3 Aust Radio Maint Sec	Larrakeyah	"
112 Aust LAA Regt Wksp (AIF)	138692	" Marrakai 1 inch.
DENTAL		
74 Aust Dental Unit "B" Sec (Mob)	778094	"
85 Aust Dental Unit "F" Sec	Parap	"

[signature] Maj,
GS DARWIN Fortress.

DISTRIBUTION	COPY NO
HQ NT Force (AIF)	1
DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF)	2
4 Aust AA Gp (AIF)	3
112 Aust LAA Regt (AIF)	4
1 Coy AA and Frt Sigs NT (AIF)	5
DARWIN Signal Office	6
Staff Captain	7
WAR Diary	8 & 9
Int Sec	10

Units will check their locations with this statement and advise HQ DARWIN Fortress immediately of any alterations or amendments.

All previous location statement issued by this HQ will be destroyed by fire.

COPY NO 25

SECRET

HQ DARWIN FRONTESS (AUST)
30 OCT 44

DARWIN FORTRESS OPERATION ORDER No 1/44

Ref Map DARWIN SOUTHPORT and HUMPTY DOO one inch to 1 mile

1 INFM AA Units in DARWIN FRT are being reorganised

2 INTENTION Reorganisation and reliefs will be completed by 061600IK Nov 44

3 METHOD (i) 55 Aust AA Regt will relieve 112 Aust LAA Regt in DARWIN FRT as follows:

(a) Refer to RAA NT Force Order issued 30 Oct 44.

(b) 112 Aust LAA Regt less 159 and 161 Aust LAA Btys reverts to cond RAA NT Force at 010600 IK Nov 44.

(c) 232 Aust LAA Bty. 55 Aust AA Regt will come under cond 4 Aust AA Gp 021500 IK Nov 44.

(d) 232 Aust LAA Bty will relieve 161 Aust LAA Bty and B Tp 159 Aust LAA Bty 112 Aust LAA Regt in def RAAF aerodrome DOCTORS GULLY Flying Boat anchorage and oil fuel tanks 232 Aust LAA Bty will occupy the following sites by 021500IK Nov 44:

232 BHQ and A Tp HQ	807094	
B Tp HQ	853112	
C Tp HQ	824142	
L 1	834161	RAAF DARWIN
L 2	845148	" "
L 3	854140	" "
L 4	868135	" "
L 5	858129	" "
L 6	844139	" "
L 7	843129	" "
L 8	838145	" "
L 9	838131	" "
L 10	831134	" "
L 11	823144	" "
L 12	823154	" "
L 13	787086	DOCTORS GULLY
L 14	796087	" "
L 15	803083	" "
L 16	813075	FORT HILL
L 17	818079	STOKES HILL
L 18	815082	CAVANAGH ST

Eqpt at FORT HILL site L 16 will remain on site

(e) 161 Aust LAA Bty and B Tp 159 Aust LAA Bty will revert to comd 112 Aust LAA Regt on relief

(f) A Tp 233 Aust LAA Bty less one det will cease to be operational at SATTLER at 281800IK Oct 44 and will move at 030800IK Nov 44 to occupy area 893070 vacated by A Tp 159 Aust LAA Bty

(g) BHQ and A Tp 159 Aust LAA Bty will revert to comd 112 Aust LAA Regt at 021200IK Nov 44

(h) One det A Tp 233 Aust LAA Bty will move from SATTLER and occupy gun site CATALINA IS 886050 by 301800IK Oct 44

(i) BHQ and B Tp 233 Aust LAA Bty reverts to comd 101 Aust AA Regt at 040800IK Nov 44

(ii) 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty will relieve 70 Aust Mob AASL Bty as follows:

(a) 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty is NOT operational forthwith

(b) A Tp 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty will concentrate eqpt at BHQ 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty 075826 and will come under cond 70 Aust Mob AASL Bty at 040800 IK Nov 44.

(c) A Tp 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty will relieve C Tp 75 Aust Mob AASL Bty by 040800IK Nov 44.

(d) C Tp 75 Aust Mob AASL Bty will come under cond RAA BT FORCE at 050800IK Nov 44

(e) B Tp 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty will concentrate eqpt at BHQ 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty 075826 and will come under cond 70 Aust Mob AASL Bty at 040800IK Nov 44

(f) Pers B Tp 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty will be available to cond 4 Aust AA Gp for relief of pers proceeding leave

(g) C Tp 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty will remain in present locations.

(h) Cond 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty will arrange locations and manning of HOMO beacons required by RAAF in HUGHES GOULD and COOMALIE areas.

4 ADM

(a) Accn

Huttage, engr stores and LP fixtures will not be dismantled and will be handed over in situ at a time to be arranged mutually between 55 Aust AA Regt and 112 Aust LAA Regt. Handover to be complete by 021200IK Nov 44.

(b) Gen Adm

HQ DARWIN FRT will issue adm instn on general adm of tps in DARWIN Area later.

5 INTERCOMN

(i) HQ DARWIN FRT 790088

(ii) HQ 4 AUST AA GP 785089

(iii) Operational comns will be taken over by relieving Btys and tps.

(iv) BOR 69 Aust Mob AASL Bty will remain operative until direct link FENTON - D1 has been installed by AA & FRT SIGNALS NT.

(v) Wireless link from D1 BOR will become NOT operational forthwith.

6 ACK

Maj RAA
SORA II DARWIN FORTRESS
(JARK STRONG)

Issued through Signals

signed at 301605 IK OCT 44

DISTRIBUTION

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4 AUST AA GP	1 - 11
112 AUST LAA REGT	12 - 15
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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 NOV 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	1	0200	Heavy rain.	Routine Orders Part 1 Serial 45 attached.
		0600	112 Aust LAA Regt less 159 and 161 Aust LAA Bty reverts to command RAA NT Force.	
		0900	Warm and overcast.	
		0900	Mr W.M.HUGHES MHR commenced inspection of defences and defence projects in DARWIN area.	
		2130	Heavy shower of rain.	
	2	0900	Warm and cloudy.	
		1000	Capt J.H.CRISWICK Chief Exectutive Officer D.E.S.(C).C. attended Meeting No 8 of DARWIN ESSENTIAL SERVICES (CONTROL) COMMITTEE.	
		1200	BHQ and A Tp 159 Aust LAA Bty reverted to command 112 Aust LAA Regt.	
		1500	232 Aust LAA Bty 55 Aust AA Regt placed under command DARWIN Fortress and allotted to 4 Aust AA Gp.	

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H. 1004 2/42

Unit H.Q. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 Nov 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		232 Aust LAA Bty relieved 161 Aust LAA Bty and "B" Tp 159 Aust LAA Bty, 112 Aust LAA Regt in defence RAAF Airfield, DOCTORS [illegible] Boat Base and Oil Fuel installations STOKES HILL. 161 Aust LAA Bty and "B" Tp 159 Aust LAA Bty reverted to command 112 Aust LAA Regt.	
	3	0800	"A" Tp 233 Aust LAA Bty less 1 Det moved from SATTLER Airfield to new location ref map DARWIN 1" to 1 Ml, 893070.	
		0900	Warm and overcast.	
		0900	Gil Major A.T.STOCKER and SCRAll Major J.A.R.K.STRONG visited EAST POINT and inspected proposed Arty stores. Report on proposed work submitted to Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE.	
	4	0445	SCRA ii Major J.A.R.K.STRONG left DARWIN by air on transfer to 2/2 Aust Fd Regt.	W3008s and W 3009s attached
		0800	L.H.Q. and "B" Tp 233 Aust LAA Bty reverted to comd 101 Aust AA Regt.	

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Unit H. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 NOV 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		"A" Tp 69 Aust Mob SL Bty relieved "C" Tp 75 Aust Mob SL Bty.	
	5	0200	"C" Tp 75 Aust Mob SL Bty moved from DARWIN Fortress ref map	
			DARWIN 2" to 1 Ml 809104 to new location at FENTON and came	
			under command RAA NT Force.	
		0900	Fine and warm.	
	6	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1700	Capt W.H.CRISWICK completed handover of responsibilities as	
			Chief Executive Officer D.E.S.(C).C. to Capt DAVIS.	
	7	0500	Capt W.H.CRISWICK I.O.(Capt) DARWIN Fortress left DARWIN by air	
			to proceed on 24 days A.R.L.	
		0900	Fine and warm.	
		0900	AADC Lt Col A.F.YOUNG visited Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE and	
			discussed SL layout under revised AA defence plans.	
		0930	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE attended conference with CRA NT Force	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 NOV 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		Brig CHALMERS and discussed AA Defences Reorganisation.	
		1400	GSOii Major A.T.STOCKER attended conference at HQ NT Force -	
			Discussion of preliminary arrangements reception and movement	
			to EAST POINT of 2nd 9.2" gun.	
	8	0900	Warm and cloudy.	Routine Orders Part 1 Serial 46 attached
		0900	GSOii Major A.T.STOCKER visited SO Ops RAN Lt Comd WHITFORD and	
			delivered plan od SL fighting arcs DARWIN Coast Arty.	
		1715	Received NT Force Op Instn No 76 - Reorganisation of AA Defences	
			DARWIN.	
		1730	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE discussed Op Instn No 76 with AADC	
			DARWIN - HUGHES Lt Col YOUNG.	
		1930	Heavy shower of Rain.	
	9	0001	55 Aust Comp AA Regt comes under comd DARWIN Fortress.	
		0001	"A" Tp 233 Aust LAA Bty ceases to be under comd 4 Aust AA Gp and	

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Unit H.Q. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 NOV 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		reverts to comd 101 Aust AA Regt to await move to FENTON.	
		0001	33 Aust Lob SL Bty ceases to be under comd 4 Aust AA Gp and reverts to comd RAA NT Force.	
	10	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1755	NT Force Op Instn No 77 - Reorganistaion of Coast Arty Defence Mannings - DARWIN , received. Future mannings of Coast eqpt to be :- 2 - 6 inch (WAUGITE) 3 - twin 6 pr 2 - 3 inch 10 - CASL's 3 - 5.25 inch AA/CA guns will eventually replace the 2 - 6 inch guns and take over Coast and AA Defence.	
			Degrees of Alertness:-	
			(a) BY DAY - One gun of examination bty to be able to fire a	

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Unit H. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) Date and Time.—From 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 To 2400Hrs 30 NOV 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		bring to round at 2 minutes notice. All other armament	
			detailed above at 20 minutes notice.	
			(b) BY NIGHT - All eqpt as detailed above at instant readiness.	
		1755	Frt Comd Col F.M.NURSE informed CCA Lt Col FORBES. Two copies of	
			Op Instn No 77 sent to CCA Lt Col FORBES.	
	11	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1030	DAA & QMG Capt B.J.WHITBY together with AADC Lt Col A.F.YOUNG,	
			2 i/c 4 Aust AA Gp Maj I JAMIESON and SC RAA NT Force Capt M.	
			ARMSTRONG carried out recce to MIDDLE POINT matters discussed-	
			possible landing pt and approach, water facilities, gun and	
			Radar sites.	
			POSTED STRENGTH 10 Offrs 22 OR — ATTACHED STRENGTH 2 Offrs 15 OR — DETACHED STRENGTH Nil Offrs 7 OR	
	12	0900	Fine and warm.	Location Statement No attached
		2030	NT Force Op Instn No 78 of 12 Nov 44 recieved and Frt Comd	

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Unit Hq DAR IN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 NOV 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		Col F.N.NURSE informed immediately.	
		2100	Gii Maj A.T.STOCKER informed all Comds concerned.	
	13	0001	Hq DARWIN Fortress (AIF) ceased to be operational.	
		0900	Overcast with showers of rain during the morning.	
		0900	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE visited CRA Brig CHALMERS and discussed handover of Frt responsibilities.	
	14	0900	Fine and warm	S 3/3 attached.
		0900	This Hq commenced destruction of completed and irrelevant files. All uncompleted and relevant files are being retained until handed over to HQ NT Force or Hq RAA.	
		0930	Gii Maj A.T.STOCKER liaised with HQ RAA with reference to handing over of G files and secret correspondence to Hq RAA.	
		1400	Gii Major A.T.STOCKER visited Naval HQ and returned to SO Ops all secret Naval documents issued to Frt Comd	

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Unit H.Q. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 Nov 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	15	0900	Fine and warm.	
		0900 - 1700	Gii Maj A.T.STOCKER examined G and secret files. All completed and irrelevant documents destroyed by fire. Current and relevant documents for RAA retained for passing to that HQ.	
	16	0900	Fine and warm.	
		1000	Gii Major A.T.STOCKER delivered all documents referred to in previous day to HQ RAA.	Receipt for Secret Documents - Denial of Resources to Enemy . DARWIN - attached
	17	0430	Thunderstorm with heavy downpour of rain.	
		0900	Hot and humid.	
		0900	Nil to report.	
	18	0900	Hot.	
		0900	Nil to report.	
			POSTED STRENGTH 10 Offrs 87 ORs ATTACHED STRENGTH 2 Offrs 10 ORs DETACHED STRENGTH 1 Offr 6 ORs	
	19	0900	Warm during morning, heavy thunderstorm during afternoon.	

Lieutenant

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 *To* 2400 Hrs 30 Nov 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	1030	Lt Col (T/Brig) K.D.CHALLMERS CRA NT FORCE received advise that he was appointed BRA Adv LHQ and that Lt/Col(T/Col) F.N.NURSE Comd DARWIN Fortress would assume responsibilities of CRA NT FORCE in addition to responsibilities of Comd DARWIN Fortress.	
	20	0900	Warm and overcast.	
		1000	Capt B.J.WHITBY DAA & QMG visited "A" Branch HQ NT Force and attended a conference conducted by Brig I/C Adm relative to a reduction of L of C installations between DARWIN and LARRIMAH. No decision directly affected HQ DARWIN Fortress.	
	21	0900	Hot, humid and overcast.	
		1400	Frt Comd Col F.N.NURSE and Adm Comd NT FORCE Brig NILLO inspected TALC HEAD HAA Troop.	
	22	0900	Hot,humid and overcast.	
		0900	Capt B.J.WHITBY DAA & QMG and Capt P.A.HIGGS Legal Officer set	

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Unit H. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) *Date and Time.—From* 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 *To* 2400Hrs 30 NOV 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd		up an office at H. RAA NT FORCE to co-ordinate the handover of A and Q files from H. DARWIN Fortress to H. RAA NT Force.	
	23	0900	Hot and humid. Overcast during the afternoon.	
		1000	Capt B.J.CHIBY DAA & QMG visited A & Q branch H. NT Force for instructions reference disbandment of H. DARWIN Fortress. HQ NT Force advised that no instructions had been received from LH.	
		1100	Capt R.R.CUTHBERTE SCRA iii (I) NT Force visited H. DARWIN Fortress and took over relevant Intelligence files and documents from Lt R.B.BRENNAN IO (Lt) HQ DARWIN Fortress.	
	24	0730	Capt B.J.CHIBY and Capt P.A.HIGGS commenced to take over [illegible] from Capt [illegible].	
		0900	Hot and humid. Overcast during afternoon.	
	25	0500	Lt Col (T/Brig) K.D.CHALMERS CRA NT Force left DARWIN by air.	
		0900	Warm during morning. Hot, humid and heavy rain during afternoon.	

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Unit HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF) Date and Time.—From 2000Hrs 1 NOV 44 To 2400Hrs 30 NOV 44.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	0900	Lt R.B.BRENNAN IO (Lt) DARWIN Fortress commenced taking over responsibilities of Lt (T/Capt) R.R.OUTHWAITE SORA iii (I) NT Force.	
		1000	Capt B.J.WHITBY handed over files relative to Frt Comd's responsibilities and Adm of DARWIN town area to Major BOSWORTH DAAG (Personal Services) N.T.Force.	
			POSTED STRENGTH 10 Offrs 26 ORs; ATTACHED STRENGTH 2 Offrs 10 ORs; DETACHED STRENGTH 1 Offr 4 ORs	
	26	0900	Warm during morning - Hot, humid and heavy rain during afternoon.	
		0900	Nil to report	
	27	0900	Warm during morning - Hot, humid and heavy rain during afternoon.	
		0900	Accounts Audit Staff commenced an audit of HQ DARWIN Fortress "Q" accounts.	
	28	0730	Personnel of HQ DARWIN Fortress commenced move to HQ RAA NT Force.	
		0900	Hot and humid with no rain.	

B.J. Brennan

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit H. DARWIN Fortress (AIF) Date and Time.—From 0000Hrs 1 NOV 44 To 2400Hrs 30 NOV 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
DARWIN	Contd	0900	Lt G.O.EVANS Hyg Officer marched out to HQ NT Force.	
		1700	HQ DARWIN Fortress completely closed down. All personnel now located at HQ RAA NT Force.	
			Colonel.	
			Comd DARWIN Fortress.	

RESTRICTED

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

COLONEL F N NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS

SERIAL 45 (Paras 212 - 218) 1 NOV 44

Para 212 PICQUET - NIGHTCLIFFS RUBBISH DUMP

4 Aust AA Gp (AIF) will provide the picquet for the week commencing Fri 3 Nov 44.

NCO i/c will report to Hygiene Inspector at 0900 hrs at NIGHTCLIFFS FOP on the day above stated.

NEXT FOR DUTY : DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF) commencing Fri 10 Nov 44.

Para 213 INJURIES CAUSED BY ACCIDENTS WITH EXPLOSIVES AND LIVE AMMUNITION (GRO A382/44)

Attention of CO's is drawn to the abovementioned GRO with particular reference to para 3(b) and 6 thereof, which has been issued separately.

Para 214 CARE AND MAINTENANCE OF TENTAGE (GRO 0385/44)

Attention of CO's is drawn to the provisions of GRO 0385 which has been issued separately.

Para 215 ISSUES OF CLOTHING AND EQPT TO PERSONNEL - RECORDS OF (GRO 0369)

Attention is directed to PART IV para 21 of GRO 0369 which has been issued separately.

As directed Appx B will be promulgated in unit routine orders.

Para 216 AUST ARMY PSYCHOLOGY SERVICE

Attention is directed to GRO A356/44 which has been issued separately.

Application by members in accordance with para 3 of the abovementioned GRO will be forwarded to reach this HQ on 20 Nov 44. Late applications will NOT be considered.

Para 217 CONSERVATION OF WATER

Attention is directed to "Anti-waste" message No 70 (inserted in GROs dated 20 Oct 44) which has been issued separately.

This notice, or unit reproduction of it where insufficient copies of GROs are issued to cover sub units, will be displayed prominently on unit and/or sub unit notice boards.

Para 218 ANGAU - APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE DISTRICT SERVICES

Applications from members in accordance with the notice inserted in GRO of 15 Sep 44 will be forwarded to reach this HQ NOT later than 4 Nov 44.

Late applications will not be considered.

Capt.
DAA & QMG DARWIN FORTRESS.
(B J. WHITBY)

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

43 / 44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/11/1944 HQ DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. VI/3/3 OFFRS. 9 O.R's. 24 + OFFRS. — O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E. 9 - 29

Crs 2 Surplus to WE Authorities

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

LEQ 134149 and LEQ 9158R.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
1			1	COLONEL					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
5 NR	2		1	Majors					
3		[illegible]	5	Captains	x Chaplains (2) on Strength Surplus to WE.				
2		1	3	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
9 NR	2	3	10						

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	DETAIL.		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
	A.		9	1								10
	E.(1)											
	E.(2)											

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 30 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
~~VX102~~	~~Major~~	~~STRONG JARK~~	~~2/2 AUST FD REGT~~	~~4-11-44~~	~~TRANSFER.~~

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX102	Major	STRONG JARK	2/2 AUST FD REGT	4/11/44	TRANSFER.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO ..... (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. ...../ /194 .....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

OR SURPLUS AND DEFICIENCIES - OFFICERS

	SURPLUS	DEFICIENT	REMARKS REQD
Major AC RA	-	1	1
Major DAA & QMG	-	1	MR
Lieut	1	-	-
Captains AA Ch D	2 (Chaplains)		

Posting DAA & QMG Filled by VX114850 Capt WHITEY BJ

Posting Staff Capt Filled by VX86709 Lieut BATEMAN EG

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF) Unit

AB / 44 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/11/1944 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Lt-Col T/Col	VX[illegible]	[illegible]	FN	Comd	YES		
Major	[illegible]	STOCKER	AT	GSO II	YES		
Lt T/Capt	VX114[illegible]	WHITBY	BJ	DAA & QMG	YES		
Lt T/Capt	VX114228	CHISWICK	WH	IO	YES		
Captain	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	LEGAL OFFICER	YES		
Lieut	VX[illegible]	[illegible]	EG	SO	YES		
Lieut	VX[illegible]	[illegible]	RE	IO	YES		
Lieut	[illegible]	EVANS	GO	HYGIENE OFFICER	YES		
Chaplain	[illegible]	COSGROVE	JN	RC AREA CHAPLAIN	YES		
Chaplain	T 471	[illegible]	AE	C OF E AREA CHAPLAIN	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Captain	[illegible]	SHEPPARD NY	DARWIN COAST ARTY (AIF)	13-10-44	Attached As Prt SHO.
Lieut	[illegible]	HUTCHINSON JT	AA AMENITIES NT FORCE	9-10-44	Attached as Prt Amenities Officer.

4 NOV 44
Date of Despatch

Colonel
COMD DARWIN FORTRESS.
Signature of Commander

Truth—7/48.

[illegible] SURPLUS AND DEFICIENCIES - OFFICERS

	SURPLUS	DEFICIENCY	REMARKS REQD
Major SO RA	-	1	1
Major DAA & QMG	-	1	[illegible]
Lieut:	1	-	-
Captains AA Ch D	2 (Chaplains)		

Posting DAA & QMG Filled by VX114230 Capt WHITEY RJ

Posting Staff Capt Filled by VXBC706 Lieut BATEMAN EG

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

45/44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/11/1944. HQ DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. VI/3/43. OFFRS. 9 O.R's. 24 + OFFRS. - O.R's. 2 ATT. BY W.E. 9 - 29
GS 3 Supernumerary to HE Authorities

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.
LHR 134149 and LHQ 91568.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
				W.Os. Class I.					
				W.Os. Class II.					
			-	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
3	[illegible]	1		1 Staff Sergeants					
7	[illegible]	1	1	7 Sergeants					
8	[illegible]	1	2	6 Corporals					
19	[illegible]		2	14 Troopers, Privates, etc. 2	AACC	2			
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
37	[illegible]	3	5	28 Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		2			

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail		A.I.F.	C.M.F. Under 19 Years.	C.M.F. 45 Years and over	A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
A	-	26	-	1 1				[illegible]	[illegible]		28
B(1)											
B(2)							[illegible]				

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
4	DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF)		
1	ADOS, HT FORCE		
1	AA ARMITIES HT FORCE		
2	AA & PNT SIGS HT (AIF)		
1	4 AUST AA GP (AIF)		

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	65 AUST (MOB) SL BTY (AAES SJT)		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To ____ (Unit) is Particularly Requested. __/__/194__

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

TRADE		WE	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENCIES	SURPLUS	No	RANK	NAME		AGE	MED CLASS	REMARKS
S/Sjt	CLERK	1	-	1 NR								
Cpl	" (AAIC)	1	-	1 NR								
Sjt	AAES	2	1	1								
Sjt	-	-	1	-	1 Sanitation Sec SJT.	VX134954	Sjt	BURCH	FH	22	A1	Surplus to WE vide Norforce A 4410 & Reinforce Order 57R.
Cpl	AAMC	-	1	-	1 RAP Cpl	NX109134	Cpl	McCANN	JB	27	A1	Surplus to WE vide NT Forc 4/17/10 "M" & LEQ 91568.
Cpl	HYGIENE	-	1	-	1 Hygiene Cpl for DES (C) C.	WX29850	Cpl	WELLS	DA	35	A2	Surplus to WE pending new WE.

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 4/ 11/194 4.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners			
Armament Artificer Fitter			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			
Armament Artificer Instrument			
Armament Artificer Radio			
Armament Artificer Signals			
Armament Artificer Wireless			
Artificer, Artillery			
Artificer, Engine			
Blacksmiths			
Bricklayers			
Computors			
Cooks, Hospital			
Coppersmiths			
Dispensers			
Draughtsmen			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)			
Electricians			
Electricians (M.V.)			
Electricians (Signals)			
Fitters			
Fitters (Cycle)			
Fitters (Electrical)			
Fitters (Gun)			
Fitters (Instrument)			
Fitters (M.V.)			
Fitters, Railway Signal			
Fitters, Signals			
Grinder, Precision			
Mechanics, Instrument			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			
Mechanics, Radio			
Mechanics, Typewriter			
Mechanics, Wireless			
Millwrights			
Operators, Excavator			
Pattern Maker			
Pharmacist			
Photographer, Wet Plate			
Photowriter			
Plumber			
Sub Doctors			
Surveyors			
CARRIED FORWARD			

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Surveyors, Engineering			
Surveyors, R.A.A.			
Surveyors, Topographical			
Surveyors, Trigonometrical			
Toolmakers			
Turners			
Watchmakers			
Welders			
GROUP II.			
Armourers			
Axemen			
Bakers			
Bty. Comd'a. Asst.			
Boilermakers			
Carpenters			
Carpenters and Joiners			
Cooks			
Dental Mechanics			
Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)			
Driver-Operator			
Drainers			
Electricians			
Electricians (Engineers)			
Fire Control Operators			
Gun Operator			
Hatchman			
Height Taker			
Helio Operator			
Instrument Operator			
Intelligence Duties			
Joiners			
Lineman			
Lineman, Signals			
Lithographers			
Machinists, Metal			
Machinists, Wood			
Masons			
Masseurs			
Mechanics, M.T.			
Miners			
Moulders			
Nurses, Trained			
Observation Post Assts.			
CARRIED FORWARD			

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Operating Room Assts.			
Operator, Keyboard			
Operator, Line			
Operator, Signal			
Operator, Switchboard			
Operator, Wireless			
Opticians			
Painters			
Panel Beaters			
Photographer, Dry Plate			
Predictor Numbers			
Printers			
Radiographers			
Riggers			
Sawyers			
Signallers			
Signwriters			
Telescope Identfn. Numbers			
Well Borers			
Wheelers			
Winchman			
Wireman			
Woodturners			
GROUP III.			
Battery Surveyors			
Butchers	—		
Clerks	8	6	
Clerks, Supply		—	
Clerks, Technical			
Coach Trimmers			
Concreters			
Cooks			
Dental Clerk Orderlies			
Despatch Riders	—	—	
Draughtsmen	2	1	
Drivers, H.T.			
Driver Mechanics			
Driver Tptn. Plant			
Engine Hands, I.C.			
Equipment Repairers			
Farriers			
Fitters' Mates			
Gun Layers			
CARRIED FORWARD	9	7	

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
G.P.O. Assistants			
Hammermen			
Leather Stitchers			
Orderlies, Nursing			
Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Plate Layers			
Rangetakers			
Riveters			
Roughriders			
Saddlers			
Saddletree makers			
Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Stevedores			
Stokers, Stnty. Engine			
Storemen, Technical			
Tailors			
Textile Refitters			
Tinsmiths			
Vulcanizers			
Wagon Erectors			
Whitesmiths			
DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.	—	—	
Batman	4	4	
Drivers MT	4	4	
Duty NCOs	2	2	
Gun Duties	2	2	
Hygiene NCOs	1	2	
Batman Dvr		2	
Sanitation NCO		1	
AAMC Cpl		1	
AAMC NCOs	2	1	
ATTACHED BY W.E.			
AAMC	2	2	
Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	—	26	25

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be inserted under the blank spaces on this page.

4 NOV 44
Date of Despatch

Colonel.
Comd DARWIN FORTRESS.
Signature of Commander

a.w. 6m blks 3/43

TRADE		WE	POSTED STRENGTH	DEFICIENCIES	SURPLUS	No	RANK	NAME	AGE	MMB CLASS	REMARKS
S/Sjt	CLERK	1	-	1 NR							
Cpl	" (AAIC)	1	-	1 NR							
Sjt	AAES	2	1	1							
Sjt	-	-	1	-	1 Sanitation Sec Sjt	VX134984	Sjt	BURCH FH	22	A1	Surplus to WE vide Norforce A4410 & Reinforce Order 57[illegible].
Cpl	AAMC	-	1	-	1 RAF Cpl	NX109134	Cpl	McCANN JB	27	A1	Surplus to WE vide NT Force 4/17/10 "M" & LEQ 91568.
Cpl	HYGIENE	-	1	-	1 Hygiene Cpl for DES (C) C	WX39850	Cpl	WELLS DA	35	A2	Surplus to WE pending new WE.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

COLONEL F N NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS

SERIAL 46 (Paras 219 - 220) 8 NOV '44

Para 219 PICQUET - NIGHTCLIFFS RUBBISH DUMP

DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF) will provide the picquet for the week commencing Fri 10 Nov 44.

NCO i/c will report to Hygiene Inspector at 0900 hrs at NIGHTCLIFFS FOP on the day above stated.

NEXT FOR DUTY : 4 Aust AA Gp (AIF) commencing Fri 17 Nov 44.

Para 220 SMOKING

It is suspected that the cause of several recent fires which have damaged stores and equipment has been the failure to enforce restrictions on smoking.

Notices will be erected forthwith by all units prohibiting smoking in the vicinity of all stores, dumps, generators, generator or other engine housings, and all gun, search light or other similar emplacements.

CO's will ensure that such restrictions are strictly enforced at all times and severe disciplinary action taken against offenders.

Capt.
DAA & QMG DARWIN FORTRESS.
(B J WHITBY)

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Headquarters,
DARWIN Fortress (AIF)

LOCATION STATEMENT FOR DARWIN FORTRESS AS AT 2359 HOURS 13 NOV 44

Ref Maps:- DARWIN, SOUTHPORT, HUMPTYDOO & MARRAKAI 1 inch to 1 mile.

UNIT	LOCATION	COMD OR REMARKS
HQ UNITS		
HQ DARWIN Fortress (AIF)	790088	
COAST ARTY		
DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF)	782142	Fortress
EAST Bty	782152	"
DUDLEY Bty	778150	"
EMERY Bty	778094	"
WEST Sec	717113	"
WAUGITE BTY	698126	"
ELLIOTT Sec	781189	"
AA DEFENCES		
4 AUST AA Gp (LE) (AIF)	785089	"
4 Aust AA Ops Room (Type A)(AIF)	919099	"
HQ 4 Aust HAA Bty (Static)(HE)(AIF)	896116	"
HAA Site 427(Tp458)(")(")(Berrimah)	896120	"
" " 428(" 381)(")(")(Quarantine)	893067	"
HQ 19 Aust HAA Bty (")(")(AIF)	798092	"
HAA Site 358(Tp358)(")(")(McMillans)	852180	"
" " 359(" 359)(")(")(Fanny Bay)	800139	"
" " 360(" 360)(")(")(Oval)	808079	"
HQ 55 Aust AA Regt (Comp)	858126	"
"A" Tp 136 Aust HAA Bty	080825	"
"B" Tp 136 Aust HAA Bty	800139	"
101 Aust AA Regt (Comp)		
"B" Tp 133 Aust HAA Bty	080825	"
HQ 233 Aust LAA Bty	807094	"
"A" Tp	853122	"
"B" Tp	853122	"
"C" Tp	824142	"
153 Aust LAA Bty		
"A" Tp	824118	"
HQ 65 Aust Mob SL Bty	810108	"
"A" Tp HQ	719103	"
"B" Tp HQ	857163	"
"C" Tp HQ	729053	"
HQ 70 Aust Mob SL Bty	904115	"
"A" Tp HQ	809104	"
"B" Tp HQ	934113	"
"C" Tp HQ	904115	" NOT Deployed.
"D" Tp HQ	979979	"
SIGNALS		
1 Coy AA and Frt Signals NT (AIF)	788144	"
A.E.M.E		
Frt Wksp DARWIN (AIF)	LARRAKEYAH	"
3 Aust Radio Maint Sec	LARRAKEYAH	"
DENTAL		
74 Aust Dental Unit "B" Sec (Mob)	778094	"
85 Aust Dental Unit "F" Sec	Parap	"

for Maj,
GS DARWIN Fortress.

DISTRIBUTION	COPY NO
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Headquarters
DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF
14 NOV 44

QUOTE : S6/8

DARWIN COAST ARTY (AIF) 8968
4 AUST AA GP (AIF) 69
55 AUST AA REGT 70
1 COY AA & FRT SIGS (AIF) 71
FRT WKSHOPS AEME (AIF) 72
3 AUST RADIO MAINT SEC AEME 73.

CHANGE OF COMMAND

1 HT Force Op Instr No 78 and Amendment No 1 directs that -

At 0001 HK 13 NOV 44

(a) HQ RAA HT Force will assume cond of all CA and AA units at present under cond DARWIN Fortress and will become responsible for Coast and AA Def of DARWIN Port and environs incl the close def of CA and AA installations. Such units are -

(i) DARWIN Coast Arty (AIF)

(ii) 4 AUST AA Gp (AIF)

(iii) 55 AUST AA REGT

(iv) 1 Coy AA & FRT SIGS HT (AIF)

(b) The follg units cease under cond HQ HT Force

(i) Fortress Wkshops AEME (AIF)

(ii) 3 Aust Radio Maint Sec AEME (AIF)

(c) Other Administrative functions of HQ DARWIN Fortress will pass to HQ HT Force.

(d) HQ DARWIN Fortress will cease to be operative.

War Diary

A J Stocker Maj
GS DARWIN FORTRESS
(AT STOCKER)

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Headquarters
DARWIN FORTRESS (AIF)
16 NOV 44

HQ
NT FORCE (AIF)

DENIAL OF RESOURCES TO ENEMY - DARWIN

1 The following documents relating to Denial of Resources to Enemy are returned herewith.

Please complete receipt attached, and return to this HQ.

2 DOCUMENTS returned:-

(a) NT Force Operation Instruction No 69, including Appx "A" and amendments, copy No 2.

(b) Detailed Demolition Plan, together with firing party instructions, for the following serial numbers. Each document is copy No 2.

Serial Nos.

6	17E	20	29
6A	17F	21	30
7	17G	22	33
8	17H	24	34
17A	17J	25	36
17B	17K	27	37
17C	17L	28	38
17D	17M	28A	41

NOTE : No other serials have been held by this HQ.

(c) Schedule of explosives and stores (6 sheets) Copy No 2.

(d) File of Secret correspondence relating to Denial of Resources to Enemy plan.

(e) Enlargements DARWIN area, showing location of each serial and list of demolitions (4 copies)

Colonel
Comd DARWIN Fortress

Encl.

RECEIPT FOR SECRET DOCUMENTS

Receipt is acknowledged of the above documents.

Rank

Appointment
HQ NT Force

17./11./44 Date