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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
	1 Apr.		Summer time introduced, all clocks advanced one hour at 0200 hrs. today. Ammunition State included in appendices. This H.Q. advised that nine 47 mm. equipments are at A.O.D., BENGHASI with ammunition up to G1098 scale and if available may be taken over subject to their being withdrawn later if required for incoming A.Tk. unit. This equipment was issued as follows :- 20 Bde. three, 26 Bde. four and 24 A.Tk. Coy two. Letter to all units re bounds and discipline. Copy in appendices. Units notified of ample supplies of water sterilisation powder and that water sterilisation is unit matter.	Appx.10 " 4
		1500	A conference with Commanders R.A.E., 26 and 20 Inf. Bdes. and 9 Div A.A.S.C. was held. Owing to inability to establish signal communication with site chosen for Rear H.Q., an alternative site, 3 miles WEST of BARCE, 1½ miles NORTH of EL ABIAR Road was decided upon and Rear H.Q. was established here in the evening. Ammunition deficiencies of 2/24 and 2/48 Bns. advised. Copy in appendices.	" 10
	2 Apr.		51 Fd. Regt. carried out field firing, commencing 1100 hrs. Adjacent units notified. Cyrenaica Command advises that trains will be running between BENGASI and BARCE during hours of darkness as well as by day. 24 Bde. instructed to return eighteen BREN guns immediately with associated stores to A.O.D. TOBRUCH. Replacement will be made as soon as possible from guns expected in a few days from EGYPT. Administrative Instruction No.30 issued, deals with states returns etc. Copy in appendices. Routine Orders No.46-52 issued. Copy in appendices. Ammunition State as at 0800 hrs. included in appendices. Cyrenaica Command requested to substitute H.E. for shrapnel in all third supplies of 18 pdr. ammunition. Supply Officer's report, giving outline of supply position as at 0900 hrs., is in appendices. Approval received for issue of 18 ITALIAN L.M.G's. to 24 Inf. Bde. G.2, D.A.A.G. and Camp Commandant reconnoitred new position for Advanced H.Q. Signallers began running cable from Rear H.Q. to Advanced H.Q. Operation instruction issued to 2 Armd. Div. Their task to impose maximum delay on enemy advance on BENGASI by main coastal route.	" 4 " 2 " 10 " 5

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	3 Apr.		H.Q. R.A.E. and 20 Bde. instructed not to destroy enemy bomb and ammunition dumps at LETE orBENINA before 1700 hrs. today and that ITALIAN gas dump is to remain untouched. Advice received from MATRUH Sub Area that approximately 8 Officers and 24 O.R's. of 9 Aust. Div. with one ton of equipment for 9 Div. Sigs. will leave MERSA MATRUH at 0900 hrs, for CYRENAICA. Supply Officer's report detailing the supply position as at 0900 hrs. is included in appendix.	Appx.6
			Check posts were established by 26 and 20 Inf. Bdes. on escarpment on road BARCE-TOCRA and road EL ABIAR-BENINA respectively to stop all movement towards BENGASI unless on authority of officer. Message included in appendices.	" 1
		1240	2 Armd. Div. instructed not to cover coastal route, now to deny enemy access to escarpment by route between SCELEIDIMA and WADI GATTARA and cover left flank 9 Aust. Div. See appendix.	" 1
		1735	All formations and units instructed to take all steps necessary to ensure destruction of all P.O.L.(petrol,oil,lubricants) in their areas in event of moving. See appendix for message.	" 1
			Piquet of one officer and two sections from 15 Bn. was posted by D.A.A.G.(Maj.BARHAM) at EL ABIAR to guide withdrawing parties of 3 Armd. Bde.	
		2130	D.A.Q.M.G.(Maj. DODDS) issued verbal instructions to Rear H.Q. to withdraw with all possible speed to EAST of DERNA, any stores and equipment unable to be carried on available transport to be left. Withdrawal commenced at 2300 hrs., stores and equipment left included 2 tents R.D., 2 tents E.P.I.P., several small cases hard rations, 2 bales blankets and 1 case of boots and clothing. These were not burnt because of the danger of causing fires in the dense scrub. Capt. KROGER (Catering Adviser), who had been transferred to Rear H.Q., together with Capt. CLUTTERBUCK, led the convoy. Capt. WEIR and Lieut. SHARPE remained at BARCE to report the situation to Advanced H.Q. and to liaison with Pro., Pay and Postal units. 9 O.R's. of Pro. Coy. were transported in a truck of the Corps Sigs. attached to Rear H.Q. and arrangements were made with D.A.Q.M.G. for balance of these units to be picked up in BARCE by Advanced H.Q. convoy.	

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	4 Apr.		Supply Officer's report of supply position as at 0100 hrs. is included in appendices. Large quantities of rations and petrol at FORT "X"(about 8 miles WEST of TECNIS). S.S.O. issued as much as possible to units in area and passing through. Natives stole quantity of tea, sugar and milk.	Appx. 6
		0230	D.A.A.G.(Maj. BARHAM) left Advanced H.Q. for Cyrenaica Command H.Q. as L.O. in connection with production by Cyrenaica Command of troop carrying transport for withdrawal of forward Aust. Inf. Bdes. G.S.O.1 (Col. LLOYD) told him 163 vehicles would be required.	
		0530	D.A.A.G. arrived BARCE and reported H.Q. Cyrenaica Command. A.Q. Cyrcom stated that 9 Div. A.A.S.C. had been used to evacuate 4 A.G.H. from BARCE.	
		0625	D.A.A.G. followed H.Q. Cyrenaica Command to Cyrenaica Command Report Centre at MARAUA where he was told 20 ITALIAN lorries were available, 14 R.A.S.C. lorries available shortly and any more becoming available during the day but no more could be guaranteed until after dark. D.A.Q.M.G.(Maj. DODDS remained at Railway Station BARCE where he had ordered unit representatives to meet him and where transport was to rendezvous. Through the afternoon some lorries despatched by D.A.Q.M.G. from rendezvous in BARCE had reported to 20 Inf. Bde. to withdraw troops. At about 1700 hrs. the ITALIAN M.T. arrived at EL ABIAR.	
		1720	At about 1720 hrs. the A.Q.(Col. WHITE) and the D.A.A.G., with an O.C. an A.S.C. Coy., left EL ABIAR. At BARCE the D.A.Q.M.G. could not be located and D.A.A.G's. car, which had been following, was missing so Sjt. BRUCE was left as guide for them. Proceeded to MARAUA, stopping at 15 Bn. en route where A.Q. arranged for transport to be available to move guard on P.O.Ws. in BARCE if required. At MARAUA, A.Q. saw H.Q. Cyrenaica Command. Returned via track running NORTH from TECNIS to 9 Div. H.Q. near D'ANNUNCIO arriving about 2330 hrs.	
		2400	At 2400 hrs. Commander 9 Aust. Div. returned and B.G.S. Cyrenaica Command arrived. Rear H.Q. had arrived at the brick kiln near the foot of the escarpment WEST of DERNA at about 0700 hrs. where they were joined by Capt. WEIR and Lieut. SHARPE. At about 0900 hrs. this convoy moved under command Capt. KROGER to a site 10 miles EAST of DERNA, NORTH of road DERNA-TOBRUCH, where Rear H.Q. was established. Throughout the day M.T. of all descriptions had been pouring into DERNA, the road to TOBRUCH was repeatedly blocked by decrepit ITALIAN M.T. failing on the narrow road over the escarpment. Personnel of "A" Coy. 2/48 Bn. had been controlling traffic in and around DERNA but were relieved by 9 Div. Pro. Coy. at about 1200 hrs.	

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	5 Apr.	0100	D.A.A.G., under instructions from A.Q., went to BARCE via MADDALENA, passing incoming rear party of 26 Inf. Bde. on the way and contacting R.A.C. still withdrawing through BARCE.	
		0615	Arranged with O.C. demolition on SOUTH pass to return at first light with transport for P.O.W. guard. Cancelled tentative arrangements for 15 Bn. to move P.O.W. guard. At 0615 hrs. transport previously arranged for arrived from R.A.S.C. - 6 vehicles, this was taken to P.O.W. cage for transport of guard. D.A.A.G. then returned to D'ANNUNCIO and met A.Q. with whom he went to new site of H.Q. 9 Aust. Div. at TECNIS, arriving early afternoon.	
			S.S.O. established at Fort "X" about 8 miles WEST of TECNIS with large quantities of stores and rations still on hand, his report in appendices.	Appx.6
			Maj. PETERS, D.A.D.M.S. and Maj. STATHAM, S.O.M.E., joined Rear H.Q. Attempts to establish wireless communication with Advanced H.Q. had been unsuccessful owing to wireless set with Rear H.Q. being unworkable and a further set requisitioned for from GAZALA being destroyed en route by enemy air action.	
			This afternoon orders for withdrawal, that night, were issued.	
			A.Q. sent D.A.A.G. to reconnoitre track TECNIS-D'ANNUNCIO and to locate a Coy. R.A.S.C. which was reported to be there. The reconnaisance was completed by dark, R.A.S.C. Coy. not located (non-existent)	
			Whilst returning to H.Q., D.A.A.G. met G.S.O.1 who told him the withdrawal had been cancelled and to stop destruction of supply dumps at Fort "X" and adjacent petrol dumps. Whilst carrying out these instructions D.A.A.G. saw C.O's. of 17 and 15 Bns. whom he informed of the changed plans.	
		1630	Rear H.Q. machine-gunned by 9 enemy planes en route to attack DERNA aerodrome, no casualties but signal van damaged.	
	6 Apr.		The supply position as at 0900 hrs. is given in detail in S.S.O's. report in appendices.	" 6
			Rear H.Q. had established communication with Advanced H.Q. through Rear H.Q. Cyrenaica Command which was about 1 mile EAST.	
		1030	D.A.Q.M.G. (Maj. DODDS) arrived at Rear H.Q. with instructions that it was to move to EL FAIDA. Capt. KROGER and Capt. WEIR to report to Advanced H.Q. at TECNIS.	
		1130	Rear H.Q. under command of Capt. CLUTTERBUCK left for EL FAIDA, Lieut. SHARPE only other officer with Rear H.Q.	

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	6 Apr. (Contd.)		Early in the afternoon the A.Q. held a conference in his office, he ordered :- (a) 8 Lt. A.A. Bty. to pack guns on minimum transport and to send spare transport to Div. H.Q. (b) R.A.E. to make available 4 lorries to 2/24 Bn. (c) "A" Coy 2/6 Fd. Amb. and mobile section 2/3 Fd. Amb. under command 26 Inf. Bde. for move - details arranged with A.D.M.S. (d) one 3 ton lorry in Div. pool to report forthwith to M.D.S. established at LUMLADA (e) Lieut. PRESTON to take Pro. Section in one lorry in daylight and establish traffic points at GIOVANNI BERTA and on road G. BERTA - MATUBA. (f) supplies and P.O.L. at G. BERTA (g) S.C. 26 Bde. to detail Capt. SPIER 2/23 Bn. to report to Div. H.Q. forthwith (h) D.A.A.G. to go to 20 Inf. Bde. and - (i) tell Bde. to blow petrol dumps between 52 and 53 kilo pegs after the column had passed (ii) ask Bde. Commander to make available to 2/24 Bn., 5 R.A.S.C. 3-ton lorries held by 2/17 Bn. and to free all possible transport to go to 2/24 Bn. (iii) (as instructed by Comd. 9 Div.) to tell Bde. Commander that "R" Groups should move earliest possible. D.A.A.G. went to 20 Bde. and then to 2/17 Bn. where C.O. told him the 5 lorries had been sent to forward areas to withdraw troops but agreed to free some 1st. line transport instead. He then proceeded to Fort "X", 8 miles WEST of TECNIS, and found petrol dump being blown. 2/17 Bn. had freed 6 vehicles by emptying out blankets and reserve rations and the D.A.A.G. took the vehicles to main road near Div. H.Q. where he met the A.Q. The A.Q. took over the 6 lorries of 2/17 Bn. to direct them to 2/24 Bn., he directed Capt. KROGER to move with divisional column to new H.Q. in rear position and Maj. BARHAM and Capt. WEIR to wait until an ITALIAN lorry could be started and then to lead it to 2/24 Bn. D.A.A.G. (Maj. BARHAM) and Capt. WEIR, followed by ITALIAN lorry, left TECNIS between 1900 hrs. and 2000 hrs., near SLONTA picked up an empty 2/17 Bn. lorry which had lost its convoy en route to 2/24 Bn. 2/24 Bn. was contacted about one mile WEST of cross roads SOUTH of CYRENE on NORTH road BARCE-DERNA, they were withdrawing EAST with 2/48 Bn., the two vehicles were handed over to C.O. 2/24 Bn. as spares, all troops being on M.T. During the afternoon Rear H.Q., en route to EL FAIDA, received instructions to remain at GIOVANNI BERTA where, early in the evening, they received instructions, delivered by Capt. COSTELLO, to move to GAZALA. Rear H.Q. left G. BERTA, under command Capt. CLUTTERBUCK, about 2000 hrs.	

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	6 Apr. (Contd)		Late in the afternoon Capt. KROGER was sent to 1 N.F. to endeavour to obtain M.T. to assist 26 Inf. Bde., who were very short of vehicles. At 1830 hrs. Capt KROGER reported to the A.Q. who was still at TECNIS, his inability to obtain any M.T. from 1 N.F. The A.Q. instructed him to overtake and move with Div. H.Q. convoy. 2/7 Fd. Coy. reported battle casualties - no Officers and five O.R's. missing.	
	7 Apr.		Rear H.Q. convoy reached GAZALA about 0530 hrs., Capt COSTELLO was there collecting Div. H.Q. vehicles and at about 0630 hrs. he led the way to the new site for Div. H.Q., about 8 miles EAST of GAZALA.	
			S.S.O's. report supply position as at 0100 hrs. in appendices.	Appx.6
		1130	D.A.A.G. and Capt WEIRarrived at Div. H.Q. at approximately 1130 - 1200 hrs.	
		1200	D.A.Q.M.G. arrived at Div. H.Q.	Times approximate
		1230	A.Q.(Col. WHITE) reached Div H.Q.	
			G.S.O. 1 required stragglers' post established about 1 mile EAST of H.Q. on road DERNA-TOBRUCH, Capt. WEIR and Capt. CLUTTERBUCK carried out this duty.	
			Shortly after dark Div H.Q. moved to new H.Q. in WADI SENEL - the entire Div. H.Q. together, move completed about 0200 hrs.	
TOBRUCH	8 Apr.		For supply position as at 0900 hrs. see S.S.O's. report in appendices	Appx.6
		2000	G.S.O. 1 asked for 500 gallons of petrol for raiding party. D.A.A.G. took 3-ton lorry and loaded it with cased petrol with which he went to rendezvous near 20 Inf. Bde. on road DERNA-TOBRUCH from where a detachment R.A.C. and party from 2/15 Bn. under command Maj. ALLEN,2/17 Bn. left at about 0210 hrs. for DERNA aerodrome.	
"	9 Apr.		D.A.A.G., G.3(O) and Camp Commandant (Capt. COSTELLO) went to reconnoitre new site for Div. H.Q. at FORT SOLARO. Afterwards reconnaisance party told concrete caves existed at site so returned and located them on PILASTRINO Road. Capt. WEIR reconnoitred for Rear H.Q. in area vicinity FORT PERRONE.	
			S.S.O's. report on supply position as at 0900 hrs., is in appendices.	" 6
			Administrative Instruction No. 31 issued, copy in appendices.	" 3
			Units notified of whereabouts of water point (limit ½ gal. per man per day), supplies P.O.L., A.D.S's. and A.P. See appendix.	" 1
			Rear H.Q. moved to temporary site in WADI AUDA about 2100 hrs.	
			Advanced H.Q. moved to new site in concrete caves at foot of escarpment, WEST of PILASTRINO Road.	

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TOBRUCH	10Apr.	0900	20 Bde. instructed that Maj. McCAFFERY is to report to H.Q. 9 Aust. Div. as G.S.O.3 (O). 20 Bde. to submit nominations for Bde. Major. Units notified of supply points. Gen. PLANT advised of approximate casualties sustained in withdrawal from BENGAZI - 18 Officers 300 O.R's., believed majority prisoners. Message in appendices Late in the afternoon Rear H.Q. moved from the WADI AUDA to 41134375, about half a mile from the sea in a small open wadi, NORTH of Fort PERONNE.	Appx. 1
"	11 Apr.		Maj. A.J. OVERELL, Senior Supply Officer 9 Div. A.A.S.C., took over from Capt. C.H. LOCKE who had been acting S.S.O. His report on the supply situation as at 0900 hrs. is in appendices.	" 6
			Units notified that MOLOTOV COCKTAILS are being manufactured and may be obtained in TOBRUCH. Message included in appendices.	" 1
			Brigades instructed to equalise distribution of weapons within Bdes.	
			Units notified of arrangements for burials. Message included in appendices.	" 1
			Units notified that water is strictly limited to half a gallon per man per day and of arrangements for drawing. Copy of message in appendices.	" 1
"	12 Apr.		Units notified location of Advanced H.Q. and instructed that all states, returns and A.Q. matters will be addressed there.	" 1
			Bdes. instructed to return all troop carrying transport, not specifically allotted for carrying reserves, to 345 Coy. R.A.S.C.	
			20 and 26 Bdes. each allotted three BREN carriers and two 3-inch mortars, 24 Bde. two BREN carriers and two 3-inch mortars. Message in appendices.	
			Battle casualties up to 0600 hrs. are shown in appendix.	" 7
			Instruction issued by Cyrenaica Command on the subject of warning to be issued in event of enemy tanks breaking through the perimeter. Copy in appendices.	" 1
			H.Q. Cyrenaica Command Administration Instruction issued in conjunction with Cyrenaica Force Operation Order No. 8 is included in appendices.	" 3
			D.A.A.G. and D.A.Q.M.G. moved from Advanced Div. H.Q. to Rear Div. H.Q. A.Q. personnel remaining at Advanced Div. H.Q. were :- A.A.& Q.M.G., D.A.A.G. Learner, 1 Clerk. Personnel of the Services remaining at Advanced Div. H.Q. were :- A.D.M.S., 1 Clerk.	

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TOBRUCH	13 Apr.		Men discharged from hospital, new arrivals and sometimes stragglers, report to the Staging Camp where they remain until picked up by unit transport. Today fourteen units were instructed to pick up thirty one men.	
			Routine Orders 53-56 issued. Copy in appendices.	Appx. 2
			Officer Battle Casualties from 3 Apr. to date are shown in appendix.	Appx. 7
"	14 Apr.		Instructions issued to all formations and units that returns of weapons, ammunition and vehicles be submitted at 0600 hrs. daily. Copy of instructions in appendices.	" 4
			All formations and units were sent an instruction regarding water which stressed the necessity of rationing and of units "playing the game". A copy is in appendices.	" 4
			Units were notified that Nos. 1 and 6 Recovery Sections were established 2 kilos WEST of TOBRUCH and that first line recovery would be carried out by L.A.D's. where possible.	
			20 Aust. A.Tk. Coy., 24 Aust. A.Tk. Coy. and 3 Aust. A.Tk. Regt. were each issued with three 3-ton lorries.	
			20 Aust. Inf. Bde. instructed to deliver to 26 and 24 Bdes. three 3-inch mortars held by 2/15 Bn. and to obtain report from last named re their acquisition of them.	
			Battle casualties from 12 Apr. to 0600 hrs. 14 Apr. are shown in appendix.	" 7
			Prisoner of war collecting points were established at 41284282 and 40724308. (Ref. map TOBRUCH 1 : 50,000)	
"	15 Apr.		On 12 Apr. NX 19053 PETTIT C. was reported killed, his identity disc having been found in the pocket of an otherwise unidentified person, on 14 Apr. he was evacuated from base hospital H.Q. A.I.F. notified.	
			Formations and units instructed to submit to Rear H.Q. statements giving particulars of attached and captured enemy vehicles. Copy of instructions in appendices.	" 4
			H.Q. R.A.E. reported the unsatisfactory circumstances pertaining to an ITALIAN hospital adjacent to H.Q. 2/23 Bn., there had been approximately 1,100 persons here, many of the patients appeared quite fit and Comd. 2/23 Bn. reports "the whole crew is most unhygienic". The majority of these people were cleared by this day and the remainder by 18 Apr. Message is filed with appendices.	" 6
			S.S.O's. report on supply situation at 1800 hrs. is included in appendices.	" 6
			2 Armd. Div. left TOBRUCH by sea for ALEXANDRIA.	
			Battle casualties reported 0600 hrs. today are shown in appendices.	" 7

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TOBRUCH	16 Apr.		Routine Orders Nos. 57-67 issued, copy in appendices.	Appx.2
			Units notified of approval having been given for issue of certain controlled stores (e.g. LMG's A. Tk. rifles, compasses etc.). For details see appendix.	" 4
			S.S.Os report on supply position at 1800 hrs. is in appendices.	" 6
			Battle casualties are shown in Fighting State in appendices.	" 7
			G.H.Q. M.E.F. asked to omit 25 pounder smoke ammunition from future shipments to TOBRUCH	
"	17 Apr.		Units instructed to return to A.O.D. TOBRUCH all 7.92 BESA M.G's. issued in accordance with Q83/1/57.	
			Battle casualties are shown in Fighting State included in appendices.	" 7
"	18 Apr.		Battle casualties are shown in Fighting State filed with appendices.	" 7
			H.Q. A.I.F. asked to return Capt. GREEN (Div. Paymaster) with supply of cash to TOBRUCH at earliest possible moment.	
			H.Q. A.I.F. asked for artillery officer suitable for appointment as adjutant 3 A. Tk. Regt. as no suitable officer in the unit is available owing to losses.	
"	19 Apr.		Units notified of closing of SAN MARCO water point.	
			G.H.Q. M.E.F. informed that the names of officers and numbers of other ranks battle casualties are sent daily by wireless to H.Q. A.I.F., that unit returns are sent by post and an air service is being arranged. A copy of message is included in appendices.	" 1
			G.H.Q. M.E.F. advised that 1 R.H.A. and attached troops require one Lt.-Col. and 35 O.R's. For detail see appendix.	
			Battle casualties are shown in Fighting State. See appendix.	" 7
"	20 Apr.		G.H.Q. M.E.F. advised that 2/1 A.F.W. require three reinforcement officers forthwith.	
			Units notified that Canteen stores will be available for all A.I.F. units on 21 Apr. at A.A.C.I. store near areodrome 6 kilos SOUTH of TOBRUCH on BARDIA Road.	
			Units concerned notified of closing of PERONNE water point and instructed to post guard for re-direction of traffic.	
			H.Q. TOBRUCH Sub Area instructed to establish guards at water points at 41334338 & 41284361 where reserve supplies are being stored.	
			Routine Orders Nos. 75-79 issued. A copy in appendices.	" 2
			Battle casualties are shown in Fighting State. A copy is in appendices	" 7

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TOBRUCH	20 Apr. (Contd)		Maj. F.W. STATHAM (S.O.M.E.) inspected a group of 31 captured enemy guns which had been reported by 20 Bde. and recommended their destruction. A copy of S.O.M.E's. report is in appendices. 2/1 Pnr. Bn. comes under command 20 Bde. and is to be issued with the following additional weapons - Brens 6, Breda 30 L.M.Gs. 14, Boys rifles 4.	Appx. 6
"	21 Apr.		Units instructed to save all jam and milk tins on 21, 22, 23 Apr. for manufacture of anti-personnel bombs. Message is filed in appendices. A copy of Fighting State is included in appendices. Advice from G.H.Q. M.E.F. - no 102/35mm ammunition available, no 2 pounder 18 available at present. G.H.Q. M.E.F. asked if we could accept ship with 1,000 tons of petrol. A.Q. replied - most undesirable petrol ship be sent TOBRUCH for present under existing conditions. Stock adequate existing requirements.	" 1 " 7
"	22 Apr.		A copy of Fighting State is included in appendices. G.H.Q. M.E.F. advise despatch of 88 personnel from BASE DEPOT as reinforcements for BRITISH field units. 26 Bde. advise loss by 2/23 Bn. in action of 4 Bren guns, 4 Boys rifles and 8 carriers and of the capture by 2/23 Bn. of two 3-inch Mortars and two 2-inch Mortars.	" 7
"	23 Apr.		A copy of the Fighting State is filed with appendices. Six units were instructed to return a total of fourteen vehicles to parent units. Messages are included in appendices. Units notified of location A.Ps BARDIA Road and PILASTRINO. Copy of message in appendices. Routine Orders Nos. 80-84 issued. Copy in appendices. G.H.Q. M.E.F. advised of large quantity of spare parts urgently required in order to enable 10 carriers to be made serviceable. Rations issued today - 37065.	" 7 " 1 " 1 " 2

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Instructions regarding War Diaries and Intelligence Summaries are contained in F.S. Regs., Part II. and the Staff Manual respectively. Title pages will be prepared in manuscript.

WAR DIARY
or
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.
(Erase heading not required).

Army Form C. 2118.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices
TOBRUCH	24 Apr.		A copy of the Fighting State is included in appendices.	Appx. 7
			Advice received from G.H.Q. M.E.F. of the embarkation for TOBRUCH of the following :- Stevedores officers 1, O.R's 128. One Coy. 2/12 Bn.(3 Offrs. 127 O.R's). R.A. Offrs 6, R.N.F. officer one .	
			Rations issued today - 38058	
			Units notified canteen available 25 Apr. Message included in appendices.	" 1
			Letter from A.Q. on pilfering, overdrawing of rations and water, sent to all units. A copy is filed in appendices.	" 4
			The vehicles of 61 Coy. R.A.S.C. will be distributed on 25 Apr. to various Aust. units. For details see appendix.	" 4
"	25 Apr.		Fighting State is filed with appendices.	" 7
			Routine Orders Nos.85-90 issued. Copy with appendices.	" 2
			A letter from the G.O.C. on the subject of flies was sent to all formations and Commanding Officers. A copy is filed with appendices.	" 4
			Rations issued today - 41033.	
"	26 Apr.		Fighting State is included in appendices.	" 7
			H.Q. 9 Aust. Div. Field Return, Officers, copy is in appendices.	" 8
"	27 Apr.		Fighting State as at 0600 hrs. is filed in appendices.	" 7
			G.H.Q. M.E.F. notified only bundle packed 7.92 BESA in A.A.D. Factory filled belts essential minimum requirements 250,000 rounds.	
"	28 Apr.		Fighting State is included in appendices.	" 7
			A Div. SectionOrdnance Fd. Pk. is now located 41254342.	
			BARDIA Road A.P. now situated 41354300. Units notified.	
			Five 2-ton lorries issued to 18 Bde. for special unit.	
			G.H.Q. M.E.F. advise they will send 250,000 rounds 7.92 BESA as soon as possible	
			Routine Orders Nos.91-95 issued. A copy in appendices.	" 2
"	29 Apr.		Fighting State as at 0600 hrs. is filed with appendices.	" 7
			Lieut. TUTT reported to 26 Bde.	
"	30 Apr.		Fighting State included in appendices.	" 7
			20, 24 and 26 Bdes. issued with motor cycles each from R.A.S.C. V.R.D.	

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19 Oct 41

H.C. Barkas Major Lt Col
A/Asst A.G. 9 Aust Div

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9TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS. (Nos 46-50)

by

Major-General L.J.Morshead, C.M.G.,C.B.E.,D.S.O., E.D.

H.Q. 9 Aust Div.
2 Apr. 41.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT AND QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

46. T.A.B. INOCULATION.

Formations and units will report by 7 Apr 41 the number of all ranks who received their last T.A.B. inoculation before 30 Nov 40.

47. BILHARZIA IN CYRENAICA.

As Schistosomiasis (Bilharzia) occurs in CYRENAICA all water that may harbour the snail host of this worm must therefore be regarded with suspicion.

All bathing and washing in fresh water pools, streams or irrigation channels is forbidden. If water is drawn from such sources for drinking or washing, it should be treated by doubling the normal dose of Chlorine as indicated by the Horrocks Test and doubling the period of contact before "detasting".

48. TRAFFIC.

9 Aust Div will comply with the instructions contained in the following extract from a CYRENAICA Comd order.

> " All vehicles proceeding via BARCE to destinations EAST of line CIRENE - EL FAIDIA will use NORTH road, while vehicles proceeding WESTWARDS will use the SOUTH road.
>
> Towed vehicles (.....) will not use the NORTH road.
>
> Postal trucks may use the SOUTH road in both directions. Ambulances when using the NORTH road will drive slowly through the WADI CUF."

49. F.G.C.M.

(a) Comd 9 Aust Div empowers Inf Bde Comds to convene F.G.C.M's. Until further notice the power to confirm F.G.C.M's is being retained by Comd 9 Aust Div.

(b) The convening officer for F.G.C.M's in the case of other units remains the Comd 9 Aust Div.

50. BOUNDS.

9 Aust Div Circular Q 34/1/38 dated 1 Apr 41 is amended in that official passes may be signed by Bn, or equivalent Comds.

K.T.Burham Maj for Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

Distribution - see over.

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8 Lt A.A. Bty	(1)	
Comd	(1)	
G.	(1)	
Q	(1)	
Camp	(1)	
A.A.S.C.	(4)	
Medical	(5)	
Pro.	(1)	
Ord	(7)	Incl copies for 1 Rec Sec A Div Sec Ord Fd Pk. 6 A.O.D. 9 Div Salvage Unit.
Pay	(1)	
Postal	(1)	
File	(2)	
War Diary	(2)	
Spare	(6)	

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS. (Nos 51-52)

by

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2 Apr. 41.

ASSISTANT ADJUTANT AND QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

51. A.A.M.C. PERSONNEL ATTACHED TO UNITS.

Vacancies in appointments of A.A.M.C. personnel attached to units may be filled from units concerned as follows :-

(a) Rank and file may be transferred from the unit. Casualty return to show :-

"Pte..... transferred A.A.M.C. attached (original unit)"

Units will notify Div H.Q. of such transfers.

(b) Sgt. A.A.M.C.

Promotion to the rank of Sgt A.A. .C. must be approved by Div H.Q. Recommendations for such promotion will be accompanied by a certificate of suitability from the R.M.O. When approval is received, the change will be shown in casualty return as :-

"Pte..... transferred A.A.M.C., promoted Sgt, attached (original unit)"

(c) Corporal Chiropodists will be appointed from personnel qualifying at a course in chiropody.

52. NO.3 COURSE IN CHIROPODY, 28 APR/10 MAY 41.

(a) Applications for vacancies at the above Course, to be held at 1 Aust Gen Hosp, are due at Div H.Q. by 12 Apr 41.

(b) The object of the course is to train men as chiropodists to fill vacancies on W.Es. Personnel who qualify will be transferred to the A.A.M.C. as far as vacancies exist. It is essential that all major units have trained chiropodists on strength.

(c) Selection of candidates should be made from men who are either employed in units as chiropodists or who wish to be trained as such. Candidates should be interviewed by the unit R.M.O. or an offr of the A.A.M.C., attention being paid to the following points :-

(i) General standard of education.
(ii) Possibility of understanding elementary mechanics.
(iii) Posibility of understanding elementary anatomy and physisiology.
(iv) General cleanliness and ability to use hands.
(v) Powers of application to study.

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Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

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War Diary

GENERAL ORDERS.

BY MAJOR-GENERAL J.D. LAVERACK, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.

GENERAL OFFICER COMMANDING-IN-CHIEF, CYRENAICA COMMAND.

Serial No. 14.

10 April 41.

GENERAL STAFF.

N I L.

A.F. HARDING,

Brigadier,
General Staff.

DEPUTY ADJUTANT AND QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

117. R.A.S.C. VEHICLES.

Units having R.A.S.C. Vehicles attached to them for recent moves will return same forthwith to the parent unit if they have not already done so. If these vehicles have, through the exigencies of the Service, been attached to another unit, they will be similarly returned.

(1001/6/Q.)

118. A.Fs. W. 3008 & 3009.

In future, A.Fs.W. 3008 & 3009 from Signal Units will NOT be sent to G.H.Q., Middle East, but copies will still be sent to 2nd Echelon and other recipients as before.

(1485/2/A.)

119. RATION SCALE.

(a) Certain modifications to the Middle East Ration Scale have been authorised.

(b) In addition, certain other modifications have been found necessary in this Command, and are authorised with effect from issue on 10th April for consumption on 11th, vide Appendix "A" to this Order.

(c) Scales in Column 3 will be increased to Column 2 as soon as possible.

(1021/4/Q.)

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120. MONTHLY RETURN - AMMUNITION & EXPLOSIVES.

It is of vital importance that the return of Ammunition and Explosives required from all units on the 20th of each month, is rendered promptly.

Returns will be rendered to Headquarters of Formations who will consolidate and submit to Headquarters, Cyrenaica Command, as soon as possible after the 20th. If the consolidated statement is incomplete, a list of units from whom returns are outstanding, will be appended.

(132/OS.)

121. TANK TRACKS - STOCK POSITIONS.

All Ordnance Installations and Units holding stocks of Tank Tracks will render direct to G.H.Q., Middle East, copy to A.D.O.S., Cyrenaica Command, by the 20th of each month, the following particulars :-

Quantity.
Part No.
No. of Links.
Type or Tank or Carrier.

(84/OS.)

122. TELEPHONES.

All Units in the Command, other than R. Signals Units, in possession of telephones, whether British or Italian, will submit to C.S.O. forthwith a return showing the number of telephones in possession, the type, and the number allowed according to the appropiate G. 1098.

Telephones surplus to establishment will be handed in immediately to the nearest Signal Office, and the C.S.O., Cyrenaica advised.

(CSO/CY/3/67.)

123. SUPPLIES.

F.S.D's have been opened as follows in the TOBRUK area :-

No. 23. Kilo 11 on DERNA Road.
No. 24. Kilo 5 on DERNA Road. (Closes after issue on 11 April, 41.)
No. 25. In BARDIA 413431.

Units will draw from F.S.D. nearest to their location. They will register with that F.S.D. and once they have commenced drawing there, they will not change, unless they change their location.

Units originally drawing from D.I.D., TOBRUK, will continue to do so if it is nearer than any F.S.D.

(1021/Q.)

Brigadier,
D.A. & Q.M.G.

APPENDIX "A" TO CYRENAICA COMMAND GENERAL ORDER No. 119 of 1941.

FIELD RATION SCALE - MIDDLE EAST.

	Present ozs.	New M.E. Scale ozs.	New Cyrenaica Scale ozs.
1. Bacon	3	3	-
or Bacon tinned	2½	2½	2½
or Sausages	4	4	Note 1
2. Beans/Lentils/Peas, dried	1	1	1/3
3. Bread	14	16	16
or Biscuits	10	10	10
4. Cheese	¾	¾	¾
5. Curry Powder	1/30	1/30	-
6. Fruit dried	4/7	4/7	-
7. Fruit, fresh	4	4	-
or canned	-	-	2
8. Herrings, tinned	4/7	4/7	-
or Sardines	2/7	2/7	3/14
9. Jam, or Marmalade or Golden Syrup	1	1½	¾
10. Margarine	1½	1½	1½
11. Meat, frozen with bone	12	10	-
or Meat, preserved	9	8	8
with Pickles	2/7	2/7	2/7
or Chutney	1/14	1/14	-
12. Meat Loaf	4/7	4/7	-
or Meat Preserved	10/21	10/21	10/21
13. Milk Tinned	2	2	2
14. Mustard	1/100	1/100	-
15. Oatmeal	1	1½	½
or Flour	1	1½	½
16. Onions	2	2	-
17. Pepper	1/100	1/100	1/50
18. Potatoes fresh	12	12	Note 2
19. Rice	2	2½	2½
20. Salt	¼	¼	¼
21. Salmon, tinned	3/7	3/7	7/18
22. Sugar	3½	3	3
23. Tea	⅝	⅝	⅝
24. Vegetables, fresh	8	8	-
or Vegetables, preserved comprising	3 1/3	3 1/3	
Vegetables, tinned	1 1/3	1 1/3	2/3
Beans canned without Pork	1 1/3	1 1/3	2 2/3
Beans/Lentils/Peas, dried	2/3	2/3	-
25. Ascorbic Acid Tablets (0.025 grm)	1 Tab		
26. Marmite	3/28		
27. Rum	½ gill		
or Cocoa	1 Pt.		
or Tea	1 Pt.		
28. Tobacco or cigarettes per week	2		
29. Matches " "	2 Boxes		

Note 1. Sausages (ration 4 ozs) will be issued once weekly in lieu of Bacon, tinned.

Note 2. A full ration (12 ozs) will be issued twice weekly only if demanded by units who have cooking facilities. Items should be specially indented for on Form A.B. 55.

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9TH AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTING ORDERS (Nos. 53- 56)

by

Major-General L.J.Morshead, C.M.G., [illegible], [illegible], E.D.

[illegible] 9 Aust Div,
13 Apr 41.

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53. MOVEMENT CONTROL STAFF.

Mail for A.I.F. personnel attached to British Movement Control should be re-addressed as follows :

Attached Movement Control, [illegible],
[illegible],
MIDDLE EAST.

54. INDENTS.

Indents must be submitted through D.A.[illegible]O.S., 9 Div to 1 Aust Adv Ord Depot, CAIRO, and not direct from units to [illegible].A.O.C. Depots, which is still happening.

55. EFFECTS OF DECEASED AND MISSING SOLDIERS AND PRISONERS OF WAR.

(a) The C.O. of a unit where a death occurs will -

(i) Send the deceased's pay book to O. i/c Records, 2 Ech, A.I.F. by registered post, plainly marked on the outside wrapper "[illegible].F. 5 of Deceased or Missing Man", accompanied by a memo, signed by an Officer, stating how the book was recovered.

(ii) Treat personal clothing and articles belonging to the Government as salvage. They should be sent to 6 A.O.D., TOBRUK.

(iii) Send the deceased's personal belongings, other than clothing, to A.I.F. Kit Store, ALEXANDRIA. These belongings will include money, red identity disc, articles of intrinsic or sentimental value and any will and will be made up into a package containing the original copy of [illegible].F. W3190 (or, if this is not available, an inventory). The effects found in the kit of a missing man or one reported P.O.W. will be treated in a similar manner.

The duplicate of [illegible].F. W3190 (or the inventory) will be retained by the unit.

(iv) Each package will be securely fastened and sealed and labelled with a special label A.F. W3043. Each label will bear the censor stamp before despatch and will be inscribed with the owner's name, number, rank and unit.

If a unit is despatching more than one package at a time each package will be made up and labelled separately, the whole then being enclosed in a sack securely sealed and despatched as one registered package. A list of the various packages will be included in the sack.

(b) This procedure agrees with that laid down in F.S.R. Vol 1 Appx 6 except that the effects referred to in sec 1 para 2 iii and sec 2 paras 1 and 3 ii,iii,iv will be despatched to A.I.F. Kit Store and not to O. i/c Records, 2 Ech. No article will be sold.

56. ALLOTMENT OF BUILDINGS.

A copy of an instruction from Cyrenaica Comd follows :

(a) "The General Officer Commanding-in-Chief agrees that :

(i) All public buildings which belonged to any part of the Italian Army should be automatically at the entire disposal of the local military commander.

(ii) Unoccupied or abandoned privately-owned buildings, should be similarly treated, after consultation with the local Political Officer.

(iii) Public buildings which belonged to any part of the Italian Civil administration or Civil Government institutions should be under the allotment of O.E.T.A. which should on demand inform the Military Commander for which of these (if any) O.E.T.A. has at present a use.

(b) If a civil building for which the O.E.T.A. has a use, is also required by the Military Commander, the matter will be referred to Command Headquarters."

R. T. Barham Maj
Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

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2/1 Pnr Bn	(1)
Comd	(1)
G	(1)
Q	([illegible])
Camp	(1)
Medical	(5)
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS (Nos 57 - 67)

by

Major-General L.J.Morshead, C.M.G., O.B.E., D.S.O., E.D.

H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
16 Apr 41.

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57. A.F. W3006.

(a) A.F. W3006 will be rendered at 0600 hrs daily through normal channels by Os C. units (or dets commanded by an offr) of R.A.C., arty, engrs, sigs, inf, div A.S.C. and by fd ambs.

(b) Units of British Army will include fighting strength in daily returns.

(c) All H.Qs and units who do not render daily states e.g. Bde H.Qs, ord, pro etc. will submit daily details of battle casualties if they occur.

(d) Pro forma of A.F. W3006 is :

TO :- .....Bde
2 Ech (PALESTINE OR CAIRO) ....

FROM :-

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strength	state	Ax	and	Ay	and
Az	and		B	and	C
and	D				

(ii) The letters prefixed in the text of the message indicate for Australian units (and applies to the British and Indian Armies except where instructions to the contrary have been issued):-

(Losses since last state was rendered (Offrs and O.Rs) :-
(x Battle casualties
(y Sick (Evacuated beyond R.A.P.)
A (z Other causes (e.g. transfers, etc.) incl personnel transferred
(or evacuated from the unit and in respect of whom reinforcements
(may be demanded. Az does not include dets for duty or to schools
(and courses, etc.

B Reinforcements (Offrs and O.Rs) received since last state rendered

C Total effective strength (Offrs and O.Rs) incl personnel on unit strength who are detached for duty, attending schools and courses, or otherwise available at short notice for return to units.

Personnel specifically provided for in W.Es as "attached" e.g. M.Os, Chaplains, Pay Sgts, etc. will also be included.

Personnel detached for duty, or at schools and courses and still borne on unit strength will on completion of period of det return direct to unit and NOT through Gen Base Depot.

In the case of temporary attachment of individuals or small partic not commanded by an offr such personnel will be accounted for by their parent unit and NOT by the unit to which temporarily detache

D Names of offr and numbers of O.R. battle casualties, showing killed, wounded and missing separately.

57. A.F. W3006 (Contd)

(d) (iii) An example of a completed text of A.F. W3006 is :-

"Strength state Ax 5 and 6 Ay nil and nil Az nil and one
2 one and ten C twenteight and seven hundred and nine
D killed Lieut T. BRO T and two wounded Lieut T.SMITH
and nil missing Lieut A.JONES and four."

(e) Although dets commanded by an offr should submit their own A.F. W3006, it is preferable for the unit which has temporrily detached tps to submit a return for the whole unit when practicable. In any case, clear instructions on this point should be given by any unit making detachments.

(f) These returns are essential to permit early notification of casualties, to form the basis of reinforcement action and to permit preparation of Fighting Strength Return. It is therefore imperative that returns are prepared at 0600 hrs, reach Hdes etc by 0700 hrs and H.Q. 9 Aust Div by 0800 hrs.

58. POSTING OF AUSTRALIAN RECORDS TO 2 ECH.

Returns of Australian Units, other than those under TOBRUK Sub-Area, for transmission to C i/c Records, 2 Ech, PALESTINE will be forwarded to H.Q. 9 Aust Div. Such returns will be forwarded by 9 Aust Div through H.Q.,A.I.F.

Returns of Australian Units under TOBRUK Sub-Area will also be forwarded through H.Q., A.I.F.

59. A.Fs W3000S and 3009

Ref Cyrcom Order No. 74 of 14 Mar 41 :-

Copies of A.F. W3000 and 3009 previosly submitted to H.Q. Cyrcom will in future be rendered to H.Q. 9 Aust Div by all units of 9 Aust Div, Fortress Tps and TOBRUK Sub-Area.

60. REAR STOP LIGHTS.

All rear stoplights will be disconnected forthwith.

61. BURIALS AND CEMETERIES.

(a) TOBRUK Sub-area is responsible for upkeep and layout of official cemeteries at TOBRUK.

(b) Location of TOBRUK War Cemetery - 41354086. This cemetery is for British and Allied dead. Units will arrange burials through TOBRUK Sub-area, except where operations make isolated burials necessary. Some graves are already prepared.

(c) Hospital dead, incl enemy who have died in hospital, will be blanketed by the hospital who will notify TOBRUK Sub-area which then becomes responsible for the burial.

Bodies of dead men must **NOT** be taken to hospitals. Special arrangements for burial of enemy hospital dead are being made by TOBRUK Sub-area.

61. BURIALS AND CEMETERIES. (Contd)

(d) When isolated burials are made necessary by operations, scattered graves will be avoided as far as possible. Bodies may be buried on the spot. A sketch will be made by O. i/c burial party showing -

(i) the layout of the graves with names of bodies interred and

(ii) position with reference to any prominent objects. Compass bearings should be given.

The sketch will be forwarded with A.F. W3314.

(e) Graves, incl those in isolated parts, will be marked at the time of burial with a wooden peg bearing the minimum inscription in pencil (not indelible) :

(i) Army number
(ii) Rank
(iii) Surname and initials
(iv) Unit (with usual abbreviations)
(v) Date of death

At TOBRUK War Cemetery an additional inscription will be made i.e.

(vi) Grave number. (Graves are numbered consecutively)

(f) Bodies of R.N. personnel, after being seen by R.N. reps will, with their permission, be collected and disposed of as for army personnel.

(g) Bodies of R.A.F. or enemy Air Force, incl those destroyed beyond recognition in fallen aircraft, after being seen by R.A.F. reps will, with their permission, be collected and disposed of as arranged with TOBRUK Sub-Area. If it is impossible to obtain a R.A.F. rep, the body may be buried, but as little damage as possible should be done to equipment (parachutes, etc.). Equipment should be left intact and R.A.F. notified.

(h) Chaplains or officers performing burial services are responsible for initiating A.F. W3314. Os C. units will forward one copy of the form to O. i/c Records, 2 Ech of their own army and one copy to TOBRUK Sub-Area. In the case of A.I.F. personnel in 9 Aust Div the copy for TOBRUK Sub-Area will be forwarded through H.Q., 9 Aust Div.

The pro forma of A.F. W3314 is :

A.F. W3314

BURIAL RETURN

(Date)_____19

Place of Burial..... Map Reference.....
(and name of Cemetery).....
Grave No.....Army No.....
Unit.....
Name (Surname).....(Initials).....
Rank.....Religion.....
Date of Death.....Date of Burial.....
Means of Identification.....
Have effects (if any) been forwarded to the Base?.....

NOTE : When a Chaplain or Burial Officer renders a Burial Return and is not in a position personally to verify the particulars shown thereon, he must invariably state on the form sent to the D.A.G. 2 Ech the authority responsible for supplying the details of identity, and (if possible) how they were obtained.

(Signed).....Unit.....
C.F., or O. i/c Burials

61. BURIALS AND CEMETERIES. (Contd)

(j) Each Bde in a fwd area will select a "fwd" site for burial of enemy killed in the field, and will prepare the graves.

Burial of enemy's dead will be carried out, and graves marked in the same way as our own.

A.F. W3314 in the case of enemy dead will be clearly marked "Enemy's Dead".

62. P.O.W., COLLECTION OF

Ref map : Composite TOBRUK sheet, CYRENAICA 1 : 100,000

(a) P.O.W. Collecting Pts :

No. 1 - 40774345 (at stone wall 150 yds north of rd TOBRUK - DERNA

No. 2 - 40724306

No. 3 - 41284282

(b) TOBRUK Town Cage - 41554355

(c) TOBRUK Sub-Area has personnel to man only two of the three P.O.W. Collecting Pts. P.O.W. Collecting Pts are not manned continuously. When large numbers of Ps O.W. are taken requests for the manning of specific P.O.W. Pts should be made to H.Q. 9 Aust Div for transmission to TOBRUK Sub-Area; otherwise Ps O.W. should be taken direct to TOBRUK Town Cage.

If difficulty is experienced in finding TOBRUK Town Cage, enquiries should be made from D.A.P.M., TOBRUK.

63. SUPPLIES.

(a) Ample supplies of Flysol, Cresoli, Kerosene, N.C.I. Powder are available on demand from F.S.Ds.

(b) An issue of gift cigarettes from Egyptian Govt will be made on 16 or 17 Apr on the basis of 100 per man except that for tps in the TOBRUK Town area the scale will be 60 per man.

(c) An issue of 2 kgs of MATZOS is being made for personnel of Jewish faith for the Passover Festival 11 - 19 Apr.

64. REPAIR AND RECOVERY.- ORD VEHS.

L.A.Ds will carry out 1st Line repairs and recoveries for the units which they serve. 2nd Line repairs will be evacuated to Nos 1 and 6 Rec Secs. If the work is beyond the scope of these secs, it will be evacuated to 2/1 A.F.W.

O.C. No. 6 Rec Sec will keep one Leyland Rec Veh in reserve for heavy breakdowns or recoveries.

Units notifying breakdowns to L.A.Ds or Rec Secs will give the following information :

(a) Type of veh and Reg No. (if possible)
(b) Exact location
(c) Type of breakdown i.e. brief description of damage.

Should it be considered necessary guides may be provided, and if so, the exact location of the rendezvous should be shown.

65. CODE NAMES IN CORRESPONDENCE.

Code names should be shown on sig messages to be retransmitted to 2 Ech. Code names must NOT be used in records which have to be posted to 2 Ech.

66. A.F. W3008 - AUSTRALIAN UNITS.

Australian Units will, in A.F. W3008, as well as showing nominal roll of offrs give details of their appointments.

67. ENGINEER AND DEFENCE STORES.

Engr and Defence Stores will be demanded and drawn through Engr units. Inf Bns will demand on Bdes. Bdes., if they approve, will forward to Fd Coys in Bde areas. Fd Coys may approve issues within scale alloted their area dumps. Div units will submit demands to H.Q. R.A.E. Fd Coys will arrange issue of stores approved :-

(i) from their area dumps if available there.

(ii) from R.E. dumps TOBRUK.

Some stores are available on wheels; for other stores, demanding unit must provide transport.

A.P.W. Zile
Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION :

18 Aust Inf Bde	5
20 Aust Inf Bde	5
24 Aust Inf Bde	5
26 Aust Inf Bde	5
3 Armd Bde	5
R.A.	8
4 A.A. Bde	5
R.E.	10
Sigs	4
18 Cav	1
1 N.F.	1
Notts Yeomanry	1
TOBRUK Sub-Area	50
Comd	1
G	1
A.Q.	3
Camp	1
Comp Coy A.A.S.C.	1
9 Div A.A.S.C.	4
A.D.S.T.(Fortress)	6
Med	7
9 Div Ord	3
Ord (Fortress)	7
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9th AUSTRALIAN DIVISION

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS (Nos 68 - 74)

by

Major-General L.J.Horshead, C.M.G., O.B.E., D.S.O., E.D.

H.Q. 9 Aust Div
In the Field,
19 Apr 41.

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63. STATIONERY.

Units will indent direct on "H" Advanced Stationery Depot, TOBRUK for all stationery requirements.

69. WATER.

Units of, and in Bde areas will draw water as under :

P.O.W. Cage	41314281	24 Inf Bde
PILASTRINO	40744307	20 Inf Bde
PERONNE	41004364	26 Inf Bde
BAKERY	41364357	All other Units. (Point controlled by TOBRUK Sub-Area)

Bdes concerned will arrange for Senior N.C.Os to be present continuously at Water Points to receive requisitions and issue water accordingly. Capt B.C.E.Webster, R.A.S.C., is appointed Offr i/c Water Control and will visit Water Points daily to collect requisitions. The form of requisition will be as under :

REQUISITION FOR WATER

Unit..... Date..... Water Point .....

Strength ..... Entitlement (Gals)..... Issued(Gals).....

....

C.O., 2 i/c or Adjt N.C.O. i/c Water Point

It is essential that requisitions be signed by C.O., 2 i/c or Adjt. In the case of attached Sub-units, the O.C. will sign. Requisitions signed by any other person will NOT be accepted.

D.A.P.M. TOBRUK will arrange Traffic Control at BAKERY point ensuring that vehicles waiting to draw water are dispersed.

Water Points will, in future, be known by names, as above, e.g. P.O.W. Point, BAKERY Point, etc.

No points other than the four mentioned above will be used.

70. RETURNS OF VEHICLES AND WEAPONS.

All units will submit a return as at 0600 hrs each Monday, one copy to SALO, one copy to HUGS by 1800 hrs each Monday showing the following information :

(a) Vehicles :

(i) Numbers on charge by types
(ii) Numbers of attached vehicles showing registered numbers, unit from which attached and names and numbers of attached drivers.

70. RETURNS OF VEHICLES AND WEAPONS (Contd)

(b) Weapons :

Numbers of the following held :

Hotchkiss	81 m.m. Mortar
Brens	47/32 m.m. A.Tk gun
Vickers	20 m.m. A.A. gun
Lewis	2 pr A.Tk
Boyes	37 m.m. Bofors
2" Mortar	40 m.m. Bofors
3" Mortar	18 pr
Carriers	4.5 How
Breda L.M.G.	25 pr
Fiat L.M.G.	3.7 A.A.
45 m.m. Mortar	

Numbers of any other weapons held (other than rifles, pistols, etc.) will be stated with detail.

Any changes in weapons or vehicles held will be notified immediately by signal to SALO and HUGS. Changes include losses, transfers and issues.

71. VEHICLES.

Units departing will hand in all vehicles to A.O.D. or R.A.S.C. V.R.D. as the case may be.

The practice of handing vehicles over to other units by private arrangement will cease.

72. CENSUS OF WARLIKE STORES.

All units are reminded that the above returns must be prepared as at 20th of each month and disposed of as follows :

(a) British Units.

One copy to D.O.S. (O.S.3) G.H.Q., M.E. (Direct)
One copy to G. (S.D.) G.H.Q., M.E. (Direct)
One copy to A.D.O.S. (Provision) G.H.Q., M.E. (Direct)
One copy to D.A.D.O.S. 9 Aust Div (Direct)
One copy for retention.

(b) A.I.F. Units.

7 copies to D.A.D.O.S. 9 Aust Div.
One copy for retention.

73. VEHICLE STRENGTH RETURN.

All A.I.F. Units are reminded that vehicle strength returns (A.A.F. G32) must be prepared on last day of each month and three copies forwarded to D.A.D.O.S. 9 Aust Div.

74. "Q" RETURNS - GENERAL.

No "Q" returns other that those mentioned in paras 70, 72 & 73 above are required to be lodged at present.

Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

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H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
In the Field,
20 Apr 41.

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75. EFFECTS OF DECEASED AND MISSING MEN - AUSTRALIAN UNITS.

(a) The C.O. of any Australian Unit where a death occurs will :

(i) Send the deceased's pay book to O. i/c Records, 2 Ech, A.I.F. by registered post, plainly marked on the outside wrapper "W.F.5 of Deceased or Missing Man", accompanied by a memo, signed by an offr, stating how the book was recovered.

(ii) Treat personal clothing and articles belonging to the Government as salvage. They should be sent to 6 A.O.D., TOBRUK.

(iii) Send the deceased's personal belongings, other than clothing, to A.I.F. Kit Store, ALEXANDRIA. These belongings will include money, red identity disc, articles of intrinsic or sentimental value and any will and will be made up into a package containing the original copy of A.F. W3190 (or, if this is not available, an inventory). The effects found in the kit of a missing man or one reported P.O.W. will be treated in a similar manner.

The duplicate of A.F. W3190 (or the inventory) will be retained by the unit.

(iv) Each package will be securely fastened and sealed and labelled with a special label A.F. W3043. Each label will bear the censor stamp before despatch and will be inscribed with the owner's name, number, rank and unit.

If a unit is despatching more than one package at a time each package will be made up and labelled separately, the whole then being enclosed in a sack securely sealed and despatched as one registered package. A list of the various packages will be included in the sack.

(b) This procedure agrees with that laid down in F.S.R. Vol 1 Appx 6 except that the effects referred to in sec 1 para 2(iii) and sec 2 paras 1 and 3 (ii), (iii) and (iv) will be despatched to A.I.F. Kit Store and not to O. i/c Records, 2 Ech. No article will be sold.

76. F. G. Cs M.

With reference to secs 49 and 54 Army Act and R.P. 105 and 120, Brig L.F.THOMPSON, C.R.A. will, for the purpose of the convening and confirmation of Field General Courts Martial, be deemed to be the offr in immediate comd of all units and dets of His Majesty's Forces within the perimeter of the TOBRUK Fortress other than of the Royal Navy, Royal Australian Navy, Royal Air Force, Royal Australian Air Force, Australian Imperial Force and the New Zealand Expeditionary Force.

77. DIARRHOEA AND FLIES.

Under present conditions normal control of sanitation is difficult in forward areas, hence every member of the force has a serious responsibility to himself and to others.

In this country diarrhoea and dysentery are always common in summer. These diseases are conveyed by flies and are largely preventable. Unless great care is exercised these diseases will cause more casualties than enemy action.

METHOD :

(a) Deep trench latrines - flyproofed, should be made and their use insisted on.

(b) Where this is not possible it is essential that immediately a stool is passed, it is covered with at least six inches of earth or sand, and packed down.

(c) All food refuse MUST be buried as soon as possible and protected from flies meanwhile.

(d) All cooks must wash their hands in antiseptic solution after defaceation. A small basin of solution will last for a day

Cresol (for hands) and flytox are obtainable from F.S.Ds.

Supplies of Tanglefoot are being arranged through F.S.Ds.

SANITATION IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE UNIT COMMANDERS

78. CASUALTY RETURNS (A.Fs W 3010, 3011, 3012) - AUSTRALIAN UNITS.

To ensure that one copy of casualty returns reaches O. i/c Records 2 Ech, Australian units will fwd copies of casualty returns in duplicate :

(a) In the case of 9 Aust Div and Fortress tps, to H.Q. 9 Aust Div

(b) In the case of TOBRUK Sub-Area, to TOBRUK Sub-Area.

One copy of the unit's casualty returns will be posted by H.Q. 9 Aust Div and TOBRUK Sub-Area to O. i/c Records as early as possible and will fwd the second copy 14 days later.

79. WATER.

PERONNE water point closes 1200 hrs 21 Apr. Units which have been drawing there will now draw from point 40984344. N.C.Os to man the new point will be provided by 26 Inf Bde.

[signature] Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

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H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
In the Field,
23 Apr 41.

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80. STRENGTH STATE - TOBRUK PERSONNEL.

All formation H.Qs and units in TOBRUK will render a return on the undershown pro forma to reach H.Q. 9 Aust Div through normal channels by 1600 hrs 25 Apr 41. No information is required of personnel NOT in TOBRUK. The pro forma is

STRENGTH STATE OF PERSONNEL IN TOBRUK

as at 2400 hrs 24 Apr 41.

Unit.....

	UNIT TO WHICH ATT OR DET	OFFRS.	O. Rs.
(a) Posted Strength	-		
(b) Attachments not incl in (a)			
(c) Detachments not incl in (a)			
(d) Detachments incl in (a)			

81. ANTI-GAS EQUIPMENT.

A return of all Anti-Gas equipment will be made to this H.Q. forthwith. Return to be submitted as follows :

ITEM	QUANTITY ON HAND	DEFICIENCIES AS PER G1098 SCALE	ITEMS ISSUED TO INDIVIDUALS

81. ANTI-GAS EQUIPMENT (Contd)

Units will further state whether bulk holdings of anti-gas equipment are actually in their possession or whether they have been stored. In the latter case, the location will be stated.

82. INDENTS.

All indents will be prepared by units and submitted to D.A.D.O.S., 9 Aust Div, in triplicate.

83. INDENTS FOR CLOTHING.

Owing to the pressure of work at the A.O.D., units will not indent for clothing for individuals separately. It is realised that this is essential in M.T. and Armaments, but A.Ms of both British and Australian units will ensure that all indents go through the correct channels and will not, except under exceptional circumstances, submit indents for clothing, sending the man with the indent to collect.

R.R. Barton Lt Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

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Sigs 9 Aust Div	1
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1 M.F.	1
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Sigs, TOBRUK Fortress	1
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H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
In the Field,
23 Apr 41.

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84. AIRGRAPH SERVICE.

The following is a copy of an order from G.H.Q., M.E. :

(A)"A new form of communication from the Middle East to the United Kingdom will begin on the 21st April. It will be known as the AIRGRAPH SERVICE and will provide a rapid means of communication from personnel of H.M. Navy, Army and Air Force in Egypt, Palestine, Cyprus, Greece, Crete, Sudan and Libya.

(B) The objects of this scheme are :

(i) To provide a rapid means of communication to the U.K.

(ii) To speed up existing air mail and telegraphic communication by :

(a) Reducing the existing weight of airmail now required to be carried and thereby speeding up the transmission of the more expensive air mail letter service, by providing increased space and weight in the machine available.

(b) Reducing the need for telegraphic communications.

(C) The main features of the scheme are :

(i) Personnel will obtain from their unit, H.Q. or direct from Field Post Offices special AIRGRAPH forms on which they will write a letter or message and the name and address of the addressee.

(ii) The completed forms will be despatched, through Army Posts, to the Base Army Post Office, CAIRO.

(iii) A minature photographic negative of the message and address will be made and sent by the ALL AIR ROUTE to U.K., where a photographic facsimile of the original letter, measuring about 5 inches by 4 inches, will be printed and delivered to the addressee.

(D) A fee of threepence will be charged and British postage stamps to that value will be affixed to the back of the form.

(E) There is no restriction of the number of forms which may be sent but a fee of threepence is payable for each form used.

(F) For convenience and to avoid damage and wastage the forms are made up in pads of 100 sheets. They will be supplied by Field Post Offices on requisition of the O.C. Unit. An equivalent number of threepenny postage stamps, which should be prepaid in cash, should be requisitioned at the same time. This will not prevent individuals from obtaining the forms personally from Field Post Offices.

(G) Advice to senders regarding completion of the forms is printed on the form itself.

(H) The ordinary Field Censorship Regulations will apply. The franking Officer's signature and the Censorship stamp should be affixed to the back of the form.

(J) After Unit Censorship the completed form should be enclosed by Censors and sent in a large envelope addressed to :

"AIRGRAPH, Army Post Office."

Economy labels should be used.

It is desirable that the form should not be folded if this can be avoided. If, however, folding is unavoidable the forms should be folded across and not down the form.

(K) If the objects of the Airgraph scheme are to be attained the Airgraph service should be used whenever possible, in preference to the other means of air communication, and instead of telegrams.

The following is a comparison of air mail communications :

(i) The Air letter card is limited to one a week but apart from censorship ensures privacy, and costs 3d.

(ii) The Airgraph is unlimited in number, does not ensure complete privacy, and costs 3d.

(iii) The Airmail letter ensures privacy, is not so rapid as the Air letter card, is unlimited in number and costs 10d.

(L) The AIRGRAPH Service from the U.K. to the Middle East will be introduced as early as practicable. The actual date will be announced later."

[signature] Maj Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

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by

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H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
In the Field,
25 Apr 41.

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85. BLUE & WHITE SIGNAL ARMLET.

The blue and white signal armlet will be worn ONLY by the following on active service, during training or manoeuvres :

(a) R Sigs, Aust Corps of Sigs and regimental signalling offrs.

(b) N.C.Os of all arms in charge of, or employed in sig offices and N.C.Os in charge of bty sigs.

(c) Despatch Riders of R Sigs, Aust Corps of Sigs, and motor cyclists of other arms while employed on despatch riding duties.

(d) R Sigs and Aust Corps of Sigs personnel engaged on the maintenance and construction of lines.

The armlet will be worn ONLY during actual duty.

86. EMPLOYMENT OF REGTL SIGS ON FATIGUES, ETC.

No offr or other rank of regtl sigs will be employed on any guards or regtl duties, or fatigues except those necessary for the interior economy of the sig sec. All spare time will be devoted to intensive sig training.

87. TRAINING OF REGIMENTAL SIGS.

A series of 7 day Regtl Sigs Training / ...Courses will be run by Sigs 9 Div for Bns A.I.F.

Every Bn A.I.F. will send one man to the course each week.

Personnel will report at 0900 hrs each Friday to Major D.A.Cormack at pt 41094316 commencing Friday 25 Apr 41. This series of courses will continue until further notice.

88. ISSUE OF E.F.I. STORES.

All British units are advised that the E.F.I. is now located approx 5 kilos SOUTH of TOBRUK on BARDIA rd. To avoid congestion issues will be made to units in accordance with the following timetable :

Mondays & Thursdays	R.A.S.C. units
Tuesdays & Fridays	R.A, R.A.O.C. & R.A.F. units
Wednesdays & Saturdays	All other British units

89. LOOT.

Attention is drawn to A.I.F. Order No. 236 dated 7 Mar 41, extracts from which are :

"It is notified that loot includes any property or money in the possession or under the control of any offr or soldier which has not been obtained by issue, by free gift on the part of the lawful owner, or by lawful purchase for fair value".

"The possession of loot by any member of the A.I.F. is forbidden."

"Any offr of the A.I.F. detected in the possession of loot will be tried by Court Martial. Other ranks will be dealt with as may be considered fit by superior authority not below the rank of Colonel".

90. ASCORBIC ACID TABLETS.

An issue of the above tablets will be made daily with rations commencing on 28 Apr for consumption on 29 Apr on the basis of one tablet per man per day. These tablets are provided to remedy deficiencies in diet due to lack of fresh vegetables. No man is to take more than one tablet per day except on medical advice.

K T [illegible] Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

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H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
In the Field,
28 Apr 41.

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91. INTERFERENCE - SIG CABLES.

(a) Telephone lines are NOT to be interfered with by any person except sigs.

(b) Particular care is to be taken to ensure that overhead wires are not fouled by vehs passing underneath.

92. RUM.

(a) An issue of rum to all ranks will be made on Tuesday 29 Apr. The scale of issue will be 1/64 gallon per man and the necessary quantities will be issued to units from F.S.Ds and D.I.Ds with the normal rations on that day. The issue from depots will be based on ration strengths as shown on indents and no separate indent is required.

(b) Stocks will not permit of a similar general issue in future. Such stocks will therefore be utilised to provide an issue where circumstances render it desirable to members of units in the fwd posts, and particularly at the conclusion of any special effort such as a patrol. For this purpose, an initial stock of twenty (20) gallons will be issued to the H.Q. of each of 20, 24 and 26 Inf Bdes, to be issued at the discretion of Bde Comds in accordance with the above principles. The normal issue will not exceed 1/64 gallon for each man concerned.

Expenditure from this stock will be replaced on the certificate of the Bde Comd that the quantities demanded have been issued in accordance with this order and on the approval of this H.Q.

(c) Notwithstanding the above general restriction of issues to personnel in fwd posts, an issue may be authorised by this H.Q. to personnel of other units when special circumstances render it necessary. Application for the issue will be made by the unit concerned in each instance to this H.Q.

93. SANDBAGS.

It has been noted that units are using sandbags to provide protection for ordinary 1st and 2nd line M.T. This practice must cease forthwith. All available sandbags are required for protection of personnel and weapons incl A.F.Vs. Where the ground will permit all 1st and 2nd line vehs will be protected by digging them in, commencing with the engine end; NO sandbags will be allowed.

Revetting where necessary can be improvised from such material as empty petrol tins.

94. SUPPLIES - INDENTING FOR AND DRAWING

(a) It has been noted that there has been considerable laxity in the method of submitting indents for and drawing of sups, with the result that there have been comparatively large overdrawals. It is apparent that some units are demanding rations in excess of their ration strength and, in certain instances, dets are drawing when their parent unit is also drawing for them.

(b) The following points in connection with the preparation of indents are to be complied with.

(i) Indents will be submitted on AB 55. The use of this form is not essential provided the necessary information as set out below is shown in the demand. If available, however, the correct form should be used as its use assists in correct compilation.

(ii) Indents are to be submitted in duplicate.

(iii) Indents are to be signed by an offr, unless no offr is available in the unit, when the signature of a senior N.C.O. will be accepted on representation to the Sup O. concerned.

(iv) Essential information to be shown on the indent is :

Designation of unit.

Date of consumption.

Ration strength of unit. When this strength includes personnel of other units att for rations, details are to be shown

Number of rations demanded.

Any items of the ration not required.

Any special items required outside the ration where authorised.

(v) Except in special circumstances or as arranged with Sup Os concerned each indent will cover rations for one day only.

(vi) When any rations outside those for normal daily consumption e.g. res rations, are required, separate indents suitably endorsed will be submitted.

(vii) Wherever possible small units or dets should be att to other units for rationing. This should be arranged between comds and notified to Sup Os concerned.

(viii) Where a det is made from a unit and is to demand rations separately, the comd of the det is to be given a written authority from the parent unit so to indent, showing the anticipated period. This authority is to be lodged with the first indent submitted by the det.

(ix) Commencing from Tuesday 29 Apr indents will be submitted 48 hrs before day of drawing, e.g. the indent for rations to be drawn on 3 May for consumption on 4 May will be submitted on 1 May.

As at present some units are indenting only 24 hrs in adv. Such indents on 29 Apr will need to submit two separate indents, one for consumption on 1 May, the other for consumption on 2 May.

(x) Indents will be submitted to the Sup Depot from which rations are drawn.

94. SUPPLIES - INDENTING FOR AND DRAWING (Contd)

(xi) Bde, etc. Sup Os will collect indents from Sup Depots, returning them to the Sup Depot after checking in time to permit issues to be prepared.

(xii) Units will continue to draw from the Sup Depot now serving them until a change in location necessitates an alteration. Sup Depots will maintain a list of units drawing therefrom.

95. WATER SUPPLY.

(a) In future sterilisation of water will be done in the unit's water cart, at the Water Point.

Trained personnel will be stationed at Water Points to perform this duty.

(b) Detasting.

This is a unit responsibility. The number of detasting tablets required will be notified at Water Points.

Detasting Tablets are an A.S.C. sup and are held in Sup Depots.

Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

NOTICE :
Any unit knowing the whereabouts of CHEVROLET Truck No. 39452 should notify H.Q. 9 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION :

18 Aust Inf Bde	6	(incl copies for units under comd, 22 Apr 41)
20 Aust Inf Bde	13	(incl copies for units under comd, 22 Apr 41)
24 Aust Inf Bde	6	(incl copies for units under comd, 22 Apr 41)
26 Aust Inf Bde	9	(incl copies for units under comd, 22 Apr 41)
3 Armd Bde	5	(incl copies for units under comd, 22 Apr 41)
R. A.	4	(as above and NOTTS Yeomanry)
R. E.	13	(incl copies for R.A.E., R.E. and 2/1 Pnr BN)
C. S. O.	1	
Sigs 9 Aust Div	2	
4 A.A. Bde	14	(incl copies for units under comd, and 8 Aust Lt A.A. Bty)
1 N.F.	1	
24 Aust A.Tk Coy	1	
TOBRUK Sub-Area	66	
Sigs TOBRUK Fortress	1	
Comd	1	
G	1	
A.Q.	3	
Camp	1	
A.A.S.C. 9 Aust Div	4	
Comp Coy, A.A.S.C.	1	
7 Div Sup Col	1	
A.D.S.T.	6	(incl copies for R.A.S.C. Fortress Tps)
Medical	8	(incl copies for all medical units less those of TOBRUK Sub-Area)
Ord 9 Aust Div	3	
A.D.O.S. (O)	2	(incl copy for "A" Sec Ord Fd Pk, A.A.O.C.)
A.D.O.S. (E)	5	(incl copies for Fortress Tps)
Pro	1	
Post	1	
Pay	1	
File	2	
War Diary	2	

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9 Aust Div.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 30.

STATES AND RETURNS (RECORDS). H.Q. 9 Aust Div., 2 Apr 41.

(a) The following is a schedule of States, Returns etc to be submitted to O.i/c Records, 2 Ech A.I.F. PALESTINE by C.Os and where necessary by Os C dets :-

Serial No.	Form	When Rendered	Remarks.
1.	AFW 3006 - Daily Strength Return	Daily as at 0600 hrs	See note (a)
2.	AFW 3010 - Casualty Return Offrs and Nurses	Daily or as required	See note (b)
3.	AFW 3011 - Casualty Return O.R's		
4.	AFW 3012 - Casualty Return Att Personnel		
5.	AFW 3008 - Field Return of Offrs	Weekly at Midday Saturdays	(See note (c)
6.	AFW 3009 - Field Return of O.R's	" "	(See note (d)
7.	AFB 2069 - Offence Report	Weekly on Sats.	(See Note (e)
8.	AF C2118 - War Diary	Monthly.	

(b) Other forms to be submitted to O i/c Records, 2 Ech A.I.F. PALESTINE are :-

Serial No.	Form etc.	Remarks
9.	AFW 3314 - Report of Burial	To be rendered by Offr or Chaplain carrying out the burial. One copy to O i/c Records, one copy to Div H.Q.
10.	Signal MESSAGE notifying death (otherthan those reported on AFW 3006)	Only if death occurs while deceased member was serving with the unit. Deaths occurring at hospital etc will be notified by O.C. Hospital. All messages will be confirmed by letter.
11.	Reports on Injuries other than wounds received in action (AFB 117) and Courts of Inquiry - Rendition of:- Courts of Inquiry on injuries, supported by AF B117 will be completed in the following circumstances :- (a) When the injury is fatal or (b) If any doubt exists as to whether the injury was or occasioned by or contributed to by :- (i) Default or wilful act of the soldier. (ii) Intentional act of the soldier (e.g. self - inflicted wound.)	In all other cases injuries will be reported on Casualty Return (AFW 3010, 3011 or 3012)

Serial No.

11. (Contd)

(iii) Any occurrence or happening due to the commission of any breach of discipline by the soldier.

Court Proceedings will be forwarded through normal channels to reach Div H.Q. in duplicate.

(c) To take advantage of special Air Letter Service from Div H.Q. to CAIRO, unit states and returns for O i/c Records will be sent to 9 Div H.Q. and marked "O i/c Records."

NOTES.

(a) AFW 3006

(i) This state will be completed in triplicate by Os C all units (or dets commanded by an offr) of Cav, R.A.A., R.A.E., A.C.S., Inf, A.A.S.C. and Fd Ambs and will be disposed of as follows :-

x 1 Copy to Bde H.Q.
1 Copy to O i/c Records, 2 Ech A.I.F.
1 Copy retained for reference.

x For Bde H.Q. to note and pass to Div H.Q.

Units (or Dets commanded by an offr) att temporarily to an Inf Bde will submit one copy through Bde H.Q. to Div H.Q.

Units (or Dets commanded by an offr) serving directly under Div H.Q. will submit one copy to Div H.Q.

Bde Sig Secs will render their own returns through Bde H.Q.

The unit of arty is the regt.

All H.Q's and units who do render daily states e.g. Bde H.Q's, L.A.D.s etc will submit AFW 3006 only when battle casualties occur.

(ii) The proforma of the address and text of the return on a message form is :-

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TO :- ..... Bde
O i/c Records, 2 Ech A.I.F. PALESTINE.

FROM :-

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strengtH Az and state and D Ax B and Ay and C

(iii) The letters prefixed in the text of the message form indicate :-

Losses since last state was rendered (Offrs and O.R's)

A (Battle casualties
(y Sick (Evacuated beyond R.A.P.)
(z Other causes (e.g. transfers etc) incl personnel transferred or evacuated from the unit and in respect of whom reinforcements may be demanded. Az does NOT include dets for duty/to schools and courses etc

(iii) contd.

B Reinforcements (Offrs and O.Rs) received since last state rendered.

C Total effective strength (Offrs and O.R's) incl personnel on unit strength who are detached for duty, attending schools and courses, or otherwise available at short notice for return to units.

Personnel specifically provided for in W.E's as "attached" e.g. R.O's, Chaplains, Pay Sgts, etc will also be included.

Personnel detached for duty, or at schools and courses and still borne on unit strength will on completion of period of det return direct to unit and NOT through Gen Base Depot.

In the case of temporary attachment of individuals or small parties not commanded by an offr such personnel will be accounted for by their parent unit and NOT by the unit to which temporarily detached.

D. Names of officer battle casualties, showing killed, wounded and missing separately.

(b) CASUALTY RETURNS.

AFW 3010) One copy to records
AFW 3011) One copy retained by unit.

AFW 3012 One copy to Records
One copy to parent unit of att personnel.
One copy retained by unit.

No nil returns are required.

(c) AFW 3008

(i) Five copies to be completed by all units, dets commanded by an offr, and H.Q. units, and to be despatched :-.

One copy to O i/c Records through Div H.Q.
One copy to H.Q. A.I.F. M.E.
One copy to H.Q. CYRENAICA Comd.
One copy to War Diary
One copy to File.

(ii) C.Os will ensure that all returns give, in addition to the Nominal Roll of Officers on strength, details of their appointments or the duties being performed - i.e.- alongside the name of each officer will be inserted "Adjutant","Quartermaster", "Transport Officer", "Company Commander","Platoon Commander" etc as is appropriate.

(iii) Nominal Roll will include particulars of officers temporarily detached for duty or attending schools and courses. Officers so detached, etc remain on posted strength of the unit and are not normally replaceable by reinforcements.

(iv) All offrs seconded from unit, evacuated on medical grounds or otherwise transferred to th "X" List and thus replaceable by a reinforcement, will not be shown in Parts "A" or "D" of this return.

(v) All details of offrs joining or quitting during the week (including those referred to in para (iv) above and attached personnel) will be shown in Part "B".

(vi) Particulars of all Offrs attached for duty will be shown in Part "D" (ii).

(d) AFW 3009.

(i) Four copies to be completed by all units, dets commanded by an offr and H.Q. units, and to be despatched :-

One Copy to O i/c Records through Div H.Q.
One Copy to H.Q. CYRENAICA Comd
One Copy to War Diary
One Copy to File.

(ii) Personnel evacuated on Medical grounds, undergoing detention, or otherwise transferred to "X" List will be treated as struck off unit strength and as being replaceable by reinforcements.

(iii) Personnel temporarily detached for duty or attending schools etc, will be included in column 2 of AFW 3009 as such personnel are not on the unit "X" List and are therefore not normally replaceable by reinforcements.

(iv) Details of reinforcements showing specialists required (Part "D") will be completed to enable drafts of reinforcements to be arranged as far as possible in accordance with requirements.

(v) Deficiencies in personnel specifically provided for in W.E. as attached will be claimed for in part "D" and headed "Attached".

(e) AF B2069

(i) To be rendered through normal channels to Div H.Q. for transmission to O i/c Records and to give particulars of offences committed, punishments awarded, and forfeitures and stoppages.

(ii) The returns will be endorsed :-

For week ending .....
Number of sheets included in return.....
Last return submitted on.....

(iii) Nil returns are not required.

(iv) Court Martial particulars to be shown are :-

Nature of Court Martial
Place and date of trial.
Charge or charges in full.
Finding.
Sentence and date.
Confirmation, by whom, and date.
Date of promulgation by unit.
Period in confinement awaiting trial (see A.M.R. & O 490 (i)(b).
Remarks incl any remission, reduction, commutation, suspension, etc - by whom awarded and date.

R.J. Barham Maj for Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

CORRIGENDUM - TO 9 AUST DIV ADM INSTRUCTION NO.30.

H.Q. 9 Aust Div.
3 Apr 41.

9 Aust Div Adm Instruction No. 30 dated 2 Apr 41 is amended as follows on page 2 under "NOTES".

(a) In para (a)(i) the last sentence should read :-

"All H.Qs and units who do NOT render daily states e.g. Bde H.Qs, L.A.Ds etc, will submit AFW 3006 only when battle casualities occur."

(b) In para (a)(iii) before "Battle Casualties" insert "x".

DISTRIBUTION:-

20 Aust Inf Bde	(5)	
24 Aust Inf Bde	(5)	
26 Aust Inf Bde	(5)	
R.A.E.	(6)	
Sigs	(1)	
9 Lt A.A. Bty	(1)	
Ccmd	(1)	
G	(3)	
Q	(1)	
Camp	(1)	
A.A.S.C.	(3)	
Medical	(5)	
Pro	(1)	
Ord	(7)	Incl copies for 1 Rec Sec A Div Sec Ord Fd Pk 6 A.O.D. 9 Div Salvage Unit
Pay	(1)	
Postal	(1)	
File	(3)	
War Diary	(2)	
Spare	(10)	

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9 Aust Div.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 31.

H.Q. 9 Aust Div
9 Apr 41.

Ref 9 Aust Div Adm Instruction No 30. of 2 Apr 41.

1. In confirmation of instructions issued verbally on 8 Apr 41, all units on distribution list will render immediately the following returns irrespective of whether such returns were already rendered prior to 8 Apr 41. :-

(i) AF W3006 - from and incl 3 Apr 41.
(ii) AF W3008 - for week ended 5 Apr 41
(iii) AF W3009 - " " " "

2. These returns and all others referred to in the above Adm instruction will hereafter be rendered when due.

3. In addition units are required to submit immediately they occur names of all officer casualities in the following categories :-

(a) killed
(b) wounded
(c) missing

4. In the case of officers reported missing a brief report, if possible will accompany this notification indicating the circumstances in which they were last seen and any information available as to whether they are believed killed, wounded or P.C.W.

5. Units will render separate returns for detachments and sub - units under command.

6. The following extracts from Adm instruction No 30 are repeated :.

"All H.Q's and units who do NOT render daily states e.g. Bde H.Q., L.A.Ds etc will submit AFW 3006 only when battle casualties occur."

"Unit states and returns for O i/c Records will be sent to 9 Aust Div H.Q., and marked "O i/c Records."".

[signature] Lt-Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION. :-

20 Aust Inf Bde	(6)	War Diary	(2)
26 Aust Inf Bde	(10)	File	(2)
R.A.E.	(4)	Spare	(6)
Sigs	(4)		
A.A.S.C.	(4)		
A.D.M.S.	(4)		
D.A.D.O.S.	(3)		
Pay	(1)		
Pro	(1)		
Postal	(1)		
8 Lt A.A. Bty	(1)		
Comd.	(1)		
G.	(1)		
Q.	(1)		
Camp	(1)		

H.Q. 9 AUST. DIV.
Date 12 Apr 41
Time 1800.
File

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HEADQUARTERS, CYRENAICA COMMAND ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION
issued in conjunction with
CYRENAICA FORCE OPERATION ORDER No. 8.

Copy No. 1.....

12 Apr 41.

Ref. Map :- TOBRUK Sheet 1/50,000.

1. AMMUNITION.

A. Ps have been established in the vicinity of the following, for use of formations as shown :-

(a) Near Kilo. 7, SOUTH of DERNA Road - 20 Aust Inf Bde. and attached troops.

(b) EAST of road running from PILASTRINO Cross-roads, 406429 - 26 Aust Inf Bde. and attached troops.

(c) SOUTH-EAST of EL ADEM Cross-roads, 413426 - 24 Aust Inf Bde. and attached troops.

Troops not specifically mentioned will continue to draw from A.A.D.

2. SUPPLIES & P.O.L.

May be drawn from :-

(a) No. 24 F.S.D. - Area Kilo. 5 on DERNA Road.
(b) No. 25 F.S.D. - On BARDIA Road, 413431.
(c) D.I.D. TOBRUK.

These points are primarily for the use of :-

(a) No. 24 F.S.D. - 20 & 26 Aust Inf Bdes.
(b) No. 25 F.S.D. - 24 Aust Inf Bde.
(c) D.I.D. - Base Units & 18 Aust Inf Bde.

Units will, however, draw from point nearest to their location and once they have commenced drawing therefrom, will not change unless they change their location.

3. WATER SUPPLY.

TOBRUK FORTRESS.

(a) Ration will be 1/2 gallon per man per day with no extra allowance for radiators.

(b) Sub-Area Commander will be responsible for placing guards on water points, and water will only be issued on receipt of a unit strength certificate signed by the O.C. Unit.

.....(c) Contd.

(c) Comd. 9 Aust Div. will send a representative daily at 1830 hrs to C.R.E., TOBRUK to obtain information as to the availability of water at various water points for the following day.

Water Points are situated at :-

(i)	AWDA Water Point in Waddi Awda.	Map Ref.	40984374.
(ii)	S 1 " "	NORTH of BERNA Road.	" " 40334363.
(iii)	PILASTRINE D3"	At Fort PILASTRINO.	" " 40744307.
(iv)	D 2 Water Point	At P of W Cage.	" " 41314281.
(v)	D 1 " "	WEST of Distillery.	" " 41354337.
(vi)	SAN MARCO "	NORTH of Quay.	" " 41484345.
(vii)	A 4 Water Point	NORTH of Bakery.	" " 41364357.
(viii)	A 3 " "	Between Fort Peronne and Bakery.	" " 41274359.

4. TROOP CARRYING TRANSPORT.

(a) D.D.S.T. will allot troop carrying transport on the scale of 30 3 ton lorries per Bn, for -
(i) 18 Aust. Inf Bde.
(ii) One Bn. each 20 & 26 Bdes. and 2 Coys 24 Bde.

(b) This transport will be permanently allotted and remain with the units which are to be conveyed.

(c) Remaining R.A.S.C. transport will be held under Command control, except where specifically sub allotted to TOBRUK Sub Area for local transport work.

E/ Nairn, Brigadier,
D.A. & Q.M.G., Cyrenaica Command.

Time of Signature 1700 hrs.

Issued through Signals.

DISTRIBUTION.

	Copy No.		Copy No.
9 Aust Div.	1	C.E.	13
Support Group.	2	C.S.O.	14
18 Aust Inf Bde.	3	S.T.	15
H.Q., 4 A.A. Bde.	4	Medical.	16
6 Sqn. R.A.F.	5	Ordnance.	17
TOBRUK Sub-Area.	6	File.	18
BARDIA-SOLLUM Sub-Area.	7	War Diary.	19 - 20
Comd.	8	SNOIS. for C-in-C. Med.	21
G.	9 - 10	H.Q., R.A.F. Cyrenaica.	22
Q.	11	G.H.Q., M.E.	23
R.A.	12	H.Q., B.T.E.	24

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HEADQUARTERS, CYRENAICA COMMAND ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION

issued in conjunction with

CYRENAICA COMMAND OPERATION INSTRUCTION No. 9.

War Diary

Copy No. ..1..

14th April 41.

1. From 1800 hrs, 14th April 41, responsibility for the administration of TOBRUK Fortres passes from Headquarters, Cyrenaica Command, to Headquarters, 9 Aust Div (TOBRUK Fortress).

2. All Units and Formations now administered by Headquarters, Cyrenaica Command, including Headquarters, TOBRUK Sub-Area, will be administered direct by 9 Aust Div.

3. Certain Heads of Services of TOBRUK Sub-Area will be attached to Headquarters, 9 Aust Div for Fortress duties as follows :-

Attached to Fortress H.Q.	Replacement.
A.D.S.T. (Lt-Col. FRENCHAM).	Under arrangements by D.D.S.T., Cyrcom.
A.D.O.S. (Lt-Col. CLARKE).	Under arrangements by A.D.O.S., Cyrcom.

A.D.M.S., 9 Aust Div (Lt-Col. FUNNELL), will act as A.D.M.S., TOBRUK Fortress.

Lt-Col. BAKER, will act as C.O.M.E., in addition to Comdg. A.O.W.

4. All administrative orders and instructions will be issued by the Western Desert Force to Headquarters, TOBRUK Fortress (9 Aust Div), copies being sent to Headquarters, TOBRUK Base Sub-Area when that sub-area is affected.

5. The technical channels for communication will be from A.D.S.T., A.D.O.S., A.D.M.S., 9 Aust Div., to their respective Heads of Services at Headquarters, Western Desert Force. Details of R.A.Ch.D., R.A.P.C., C.M.P., and E.F.I. will communicate similarly.

6. Major R.W. LITTLEHALES, D.A.A.G., amd Major T.H.SPEAR, D.A.Q.M.G., will remain attached to the TOBRUK Fortress for duty, until further orders.

Issued through Signals.
Time of Signature.....hrs.

Brigadier,
D.A. & Q.M.G.

DISTRIBUTION.

copy No. 1. Comd. 9 Aust Div.
2. Comd. TOBRUK Sub-Area.
3. Comd. 4 AA Bde.
4. Comd. 18 Aust Inf Bde.
5. 6 Sqn. RAF.
6 - 7. "G"
8 - 9. "A"
10. R.A.
11. C.E.
12. C.S.O.
13. S.T.
14. "M"
15. O.S.
16. File.
17 - 18. War Diary.
19 - 20. G.H.Q., Middle East.
21 - 22. SNOIS for C in C Med.
23. 204 Group RAF (MAATEN BAGUSH).
24. Lt. Comdr. GREEN.
25. Sqn. Ldr. BLACK.

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HQ 9 Aust Div
1 Apr 41

BOUNDS.

It is obvious that discipline especially with detached troops has deteriorated seriously and the only way to restore it is by firmness and adequate punishment.

2. BENGASI, BARCE, REGIMA, in fact all villages, also all native camps are out of bounds.

3. No leave will be granted.

4. Those required to proceed to BENGASI and BARCE on duty are to have official passes signed by Bde Comds, CRA, CRE, ADMS, GSO 1 or AA&QMG. In the absence of either ofthe two latter, passes may be signed for them by 2nd grade S.O. Passes will give particulars of the holder of the pass, the nature of his duty, and the time required for the visit.

This applies to all ranks of the A.I.F.

A weekly return of passes issued will be sent to Div HQ to reach here by 1200 hrs on Mondays.

Cyrcom will be requested to arrest anybody without a pass and all those who have exceeded the time limit unless they can offer a satisfactory explanation.

R.T. Barham Maj for Col.
A.A.&.Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

Distribution:

20 Aust Inf Bde	(5)	Medical	(5)
24 Aust Inf Bde	(5)	Pro	(1)
26 Aust Inf Bde	(5)	Ord	(7) incl copies for 1 Rec Sec A Div Sec) Ord Fd Pk) 6 AOD 9 Div Sal-) vage unit)
RAE	(6)		
Sigs	(1)		
8 Lt AA Bty	(1)		
Comd	(1)		
G	(1)		
Q	(1)	Pay	(1)
Camp	(1)	Postal	(1)
AASC	(4)	File	(2)
		Spare	(6)
		War Diary	(2)

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H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
14 Apr 41.

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WEAPONS, AMN AND VEHICLES

1. In order that up to date information may be available to this H.Q. with regard to the above, all units will submit a return as at 0600 hrs each day to reach this H.Q. by 1000 hrs. Two copies will be prepared and these will be forwarded, through Bdes where applicable, one copy to ENID and one copy to MION. It is essential that these returns are accurate and are lodged punctually. Formation and Unit Commanders will personally ensure that this is done.

2. The following information will be shown :-

(a) Weapons. Nos on hand of the following :

Vickers Guns
Bren Guns
Lewis Guns
Boys Rifles
2" Mortars
3" Mortars
Thompson Sub-machine Guns
A. Tk Guns (stating type)
25 prs
Carriers

Captured enemy weapons will be shown separately, stating types and numbers.

(b) Details of amn for which 1st line scale of amn is NOT held will be stated.

(c) Numbers of the various types of vehicles held will be stated. Captured enemy vehicles will be shown separately.

A.H. Goodes maj
for Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION :

To all formations and units.

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H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
14 Apr 41.

WATER.

1. It is apparent that certain units are not carrying out the instructions issued regarding water. The following procedure will be adopted forthwith and formation and unit comds will personally ensure that same are observed :

(a) The ration will be ½ gallon per man per day with no extra allowance for radiators. The only exception will be medical units who may draw additional water on production of a certificate, signed by a medical officer not below rank of Major, that such water is necessary for medical purposes.

(b) Each unit when drawing water will hand into the water point a requisition, signed by the C.O., 2 i/c or adjt, stating unit strength and entitlement in gallons of water. Cases have occurred where certain units have drawn their entitlement of water twice or more from different points - this practice must cease.

(c) Water points to be used are notified daily. Only the points allotted will be used.

(d) Finally, is is essential that all units should "play the game" and co-operate to the fullest extent in conserving the limited supplies available. It is hoped that in the future it will be possible to increase the ration, but this is not feasible until the present consumption is reduced and reserves accumulated.

[signature] Lt Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION :

To all formations and units.

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H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
15 Apr 41.

ATTACHED R.A.S.C. VEHICLES

All units will submit forthwith, through Bdes where applicable, statements in duplicate to DIOR, showing the following particulars with regard to attached vehicles, including captured enemy vehicles :

(a) Registered number
(b) Unit from which attached
(c) Numbers, ranks and names of Drivers, and other personnel attached with the vehicle.

Troop carrying vehicles specifically allotted as such to Bdes will not be included.

[illegible] Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION :

All formations and units

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H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
16 Apr 41.

CONTROLLED STORES

Approval has been given for issues as per Appx "A" attached.

Indents will be submitted to D.A.D.O.S. at Rear H.Q. 9 Aust Div for certification and units will then draw stores concerned from A.O.D., TOBRUK. To save time it is suggested that units bring their indents with tpt to Rear H.Q. and they can then proceed to TOBRUK forthwith.

Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

DISTRIBUTION :

20 Inf Bde
24 Inf Bde
26 Inf Bde
18 Inf Bde
H.Q., R.A.A.
H.Q., R.A.E.
4 A.A. Bde
Sigs
Camp
A.O.D., Tobruk
G
D.A.D.O.S.
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APPENDIX "A"

	20 Inf Bde	24 Inf Bde	26 Inf Bde	18 Inf Bde	2/1 Pnr Bn	9 Div A.A.C.C.	9 Div R.A.E.	9 Div Sigs	H.Q. 9 Div	3 A.Tk Regt	51 Fd Regt
M.G. Besa 7.92	6	6	6		1	1	3				
Bren Mk 1		3									
Lewis Mk 1	2	2									
Rifles A. Tk Boyes	3				[illegible]	[illegible]	1				
Rifles No. 1 Mk 111											4
Bayonets											4
Scabbards											4
Guns - Hotchkiss					1						-
Pistols No. 2 Mk 1	3	3	3		3				5		
Pistols No. 1 Mk V1							2	3			
Pistols Signal No. 1	2										
Breda M.G. 30	1	1	1	3							
Compasses Prismatic	10	10	10		10	10					
Compasses Liquid	20	20	20	8	3	3	16		10	6	
Rifles No. 3 F	7	7	7								
Bren Carriers	5	5	4								

Signal Equipment — Two No. 11 sets to be issued to Notts Yeomanry

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HQ TOBRUCH FORTRESS

25 Apr, 41.

Dear

1. I am convinced that in the weeks to come our casualties directly attributable to fly borne diseases will far exceed those inflicted by enemy action unless steps are taken now to improve our field hygiene. This is of vital importance to the successful defense of TOBRUK and demands your constant personal attention. I desire you to impress on all ranks under your command the absolute necessit for strict adherence to the following measures for the prevention of the fly-borne disease and to ensure their strict administration.

2. In the conditions under which we are living we have to face the probability of serious loss of manpower through diarrhoea and dysentery. At present more men are being admitted to hospital with these diseases than a result of enemy action.

Both diarrhoea and dysentery are contageous and are spread by flies and by direct contact with infected material.

Fly breeding has most fortunately been retarded by the unusually cool weather, but a tremendous incr ease in the number of flies may be expected in the near future.

Flies lay eggs in excreta and any animal or vegetable matter, the heat of the sun hatches the eggs and the larvae live on the material in which they hatch - larvae can work their way to the surface through 6 feet of sand - hence it is essential that flies be denied any access to faeces or refuse - burying is useless once the eggs have been laid.

Flies carry infection by direct transference from infected faeces to food stuffs.

3. The following action will be taken now :-

a. Latrines must be fly proof. In areas where ordinary latrines cannot be built all excreta must be covered immediately with 6 inches of sand or earth and stamped down.

b. Flies MUST be prevented from alighting on food stuffs.

c. All cooks must wash their hands in disenfectant after defaecation.

d. Mess tins and eating utensils must be kept clean and covered at all times to prevent flies from infecting them.

Major-Gen.
Commanding TOBRUK FORTRESS.

To all Formations and Commanding Officers.

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H.Q., 9 Aust Div.
24 Apr 41.

ALL COMMANDING OFFICERS.

1. PILFERING, OVERDRAWALS OF RATIONS, WATER.

I am directed by the Fortress Commander to bring the following to the notice of all Commanding Officers.

(a) PILFERING.

Taking advantage of the damage to and temporary disorganization of the Base Supply Depot due to severe air attack, and their close proximity thereto necess itated by the existing circumstances, individuals and, in certain instances, organized unit parties have commenced large scale pilfering of supplies from such Depot.

While there is no shortage of supplies at present, and the ration scale is ample, it is obvious that pilfering, unless checked, must inevitably result in a shortage, particularly of the more tasty items.

Individuals taking part in this pilfering do so at the expense of other personnel in the garrison and therefore show a total disregard of the principle of the greatest good for the greatest number

To ensure complete protection of these supplies by means of wire or guards would require material or men which cannot be spared from the task of defending the fortress against the enemy to defend our supplies against their comrades. The protection of these supplies must therefore be left largely to the honour of the soldiers in the fortress.

If this pilfering continues, the Fortress Commander will be forced to curtail the rations by the amounts so pilfered but he hopes that he will not have to take this action.

In addition, such pilfering constitutes an offence triable by Court Martial and any cases detected in future are to be so treated. This also applies to pilfering from any source other than Base Supply Depot.

(b) OVERDRAWAL OF RATIONS.

It is apparent that, in the case of certain units, extra rations are being drawn either by units basing their indents on fictitious ration strengths or by sub units or detachments indenting separately when their rations are al so drawn by the parent unit.

When any unit includes in its indent, rations for personnel of other units, the detail of such other units (name and number rationed) should be shown in the indent.

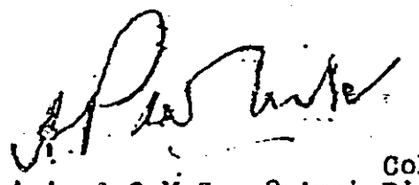
(c) OVERDRAWAL OF WATER.

The draw off of water is considerably in excess of the approved scale, namely 1/2 gallon per man per day for all purposes. The check of demands now imposed shows that certain units are overdrawing their entitlement either by giving incorrect strengths, presenting demands at more than one water point, or by sub units demanding when their parent unit has already drawn. Action is being taken in regard to these units.

Similar action is to be taken in regard to strengths shown on water demands as in the case of ration demands vide above. It is also to be ensured that demands are signed by a responsible officer.

It is realised that the ration is very small but no increase is possible until adequate reserves are built up to meet possible interuption of supply. When such reserves are available, it is hoped to increase the ration. The more water is saved now, the sooner such reserves will be built up.

2. The Fortress Commander directs me to say that Commanding Officers are to give the above matters their personal attention. I am also to add that Commanding Officers will in future be held personally responsible for any overdrawals of rations or water.



Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G., 9 Aust Div.

In the Field.

DISTRIBUTION :-

	18 Aust Inf Bde	7	(incl copy for 7 Div Sup Col)
	20 Aust Inf Bde	13	
	24 Aust Inf Bde	6	
	26 Aust Inf Bde	9	
	3 Armd Bde	5	
	R.A.	5	
	R.E.	9	(incl copies for Fortress Tps)
	C.S.O.	1	
	Sigs 9 Aust Div	1	
	4 A.A. Bde	14	
1 N.F.	1 N.F.	1	
	24 Aust A/Tk Coy	1	
	TOBRUK Sub Area	60	
	Sigs TOBRUK Fortress	1	
	Comd.	1	
	G.	1	
	A.Q.	3	
	Camp	2	
	A.A.S.C. 9 Aust Div	4	
	Comp Coy A.A.S.C.	1	
	A.D.S.T.	6	(incl copies for R.A.S.C. Fortress
	Med.	8	(Inc copy for R.A.C. (Tps.
	Ord 9 Aust Div	3	
	A.D.O.S. (O)	2	(incl copy for "A" Sec Ord Fd Pk.
	A.D.O.S. (E)	5	(incl copies for Fortress Tps)
	Pro	1	
	Postal	1	
	File	2	
	War Diary	2	

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SECRET 19129

H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
In the Field,
24 Apr 41.

ALLOTMENT OF VEHICLES

1. Approval has been given for the vehicles of 61 Coy, R.A.S.C. to be allotted to units as under :

Lorries 3 ton

2/4 Fd Pk Coy, R.A.E.	-	15
7 Div Sup Col, A.A.S.C.	-	8
"A" Coy Aust H.Q. Gd Bn	-	6
9 Div Provost Coy	-	2
2/15 Bn	-	7
		38

Lorries 2/3 Ton

To be retained	-	1
20 A.Tk Coy	-	5
24 A.Tk Coy	-	2
26 A.Tk Coy	-	2
2/28 Bn	-	4
2/43 Bn	-	3
		17

Lorries 30 cwt

7 Div Sup Col, A.A.S.C.	-	5

Vans 15 cwt

To be retained	-	1
7 Div Sup Col, A.A.S.C.	-	1

Cars

7 Div Sup Col, A.A.S.C.	-	3

M/Cycles

7 Div Sup Col, A.A.S.C.	-	3

Breakdown, Workshops, Water Tanks and Stores lorries will be handed in to V.R.D. for use as directed by A.D.S.T. Units concerned will collect vehicles from 61 Coy, R.A.S.C. on afternoon of 25 Apr.

2. Personnel of 61 Coy, R.A.S.C. will be at disposal of TOBRUK Sub-Area pending evacuation.

3. Vans, 1 ton in possession of 7 Div Sup Col, A.A.S.C. will be transferred as under :

Sigs 9 Aust Div	-	15
20 A.Tk Coy	-	1
24 A.Tk Coy	-	1
26 A.Tk Coy	-	2
2/13 Bn	-	6
2/15 Bn	-	5
		30

Units concerned above will collect at 1600 hrs 25 Apr at PERONNE Water Point.

DISTRIBUTION : A.D.S.T., TOBRUK Sub-Area

R.A.E. "A" Coy Aust H.Q. Gd Bn
Sigs 9 Div Provost Coy
20 Inf Bde G
24 Inf Bde A.Q.
26 Inf Bde Ord
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[signature] for Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

Mail Received from A.A.B.P.O.

April 1941.

Date	Vessel	No. of bags
22 April	URANIA	386
24 "	ATID	233
24 "	HANNE	332

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Mail Despatched to A.A.B.P.O.

April 1941

Date	Vessel	No. of bags
13 April	KIRKLAND	54
15 "	BAMORA	38
23 "	CLOXENA	88
25 "	ATID	98
29 "	MARIO GIOVANNI	51
30 "	SOUTHERN SEA	30

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S. Sup. O's Report.

~~Thursday~~ Wednesday 2 Apr 41

Supply Position 0900 hrs -

DID's at Benghasi and Barce. A.S.D at Fort "X" top of pass on South road Barce - Derna 8 miles west of Tecnis.

R.A.S.C under Cyrcom staffed and maintained these depots and held supplies of rations and Petrol more than adequate for existing requirements

1200 hrs. D.D.S.T. Cyrcom advised CASC that DID should be opened at El Abiar staffed by A.I.F. Such DID to function as from Saturday 5 Apr 41. ~~1400~~

1400 hrs C.A.S.C. returned to Tobruk.

1600 hrs Bde A S C Officers advised to arrange for 3 days reserve ration in Unit lines.

C. Foster Capt.
O/S Sup.O.

For war diary

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S. Sup. O's Report

~~Sunday~~ Thursday 3 Apr 41.

Supply position 0900 hrs.:-

Same as ~~Wednesday~~ 2 Apr. 1100 hrs site for DID selected in Barracks El Abiar

Supply position 1200 hrs.- Bde ASCO reports Benghasi food and petrol DID destroyed early that morning. Has 3 days rations in Unit lines.

1700 hrs 5500 rations arrive by lorry from Barce

1800 hrs DID opened in El Abiar under Lt Tutt.

2300 hrs Lt Tutt closes DID El Abiar after issuing all rations to Inf Bde and attached troops. Barce DID also closed and food and petrol destroyed.

C. Jocke Capt
a/c Sup. O.

S. Sup. O's. Report.

~~Sunday~~ Friday 4 Apr 41.

Supply position at 0100 hrs:-

Forces moving along roads. El Abiar - Barce, Baracca - Barce, Barce - Derna (North) and Barce - Derna (South). All units carrying 2/3 days ration.

0200 hrs S. Sup.O. went ahead to endeavour open Petrol Points at Tecnis on the South Rd and D'Annunzio on the North rd.

0400 hrs S. Sup.O. arrives A.S.D. Fort X. Vast quantities of rations and petrol handed over to S. Sup. O. by Capt Bass R.A.S.C. with instructions to issue or destroy as circumstances warranted. There was no transport at Fort X to guide was posted at entrance to petrol dump from main South Rd, with instructions to halt vehicles and instruct them to fill up with petrol and carry away what they could. S. Sup O. took 9 Cases of petrol across to Nth Rd at D'Annunzio and borrowed 4 vehicles from 8 L AA Bty to collect petrol at Fort X and establish P.P. at D'annunzio. Later Major McLennan sent more vehicles from D'annunzio to carry petrol to replenish P.P. at D'annunzio.

1000 hrs S. Sup. O returned to Fort X and rejoined his batman and Driver. Found fair quantity of tea milk and sugar had been stolen by the natives.

1200 hrs One Section of Infantry arrived to guard dump.

1200 - 2400 hrs carried on issues to units encamped in or passing through the area.

C. Jones Capt.
A/S Sup. O

S. Sup.O's Report.

Saturday 5 Apr 41

Supply Position as at 0900 hrs. Vast stores of rations and petrol at Fort X. All units in area drawing. Engineer Officer reported that he expected to blow ~~Fort~~ up Fort X ration dumps within a few hours. 0930 hrs two lorries arrived from Dena with tea milk Sugar. In view of engineer Officers remarks S. Sup.O. sent lorries back to Dena without unloading. S. Sup.O. Dvr Donnelly W.L. (Balmain) and Dvr Wilmore H. (driver) established at Fort X.

1800 hrs. S. Sup.O. instructed to destroy rations and petrol dumps by fire, but petrol not to be fired until all infantry units had moved back.

2100 hrs: all food dumps ablaze with assistance of 6 sappers: also 2 medium stacks of P/109 oil.

2105 hrs Major Barham ordered S. Sup.O to cease destroying owing to change of plans. Prior to destruction of food everything that the troops or unit transport could carry had been issued.

C. Jones Capt.

A/S. Sup.O.

S. Sup. O's Report.

Sunday 6 Apr 41

Supply Position as at 0900hrs :-

At Dot X. 350 Cases of M+V ration and 150 Cases of biscuits not destroyed. — With the units at least 3/4 days rations.

Petrol :- at D'ammuggio a small stock on wheels under Lt Tracey. — at Dot X 53000 gallon M.T. benzine plus 6000 gall M.T. oils. (beside 29000 gall Aviation Spirit)

1200 hrs 20 Inf Bde Sth Rd area drew stock of M+V and biscuits.

1400 hrs S.Sup.O sent to Cyrcon at Kaurana to arrange supplies forward in Tecnis Dot X and D'ammuggio areas. 1700 hrs returned to H.Q. Unable to contact DDST Cyrcon.

1730 S.Sup.O & Donnelly W.L. returns to Dot X to destroy remaining 87000 galls petrol and oils.

1810 hrs Lt Tracy E.R. reported to S. Sup. O. at Petrol Dump with instructions not to destroy petrol until last of Infantry had passed that point. Approx half of the dumps were already blazing and infantry were all gone at this time. Lt Tracy and his batman & driver assisted in destruction of remainder. 1915 hrs all dumps were blazing freely.

NO engineers reported to destroy this dump although its location and bulk were known at Cyrcon & Eint.

C. Jodre Capt.
A/S.Sup.O.

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S. Sup. O's Report.

Monday 7 Apr 41.

Supply position at 0100 hrs:-

All units on the move. Petrol Oil Water and rations available at Giovanni Berta.

@ 1200 hrs Units taking up new positions Units still carrying reserve of rations but adequate petrol and 10000 rations dumped at Kils: 40 (West of Tobruk.

1800 hrs Unissued rations and Petrol removed from dump at Kilo 40 and returned to D.I.D Tobruk.

C. Jones Capt
A/S. Sup. O.

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A. Sup. O's Report

Tuesday 8 Apr 41.

Supply position at 0900 hrs:—

All units requiring petrol or rations to draw from D.I.D Tobruk with 1st line transport. Water points in Tobruk or 14 Kilo Tobruk-Derna Rd.

1200 hrs. 3 S. D's each carrying 10000 rations and ample petrol & oil established at:—

(a) 11 Kilo West Tobruk on Tobruk-Derna Rd.

(b) 5 Kilo " " " " " "

(c) 5 Kilo from Tobruk on Tobruk-Bardia Rd.

C. Jones Capt
A/C. Sup O.

S. Sup. O's Report. A74

Wednesday 9. Apr 41.

Supply position at 0900 hrs:-

Same as 1200 hrs Tuesday 8 Apr.

The question of moving F.S.D. (a) to a new position, or dispensing with it altogether was discussed with A.D.S.T. Tobruk. These depots are staffed and maintained by R.A.S.C. under A DST Tobruk (Lt. Col Frenchman) but under direction D.D.S.T. Cyrcom.

C. Jocke Capt.
A/S. Sup. O.

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S. Sup. O.'s Report.

Friday 11 Apr 41.

Supply position as at 0900 hrs:—
Major A.J Overell takes over from Capt C.H. Locke.
F.S.D. at 11 Kilo Tobruk - Derna Rd closed previous night reopened at Kilo 8 same road by 0900 hr this day.
F.S.D's at 5 Kilo Tobruk-Derna Rd and 5 Kilo Tobruk - Bardia Rd. continue to operate.
1030 hrs:- A.D.S.T. Tobruk advises verbally 8 Kilo F.S.D. Tobruk - Derna Rd to be discontinued after today. Units to draw from remaining F.S.D's.
The supply position as regards units drawing on and after Saturday 12 Apr will be
(a) Kilo 5. Tobruk-Derna. 24 Inf Bde Pipo + 20 Inf Bde Scar.
(b) Kilo 5. Tobruk - Bardia. 24 Inf Bde HORA + ~~FOND~~

1500 hrs. B.A.S.C.O's Pipo + SCAR. Reported to S. Sup O. Warned re 3 days rations (reserve) and water.
(a) Both report all unit units now holding at least 3 days rations.
(b) Position Eng units rations ~~water~~ to be notified. BASC's will make indents on F.S.D's to complete.
(c) B.A.S.C.O's warned to draw sufficient water Containers from H.O.D. to hold necessary rations.
(d) Arrangements made for B.A.S.C.O's to report daily.

1900 Bde A.S.C.O. HORA reported and was instructed as above. His units are not at present holding reserve rations or water.

A.A. & Q.M.G.
New Delhi

C.H. Overell Maj
S.S. Sup. O.

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Subject: Report by Comd. Camo 2/23 Bn

To: Enid HQ 9 Aust Div

From: Teto HQ RAE

HQ RAE
9 Div.
15 Apr. 41

Comd. ~~EX~~ 2/23 Bn CAMO when visited this morning drew attention to the presence of an Italian hospital unit in area 403433 immediately in rear of and contiguous to his HQ. Personnel therefrom prowl around his Bn. Defences both by day and by night, many of them with white cloths in their pockets. Exact numbers at the unit NOT known but known recently there were some 700 "patients (?) 400 orderlies and 60 MOs. A large proportion of the "patients" appear quite fit. In addition to the nuisance and possibly more serious consequences, the whole crew is most unhygienic reports Comd. CAMO. He would like them moved.

R J Risson Maj.
A/CRE 9 Aust. Div.

(majority?)
Majority cleared
15 Apr
Finally cleared
18 Apr.

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S. Sup. O's. Report.

by Maj OVERELL 15 Apr 41

Supply Situation at. 1800 hrs. 15 Apr 41.

26 Bde HHS.C. Offr. reported. at. 1000 hrs.

All units in his area had completed reserve Rations & Water drawings

Unit strengths for rations were:- Bde. H.Q. 231. 2/23 Bn 800.
2/24 Bn 730, 2/48 Bn. 820, 51 RHA 590, 2/13 R.A.E. Fd. Coy. 215,
'J' Bty R.HA. 120 Total strength Bde Group 3506

All unit notified of Water Point.

24 Bde HHS.C. Offr. reported at 1130 hrs.

All units had completed drawings of reserve Rations & Water. in some cases water was being held in 4 gal. containers.

Unit strengths for rations were:- Bde H.Q. 200 2/28 Bn. 850. 2/43 Bn 850
104 RHA. 500 2/3 Fd. Coy. 200. R.T.R. 350. Total Strength Bde Group 2950

20 Bde H.H.S.C. Offr. reported at. 1600 hrs.

All units had completed drawings of reserve Rations & Water.

Unit strengths for rations were:- Bde H.Q. 250, 2/13 Bn 700, 2/15 Bn 810,
2/17 Bn 860, 2/7 Fd. Coy 180, 20 A.T. Reg. 90. 107 RHA. 555, 1 NF 700
Total. strength of Bde Group. 4145

He also reported that sandbags had been obtained from. R.E. dump on BARDIA RD.

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S. Sup O. obtained the following information from D.A.D.S. TOBRUCH.

Supplies of FLYSOL, CRESOLI, KEROSENE, ASCORBIC ACID TABS, N.C.I. Powder.
MOSQUITO CREAM are available from D.I.D. on demand, stocks are ample.
METH. SPIRITS, BOVRIL, MARMITE, MEAT EXTRACT. are Hospital Comforts and will only be issued on the authority of the A.D.M.S.
RECOARO WATER supplies are very limited only 300 cases in area; this is to be reserved for Hospital Use only and will be issued only on the authority of the A.D.M.S countersigned by the D.A.D.S.

A cigarette issue of Gift Cigarettes from Egyptian Govt will be made on the basis of 100 per man for forward troops. & 120 per two men for troops in the town area. on 16 or 14 Apr.

An issue of 2 Kgs. of MATZOS will be made for. Jewish Personnel. for PASSOVER FESTIVAL 11 Apr to 19 Apr.

Allen Wardrop Lt-Col. ESOL. J. Overell Maj
S.Sup. O. 9 Mech. Div.

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S. Sup. O's Report.

Supply Position as at 1800 hrs. 16th Apr 44

B.A.S.C.O's SEAR HORA PIPO were contacted during the day and reported that everything was satisfactory

A.A.C.I. informed me that approx. 25 Cases of Beer were available in area. Limited supplies of ~~com~~ Tomato Sauce Custard Powder Onion Pickles Tinned Fruit + Biscuits were available for Sup. Rat. purchases. Further supplies of all Canteen goods would come forward from ALEXANDRIA when shipping space was available.

A.D.S.T. TOBRUK:- D.A.D.S. TOR. reported ~~apr~~ ample supplies of BRANDY on hand. Approx 1000 gal. METH. SPIRIT on hand, this had been reserved for use in HOSPITAL + C.C.S.

A conference of all B.A.S.C.Os in area with D.A.D.S. + S.Sup.O is called for 1130 hrs 17th at A.D.S.T's office.

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O.C. Overall Coy.
1920 hrs.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.

H.Q.9th.Aust.Division,
In the Field,
20th.April 1941.

Inspection of Captured Enemy Weapons.

Acting on the instructions of the A.A.& Q.M.G.9th.Aust.Div. I have today carried out an inspection of captured enemy artillery pieces referred to in signal Q 43 originated by H.Q.20th.Inf.Bde.

All the abovementioned pieces were used by the Italians and abandoned by them when Tobruck fell into our hands.They apparently have not been used or received any attention since that date.

The results of my inspection are as follows :-

TYPE.	No.	CONDITION.
1. 105/28 Field Gun	6	Completely Unserviceable. Breech-Blocks and/or striker assembles missing.
2. 120/45 Twin Fixed Naval Mounting	2	Completely Unserviceable. See 1.
3. 149/35 Field Gun.	2	Completely Unserviceable. See 1.
4. 75/27 Field Gun	1.	Completely Unserviceable. See 1.
5. 100/17 Howitzer	2	Completely Unserviceable. One with split barrel and damaged breech block. One without bleech block.
6. 117/14 Howitzer	1.	Completely Unserviceable. Striker assembly missing.
7. 149/12 Howitzer	17	See note below.

Note. Of the 17 -149/12 Howitzer shown above,approx.10 could be repaired and made serviceable after complete overhaul.All sights however are either missing or completely destroyed.The time which would have to be spent on any of these pieces to render them serviceable in my opinion would be wasted as -

(a) Only less than 400 rounds of ammunition in all is available.
(b) The weapons could not be used accurately without sights.

Conclusion.
I recommend all the above artillery pieces be completely destroyed.

F.W. Statham
Major.
S.O.M.E.9th.Aust.Division.

HEADQUARTERS
No 30/41.
9TH AUS. DIV. A.S.C.

H.Q. A.A.S.C. 9 Aust Div,

23 Apr 41.

H.Q. 9 AUST DIV.

EMPLOYMENT OF A.A.S.C. 9 AUST DIV.

Acting under instructions received from G.O.C. 9 Aust Div, the officers and O/R's not actively engaged in A.S.C. duties were organised as four rifle Coy's. Certain numbers already performing guard and ammunition duties were retained on those tasks.

Details of Employment are as follows:-

			Off.	O.R.
RIFLE COYS.				
"A" Coy, attached 24 Inf Bde			4	126
"B" Coy, attached 24 Inf Bde			5	121
"C" Coy, plus one pl "D" Coy attached 2/15 Bn, one pl "D" Coy attached 2/24 Bn.			5	116
"D" Coy, less two pls attached 2/13 Bn			4	119
			18	482
SECURITY GUARD TOBRUCH.				
General Guard Duties	3	163		
Manufacturing Molotov Cocktails		11	3	177
Driving Duties - 4 A.G.H.		3	7	123
AMMUNITION DUTIES.				
WORKSHOPS TOBRUCH.				
Petrol Coy	1	60	3 / ~~2~~	85
Supply Col	1	25		
MISCELLANEOUS.				
~~H.~~Q. A.A.S.C.	4	17		
Att H.Q. A.A.S.C. (Light Duties etc)	~~2~~ 1	71		
Personnel at Schools		3		
Detached to H.Q. 9 Aust Div		1		
At Amiriya		10		
Evacuated beyond R.A.P.	2	64	8	168
P.O.W. Water Point		2		
Total Personnel A.A.S.C. 9 Aust Div.			38	1035

.....Lt.Col.
C.A.A.S.C. 9 Aust Div

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9 AUST DIV.

BATTLE CASUALTIES - 3 Apr to 0600 hrs 12 Apr

UNIT	KILLED Off	KILLED O.R.	WOUNDED Off	WOUNDED O.R.	MISSING Off	MISSING O.R	TOTAL Off	TOTAL O.R.
H.Q. 9 Aust Div					2	11	2	11
Sig Sec		1		5		10		16
H.Q. 20 Inf Bde								
Sig Sec								
20 A/Tk Coy						1		1
2/13 Bn					4	118	4	118
2/15 Bn					8	155*	8	155
2/17 Bn				8		4		12
H.Q. 24 Inf Bde								
Sig Sec								
24 A/Tk Coy		1		4				5
2/28 Bn				3				3
2/43 Bn								
H.Q. 26 Inf Bde								
Sig Sec		2	1	4			1	6
26 A/Tk Coy								
2/23 Bn						5		5
2/24 Bn								
2/48 Bn								
H.Q.R.A.E.					3	1	3	1
2/3 Fd Coy					1	35	1	35
2/7 Fd Coy						15		15
2/13 Fd Coy								
2/4 Fd Pk Coy								
H.Q.A.A.S.C.								
Pet Coy								
Amn Coy								
Sup Col								
Ind Bde						25		25
8 Lt A.A. Bty				2				2
3 Fd Amb								
Fd Amb					2	39	2	39
11 Fd Amb								
3 A/Tk Regt		2	1		7	105	8	107
2/1 Pnr Bn								
9 Div Provost					1	1	1	1
		6	2	26	28	525	30	557

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* Of this 155 men missing 40 returned

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9 AUST DIV

OFFICER BATTLE CASUALTIES - 3 APR to 0600 hrs 13 Apr 41.

UNIT	NAME OF OFFICER	
H.Q. 9 Aust Div	Capt. KROGER, Lieut STEWART	(M)
2/13 Bn	Capt FRASER, Lieut ROSS Lieut PETERSON, Lieut MacDONALD	(M)
2/15 Bn	Lt.-Col MARLAN, Major BARTON Major ROSIER, Capt. CURRIE Lieut WINTOUR, Lieut. HART Lieut DONNAN, Chap ARKELL	(M)
26 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	Lieut. BEANEY	(W)
H.Q. R.A.E.	Lieut-Col MANN Capt WEARING-SMITH Lieut OVERALL	(M)
3 Fd Coy	Lieut ROACH	(M)
3 Fd Amb	Major BIRNS, Capt GILBERT	(M)
9 Div Provost	Lieut PRESTON	(M)
3 A/Tk Regt	Capt COPELAND Lt-Col MUNRO, Major ANDERSON Capt SEWINGS, Capt PHIPPS Lieut GILL, Lieut KANT, Lieut JOHNSTON	(W) (M)

(W) Denotes Wounded.
(M) Denotes Missing.

BATTLE CASUALTIES

UNIT	3 Apr - 12 Apr	12 Apr - 14 Apr	Remarks
H.Q. 9 Aust Div	2 - 11		
Sigs Att	- 16		
H.Q 20 Inf Bde			
Sigs Att			
20 A/Tk Coy	- 1		
13 Bn	4 - 118	x1 - 4	x Lt McPhail -shell shock
15 Bn	8 - 115	- 5	
17 Bn	- 12	- 8	
H.Q. 24 Inf Bde			
Sigs Att			
24 A/Tk Coy	- 5	- 5	
28 Bn	- 3	- 3	
43 Bn		- 11	
H.Q. 26 Inf Bde			
Sigs Att	1 - 6		
26 A/Tk Coy			
23 Bn		- 1	
24 Bn	- 5		
48 Bn	- 2	- 1	
H.Q.R.A.E.	x3 -x1		x Returned to unit
3 Fd Coy	1 - 35	- 1	
7 Fd Coy	- 15	- 6	
13 Fd Coy	- x6		x reported since last return
4 Fd Pk Coy			
1 Pnr Bn		- 6	
3 A/Tk Regt	8 - 101		
8 Lt A.A. Bty	- 2		
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs			
H.Q.A.A.S.C.			
Pet Coy			
Amn Coy			
Sup Col			
Comp Coy	- 25		
3 Fd Amb			
8 Fd Amb	2 - 39		
11 Fd Amb			
4 Fd Hyg Sec			
9 Div Pro	1 - 1		
RHA		x1 - 4	x Lieut Robertson killed

O.R. Casualties 12-14 Apr incl 6 killed

24 A/Tk Coy	1
7 Fd Coy	2
1 Pnr Bn	3

CASUALTIES IN ACTION - 14 APR 41

UNIT	KILLED		WOUNDED		MISSING		TOTAL	
	Offrs.	O.Rs	Offrs	O.Rs	Offrs	O.Rs	Offrs	O.Rs.
20 Aust Inf Bde	1						1	
20 Aust A.Tk Coy	1						1	
2/17 Bn		7	2	18		10	2	35
3 Aust A.Tk Regt			1	5			1	5
R.[illegible]A. & R.A.		1	3	10			3	11
2/13 Bn				3				3
2/12 Bn				2				2
24 Aust A.Tk Coy				1				1
2/1 Pnr Bn		3		3				6
A.A.S.C. 9 Div		3		14				17
TOTAL	2	14	6	56	-	10	8	80

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FIGHTING STRENGTH

9th DIVISION — As at 0600 hrs 15 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH Offrs	O.Rs	BATTLE CASUALTIES Offrs	O.Rs
H.Q. 9 Aust Div	31	222		
Sigs Att	8	188		
H.Q. 18 Inf Bde	14	75		
18 A/Tk Coy	4	65		
2/9 Bn	32	675		
2/10 Bn	38	783		
2/12 Bn	38	751		2
4 Fd Coy	5	219		
5 Fd Amb	12	221		
H.Q. 20 Inf Bde	14	65	1	
Sigs Att	1	32		
20 A/Tk Coy	2	79	1	
2/13 Bn	31	648		3
2/15 Bn	27	588		
2/17 Bn	30	737		
H.Q. 24 Inf Bde	10	70		
Sigs Att	1	32		
24 A/Tk Coy	3	67		1
2/28 Bn	35	699		
2/43 Bn	34	686		
H.Q. 26 Inf Bde	11	47		
Sigs Att	1	27		
26 A/Tk Coy	4	58		
2/23 Bn	34	710		
2/24 Bn	33	710		
2/48 Bn	31	689		
H.Q. R.A.E.	5	20		
3 Fd Coy	3	184		
7 Fd Coy	4	185		
13 Fd Coy	5	210		
4 Fd Pk Coy	3	142		
1 Pnr Bn	29	760		6
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	8	188		
H.Q.A.ASC	7	31		
Pet Coy	7	252		
Amn Coy	8	290		6
Sup Col	15	392		6
Comp Coy	6	140		3
3 Fd Amb	12	186		
6 Fd Amb	9	197		
11 Fd Amb	12	200		
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	23		
9 Div Salvage Unit	1	41		
3 A/Tk Regt	14	299	1	5
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	174		
ATTACHED				
1 R.H.A.	24	430	2	8
3 R.H.A.	11	200		3
104 R.H.A.	23	393		
107 R.H.A.	28	498		
51 R.A.	23	502	1	
1 N.F.	25	593		
	772	15,665	6	43

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FIGHTING STRENGTH

9 Aust Div — As at 0600 hrs 16 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS	
H.Q. 9 Div	31	224						
Sigs Att	8	107						
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	73						
Sigs Att	1	34						
16 A/Tk Coy	4	67						
9 Bn	32	674				- 2		
10 Bn	38	782		- 2				
12 Bn	38	748				- 3		
H.Q. 20 Bde	14	65						
Sigs Att	2	39						
20 A/Tk Coy	2	79						
13 Bn	31	647						
15 Bn	27	587				- 1		
17 Bn	30	722		- 2		- 8	- 2	
H.Q. 24 Bde	10	70						
Sigs Att	1	32						
24 A/Tk Coy	3	71						
28 Bn	35	696				- 3		
43 Bn	34	687						
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47						
Sigs Att	1	37				- 4		
26 A/Tk Coy	4	52						
23 Bn	34	709				- 1		
24 Bn	33	710						
48 Bn	31	695		- 2		- 1		
H.Q. R.A.E.	8	20						
3 Fd Coy	3	183						
4 Fd Coy	5	214		- 5				
7 Fd Coy	3	182	1 -			- 1	Lt Murray, A.H.	
13 Fd Coy	5	209				- 1		
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	155						
1 Pnr Bn	29	758						
H.Q 9 Div Sigs	7	173						
3 A/Tk Regt	14	299						
8 A.A. Bty	5	170						
H.Q.A.A.S.C.	7	31						
Pet Coy	7	246						
Amn Coy	8	289		- 1		- 1		
Sup Col	14	385		- 1		- 1		
Comp Coy	6	139						
3 Fd Amb	12	186						
5 Fd Amb	12	221						
8 Fd Amb	9	200						
11 Fd Amb	12	200						
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	23						
9 Div Salvage	1	41						
ATTACHED								
1 R.H.A.	24	430						
3 R.H.A.	11	204						
104 R.H.A.	23	395						
107 R.H.A.	28	498						
51 R.A.	23	499		- 2		- 1		
1 K.F.	25	594				- 3		
R.T.R.	4	110						
18 Cav	16	512						
	795	16,219		1 -15		- 32	- 2	

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FIGHTING STATE

AS AT 0600 hrs 17 Apr 41.

9 AUST DIV.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Div	31	224					- 13
Sigs Att	8	106					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	75					
Sigs Att	1	34					
16 A/Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	32	675					
10 Bn	38	783					
12 Bn	38	749				- 2	
H.Q. 20 Bde	14	63					
Sigs Att	2	39					
20 Aust A/Tk Coy	2	79					
13 Bn	32	644		- 1		- 2	
15 Bn	26	586					1 - 1
17 Bn	30	720		- 1			
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	71					
Sigs Att	1	32					
24 A/Tk Coy	3	71					
28 Bn	35	697					
43 Bn	34	686					
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs Att	1	37					
26 A/Tk Coy	4	52					
23 Bn	34	711	- 1	- 1			
24 Bn	33	713				- 1	
48 Bn	33	703		- 2			
H.Q.R.A.E.	5	20					
3 Fd Coy	3	187					
4 Fd Coy	5	212		- 1		- 1	
7 Fd Coy	4	181				- 2	
13 Fd Coy	4	208				- 1	1 - 1
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	154				- 1	
1 Pnr Bn	29	756					
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	6	163					
3 A/Tk Regt	14	299		- 1			
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	170					
H.Q.A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy	7	246					
Amn Coy	8	291					
Sup Col	14	385					
3 Fd Amb	12	193				- 4	
5 Fd Amb	12	221					
6 Fd Amb	9	200					
11 Fd Amb	12	200					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1.	23					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Prov ost	1	37				- 2	
ATTACHED							
1. R.H.A.	24	427		- 1		- 2	
3 R.H.A.	11	204					
104 R.H.A.	23	394					
107 R.H.A.	28	498					
51 R.A.	23	500				- 1	
1 N.F.	26	623					
R.T.R.	4	110					
18 Cav	16	512					
K.D.G.	28	447					
1 R.T.	19	258				- 2	
	838	16,855	- 1	- 8		-21	2 - 15.

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FIGHTING STRENGTH

9 AUST Div. — as at 0600 hrs 18 Apr 41

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Div	31	231					
Sigs Att	9	115					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	74				- 1	
Sigs Att	1	34					
16 A/Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	32	674				- 6	
10 Bn	38	786					
12 Bn	37	748	- 2	1	-3		
H.Q. 20 Bde	13	62					
Sigs Att	2	39					
20 A/Tk Coy	2	79					
13 Bn	32	643				- 1	- 2
15 Bn	26	589				- 1	
17 Bn	30	722				- 2	
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	71					
Sigs Att	1	32					
24 A/Tk Coy	3	71					
26 Bn	35	689					
43 Bn	34	686					
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs Att	1	37					
26 A/Tk Coy	4	52					
23 Bn	34	711				- 1	
24 Bn	33	712				- 1	
48 Bn	33	693		-7		- 2	- 1
H.Q. R.A.E.	5	20					
3 Fd Coy	3	187				- 2	
4 Fd Coy	5	212					
7 Fd Coy	4	180				- 1	
13 Fd Coy	4	209					
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	154					
1 Pnr Bn	29	764					
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	6	151		-3		- 1	
3 A/Tk Regt	14	299					
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	170					
H.Q.A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy	7	246					
Amn Coy	8	291					
Sup Col	12	383				- 2	2-
6 Fd Amb	12	182				- 4	
5 Fd Amb	12	221					
8 Fd Amb	9	200					
11 Fd Amb	12	200					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	23					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	38					
ATTACHED							
1 R.H.A.	23	380				- 1	
3 R.H.A.	11	205					
104 R.H.A.	23	394					
107 R.H.A.	28	498					
51 R.A.	22	500		1	-1		
1 N.F.	26	628				- 1	- 1
5 R.T.R.	4	110					
18 Cav	16	512					
K.D.G.	28	447					
1 R.T.R.	19	258				-1	
	833	16,768	-2	2	-14	- 28	2 - 4

NAME OF OFFICERS :- Lieut J.T. SELF, 2/12 Bn Wounded
Lt-Col J.S. DOUGLAS, 51 FD Regt R.A. Wounded.

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FIGHTING STATE

9 Aust Div. — As at 0600 hrs 19 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSPERS
H.Q. 9 Div	33	231					
Sigs Att	10	120					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	90					
Det Gd Bn	1	43					
L.A.D. 47	1	11					
Sigs Att	1	34					
16 A/Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	32	677				- 1	
10 Bn	35	741					
12 Bn	37	748					
H.Q. 20 Bde	13	61				- 1	
Det Gd Bn	1	34					
Sigs Att	2	38					
20 A/Tk Coy	2	77					
13 Bn	32	644					
15 Bn	26	590				- 1	
17 Bn	30	722					
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	71					
Sigs Att	1	32					
24 A/Tk Coy	3	71					
28 Bn	35	692				- 2	
43 Bn	34	683				- 4	
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs Att	1	37					
26 A/Tk Coy	4	52					
23 Bn	34	710				- 2	
24 Bn	33	711					- 1
48 Bn	33	683	- 8	- 3			
H.Q. R.A.E.	5	20					
3 Fd Coy	3	187					
4 Fd Coy	5	212					
7 Fd Coy	4	179		- 1			
13 Fd Coy	4	208				- 1	
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	152					
1 Pnr Bn	29	755					
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	5	141					
3 A/Tk Regt	14	298					- 1
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	169					
H.Q.A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Amn Coy	8	291					
Pet Coy	7	246					
Sup Col	12	381				- 2	
3 Fd Amb	12	186				- 1	
5 Fd Amb	12	221					
8 Fd Amb	9	201					
11 Fd Amb	12	200					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	38					
ATTACHED							
1 R.H.A.	24	380					
Sigs Att	1	26					
3 R.H.A.	11	205					
104 R.H.A.	23	394					
107 R.H.A.	27	498				- 1	
51 R.A.	22	501					
1 M.F.	27	643					
5 R.T.R.	4	110					
18 Cav	18	525					
K.D.G.	28	447				- 1	
1 R.T.R.	19	263					
551 A Tk Coy, R.E.	9	270					

Det 295 Fd Coy, R.E.	1	37				
H.Q. 3 Armd Bde	5	36				
3 K.O.H.	19	206				
H.Q. 4 A.A. Bde	4	20				
R.A.O.C. Att	2	5				
Sigs Att	4	127				
H.Q. 14 Lt A.A.	3	10				
Sigs Att	-	10				
H.Q. 51 Hy A.A.Regt	-	6				
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90		- 1		
1 Lt A.A. Bty	8	92				
Det 38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36				
39 Lt A.A. Bty	9	95				
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A.Regt	4	31				
Det 37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	18				
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	196				
152 Hy A?A. Bty	8	247				
153 A.A. Bty	11	310				
335 Hy A.A. Bty	9	270				
13 Lt R.A.S.C. Coy	3	97				
13 Lt Wkshp Sec	1	36				
B Sqn R.W.Y.	4	123				
4 Lt A.A. Bde Coy R.A.S.C.	3	40				
	957	19,305	- 8	- 5	- 17	- 2
Unconfirmed 2/1 AFW			- 1	1- 4		

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9 Aust Div — as at 0600 hrs 20 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q 9 Div	32	225					
Sigs Att	10	128					- 10
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	73				- 1	
L.A.D. 47	1	10					
Det Gd Bn	1	42					
Sigs Att	1	34					
16 A/Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	32	678				- 1	- 2
10 Bn	35	741					
12 Bn	31	631					
H.Q. 20 Bde	13	63					- 1
L.A.D. 57	1	11					
Sigs Att	2	39					
20 A/Tk Coy	2	77					
13 Bn	32	643		- 1		- 1	
15 Bn	26	588	- 1	- 1			
17 Bn	29	722			1 -		- 1
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	71					
Sigs Att	1	33					
24 A/Tk Coy	3	71					
28 Bn	35	696					
43 Bn	34	683				- 2	
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
Sigs Att	1	37					
26 A/Tk Coy	4	51		- 1			
23 Bn	34	705					
24 Bn	33	704			- 3		- 4
48 Bn	33	683					
H.Q. R.A.E.	5	20					
3 Fd Coy	3	187					
4 Fd Coy	5	211					
7 Fd Coy	4	179					
13 Fd Coy	4	208					
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	154					
1 Pnr Bn	29	751				- 2	
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	5	119					
3 A/Tk Regt	14	298				- 1	
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	168					
H.Q.A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy	7	251					
Amn Coy	8	292				- 1	
Sup Col	12	378				- 1	- 2
7 Div Sup Col	13	457					
3 Fd Amb	12	187					
5 Fd Amb	12	221					
8 Fd Amb	9	210					
11 Fd Amb	12	200					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	23					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro Coy	1	38					
ATTACHED							
1 R.H.A.	24	381					
Sigs Att	1	26					
3 R.H.A.	11	205					
104 R.H.A.	23	391				- 3	
107 R.H.A.	27	498					
51 R.A.	21	502		1 -			
1 R.N.F.	28	644					

1 R.T.R.	19	263				
5 R.T.R.	4	110				
18 Cav	17	523			- 1	
K.D.G.	28	447				
55 Coy RASC	9	313			- 1	
307 Res M.T. Coy	6	176				
551 A.T. COy R.E.	9	270				
H.Q. 4 A.A. Bde	4	20				
R.A.O.C. Att	2	5				
Sigs Att	4	127				
51 Hy Regt R.A.O.C.	2	56				
13 Lt Regt R.A.O.C.	1	36				
B Son RWY	4	123				
H.Q 14 Lt A.A. Regt	3	10				
Sigs Att	-	10				
H.Q. 51 Hy A.A. Regt	-	6				
51 Hy R.A.C. Coy	3	97				
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90				
1 Lt A.A. Bty	8	92				
Det 38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36				
39 A.A. Bty	9	95				
4 A.A. Bde						
R.A.S.C. Coy	3	40				
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A. Regt	4	31				
Det 37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	18				
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	196				
152 Hy A.A. Bty	8	247				
[redacted] Hy A.A. Bty	11	310				
235 Hy A.A. Bty	9	270				
13 Lt R.A.S.C. Coy	3	97				
	959	19,978	- 1	1- 3	- 3	1-15 - 20

BATTLE CASUALTIES

NAMES OF OFFICERS

51 FD REGT R.A. - Capt G. CAVAGHAN.

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FIGHTING STATE

9 Aust Div — as at 0600 hrs 21 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Div	32	225					
Sigs att	10	128					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	71				- 1	- 2
Sigs att	1	34					
L.A.D. 47	1	10					
Det Gd Bn	1	43					
16 A.Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	31	676				1 - 1	- 2
10 Bn	35	740				- 1	
12 Bn	31	628				- 3	
H.Q. 20 Bde	13	64					
Det Gd Bn	1	35				- 1	
L.A.D. 58	1	11					
Sigs att	2	39					
20 A.Tk Coy	2	79					
13 Bn	32	644					
15 Bn	26	586		- 1		- 2	
17 Bn	30	724					
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	70					
Sigs att	1	33					
2[illegible] A.Tk Coy	3	71					
28 Bn	35	694				- 2	
43 Bn	34	683				- 1	
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
L.A.D.	1	10					
Sigs att	1	37					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
26 A.Tk Coy	4	51					
23 Bn	34	704				- 2	
24 Bn	33	704					
48 Bn	33	683					
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	5	115					
R. Sigs att	-	12					
H.Q. R.A.E.	5	20					
3 Fd Coy	3	187					
4 Fd Coy	5	211					
7 Fd Coy	4	179		- 1			
13 Fd Coy	4	208					
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	156					
1 Pnr Bn	33	753					
3 A.Tk Regt	14	297		- 1			
3 Lt A.A. Bty	~~5~~	~~167~~					
H.Q., A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy, A.A.S.C.	7	250					
Amn Coy "	8	292					
Sup Col "	12	378					
7 Div Sup Col	13	417					
3 Fd Amb	12	187					
5 Fd Amb	12	221					
8 Fd Amb	9	201					
11 Fd Amb	12	200					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	38					
	1	7 Fd Cash Office					

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ATTACHED :

1 R.H.A.	24	379
Sigs att	1	26
R.A.O.C. att	1	14
3 R.H.A.	11	209
04 R.H.A.	23	391
107 R.H.A.	27	498

			W.	SICK	TRANSFERS
51 F. A.	21	800			
H.Q. 3 Armd Bde	5	36			
1 R.T.R.	23	227			
3 K.O.H.	19	246			
18 Cav	34	523			
K.D.G.	22	342			
1 N.F.	28	650			
	884	17,556	- 3	-14	- 4

FORTRESS TPS

H.Q. 4 Bt A.A. Bde	4	20			
R.A.O.C. att	2	5			
Sigs att	4	127			
51 Hy Regt R.A.O.C.	2	56			
13 Lt A.A. Regt R.A.O.C.	1	36			
B Sqn R.W.Y.	4	223			
H.Q. 14 Lt A.A. Regt	3	10			
Sigs att	-	10			
H.Q. 51 Hy A.A. Regt	-	6			
51 Hy R.A.S.C. Coy	3	97			
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90			
1 Lt A.A. Bty	8	92			
Det 38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36			
39 Lt A.A. Bty	9	95			
4 [illegible]A. Bde R.A.S.C. Coy	3	40			
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A. Regt	4	31			
Det 37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	18			
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	196			
152 Hy A.A. Bty	8	247			
153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	310			
235 Hy A.A. Bty	9	270			
13 Lt R.A.S.C. Coy	3	97			
H.Q. Fortress Sigs	1	-			
Tobruk Base Sec	1	31			
27 Line Mntnse Sec	-	26			
20 Line Sec	1	16			
143 Fd Pk Tp	2	101			
551 Army Tp Coy, R.E.	9	270			
55 Coy R.A.S.C.	9	313			
307 Res M.T. Coy	7	172			
309 Res M.T. Coy	11	389			
345 Res M.T. Coy	11	369			
35[illegible] Res M.T. Coy	2	255			
	145	3,914			

GRAND TOTAL.

Offrs	O. Rs.
1,029	21,470

Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.
[illegible] the Field.

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9 Aust Div — as at 0600 hrs 22 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Div	32	225					
Sigs att	10	133					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	71					
Sigs att	1	34					
L.A.D. 47	1	9				- 1	
Det Gd Bn	1	43					
16 A.Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	31	674				- 2	
10 Bn	34	752				1 -	
12 Bn	31	629					- 3
H.Q. 20 Bde	12	62				1 - 2	
Sigs att	2	40					
L.A.D. 58	1	11					
Det Gd Bn	1	35					
20 A.Tk Coy	2	79					
13 Bn	31	647					1 -
15 Bn	26	586					
17 Bn	29	721				2 - 3	
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	70					
Sigs att	1	33					
A.Tk Coy	3	71					
28 Bn	35	692				- 2	
43 Bn	34	684					
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs att	1	36					
L.A.D.	1	10					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
26 A.Tk Coy	4	51					
23 Bn	34	706					
24 Bn	33	700				- 4	
48 Bn	33	680		- 1		- 1	- 1
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	5	149					
R. Sigs att	-	12					
H.Q., R.A.E.	5	20					
3 Fd Coy	3	183		- 4			
4 Fd Coy	5	212					
7 Fd Coy	4	183					
13 Fd Coy	4	220					
Fd Pk Coy	4	156					
Pnr Bn	33	752		- 1			
5 A.Tk Regt	15	297					
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	167					
H.Q. A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy, A.A.S.C.	7	249					
Amn Coy "	10	314				- 4	
Sup Col	12	375		- 1		- 2	- 1
7 Div Sup Col	13	457					
3 Fd Amb	12	187				- 1	
5 Fd Amb	12	221					
8 Fd Amb	9	210					
11 Fd Amb	12	198				- 2	
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	38					
ATTACHED :							
1 R.H.A.	28	331					
Sigs att	1	26					
R.A.O.C. att	1	14					
3 R.H.A.	11	207		- 2			
104 R.H.A.	23	391					
107 R.H.A.	27	495				- 3	
7 Med Regt	1	28					
51 R.A.	21	500					
1 N.F.	28	649					

H.Q. 3 Armd Bde.	5	36			
1 R.T.R.	23	326			
3 K.O.H.	19	247			
K.D.G.	22	342			
5 R.T.R.	9	107			
18 Cav.	35	522			
	900	17,554	- 9	4 - 27	1 - 5

FORTRESS TPS.

H.Q. 4 Lt. A.A. Bde.	4	20
R.A.O.C. att.	2	5
Sigs att.	4	127
51 Hy Regt R.A.O.C.	1	36
13 Lt A.A.Regt "	2	56
B Sqn R.W.Y.	4	123
H.Q 14 Lt A.A.Regt	3	10
Sigs att		10
H.Q. 51 Hy A.A.Regt		6
51 Hy R.A.S.C. Coy		2
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90
1 Lt.A.A. Bty	8	92
Det 38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36
39 Lt A.A.Bty	9	95
4 A.A.Bde R.A.S.C.	3	40
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A.Regt	5	30
Det 37 Lt A.A.Bty		14
40 Lt A.A.Bty	7	196
152 Hy A.A.Bty	8	248
153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	309
235 Hy A.A.Bty	9	289
13 Lt R.A.S.C. Coy	3	97
Fortress Sigs	3	81
143 Fd.Pk.Tp.	2	101
551 Army Tp.Coy	9	270
309 Res M.T. Coy	11	389
345 Res M.T. Coy	11	369
550 Res M.T. Coy	9	314
16 M.A.C.	8	181
'A' Sec Ord Fd Pk	1	38
2/1 A.F.W.	8	354
'Y' Army Tk Rec Sec	2	35
	153	4,082

GRAND TOTAL

Offs.	O.Rs.
1,063	21,636

Col.
A.A & Q.M.G. 9 Aust.Div.
In the Field.

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FIGHTING STATE

9 Aust Div — as at 0600 hrs 23 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K	W	M	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Div	32	325					
Sigs att	10	143					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	71					
Sigs att	1	50					
Det Gd Bn	1	43					
L.A.D. 47	1	9					
18 A.Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	32	709	- 2			- 2	
10 Bn	34	750		- 1		- 1	- 1
12 Bn	31	626				- 3	
H.Q. 20 Bde	12	62					
Sigs att	2	37					- 2
L.A.D. 58	1	11					
Det Gd Bn	1	35					
20 A.Tk Coy	2	77					
13 Bn	31	645		- 1		- 1	
15 Bn	26	583		- 1		- 2	
17 Bn	29	720				- 1	
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	70					
Sigs att	1	33					
L.A.D.	1	12					
24 A.Tk Coy	3	70				- 1	
28 Bn	35	692					
43 Bn	34	684		- 1		- 1	
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs att	1	37					
L.A.D.	1	10					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
26 A.Tk Coy	4	51					
23 Bn	31	677	- 1	-10	3 -20		
24 Bn	32	700				- 1	
48 Bn	33	672	- 2	- 7			
3 A.Tk Regt	15	297					
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	167					
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	5	142					
Re Sigs att	-	12					
H.Q., R.A.E.	5	20					
3 Fd Coy	3	182		- 1			
5 Fd Coy	5	214					
7 Fd Coy	4	183					
13 Fd Coy	4	217		- 2		- 1	
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	154					
1 Pnr Bn	33	752				- 1	
H.Q., A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy, A.A.S.C.	7	251					
Amn Coy "	10	314					
Sup Col "	12	373				- 1	- 1
7 Div Sup Col	12	417				- 1	
3 Fd Amb	12	188					
5 Fd Amb	12	220					
8 Fd Amb	9	202				- 1	
11 Fd Amb	12	197					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	38					
ATTACHED :							
H.Q. 3 Armd Bde	5	35					
1 R.T.R.	23	323					- 2
7 R.T.R.	9	105					
3 K.D.G.	22	246	- 1		1 - 2		
K.D.G.	21	342					
18 Cav	28	520					

1 R.H.A.	27	431					-1	1 - 8
Sigs att	1	26						
R.A.O.C. att	1	14						
3 R.H.A.	11	207						
104 R.H.A.	23	391						
107 R.H.A.	27	495						
51 R.A.	21	500						
7 Med Regt	1	28						
1 N.F.	28	647					-2	
	890	17,527	- 6	-24	4	-22	-21	1 -14

FORTRESS TPS

H.Q. 4 Lt A.A. Bde	4	20
Sigs att	4	128
R.A.O.C. att	2	5
51 Hy Regt A.A.O.C.	2	56
13 Lt A.A. Regt R.A.O.C.	1	36
B Sqn R.W.Y.	4	123
H.Q. 14 Lt A.A. Regt	3	10
Sigs att	-	10
H.Q. 51 Hy A.A. Regt	-	16
51 Hy R.A.S.C. Coy	-	2
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90
1 Lt A.A. Bty	8	92
Det 38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36
39 Lt A.A. Bty	9	95
4 A.A. Bde, R.A.S.C.	3	40
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A. Regt	5	30
Det 37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	14
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	190
152 Hy A.A. Bty	8	248
153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	309
235 Hy A.A. Bty	11	284
13 Lt R.A.S.C. Coy	3	97
Fortress Sigs	3	81
295 Army Fd Coy	1	36
143 Fd Pk Tp	2	101
551 Army Tp Coy	9	270
309 Res M.T. Coy	11	389
345 Res M.T. Coy	11	369
Res M.T. Coy	7	280
R.A.C.	8	181
" See Ord Fd Pk	1	38
2/1 A.F.W.	8	345
"Y" Army Tk Rec Sec	2	35
	154	4,066

GRAND TOTAL

OFFS.	O. Rs.
1,044	21,593

NAMES OF OFFICERS

Lieut Hutchinson	2/23 Bn	Missing
" Grogan	2/23 Bn	"
" James	2/23 Bn	"
Lieut Beckett, J.R.K.	3 K.O.H.	Missing

R.C. Barlow Maj for Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.
In the Field.

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FIGHTING STATE

9 Aust Div — as at 0600 hrs 24 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Div	32	237					
Sigs att	10	143					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	71					
Sigs att	1	50					
Det Gd Bn	1	43					
L.A.D. 47	1	9					
16 A.Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	32	710				- 2	
10 Bn	34	749					- 1
12 Bn	31	626					
H.Q. 20 Bde	12	63					
Sigs att	2	38					
L.A.D. 58	1	11					
Det Gd Bn	1	35					
20 A.Tk Coy	3	77					
13 Bn	31	645					
15 Bn	26	582		- 1			
17 Bn	29	720					
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	69					
Sigs att	1	33					
L.A.D.	1	12					
24 A.Tk Coy	3	70					
28 Bn	35	691				- 3	
45 Bn	34	681				- 3	
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs att	1	37					
26 A.Tk Coy	4	51					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
23 Bn	31	675		- 1	- 1		
24 Bn	33	699				- 1	
48 Bn	33	673					
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	5	141					
R. Sigs att	-	12					
3 A.Tk Regt	15	296					
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	167					
H.Q., R.A.E.	5	20					
3 Fd Coy	3	182					
4 Fd Coy	5	213				- 1	
[redacted] Fd Coy	4	179				- 5	
[redacted] Fd Coy	4	217					
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	154					
1 Pnr Bn	33	748				- 4	
H.Q., A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy, A.A.S.C.	7	250				- 1	
Amn Coy "	10	313				- 2	
Sup Col "	12	373					
7 Div Sup Col	12	417					
3 Fd Amb	12	188					
5 Fd Amb	12	220					
8 Fd Amb	9	202					
11 Fd Amb	12	197					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	40					
9 Div Pro	1	38					
ATTACHED :							
H.Q. 3 Armd Bde	5	36					
1 R.T.R.	23	323					
7 R.T.R.	9	105					
3 K.O.H.	21	258					
K.D.G.	22	341					
18 Cav	35	553					
1 N.F.	28	645				- 2	

			K.	W.	M.		
1 R.H.A.	27	420				- 1	1 - 8
Sigs att	1	26					
R.A.O.C. att	1	14					
3 R.H.A.	11	208					
104 R.H.A.	23	412					- 4
107 R.H.A.	27	495					
51 R.A.	21	492		1 - 1			- 6
7 Med Regt	1	28					
	899	17,633		1 - 3	- 1	-25	1 -19

FORTRESS TPS

H.Q. 4 Lt A.A. Bde	4	20					
Sigs att	4	128					
R.A.O.C. att	2	5					
51 Hy Regt R.A.O.C.	2	58					
15 Lt Regt R.A.O.C.	1	36					
"B" Sqn R.W.Y.	4	123					
H.Q. 14 Lt A.A. Bty	3	10					
Sigs att	-	10					
H.Q. 51 Hy A.A. Regt	-	6					
51 Hy R.A.S.C. Coy	-	2					
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90					
1 Lt A.A. Bty	8	92					
Det 58 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36					
39 Lt A.A. Bty	9	95					
4 [illegible]A. Bde R.A.S.C.	3	40					
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A. Regt	5	30					
Det 37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	14					
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	190					
152 Hy A.A. Bty	8	248					
153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	308		- 1			
235 Hy A.A. Bty	11	284					
13 Lt R.A.S.C. Coy	3	97					
Notts Yeomanry	15	388					
Fortress Sigs	3	81					
295 Army Fd Coy	1	36					
143 Fd Pk Tp	2	101					
551 Army Tp Coy	9	270					
309 Res M.T. Coy	9	357					
345 Res M.T. Coy	11	369					
550 Res M.T. Coy	7	280					
16 H.A.C.	7	177					
"A" Sec Ord Fd Pk	1	38					
2/1 A.F.W.	8	354					
"Y" [illegible]my Tk Rec Sec	2	35					
	166	4,408		- 1			

GRAND TOTAL

OFFRS	O. Rs.
1,065	22,041

NAMES OF OFFICERS

Capt Sutcliffe	51 R.A.	Wounded

R. Barker Major Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.
In the Field.

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FIGHTING STATE

9 Aust Div — as at 0600 hrs 25 Apr 41.

Unit	APPROX STRENGTH Offs	O.Rs	BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	Sick	Transfers
H.Q. 9 Div	32	237					
Sigs att	10	141					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	71					
Sigs att	1	53				- 1	
Det Gd Bn	1	44					
L.A.D. 47	1	9					
16 A.Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	32	707					
10 Bn	34	747				- 3	- 1
12 Bn	31	627				- 2	
H.Q. 20 Bde	12	64					
Sigs att	2	38					
L.A.D. 58	1	11					
Det Gd Bn	1	35					
20 A.Tk Coy	3	77					
15 Bn	31	644		- 1		- 1	
15 Bn	26	580				- 2	
17 Bn	29	718				- 2	
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	70					
Sigs att	1	33					
L.A.D.	1	12					
24 A.Tk Coy	3	70					
28 Bn	35	691					
45 Bn	34	679				- 2	
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs att	1	37					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
26 A.Tk Coy	4	51					
23 Bn	31	675					
24 Bn	33	697				- 2	
48 Bn	35	672				- 1	
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	5	134					
H.Q. R.A.	4	4					
3 A.Tk Regt	15	299					
L.A.D.	1	11					
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	167					
H.Q. R.A.E.	5	20					
3 Fd Coy	3	179	- 1			- 1	- 1
4 Fd Coy	5	202				- 7	
7 Fd Coy	4	179					
13 Fd Coy	4	218					
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	153					
1 Pnr Bn	33	746				- 2	
H.Q. A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy. A.A.S.C.	6	249					2 - 1
Amn Coy "	10	312				- 1	
Sup Col "	12	373				- 1	- 1
7 Div Sup Col	12	417					
3 Fd Amb	12	188					
5 Fd Amb	12	220					
8 Fd Amb	9	202					
11 Fd Amb	12	197					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	37					
ATTACHED :							
H.Q. 3 Armd Bde	5	38					
1 R.T.R.	23	320					- 3
7 R.T.R.	9	106					
3 K.O.H.	21	269					
K.D.G.	22	341					
18 Cav	35	553					

			K.	W.	M.		
1 R.H.A.	27	429					
Sigs att	1	26					
R.A.O.C. att	1	13					
3 R.H.A.	12	207					
104 R.H.A.	23	410				- 2	
107 R.H.A.	27	495					
51 R.A.	22	496				- 1	
7 Med Regt	1	28					
1 H.F.	28	646				- 3	
	907	17,621	- 1	- 1		-34	1 - 7

FORTRESS TPS

H.Q. 4 Lt A.A. Bde	4	20					
Sigs att	2	43					
R.A.O.C. att	2	5					
51 Hy Regt, R.A.O.C.	2	58					
Sigs att	1	43					
13 Lt Regt, R.A.O.C.	1	36					
B Sqn R.W.Y.	4	123					
H.Q. 14 Lt A.A. Regt	2	8					
Sigs att	-	10					
H.Q. 51 Lt A.A. Regt	-	6					
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90					
1 Lt A.A. Bty	8	93					
Det 38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36					
39 Lt A.A. Bty	5	94					
4 A.A. Bde R.A.S.C.	3	40					
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A. Regt	5	30					
Det 37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	14					
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	196					
152 Hy A.A. Bty	8	248					
153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	309					
235 Hy A.A. Bty	11	284					
13 Lt R.A.S.C. Coy	3	97					
13 Lt A.A. Regt Sigs	1	32					
Notts Yeomanry	15	373					
Fortress Sigs	3	81					
295 Army Fd Coy	1	37					
143 Fd Pk Tp	2	97					
551 Army Tp Coy	9	270					
309 Res M.T. Coy	9	357					
345 Res M.T. Coy	11	369					
50 Res M.T. Coy	7	280					
6 R.A.C.	8	181					
A" Sec Ord Fd Pk	1	38					
2/1 A.F.W.	5	313					
"Y" Army Tk Rec Sec.	2	35					
	159	4,346					

GRAND TOTAL

OFFRS.	O. Rs.
1,066	21,967

Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.
In the Field.

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FIGHTING STATE

9 Aust Div

as at 0600 hrs 26 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH Offs.	O.Rs.	BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Div	32	237					
Sigs att	10	155					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	71					
Sigs att	1	53					
Det Gd Bn	1	44					
L.A.D. 47	1	9					
16 A.Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	32	697				-12	- 1
10 Bn	34	747					
12 Bn	31	627				- 1	
H.Q. 20 Bde	12	64					
Sigs att	2	38					
L.A.D. 58	1	11					
Det Gd Bn	1	35					
20 A.Tk Coy	3	81					
13 Bn	31	640				- 4	
15 Bn	26	580					
17 Bn	29	713				- 5	
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	70					
Sigs att	1	33					
[redacted] A.D.	1	12					
24 A.Tk Coy	3	71					
28 Bn	35	692					
43 Bn	34	676		- 1	- 2		
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs att	1	38					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
26 A.Tk Coy	4	50				- 1	
23 Bn	31	675				- 1	
24 Bn	34	694				- 2	
48 Bn	34	672					1 - 1
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	5	150					
H.Q., R.A.	4	4					
3 A.Tk Regt	15	298					
L.A.D.	1	11					
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	167					
H.Q., R.A.E.	5	20					
3 Fd Coy	3	180					
4 Fd Coy	5	199				- 2	- 1
[redacted] Fd Coy	4	179					
15 Fd Coy	4	218					
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	153					
1 Pnr Bn	33	743				- 3	
H.Q., A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy, A.A.S.C.	6	249					
Amn Coy "	10	310				- 2	1 - 6
Sup Col "	12	373					
7 Div Sup Col	12	417					
3 Fd Amb	12	187					
5 Fd Amb	12	220					
8 Fd Amb	9	202					
11 Fd Amb	12	197					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	37					
ATTACHED							
H.Q. 3 Armd Bde	6	38					
1 R.T.R.	23	329					
7 R.T.R.	9	121					
3 K.O.L.I.	21	279					
K.D.G.	22	341					
18 Cav	35	554					
1 N.F.	28	643				- 3	

			K.	W.	M.		
1 R.H.A.	27	427					
Sigs att	1	28					
R.A.O.C. att	1	13					
8 R.H.A.	12	207					
104 R.H.A.	23	411					
107 R.H.A.	28	502					
51 R.A.	22	494					
7 Med Regt	1	28					
	909	17,661		- 1	- 2	-36	2 - 9

FORTRESS TPS

H.Q. 4 Lt A.A. Bde	4	20					
Sigs att	4	44					
R.A.O.C. att	2	5					
R.A.S.C. att	3	40					
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A. Regt	6	30					
Sigs att	1	32					
R.A.S.C. att	3	97					
R.A.O.C. att	1	36					
H.Q. 15 Hy A.A. Regt	-	5					
Sigs att	1	43					
R.A.O.C. att	2	56					
H.Q. 14 Lt A.A. Regt	2	10					
Sigs att	-	10					
1[illegible] A.A. Bty	8	93					
37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	15					
38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36					
39 Lt A.A. Bty	5	93				- 1	
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90					
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	196					
"B" Sqn H.W.Y.	4	123					
152 Hy A.A. Bty	8	245					
153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	309					
235 Hy A.A. Bty	11	284					
Notts Yeomanry	15	373					
Fortress Sigs	3	81					
295 Army Fd Coy	1	37					
143 Fd Pk Tp	2	97					
551 Army Tp Coy	9	270					
309 Res M.T. Coy	9	357					
345 Res M.T. Coy	11	369					
550 Res M.T. Coy	7	280					
16 M.A.C.	7	182					
"A" Sec Ord Fd Pk	1	38					
2/1 A.P.M.	5	313					
"Y" Army Tk Rec Sec	2	35					
	180	4,344				- 1	

GRAND TOTAL

OFFS.	O. Rs.
1,089	22,005

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FIGHTING STATE

9 Aust Div — as at 0600 hrs 27 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Aust Div	34	246					
Sigs att	10	153					- 2
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	70					
Sigs att	1	53					
Det Gd Bn	1	44					
L.A.D. 47	1	9					
18 A.Tk Coy	4	67					
9 Bn	31	699				1 - 2	
10 Bn	34	747				- 1	
12 Bn	31	624				- 3	
H.Q. 20 Bde	12	65					
Sigs att	2	53					
L.A.D. 58	1	11					
Det Gd Bn	1	35					
20 A.Tk Coy	3	81					
13 Bn	31	636		- 2		- 2	
15 Bn	26	577				- 3	
17 Bn	29	710				- 4	
H.Q. 26 Bde	12	67				- 2	
Sigs att	1	33					
L.A.D.	1	12					
24 A.Tk Coy	3	71					
28 Bn	35	692					
43 Bn	34	676					
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs att	1	37					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
26 A.Tk Coy	4	50					
23 Bn	31	668		- 1		- 6	
24 Bn	34	693					
48 Bn	34	669				- 2	- 1
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	5	152					
H.Q., R.A.	4	4					
3 A.Tk Regt	15	300					
L.A.D.	1	11					
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	167					
H.Q., R.A.E.	5	19					
3 Fd Coy	3	179				- 3	
4 Fd Coy	5	198		- 1			
7 Fd Coy	4	177					
13 Fd Coy	4	218					
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	152				- 1	
1 Pnr Bn	33	743				- 1	
H.Q., A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy, A.A.S.C.	6	248				- 1	
Amn Coy "	10	310				- 1	
Sup Col "	12	372				- 1	
7 Div Sup Col	12	417					
3 Fd Amb	12	187					
5 Fd Amb	12	220					
8 Fd Amb	9	202					
11 Fd Amb	12	197					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	37					
ATTACHED :							
H.Q. 3 Armd Bde	6	28					
1 1 R.T.R.	23	332				- 1	- 5
7 R.T.R.	9	121					
3 K.O.H.	21	282					
K.D.G.	22	341					
18 Cav	35	554					
1 N.F.	30	662				- 2	

			K.	W.	M.		
1 R.H.A.	27	427					
Sigs att	1	26					
L.A.D.	1	13					
3 R.H.A.	12	207					
104 R.H.A.	22	410				1 -	- 1
107 R.H.A.	28	502					
51 Fd Regt	21	493		1 -		- 1	
7 Med Regt	1	28					
	910	17,666		1 - 4		2 -37	- 9

FORTRESS TPS

H.Q. 4 Lt A.A. Bde	4	20					
Sigs att	2	44					
R.A.O.C. att	2	5					
R.A.S.C. att	3	40					
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A. Regt	5	30					
Sigs att	1	32					
R.A.O.C. att	1	36					
R.A.S.C. att	3	97					
H.Q. 14 Lt A.A. Regt	2	10					
Sigs att	-	10					
H.Q. 15 Hy A.A. Regt	-	5					
Sigs att	1	43					
R.A.O.C. att	2	56					
[illegible]t A.A. Bty	8	93					
37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	15					
38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36					
39 Lt A.A. Bty	5	92		- 1			
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	196					
57 Hy A.A. Bty	[illegible]	90					
B Sqn R.W.Y.	4	223					
152 Hy A.A. Bty	8	245					
153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	309					
235 Hy A.A. Bty	11	284					
Notts Yeomanry	15	373					
Fortress Sigs	3	81					
295 Army Fd Coy	1	37					
143 Fd Pk Tp	2	97					
551 Army Tp Coy	9	270					
309 Res M.T. Coy	9	357					
345 Res M.T. Coy	11	369					
550 Res M.T. Coy	7	280					
16 [illegible] A.C.	7	182					
[illegible] Ord Fd Pk	1	38					
2/1 A.F.W.	5	308					
Y Army Tk Rec Sec	2	35					
	158	4,338		- 1			

GRAND TOTAL

OFFS.	O. Rs.
1,068	22,004

NAMES OF OFFICERS

Major J.D. Hutchinson 51 R.A. Wounded

[illegible] Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.
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FIGHTING STATE

9 Aust Div — as at 0600 hrs 28 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Div	34	246					
Sigs att	10	153					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	71					
Sigs att	1	37					
Det Gd Bn	1	42				- 2	
L.A.D. 47	1	9					
16 A.Tk Coy	4	68					
9 Bn	31	698				- 2	
10 Bn	34	746					- 1
12 Bn	31	624					
H.Q. 20 Bde	12	63				- 1	
Sigs att	2	53					
L.A.D. 58	1	12					
Det Gd Bn	1	38					
20 A.Tk Coy	3	81		- 1			
13 Bn	31	635		- 1			
15 Bn	26	575		- 1		- 1	
17 Bn	29	712				- 1	
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	67					
Sigs att	1	33					
L.A.D.	1	12					
24 A.Tk Coy	3	79					
28 Bn	35	685					- 8
43 Bn	34	678					
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs att	1	37					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
26 A.Tk Coy	4	50					
23 Bn	31	667				- 1	
24 Bn	34	693					
48 Bn	34	669					
H.Q. 9 Div Sigs	5	143					
H.Q., R.A.	4	4					
3 A.Tk Regt	15	298				- 2	
L.A.D. att	1	11					
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	167					
H.Q., R.A.E.	5	19					
3 Fd Coy	3	178				- 1	
[illegible] Fd Coy	5	199					
7 Fd Coy	4	177					
13 Fd Coy	4	217					
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	152					
1 Pnr Bn	32	737				- 7	1 -
H.Q., A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy, A.A.S.C.	7	249					
Amn Coy "	10	310					
Sup Col "	12	374					
7 Div Sup Col	12	416					
3 Fd Amb	12	187					
5 Fd Amb	12	219					
8 Fd Amb	9	202					
11 Fd Amb	12	197					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	37					
ATTACHED :							
H.Q. 3 Armd Bde	6	28					
1 R.T.R.	23	331					
7 R.T.R.	9	134					
3 K.O.H.	21	282					
K.D.G.	22	340					
18 Cav	35	554					
1 N.Z.	30	664				- 2	

			K.	W.	M.	
1 R.H.A.	27	427				
Sigs att	1	26				
R.A.O.C. att	1	12				
3 R.H.A.	12	207				
104 R.H.A.	22	409				- 1
107 R.H.A.	28	502				
51 R.A.	21	494				
7 Med Regt	1	28				
	910	17,642		- 3	-20	1 -10

FORTRESS TPS

H.Q. 4 Lt A.A. Bde	4	20				
Sigs att	2	44				
R.A.O.C. att	2	5				
R.A.S.C. att	3	40				
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A. Regt	5	30				
Sigs att	1	32				
R.A.O.C. att	1	36				
R.A.S.C. att	3	97				
H.Q. 14 Lt A.A. Regt	2	11				
Sigs att	-	10				
H.Q. 51 Hy A.A. Regt	-	5				
Sigs att	1	43				
R.A.O.C. att	2	56				
1 Lt A.A. Bty	8	93				
37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	15				
38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36				
39 Lt A.A. Bty	5	92				
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90				
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	195			-1	
B Sqn N.W.Y.	4	123				
152 Hy A.A. Bty	8	202	-5	-38		
153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	307	- 1	- 1		
235 Hy A.A. Bty	11	283	- 1			
Notts Yeomanry	15	273				
Fortress Sigs	3	81				
295 Army Fd Coy	1	36				
143 Pd Pk Tp	2	97				
551 Army Tp Coy	9	270				
309 Res M.T. Coy	9	357				
345 Res M.T. Coy	11	369				
550 Res M.T. Coy	7	285				
18 A.A.C.	7	182				
"A" Sec Ord Fd Pk	1	38				
2/1 A.F.W.	5	308				
"Y" Army Tk Rec Sec	2	35				
	158	4,296	- 7	-39	- 1	

GRAND TOTAL

OFFS.	O. Rs.
1,068	21,938

Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.
In the Field.

A.A.O.C. WORKSHOP UNITS IN TOBRUK

2/1 A.F.W. including Nos 1 & 2 Recovery Sections

No. 6 Recovery Section, 2/2 A.F.W.

A.A.O.C. L.A.Ds IN TOBRUK

No.	attached to	O.C.
58	20 Inf Bde	Capt Coombes
47	18 Inf Bde	Lieut Rich
76	24 Inf Bde	Capt Lyden
78	26 Inf Bde	Capt Lang
71	3 A.Tk Regt	Capt Watson
72	2/4 Fd Pk Coy	Capt Short

BRITISH L.A.Ds in TOBRUK

1 R.H.A.	Lieut A.E.P.Joy
3 R.H.A.	Lieut W. Hammerton
104 R.H.A.	Lieut Gillings
107 R.H.A.	Capt Richards
51 Fd Regt	

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EVACUATION ex TOBRUK

Unit	Offs.	O. Rs.	Priority	Date Sailed	
4 R. T. R.	2	19		21/4	
R. A. F.	4	274		21/4	
4 Fd Sqn. R.E.	3	173		21/4	
35 Fd Sqn (S. & M.)	2	-		21/4	631
3 H	6	105		21/4	
S/Staffs Cypher Officer & details	1	21		21/4	
N.Z. Excav & Mech Equip Unit	1	20		23/4	
143 Fd Pk Tp	2	101	1		
~~11 H~~	~~1~~	~~7~~	~~2~~		
K.D.G. less details	21	359	3	31 vehicles	
5 R. T. R.	~~12~~ 5	278 114	4		
6 R. T. R.	6	70	5		
3 R.H.A. 2 Sig Sec & Det 4 R.H.A.			6		
R. A. M. C. (18 Ind Staging Sec	3	114	7		
R. A. M. C. (3 Ind Mot Hde Fd Amb	4	109	8		
R. A. M. C. (Mob Bact Lab		3	9		
(Opth Unit		3	10		
Leicester Det Hks		2	11		
~~38 Lt A.A. Bty~~	~~1~~	~~40~~	~~12~~		
K.R.R.C.		50	13		
102 Military Mission	39	1866	14		
(5 L of C Coy, R.A.S.C.	6	190	15		
(Det 231 Coy, R.A.S.C.	2	35	16		
R. A. S. C. (2 Water Tank Coy, R.A.S.C.	2	47	17		
R. A. S. C. (Sec 6 M.T. Wks Ser Coy, R.A.S.C.	1	25	18		
R. A. S. C. (901 Coy, R.A.S.C.	2	-	19		
C. (41 D.I.D.	1	6	20		
(Bulk Pet Stge Coy	1	7	21		
(2 Base Pet Filling Coy	1	122	22		
(8 B.S.D.	6	26	24		
(2 Fd Butchery	1	51	23		
22 Mob Bath Unit	-	14	25		
Detention Barracks Staff		6	26		
Detention Barracks Prisoners		24			
Base Stationery Depot	3	27	27		
E.P.I. Natives	-	15	28		
T. H. R.	10	225	29		
4 Amb Car Coy		9	30		
61 Res M.T. Coy		140	31		

LEGEND

1. Pencilled circles indicate apparent overdrawing of rations.
2. Where "Rations Drawn" are shown as "A" + "B", "A" refers to numbers drawn for unit itself and "B" refers to units attached. These units attached are given in the Remarks column.
3. In a few cases a unit drew twice on 21 Apr. In these cases the amounts drawn are shown one above the other and bracketed.
4. In the strength column some figures are shown within brackets. These were taken from D.I.D. information, the official figures not yet having been received.
5. Summary of unit strengths as follows :

9 Aust Div	588	11,800
att 9 Aust Div	302	5,447
Fortress Tps	178	4,839
TOBRUK Sub-Area	215	9,815
	1,278	31,901

9 AUST DIV

Serial	Unit	Strength Offs.	Strength O. Rs.	Ration Strength	Location	Remarks
	H.Q. 9 Aust Div Rear H.Q. 9 Div	32	237		40854324	
	3 Aust A.Tk Regt	15	298		40854303	
	H.Q., R.A.E.	5	80		40854324	
	2/3 Fd Coy	3	182		41344277	
	2/7 Fd Coy	4	179		FORT PILASTRINO	
	2/13 Fd Coy	4	217		40844585	
	2/4 Fd Coy	5	213		41344277	
	2/4 Fd Pk Coy	4	154		WADI EL AUDA	
	2/1 Pnr Bn	33	748		40674307	
	Sigs, 9 Aust Div	5	141		40854324	
	H.Q. 18 Aust Inf Bde	14	71		41254270	
	Sig Sec	1	50		41254270	
	16 Aust A.Tk Coy	4	67		41284277	
	2/9 Bn	32	710		407430	
	2/10 Bn	34	749		41424258	
	2/12 Bn	31	626		41024342	
	H.Q. 20 Aust Inf Bde	12	63		40764306	
	Sig Sec	2	38			
	20 Aust A.Tk Coy	3	77		407430	
	2/13 Bn	31	645		41334226	
	2/15 Bn	26	582		41294262	
	2/17 Bn	29	720		40714265	
	One coy(less two pls) A.A.S.C.				Bde area	- under 20 Inf Bde
	H.Q. 24 Aust Inf Bde	12	69		41584271	
	Sig Sec	1	33			
	24 Aust A.Tk Coy	3	70		400430	
	2/28 Bn	35	691		41914206	
	2/43 Bn	34	681		42174254	
	H.Q. 26 Aust Inf Bde	11	47		40524330	
	26 Aust A.Tk Coy	4	51		40624330	
	2/23 Bn	31	675		40324335	
	2/24 Bn	33	699		40324332	
	2/48 Bn	33	673		40044305	
	Two coys A.A.S.C.				Bde area	- under 24 Inf Bde
	A.A.S.C. 9 Aust Div (less dets)				41254270	
	2/3 Fd Amb	12	188		40954347	
	2/8 Fd Amb 9	9	202		40954323	
	2/11 Fd Amb	12	197		41354281	
	2/5 Fd Amb	12	220		412427	
	2/4 Fd Amb	1	24		41374354	
	9 Aust Div Pro Coy	1	38		41134375	
	9 Aust Div Prot Pl				41134375	
	9 Aust Div Post Unit				41134375	
	9 Aust Div Salvage	1	40		414434	
	7 Aust Div Sup Col	12	417		near HUGS	

att 9 AUST DIV

Serial No.	Unit	Strength Offs	Strength O. Rs	Rations Drawn	Location	Parent Unit	Remarks
1.	1 R. H. A.	24	379				
2.	1 R. H. A. Sig Sec	1	26	475	Left of escarpment	20 Inf Bde	
3.	1 R. H. A., L.A.D.	1	14				
4.	3 R. H. A. M Bty J Bty	11	209	(70+12) (116+4)	Near 9 Aust Div	9 Aust Div	small atts
5.	104 R. H. A.	23	391	500+20	5 kilos Bardia Rd	24 Inf Bde	A.A. att
6.	107 R. H. A.	27	498	560	40954294	20 Inf Bde	
7.	51 Fd Regt	21	800	580	Near 9 Aust Div	26 Inf Bde	
8.	27 Med Tp	1	28	31	9 Aust Div	7 Med Regt	
9.	H.Q. ~~Sqn~~ & Armd Bde	5	35	34+7	9 Aust Div	9 Aust Div	R.A.S.C. Clerks & Sigsatt.
10.	1 R.T.R. / 5 R.T.R.	17 4	233 66	350	Near Lysander Drome	3 Armd Bde	Leaving
11.	3 K.O.H. / K.D.G.	13 6	123 101	315+15	1½ mls W of 25 F.S.D.	3 Armd Bde	Draws for 11 H att
12.	K.D.G. one Sqn	6	109		Kilo 6 Derna Rd	3 Armd Bde	
13.	K.D.G. Inf Evacuees	4 12	90 148	420	Kilo 3 Bardia Rd	9 Aust Div	Leaving
14.	1 R.N.F.	28	650	720	Dispersed over area	9 Aust Div	some atts.
15.	3 R.H.A. R.H.Q.			63+17	Near 9 Aust Div	9 Aust Div	4 R.H.A. L.A.D. att. Leaving
16.	6 R.T.R. B Sqn (mot inf)	11	153	150	7 Kilos Derna Rd	9 Aust Div	Leaving
17.	5 R.T.R. Two coys (mot Inf)	8	200	117	8 Kilos Bardia Rd	9 Aust Div	Leaving
18.	18 Cav	36 34	551 523	641+46	8 Kilos Derna Rd	9 Aust Div	A.A.S.C.) att S & M
19.	7 R.T.R.	9	105		Derna Rd	3 Armd Bde	
20.	11 H	-	15	-	½ ml W of 25 F.S.D.	3 Armd Bde	Drawn by Ser 11 Leaving

FORTRESS TPS

Serial No.	Unit	Strength Offs	Strength O.Rs	Ration Strength	Location	Parent Unit	Remarks
1.	H.Q. 4 A.A. Bde	4	20	(90)	Bardia Rd opp Water Point	Fortress	
2.	R.A.O.C. att	2	5	-	" "	4 Lt A.A. Bde	
3.	R.A.S.C. att	3	40	-	" "	" "	See Serial No. 1
4.	Sigs att	4	127	131	" "	" "	Incl 14 Lt A.A. sigs 10, 13 Lt A.A. Sigs 1 & 43
5.	H.Q. 51 Hy A.A. Regt	-	6		2 kilos Derna Rd	" "	
~~6.~~	~~Workshop Sec att~~	~~2~~	~~56~~	61 + 11	" "	51 Hy A.A. regt	14 Lt A.A. Wkshp att
7.	Sigs att	1	43		" "	" "	
8.	152 Hy A.A. Bty	8	247	(280)	Bardia Rd Aerodrome	4 Lt A.A. Bde	
9.	153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	310	298 + 30	Near D.I.D. Tobruk	51 Hy A.A. Regt	R.D.F.att
10.	13 Lt A.A. Regt H.Q.	4	31	36 + 18	2 kilos Derna Rd	4 A.A. Bde	Det 37 LtA.A. att
11.	13 Lt A.A. Regt Wkshp Sec	1	36	40	With A.A.S.C. Sup Col	13 Lt A.A. Regt	
12.	13 Lt A.A. Regt R.A.S.C.	3	97	100 + 30	1½ mls N.W., D.I.D.	13 Lt A.A. Regt	4 Lt A.A. Bde R.A.S.C. att
13.	235 Hy A.A. Bty	9	270	275	Beach N.W. of Town	13 Lt A.A. Regt	
14.	Det 37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	18	-	2 kilos Derna Rd	13 Lt A.A. Regt	Drawn by ser 10
15.	Det 38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36	37	Bardia Rd Aerodrome	13 Lt A.A. Regt	Leaving
16.	39 Lt A.A. Bty	9	95	59	8 kilos Bardia Rd	14 Lt A.A. Regt	att.
17.	40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	196	210 + 32	Bardia side of harbour	14 Lt A.A. Regt	8 Aust Lt A.A.
18.	1 Lt A.A. Bty	8	92	72 32	Near 9 Aust Div 73 Sqn Aerodrome	R. A.	
19.	57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90	64	Wadi 1½ mls N.W. D.I.D. near A.A.S.C.	14 Lt A.A. Regt	
20.	H.Q. 14 Lt A.A. ~~Bty~~ Regt	3	10	12 + 50	on rd to Piladtrino	4 A.A. Bde	R.C.O.S. att
21.	Sigs att	-	10		" "	14 Lt A.A. Bty	Drawn by ser 4
22.	B Sqn R.W.Y.	4	123	134	S/L posns	4 Lt A.A. Bde	
23.	H.Q. Fortress Sigs	1	-				
24.	Tobruk Base Sig Sec	1	31	87 + 3	Beach near Hosp	Fortress	Cyphers att
25.	27 Line Maint Sec	-	26				see ser55
26.	20 Line Sec	1	16				
27.	K Base Sig Sec	-	35				
28.	551 Army Tps Coy	9	270	(360 + 44)	Bardia Rd opp Water Pt	C.R.E.	Italian Internees (44) att, Aust E 20, R.A.S.C.& N.Z 20
29.	143 Fd Pk Tp	2	101	(148) + 12	Harbour	C.R.E.	142 Fd Pk Tp att Leaving

30.	Det 58 Coy R.A.S.C. (with 550 Coy)	1	57		4 kilos Derna Rd	550.Coy, R.A.S.C. see ser 33	Drawn by 550 Coy
31.	309 Res M.T. Coy	9	354	360 + 40	3 kilos Bardia Rd	R.A.S.C.	901 Coy, 307 Co & W/Tk Coy att
32.	345 Res M.T. Coy	11	443	355 + 34	Near 24 F.S.D.	R.A.S.C.	No. 1 A.M.T.M.D. R.A. Postal Uni 4 A.C.C. att
33.	550 Res M.T. Coy	9	313	217 + 58	4 kilos Derna Rd	R.A.S.C.	also draws 58 Coy, R.A.S.C. see ser 30
34.	Cypher	1	2		Town	Fortress	Drawn by ser 24
35.	Notts Yeo	15	373	406	Port War Sig Stn	Fortress	7 Aust L.A.D. 10 others
36.	295 Fd Coy, R.E.	1	37	38	Turn left at kilo 12 on Bardia Rd	C.R.E.	
37.	2 Armd Div Workshops	1	45	50	Near Pt Workshops	A.O.W. for work	
38.	Y Army Tk Rec Sec	1	29	36	Beach behind Hosp	B.O.W. for rec	
39.	Cyrcom Details	2	4	6	Near HUGS	W.D.F.	
40.	16 M.A.C.	6	156	150	In square past Hosp	A.D.M.S.	
41.	R.E. Camouflage	-	9	9	Near R.A.O.D. Wkshp	C.R.E.	

A. I. F.

45.	8 Aust Lt A.A. Bty	5	167	154	Near 9 Div H.Q.	9 Aust Div	att ser 17
46.	2/2/A.F.W. Dets	3	44	76 + 9	2 kilos Derna Rd	C.O.M.E.	R.A.O.C. att
47.	"A" Sec Ord Fd Pk	1	15	15 + 29	Behind A.O.D.	C.O.M.E.	1 & 2 R.V.S. at
48.	2/1 A.F.W.	8	354	192 + 8)	Near Duso tower	A.A.O.C.	Tobruk Town
49.	No. 1 Rec 2/1 A.F.W.	5	308	61)	Derna Rd near steel	2/1 A.F.W.	Security att
50.	No. 2 Rec 2/1 A.F.W.	13	357	70 + 50)	Wadi near beach	2/1 A.F.W.	Main Wkshp 2/1 A.F.W. att

TOBRUK SUB-AREA

Serial No.	Unit	Strength Offs.	Strength O. Rs.	Rations Drawn	Location	Parent Unit	Remarks
1.	Sub-Area H.Q. (with Army P.O.)	15	61	60	on coast N.W. Tobruk		
2.	H.Q. 102 Military Mission	7	62	65	Beach near Hosp	Sub-Area	Leaving
3.	1 Libyan Refugee Bn	10	484	480	" " "	102 M.M.	Leaving
4.	2 " " "	9	522	(582)	" " "	"	Leaving
5.	4 " " "	13	798 1966	(836)	" " "	"	Unarmed Leaving
6.	H.Q. 45 Gp	3	8	(101)	Bardia Rd near P.W.	Sub-Area	
7.	1205 Ind Pnr Coy	1	321	(338)	" " "	H.Q. 45 gp	Unarmed
8.	1206 Ind Pnr Coy	1	308	(321)	" " "	" "	"
9.	1207 Ind Pnr Coy	1	301	312	" " "	" "	"
10.	1 Libyan Pnr Working Bn	7	1107	(1194)	Naval Bks.	Sub-Area	"
11.	H Adv Stationery Depot	3	28	30	Tobruk	R.A.S.C.	Leaving
12.	Transit Camp Staff	2	8)	400	W. of Fort Peronne	Sub-Area	Fluctuating incl 22 Mob Bath 14 - Leaving
13.	" " Personnel	4	165)		" "	"	
14.	Greek Civilians		149	141	Town	Sub-Area	Stevedores
15.	1018 Docks Oper R.E.)						
16.	Y Docks Det)	5	144	(169)	Anzac House	R.E.(N.Z.)	
17.	Tug & Crew Det)						
18.	2 Tug & Lighter Coy)						
19.	1038 Port Oper Coy	4	218	231	Near Admin House	Sub-Area	Palestinians
20.	Movement Control	2	21	22+5	Docks	Sub-Area	
21.	234(No. 1 W.Tk) Coy		(194)	108	2 kilos from Bardia aerodrome	R.A.S.C.	
22.	15 Res M.T. Coy		(385)	379	Oasis block near DUSO	R.A.S.C.	5 & 12 Draw for A.D.S.T.
23.	346 Res M.T. Coy		(291)	374	S. side Harbour	R.A.S.C.	
24.	Det 5 L of C (R.H.) Coy	6	190	(314)	5 kilos past Hosp ship Near beached ships	R.A.S.C.	
25.	5 M.T. Works Serv Coy	8	218	(359)	3 kilos Bardia Rd	R.A.S.C.	
26.	Sec 14 Res M.T. Coy	2	110	109		R.A.S.C.	
27.	61 Res M.T. Coy		140	140+28	5 kilos Bardia Rd	R.A.S.C.	Leaving
28.	307 Res M.T. Coy	6	181	180	Sea Point N of D.I.D.	R.A.S.C.	901 Res M.T. Alt
29.	R.A.S.C. Sec 51 Hy A.A. Regt	3	169	109+50	Bardia Rd opp Water pt	51 Hy A.A. Regt	Cypriots att 231 Coy att
30.	V.R.S.		(24)	22	Junc Bardia-Derna rds	R.A.O.C.	
31.	4 Amb Car Coy		(78)	76	Square behind Hosp	R.A.S.C.	9 Leaving
32.	7 Sec 1 Bulk Pet Stge Coy	1	7	8+20	Tobruk Pet D.I.D.	R.A.S.C.	THR 8 & BPFC 14 att
33.	3 Pet Depot	2	66	53+15	Ft Solaro	R.A.S.C.	2 Pet Camping Coy. att
34.	9 B.S.D.	7	56	(80)	Derna Rd	R.A.S.C.	
35.	8 B.S.D.	6	26	33	5 kilos Derna Rd	R.A.S.C.	leaving

				8	8	7 kilos Derna Rd	RASC	
36.	24 F.S.D.		1	39	42	5 kilos Derna Rd	R.A.S.C.	
37.	25 F.S.D.		1	14	15	3 kilos Bardia Rd	R.A.S.C.	
38.	2 Fd Butchery	✓	1	48	(64) + 28	on Docks	R.A.S.C.	Docks det att Leaving
39.	6 Fd Bakery (Nos 1 & 2 Secs)	✓	1	79) 108)	187+20	D.I.D. area	R.A.S.C.	Lib Lab Bn att
				(34)	31 + 5	D.I.D.	R.A.S.C.	15 Res M.T. att 46
40.	12 D.I.D.	✓		141	(500) +950	Beach & Town Hosps	A.D.M.S.	Draws for ser 40-47
41.	2/4 A.G.H.	✓	4	(38)	27 + 8	Hospital	A.D.M.S.	R.A.S.C. Drs att
42.	36 Fd Hyg Sec	✓		8		Hospital	A.D.M.S.	Drawn by A.G.H.
43.	5 Adv Depot Med Stores	✓	1	5	5	Hospital	A.D.M.S.	Leaving
44.	6 Mob Bact Lab	✓	-	3	3	Hospital	A.D.M.S.	Leaving
45.	1 Mob Opth Unit	✓	-				2/4 A.G.H.	Drawn by 2/4 A.G.H.
46.	Sec 18 Ind Gen Hosp	✓		(50)				Leaving
47.	18 Ind Staging Sec	✓	3	114		Coast W of Tobruk	A.D.M.S.	Leaving
48.	3 Ind Motor Bde Fd Amb	✓	4	109	(131)	Near junc Bardia-Derna rds	A.D.M.S.	Leaving
49.	500 A.O.D.	✓	12	195	(250+20	A.O.D.	R.A.O.C.	R.T.R. repair personnel att
50.	501 A.A.D.	✓	8	77	78 + 32	Fort Pilastrino	R.A.O.C.	Drs att
51.	503 A.O.W.	✓	9	231	250+150	Town	R.A.O.C.	3 & 122 att various personnel
52.	505 Pt Wkshp Det	✓	1	17	19	Docks	R.A.O.C.	
53.	Det T.H.R.	✓	10	225	244	Tobruk	Area H.Q.	Leaving
54.	204 Pro Coy (British)	✓	-	26	26	Near Y.M.C.A.	Sub-Area	
55.	Detention Bks	✓	-	8	8+36	Det Bks	204 Pro Coy	Prisoners 36 Leaving
56.	6 W/T Coy (~~K.B.D. & R.D.~~ MTSD & YRD)	✓	4	30	33 + 14	2 kilos Bardia Rd	R.A.S.C.	some 345 Coy att
57.	Det K.R.R.C.	✓	-	~~24~~ 50	23 + 4	Near P.W. Camp	Sub-Area	guarding 4 prisoners awaiting trial Leaving
58.	P.W.	✓			2079	P.W. Camp	Sub-Area	Fluctuating
59.	Italian Hosp	✓		900			Sub-Area	
60.	Det 231 Coy, R.A.S.C.	✓	2.	35			R.A.S.C.	See Ser 29 Leaving
61.	2 W/Tk Coy	✓	2	47		Staging Camp	R.A.S.C.	Leaving
62.	6 Sec M.T. Wks Serv Coy	✓	1	25			R.A.S.C.	att 5 M.T. Wks Serv ser Leaving
63.	901 Coy R.A.S.C.	✓	2				R.A.S.C.	Leaving
64.	41 D.I.D.	✓	1	6			R.A.S.C.	Leaving
65.	Base Pet Filling Coy	✓	2	122	88	Rd leading to Staging Camp	R.A.S.C.	1 & 22 Leaving
66.	E.F.I.	✓	1	17	17 + 7	N.A.A.F.I.	R.A.S.C.	15 Natives Leaving
67.	N.Z. Excav & Mech Equip Unit	✓	1	20			R.E.	Leaving
68.	4 Sec 1 Bulk Pet Stag Coy	✓	1	7			R.A.S.C.	Leaving
69.	2/2 C.C.S.	✓	12	85	100+40	Near A.G.H.	A.D.M.S.	Patients att
70.	4 A.A.O.D.	✓	4	54	42+12	Ord Rd Tobruk	A.A.O.C.	6 A.A.O.D. att

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9 Aust Div — as at 0600 hrs 29 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Div	32	246					
Sigs att	9	152				1 - 2	
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	59					
Sigs att	1	34					
Det Gd Bn	1	41				- 1	
L.A.D. 47	1	9					
16 A.Tk Coy	4	68					
9 Bn	31	691		- 4		- 4	
10 Bn	34	745		- 1			
12 Bn	31	621				- 3	
H.Q. 20 Bde	12	63					
Sigs att	2	38					-15
Det Gd Bn	1	36					
L.A.D. 58	1	12					
20 A.Tk Coy	3	81					
13 Bn	31	632				- 4	
15 Bn	26	577		- 1		- 2	
17 Bn	29	714				- 3	
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	67					
Sigs att	2	29					- 3
L.A.D.	1	12					
24 A.Tk Coy	3	79					
28 Bn	35	684				- 1	
45 Bn	34	675				- 1	
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs att	1	36					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
26 A.Tk Coy	4	50					
23 Bn	31	665					
24 Bn	34	690					
48 Bn	34	664		- 1			
H.Q. Sigs 9 Div	7	201					
H.Q., R.A.	4	7					
3 A.Tk Regt	15	298					
L.A.D.	1	11					
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	167					
H.Q., R.A.E.	5	19					
3 Fd Coy	3	175				- 3	
4 Fd Coy	5	202				- 1	
7 Fd Coy	4	175				- 2	
13 Fd Coy	4	218					
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	152					
1 Pnr Bn	32	739				- 1	
H.Q., A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy, A.A.S.C.	7	249				- 1	- 1
Amn Coy "	10	310					
Sup Col "	12	374					
7 Div Sup Col	12	416					
3 Fd Amb	12	186				- 1	
5 Fd Amb	12	219					
8 Fd Amb	9	202					
11 Fd Amb	12	196					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	37					
ATTACHED :							
H.Q. 3 Armd Bde	6	38					
1 R.T.R.	25	331					
7 R.T.R.	11	140					
3 K.O.H.	21	282					
K.D.G.	22	341					
18 Cav	35	554					
1 N.F.	30	662				- 2	

			K.	W.	M.	
1 R.H.A.	27	427				
Sigs att	1	26				
R.A.O.C. att	1	12				
3 R.H.A.	12	207				
104 R.H.A.	22	409				
107 R.H.A.	28	502				
51 R.A.	21	484				
7 Med Regt	1	26				
	914	17,656		- 7	1 -32	-19

FORTRESS TPS

H.Q. 4 Lt A.A. Bde	4	20			
Sigs att	2	44			
R.A.O.C. att	2	5			
R.A.S.C. att	3	40			
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A. Regt	5	30			
Sigs att	1	32			
R.A.O.C. att	1	36			
R.A.S.C. att	3	97			
H.Q. 14 Lt A.A. Regt	2	11			
Sigs att	-	10			
H.Q. 51 Hy A.A. Regt	-	5			
Sigs att	1	42			- 1
R.A.O.C. att	2	56			
1[illegible] A.A. Bty	8	93			
37 Lt A.A. Bty	-	15			
38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36			
39 Lt A.A. Bty	5	92			
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	195			
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90			
"B" Sqn R.W.Y.	4	123			
152 Hy A?A. Bty	8	197		- 6	- 1
153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	308			
235 Hy A.A. Bty	11	283			
Notts Yeomanry	15	373			
Fortress Sigs	3	81			
295 Army Fd Coy	1	36			
143 Fd Pk Tp	2	97			
551 Army Tp Coy	9	270			
309 Res M.T. Coy	9	397			
345 Res M.T. Coy	11	369			
550 Res M.T. Coy	7	276			
16 M.A.C.	7	182			
"A" Sec Ord Fd Pk	1	38			
2/1 A.F.W.	5	308			
"Y" Army Tk Rec Sec	2	35			
	158	4,322		- 6	- 2

GRAND TOTAL

OFFS	O. Rs.
1,072	21,978

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9 Aust Div — as at 0600 hrs 30 Apr 41.

UNIT	APPROX STRENGTH		BATTLE CASUALTIES K.	W.	M.	SICK	TRANSFERS
H.Q. 9 Div	34	248					
Sigs att	9	155					
H.Q. 18 Bde	14	58					
Sigs att	1	36				- 1	
Det Gd Bn	1	40				- 1	
L.A.D. 47	1	9					
16 A.Tk Coy	4	67		- 1			
9 Bn	31	679	- 4	- 4		- 5	
10 Bn	34	736	- 3	- 3		- 5	
12 Bn	37	735				- 4	- 2
32 Bn	4	134					
H.Q. 20 Bde	12	62		- 1		- 1	
Sigs att	1	37		1 - 2			
Det Gd Bn	-	32		1 - 4			
L.A.D.	1	12					
20 A.Tk Coy	3	79		- 1		- 1	
13 Bn	30	633					
15 Bn	26	577				- 1	
17 Bn	29	712				- 2	
H.Q. 24 Bde	12	66					
Sigs att	2	29					
L.A.D.	1	12					
24 A.Tk Coy	3	79					
28 Bn	34	683	1 -			- 1	
43 Bn	34	676					
H.Q. 26 Bde	11	47					
Sigs att	2	36					
Det Gd Bn	1	39					
26 A.Tk Coy	4	50					
23 Bn	31	664	- 1	- 3			
24 Bn	32	687		2 - 2		- 3	
48 Bn	34	664				- 1	
H.Q. Sigs 9 Div	7	204				- 2	
H.Q., R.A.	4	7					
3 A.Tk Regt	15	298					
L.A.D. 71	1	11					
8 Lt A.A. Bty	5	167					
H.Q., R.A.E.	5	19					
3 Fd Coy	3	175					
4 Fd Coy	5	202					
7 Fd Coy	4	174		- 2			
13 Fd Coy	4	216					
4 Fd Pk Coy	4	154					
1 Pnr Bn	31	728		1 -		- 5	- 6
H.Q., A.A.S.C.	7	31					
Pet Coy, A.A.S.C.	6	249					
Amn Coy "	10	314				- 1	
Sup Col "	12	373		- 1			
7 Div Sup Col	12	416					
3 Fd Amb	12	187					
5 Fd Amb	12	219					
8 Fd Amb	9	202					
11 Fd Amb	12	196					
4 Fd Hyg Sec	1	24					
9 Div Salvage	1	41					
9 Div Pro	1	57					
ATTACHED :							
H.Q. 3 Armd Bde	6	38					
1 R.T.R.	25	341					
7 R.T.R.	11	126					
3 K.O.H.	21	275				- 5	
K.D.G.	22	341					
18 Cav	35	554					
1 N.F.	31	662					

			K.	W.	M.		
1 R.H.A.	27	428					
Sigs att	1	26					
R.A.O.C. att	1	12					
5 R.H.A.	12	207					
104 R.H.A.	23	409					
107 R.H.A.	32	501		- 2			
51 R.A.	21	494					
7 Med Regt	1	26					
	925	17,855	1 - 8	5 -26		-39	- 8

FORTRESS TPS

H.Q. 4 Lt A.A. Bde	4	20					
Sigs att	2	44					
R.A.O.C. att	2	5					
R.A.S.C. att	3	40					
H.Q. 13 Lt A.A. Regt	5	30					
Sigs att	1	32					
R.A.O.C. att	1	36					
R.A.S.C. att	3	97					
H.Q. 14 Lt A.A. Regt	2	11					
Sigs att	-	10					
H.Q. 51 Hy A.A. Regt	-	5					
Sigs att	1	42					
R.A.O.C. att	2	56					
1 Lt A.A. Bty	8	93					
[redacted] Lt A.A. Bty	-	14				- 1	
38 Lt A.A. Bty	1	36					
39 Lt A.A. Bty	5	92					
40 Lt A.A. Bty	7	195					
57 Lt A.A. Bty	5	90					
B Sqn R.W.Y.	4	123					
152 Hy A.A. Bty	8	197					
153 Hy A.A. Bty	11	308					
235 Hy A.A. Bty	11	283					
Notts Yeomanry	15	373					
Fortress Sigs	3	81					
395 Army Fd Coy	1	36					
143 Fd Pk Tp	2	97					
651 Army Tp Coy	9	270					
309 Res M.T. Coy	9	397					
345 Res M.T. Coy	11	369					
550 Res M.T. Coy	7	276					
16 M.A.C.	7	182					
"A" Sec Ord Fd Pk	1	38					
2/[redacted] A.F.W.	5	308					
"Y" Army Tk Rec Sec	2	35					
	158	4,321				- 1	

GRAND TOTAL

OFFS.	O. Rs.
1,083	22,176

NAMES OF OFFICERS

Capt Robin	"J" Sec Sigs	Wounded
Lieut Parke	Gd Bn	Wounded
Lieut R.C.Fitzsimmons	28 Bn	Killed
Capt Budge	24 Bn	Wounded
Lieut Oakley	24 Bn	Wounded
Lieut N.B.Watts	1 Pnr Bn	Wounded

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NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH
H.Q., 9 AUST DIV.

As at
26 April 1941.

Major-General	NX 8	MORSHEAD	L.J.	G.O.C.
Colonel	VX 4	LLOYD	C.E.M.	G.1
Colonel	VX 11409	WHITE	A.P.O.	A.A.& Q.M.G.
Colonel	VX 37	FURNELL	H.G.	A.D.M.S.
Major	NX 225	STATHAM	F.W.	S.O.M.E.
Lt. Colonel	NX 461	NOTON	H.L.	D.A.D.O.S.
Major	NX 486	FURNESS	W.J.	A/D.A.D.O.S.
"	WX 1560	BARHAM	R.J.	D.A.A.G.
"	QX 6060	DODDS	N.G.	D.A.Q.M.G.
"	NX 20315	WHITE	T.W.	G.2
"	VX 355	PETERS	J.D.	D.A.D.M.S.
Captain	VX 116	McNAMARA	E.G.	G.3
"	VX 11405	COSTELLO	C.H.	C.C.
"	SX 3713	BISHOP	K.E.	G.S.O.(3)
Lieut.	VX 166	SHAVE	K.	G.3 (I)
"	VX 17768	McKEDDIE	J.E.	A.D.C.

OFFICERS ATTACHED.

Major	TX 2003	HODGMAN	S.T.	2/12 Bn.
"	NX 236	McCAFFREY	J.F.	H.Q. 20 Bde.
Captain	VX 48424	WEIR	C.G.	2/24 Bn.
"	VX 14309	BAILLIEU	E.	2/24 Bn.
"	VX 326	PRYOR	C.A.	Guard Bn.
"	SX 10315	CLUTTERBUCK	B.G.	2/48 Bn.
Chaplain	QX 6073	STEELE	O.B.	
		FITCHETT	I.	War Correspondent
Lieut.	VX 19444	WHITE	P.F.B.	2/24 Bn.
"	VX 177	DUNN	M.M.	Guard Bn.
"	NX 12518	SHARPE	H.G.	3 A.Tk. Regt.
"	WX 3426	GLASFURD	C.D.P.	24 A.Tk. Coy.
"	VX 19611	HUTTON	H.V.	F.S.S.
"	VX 7443	BRADDOCK	H.P.	F.S.S.
"	QX 6080	ROGERS	H.E.P.	9 Div Postal
"	SX 1152	CUNDELL	R.G.	18 Bde.

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TOBRUK SUB AREA

PRISONERS OF WAR---DAILY STATE As at 0900 Hrs 2-5-41.

	Location	Officers	O R's	Civilians	Total	
GERMAN	Magazine Cage		38		38	
	4 AGH.		28		28	66
Italian	Location	Officers	O.R's	Civilians	Total	
	Magazine Cage		31		31	
	Cage	2	1239	190	1431	
	4 AGH	16	215		231	1693
Libyan	Location	Officers	O.R's	Civilians	Total	
	Cage			758		758

GRAND TOTAL 2517

Evacuated since last return

[signature] .....Signature.
Capt. G.III

War Diary Apr/May

TOBRUK SUB AREA

PRISONERS OF WAR---DAILY STATE As at 0900 Hrs 20-4-41.

GERMAN	Location	Officers	O R's	Civilians	Total	
	4 AG H	1	21		22	?

Italian	Location	Officers	O.R's	Civilians	Total	
	4 AG H	16	210	~~210~~	226	?
	CAGE	2	1158	186	1346	?

Libyan	Location	Officers	O.R's	Civilians	Total	
	CAGE				742	?

GRAND TOTAL 2336

Evacuated since last return

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TOBRUK SUB AREA

PRISONERS OF WAR - DAILY STATE As at 0900 Hrs 28/4/41.

GERMAN

Location	Officers	O R's	Civilians	Total	22
4/A·G·H	1	21		22	

Italian

Location	Officers	O.R's	Civilians	Total	1578
CACE	2	1159	186	1347	
4/A·G·H	10	221	—	231	

Libyan

Location	Officers	O.R's	Civilians	Total	742
CACE		742			

GRAND TOTAL 2342

Evacuated since last return NIL

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TOBRUK SUB AREA

PRISONERS OF WAR+++ DAILY STATE

As at 0900 hrs 27-4-41

GERMAN	Location	Officers	O R's	Civilians	Total
	4 A.G.H.	1	21	–	22
					—
					22

ITALIAN	Location	Officers	O R's	Civilia ns	Total
	CAGE	2	1157	186	1345
	4 A.G.H.	10	221	–	231
					1576

Libyan	Location	Officers	O R's	Civilians	Total
	CAGE		742		742

GRAND TOTAL 2340

Evacuated since last return. 165

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TOBRUK SUB AREA

PRISONERS OF WAR+++ DAILY STATE

As at 0900 hrs 25-IV 41

GERMAN

Location	Officers	O R's	Civilians	Total
HOSPITAL		30		30

ITALIAN

Location	Officers	O R's	Civilia ns	Total
CAGE	2	1303	186	1491
HOSPITAL	4	179	-	183
HOS.L STAFF	8	21	-	29
				1703

Libyan

Location	Officers	O R's	Civilians	Total
CAGE				742

2445

GRAND TOTAL ~~2475~~

Evacuated since last return. 597

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P.O.W. State - 26 April 1941

TOWN CAGE.	Officers.	O.R.s	Civilians.	TOTAL.
Germans	1	7	-	8
Italians	4	1303	186	1493
Libyans				742
			Total.	2243
HOSPITAL.				
German				31
Italian				228
			Total	259
			Grand Total	2502.

1327
1277
300
2202

HQ 9 Aust Div 200/1/115

AMMUNITION DEFICIENCY STATEMENT

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1 Apr 41.

BRITISH WEAPONS

Detail	2/24 Bn Weapons Held	2/24 Bn 1st Line Authorised issue for weapons	2/24 Bn Amn on hand	2/24 Bn Rounds Deficient	2/48 Bn Weapons Held	2/48 Bn 1st Line Authorised issue for weapons	2/48 Bn Amn on hand	2/48 Bn Rounds Deficient	Total
Anti Tank rifle .55	16	240	-	3840	16	240	-	3840	7680
3" Mortars HE	1	98	72	26	1	98	72	26	52
Smoke		58	18	40		58	18	40	80
2" Mortars HE	1	24	72	Nil	1	24	72	Nil	Nil
Smoke		72	-	72		72	-	72	144
Hand Grenades	-	180	270	Nil	-	180	270	Nil	Nil
Signal Bombs	-	Small quantity required			-	Small quantity required			

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AMMUNITION DEFICIENCY STATEMENT

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1 Apr 41.

BRITISH WEAPONS

Detail	2/24 Bn Weapons Held	2/24 Bn 1st Line Authorised issue for weapons	2/24 Bn Amn on hand	2/24 Bn Rounds Deficient	2/48 Bn Weapons Held	2/48 Bn 1st Line Authorised issue for weapons	2/48 Bn Amn on hand	2/48 Bn Rounds Deficient	Total
Anti Tank rifle .55	16	240	-	3840	16	240	-	3840	7680
3" Mortars HE Smoke	1	98 58	72 18	26 40	1	98 58	72 18	26 40	52 80
2" Mortars HE Smoke	1	24 72	72 -	Nil 72	1	24 72	72 -	Nil 72	Nil 144
Hand Grenades	-	180	270	Nil	-	180	270	Nil	Nil
Signal Bombs	-	Small quantity required			-	Small quantity required			

Capt.
SO 26 Aust Inf Bde.

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AMMUNITION STATE — 0800 hrs — 1 Apr 41.

Type of Ammunition	A.P. El Abiar	A.P. Baracca
S.A.A.		
.303 in Bandolier	79000	5000
.303 in Carton	92128	42000
.303 in Tracer	13000	
.303 in Stripless Belt		
.303 in Bundle		
.303 in A P	6240	
6.5 m.m. LMG ITALIAN	42000	
.38 Pistol	540	180
.45 Pistol		
Artillery		
25 Pr H.E. (Comlete Rounds)		
25 Pr H.E. Supercharged		
25 Pr Smoke		
25 Pr A.P.Shot		
18 Pr H.E.	432	240
18 Pr Smoke	16	12
4.5 How H.E.	110	140
2" Mortar H.E.	1296	
2" Mortar Smoke		
3" Mortar H.E.	168	
3" Mortar Smoke		
47/32 m.m. A.P. Italian	855	
45 m.m. Mortar	1215	
81 m.m. Mortar	66	
2 Pr A.T. A.P.		
2 Pr A.T. A.P. Shot		
.55 A.T. A.P.		
.5 A.P.		
20 m.m.		
40 m.m. Bofors		
37 m.m.		
7.92 m.m. Ball		
7.92 m.m. Tracer		
7.92 m.m. Mixed		
Grenades		
No 36 M hand or rifle Ha nd	588	180
Explosives		
Mines A.T. Complete with fuses		
Guncotton Wet Slabs		
Guncotton Dry		
Primers Guncotton		
Ammonal		
Generators Smoke No 8		
Fuse Safety		
Fuse Detonating Inst.		
Detonators No 27		
Detonators No 28		
Detonators No 9 Electric		
Signal Pistol Illum J	150	102
" " GREEN	150	102
" " O	50	103

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AMMUNITION STATE 0800 hrs 1 · 4 · 41.

Type of Ammunition	A.P. El Adem	A.P. Karacc
S.A.A.		
.303 in Bandolier	70 000	5 000
.303 in Carton	30 128	42000
.303 in Tracer	13 000	
.303 in Stripless Belt		
.303 in Bundle		
7.9mm MG	6240	
7.9mm IMG ITALIAN	42000	
.38 Pistol	540	180
.45 Pistol		
Artillery		
25 Pr H.E. (Complete Rounds)		
25 Pr H.E. Supercharged		
25 Pr Smoke		
25 Pr A.P. Shot		
18 pr H.E.	432	240
18 pr smoke	16	12
4.5 Howrs H.E.	110	140
2" Mortar H.E.	1206	
2" Mortar Smoke		
3" Mortar H.E.	168	
3" Mortar Smoke		
47/32 mm AP ITALIEN	855	
47 mm Mark	1315	
47 mm "	66	
2 Pr A.T. A.P.		
2 Pr A.T. A.P. Shot		
.55 A.T. A.P.		
.5 A.P.		
20 m.m.		
40 m.m. Bofors		
37 m.m.		
7.92 m.m. Ball		
7.92 m.m. Tracer		
7.92 m.m. Mixed		
Grenades		
No 36 M hand or Rifle	538	180
Hand		
Explosives		
Mines A.T. Complete with fuses		
Guncotton Wet Slabs		
Guncotton Dry		
Primers Guncotton		
Ammona 1		
Generators Smoke No 8		
Fuse Safety		
Fuse Detonating Inst.		
Detonators No 27		
Detonators No 28		
Detonators No 9 Electric		
Signal Pistol Illum J	150	102
Signal Pistol Green	150	102
Signal Pistol Red	150	102

J. Watson Lt. Col

P. Stuart Capt
Ammn Offr

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AMMUNITION STATE 0800 hrs 2 · 4 · 41.

Type of Ammunition	A.P. El Abiar	A.P. Baracca
S.A.A.		
.303 in Bandolier	7000	5000
.303 in Carton	03.128	43 000
.303 in Tracer	13 000	
.303 in Stripless Belt		
.303 in Bundle		
7.92 mm A.P	6240	
6.5 mm LMG	43 000	
.38 Pistol	540	180
.45 Pistol		
Artillery		
25 Pr H.E. (Complete Rounds)		
25 Pr H.E. Supercharged		
25 Pr Smoke		
25 Pr A.P. Shot		
18 Pr HE	432	240
18 Pr Smoke	16	12
4.5 How HE	110	140
2" Mortar H.E.	1296	
2" Mortar Smoke		
3" Mortar H.E.	168	
3" Mortar Smoke		
45 m.m Mortar	1215	
81 m.m Mortar	66	
47/32 mm. A.P	855	
2 Pr A.T. A.P.		
2 Pr A.T. A.P. Shot		
.55 A.T. A.P.		
.5 A.P.		
20 m.m.		
40 m.m. Bofors		
37 m.m.		
7.92 m.m. Ball		
7.92 m.m. Tracer		
7.92 m.m. Mixed		
Grenades		
No 36 M hand or Rifle Hand.	588	180
Explosives		
Mines A.T. Complete with fuses		
Guncotton Wet Slabs		
Guncotton Dry		
Primers Guncotton		
Ammona 1		
Generators Smoke No 8		
Fuse Safety		
Fuse Detonating Inst.		
Detonators No 27		
Detonators No 28		
Detonators No 9 Electric		
Signal Pistol Illum J	150	102
Signal Pistol Green	150	102
Signal Pistol Red	150	102

Stock Position 1200 hrs - 27/4/41- British Ammunition

2 Pr AP Shot	22424
2 Pr HE AP	1140
2 Pr HE 106E Fuse	120
2 Pr HE 101E Fuse	60
40 MM HE	30122
40 MM AP	429
37 MM AP	1612
18 Pr Shrapnel	504
18 Pr AP Shot	644
18 Pr Smoke	1244
18 Pr HE S/L	11898
18 Pr HE 106E Fuse	144
3.7 AA HE 199 Fuse	15164
25 Pr HE S/L 117 Fuse	109918
25 Pr HE S/L 119 Fuse	39096
25 Pr AP Shot	480
25 Pr Smoke	2681B
4.5 How HE 106E Fuse	12940
4.5 How HE 101E Fuse	880
4.5 How Smoke 106E Fuse	984
4.5 How Smoke 44 Fuse	174
2" Mortar HE	5071
2" Mortar Smoke	1242
3" Mortar HE	946
3" Mortar Smoke	242
3.7" Mortar Smoke	7720
7.92 MM Ball Belt	115700
7.92 MM Mixed Belt	305250
7.92 MM Ctn Pkd	12000
.303" Bandelier Pkd	477359
.303" Carton Pkd	1735834
.303" Bundle Pkd	1474000
.303" Mk VIIIz Belt	248700
.303" Mk VII Belt	29090
.303" Tracer	10850
.380" Revolver	2326
.45" T.S.M.G.	355700
.5" S.A.P. Tracer	368
.5" A.P.	36494
.55" A.P.	9854
Ctges Illuminating 1" J	6428
Ctges Signal 1" Green	1509
Ctges Signal 1" Red	1472
Ctges Illum. 1 1/2" J	32
Grenades Hand No 36M	28719
Grenades Rifle No 36M	18496
Grenades Smoke No 6S	2269
Generators Smoke No 8	4962
Generators Smoke No 5	19
Detonators Electric No33	7500
F.I.D. ft	11856
Gunsetton Dry Primers	30620
Guncotton Wet Slabs	15664
C.E. Primers	240
Gunpowder Blasting Kgs	3960
Gelignite Polar lbs	770
Matches Fuses boxes	1885.
Igniters Safety	221
T.N.T. Slabs	135
Dynamite Geebels No 3	1000
Primacord ft	198000

Major,
Chief Ordnance Officer.

H.Q. 601 AAD 27/4/41

Stock Position 1200 hrs 27/4/41- Italian Ammunition

6·5 MM Ctn Pkd	162800
6·5 MM Rifle	773180
6·5 MM Strip. Belt	50000
6·5 MM L·M·G·	178900
7·7 MM Ball	1118000
7·7 MM Tracer	50000
7·7 MM AP Special	168000
8 MM Mod 35	402600
8 MM Mod 37	3200
8 MM AP Mod 39	161800
8 MM Schmarslese	1468400
12·7 MM Tracer	84000
12·7 MM Ball	357750
12·7 MM HE	1250
12·7 MM HE Tracer	4000
12·7 MM AP Special	750
13·2 MM AP	125
13·2 MM Tracer	125
20 MM Breda HE	241000
20 MM Breda AP	12200
37/40 MM AP	1042
37/54 MM	490
47 MM HE	7920
47 MM AP	18525
47 MM APC	510
75/46 MM AP	2669
102/35 MM QF	116
Grenades Hand Breda	19380
Grenades Hand SRCM	13752
Grenades Hand OTO	4272
77/28 MM HE	873
45 MM Mortar	14352
Geoclastite Kgs	7240
Nitramon	350
Romite	152967
Dynamite Gemma	450
Dynamite Ammonaftite	665
Dynamite Gelatina	2050
Explosive G·D·N·	350
Explosive S·S·	100
T·N·T· Cylinders	6740
Dets Dupont No 7	59000
Dets Dupont No 8	90000
Safety Fuse metres	353898
F·I·D·	2047

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27/4/41

Major,
Chief Ordnance Officer.

Stock Position 1200 hrs 25/4/41- Italian Ammunition

6·5 MM Ctn Pkd	182800
6·5 MM Rifle	773180
6·5 MM Strip Belt	50000
6·5 MM LMG	180100
7·7 MM Ball	1118000
7·7 MM Tracer	40000
7·7 MM AP Special	204000
8 MM Mod 35	402600
8 MM Mod 37	3200
8 MM AP Mod 39	183280
8 MM Schmarslose	1468400
12·7 MM Tracer	88000
12·7 MM Ball	359750
12·7 MM AP Special	1800
12·7 MM HE	1250
12·7 MM HE Tracer	4250
20 MM Breda HE	217380
20 MM Breda AP	11800
37/40 MM AP	1042
37/54 MM	400
47 MM HE	7920
47 MM AP	18705
47 MM APC	510
102/35 MM QF	116
Grenades Hand Breda	20820
Grenades Hand SRCM	15752
Grenades Hand OTO	7350
45 MM Mortar	14352
Geoelastite Kgs	7240
Nitramon	350
Remite	152967
Dynamite Gomma	450
Dynamite Ammonaftite	665
Dynamite Gelatina	50
Explosive G.D.2	350
Explosive S.S.	100
TNT Cylinders(28x100)	6240
Detonators Dupont No 7	20300
Detonators Dupont No 8	59100
Safety Fuse metres	359178
F.I.D.	2817
149/13 MM HE S/L	290
149/13 M SHRAP	16

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S.W. Beattie Major
Chief Ordnance Officer

Stock Position of Ammunition (British) at 1200 hrs. 16th April 1941.

40 mm AP Shot		186
2 Pdr. A.P. Shot.		24193
2 Pdr. H.E. A.P.		1740
40 mm H.E.		15928
37 mm A.P.		4632
18 Pdr. Shrapnel.		504
18 Pdr. A.P. Shot.		556
18 Pdr. Smoke.		1308
18 Pdr. H.E. S/L. 117 Fuze.		15930
18 Pdr. H.E. 106 Fuze.		144
3.7" A.A. H.E. 199 Fuze.		9000
25 Pdr. H.E. S/L. 117 Fuze.		107016
25 Pdr. H.E. S/L. 119 Fuze.		39862
25 Pdr. A.P. Shot.		484
25 Pdr. Smoke.		27122
4.5" New H.E. 106 Fuze.		13830
4.5" New H.E. 101 Fuze.		880
4.5" New Smoke. 106 Fuze.		984
4.5" New Smoke. 44 Fuze.		174
2" Mortar H.E.		5459
2" Mortar Smoke.		1260
3" Mortar H.E.		1582
3" Mortar Smoke.		266
3.7" Mortar Smoke.		6196
7.92 mm Ball Belt.		54900
7.92 mm Mixed Belt.		316800
7.92 mm Carton Packed.		12000
.303" Bandolier Packed.		775750
.303" Carton Packed.		2602822
.303" Bundle Packed.		1226000
.303" Mk.VIIIZ.		349700
.303" Tracer.		7650
.380" Revolver.		138
.45" T.S.M.G.		364500
.5" S.A.P. Tracer.		368
.5" A.P.		22320
.55" A.P.		9000
Ctges Illuminating 1" J.		6822
Ctges Signal 1" Green.		1739
Ctges Signal 1" Red.		1992
Ctges Illuminating 1 1/2" J.		32
Grenades Hand No.36M.		28767
Grenades Rifle No.36M.		23082
Grenades Smoke No.63.		2239
Generators Smoke No.8.		4600
Generators Smoke No.5.		19
Detonators No.27.		21400
Detonators Electric No.33.		19900
Ammonal.	lbs.	49075
Ammonal w/charcoal.		1200
Ammonal 4 oz charges.		2079
F.I.D.	ft.	6250
Safety Fuze No.11.		10848
G.C. Dry Primers.		59760
G.C. Wet Slabs.		29434
Primers C.E.		240
Gunpowder Blasting.	Kgs.	3960
Gelignite.		17200
Gelignite Polar.		18470
Matches Fuzes.	boxes.	6573
Igniters Safety Fuze.		250
T.N.T. Slabs.		990
Dynamite Geebels No.3.		9000
Primacord.	ft.	420000

for Major.
Chief Ordnance Officer.

H.Q.
No.501. Adv. Ammn. Depot.

Stock Position of Ammunition (Italian) at 1200 hours - 16th April 1941.

6.5 mm Carton Packed.		162800
6.5 mm Rifle.		773180
6.5 mm Strip Belt.		50000
6.5 mm L.M.G.		250300
7.7 mm Ball.		1118000
7.7 mm Tracer.		53700
7.7 mm A.P. Special.		113000
8 mm Mod 35.		320000
8 mm Mod 37.		1600
8 mm A.P. Mod 39.		4800
8 mm Schwarzlose H.M.G.		1483400
12.7 mm Tracer.		48250
12.7 mm Ball.		280750
13.2 mm A.P.		5125
13.2 mm Tracer.		5125
20 mm Breda H.E.		218120
20 mm Breda A.P.		7700
37/40 mm A.P.		1042
37/58 mm		400
47 mm H.E.		7920
47 mm A.P.		18300
47 mm A.P.C.		490
65/17 mm A.P.		8228
65/17 mm H.E.		3920
75/27 mm H.E.		220
75/27 mm H.E. S/L.		64
75 mm H.E.		322
75 mm Shrapnel.		174
77/28 mm H.E.		873
100 mm Shrapnel.		78
100 mm H.E.		573
102/35 mm Q.F.		116
100/17 mm Shrapnel.		60
100/17 mm H.E. S/L.		59
149/13 mm H.E. S/L.		290
149/13 mm Shrapnel.		16
Grenades Hand Breda.		23328
Grenades Hand SRCM.		12896
Grenades Hand OTO.		9216
45 mm Mortar.		13000
Geoclastite.	Kgms.	7240
Nitramon.		350
Remite.		172321
Dynamite Gemma.		450
Dynamite Ammonaftite.		665
Dynamite Gelatina.		50
Explosive G.D.2.		350
Explosive S.3.		100
T.N.T. Cylinders.		26400
T.N.T. Slabs.		1340
Dots Dupont No.7.		31300
Dots Dupont No.8.		79400
Safety Fuze.	metres.	400699
F.I.D.		260
Mines A/TK. B.2.		500

Major.
Chief Ordnance Officer.

H.Q.
No.501. Adv. Ammo Depot.
16th April 1941.

Stock Position (British) Ammunition at 1200 hours - 17th April 1941.

	2 Pdr. A.P. Shot.	25625
	2 Pdr. A.P. H.E.	2139
	40 mm H.E.	22235
	40 mm A.P.	166
	37 mm A.P.	4242
	18 Pdr. Shrapnel.	504
	18 Pdr. A.P. Shot.	556
AA	18 Pdr. Smoke.	1308
	18 Pdr. H.E. S/L. 117 Fuze.	18042
	18 Pdr. H.E. 1060 Fuze.	144
	3.7" A.A. H.E. 199 Fuze.	8705
	25 Pdr. H.E. 117 Fuze.	99596
	25 Pdr. H.E. 119 Fuze.	40170
	25 Pdr. A.P. Shot.	456
	25 Pdr. Smoke.	27258
	4.5" New H.E. 1060 Fuze.	14356
	4.5" New H.E. 1010 Fuze.	880
	4.5" New Smoke 1060 Fuze.	984
	4.5" New Smoke 44 Fuze.	174
	2" Mortar H.E.	5819
	2" Mortar Smoke.	1278
	3" Mortar H.E.	1204
	3" Mortar Smoke.	248
	3.7" Mortar Smoke.	7720
	7.92 mm Ball Belt.	105400
	7.92 mm Mixed Belt.	316800
	7.92 mm Carton Packed.	12000
	.303" Bandelier.	767750
	.303" Carton.	2393586
	.303" Bundle.	1265000
	.303" Mk.VIIIZ.	360700
	.303" Tracer.	11550
	.380" Revolver.	138
	.45" T.S.M.G.	360909
	.5" S.A.P. Tracer.	368
	.5" A.P.	23320
	.55" A.P.	10590
	Ctges Illuminating 1" J.	1736
	Ctges Signal 1" Green.	1727
	Ctges Signal 1" Red.	1980
	Ctges Illuminating 1 1/2" J.	32
	Grenades Hand No.36M	28827
	Grenades Rifle. No.36 M.	21348
	Grenades Smoke No.83.	2269
	Generators Smoke No.8.	4890
	Generators Smoke No.5.	19
	Detonators No.27.	21400
	Detonators Electric No.33.	19900
lbs.	Ammonal.	49075
	Ammonal w/charcoal.	1200
	Ammonal 4 oz charges.	2079
ft.	P.I.D.	6250
	Primecord.	417000
	Guncotton Dry Primers.	59780
	Guncotton Wet Slabs.	29434
K.gms.	Gunpowder Blasting.	3960
lbs.	Geligmite.	16400
	Geligmite Polar.	13470
boxes.	Matches Fuzee.	6573
	Igniters Safety Fuze & Percn.	250
	T.N.T. Slabs.	950
lbs.	Dynamite Gesbels. No.3.	9000
	Safety Fuze No.II.	10348
	C.E. Primers.	240

H.Q.,
No.501. Adv. Amn. Depot.
No.76.Sub-Area.

Major.
Chief Ordnance Officer.

Stock Position (Italian) Ammunition at I20C hours - I7th April I94I.

6.5 mm Carton Packed.		I52800	
6.5 mm Rifle.		773I80	
6.5 mm Strip Belt.		50000	
6.5 mm L.M.G.		220300	
7.7 mm Ball.		III8000	
7.7 mm Tracer.		53700	
7.7 mm A.P. Special.		II5450	
8 mm Mod 35.		349400	
8 mm Mod 37.		I800	
8 mm Mod 39. A.P.		90000	
8 mm Schwarzlose M.M.G.		I483400	
I2.7 mm Tracer.		48250	
I2.7 mm Ball.		280750	
I3.2 mm A.P.		5I25	
I3.2 mm Tracer.		5I25	
20 mm Breda H.E.		I80I20	
20 mm Breda A.P.		I0000	
37/40 mm A.P.		I042	
37/54 mm.		400	
47 mm A.P.		I8270	
47 mm H.E.		7920	
47 mm A.P. Capped.		485	
65/I7 mm H.E.		3920	
75/27 mm H.E.		220	
75/27 mm H.E. S/L.		64	
75 mm H.E.		I00	
75 mm Shrapnel.		I74	
I00 mm Shrapnel.		78	
I00 mm H.E.		573	
I02/35 mm Q.F.		II6	
I00/I7 mm Shrapnel.		87	
I00/I7 mm H.E. S/L.		59	
I49/I3 mm H.E. S/L.		290	
I49/I3 mm Shrapnel.		I8	
Grenades Hand Breda.		23328	
Grenades Hand SRCM.		I3895	
Grenades Hand OTO.		92I6	
45 mm Mortar.		I3002	
Geoclastite.	Kgms.	7240	
Nitramon.		350	
Remite.		I72I93	
Dynamite Gomma.		450	
Dynamite Ammonaftite.		665	
Dynamite Gelatina.		60	
Explosive G.D.2.		350	
Explosive S.3.		I00	
T.N.T. Cylinders.		26000	
T.N.T. Slabs.		I340	
Detonators Dupont No.7.		3I500	
Detonators Dupont No.8.		~~3540~~ 79200	
Safety Fuze.	metres.	400463	
F.I.D.		I00	
Mines A/TK. M.2.		250	

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Major.
Chief Ordnance Officer.

H.Q.,
No.50I. Adv. Ammn. Depot.
No.76.Sub-Area.
I7th April I94I.

Stock Position (Italian) Ammunition at 1200 hrs. 18th April 1941.

6.5 mm Carton Packed.		162800
6.5 mm Rifle.		773180
6.5 mm Strip Belt.		50000
6.5 mm L.M.G.		203300
7.7 mm Ball.		1113000
7.7 mm Tracer.		537600
7.7 mm A.P. Special.		115450
8 mm Ped 35.		349400
8 mm Ped 37.		1600
8 mm A.P. Ped 39.		30000
8 mm Schmeraloso. M.M.G.		1483400
12.7 mm Tracer.		43250
12.7 mm Ball.		280750
13.2 mm A.P.		5125
13.2 mm Tracer.		5125
20 mm Breda M.G.		180120
20 mm Breda A.P.		10400
37/40 mm A.P.		1042
37/54 mm.		400
47 mm M.B.		7920
47 mm A.P.		18195
47 mm A.P. Capped.		485
65/17 mm A.P.		3220
65/17 mm H.E.		3320
75/27 mm H.E.		210
75/27 mm H.E. S/L.		84
75 mm H.E.		102
75 mm Shrapnel.		174
100 mm Shrapnel.		78
100 mm H.E.		573
102/35 mm A.P.		716
100/17 mm Shrapnel.		87
149/13 mm H.E. S/L.		220
149/13 mm Shrapnel.		18
Grenades Hand Breda.		23328
Grenades Hand SRCM.		13896
Grenades Hand OTO.		9144
45 mm Mortar.		13002
Geeelectite.	Kgms.	7240
Nitramon.		350
Nomito.		177193
Dynamite Gomma.		450
Dynamite Ammoniftite.		635
Dynamite Colatina.		50
Explosivo G.D.2.		350
Explosivo S.3.		100
T.N.T. Cylinders.		25020
T.N.T. Slabs.		1540
Detonators Dupont No.7.		31300
Detonators Dupont No.8.		73200
Safety Fuze.	metres.	400376
P.I.D.		2877

Major.
Chief Ordnance Officer.

No.6, 501 Adv. Ammn. Depot.
No.76 Sub-Area.
18th April 1941.

Stock Position (English) Ammunition at 1200 hrs. 14th April 1941.

2 Pdr. A.P. Shot.		25497
2 Pdr. A.P. H.E.		2139
40 mm H.E.		22235
40 mm A.P.		103
37 mm A.P.		3762
18 Pdr. Shrapnel.		504
18 Pdr. A.P. Shot.		556
18 Pdr. Smoke.		1273
18 Pdr. H.E. S/L. 117 Fuze.		14378
18 Pdr. H.E. 106c Fuze.		144
3.7" A.A. H.E. 199 Fuse.		3615
25 Pdr. H.E. 117 Fuze.		37586
25 Pdr. H.E. 119 Fuze.		40170
25 Pdr. A.P. Shot.		386
25 Pdr. Smoke.		27054
4.5" How H.E. 106c Fuze.		10456
4.5" How H.E. 101s Fuze.		880
4.5" How Smoke. 106c Fuze.		984
4.5" How Smoke 44 Fuze.		174
2" Mortar H.E.		5819
2" Mortar H.E. Smoke.		1278
3" Mortar H.E.		1174
3" Mortar Smoke.		248
3.7" Mortar Smoke.		7720
7.92 mm Ball Belt.		105400
7.92 mm Mixed Belt.		316800
7.92 mm Carton Packed.		12000
.303" Bandolier.		781780
.303" Carton.		2239774
.303" Bundle.		1265000
.303" M.VIIIZ.		380760
.303" Tracer.		11580
.380" Revolver.		138
.45" T.S.M.G.		358500
.5" S.A.P. Tracer.		399
.5" A.P.		25320
.55" A.P.		12240
Ctges Illuminating 1" G.		6726
Ctges Signal 1" Green.		1727
Ctges Signal 1" Red.		1980
Ctges Illuminating 1 1/2" G.		32
Grenades Hand No.36.M.		28773
Grenades Rifle No.36.M.		20618
Grenades Smoke No.83.		2269
Generators smoke No.8.		4280
Generators Smoke No.5.		10
Detonators No.27.		21400
Detonators Electric No.53.		15900
Ammonal.	lbs.	40075
Ammonal w/charcoal.		7200
Ammonal 4 oz charges.		3079
T.N.T.	ft.	6250
Primacord.		417000
Guncotton Dry Primers.		59780
Guncotton Wet Slabs.		30434
Gunpowder Blasting.	Kgms.	3060
Geligmite.	lbs.	17200
Geligmite Polar.		18470
Patches Fuzes Safety.	Boxes.	3523
Igniters Safety Fuze & Percn.		250
T.N.T. Slabs.		900
Dynamite Gelbels. No.3.	lbs.	9000
Safety Fuze No.11.		10845
C.E. Primers.		240

H.Q., 501. Adv. Ammn. Depot.
No.76. Sub-area.
15th April 1941.

Major.
Ordnance Officer.

Stock Position - Italian Ammunition - 20th April 1941.

6.5	mm	Carton Packed.	132800
6.5	mm	Rifle.	773180
6.5	mm	Strip Belt.	80000
6.5	mm	L.M.G.	189100
7.7	mm	Ball.	1118000
7.7	mm	Tracer.	68000
7.7	mm	A.P. Special.	834000
8	mm	mod 35.	348400
8	mm	mod 37.	1600
8	mm	mod 39. A.P.	90000
8	mm	Schwerlose M.M.G.	1483400
12.7	mm	Tracer.	86500
12.7	mm	Ball.	361000
20	mm	Breda M.G.	179920
20	mm	Breda A.P.	12500
37/40	mm	A.P.	1012
37/54	mm		400
47	mm	H.E.	7920
47	mm	A.P.	18918
47	mm	A.P. Cappel.	510
65/17	mm	A.P.	8228
65/17	mm	H.E.	3920
75/27	mm	H.E.	220
75/27	mm	H.E. S/L.	84
75	mm	H.E.	102
75	mm	Shrapnel.	174
100	mm	Shrapnel.	78
100	mm	H.E.	573
102/35	mm	Q.F.	116
105/17	mm	Shrapnel.	87
149/13	mm	H.E. S/L.	290
149/13	mm	Shrapnel.	16
Grenades Hand Breda.			21838
Grenades Hand SRCM.			13696
Grenades Hand OTO.			9144
45 mm Mortar.			13002
Geoclastite.		Kgms.	7240
Nitramon.			350
Remite.			172065
Dynamite Gemma.			450
Dynamite Ammonaftite.			695
Dynamite Gelatine.			50
Explosive G.D.C.			350
Explosive S.3.			100
T.N.T. Cylinders.			25920
T.N.T. Slabs.			1340
Detonators Dupont No.7.			51300
Detonators Dupont No.3.			79200
Safety Fuze.		metres.	400178
P.I.D.			2317

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Major.
Chief Ordnance Officer.

H.Q.,
No.501. Adv. Ammn. Depot.
No.76. Sub-area.
20th April 1941.

Steel Position - British Ammunition - 20th April 1941.

2 Pdr. A.P. Shot.		25750
2 Pdr. A.P. H.E.		1540
40 MM H.E.		24019
40 MM A.P.		405
37 MM A.P.		2454
18 Pdr. Shrapnel.		504
18 Pdr. A.P. Shot.		460
18 Pdr. Smoke.		1244
18 Pdr. H.E. S/L. 117 Fuze.		13178
18 Pdr. H.E. 106e Fuze.		144
3.7" A.A. H.E. 199 Fuze.		7599
25 Pdr. H.E. 117 Fuze.		97582
25 Pdr. H.E. 119 Fuze.		40022
25 Pdr. A.P. Shot.		180
25 Pdr. Smoke.		27110
4.5" How H.E. 106e Fuze.		12456
4.5" How H.E. 101e Fuze.		850
4.5" How Smoke. 103e Fuze.		992
4.5" How Smoke. 44 Fuze.		174
2" Mortar H.E.		5819
2" Mortar Smoke.		1278
3" Mortar H.E.		1138
3" Mortar Smoke.		260
3.7" Mortar Smoke.		7720
7.92 mm Ball Belt.		106550
7.92 mm Mixed Belt.		316800
7.92 mm Carton Packed.		12000
.303" Bandolier.		678350
.303" Carton.		2204678
.303" Bundle.		1263000
.303" Mk.VIIIZ.		360700
.303" Tracer.		11550
.45" T.S.M.G.		356100
.5" S.A.P. Tracer.		368
.5" A.P.		23320
.55" A.P.		14830
Ctges Illuminating 1" J.		3728
Ctges Signal 1" Green.		1727
Ctges Signal 1" Red.		1680
Ctges Illuminating 1 1/2" J.		32
Grenades Hand No.36.M.		28779
Grenades Rifle No.36.M.		18044
Grenades Smoke No.63.		2269
Generators Smoke No.8.		4950
Generators Smoke No.5.		19
Detonators No.27.		21400
Detonators Electric No.33.		19700
Ammonal.	lbs.	47950
Ammonal w/charcoal.		1200
Ammonal 4 oz charges.		2079
F.I.D.	ft.	6250
Primacord.		415000
Guncotton Dry Primers.		59760
Guncotton Wet Slabs.		29434
Safety Fuze No.11.	ft.	10848
Primers C.E.		240
Gunpowder Blasting.	Kgms.	3960
Gelignite Polar.	lbs.	3470
Matches Fuzes.	boxes.	6523
Igniters Safety Fuze & Percn.		250
T.N.T. Slabs.		990
Dynamite Geobels No.3.	lbs.	9000

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for Major.
Chief Ordnance Officer.

H.Q.,
No.501. Adv. Amm. Depot.
No.75.Sub-Area.
20th April 1941.

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Stock Position 1200 hrs. 21/4/41- British Ammunition.

2 Pdr AP Shot	25646
2 Pdr AP HE	1444
40 MM HE	24019
40 MM AP	405
37 MM AP	2300
18 Pr Shrapnel	504
18 Pr AP Shot	450
18 Pr Smoke	1244
18 Pr HE S/L 117 F	11744
18 Pr HE 106E Fuze	144
3.7 A.A. HE	7061
25 Pr HE S/L 117 Fuze	97502
25 Pr HE S/L 119 Fuzes	30894
25 Pr AP Shot	400
25 Pr Smoke	27110
4.5 How HE 106E Fuze	12456
4.5 How HE 101E Fuze	330
4.5 How Smoke 106E F	992
4.5 How HE Smoke 44 F	174
2" Mortar HE	5819
2" Mortar Smoke	1278
3" Mortar Smoke	150
3" Mortar HE	1138
3.7" Mortar Smoke	7700
7.92 MM Ball Belt	105300
7.92 MM Mixed Belt	313300
7.92 MM Carton Pkd	15000
.303" Bandolier	639350
.303" Carton Pkd	21[illegible]
.303" Bundle Pkd	12[illegible]
.303" Mk Vllz Belt	3[illegible]
.303" Mk Vll Belt	4[illegible]
.303" Tracer	1530
.45" T.S.M.G.	3[illegible]
.5" S.A.P. Tracer	3[illegible]
.5" A.P.	2[illegible]
.35" A.P.	11840
Ctges Illum. 1" J	6729
Ctges Signal 1" Green	1727
Ctges Signal 1" Red	1[illegible]
Ctges Illum. 1 1/2" J	[illegible]
Grenades Hand No [illegible]	23772
Grenades Rifle No [illegible]	17[illegible]
Grenades Smoke No [illegible]	2269
Generators Smoke No 3	4930
Generators Smoke No 5	19
Detonators No [illegible]	21400
Detonators Electric No 33.	10700
Ammonal lbs	47930
Ammonal w/charcoal	1200
Ammonal 4oz Charges	1075
F.I.D. ft	[illegible]
Safety Fuze No 11	10[illegible]
Guncotton Dry Primers	50700
Guncotton Wet Slabs	[illegible]
Primers GE	[illegible]
Gunpowder Blasting Kgs	[illegible]
Gelignite Polar lbs	3170
Matches Fuzes Safety [illegible]	[illegible]
Igniters Safety Fuze	[illegible]
TNT Slabs	[illegible]
Dynamite Goebels No3	[illegible]
Primacord ft	4[illegible]

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for Major,
Chief Ordnance Officer.

Stock Position (Italian Ammunition) at 1200 hours
21st April 1941.

6.5 mm Cartas Packed.		162800
6.5 mm Rifle.		773180
6.5 mm Strip Belt.		50000
6.5 mm L.M.G.		188500
7.7 mm Ball.		1118000
7.7 mm Tracer.		52000
7.7 mm A.P. Special.		237000
8 mm Mod 35.		349400
8 mm Mod 37.		200
8 mm A.P. Mod 39.		163200
8 mm Schwarzlose. M.M.G.		1483400
12.7 mm Tracer.		88000
12.7 mm Ball.		359750
20 mm Breda H.E.		202440
20 mm Breda A.P.		11300
37/40 mm A.P.		1042
37/54 mm		400
47 mm H.E.		7920
47 mm A.P.		18780
47 mm A.P. Capped.		510
65/17 mm A.P.		8328
65/17 mm H.E.		3920
75/27 mm H.E.		220
75/27 mm H.E. S/L.		60
75 mm H.E.		102
75 mm Shrapnel.		174
100 mm Shrapnel.		75
100 mm H.E.		573
102/35 mm Q.F.		118
102/17 mm Shrapnel.		87
149/13 mm H.E. S/L.		290
149/13 mm Shrapnel.		13
77/28 mm H.E.		873
Grenades Hand Breda.		21625
Grenades Hand SRCM.		13356
Grenades Hand OTO.		9144
45 mm Mortar.		14[illegible]
Gooclastite.	Kgms.	7240
Nitramon.		330
Remite.		172065
Dynamite Gomma.		450
Dynamite Ammonaftite.		665
Dynamite Gelatina.		50
Explosive C.D.2.		350
Explosive S.3.		100
T.N.T. Cylinders.		16800
Detonators Dupont No.7.		31300
Detonators Dupont No.8.		75200
Safety Fuse.	metres.	400073
F.I.D.		2817

S H Beasne Sgt.
for Major.
Chief Ordnance Officer.

H.Q.,
No.501. Adv. Ammn. Depot.
No.76. Base Sub-Area.
21st April 1941.

Stock Position 1200 hrs 22/4/41- Italian Ammunition

6.5 MM Carton Pkd	162800
6.5 MM Rifle	773180
6.5 MM Strip. Belt	50000
6.5 MM LMG	158500
7.7 MM Ball	1118000
7.7 MM Tracer	52000
7.7 MM AP Special	173000
8 MM Mod 35	340400
8 MM Mod 37	3200
8 MM AP Mod 39	183200
8 MM Schwarzlose HMG	1483400
12.7 MM Tracer	86000
12.7 MM Ball	359750
12.7 MM HE	1350
12.7 MM AP Special	1000
12.7 MM HE Tracer	4250
20 MM Breda HE	213440
20 MM Breda AP	12500
37/40 MM AP	1042
37/54 MM	400
47 MM HE	7920
47 MM AP	19215
65/17 MM AP	3228
65/17 MM HE	3920
75/27 MM HE	220
75/27 MM HE S/L	64
75 MM HE	102
75 MM Shrapnel	174
100 MM Shrapnel	78
100 MM HE	573
102/35 MM QF	116
149/13 MM HE S/L	290
149/13 MM Shrapnel	13
Grenades Hand Breda	20020
Grenades Hand SRCM	13896
Grenades Hand OTO	3928
45 MM Mortar	14500
Geoclastite Kgs	7240
Nitramon	350
Romite .	172065
Dynamite Gomme	450
Dynamite Ammonitite	065
Dynamite Gelatina	50
Explosive G.D.2	350
Explosive S.3	100
TNT Cylinders (29x100)	11700
TNT Cylinders (29x40mm)	9280
Detonators Dupont No 7	31300
Detonators Dupont No 8	79100
Safety Fuze metres	399973
P.I.A. Kgs	2617

H.Q. 501 AAD,
22/4/41

Major,
Chief Ordnance Officer.