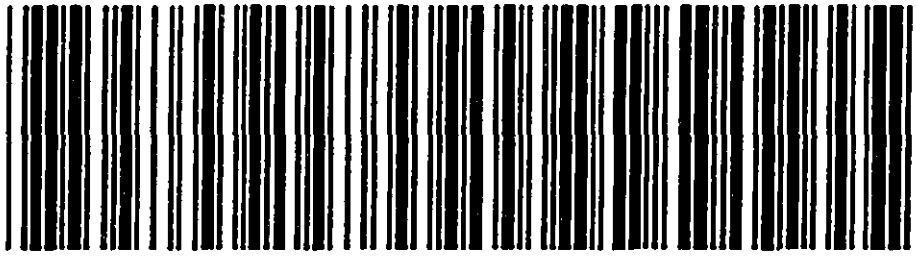
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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

MAJOR-GENERAL A.J. BOASE

(Commanding Australian Imperial Force in Ceylon)

Serial No.8 23 May 42.

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(g) If a member of the AIF is found to be in possession of a note or notes referred to above after the expiration of seven days from the date of publication of this order, he will be severely dealt with and before any disciplinary action is taken the matter will be referred to this HQ.

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(a) Medical units will, in future, forward to No.11 Depot Medical Stores, all broken thermometer glass tubing.

(b) The most suitable thermometer tubing is that of long-stem thermometers, which can be used for the manufacture of short-stem thermometers.

(c) To economise on packing material, broken thermometer glass tubing from Field Medical Units and RMO's will be handed over to the military hospital to which their patients are admitted and transmitted from there in bulk to No.11 Depot Medical Stores on the first day of each quarter.

165. REQUISITIONING.

Reference para 10 of AIF (CEYLON) Interim Standing Orders :-

The following are the competent Civil Authorities who may requisition Civil property on behalf of the Army :-

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All Government Agent/Agents within their Provinces.
Assistant Government Agents, BATTICALOA, MATARA, NUWARA ELIYA, MATARA, HAMBANTOTA, MANNAR, VAVUNIYA, PUTTALAM, KEGALLA - within their respective districts.
The Additional Government Agents, Western Province.
The Civil Defence Commissioner.
The Land Commissioner.
Mr H.E. JAMES, Additional Commissioner of Lands.

P.T.O.

165. REQUISITIONING - (contd)

(b) MOVABLE PROPERTY (DEFENCE MISCELLANEOUS REGULATION 37)

The Civil Defence Commissioner in respect of the whole Island -- Every Government Agent in respect of his Province, and every Assistant Government Agent in respect of his District.	(i) any article of food or drink, whether cooked or uncooked or prepared or unprepared for consumption, found in any premises used or hitherto used as a hotel, lodging-house, restaurant, bakery, eating-house, market, boutique or other establishment where food or drink is now or was heretofore supplied to or consumed by any class or description of person whatsoever;
	(ii) stoves, ovens, fire-places, kitchen utensils, crockery, glassware, cutlery, linen and all other equipment and furniture of any description whatsoever used or capable of being used in or for the purposes of any such hotel, lodging-house, restaurant bakery, eating-house, market, boutique or other establishment.
Director of Transport	Motor vehicles.
The Director of Public Works in respect of the whole Island and every Superintending Engineer of the Public Works Department within his Division	Any article other than ships, aircraft, mechanically propelled vehicles, steel, foodstuffs, ship's stores or medical stores and appliances.
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Unless the enemy have made a landing in CEYLON, when other instructions may be issued by Command HQ, requisitioning of materials is forbidden without an order signed by the Competent Civil Authority.

163. R.E. WORKS SERVICES.

In order to simplify control of works, communications, and liaison between C's R.E. Works and C's R.E. Commitments, the following changes took place on 18 May 42 :-

(a) The office of C.R.E. Works(North) closed at FORT FREDERICK, TRINCOMALEE, at 1000 hrs on Tuesday 19 May 42 and opened the same time at KANDY.

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NEGOMBO(excl.) - AMBEPUSSA(incl.) - KANDY(incl.) BATTICALOA(incl.) to C.R.E. Works North.

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Containers for anti-mosquito cream are very scarce. Replenishments are not likely to be made available. Therefore all units will collect and hold a stock of cigarette tins and any other suitable container for anti-mosquito cream.

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168. CLOTHING SCALES.

Reference para 133 Serial No.7 of AIF (CEYLON) Routine Orders of 16 May 42 -

For "boots or chapplies"
Substitute "boots [illegible] or chaplis"

169. PETROL DRUMS - 4½ GALLON.

A considerable number of petrol drums, 4½ gallon, have been rendered u/s by rough handling, the stock of such drums is small and cannot be replaced. In order that petrol drums are handled with the utmost care, units will ensure that :-

(a) Drums are not unloaded from or loaded into rail trucks or lorries without the use of a proper or improvised ramp.

(b) All bungs will be securely replaced into bung holes immediately after use.

(TO BE REPEATED IN UNIT ORDERS)

170. DRIED POTATOES - COOKING OF.

Dried potatoes as issued in this Command do not require steeping for long periods prior to cooking. They can be boiled or cooked in stews without any preliminary treatment in approximately one hour. This also applies to dried vegetables.

171. LOCATION OF V.P.D.

With effect from 16 May 42, the V.P.D. will be situated at PELAWATTA ESTATE, WATALAMA SOUTH.

For the information of units drawing vehicles the following route out of COLOMBO is advised :-

VICTORIA PARK
ALEXANDRA PLACE
HORTON PLACE
CASTLE STREET
COTTA ROAD
COTTA VILLAGE turn left for
DAHIWALA-GALLA VILLAGE turn right for
PELAWATTA ESTATE.

172. RAILWAY OPERATION PERSONNEL.

Certain Railway Operations, Construction and Workshop companies are now being formed from Civilian Railway personnel. These men will be in uniform and subject to Military Law, but will remain in their own homes and will continue to work the Railway.

Orders will not therefore be given to these troops by any other Military Personnel except officers of the Transportation Directorate.

In no circumstance will any officer or man interfere with the running of trains on the permanent way.

173. ALTERATION TO EQUIPMENT, ETC.

Alterations or modifications to equipment, vehicles or arms will NOT be made or attempted without prior approval of this HQ.

174. CANS, WATER, 2 GALLON.

Units will advise ADOS AIF (CEYLON) by 31 May 42 the number of Cans, Water, 2 gallon, required to complete War Equipment Table.

[illegible] Lt-Col:

DISTRIBUTION. [illegible]

N O T I C E S

CARRIER PIGEON SERVICE.

It is anticipated that this formation may be issued with a loft of pigeons for message carrying purposes.

Units will submit a return to reach this HQ by 30 May 42, of all ORs who have had previous experience in the breeding and handling of pigeons. The return will indicate the extent of the experience of each person included in the return.

CHAPLAINS' CONFERENCE.

A Conference and retreat for all chaplains other than R.C. will be held at Bishop's House, COLOMBO on Tuesday and Wednesday 9 and 10 June 1942.

Chaplains should assemble at 1200 hrs 9 June 42.

CLERK WITH LEGAL EXPERIENCE.

Units will call for applications for a clerk with legal experience to be attached to this HQ. All applications setting out qualifications of applicant and typing ability (if any) will be forwarded to this HQ by 30 May 42.

A.C.F. - DISTRIBUTION OF COMFORTS.

An A.C.F. distribution of 2 packets of cigarettes and 1 packet of razor blades will be made to all ranks on 25 and 26 May 42.

The same procedure will be adopted as set out in Notice AIF (CEYLON) Routine Orders Serial No.5 page 6 with the following alteration of dates :-

Section	(b)	26 May in lieu of 7 May 42.
"	(c)	25 May in lieu of 6 May 42.
		24 May in lieu of 5 May 42.
"	(d)	25 May in lieu of 6 May 42.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

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General Officer Commanding, Australian Imperial Force in Ceylon.
(Subject to confirmation by His Excellency The Governor-General.)

Headquarters
Australian Imperial Force (CEYLON)
23 May 42.

2/1 AUST FD REGT

To be Temporary Captains

Lieut E.V. Haywood	22.4.42
Lieut L.R. Lester	26.4.42

2/2 AUST FD REGT

Lieut P.H. Voutier ceases to be seconded and resumes regimental duties 15.5.42

2/6 AUST INF BN

To be Temporary Captains

Lieut F.D. Clarke	3.4.42
Lieut H.B. Gullett	1.5.42

2/7 AUST INF BN

To be Temporary Captain

Lieut H.W. Thomas, DCM, and remains seconded 22.4.42

CHANGES IN ALLOTMENT FOR DUTY

The following changes in allotment for duty have been approved by the General Officer Commanding, Australian Imperial Force in Ceylon :-

Appointment	Rank and Name	Date	Remarks
HEADQUARTERS AIF (CEYLON)			
Attached for Arty duties	T/Maj F.H. Wood, 2/2 Aust Fd Regt	21.5.42	
Attached "A" Branch	T/Capt C.V.I.Barndon, 2/2 Aust Fd Regt	17.5.42	
Attached "Q" Branch	Capt R.W.F.McDonald,MC, 2/3 Aust Inf Bn	18.5.42	

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Substitute "boots canvas or chaplis"

169. PETROL DRUMS - 44 GALLONS.

A considerable number of petrol drums, 44 gallon, have been rendered u/s by rough handling. The stock of such drums is small and cannot be replaced. In order that petrol drums are handled with the utmost care, units will ensure that :-

(a) Drums are not unloaded from or loaded into rail trucks or lorries without the use of a proper or improvised ramp.

(b) All bungs will be securely replaced into bung holes immediately after use.

(TO BE REPEATED IN UNIT ORDERS)

170. DRIED POTATOES - COOKING OF.

Dried potatoes as issued in this Command do not require steeping for long periods prior to cooking. They can be boiled or cooked in stews without any preliminary treatment in approximately one hour. This also applies to dried vegetables.

171. LOCATION OF V.R.D.

With effect from 20 May 42, the V.R.D. will be situated at PELAWATTA ESTATE, WATTALA SOUTH.

For the information of units driving vehicles the following route out of COLOMBO is advised :-

VICTORIA PARK
ALEXANDRA PLACE
NORTON PLACE
CASTEL STREET
COTTA ROAD.
COTTA VILLAGE turn left for
KADUWANELLA VILLAGE turn right for
PELAWATTA ESTATE.

172. TRANSPORTATION PERSONNEL.

Certain Railway Operations, Construction and Workshop Companies are now being formed from Civilian Railway personnel. These men will be in uniform and subject to Military Law, but will remain in their own homes and will continue to work the Railway.

Orders will not therefore be given to these troops by any other Military Personnel except officers of the Transportation Directorate.

In no circumstance will any officer or man interfere with the running of trains on the permanent way.

173. ALTERATION TO EQUIPMENT, ETC.

Alterations or modifications to equipment, vehicles or arms will NOT be made or attempted without prior approval of this HQ.

174. CANS, WATER, 2 GALLON.

Units will advise ADOS AIF (CEYLON) by 21 May 42 the number of Cans, Water, 2 gallon, required to complete War Equipment Table.

Lieut-Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. A.I.F. (CEYLON).

DISTRIBUTION: List "A"

N O T I C E S

CARRIER PIGEON SERVICE.

It is anticipated that this formation may be issued with a loft of pigeons for message carrying purposes.

Units will submit a return to reach this HQ by 30 May 42, of all ORs who have had previous experience in the breeding and handling of pigeons. The return will indicate the extent of the experience of each person included in the return.

CHAPLAINS' CONFERENCE.

A Conference and retreat for all chaplains other than R.C. will be held at Bishop's House, COLOMBO on Tuesday and Wednesday 9 and 10 June 1942.

Chaplains should assemble at 1200 hrs 9 June 42

CLERK WITH LEGAL EXPERIENCE.

Units will call for applications for a clerk with legal experience to be attached to this HQ. All applications setting out qualifications of applicant and typing ability (if any) will be forwarded to this HQ by 30 May 42.

A.C.F. - DISTRIBUTION OF COMFORTS.

An A.C.F. distribution of 2 packets of cigarettes and 1 packet of razor blades will be made to all ranks on 25 and 26 May 42.

The same procedure will be adopted as set out in Notice AIF (CEYLON) Routine Orders Serial No.5 page 6 with the following alteration of dates :-

Section	(b)	26 May in lieu of 7 May 42.
"	(c)	25 May in lieu of 6 May 42.
		24 May in lieu of 5 May 42.
"	(d)	25 May in lieu of 6 May 42.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

List No. 5.

APPOINTMENTS, PROMOTIONS, ETC

Approved By

General Officer Commanding, Australian Imperial Force in Ceylon.
(Subject to confirmation by His Excellency The Governor-General.)

Headquarters
Australian Imperial Force (CEYLON)
23 May 42.

2/1 AUST FD REGT

To be Temporary Captains

Lieut E.V. Haywood	22.4.42
Lieut L.R. Lester	26.4.42

2/2 AUST FD REGT

Lieut P.H. Voutier ceases to be seconded and resumes regimental duties 15.5.42

2/3 AUST INF BN

To be Temporary Captains

Lieut F.D. Clarke	3.4.42
Lieut R.B. Cullett	1.5.42

2/7 AUST INF BN

To be Temporary Captain

Lieut K.W. Thomas, DCM, and remains seconded 22.4.42

CHANGES IN ALLOTMENT FOR DUTY

The following changes in allotment for duty have been approved by the General Officer Commanding, Australian Imperial Force in Ceylon :-

Appointment	Rank and Name	Date	Remarks
HEADQUARTERS AIF (CEYLON)			
Attached for Arty duties	T/Maj P.H. Wood, 2/2 Aust Fd Regt	21.5.42	
Attached "A" Branch	T/Capt C.V.I.Darndon. 2/2 Aust Fd Regt	17.5.42	
Attached "Q" Branch	Capt R.W.F.McDonald,MC, 2/3 Aust Inf Bn	18.5.42	

Lieut P.H. Voutier, 2/2 Aust Fd Regt, relinquished the appointment of L.O., HQ AIF (CEYLON) on 15 May 42.

NOMINAL ROLL OF PERSONNEL WHO EMBARKED "DOMINION MONARCH" 18th May 1942 for RETURN TO AUSTRALIA.

MEDICALLY UNFIT

NX15417	Pte	KELLY	M.B.	HQ 16 Bde	Peptic Ulcer
NX49032	Pte	KUHN	T.	2/2 Bn	Torn external semilunar Cartilage L.Knee
NX13096	Gnr	MOSS	W.A.	2/1 Fd Regt	Recur Synovitis Rt.Knee
NX9563	Pte	NICHOLSON	H.R.	2/3 Bn	Arthritis & Recurrent Synovitis Lt Knee
NX69118	Pte	SMITH	N.H.	2/2 Bn	Psychosis(?Dementia Praecox)
NX13071	Pte	SMITHERS	E.F.	2/3 Bn	Recur Malaria
NX15238	L/Cpl	RYLAND	W.	2/1 Bn	Old Osteomyelitis L.Tibia
VX7418	Pte	HAWKINS	A.E.	2/5 Bn	I.D.K. Rt.Joint with post Traumatic Arthritis
VX32145	Dvr	PRIOR	F.D.	2 Coy ASC	Torn Medial Meniscus Lt. Knee
VX44927	L/Cpl	BARRY	N.C.	43 L.A.D.att 2/1 Fd Regt	Chronic Bronchial Asthma
TX2282	Pte	PHILLIPS	J.	2/3 Fd Hyg	Ruptured Medial Meniscus Lt.Knee

COMPASSIONATE GROUNDS.

NX1759	A/Cpl	PAINE	T.G.	2/2 Bn
NX3740	L/Cpl	WHITE	F.T.	Sigs 6 Div
VX27591	Pte	BERRYMAN	G.L.	2/2 A.F.W.

Capt.
Officer i/c Adv.2nd Echelon.
A.I.F.

SECRET

NOMINAL ROLL.

RETURNEES TO AUSTRALIA PER M/V KAIMATA?

FOR REASONS OTHER THAN MEDICAL.

NO.	RANK.	NAME.	UNIT.		REASON FOR RETURN.
DX 200	Lt. Col.	LUCAS D.S.O. M.C. V.D.	L.C. 24.4.42	H.Q. Engrs 6 Aust Div.	DUTY.
VX 1211	Pte.	FILDES	G. 24.4.42	H.Q. Engrs 6 Aust Div.	DUTY.
NX 5017	Lieut.	AYRTON	E.H. 24.4.42	2/3 Aust Inf Bn.	COMPASSIONATE LEAVE.
VX 26326	Pte.	SANDFORD	B. 24.4.42	1 Ord Fd Pk. 4/93	TO REJOIN UNIT.
VX 44118	Pte.	McALEESE	H.M. 24.4.42	1 Ord Fd Pk. 4/94	TO REJOIN UNIT.
VX 26649	Pte.	PLANT	A.F. 24.4.42	1 Ord Fd Pk. 4/92	TO REJOIN UNIT.
VX 35248	L/Cpl.	YOUNG	W.B. 24.4.42	1 Ord Fd Pk. 4/91	TO REJOIN UNIT.
NX 6118	Cpl.	DUNCAN	A.M. 4.3.42	Det. Adv 2nd Echelon. 4/100	COMPASSIONATE LEAVE.
QX 9863	L/Cpl.	HAYWARD	E.R. 23.4.42	Details ex Malaya (54 L.A.D.)	
WX 3737	Dvr.	BRIGHOUSE	R. 21.4.42	A.A.P.C. 5/77	TO REJOIN UNIT.
NX 29750	Pte.	HARRIS	G.T. 21.4.42	Att. Y.M.C.A. from 6 Div Salvage Unit. 6/189	DUTY.
	Comm.	WAY	A.A.	Y.M.C.A.	DUTY.

TOTAL: 3 X 9.

A.R. Irwin Lieut
for Officer
Commanding
Embarkation
L. of C. H.Q.

NOMINAL ROLL OF PERSONNEL EMBARKED FOR RETURN TO AUSTRALIA H.T. NARKUNDA
15th MARCH 1942.

MEDICALLY UNFIT.

QX 3281	Pte.	BLAKE	W.E.	1 Aust M.A.C.	Malaria (Clinical)
QX 6385	Lieut.	BRAZIER	T.P.	2/10 Fd Regt.	Heat Rash.
QX 6772	Pte.	GATON	H.W.	1 Aust M & Tpn Gp	Perirectal Abscess.
QX 17	Pte.	GILMORE	C.K.	2/9 Bn.	Pneumonia.
QX 8469	Pte.	GLASSON	H.R.	2/26 Bn.	Chronic Dyspepsia.
QX 6453	Major	Hoare	N.B.	2/26 Bn.	Anxiety Neurosis.
QX 20361	Pte.	HANTTAN	A.G.	2/31 Bn.	Broncho Pneumonia and Pleurisy.
QX 10110	Sgt.	McDONALD	J.K.	2/6 Aust Fd Pk.	Chr L Pyelionephritis.
QX 23344	Pte.	NELSON	C.R.V.	2/2 Pnr Bn.	2nd Degree burn Lt Leg.
QX 9470	Gnr.	RICHARDSON	T.W.	2/10 Fd Regt.	Torn Medial Meniscus Lt Knee.
QX 880	Gnr.	ROTHON	D.H.	2 A/Tk Regt.	Infectuve Hepatitis.
QX 10869	Pte.	ROBSON	S.L.	2/9 Bn.	Pneumonia.
QX 10661	Pte.	SEARLE	W.J.	2/25 Bn.	Recurrent Pyelitis.
QX 10778	Pte.	SOMERFIELD	M.J.	2/26 Bn.	Ext G.S.W. Lt Shoulder with Comm Scapula.
QX 22163	Pte.	TEDMAN	R.G.	2/30 Bn.	Comp Depress Fract Skull.
NX 76460	Lieut.	ALEXANDER	M.R.	2/10 Ord Wkshop.	Shrap Frag R Lumbar Region.
NX 37233	Pte.	BARCHAM ✓	A.	2/3 Bn.	Epilepsy.(Grand Mal)
NX 71728	Pte.	BRACK ✓	T.J.	2/3 Bn.	Sub Acute Dermatitis.
NX 31018	L/Cpl.	BRENNAN	B.J.	2/30 Bn.	Comp Frac L Ulnar and R Metarsal.
NX 69631	Gnr.	CALDWELL	J.	2/5 Fd Regt.	Seborrhoic. Dermatitis.
NX 52211	Pte.	CLOSE	M.J.	2/18 Bn.	Perforating wound Rt Chest.
NX 69775	Pte.	COATES	A.	2/3 Aust Res M.T. Coy.	Septic Abrasion Rt Ankle.
NX 35743	Pte.	COLLINS	J.W.F.	2/19 Bn.	G.S.W. R Forearm Comp Frac R Radius and Ulnar.
NX 44438	Pte.	COOKEY	H.R.	2/2 Bn.	Hysteria.
NX 11319	L/Cpl.	DOWTON	W.H.	2/10 Bn.	Varicella.
NX 28594	S/Sgt.	DUDLEY	B.D.	1 Aust L.A.A. Regt.	Broncho Pneumonia.
NX 53082	Pte.	EDWARDS	A.R.J.	2/2 Aust A.F. Wkshop.	I.D.K. Left.
NX 915	Pte.	EDWARDS	F.H.	2/30 Bn.	Severe Heat Rash.
NX 54040	Sigm.	FAIRCLOUGH	J.	Sigs 8 Aust Div.	Comp Frac R Ilium Perfor Caecum.
NX 37639	Pte.	GILMORE	C.	2/30 Bn.	Bronchitis and Asthma.
NX 47458	Pte.	GRAHAM	C.J.	2/30 Bn.	G.S.W. Lt Arm. - Open Fracture Lt Hum.
NX 59758	Pte.	GRANT	R.J.	3 Aust M.A.C.	Infected Sunburn Head - Face.
NX 7446	Cpl.	HALTON	A.W.	Sigs 1 Aust Corps.	Pneumonia.
NX 26335	Sgt.	HAID	S.	H.Q. 8 Aust Div.	Sub Acute Tonsillitis.
NX 33025	Gnr.	HYLAND	W.J.	2/15 Fd.Regt.	G.S.W. with Comp Frac Tarsal bones.
NX 71955	Pte.	JAMIESON	R.	No 1 Coy AASC.	Arteriosclerosis Overage
NX 71864	Pte.	LEANT	M.J.	2/3 Aust Res M.T. Coy.	Exhaustion Neurosis.
NX 72073	Pte.	LEWIS	J.G.	2/3 Aust Res M.T. Coy.	Exhaustion State.
NX 72421	Pte.	LYONS	L.	2/30 Bn.	Typhus Fever.(Scrub Type)
NX 29426	Pte.	MARTIN	E.E.	2/30 Bn.	Shrap Wd Penet R Shoulder.
NX 40615	Pte.	MULLENS	M.J.	2/18 Bn.	Recurr Bronchitis Brchasth.
NX 13298	Pte.	McCAVIN	C.J.	2/33 Bn.	Measles - Malaria (Clin) Pneumonia.
NX 71799	L/Sgt.	McLEAN	J.B.	104 Aust Gen Tpt Coy.	Acute Appendicitis.
NX 54282	Cpl.	PAGAN	A.D.	2/12 Fd Coy.	Comp Frac Metacarpal Rt Hand.
NX 60388	Cpl.	POWER	F.P.	2/19 Bn.	Loss of power fingers 3,4,5 Lt Hand. E.C.
NX 21222	Gnr.	RAYNOR	D.W.	2/5 Fd Regt.	Mortar Wnd Lt Forearm.
NX 33552	Pte.	SPENCE	C.T.	2/18 Bn.	Varicella.
NX 71983	Pte.	STEEL	W.	3 Aust Res M.T. Coy.	Sword Slash Back.
NX 51415	Pte.	THATE	C.T.	A.S.C. 8 Aust Div.	Bilat. Femoral Thrombosis
					Mult Wds Shoulder Arm and [illegible]

MEDICALLY UNFIT. (Continued)

NX	9314	Spr.	TICKLE	R.L.	2/1 Fd Coy.	Dermatitis both Legs.
NX	69239	Pte.	WILKINS	S.F.	3 Aust Res M.T. Coy.	Perionychia. L Great Toe.
VX	39047	Lieut.	ANDERSON	W.G.F.	4 Aust Res M.T. Coy.	Essential Hypertensia - Exhaustion Neurosis.
VX	36113	Pte.	BAUCKHAM	S.T.	2/29 Bn.	Amp L Arm G.S.W. Chest Wall.
VX	36273	Pte.	BLAKE	J.	2/5 Fd Amb.	Pneumonia.
VX	53635	Spr.	CARVER	D.L.	Mob Bath and Decontam Unit.	Typhus Fever. (Scrub Type)
VX	55948	Pte.	CONDON	D.A.	2/1 Pnr Bn.	Bronchial Asthma.
VX	63546	Pte.	DALY	E.L.	4 Aust Res M.T. Coy.	Septic Ulcer Lt Leg.
VX	23996	Pte.	DOHERTY	A.	2/2 Pnr Bn.	Malaria. Acute Nasal Sinusitis.
VX	33551	Pte.	DOUGLAS	F.	2/10 Fd Coy.	Cellulitis Lt Forearm.
VX	29287	Pte.	FITZPATRICK	S.	2/8 Bn.	Grand Wd 4 &5 Toes R Foot.
VX	22252	Pte.	HARSCURD	A.J.	105 Aust Gen Tpt Coy.	Frac r Lumbar Vertebrae 2,3,4, Frac L Clavicle.
VX	29383	Spr.	HOY	M.H.	2/10 Fd Coy.	Sup burn L Forearm.
VX	63480	Sigmn.	MERRILEE	C.C.	Sigs 8 Aust Div.	Bronchial Asthma.
VX	18490	Pte.	KNIGHT	A.	2/2 Pnr Bn.	Spondylitis. (Neurasthenia)
VX	34945	Cpl.	LAMB	J.	2/29 Bn.	Ulnar Nerve lesion Lt Wrist Facial Nerve lesion(Prob) Acne Vulgaris (Improving)
VX	40572	Pte.	LANGRIDGE	J.D.	2/8 Bn.	Infective Hepatitis.
VX	48088	Spr.	McMANKIN	H.	2/6 Fd Coy.	Bronchial Asthma.
VX	685	Lieut.	MELO	H.D.	2/2 Fd Regt.	Injury Medial Meniscus Lt Knee.
VX	32594	Pte.	MORROW	H.	2/9 Fd Amb.	Tinea hands and feet.
VX	20825	Pte.	MUNRO	T.H.	2/2 Pnr Bn.	Chronic Cholecystitis.
VX	60811	Pte.	MURPHY	D.H.	2/2 Aust A.F. Wkshop.	Bronchial Asthma.
VX	20179	Pte.	O'CONNOR	P.	HQ 6 Coy ASC	Plural Effusion Foll Pneu.
VX	32669	Sigmn.	OWEN	F.J.H.	Sigs 8 Aust Div.	Chronic Weeping Eczema Lt Leg.
VX	20185	Pte.	PEARSON	F.G.	2/2 Pnr Bn.	G.S.W. Lt Great Toe.
VX	28875	Gnr.	PRITCHARD	J.H.	4 Aust A/Tk Regt.	Comp Frac R Tibia.
VX	15546	Pte.	QUINLAN	G.R.N.	2/14 Bn.	Pneumonia.
VX	24098	Pte.	RANKIN	A.N.	2/9 Fd Amb.	Exfol Dermatitis.
VX	24275	Pte.	STRATTON	G.F.	2/2 Pnr Bn.	Acute Malaria - Acute Trachio Tharyngitis.
VX	46009	Pte.	WHITMORE	R	2/2 Pnr Bn.	Wound in back
SX	12019	Pte.	CARPENTER	L.W.	2/27 Bn.	Post Appendicectomy.
SX	4625	Pte.	CHAPMAN	R.C.	Sigs 7 Aust Div.	Pneumonia - Malaria B.T.
SX	4889	Pte.	CLIFT	R.M.	2/3 M.G. Bn.	G.S.W. L Scapular region Frac Acromial process.
SX	4851	Pte.	COLEMAN	K.F.	2/6 Fd Amb.	Post Febrile Debility.
SX	9618	Pte.	EVANS	G.E.	A.S.C. 8 Aust Div.	Simp Frac Mid 1/3 L Femur.
SX	10660	Pte.	HOWELL	S.E.	2/10 Bn.	Broncho Pneumonia.
SX	10028	Pte.	MARSHALL	J.	2/6 Fd Amb.	Malaria (Clin) recurrent.
SX	11643	Pte.	McGREGOR	A.H.	4 Aust Res M.T. Coy.	Chr Fibrositis-(Lumbo-sacro) ? Osteoarthritis R Hip.
SX	6112	Sigmn.	QUICK	A.	Sigs 8 Aust Div.	Potts Frac R Ankle.
SX	104	Pte.	SHANNON	A.R.	1 Aust Mov & Tpt Cp.	Pneumonia.
WX	1617	Lieut.	DACK	01/17 W.R.	Sigs 7 Aust Div.	Duodenitis.
WX	8841	Pte.	HANRAHAN	P.T.	2/7 Fd Amb.	Pleural effusion foll Pneu.
WX	9259	Sigmn.	HARE	L.W.	Sigs 1 Aust Corps.	Measles and Bronchitis.
WX	2287	Pte.	HARNER	H.	2/8 Bn.	Residual debiluty.
TX	870	Pte.	LIFE	C.W.	2/12 Bn.	Pneumonia and Pleurisy.
TX	1406	Pte.	MORTON	J.K.	2/12 Bn.	Broncho Pneumonia and Pleurisy

13847	L/Cpl.	KEMP	S.A.	F.M.S. Vol Fcs.	Follicular Tonsillitis.
22/43	A.B.	CORBETT	V.J.	R.A.N.	Frac Skull.
S3514	A.B.	HAZELL	S.P.	R.A.N.R.	Tropical Neurasthenia.
H1518		CLARKE	W.C.	R.A.N.R.	General debility Septic sores buttock, severe nerve exhaustion.
B3022	O.S.	McKENZIE	W.	R.A.N.	General debility Septic sores buttocks, legs & groin, severe nervous exhr stion.
20156	L/Cook.	WAHLEN	L.G.	R.A.N.	General debility - Septic sores on nads, legs and butt, severe nervous exhaustion.
FM2951	A.B.	CROON	A.C.	R.A.N.R.	General debility - septic sores butt legs, severe nervous exhaustion.
12772	Sto/PO.	BRAZIER	T.	R.A.N.	General debility - septic sores butt legs severe nervous exhaustion.
18187	Steward.	KIERNAN	S.M.	R.A.N.	Furuncld.
2266	1 Stck.	PRESCOTT	M.W.	RMAS Kenbrine.	Eczema - Collilitis and expos.
S4478	A.B.	WEINREICH	W.D.	R.A.N.R.	Gen debility - septic sores legs and thighs - severe nervous exhaust.
24473	O.D.	BUCKLEY	L.P.	R.A.N.	Gen debility - septic buttock & legs - severe nervous exhaustion.
21620	L/Stkr.	CAMBRIDGE	F.F.	R.A.N.	Gen debility - septic butt & legs - severe nervous exhaustion.
23369	L/Stkr.	STEPHENSON	D.L.	R.A.N.	Gen debility - lacerat wd Toe.(Shark bite) Se sores butt & legs, hip severe nervous exhaust.
21747	L/Sup/Asst.	NAPPAN	N.A.	R.A.N.	Gen debility - Sep sor legs & butt - severe nervous exhaustion.
B3142	O.S.	ARCHIBALD	J.R.	R.A.N.R.	Gen debility - Sep sor legs & butt - severe nervous exhaustion.
B2966	O.D.	MARSHALL	R.L.	R.A.N.R.	Gen debility - Sep sor butt & hips - severe nervous exhaustion.
NX404941	Sgt/Plt.	POWELL	C.J.	RNZAF.	Loss R Eye - Frac L Tib & Fibula.

NON MEDICAL RETURNEES.

QX 4993	Sgt.	ALLEN	G.V.	1 Aust A/Tk Regt.
QX 20949	Pte.	FRANCIS	G.	2/26 Bn. 19/10/21
NX 41435	Spr.	ADAMS	E.L.	2/10 Bn. 24/10/43
NX 15701	Sgt.	BERGELIN	G.F.	2/6 Fd Regt.(Att 2nd Echelon)
NX 9909	Cpl.	BUTLER	E.W.	A.A.P.C.
NX 16235	Sgt.	CONNOLLY	C.V.	A.A.P.C.
NX 33626	L/Bdr.	KEITH	R.A.	H.Q. 3 Aust Div. 19/10/44
NX 25541	Pte.	MEREDITH	L.	A.I.F. Details. 19/10/44
NX 20133	Pte.	PAINTER	J.M.	1 Aust Corps Sal Unit. 3/11
NX 27198	Pte.	SETON	J.S.	1 Aust Corps Sal Unit. 3/11
VX 19518	Cpl.	BOSSONS	J.V.	A.A.P.C.
VX 55102	W.O.II.	BROOMEHANK	E.W.	A.A.P.C.
VX 16571	Pte.	CONDIE	P.C.	H.Q. 1 Aust Corps. 19/10/20
VX 58386	Chapl.	EDGHEM	C.	A.A.Chd.
VX 17100	Cpl.	JENNINGS	A.H.	1 Aust Corps Mob Bath. 3/11
VX 21861	Pte.	LITTLEWOOD	C.H.	1 Aust Corps Mob Bath. 3/11
VX 9738	Lieut.	MARKS	T.J.T.	A.A.P.C.
VX 17611	Pte.	MUNRO	D.B.	A.A.P.C.
VX 37742	Gnr.	O'CONNOR	M.J.	3 Aust L.A.A. Regt. 19/10/44
SX 9053	Pte.	ANDERSON	F.H.	1 Aust Corps Sal Unit. 3/11
SX 204	Cpl.	BAKER	T.R.	A.A.P.C.
SX 9803	Pte.	MADIGAN	J.C.	A.I.F. Details. 19/10/44
SX 101	Cpl.	McLOUD	L.P.	A.A.P.C.
NX 4353	Pte.	NICHOLS	A.	2/16 Bn. 19/10/44
NX 10130	Pte.	SLEIGHT	K.C.	A.A.P.C.
TX 5126	Cpl.	MARQUIS	J.T.	A.A.P.C.

R.A.A.F. Details 5 x 9.

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AUST M.G. TNG BN.

NX 34676	Major	R.L.	HAWKE.	SX 9231	Pte.	CHAPMAN	J.H.
QX 7312	A/WO 1.	HOBBS	R.W.	WX 467	Sgt.	OSBORNE	S.H.
VX 5849	WO 11.	MILES	J.	WX 5858	S/Sgt.	GILLEN	K.S.
QX 1763	Pte.	BRADY	L.A.	TX 232	S/Sgt.	POWER	K.T.
QX 2546	Sgt.	GIBSON	N.W.	QX 13868	L/Sgt.	McNAMARA	L.J.
QX 9073	Pte.	FRENCH	V.	NX 11021	A/Cpl.	WILKINSON	R.D.
QX 7481	Pte.	WICKS	A.R.	NX 28387	L/Sgt.	LARMACH	K.
NX 33408	A/Cpl.	MILLS	M.	NX 30172	Sgt.	MOUTON	M.J.
SX 603	Sgt.	HUGHES	H.J.	VX 24406	Pte.	CULLINGER	F.C.
SX 6214	Pte.	REID	A.V.	SX 7915	Sgt.	MILLS	H.
SX 6550	Pte.	WILES	C.J.				

AUST ARMD TNG REGT.

WX 1158	Lieut.	HAYTER	P.E.	QX 5273	Tpr.	HANSON	A.G.
QX 17776	WO 11.	ORTON	W.C.	QX 9383	Cpl.	TIMMS	D.H.
VX 6627	WO 1.	RYAN	J.M.	SX 2258	A/Cpl.	THORPE	F.
VX 2133	A/WO 11.	TANNER	B.G.	TX 510	Tpr.	MAINWARING	V.F.
NX 1549	Sgt.	HARRIS	W.J.	VX 5667	Tpr.	HOCKER	H.J.
NX 67544	A/Sgt.	McPHEE	M.D.	VX 57652	Tpr.	McTAGGART	R.V.
NX 65698	Tpr.	MULLALY	Dst C.	VX 43214	A/Cpl.	MATHESON	W.
QX 23247	Tpr.	BEAN	W.F.	WX 14099	Tpr.	McBRIDE	D.G.
QX 11957	Tpr.	GILBERT	C.M.	QX 4723	Sgt.	MOLLOY	J.
QX 21647	Tpr.	GINNIVAN	E.W.	NX 51716	L/Sgt.	NORTON	H.J.

J. Moriarty Capt
ADJUTANT 2nd ECHELON
A. I. F.

HQ AIF (CEYLON) (1)	✓ D	✓	
Aust HQ Sig Bn			
~~Adv~~ 2 Echelon AIF (CEYLON)			
Provost Sec AIF			
4 AGH (18)	✓	✓	✓
12 " (33)		✓	✓
2 Aust Dental Unit			
6 " " "			
2 " Anti Mal Control Unit			
AIF Reinf Coy			
2/3 2d Fd Amb (21)	✓	✓	
2/2 Aust Fd Amb			
Aust Gen Hosp (7)	✓	✓	✓
2/1 2d Regt (9)		✓	
43 LAD 34	✓	✓	✓
2/2 2d Fd Regt (25)	✓		
40 LAD			
1 Aust Amb ~~Fd~~ Bty			
49 Aust LAD			
~~RAE~~ HQ 6 Aust Div (2)	✓	✓	✓
2/1 Aust 2d Coy (3)	✓	✓	✓
2/8 " " " (4)	✓	✓	✓
22 Aust 2d Fd Coy (8)	✓	✓	✓
80 LAD (16)	✓	✓	✓
Sigs 6 Aust Div (23)	✓	✓ D	✓
42 LAD (5)	✓	✓	
16 Bde (10)	✓	✓	
2/1 Bn (12)	✓	✓	✓
2/4 Bn (13)			

Unit.	Mar	Apr	May
2/3 Bn (14)	✓	✓	
45 LAD			
17 Bde (11)	✓	✓	✓
2/5 Bn (15)	✓	✓	✓
2/6 Bn (16)	✓	✓	✓
2/7 Bn (17)	✓	✓	✓
46 LAD			
1 Coy AHSC (22)	✓	✓	Orig and Dupl sent Together ✓
2 " " (27)		✓	✓
2/1 Aust Div Troops (19)	✓	✓	✓
2/2 " " " (20)	✓	✓	
6 Aust Div Troops Coy (24)		✓	
~~6 " " Det HQ~~			
6 " " Postal			
3 Aust Base P.O.			
AHSC (32)	✓		
HQ Empl Pl			
~~AACF~~			
~~AF Kit Store~~			
15 Inf TB Gp			
17 Inf " "			
ADOS (29)	✓	✓	
ADMS (26)		✓	
H.Q. (30)			
~~HQ AHC~~ Stay Cook (28)		✓	

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

ARMY AGENTS

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

Army Form W. 3008.
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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

42 Quest. L A D (Unit.) For Week Ending 20th June 1942

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

War Establishment.	1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (*i.e.*, deficits on establishment).
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	Lieut.-Colonels			
	Majors...			
	Captains	1	—	—
	Lieutenants			
	2nd Lieutenants			
	Quartermasters			
	District Officers			
	TOTALS	1	—	—

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (*e.g.*, Major-General, Brigadier, etc.).

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (*e.g.*, present whereabouts, if known).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2 M. or S.	3 Substantive Rank.	4 Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	5 Name and Initials.	6 Corps.	7 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	8 Date Joined Unit.	9 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
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(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

42 Quest L.A.D.
(Unit.)

20th June 1942
(Date of Despatch.)

O.C. 42 QUEST L.A.D., A.A.O.C.
(Signature of Commander.)

Att. SIGNALS 6th AUST. DIV.
(Bde., Div., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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Operations Log

"G" Branch

H.Q. A.I.F. (Ceylon)

1 to 31 May 42

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O P E R A T I O N S
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SHEET NO_____

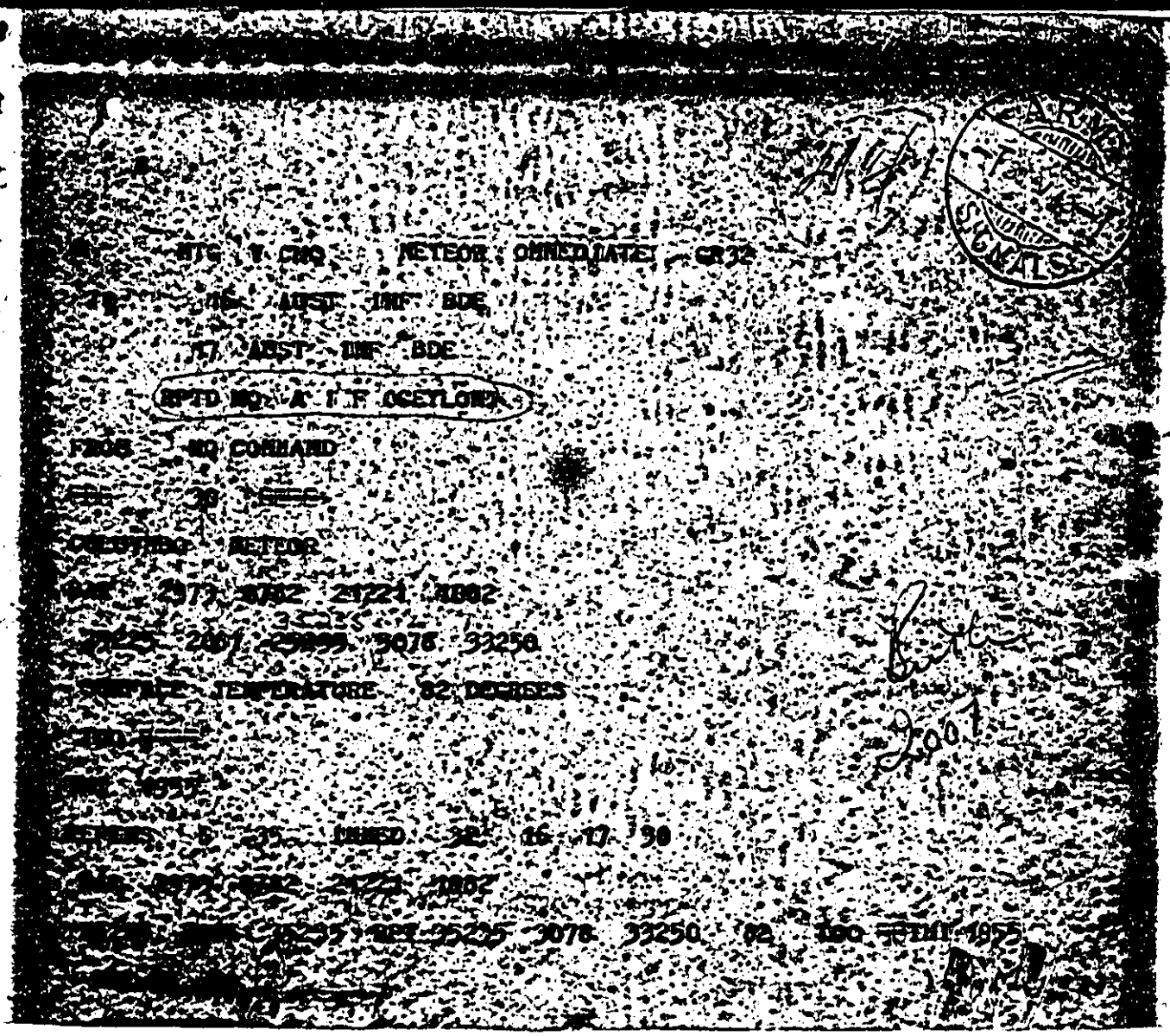
AIR (CEYLON)

(Place) BATTICALOA

(Date) 30 Aug 44

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0800	Hqrs	0800	Radio Defect	
2.	1	0850	HBA	0830	Situation as known at Hqrs	
3.	—	0835	Hqrs	0820	Radio Defect	
4.	261	0900	17 Bde	0731	Situation Report	
5.	Nil		Cmd		Ops Report attached	
6.	-	210	Hqrs		Radio Report	
7.	-	1630	Hqrs		Radio Defect	
9.	210	1950	17 Bde		Situation Report 2 Lt 2 Coy RASC now at MAN 065765 & on Pendeno 064 - E of 52 KM; 2 Lt Aust Hd Qrs at GALLE Sub 92 A 3900 479 RIR 1900 45 Hours situation	
10	-	2000	Hqrs	1955	Radio Defect	



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O P E R A T I O N S
D I A R Y

SHEET NO_____

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) METIGAHA

(Date) 29 June

REF MAPS:

Serial No.	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0650	Comd	0700	Medico Report	
2.	1	0800	16 Bde	0825	Sitrep & situation	
3.	-	0527	Comd	0750	Medico Report	
4.	201	0545	17 Bde	0713	Sitrep & situation	
5.	Medical 201		Comd		See Report attached	
6.	Medical 201		17 Bde		See Report attached	
7.	-	1230	Comd	1200	Medico Report	
8.	704	1400	17 Bde	1335	Sitrep & situation	
9.	-	2130	Comd	2100	Medico Report	

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SHEET NO_____

HQ ATF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 28 Aug

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To Time	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0750	Comd	0400	Meteor Report	
2.	1	0730	17 Bde	0625	Situn:	
3.	-		Comd	0630	Meteor Report	
4.	701	1020	17 Bde	0915	Situation either	
5.	-	1225	Comd		Meteor Report	
6	Initial 201	-	Comd		See Report attached	
7.	-	1610	Comd		Meteor Report	
8.	-	1620	Comd		Meteor Report	
9.	-	2020	Comd		Meteor Report	
10.	703	2120	17 Bde		Situ. either	

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(...) MATUGAMA

(Date) 24 May

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Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards Time Sent	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0615		Cond	0400	Meteor Report	
2.	1	0630		16Bde	0630	Advs & other	
3.	-	0910		Cond	0830	Meteor Report	
~~4.~~	~~2~~	~~1105~~		~~16Bde~~	~~1040~~		
4.	2	1105		16Bde	1040	Location 2/3Bn as at 0800 hrs to Def & BCD Coys with all dets HQ 2 Coy Remained on ceasefire KTR area & A Coy & remainder HQ Coy Camp area	
5.	710	0940		17Bde	1100/26	Ceasefire & ref map CEYLON 1" to 1 mile sheet 52 & location as at 1800 hrs HQ 17Bde 555953 02/7 Bn 775054 moving 227956 at 1900 hrs advs other	
6	-	1220		Cond	1200	Meteor Report	
7.	~~710~~ 702	1305		17Bde	1130	ref map GALLE centralised sheet 92A & Hes HQ now chen AKURESSA 139652 Adv 140685	
8.	-	1640		Cond	1620	Meteor Report	
9.	-	-		Cond	1945	Meteor Report	

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

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

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No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO H. HIST INF BDE 17 HIST INF BDE W/T HQ AIF CEYLON

FROM H Q COMMAND

Originator's Number — Date 5.7 — In Reply to Number —

COUNTED	METEOR	BAR	477-	478	479
1083	1114	201	14214	3679	3145
SIRE	TEMP	74			

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN. 1 12 am

T.H.I. 1 1 —

T.O.R. 0616

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 6

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

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No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO HQ AIF (CEYLON)

FROM 16 HIST INF BDE

Originator's Number 1 — Date 27 — In Reply to Number —

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN. 0630

T.H.I. 0632

T.O.R. 0650

SIGNED [illegible]

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SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER
L	0632	[illegible]	[illegible]								

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MESSAGE FORM

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS — IN: 100 3 F MET — OUT:

No. of Groups: GR. 30

OFFICE DATE STAMP: 1 MAR 15 — SIGNALS

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TO: 16 & 17th Gurd Inf Bde Hqs HQ AIF CEYLON

FROM: Hq Command — Originator's Number — Date: 27 — In Reply to Number

Estimate	Effector	Bar	2978	0782	12207
1082	3218	2081	28260	3078	2260
Surf	Temp	75°	Degrees		

- THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ARMY MEANS.
- IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CIPHER.
- ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS / DEGREE OF PRIORITY

Signed

Time of Origin: 0830

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T.H.I. 0855

T.O.R. 0910

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER
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(Pads of 100.)

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 3-MY

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN 45 Z L4C

OUT (4)

No. of Groups GR. 45T

OFFICIAL PAID STAMP - TEL. M. - SIGNALS

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO HQ AIF. (CEYLON)

FROM 16 AUST INF BDE | Originator's Number 2 | Date 27 | In Reply to Number

Location		2/3	Aust	Inf	Bn
as	at	0800	hrs	today	is
B C D	Coys	with	att	dets	HQ
2	Coy	personnel		on	exercise
KTR	Area	A Coy	and	remainder	
HQ	Coy	Camp	Area		

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

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN T.H.I. 1140

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	1032	MO									

T.O.R. 1105

2130317. Wt. 32318/918. 430m pads. 10/40. [illegible] 81-4012.

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 9

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	No. of Groups	Office Date Stamp
IN 351 - 2 - 6	GR.	
OUT HIGH GRADE CIPHER		

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TO H.Q. A.I.F.

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
17 AUST. INF. BDE.	710	26	

EXERCISE	of	map	CEYLON	one	inch
to	one	mile	SHEET	82	O
locations	as	at	1800	hrs.	H.Q
17	AUST.	INF.	BDE.	858953	O
2/2	AUST.	INF.	BN.	775054	moving
827986	at	1800	hrs	O	SITREP
O	SITNOR	EXERCISE			

This message may be sent as written by any means.

Is liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands. This message must be sent in Cipher.

Originator's Instructions / Degree of Priority

Signed F. F. Burke for O/C

Time of Origin 1800

T.H.L. 1815

T.O.R. 09 Col/L

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22000/1. Wt. 30316/919. 450m. pads. 10/40. G.A. & S. Ltd. 61-3011.

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(Pads of 100.)

MESSAGE FORM

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN 6

OUT PM/MET

No. of Groups GR 33

Sec. No. RMT

OFFICE DATE STAMP

FIRST SIGNALS

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TO 16 AUST INF BDE 17 AUST INF BDE sftl HQ AIF (CEYLON)

FROM HQ COMMAND

Originator's Number 27

Ref. Reply to Number

COLOMBO METEOR BAR 2980 0723 13194

1082 12195 2081 33200 3078 38219

SURFACE TEMPERATURE 78 DEGREES

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 1200

T.H.I. 1205

T.O.R. 1220

Signed

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S2301Y. Wt. 30318/919. 430m. pads. 10/40. 81-8812.

OFFR	INITIALS	DATE
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GLL		
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GLLL(O)		
GLLL(O)L	RLW	2/15
GLLL(I)L		
GLLL(I)LL		
LO(L)		
LO(LL)		
LO(LLL)		
LO(LV)		

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS: OUT

No. of Groups GR. 20

OFFICE DATE STAMP — T27 — SIGNALS

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TO PEF HQ A&T

FROM OTS 17 Bde | Originator's Number 702 | Date 27 | In Reply to Number —

ref	map	CALLE	Centralised	sheet	
92A	O	this	HQ	now	open
ADDRESSA		139682	DIF	140068	
		Schedule 139682 Rev 24/5			

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Signed [illegible]

Address [illegible]

TIME OF ORIGIN 1430

T.H.L. 1433

T.O.R. 150

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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Wt 22518/918 [illegible] pads 10/40 [illegible] 81-4211.

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MESSAGE FORM

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN (8)

OUT P. MET

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP -T 27.V.42.-T SIGNALS

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TO 16 AUST INF BDE 17 AUST INF BDE WTN HQ A.I.F (CEYLON)

FROM HQ COMMAND | Originator's Number 38 | Date 27 | In Reply to Number

COLOMBO	METEOR	BAR	2971	0778	02657
1079	07258	2077	09268	3075	19294
HOT2	12302	5069	14062	6006	21069
SURFACE	TEMPERATURE		80	DEGREES	

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Signed | Signed | T.H.I. 1620

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	1631										

T.O.R. 16No

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

MESSAGE FORM

70 Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN (9) P MET

OUT

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP -T 27.V.42.-T SIGNALS

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TO 16 Aust Inf Bde 17 Aust Inf Bde A.H.Q. H.Q. A.I.F. C.R.

FROM HQ Comd. | Originator's Number | Date 27 | In Reply to Number

Colombo	Meteor	Bar	2971	0778	02657
1079	09285	2077	12318	3075	19294
HOT2	16277	5069	14062	6006	21069
Surface	Temp	78	Degrees		

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Signed | Signed | T.H.I. 1945

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System In	Time In	Reader	Sender	System Out	Time Out	Reader	Sender	System Out	Time Out	Reader	Sender

T.O.R.

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SHEET NO

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 26 May

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Time	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	-		Comd	0100	Meteor Report	
2.	1			16 Bde	0633	Normal situation prevails in this area	
3.	-	[illegible]		Comd		Meteor Report	
4.	709	[illegible]		17 Bde		Exercise location statement 2/5 Bn HQ 8Y 0957 2/4 Bn HQ 879926 2/7 Bn HQ 749031 52 Fd Bty HQ 805025 ADS at 907825	
5.	70[illegible]	[illegible]		17 Bde		Exercise 2/7 Bn moved over AIR 175100 0630 hrs 0 Situation normal	
6.	-	1230		Comd	1200	Meteor Report	
7.	3	[illegible]		16 Bde	1300	2/3 Bn relieve A Coy until all dvr's & [illegible] 2/2 D Coy until all O/R personnel moved to [illegible] & all unit transport [illegible]	
8.	Verbal (20)			Comd		See Report attached	
9.	Verbal (20)			17 Bde		See Report attached	
10.	-	1615		Comd		Meteor Report	
11.	-	2025		"		" "	



SER 1 VTG V CHQ XOO METEOR IMMEDIATE GR 32

TO 16 AUST INF BDE 17 AUST [redacted] INF BDE RPTS HQ AIF CEYLON)

FROM HQ COMMAND

26

COLOMBO METEOR

2977 0781 19243 1082

BAR [redacted]

22245 2081 33246 [redacted] 3079

39249 SURFACE TEMPERATURE 76 DEGREES

TOO [redacted] THI 0400

RPTNS 1 16 17 26 2977 0781 19243 [redacted] 22245 2081

33246 3079 39249 76 0400

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 1

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS — IN 2 — OUT 1

No. of Groups. GR. 17

OFFICE OF ORIGIN — ARMY — T26 V 42 — SIGNALS

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

TO HQ FIF (CEYLON)

FROM 16 MOST INF BDE

Originator's Number: 1

Date: 26

In Reply to Numbers:

Informal Education programme in this area

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Originator's instructions Degree of periority

Time of origin 6633

Signed

Signed (BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

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T.H. 0634

T.O.R.

811/PMEA/3. 5/41.

2 MTG V CHQ T2 Z IMMEDIATE MET GR32

TO 16 AUST INF BDE 17 AUST INF BDE

RPTD HQ AIF (CEYLON)

FROM HQ COMMAND

— 26 —

COLOMBO METEOR

BAR 2979 0782 07174

1083 09182 2081 17223

3079 21239 SURFACE

TEMPERATURE 83

TOO 0830

THI 0845

RPTN 2/2 IMMEDIATE MET ~~23 24 00 26~~

~~BAR 2979 0782 07174~~

~~064 1083 164 09182 2084 17223~~

~~3079 21239 82 0830 0845++AJ++VA++~~

Received 0850 h

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18 MTG V CHQ XOO IMMEDIATE MET GR32

TO 16 AUST INF BDE

17 AUST INF BDE

REPTD HQ AIF (CEYLON)

FROM HQ COMMAND

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C O L O M B O .

BAR 2978 0781 16219 1082 17222 2081 25230 3079 28236

SURFACE TEMP 79

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RHG BARRETT

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SHEET NO

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 25 Jan 42

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0020	Cond	0000	Meteor Report	
2.	712	0800	12 Bde	2000/24	Ref our message 1 of 23 inst & cycle platoons 2/7 Fd left for Kurunegala area 0830 hrs & remain mobile at 615 hrs & attack all times normal	
3.	1	0510	16 Bde	0625	Situation continues normal this area	
4	1	0005 16 Bde	[illegible]		Signal 11-24 inst refreshed	
5	70	0900	12 Bde	0725	Attack & situation	
6	-	0900	Cond	0530	Meteor Report	
7.	2	1004	16 Bde	0905	Ref msg AVISAWELLA 1" C 8 2/2 Km what 9705-6 or 0915-6 air	
8	-	1210	Cond	1200	Meteor Report	
9	2	1210 Cy Cond			Signal 11/24 refreshed	
10	-		Cond	1600	Meteor Report	
11	4	1551	16 Bde	1825	Attack & situation	
12	-	2000	Cond	1930	Conference of G.O.C's will be held mtg HQ 1100 hrs Saturday 30 inst to discuss future disposition of troops.	

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1 MTG V CRQ P MET

TO 16 AUST INF BDE 17 AUST INF BDE REPTD HQ AIF CEYLON

FOM HQ COMMAND



BAR 2976 0781 07185 1082 09212

2081 20231

SURF TEMPERATURE 77

TOO 0400 THR 0410

RPTN 25 2976 0781 07185 1082 09212 2081 20231 77

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GROUPS 28

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SHEET NO_____

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 24 May/42

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0630	Comd	0000	Meteor Report	
2	1	0708	16 Bde	0626	Situ & Sitrep	
3.	-	0800	Comd	0530	Meteor Report	
4.	701	0932	17 Bde	0705	12/712 Situ & Sitrep	
5.	2	1100	16 Bde	1105	2/R Bn has cleared Gp of areas B Coy move out on Bn bearing 1230 has to-day taken 15 Coy & 25 Fld Amb DIKHENA 9770000 to 9505660 HORANA 1" = 097000 to open ground south of PANADURA & HORANA	
6.	-	1215	Comd	1200	Meteor Report	
7.	-	1605	Comd	1550	Meteor Report	
8.	4	1930	16 Bde	1905	Situ & Sitrep	
9.	-	2020	Comd	2000	Meteor Report	
10.	Nil (LO)	2100	Comd		Air Report attached	

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SHEET NO_____

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 24 Aug/42

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
11.	706	2210	17Bde	1745	HQ CEYLON unable to 1" ⊙ this HQ closed present location 1000 hrs 25 Aug ⊙ after mean advance 18409 at 1600 hrs ⊙ Addressa KALUBOWITIYA 15106 KIRINDA 17806 HAKMANA 16106 BELIATTA 17206 TANGALLA 17807 EKKARA 20206 ⊙ Last 17705 HQ TANGALLA 1200 to 1300 hrs ⊙ Signal centre remains present location will forward signals to new location	

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SHEET NO 1

(Unit) MATUGAMA

(Date) 23 May

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To Time	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0630	Comd	0400	Meteor Report	
2.	1	-	16 Bde	0600	Intrep & sitrep	
3.	701	-	17 Bde	0705	Intrep & sitrep	
4.	2	1000	16 Bde	1000	2/3 Rw advise A & B Coys with M/R) pursuant to date Mortar ll carried ll all moved out 0500 hrs to-day for 3 days bivouac DIKWELA 930391 EGALOYA 0227 AMBAGAHAKANDA 0734 DUMBARA 0702 via HORANA 1" O.S. 003130 102127 107134 107142 BIR	
5	Nobal 200	1100	Comd		Met Report attached	
6.	-	1205	Comd	1200	Meteor Report	
7.	-	1615	Comd	1600	Meteor Report	
8.	702	-	17 Bde	1614	Intrep & sitrep 0.C.S 2/6 Rw Hqs Nobal returned 2/7 Rw Nobal arrived to-day 4 officers sitrep	
9.	-	2000	Comd	2000	Meteor Report	

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SHEET NO_____

HQ 4IF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 22 Jan 1

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0705	Cond	0000	Meteor Report-	
2.	1	0715	16Bde	0626	Situation Nil all normal	
3.	701	0630	17Bde	0710	913/939 situ & other	
4.	-	0050	Cond	0521	Meteor Report	
5	-	1220	Cond	1204	Meteor Report	
6	-	1615	Cond	1600	Meteor Report	
7.	707	-	17Bde	1850	Situ & other	
8.	-	2100	Cond	2005	Meteor Report	

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SHEET NO_____

44 ATT (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 21 Jan 42

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0025	Comd	0000	Meteor Report	
2	1	-	16 Bde	0625	Normal situation reported this area	
3.	-	0836	Comd	0520	Meteor Report	
4.	701	1150	17 Bde	0700	Attack & either	
5	Natal LOG	1200	16 Bde		See Report attached	
6.	-	1205	Comd		Meteor Report	
7.	-	1619	Comd		Meteor Report	
8.	6	1550	16 Bde	1520	Attack & either	
9.	-	2005	Comd	2000	Meteor Report	
10.	TAS left	2100 hrs	17 Bde	1705	Attack & either	
11	559	2100	17 Bde	1730	Application made GALLE police for dispersal EKR 559 on 20.2.42 NEDRAMPE dis 1500 120 from 2359 hrs night 25/26 may to 2359 hrs night 27/28 may & police state smaller detail be retained to disperse Public work left CBO and dispersal necessary for evacuation with 2nd Bde & Naval advance	

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3 MTG V CHQ XOO EMERGENCY OPERATIONS GR 35

TO 16 AUST INF BDE

17 AUST INF BDE

JPTD HQ AIF (CEYLON)

FROM HQ COMMAND

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COLOMBO MYTEOR

BAR 2985 0786 14224 1087 16226 2084

17234 3081 2424 4078 26248 SURFACE TEMP 85 DEGREES

TOO 1200 THI 1205

RPTN 3 35 16 17 21 2985 0786 14224 1087 16226 2084

17234 3081 2424 4078 26248 85 1200 1205

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RD 3 1206 JB VA

1215

5 MTG V CHQ XOO K EMERGENCY OPERATIONS GR34

TO 16 AUST INF BDE

17 AUST INF BDE

RPTD HQ A.I F K (VCEYLON)

FROM HQ COMMAND

— 21 —

COLOMBO METEOR

~~BAR 2980 0783 10160 1084~~

BAR 2980 0783 10160 1084

12166 2082 19199 3080 22225 11077

24242 SURFACE TEMPERATURE 79

TO 1600 THI ~~1618 QYPR~~ 1604

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BAR 2980 0783 10160 1084

12166 2082 19199 3080 22225 11077

24242 SURFACE TEMPERATURE 79

TO 1600? THI 1604 D L N VA

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ARMY T21, V.42—T SIGNALS

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SHEET NO_____

HQ AIR (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 20 Nov 1

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	710	0700		17 Bde	1545/19	Intrep & sitrep	
2.	-	0700		Ground	0400	Meteor Report	
3.	1	0700		16 Bde	0625	Normal situation prevails this area	
4.	-	0545		Ground	0530	Meteor Report	
5.	722	0912		17 Bde	0730	Intrep & sitrep	
6.	Medical (20 Nov)	1000		16 Bde		Ops Report attached	
7.	-	1210		Ground	1200	Meteor Report	
8.	-	1606		Ground	1600	Meteor Report	
9.	3	1910		16 Bde	1545	Intrep & sitrep	
10	-	-		Ground	1950	Meteor Report	
11.	707	-		17 Bde	2220	954/233 Intrep & sitrep	

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DIARY

SHEET NO _____

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 19 May 42

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	02462	0500		Comd	1850/18	following from 99 Bde HQ 7100 18 May 742/800 reference Indian Ltr 246/21/G dated 17 May C Bde Comd & Bde reqts inf bde GALLE 19 May 42 for 1100 hrs to discuss details C NOT possible to telephone from here Please inform Item	
2.	707	0500		17 Bde	2105/18	Location statement of GALLE central 2/5 Fm A Cnf 085586 AIR 1090 SQ NW corner fort GALLE B Cnf 127575 AIR 113058 near school C 2/7 Fm B Cnf 408651 AIR 1010 ST south 12 mile post rd PAKURESIA-WELIGAMA	
3.	-	0500		Comd	0400	Nothing Report	
4.	1	0732		16 Bde	0630	Letter & Cipher	
5.	1	0500	17 Bde			Comd & Bde 99 Bde reqting GALLE 19 May 42 for 1100 hrs C 1000 NOT possible to telephone AAK	Rec'd 1100
6	-	0550		Comd	0536	Nothing to report	

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SHEET NO

HQ 4IF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 14 May

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
4.	701	1205	17 Sqn	0707	Gloufly situ & everything is normal	
8.	-	1220	Cond	1200	Nuker Report	
9.	3	1250	188 Sqn	1015	Following from 2/Lt [illegible] of ady under cond & 2/Lt [illegible] relieved 5th inst to-day's situ completed 1130 hrs	
10.	-	1610	Cond	1600	Nuker O.I.-I-	-
11	4	1800	16 Sqn	1605	922033 of HORNET 1" or 092143 AIR	
12	-	2030	Cond	2000	Nuker Report	

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SHEET NO_____

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 18 March 42

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Time	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	Comd		Comd	0300	Meteor Report-	
2.	1	-		16 Bde	0625	Situation remains normal in this area	
3.	15	0939		Comd	0945	Meteor Report-	
4.	-	1025		Comd	0945	" "	
5.	700	1200		17 Bde	0945	Nil to 17 Aust. Inf Bde acknowledge AKURESSA 395632 of GALLE acknowledged	
6.	-	-		Comd	1200	Meteor Report-	
7.	3	1005		16 Bde	1215	B & D Coys 2/2 Fd Regt move out 3 days rations & kit 4-day C ration to DIKWELLA 923391 EMBILIPITIYA 023373 AMBAGAMUWA KANDA 075375 DIMBULA 077015 acknowledge MORNING REPORT 1 Off 093139 103137 107137 103142 AIR	
8.	701	1515		17 Bde	0715	Advance Command [illegible] Inf Bde Hq Australian Armoured Brigade [illegible] CAIR 120105 [illegible] 10-day rations & Coy 2/[illegible] to proceed DAY to WELIGAMA 17 Aust Inf Bde A Coy 2/5 Fd Regt following B Coy 10-day	

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HQ AIR (CEYLON)

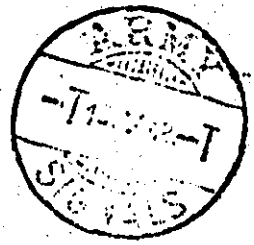
(Place) MATIGARH

(Date) 18 Aug 43

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Time	Inwards From	T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
9.	-		1130	Comd	1160	Meteor Report	
10.	705		2010	17 Bde	1500	Sitrep & Situat.	
11.	~~2015~~		2025	Comd	2000	Meteor Report	

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2D MTG V CHQ T2 Z EMERGENCY OPS GR34

TO 16 AUST NXX INF BDE

17 AUST INF BDE

RPTD HQ AIF (CEYLON)

FROM HQ COMMAND

MET —— ——

COLOMBO METEOR BAR 2979 0783 04116 1084 08116 2082 13130 3080

16135 4077 17130 SURFACE TEMP 77

TOO 0300 THI 0355

REPTN ~~2 34 16 17~~ 2979 0783 ~~04116~~ 1084 ~~08116~~ ~~2082~~ ~~13130~~

~~3080~~ 16135 ~~4077~~ 17130 ~~77~~ 0300 0355

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HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 17 May

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1	-	0030		Comd	0040	Meteor Report	
2.	701	0730		16 Bde	0650	Sitrep & situr	
3.	-	0930		Comd	0835	Meteor Report	
4.	704	0955		17 Bde	0720	Sitrep & situr	
5.	Verbal 20/5	1000		16 Bde		See Report attached	
6	-	1220		Comd	1200	Meteor Report	
7.	703	1250		17 Bde	0940	2/2 Fd Amb Less detmt to HQ 4 CEALLE contact card sheet 7 CEYLON AGR sheet 3 & HQ 398655 - air 139067 PERAMBA A Coy 398655 - air 139067 B Coy less det 2055 ab - air 121055 KOGGALA det B Coy 118581 - air 112055 RENAVISTA HQ Coy 355749 - air 135076 MDS	
8	1	1335		16 Bde		C Coy 2/4 Bn returned to MORANA Camp area night 16/17 map ref map MORANA 1/3370/92141 5 air 092141	
9.	-	1550		Comd	1540	Meteo Report	

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SHEET NO_____

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 17 Jan 45

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
10	708	-	17 Bde	1635	Sitreps o normal	
11.	710	-	"	2030	E hosp at 358516 AIR 136052 road WELIGAMA - MATARA	

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SHEET NO

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 16 May

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To Time	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	-	Cond	0035	Nothing Report	
2.	701	0715	16 Bde.	0640	Normal situation report in this area	
3.	~~Capt~~	0900	Cond	0832	Nothing Report	
4.	701	0905	17 Bde	0700	Nothing to report	
5.	Phone	1120	16 Bde.	1120	2 C.P. reports AA fire over CBO at 1050 hrs & at 1100 hrs 3 unidentified planes seen on bearing 355° magnetic flying North & at same time single plane seen on bearing 250° magnetic flying North.	
6.	-	-	Cond	1201	Nothing Report	
7.	~~Nil~~	Nil	"	1559	" "	
8.	-	2043	"	2018	" "	
9.	702	2120	17 Bde	1520	Nothing either to add to/from HQ 17 Bde move to AKURESSA W01665 at 0530 hrs 17 May	
10.	702	2305	17 Bde	2305	HQ 2/2 Fd Amb moved from BOSSA to area MDS 16 May.	

1 MTG V CHQ XOO EMERGENCY OPS GPS ==

TO 16 AUST INF BDE

17 AUST INF BDE

REPTD HQ AIF CEYLON

FROM HQ COMMAND

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COLOMBO METEOR

BAR 2991 0784 08105 1085 08116 2083 12142 3080 26133

4077 23134

SURFACE TEMP 77 DEGREES

TOO 0435 THI 0438

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SHEET NO_____

HQ 2/3 FD (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date.) 15 May

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To Time	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	MET	0022	Comd	0355	Meteor Report	
2.	701	0715	16 Bde	0633	Sitrep & situr	
3.	-	0905	Comd	0539	Meteor Report	
4.	X205	0922	17 Bde	0740	Sitrep & situr	
5.	verbal (10th)	1000	2/2 RFW		See report attached	
6.	-	1200	HQ	1200	HQ 2/3 Fd Hyg Sec now located 954119	
7	322	1200	2/2 RFW	0935	Ref location statement as at 2359 hrs 14 May & 4 Aust Rec Sic & F Div Sig Coy should read Coy 1st ALUTGAMA 931144	
8	-	1221	Comd	1200	Meteor Report	
9.	-	1613	Comd	1602	Meteor Report	
10.	X202	1620	17 Bde	0955	Ref CEYLON map 1" to 1 mile sht 92 A & location changes C Coy 2/5 Bn now at 131562 AIR HQ 5 GANSABHAWA	

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SHEET NO_____

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 15th May

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To (TIME)	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
11.	730	1940	17Bde	1800	Advise of sitrep	
12.	"	2024	Comd	2000	Sitrep report	

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SHEET NO_____

HQ AIR (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 14 May

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards From	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0035		Found	-	Meteo Report	
2.	Z62	0155		17 Bde	1830/13	C Coy 2/6 Bns now at 233533 AIR 123053 KATALUWA O ref. 5149/1004 9 Mar. correct location 2/2 Gd Regt as follows 0 5-2 Bty less one Tp 393U9477 AIR 140005 near 9th mile post rd WELIGAMA-MATARA C E Tp 359716 AIR 136052 rd WELIGAMA-MATARA rd LAD 385614 AIR 139061 factory	
3.	701	0500		16 Bde	0640	Letter to either	
4.	Z63	0530		17 Bde	0700	Letter to either	
5.	Verbal 12.0 hrs	0900		16 Bde		See report attached	
6.	-	0925		Found	0900	Meteo Report	
7.	-	1215		Found	1159	Meteo Report	
8	Verbal (12.0 hrs)	1600		16 Bde		See Report attached	

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SHEET NO_____

HQ AIR (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 14 May/42

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
9.	-	1600		Cond	1600	Meteor Report-	
10.	Y182	1900		17Bde	1815	Situation Report	
11.	MET	2030		Cond	2000	Meteor Report-	

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SHEET NO

(HQ ARP (SECTOR)

(Locality) MATUGAMA

REF MAPS:

(Date) 13 May 42

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To Time	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0435	Emerg Ops	0500	Meteor Report	
2	70		16 Bde	0650	Situations in this area normal	
3.	261	0845	17 Bde	0735	Sitreps o either	
4.	-	0550	Emerg Ops	THI 0501	Meteor Report	
5	-	1200	Emerg Ops	1200	Meteor Report	
6	-	1700	"	1700	Meteor Report	
7		2055	"	2000	" "	

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SHEET NO_____

HQ AIR (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 12 MAY

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
		TIME				
1.	-	0020	Emerg Ops	0000	Medical Report	
2	7000	0710	16 Bde	0635	Situation this area normal	
3	-	0805	Emerg Ops	0330	Medical Report	
4.	R135	0805	17 Bde	0710	Sitrep & situation	
5.	Y002	1130	16 Bde	1020	15 Pl C Coy 2/2 Bn moved to Bogambara ref PANNIYAI 1" or 6 Gaiety AIR & B Coy with det 3 Pl & sec 4 Pl & C Coy with all G (R) det moving out 3 days inclusive 0800 hrs to-day to Maps 0237 0737 to 0742 ref HIRANA 1" or Maps 102137 107131 to 107142	
6.	-	1215	Emerg Ops	1200	Medical Report	
7.	Verbal 1100		16 Bde		Air report attached	
8	-	1637	Emerg Ops		Medical Report	
9	-	2023	"		" "	
10	R136	2115	17 Bde	1815	Sitrep & situation & KALAMATIYA-GODAWAYA portion of withdrawing calling to report & condition report follows 13 May	

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DIARY

SECRET NO_____

HQ AIR (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 11 Aug.

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	-	0500		Emergency Ops	0424	COLOMBO Meteor 0 Rain 2971 0784 13216 1085 14219 2053 18225 3081 22232 Surface temperature 82°	
2.	799	0710		16 Bde	0640	Situation report this area normal	
3.	R32	0800		17 Bde	0720	Sitrep & situr	
4.	-	0915		Emerg. Ops	0886	Meteor Report	
5	-	1205		Emerg Ops	1150	Meteor Report	
6.	Verbal (LO)			16 Bde		See Report attached	
7.	-	1635		Emerg Ops	1554	Meteor Report	
8	761	1535		16 Bde	1305	Sitrep & situr	
9.	R133	1940		17 "	1810	Sitrep & situr	
10.	-	2030		Emerg Ops	1800	Meteor Report	

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SHEET NO_____

HQ 4TH (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 10 Aug

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To Time	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	7000	0730	16 Bde	0630	Normal situation prevails in this area	
2.	~~7020~~ R129	0930	17 Bde	0700	Situation as before	
3.	Verbal (L.O)		16 Bde		See report attached	
4.	Verbal (L.O)		17 Bde		See report attached	
5.	GR64	1830	C in C CEYLON	1800	I should like to express to you and all your officers my grateful thanks for the care and forethought shown in the detailed arrangements made for my visit to-day. I very much appreciated this and was most deeply impressed in all I saw by the efficiency and high morale of your division.	
6	R130	2005	17 Bde	1815	Patrols at KALAMETIYA AIR 197056 and GODAWAYA AIR 209068 last four nights & Sitrep have reported nothing suspicious & patrols to remain out 2 more nights	

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SHEET NO

(Unit) [illegible]

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 9 May

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	777	0815		16 Bde	0658	Situ as for night 8/9 as normal	
2.	Nutral L.O.(M)			16 Bde		See report attached	
3.	778	1200		16 Bde	1200	Ref our message 702 of 8 May & location C Coy less 15 pl 2 fd Bty allotted to 6 Gds Bde Ref PANDORA 1" or 6 Gds Bde AIR	
4.	742/800	1630		Cond	1630	Automobile Association reports rd VELIGATTA-CUNDALLA breached at 6 extent 12 mile & breach 30' 10' deep & Impassable for 3 days & breach 3 miles from ANURADHAPURA	
5.	53	1650	16 Bde RA SRE			Land rec & repeated	
6.	R128	2120	[illegible]	17 Bde	1905	Situ as either	

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SHEET NO 1

HQ ARTY (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

(Date) 8 May 42

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	700	-		16 Bde	0635	Situps & situr	
2.	Telephone	0835		17 Bde	0835	Warship reported last night by staff captains (2) boats identified as friendly	
3.	701	0925		16 Bde	0855	AB & D Coys 2/3 Bn located 923012 ref HORANA 1" as from 7 May 42	
4.	R124	1110		17 Bde	0700	Situps & situr	
5	Verbal (20")			Comd		See Report attached	
6.	702	2020		16 Bde	1330	A & C Coys 2/3 Bn on 3 days exercise as from 0900 hrs 7 May in area 0242 1144 & 0236 1366 & ref sheet HORANA one inch & 2/2 Bn (Coy less 1 Pl) to move to 6520 53 ref PANADURA 1" B Coy to move to 9491 5 ref ALUTGAMA 1"	
7	703	2020		16 Bde	1500	Situps & situr	
8	R126	2215		7 Bde	1851	Situps & situr	

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(Unit) MATUGAMA

(Date) 7 Jun 61

REF MAPS:

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1.	732b	0515		16 Bde	0150	Situation is as usual normal	
2.	R121	0905		17 Bde	0705	Situp o either	
3.	41	-		16 Bde	-	ref our o/2/258 of 2 map & telephone conversation 7 Map o Sht 6 Aust Def Pos Coy 923430 o both map references for ORDNANCE units correct o 108403 HAA Regt RA 795220 o training unit has not been formed	
4.	Verbal (20)			Comd		See Report attached	
5.	Verbal (20)			16 Bde		See Report attached	
6.	R23			17 Bde		Situp NIL	

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SHEET NO

HQ ATF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA

REF MAPS:

(Date) 6 Mar

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards TIME	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	R15	1025		17 Bde	0720	Situation Report	
2.	H23	1700		1 Aust A TN	1300	This HQ closes at THURSTAN Rd 1500 hrs 6 Mar 42 after which time HQ WINAS HALL Havelock Rd CMB 2 will close CMB 53 UC	
3.	Phone	[illegible]		17 Bde	[illegible]	RAF at KATUNAYAKE report "All Clear" has just been given at TRN 2 Mar 1000 hrs no further details	
4.	H23	1930		17 Bde		Situation Report	
5.	C2051	2120		Comd	2035	Jungle warfare course at AKURESSA 100 by is being run by 1 Aust Div & corresponding officer with practical experience for one week if possible officer should join not later than 2 Mar 42	

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SHEET NO

HQ ATD (CEYLON)

(Place) MATUGAMA ~~COLOMBO~~

(Date) 5th Aug 1

RET MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	7102	0720		16 Bde	0630	Normal situation prevails in this area	
2.	R10[x]	0945		17 Bde	0725	Lt of 0 situation	
3	Nil (2.0)			16 Bde		Secret attached	
4.	75	1030	16 & 17 Bdes			Ref suspect car Z721 3 smaller now fully investigated & no further actions by civil necessary	
5.	7105	1020		16 Bde	1005	15 RE 2½ Amph Lift Res move to 0010 9950 AMITEWE FERRY ref map ALUTGAMA 1" scale	
6.	R113	2005		17 Bde	1025	Location changes ref map CEYLON 1/100,000 sht 92 A & F 4.52 Bty 2½ Fd Regt at 393477 2½ Fd Coy 394677 Recce elm 688579 Sqn HQ 532529 Sect 82 Fd Amb sect ~~Light~~ 685999 det Recce elm 689017	
7.	R14	2005		17 Bde	1000	~~Situation~~ 0 situation	

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SHEET No

HQ AIR (CEYLON)

(Place) ~~COLOMBO~~ MATUGAMA

(Date) 4 May

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	711	0300		16 Bde	0630	Situation continues normal	
2.	R109	1111		17 Bde	0656	Situ as above	
3.	Medical 2003	1400		Comd		See report attached	
4.	Medical 2.0.[illegible]	1100		17 Bde		See report attached	
5.	-	1510		Fort Bty	1520	Two unidentified by enemy type 2/1 sighted bearing 180° range 20000 steaming course 100 possibly COUNTY class modified Bty informed	
6	-	-		Fort Bty	1620	Continuing fort & enemy out of sight- ing course 130	
7.	118	1820	Comd			Situ as above	
8.	119	1834	Fort Bty			Your 11 received - messages TOO 1520 1620 refer to HQ CEYLON Comd informed	

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SHEET NO.

HQ AFD (UNION)

(Place) COLOMBO

(Date) 4 Nov. 42

REF MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
9.	R110	2200	17 Bde	1840	Motor cyclist 2/2 Aust Fd Amb reported two shots fired at him nr GALLE-AKURESSA 282563 between 12 & 13 mile posts 1030 hrs to-day. © sitrep © F.S.S. marked area © nothing suspicious found © BUDDHIST temple marked.	
10.	Phone	2355	Comd		R.N. reports ship friendly	
11.	"	0005 (5 Nov)	17 Bde		Serial 10 repeated	

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SHEET NO.

HQ. ARD (SECTION) MATUGAMA

(Place) ~~COLOMBO~~

(Date) 2 Feb 1

USE MAPS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.C.	Message	Remarks
1.	712	0705		16 Bde	0710	Situation normal this area	
2.	R104	0710		17 Bde	0715	Situ as usual	
3.	Medical (LO)	1100		Comd		See report attached	
4.	Medical (LO)	1100		16 Bde		See report attached	
5.	R108	1900		17 Bde		Situ as usual	
6.	717	1930		16 Bde		Situ as usual	

G III(1) Condemnation
Inq. upon 2 Geo. 2.

Who gave warrant. —
Why delay — fund. —
What action has taken.
Why suspend 8th Settlement.

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R.P.

G III(1) I
Please chase up

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Sheet No.

HQ and (UNIT OR)

(Place) SOLOMONS

(Date) 2 May

REMARKS:

Serial No	Sender's No	Outwards Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.C.O.	Message	Remarks
1	70	0700		16 Bde	0605	Situation as reported as being normal	
2.	RS	1120		17 Bde	0700	Brief o Situn	
3.	Verbal (L O.)			16 Bde		See Report attached	
4.	Verbal			17 Bde		See Report attached	
5.	~~Repeated~~ R105	1900		17 Bde		Brief o Situn	
6.	R106	2015		17 Bde		Buick sedan car Z721 to be detained if seen o taken previously advised and but unconfirmed report states blue sedan of this number seen on road BELICITTA - HAKMANA 165063 AIR 25 Ops o car believed to contain fifth columnist with wireless	
7.	68	2235	Cond 17 Bde A-6			Send 6 reported	

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SHEET NO

HQ 14 Ind (CEYLON) MATUGAMA

(Place) ~~COLOMBO~~

REF MAPS:

(Date) 1 Mar 42

Serial No	Sender's No	Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
1.	430	0515		16 Bde	1000 (30 Feb)	ref map HORANA AND KALUTARA 6 2/3 Bn A Coy 920115 B Coy plc at 595143 565115 671335 C Coy 920115 D Coy 346353 6 6 Amb Dental unit & 1 AGH Dental unit moved to 1 A.G.H. Detachment NO 1 Coy ASC now at 654647 ref. map CBC 1"	
2.	7390	0515		16 Bde	0555	Liberation this area is as usual normal	
3.	Medical (A.D.M.S.)	0900		Amb		See report attached	
4.	1055	1055		17 Bde	0700	Nothing to Report	
5.	7397	1055		16 Bde	1000	2/1 Fd Amb relieve A Coy 2/1 Fd Amb by B Coy and now at unit HQ ref. map HORANA 1" 512255	
6.	Medical (LO 11)	1900		17 Bde		See report attached	
7.	~~HQ~~ R1	2000		17 Bde	1915	Liberation Colombo	
8.	R1	2150		17 Bde	1510	Following movement notified OC Bn Det 1 Aust. Fd. Pk at 355755 & all informed	

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DRAFT No.

HQ 4SD (Section)

(Place) COLOMBO

(Date) 1 May

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Serial No	Sender's No	Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
9.	7399	2215		16 Rdr	1855	Attrep 0 either	
10.	–	2315		16 Rdr	2310	Three shots fired at OR on RATNAPURA SORANA rd between 32 & 35 mile peg 2030 hrs 0 patrol sent out 0 and police doing road 0 report following	

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SHEET No_____

HQ AIF (CEYLON)

(Place) MATURATA

REF MAPS:

(Date) 31 May

Serial No	Senders No	Time	Outwards To	Inwards From	Inwards T.O.O.	Message	Remarks
9.	-	1615		Comd	1615	Index-Report	
10.	052	1615	16 Bde & 12 Bde RAE Sigs AFWJ HQ AIF Trade			Serial 9 repeated	
11	Shipping	1805		AGA HALTWHISTLE	1805	Heavy rain in Katapulana area, possibility of flooding down the nullah to KALUTARA in 2 days - may affect the fords along this	
12.	204	1910		17 Bde	1833	Situation Report	
13.	1103	1920	Comd 16 17 Bde RAE			Serial 11 repeated	
14	4	1920		16 Bde	1850	Situation Report	
15	-	2015		Comd	1950	Index-Report	