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# 1/12/19
# EAST & MIDDLE EAST UNITS

## AIF Headquarters Ceylon General Branch

April 1942, part 4, messages



1/12/19-0056

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 1

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD Z G

OUT

**FIELD GRADE CIPHER**

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No. of Groups GR. 1

OFFICE DATE STAMP 16/4/42

TO H.Q. A.I.F. Rptd R.A.F. KOGALLA

FROM 17 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number C295

Date 16

In Reply to Number

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| Four | bty | R.M. | fired | on | unident- |
| ified | suspicious | light | vessel | 2250 | hrs |
| range | approx | 8000 | yds | 0 | Reported |
| may | have | been | submarine | 0 | No |
| result | observed | | | | |

THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 2335

SIGNED

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T.H.I. 2345

T.O.R. 0235

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

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No. of Groups. GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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| M | AIF England | | | 17 | |
| | must | inf | Forde | reports | how |
| ty | RM | fired | inv | unidentified | surpresses |
| ht | vessel | 22 50 | hrs | 0 | range |
| prox | 8000 | 0 | repeated | may | have |
| ed | Submarine | 0 | No | result | Renewal |

AGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY AIR.

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER.

SIGNED Cabl

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 0600

T.H.I.

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

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No. of Groups. GR. 2

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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| | | | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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| M | AIF England | | | 17. | |
| :7 | must | inf | Forde | reports | from |
| ty | RM | fired | inv | unidentified | surpresses |
| ht | vessel | 2250 | hrs | 0 | range |
| prox | 8000 | 0 | repeated | may | have |
| ed | Submarine | 0 | No | result | Renewal |


AGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY AIR.

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER.

SIGNED Cable

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY


TIME OF ORIGIN 0600


T.H.I.

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T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 3

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD 2 G 73

OUT

No. of Groups GR. 29

OFFICE DATE STAMP 17 APR 42

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

TO HQ AIF

FROM 17 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number C295

Date 17

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ref | our | C295 | 16 Apr | nothing | further |
| it | report | ⊙ | SITREP | ⊙ | SITNOR |

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER.

Signed

Originator's instructions Degree of priority

Time of origin 0700/17

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

T.H.I. 0703

T.O.R. 0845

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 2

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRC Z G

OUT

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 17 APR 42

## FIELD GRADE CIPHER

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

TO HQ AIF

FROM 16 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number 706

Date 17

In Reply to Number

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This message must be sent as written by any means.

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent in cipher.

Originator's instructions Degree of priority

Time of origin 0650

Signed

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

T.H.I. 0705

T.O.R. 0850

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[illegible] Wt. 20318 919. 430m Pads 10/40. [illegible] 31-6212.

8/30/17 From 17 Bde (6)

Bishop seen bearing 230°
from GALLE at 0904 hrs

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1045 17 Bde (7)

Bishop same relig ion as
ourselves

From 17 Bde

1200 hrs
17 April (8)

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Lights green and out to sea.

No success last night - are trying again to-night.

message taken by G III (O)

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# MESSAGE FORM

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TO HQ CEYLON COMD

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|
| HQ AIF CEYLON | 36 | 17 | 742/326 |

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Light | green | and | out | to | sea |
| O | Investigations | unsuccessful | last | night | O |
| Trying | to | get | contact | or | information |
| again | tonight | | | | |

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 1310

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I. 1312

T.O.R.

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18 KND V CHQ XO 1 IMMEDIATE GR 118

TO 34 IND DIV 6 AUST DIV COMD CBO BASE AREA CAA

FROM GENCOM CBO

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C A T A L I N A R E P O R T S ONE B A T T L E S H I P

A C C O M P A N I E D BY O N E C R U I SE R S I G H TE D

ORIGINALLY IN POSEITION 05 DEGREES 58 MINS NORTH 82

DEGREES 18 MINS EAST AT 1020 LT/15. SECOND REPORT GA/E POSITION

AS 05 DEGREES 56 MINS NORTH 81 DEGREES 59 MINS EAST

AT 1112 LT/15. CONTACT WAS LOST SOON AFTER THIS AND WAS

REGAINED LATER AT 1713 LT/15 IN POSITION 04 DEGREES

18 MINS NORTH 81 DEGREES 37 MINS EAST . COURSE AT

LAST POSITION WAS 280 DEGREES AT MEAN SPEED

OF ADVANCE 20 [redacted] KNOTS . BY DAWN THE ENEMY

CAN BE WITHIN RADIUS OF POSITION APPROXIMATELY 20 MILES

NORTH OF COLOMBO .

TOO 2330 THI 2340

RPTN 18 1 118 34 5 0 15 15 05 58 8'XXX82 18 1020 LT/15

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Serial No.

| CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS | IN / OUT | No. of Groups. GR. | OFFICE DATE STAMP |
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(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO 16 aust inf bde

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|
| AIF CEYLON | 23 | 15 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| RAF | KOGGALA | reported | 1150 | hrs | that |
| ships | believed | to | be | enemy | and |
| to | include | one | battleship | were | off |
| LITTLE | BASSES | AIR | 293104 | | |

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means.

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER.

Signed [signature] Major

Originator's instructions Degree of priority.

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

Time of origin 1600

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 3

CALL AND INSTRUCTS

IN WRD D Z 7

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 15/2/42

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO HQ AIF

FROM 17 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number C 267

Date 15

In Reply to Number

RAF reported 1150 hrs that ships
believed to be enemy and to
include one battleship were off LITTLE
BASSES AIR 293104

Seen by GOC + Gr.

15/4

Received 1545

15 apr 42

This message may be sent as written by any means.

Signed J Wellington Cpl for Cipher Office

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent in cipher.

Signed

Originator's instructions degree of priority

Time of origin 1230

T.H.I. 1235

T.O.R. 1545

File G234

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 4

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN W R D Z G (8)

OUT

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 15/4/49

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO H.Q. A.I.F.

FROM 17 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number C 273

Date 15

In Reply to Number

RAF reported 1505 hrs that contact
lock enemy battleship and destroyer lost
owing to storm

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

Signed H Wellington Cpl for Cpl Offr

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Signed

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

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TIME OF ORIGIN 1505

T.H.I. 1510

T.O.R. 1838

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O 47282. Wt. 31565/1[illegible]. 96,500 Lifts. 12/39. S.S. Ltd. 51-5338. Forms C 348/77. Army Form C 348
(Lifts of 100 in duplicate)

# MEMORANDUM.

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From SIGS.

To G II

2010 hrs Date 15 Apr 19[illegible]

D.R. held up by flood rainwater at point MATUGAMA ⊙ will arrive about midnight instead of 2000 hrs

[illegible]

G 47282. Wt. 31585/1345. 96,500 Litts. 12/50. S.S. Ltd. 51-5330. Forms C348/77. Army Form C348 (Lifts of 100 in duplicate)

# MEMORANDUM.

(10)

From: MLO Combined Ops Room via HQ Ceylon Comd

To: HQ 6 Aust Div

Date: 15 Apr 42

TOO 1945 TOR 2020

KOGGALA CATALINA reports that at 1113 GMT regained contact with enemy force 64° 23" N 81° 46" E Course 280° ⊙ exact composition unknown believed to be 1 B/S and 1 Cruiser ⊙ Composition later confirmed by RAF ⊙ RAF evening patrols have nothing to report ⊙

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# MEMORANDUM.

| From..... | To..... |
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Date.....19

16 & 17 Bdes advised
2035 hrs 15 Apr 42

[illegible signature]

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN (11)

OUT

No. of Groups. GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO MIKE COMO

| | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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| ATEM | 25 | 15 | |

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| Hr | CEYLON | Comdr | advise | 1945 | hrs |
| as | follows | ⊙ | KOGGALA | CATALINA | reports |
| that | at | 1113 GMT | regained | contact | with |
| enemy | force | 64°23"N | 81°46"E | course | 280° |
| ⊙ | exact | composition | unknown | believed | |
| one | battleship | and | one | cruiser | ⊙ |
| composition | later | confirmed | by | KAF | ⊙ |

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

SIGNED [signature]

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T.H.I.

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TO MIKE COMO

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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| ATEM | 25 | 15 | |

KAF evening patrols have nothing to report

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means.

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Originator's instructions
Degree of priority

Time of origin 2037

Signed [signature]

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T.H.I.

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 36

| CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS | IN | No. of Groups. GR. | OFFICE DATE STAMP MK 15 |
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(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO HQ AIF

| FROM 16 AUST INF Bde | Originator's Number 719 | Date 15 | In Reply to Number |
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| situation | is | still | normal | | |
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IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 1830

T.H.I. 1835

T.O.R. 2015

SIGNED

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 7/8

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN IVRD Z G (13)

OUT (FIELD GRADE CIPHER)

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 15/4/42

Received 2250 ~~[illegible]~~

Date 15 Apr 42

File [illegible]/239

TO H.Q. A.I.F

FROM 17 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number C 279

Date 15

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| NOTHING | further | from | RAF | re | JAP |
| Warships | @ | suspicious | light | reported | on |
| Coast | EAST | of | TANGALLA | AIR | 179 [illegible] |
| Night | 14/15 | April | @ | patrol | from |
| 297 BN | [illegible] | TANGALLA | Tonight | to | investigate |

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS. [illegible]

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER.

SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 1815/15

T.H.I. 1840

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# MESSAGE FORM

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| CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS | IN | No. of Groups. | Serial No. |
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| | OUT | GR. | OFFICE DATE STAMP |

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO HQ AIF (CEYLON)

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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| 16 AUST INF BDE | 728 | 14 | |

Situation normal

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

SIGNED

VALIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO THE WRONG HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER.

SIGNED [illegible]

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 1730

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

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# MESSAGE FORM

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TO BONO

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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| ATEM | 21 | 14 | |

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THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

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IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER.

SIGNED [signature]

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY [signature] 1950

TIME OF ORIGIN 1950

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T.H.I.

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T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 6/7/9

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD Z G ①

OUT (FIELD GRADE CIPHER)

No. of Groups GR ①

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO H.Q. A.I.F.

FROM 17 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number C 257

Date 14

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SITREP | ⊙ | ref | GALLE | CENTRALIZED | ⊙ |
| following | movements | are | notified | ⊙ | 2/5 BN |
| ⊙ | HQ Coy | to | 117587 | ⊙ | 2/7 BN |
| ⊙ | adv H.Q. | 22 | mile-post | rd. | GALLE — |
| AKURESSA | 391653 | ⊙ | A Coy | SOUTH of | 12 |
| mile-post | rd. | AKURESSA — | MATARA | 408651 | ⊙ |
| B Coy | 91 | mile-post | rd | GALLE — | WELIGAMA |

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

SIGNED

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(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

| SYSTEM IN | TIME IN | READER | SENDER | SYSTEM OUT | TIME OUT | READER | SENDER | SYSTEM OUT | TIME OUT | READER | SENDER |
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T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 6/7/8

| CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS | IN (2) | No. of Groups GR. | OFFICE DATE STAMP |
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| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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| 365513 | O | D Coy | near | police | station |
| AKURESSA | 397658 | O | HQ Coy | lew | mortar |
| pl | one | near | 12 | mile-post | rd |
| AKURESSA | MATARA | 406654 | O | adv | party |
| TRAINING | BN | at | 395779 | | |

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS

SIGNED [signature] for Cipher Officer

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER.

SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TIME OF ORIGIN 1830

T.H.I. 1845

T.O.R. 0730 15 apr

| SYSTEM IN | TIME IN | READER | SENDER | SYSTEM OUT | TIME OUT | READER | SENDER | SYSTEM OUT | TIME OUT | READER | SENDER |
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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 2

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD Z G

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GD 2

OFFICE DATE STAMP 15 APR 42

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO HQ AIF

FROM 17 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number C 265

Date 15

In Reply to Number

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| SITREP | O | SITNOR | | | |

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

Wellington Ope for Cipher Offr

SIGNED

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SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

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TIME OF ORIGIN 0730

T.H.I. 0745

T.O.R. 0910

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 1

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRC Z G (3)

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 15 APR 42

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TO H.Q. A.I.F.

FROM 16 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number 711

Date 15

In Reply to Number

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[signature] Cipher Officer

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TIME OF ORIGIN 0655

T.H. 0706

T.O.R. 0910

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O 47282. Wt. 31884/7242. 96,000 Lifts. 12/39. S.S. Ltd. 81-6890. Forms C348/77. **Army Form C 348** (Lifts of 100 in duplicate)

# MEMORANDUM.

From G IIII(1)

To (1)

Date 9 Apr 1942

Air Raid at

0750 hrs

O 47283. Wt. 31865/1242. 50,000 Lifts. 12/58. S.S. Ltd. 51-6330. Forms C 348/77.

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# MEMORANDUM.

From G/11 (1)

To 2

Date 9 Apr 1942

All Clear sounded at 0835 hrs.

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# MEMORANDUM.

From BRA Ceylon Commons

To AF

3

Date 9 Apr 1942

IN PHONE MESSAGE (by G II)

BRA states he has 8 25 prs without gun teams. Can 3/1 Fa Regt man them. They are only guns and have no tractors etc.

[signature]

40. G II/ Taken up by Maj Lovell. We will use them for def coast & dvorne KTR.

[signature] 9/4

0830 hrs

File.

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(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO 16 Aust Inf Bde 17 Aust Inf Bde

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|
| HQ AIF (CEYLON) | 8 | 9 | |

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| TWO | ENEMY | AIRCRAFT | OVER | COLOMBO | THIS |
| MORNING | 0 | ALERT | SOUNDED | 0750 hrs | 0 |
| ALL | CLEAR | 0835 hrs | | | |

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SIGNED [signature]

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 11.15

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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O 47262. Wt. 31583/1342. 90,800 Lifts. 12/39. E.S. Ltd. 51-5536. Forms C 348/77. Army Form C 348
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# MEMORANDUM.

(6)

From DR
Pte Kerr

To HQ AIF (CEYLON)

Date 9 Apr 1942

Report plane crash on right of rd. 4 miles S of Panadura.

Type & nationality of plane unknown

| | Init. | Date |
|---|---|---|
| G.O.C. | Informed | |
| G.I | JP | 9/4 |
| G. II | | |
| G. III (O) | | |
| G. III (I) | | |
| I. O | | |
| | | |

rec'd by [illegible]

1220

Checking through Comd for details [illegible]

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(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO 16 Hess Fwd Bde 17 Hess Fwd Bde Spta CRE

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|
| HF CEYLON | M 1 | 5 | |

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| one | [illegible] | battleship | area | two | [illegible] |
| 110 | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | DONDRA | HEAD |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | GMT | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | 4 |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | | | | |
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SIGNED

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SIGNED [illegible]

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY IMPORTANT

TIME OF ORIGIN C[illegible]7

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T.H.I.

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T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

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| CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS | IN | No. of Groups. GR. | OFFICE DATE STAMP |
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| | OUT | | |

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO GENCOM

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|
| AIF CEYLON | M2 | 5 | |

One unidentified plane reported down at five miles from 90104230 on bearing 250° deg 0 thos down during air combat

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means.

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER.

Signed [signature]

Originator's instructions Degree of priority

Time of origin 0857

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T.H.I.

| System In | Time In | Reader | Sender | System Out | Time Out | Reader | Sender | System Out | Time Out | Reader | Sender |
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T.O.R.

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# MEMORANDUM.

From G11

To 8

Date 5 Apr 1942

ALL CLEAR reported
0925 hrs:

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TO

FROM GENCOM

| | | | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| sighted | over | DONDRA | HEAD | 50 | planes |
| westerly | going | fast | 0935 | hrs | |

| | Initials | Date |
|---|---|---|
| G.O.C. | [illegible] | 5/2 |
| G. I | [illegible] | 5/4 |
| G. II | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| G. III (?) | [illegible] | [illegible] |

This message may be sent as written by any means. If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent in cipher.

Originator's instructions Degree of priority

Time of origin

Signed

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T.H.I.

| System In | Time In | Reader | Sender | System Out | Time Out | Reader | Sender | System Out | Time Out | Reader | Sender |
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| I. O | | [illegible] | [illegible] | | | | | | | | |

T.O.R. 0950

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TO Camp Comd

FROM AIF

| | | | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | M3 | 5 | |
| during | air | raids | all | ranks | will |
| remain | under | cover | O | arrange | for |
| policing | this | order | O | weapons | sighted |
| for | AA | will | not | open | fire |
| unless | HQ | is | actually | being | attacked |

This message may be sent as written by any means.

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent in cipher.

Originator's instructions Degree of priority

Time of origin 1010

Signed

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T.H.I.

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Wx 11715 Sgt
Wilson AG
2/2 Bn

(10)

1008 hrs 5 Apr 42

Nose of Jap plane
found several miles out
of town by natives and
brought to Fort Ply Stn.
Nose appears to be constructed
of bamboo and fibre –

Rptd Duty Offr Comd HQ

E Ayrton Leyt

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| | OUT | GR. | |

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TO HQ A IF (Ceylon)

FROM HQ 16 Aud Inf Bde

| Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| enemy | plane | shot | down | located | ATULUGAMA |
| in | paddy | field | 820395 | O | pilot |
| decended | in | parachute | and | escaped | thought |
| to | be | wounded | O | patrol | searching |

13/5/4

rptd to HQ Comd

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

Lawson Maj

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SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY By S.D.R.

TIME OF ORIGIN 1130

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T.H.I.

T.O.R. 1325

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| | IN | GR. 12 | |
| | OUT | | |

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO GENCOM RAF

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|
| AIF (CEYLON) | M4 | 5 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| ref | our | M 2 | even | date | ⊙ |
| plane | identified | as | JAP | ⊙ | located |
| ref | ALUTGAMA | sheet | 820395 | ⊙ | pilot |
| escended | parchute | thought | to | be | wounded |
| ⊙ | patrol | searching | | | |

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[signature] Major

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SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY By DR

TIME OF ORIGIN 1403.

T.H.I. 1465

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T.O.R. [signature]

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(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO A.I.F. (per [illegible])

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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| H.Q. Ceylon Comd | | 5 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| for | impr | only | 0 | message | received |
| by | 3rd | Ind | Div | begins | one |
| ship | one | funnel | course | east | seen |
| 1435 | hrs | six | ships | each | one |
| mast | one | funnel | seen | 1435 | hrs |
| course | east | 0 | message | received | by |
| 3rd | Ind | Div | from | KANKESTURIA | |

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means. [illegible]

Signed [illegible] Capt

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Signed

Originator's instructions Degree of priority

Time of origin

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T.H.I.

T.O.R. 1655

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233031T. Wt 20 318 919. 430M pads 10/40. [illegible] 81-8811.

(14)

G/11

5 Apr 42

BM 1t Aust Inf Bde phoned enquiring for further infm re reports of yesterday. Informed that reports yesterday apparently connected with this mornings show and nothing further available.
BM advised parachute located and being sent in but so far not able to capture pilot.
BM also advised that piece of plane sent in this morning was located at spot where plane crashed.

[illegible] 835.

Sound HQ
2040 hrs

(16)
Jno
Capta K Bdes

5 Apr 42

The RAF report from inspector of police CHILAW 0524 via RAF ⊙ 964/353 ⊙ Plane came in from sea at 1800 hrs 2 flares 1½ miles up DEDURU OYA river 2½ miles from CHILAW south of PUTTALAM Confirmed by asst supt. police CHILAW

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TO 16 [illegible] Bde 17 [illegible] Bde

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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| [illegible] HIF CEYLON | 8133 | 5 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| RAF | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | police | CHILAW |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | RAF | [illegible] | plane | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | from | [illegible] | 1500 | [illegible] | 2 |
| [illegible] | 1½ | miles | up | [illegible] | CYA |
| [illegible] | 2½ | miles | [illegible] | CHILAW | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | PUTTALAM | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] | [illegible] |
| [illegible] | [illegible] | CHILAW | [illegible] | | |

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SIGNED [signature]

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS. DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 2057

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T.H.I.

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Capt Swinburn
2100 hrs.

5 Apr 42

Capt Swinburn - 1 other offr and 2 O/R's arrived Fort Sn ~~Co~~ COLOMBO request Apt to A.P.I. HQ ⊙ DAQMG arranging Apt.

E Hyrton Trent

O 47262. Wt. 31835/1342. 96,500 Lifts. 12/30. S.S. Ltd. 51-5336. Forms C348/77. Army Form C348
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# MEMORANDUM.

From 16 Aust Inf Bde

To

2

Date 5 Apr 1942

IN MESSAGE

One unidentified plane shot down in air combat @ location ~~spot~~ reported as 5 miles from 90104230 on bearing 250° –
Time approx 0745 hrs.

TOR 0852

O 47282. Wt. 31585/1942. 96,500 Lifts. 12/39. S.S. Ltd. 51-5336. Forms C 345/77. Army Form C 348
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# MEMORANDUM.

From Gen Com

To

Date 5 Apr 1942

IN MESSAGE G 3/5

One enemy battleship and two cruisers 110 miles South of DONDRA HEAD at 0048 GMT ⊙ Total strength not seen but at least 4 other ships

T.O.R 0835

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IN WRD Z G (1) (87)

OUT

No. of Groups GR. ~~80~~

OFFICE DATE STAMP 19 APR 42

# FIELD GRADE CIPHER

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TO HQ AIF

FROM 17 AUST INF RDE

| Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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| C304 | 19 | |

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SIGNED [signature]

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TIME OF ORIGIN. 0725/19

T.H.I. 0715

T.O.R. 1050

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRQ/26 (2) 86

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GR. ~~20~~

OFFICE DATE STAMP 19 APR 42

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TO HQ A I F

FROM 16 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number 78

Date

In Reply to Number

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| SITREP | O | SITNOR | O | | |

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 0713/19

T.H.I. 0715

T.O.R. 1050

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# MESSAGE FORM

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No. of Groups. GR.

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(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO A.I.F HQ CEYLON

FROM CEYLON COMMAND

Originator's Number 742/105

Date 19

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| four | boom | defense | craft | towing | eight |
| motor | landing | craft | appearance | flat | bottomed |
| barges | may | strike | coast | anywhere | on |
| west | side | of | CEYLON | sometime | today |
| O | these | are | own | craft | O |
| going | from | south | to | north | |

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

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TIME OF ORIGIN

T.H.I. 42

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T.O.R. 1157

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C.O.I. G.I. (3)

19 Apr 42

V.P.S.

Answers given by B.G.S.

1. Police cannot undertake at present. Have not sufficient personnel. Left to discretion of G.O.C. D.F. & man as he considers posn warrants it.

2. Detachment in GALLE reqd to protect guns manned by Marines. Personnel not required actually to protective purposes. May be used as a mobile reserve [illegible]

(2)

personnel may be moved to other areas if GOC AIF considers situation demands further new elsewhere.

3 GOC AIF is to prepare scheme for demolition of installations etc in GALLE Harbour.

CRE
61 requests from pm scheme

OK

2/

[illegible]

19 Apr 42

ANTI BOAT and ANTI TANK SCAFFOLDING

Cmd. 118

Lt Col Wakeham (1 HE Staff)
loaned a copy of drawing
showing construction of
scaffolding.
We are taking traces.
Requirements from this HQ
to show amount of frontage
to be covered.

[illegible]

3

[illegible] 0 [illegible] GT

19 Apr 42

CONTROLLED STORES

G11(SO) asked what were out requirements in steel helmets. Have referred to ADOS for action.

[illegible]

4/ LO3 GI

19 Apr 42

COVERING OF CARRIERS

Ref my report 18 Apr.
Saw Lt Col WAKEHAM (+REx Staff)
together with GII(SD).
XPM is now available & rec'd
instruction to OC Eng Stores to
release what we wanted.
Angle iron pickets promised as
are now req'd for wire arriving
in country. Arranged issue
of reinforcing steel in lieu
thereof.
Also permission to draw 3
reels plain netting.
Above authority handed to
CRE.

WP

5 LOI G I

19 Apr

ARMD TRAIN

Belts - MMGs.

Asked G11 (50) for further 57 belts.

At present we are holding 5 MMGs & suggest we should have 16 belts (4000 rds) per gun = 80 belts

less 23 held 23

57 reqd.

Belts for 3 guns not yet to hand are expected to come with gun.

[illegible]

6/ LOI G3

19 Apr 42

CUTTING TOOLS

Major KIGGELL (O Branch) advised that 5 ms are expected from INDIA & supplies are being arranged locally.

GOC instructed him to hurry this along & Major K. expects to have definite information in several days time.

I will follow up

[illegible]

~~Final~~ war diary

7

L.O. 11 G.III (O)(L)

19 Apr 42

16 Bde require some HORANA sheets.

[illegible] 19/4

G III (O)(L)

States man in stock at present.

B.

Bde advised 20/4/42

[illegible]

L.O 11 G 11

19 Apr. 42

Ref Bomb recce school.
Bde wish to know - Could
Lieut Martin call down today
re above school

[illegible]

L.O. II

G II

19 Apr 42

Ref Interpreters.

16 Bde wish to know the rates of pay for the above, also when they are paid i.e. Weekly, monthly etc

B

50 Rs per month.

Bde advised.

B.

Army Form C-2128 (Pads of 100.)

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 1

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRC Z G

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 22/4/42

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO HQ A.I.F

FROM 16 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number 732

Date 22

In Reply to Number

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| SIT REP | O | SIT NOR | | | |

This message must be sent to WRITTEN by any means.

Signed

Is Re Patent Cal for Cipher Offr

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER.

Signed

Originator's instructions Degree of priority

Time of origin 0700

T.H.I. 0700

T.O.R. 0810

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[illegible] Wt 30 [illegible] 019. 450M pads 10/40. [illegible] 81-0811.

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 2

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD Z G

OUT FIELD [illegible] PIER

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 22/4/42

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TO HQ AIF

FROM 17 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number C1019

Date 22

In Reply to Number

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| SITREP | O | SITNOR | | | |

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J Wellington Cpl

Signed for Cabinet Office

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Signed

Originator's instructions Degree of priority

Time of origin 0715

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T.H.I. 0730

T.O.R. 0850

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[illegible] Wt. 20 318/919. 430M pads 10/40. [illegible] 81-8011.

Army Form C.2120 (Back of 100.)

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 8

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD. Z. G. (3)

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 22 APR 42

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TO HQ AIF

FROM 17 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number C.1020.

Date 22.

In Reply to Number

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2/2 | Aust | Fd | Regt | less | 3 |
| BTYS | moved | 393675 | 0900 | hrs | 0 |
| opened | new | location | 1200 | hrs. | |

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SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN. 1250

T.H.I. 1251

T.O.R. 1435

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Wt 30318'910. 450m pads 10/40. W. & S. Ltd. 81-8011.

LOI 62 (4)

21 Apr

ARMY TRAIN

Amn 12 pr naval Gun

Called at office of Senior naval armament supply offr. Was advised that 2 CLI have now collected 125 rds HE amn this SRS request for reserve of additl 150 rounds has not yet been approved but L.O. was told here would be no difficulty in replacing any amn used. I pointed out amn was reqd to be held at different points along line. will call later for further decision

2 of

LO I GI

21 Apr - 42

C.G.R. - Manning by PIF personnel

Advised AD (TRANSPORT) that list of personnel in PIF with my experience (supplied by PO) contained names of men who may NOT be available.

Suggested for [illegible] require approx 8-9 stations open along CBO NATARA line & one train per day in case of emergency.

He is to submit list of names [illegible] reqd for this purpose.

Will refer when available

[illegible]

LOI GI

21 Apr 42

25 pr Id Guns

After reference to BPA, BM, RA advised it was NOT possible to allow 2/ and Id Regt to retain two of the 8 25 pr guns on loan to them, and that it was necessary for them to be returned.

In lieu towns re above Gening to this Stl in writing

[illegible]

LO 3 G3

21 Apr 42

ARMD TRAIN.

Bells - VMG.

2 CH Rec 23

be asked for further 57

G11(50) advised they have

instructed Q. [illegible]

issue of 42 more.

ADOS Ad. advised

[illegible] follow-up

[illegible]

Copy of authority from

O Chief [illegible] received

55

LO1 G1

21 Apr 42

CONTROLLED STORES.

Cutting Tools

G11 (SD) advised issue approved as follows

30 per bn.

200 per Div for distribution as thought fit

If we require further supplies, we are to notify Comd HQ

DJL

6/5

LOI GI

21 Apr 42

TRAINING TEAM

G-11(c) advised the team had been recalled to India. Representations had been made to supply another team.

[illegible]

O 47282. Wt. 31585/1342. 96,500 Lifts. 12/39. S.S. Ltd. 51-6536. Forms C348/77. Army Form C348 (Lifts of 100 in duplicate)

# MEMORANDUM.

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From: TOO
17 Bde

To: HQ AIF

Date: 22 April 42

TOO 1500
TOR 1545

6 unidentified aircraft approaching from WEST — RAF investigating

E Hyrtel Lieut

Army Form G2128.

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

| CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS | IN | No. of Groups. | OFFICE DATE STAMP |
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(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO: HQ CEYLON COMD

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|
| HQ AIF (CEYLON) | 48 | 22 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| From | 17 Bde | 0 | 6 | unidentified | aircraft |
| approaching | from | WEST | 0 | RAF | investigating |

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 1545

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T.H.I. 1550

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T.O.R.

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(Pads of 100.)

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 13

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD 2 G

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 22 a/1

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TO H Q A I F

(112)

FROM (7) AUST INF B DE

Originator's Number C1022

Date

In Reply to Number

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| SITREP | O | SITNOR | | | |
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Signed Maj Wood Sgt
[illegible]

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Signed

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN. 1800/22

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T.H.I. 1805

T.O.R. 2025

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833031c. Wt 20318.919. 450m pads 10/40. [illegible] 81-8011.

War diary.

CRO 11 (10) G111(0)

22 apr 42.

Ref MG RA (INDIA) Eng Instn No 1 of 1942 (Arty & HFVS.)

—

Mr Fd Regt state that they have none of above.

[illegible] 22/4

C.L.O. 11 G.III(1)2.

22 Apr 42

16 Bde Sig Master wishes to know if 17 ITB. has a CODE name.

[illegible] 22/4

G III(1)2 states - Yes. Just comes into operation midnight tonight.

[illegible] 22/4

L.O 11 G 11

23/4/42

Ref Molotov Cocktails.

16 Bde are waiting for Matches & Paraffin.

[signature] 23/4

Form C.2126 (Page of 100.)

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 1

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRC Z G

OUT **FIELD GRADE CIPHER** (1)

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 24 Apr 42

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TO HQ AIF

FROM 16 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number 783

Date 24

In Reply to Number

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| SITREP | ⊙ | SITNOR | | | |
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J Wellington Cpl for Cipher Offr

SIGNED

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TIME OF ORIGIN. 0710

T.H.I. 0715

T.O.R. 0845

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031T. Wt 20318'919. 450m ends 10'40. 31-8311.

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 62

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD Z G

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER 1

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 21st APR 42

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS U30 ONLY.)

TO HQ. A.J.F.

FROM 17 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number C.1029

Date 24.

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SIT REP | 0 | 2/5 | Aust | Inf | Bn. |
| reports | flooding | of | GALLE | COLOMBO | road |
| for | distance | of | 100 | yards | in |
| area | of | 44 | left | 44 | mile |
| post | dt | 1810 | hrs | 0 | otherwise |
| SIT NOR | | | | | |

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TIME OF ORIGIN 0750

T.H.I. 0802

T.O.R. 0950

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# MESSAGE FORM

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TO: A.I.F. HQ

FROM: Ceylon Comd

Originator's Number: 343/900 | Date: 24 | In Reply to Number:

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| flood | report | G | RATNAPURA | NAMBAPANA | just |
| mile | 6 | inches | water | subsiding | G |
| second | mile | 2 | inches | water | subsiding |
| passable | G | hospital | road | RATNAPURA | eighteen |
| inches | water | subsiding | G | PANADURA | RATNAPURA |
| 12 | inches | water | rising | widdy | G |
| [illegible] | flooding | GOVINNA | area | Tombrun | |

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IS LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER.

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TIME OF ORIGIN

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T.H.I.

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T.O.R. 1600

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

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TO LASO HOKO FABA RAPO

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|
| BOTO | 54 | 24 | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| flood | report | 0 | RATNAPURA | NUNGAPANA | first |
| mile | 6 | inches | water | subsiding | 0 |
| second | mile | 2 | inches | subsiding | possible |
| 0 | hospital | food | RATNAPURA | eighteen | inches |
| water | subsiding | 0 | PANADURA | RATNAPURA | 12 |
| inches | water | rising | midday | 0 | possible |
| flooding | GOVINNA | speed | tomorrow | | |

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SIGNED [signature]

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TIME OF ORIGIN 1610

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T.H.I.

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T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN

OUT

No of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO HQ AFF (Ceylon)

FROM 16 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number

Date 24

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BM | rang | and | said | that | Brig |
| and | he | were | leaving | on | the |
| recce | of | NORTHERN | area | agreed | with |
| GOC | at | 0900 | hrs | 25 | Apr |
| O | stated | that | they | were | taking |
| wft | set | with | them | and | hoped |
| to | keep | touch | that | way | |

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SIGNED

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SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

[signature] Major

TIME OF ORIGIN

T.H.I.

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T.O.R. 2035

[illegible] Wt. 30518/919. 450M pads. 10/40. [illegible] 81-8811.

ARMY FORM C.2130. (Pads of 100.)

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 11

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD 2 6

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 24/Apr 42

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TO H.Q. A.I.F

FROM 17 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number C1030

Date 24

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| following | movement | notified | 2/6 | AUST | INF |
| BN | B | COY | now | at | 248566 |
| ⊙ | rd | AKURESSA- | GANLE | six | inches |
| under | water | 120593 | for | 100 | yards |
| ⊙ | track | 275539 | 18 | inches | for |
| 400 | yards | ⊙ | Part | 2 | follows |

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M. Flood Sgt for Cipher Offr

SIGNED

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SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN. 18.11.15/24

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T.O. 1900

2207 hrs

233031T. Wt 50318 919. 450M pads 10'40. W.A.S. LTD 51-8311.

ARMY FORM C.2130. (Pads of 100.)

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 12

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN NRD 2 6

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 24 Apr 42

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TO

(124)

FROM

Originator's Number

Date 24

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Part | 2 | of | C1030 | ⊙ | civil |
| line | down | COLOMBO- | GALLE | GALLE- | MATARA |
| otherwise | situation | | | | |

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M. Flood Sgt for Cipher Offr

SIGNED

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SIGNED

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TIME OF ORIGIN. 1812/24

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 121

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRC 2 G

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP -DIV 24.IV.42. SIGNALS

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO H.Q. A.I.F

124

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
|---|---|---|---|
| 16 AUST INF BDE | 785 | 24 | |

| | | | | | |
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| SITREP | O | SITNOR | | | |

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Signed: [illegible] Sgt for Cipher Officer

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Signed

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TIME OF ORIGIN. 1855/24

T.H.I. 1900

T.O.R. 2235

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233031e. Wt. 30318'919. 4000 pads. 10'40. [illegible] 81-8311.

LOI (8) GI

23 Apr 42

Q.A. Fire — LMG & Rifles

Cond are requesting RHF
to arrange for planes to
fly over military areas
at 1500 ft
Troops to be advised that
planes flying under this
height will be engaged
by Rifle & LMG fire.

DGL

203 [illegible]

25 Apr 42

Transport

S/c RA advised that their suggestions for Spt on a reduced scale for field requirements has been prepared & is at present being checked.

Should be available in several days.

[illegible]

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L O I  G 2

23 Apr 42

Schools

9 ... (2) Comd asked whether he would like to take up two vacancies for 9 Special Wing Course (Liaison officers) Instructor School, at Poona, from 11 May - 5 June. Course suitable to Bde Lvy

DSL

Lieut A C Pepper nominated

- War diary (9)

L.O. " G.III

23 Apr 42

Ref File No. 0/2/39 of 18 Apr 42
Demolitions - Roads & Bridges
16 Bde have not received
a reply to the above letter

[illegible] 23/4

L.O. 11 G11

23/4/ 42

Ref File No. 0/2/193 19/4/42
Evacuation Sick & Wounded
MATUGAMA.

16 Bde have not received a reply to above letter

[signature] 23/4

L.O. "

G 11 (L)

23/4/42

Ref Molotov Cocktails.
16 Bdl Require 500 corks.

[illegible] 23/4

Army Form C.2130 (Pads of 100.)

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 2

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD Z G

OUT FIELD [illegible] CIPHER

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 3

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TO HQ A I F

FROM 17 AUST INF BDE

Originator's Number C1039

Date 26

In Reply to Number

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| SITREP | O | SITNOR | | | |

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J Wellington Cpl

Signed for Cipher Off

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Signed

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 0705

T.H.I. 0717

T.O.R. 0820

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[illegible] Wt. 30,118 919. 450m. ends 10/40. [illegible] 81-8311.

3/5

LOI 6

25 Apr 40

Flares

Have been unable to trace any rocket flares suitable for use in event of enemy landing during darkness. A/Lds Army (Sum RAF armament offr) has made available for experimental purposes one parachute flare. It is thought that if this is divided up it may be suitably attached to a simple rocket (though a supply of these has not yet been located

Army Form C.2136 (Pads of 100.)

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 4

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD Z G

OUT **FIELD GRADE CIPHER**

(3)

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO HQ A.I.F.

FROM 17 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number C.1040

Date 26

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SITREP | O | No | rpt | No | main |
| roads | in | area | reported | impassible | O |
| intermittant | rain | all | day | | |

Received 2010 [illegible] 1 copy to [illegible]

G1

[illegible] 26/4

[illegible] 26/4

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 1855

SIGNED

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T.H.I. 1900

T.O.R. 2000

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ARMY FORM C.2130.
(Pads of 100.)

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 6

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRC 2 C Lic

OUT **FIELD GRADE CIPHER**

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 26 Apr

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TO H.Q. A.I.F 136

FROM 16 AUST INF BDE | Originator's Number 346 | Date 26 | In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| native | found | dead | by | roadside | not |
| HORANA - PANDURA | seen | miles | from | PANDURA | |
| 1640 | hrs | today | 0 | suspected | not |
| armed | by | army | Truck | officer | investigating |
| with | police | CO | two | soldiers | unarmed |
| Lead | car | custody | GAC - Seen | | |

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means.

Signed M. Lloyd-Lt Lt Col A.A.G.

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER.

Signed

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority 27/4

Time of Origin. 2020/

T.H.I. 2044

T.O.R. 22

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ARMY FORM C.2130.
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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 1

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN 16 AUST INF BDE 2 C

OUT **FIELD GRADE CIPHER**

No. of Groups GR.

(126)

STANLEY DIV 25 IV 42 ARMY

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TO H.Q. A.I.F

FROM 16 AUST INF BDE | Originator's Number C1031 | Date 25 | In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SITREP | 0 | SITACK | | | |

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Signed M. Lloyd-Lt for Lt Col A.A.G.

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Signed

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

Time of Origin. 0710/25

T.H.I. 0715

T.O.R. 0820

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

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IN

OUT

No of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO I6 I7 Aust Inf Bdes

FROM AIF CEYLON

Originator's Number 57

Date 25

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ref | CEYLON | four | miles | to | one |
| inch | . | rd | COLOMBO | HANWELLA | 094165 |
| seventeenth | mile | three | inches | water | rising |
| . | nineteenth | mile | three | feet | water |
| rising | . | latter | flood | can | be |
| bypassed | detour | signs | already | in | postion |
| . | rd | HORANA | ANGURUWATOTA | 0 93133 | sixth |

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

SIGNED

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SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

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TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| mile | two | and | half | feet | water |
| impassable | o | ANGURUWATOTA | ferry | not | working |
| o | rd | PANADURA | RATNAPURA | eighteenth | mile |
| one | and | half | feet | water | rising |
| o | twenty | second | mile | three | and |
| half | feet | rising | o | latter | flood |
| expected | subside | this | evening | | |

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

SIGNED

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SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN. 1050

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T.O.R.

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LO I

GI

24 Apr 42

RED POOLS

Interviewed BGS Comd NS

BGS advised -

1. he had approved of the instructions

2. after discussion, was prepared to alter letter (see new paragraph in letter)

3. he did not think it possible to arrange for RHF in CPRC at HAMBANTOTA to do the job.

DJS

2-K

L.O.I. 61.

24 Apr. 42

VISIT BY B.G.S. to B.I.F. AREAS

B.G.S. proposes to visit B.I.F. Bde areas Monday next 27 Apr. to get a general picture of defences, living conditions & country.

Asked for our approval to approach Bde direct this in the trip, and would like one of our officers to accompany him

[illegible]

3.

KOT (1)

[illegible]

[illegible] by 0.5 [illegible]

[illegible] 0.5 of
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
27 apts.

[illegible]

Read in connection from (1).
0.5 [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[

LO 1. G.I.

21 Apr 42

BRIG. TRAIN

Provision of Guards

Major Todd (Ins. Base Area) advised that after consultation with Brig Comd Base Area he regrets they are unable to provide a guard over the train at RATMALANA

I told Major Todd that we would take the matter up with Comd SEO

[illegible]

LO [illegible] GA

[illegible]

COAST WATCHING

Referring to GI(s) [illegible]

1. Whether [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with any RAF [illegible].

2. Suggestion for [illegible] of [illegible] BISHOP [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible].

Hence [illegible] up.

LO I

G1

24 Apr 43

Armd Car

G.1(50) Comd HQ advised LO that we can draw immediately one more Humber type armd car.

LO I  G I
J G II

24 Apr 42.

Ammunition

ref DDOS Comd Sig letter no 05/2/10 dated 15 Apr 42

Based on DDOS & Lt Col Murray who referred me to Major Riggell (A Branch).

He accused as follows.

1. Scale shown is for each dump.
2. Figure was final though there is a possibility of a dump in C.B.O. being cleared.
3. Yes, our figures & requirements would be welcome. He suggested the unit owing for dumps to be increased.
4. Figure of dump to cover 14 days

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 13

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN WRD 2 G GBCW

OUT FIELD GRADE CIPHER

No. of Groups GR.

Office Date Stamp 25 apr

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TO H.Q. A.I.F

| FROM | Originator's Number | Date | In Reply to Number |
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| 17 AUST INF BDE | ~~[illegible]~~ C1036 | 25 | |

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| SITREP | ⊙ | SITNOR | ⊙ | M/C | patrol |
| sports | rds | all | clear | of | water |

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by means.

Mr Wood Sgt for Cipher Offr

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER.

Signed

Originator's instructions Degree of priority

Time of origin 1805/25

T.H.I. 1825

T.O.R. 1935

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# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 33

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No. of Groups GR.

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TO HQ AIF (Ceylon)

FROM 16 AUST INF BDE

| Originator's Number | Date | In reply to Number |
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| 704 | 35 | |

Situation normal

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Originator's instructions
Degree of priority

Time of Origin 1645

T.H.I. 1850

T.O.R. 2200

Signed

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A812—Aust Mob Print Unit—2400-50lf pads—1/42—G

1/4

(8)

LO. B.10

1 Roll of Linen Tracing required urgently by 17th Inst Inf Bde.

J Hanlon Lt
10 17 Inst Inf Bde
24/4

The carrier which has been completed is being inspected by GOC & G1 this morning. If that one is approved then that will be the standard pattern (by G11)

I.J.

13/

LO

BM

Re Covering for Carriers.

Can 17th Aust Inf Bde try out a cover on the carrier before the completion of all covers?

Test is for the following reasons.

(a) To see if cover gives the presence of carrier away by the added height. (Lowness of Carriers considered vital)

(b) How cover will stand up to low branches and foliage etc.

H Hunter Lt
LO 17 Aust Inf Bde
24/1