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ARMY

First Army Quartermaster
General Branch (QMG
Branch)

October 1944, part 1



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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE-SUMMARY.

Army Form C. 48.
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required.)

'Q' Branch
Unit...Rear Ech First Aust Army. Date and Time.—From 1 Oct To 31 Oct 44.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MAREEBA	1 Oct		Traffic Routes : ATHERTON TABLELANDS - CAIRNS	Appendix 'A' <i>h</i>
"	2 Oct		Move HQ First Aust Army	Appendix 'B' <i>h</i>
"	6 Oct		First Aust Army Adm Instruction No 15	Appendix 'C' <i>h</i>
"	6 Oct		First Aust Army Adm Instruction No 16	Appendix 'D' <i>h</i>
"	7 Oct		First Aust Army Adm Instruction No 15 - Amendment No 1	Appendix 'E' <i>h</i>
"	10 Oct		Allotted Vehicles : Rear Ech First Aust Army	Appendix 'B' <i>h</i>
"	11 Oct		First Aust Army Adm Instruction No 16 - Amendment No 1	Appendix 'G' <i>h</i>
"	13 Oct		First Aust Army Adm Instruction No 10 - Amendment No 2	Appendix 'H' <i>h</i>
"			Rear Ech First Aust Army Adm Instruction No 17	Appendix 'I' <i>h</i>
"	17 Oct		Forms Dining Tent and Tables FS	Appendix 'J' <i>h</i>
"	25 Oct		Rear Ech First Aust Army Adm Instruction No 1	Appendix 'K' <i>h</i>
"	31 Oct		Transfer of Files to Second Aust Army	Appendix 'L' <i>h</i>

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Appendix 'H'

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SUBJECT: TRAFFIC ROUTES : ATHERTON TABLELANDS • CAIRNS.

Rear Ech First Aust Army (AIF)
/ Oct 44
Q10426

DISTRIBUTION:

List 'C' (Branches and formations plus units
of First Aust Army Tps only)
Less serials 1, 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, 12,
14, 17, 19, 21, 30, 31, 39, 41, 42,
48, 50, 55-57, 71, 72.
Plus copies for information Mov CAIRNS
Mov ATHERTON
Rear Details HQ NGF (Aust)

Ref First Aust Army Q10204 dated 19 Sep 44.

2. The section of road KURANDA to junction with
COOK HIGHWAY will remain closed till 0600 hrs 9 Oct.
During this period the special time-table for the
GILLIES HIGHWAY will operate.

Bill Moxley
Lt-Col.,
AA&QMG Rear Ech First Aust Army.

Appendix 'B'

SUBJECT: MOVE HQ FIRST AUST ARMY

HQ First Aust Army (AIF)
2 Oct 44
910451

Distribution:

List 'A' (Branches etc of First Aust Army)
Less serials 1, 11, 20, 88, 86
Plus NGF Rear Details

Reference First Aust Army CA-2135 of 27 Sep 44.

1. Referring to preparation for movement of office furniture and equipment, all branches are now required to complete packing of all items to be taken, and to deliver such items to Tobacco Store near Railway Line by 1200 hrs 3 Oct 44.
2. QM will cease personal issues from QM store at 1300 hrs 3 Oct 44, and will complete delivery of all stores, accommodation stores and equipment to move to Tobacco Store near Railway line by 2100 hrs 3 Oct 44.
3. All branches are requested to complete a list of Branch office furniture and equipment taken, such list to show Branch distinguishing letter, number of package and brief description of contents and deliver same to 'Q' Branch by 2100 hrs 3 Oct 44.
4. QM will complete a similar list in respect of Local Administration Stores and Equipment and deliver it to 'Q' Branch by 1200 hrs 4 Oct 44.


Lt-Gen.,
GOC First Aust Army.

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Appendix 'C'
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FIRST AUST ARMY ADMINISTRATION INSTRUCTION NO 15

HQ First Aust Army (AIF)
6 Oct 44

1. WARNING ORDER:

Group 1 First Aust Army Second Flight will move by two trains to CAIRNS 10 Oct 44 for on movement by sea. Group 2 will move as detailed below.

2. Personnel detailed in Appendix 'A' attached, excluding Serials 19 to 23 and 25 to 34, will parade on parade ground in marching order as under. Supernumerary officers shown opposite Serials 19-23 and 25-34 will assemble at respective messes and proceed independantly to trains 1 and 2 under orders of senior officer present.

NO 1 TRAIN:

Personnel - Serials 8-14,
19-26, 36-40

Total to Entrain

345

Time of Parade: 2359 hrs 9 Oct
Time of Entrainment: 0115 hrs 10 Oct
Time of Departure: 0145 hrs 10 Oct
OC Train: Maj PEACHEY
Entraining Officer: Capt FORSYTH

NO 2 TRAIN:

Serials 17, 18, 27-34

107

Time of Parade: 0200 hrs 10 Oct
Time of Entrainment: 0300 hrs 10 Oct
Time of Departure: 0330 hrs 10 Oct
OC Train: Maj CORDELL
Entraining Officer: Capt SECOMBE

Entraining Officers will report RTO MAREEBA one hour before time of departure.

3. Ship's staff, serials 1 to 7, will move by road 9 Oct under separate instructions.

4. Camp will ensure that all supernumerary officers, vide Appendix A serials 19 to 34, are informed concerning their movement.

5. Officers heavy baggage will be dumped at respective messes at following times:

Train 1	...	2359 hrs 9 Oct
Train 2	...	0200 hrs 10 Oct

OC 9 Pl will provide baggage party of three ICOs and 12 ORs to load officers baggage onto vehicles and train. 1 ICO and 4 rank and file to each B, D and E messes at the above times. Camp will arrange to provide 3 trucks 3-ton, one to report each B, D and E messes respectively, at each of above times.

6. MEDICAL:

Train Medical Orderlies will be detailed by SMO.

7. STORES:

(a) Stores as shown in Appendix A attached, will be loaded on rail trucks at MARSEBA Sleeper Mill Siding 6 to 8 Oct.

(b) 2 Pl will act as loading party and will report to Tobacco Store near Railway line 1000 hrs 6 Oct.

(c) OC 1 Pl will detail three parties each of one NCO and 3 ORs as escorts for group 1 stores on each of three trains. Escorts will move and remain with stores until arrival at final destination. Three days hard rations will be carried.

(d) Camp Commandant will arrange to supply 2 trucks 3-ton and 4 trucks S.T. 7-ton to report 1000 hrs 6 Oct for above loading at Tobacco Store MARSEBA.

(e) Officer i/c loading of stores will allocate stores to be loaded ex Tobacco Store for group 1 and will supervise loading and subsequent trans-shipment at CAIRNS.

8. VEHICLES:

(a) Vehicles as shown in Appendix 'A' attached will report to First Aust Army Veh Pool CAIRNS 7 Oct 44.

(b) 8 Pl will provide drivers for group 1 vehicles and will be responsible for preparation for shipment of these vehicles. 8 Pl will move as a body with above vehs.

(c) In addition vehicles and personnel of serial 1 Appendix B attached, will move with group 1 vehicles to First Aust Army Veh Pool CAIRNS. Camp Commandant will provide 24 additional drivers to deliver group 2 vehicles to CAIRNS. On arrival CAIRNS the additional drivers will return immediately to Rear Ech First Aust Army in vehicles provided by Camp.

(d) OC Gp 2 will be responsible for preparation for shipment and escort of all group 2 vehicles.

Attention is directed to the provisions of Standing Orders For Movement in AUSTRALIA and its Territories Sec 14, Part B.

(e) On arrival CAIRNS 18 drivers will be staged at First Aust Army Veh Pool. Balance of personnel will report REDLYNCH Staging Camp.

(f) Serials 2-6 of group 2 will move independently as instructed by signal, and will be staged at First Aust Army Veh Pool CAIRNS.

(g) OC First Aust Army Veh Pool will act as liaison officer with Movements CAIRNS regarding calling forward vehicles for shipment.

(h) Number of Vehicles: 66
Route: MARSEBA--MURUMBidgee--COOK HIGHWAY--CAIRNS
Start Point: Ref DIBBULAH sheet 1 inch - 1 mile
 at junction 362538
Start Time: 0745 hrs 7 Sep

ETA First Aust Army Veh Pool: 1030 hrs 7 Sep
VTM: 18
MTH: 15

Convoy will move in blocks of 10 vehicles at intervals of 03 mins between blocks.

(j) Pro will provide six motor cycle escorts for the above convoy.

9. Ancillary units as shown in Appendix A serials 36 to 40 will complete Embarkation rolls (8 copies) and Bills of Lading (10 copies) and hand same to Camp 7 Oct. In respect of personnel and vehicles as shown in Appendix B, embarkation rolls and Bills of Lading will be completed and handed to OC Group 2.

ACK

McGowan
Lt-Gen.,
GOC First Aust Army.

Attachments:

Appendix A : Group 1 - personnel, stores and vehicles

Appendix B : Group 2 - personnel, stores and vehicles

Time of Signature: 08:5 hrs 6 Oct 44

Method of Distribution: SDR

Distribution:

List 'A' (Branches of First Aust Army only)

Less serials 41, 59, 64, 75

Plus serials 59 (35 copies) 75 (2 copies)
39, 10, 43, 34, 24

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Det LHQ Mil History Soc

For Information:

Adv LHQ

Mov TOWNSVILLE

Mov CAIRNS

Mov MAREEBA

16 APSC

SECOND FLIGHT (SHIP) GROUP 1.

PERSONNEL - STORES AND VEHICLES

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First Aust Army Adm Instr

No. 15

Appendix 'A'

Serial	Duty	Name	Offrs	WOs	3jts	ORs	Total	Stores	
								DW	M
SHIP STAFF									
1	OC Troops	Lt Col E.W. SELDEN	1	-	-	-	1		
2	SFO	Lt Col D.G. CROLL	1	-	-	-	1		
3	Adj't	Capt D.W. BLACKWELL	1	-	-	-	1		
4	Messing	Capt C. HUCK	1	-	-	-	1		
5	Q M	Lt J. LESLIE	1	-	-	-	1		
6	R S M	WO PRITCHARD	-	1	-	-	1		
7	Med Orderly					1	1		
8	OC 1 Pl	Capt G.A. DEAR	1	2	12	38	53		
9	OC 2 Pl	Lt N.E. KING	1	6	10	33	50		
10	OC 3 Pl	Capt C.M. BIZZELL	1	4	7	34	46		
11	OC 4 Pl	Capt BRIGDEN	1	1	5	37	44		
12	OC 5 Pl	Capt N. HARRIS	1	2	2	33	38		
13	OC 6 Pl	Lt R.A. KILBY	1	2	4	43	50		
14	OC 7 Pl	Lt ADAMS	1	1	5	29	36		
15	OC 8 Pl	Capt BULLOCH)	1	-	2	23	26		
16	det 2/77 Aust LAD	Capt A. KONG)	1	-	1	6	8		
17	OC 9 Pl	Lt J.H. GILBERT	1	-	4	50	55		
18	OC 10 Pl	Lt H.B. NUTT	1	4	4	35	44		
19		Lt Col ARUNDEL	1	-	-	-	1		
20		Maj A.F. KURRIE	1	-	-	-	1		
21		Maj F.C. STEVENS	1	-	-	-	1		
22		Maj PEACHY	1	-	-	-	1		
23		Maj M.H. CORDELL	1	-	-	-	1		
24		Maj BURGESS	1	-	-	-	1		
25		Capt R. CUNDELL	1	-	-	-	1		
26		Capt W.R. FORSYTH	1	-	-	-	1		
27		Maj S.W. CARROLL	1	-	-	-	1		
28		Lt Col RAINBOY	1	-	-	-	1		
29		Maj V.H. BELSON	1	-	-	-	1		
30		Capt B.V. SECOMBE	1	-	-	-	1		
31		Chap P.T. BOLAND	1	-	-	-	1		
32		Commissioner BATES	1	-	-	-	1		
33		Capt J. HAYDEN-SMITH	1	-	-	-	1		
34		Capt W.G. WILSON	1	-	-	-	1		
35		Capt C. JOLLY	1	-	-	-	1		
TOTALS			33	23	56	362	474	180	777
AUXILIARY UNITS									
36	det first aust army cash office		-	-	3	-	3	4	5
37	det LEQ Mil Hist		1	-	1	1	3	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{3}{4}$
38	det 21 Pl "F" Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt		-	-	-	3	3	4	10
39	First Aust Army Postal Unit less det		1	-	2	6	9	$1\frac{3}{4}$	6
40	7 Aust Comd AL Ses less det		1	-	1	-	2	$1\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{2}$
GRAND TOTALS			36	23	63	372	494	190	800
VEHICLES									
		Cars DS	Buick	Trucks $\frac{1}{4}$ Ton 4x4	15 owt	3Ton 4x4	Total	Remarks	
41	HQ First Aust Army	8	1	3	3	5	20	Escorts provided by Serials 15 and 16	

SECOND FLIGHT (SHIP) GROUP 2

PERSONNEL and VEHICLES

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First Aust Army Adm Instn No.15
Appendix 'B'

EQ FIRST AUST ARMY ANCILLARY UNITS	Cars DS	Trucks	Trucks	Trucks	3Ton 4x4	Water	15cwt	3Ton	1/4Ton	4x4	Trucks	Total	Pers				
		1/2Ton 4x4	15cwt 4x4	3Ton 4x4	Special Sig	3Ton 4x4	Panel Van	Garage 4x4	Tlr 2wheel	Recover- ery	2 1/2Ton 6x6	Vehs	Offrs	VOs	Sjts	ORs	Total
1 HQ FIRST AUST ARMY Incl 2 Pers & 2 Jeeps for Red Cross Incl det 2/77 LAL	11	23	-	3	1	3	1	1	2	1	-	46		1	2	20	22
2 det First Aust Army Cash Office	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1
3 det of det LHC Mil Dist Sec	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	10	-	-	1	4	5
4 101 Aust FS Sec less det	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	1	-	4	6
5 det 7 Aust Comd AL Sec	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	1
6 det 1 ALPHU	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	3	-	-	-	2	2
7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1
8 Lt THOMAS (Ord)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1
9 OC Capt J STOKES (AFME)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	11	33	1	3	1	3	1	1	8	1	1	64	3	2	3	37	45

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Appendix 'D'

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FIRST AUST ARMY ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 16.

HQ First Aust Army (AIF)
2 Oct 44

1. WARNING ORDER:

Group 3 First Aust Army and ancillary units Second Flight shown as Appendix A attached will move by train to TOWNSVILLE for on movement by sea at an early date to be detailed later.

2. Assistant Camp First Aust Army will arrange for movement by road to MAREEBA Railway Station of serials 1 to 5.

3. The following duties are allotted:

OC Train
Entraining Officer

Maj J.S. MELLICK
Capt R. LEWIS

Entraining Officer will report RTO MAREEBA one hour prior to departure of train.

4. Train Medical orderlies will be detailed by SMO vide serial 7.

5. Ancillary units as shown Appendix A serials 49 to 53 will complete Embarkation Rolls (8 copies) and hand same to Assistant Camp First Aust Army by 1000 hrs 10 Oct 44.

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[Signature]
Lt-Gen.,
GOC First Aust Army.

ATTACHMENTS:

Appendix A : Group 3 - personnel

Time of Signature: 2.15 hrs 6 Oct 44

Method of Distribution: DRLS

Distribution:

List 'A' (Branches of First Aust Army only)

Less serials 41, 59, 64, 75

Plus serials 59 (35 copies) 75 (2 copies)

39, 10, 43, 24

Det LHQ Mil History Sec - Copy No 34

For Information:

Adv LHQ

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Mov TOWNSVILLE

- Copy No 36

Mov CAIRNS

- Copy No 37

Mov MAREEBA

- Copy No 38

First Aust Army Administrative
Instruction No 16 Appendix 'A'

FIRST AUST ARMY SECOND FLIGHT GROUP 3
PERSONNEL

Ser in	Duty	Officers	Offrs	WOs	Sjts	ORs	Total
1	OC Troops	Maj J.S. MELLICK	1	-	-	-	1
2	Adj	Lt A.A. GOWER	1	-	-	-	1
3	OC 11 Pl	Capt J.W. MOTT	1	-	8	42	51
4	OC 12 Pl	Lt I.G. SHARPLEY	1	-	6	43	50
5	OC 13 Pl	Capt R. HICKS	1	-	2	53	56
6	Entraining Officer	Capt R. LEWIS	1	-	-	-	1
7	SMO	Capt MacCULLOGH	1	-	-	-	1
8		Capt G. CLARKESON	1	-	-	-	1
9		Lt K. LONG	1	-	-	-	1
10		Capt D.L. KENNAWAY	1	-	-	-	1
11		Lt H. BEAMAN	1	-	-	-	1
12		Maj D.U. MACINTOSH	1	-	-	-	1
13		Maj V.S. TAGDEL	1	-	-	-	1
14		Lt-Col SHEAHAN	1	-	-	-	1
15		Commr MANNING	1	-	-	-	1
16		Maj C.A. WATTS	1	-	-	-	1
17		Capt F.B. TREATH	1	-	-	-	1
18		Capt T.E. ROBERTS	1	-	-	-	1
19		Rev W.F. COLLINS	1	-	-	-	1
20		Maj C.D. ROWLEY	1	-	-	-	1
21		Maj C.R. STODDART	1	-	-	-	1
22		Maj J.A. SIMPSON	1	-	-	-	1
23		Capt G.C. COOPER	1	-	-	-	1
24		Lt J.D. RAE	1	-	-	-	1
25		Capt BOILEAU	1	-	-	-	1
26		Lt MUSSERVEY	1	-	-	-	1
27		Capt M.A. SMITH	1	-	-	-	1
28		Capt E.W. CODE	1	-	-	-	1
29		Capt J.E. SQUIRES	1	-	-	-	1
30		Capt J. WILSON	1	-	-	-	1
31		Maj SHERMAN	1	-	-	-	1
32		Capt C.S. TOMLINSON	1	-	-	-	1
33		Chap MAGGS	1	-	-	-	1
34		Capt DIBBEN	1	-	-	-	1
35		Capt R. THOMPSON	1	-	-	-	1
36		Lt S.G. HARMER	1	-	-	-	1
37		Capt E.R. McTAGGERT	1	-	-	-	1
38		Capt H.T. BROWN	1	-	-	-	1
39	Medical Orderly	Pte DOWNEY				1	1
40							
41							
42							
43							
44							
45							
46							
47							
48							
TOTALS:			38	-	16	140	194

ANCILLARY UNITS:

ANCILLARY UNITS:						
49	First Aust Army Depot Cash Office	1	-	3	-	4
	less Det					
50	21 Pl F Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt less	1	-	1	35	37
	Det					
51	Det First Aust Army Postal Unit	-	1	2	4	7
52	Det 101 Aust FS Sec	-	-	1	2	3
53	Det LHQ Mil History Sec less Det	2	-	1	-	3
GRAND TOTALS:		42	1	24	181	248

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Appendix 'E'

FIRST AUSTRALIAN ARMY ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 15

AMENDMENT NO 1

HQ First Aust Army (AIF)
7 Oct 44

1. First Aust Army Administrative Instruction No 15 is amended as follows:

(a) Para 1 - No 1 train personnel

delete serials 19-26
insert serials 19-22, 24-26

(b) Para 1 - No 2 train personnel

insert serial 25

(c) Appendix 'A'

serial 32 for BATES, substitute GATES

add new serial 35 (a)

35(a) Maj V.E. DOWDY and amend
totals accordingly

(d) Appendix 'B'

serial 1 - add 1x trailer 2 wheeled generator
set 25 KVA

serial 4 - add 3x 1/4 ton trailers 2 wheeled

Amend total Appendix B accordingly

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[Signature]
Lt-Gen.,
GOC First Aust Army.

Distribution:

List 'A' (Branches of First Aust Army only)

less serials 41, 59, 64, 75

Plus serials 59 (35 copies) 75 (2 copies)

39, 10, 43, 34, 24

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Det LHQ Mil History Sec

For Information:

Adv LHQ

Nov TOWNSVILLE

Nov CAIRNS

Nov MAREEBA

16 APSC

Appendix 'F'

SUBJECT: ALLOTTED VEHICLES : REAR ECH FIRST AUST ARMY

Rear Ech First Aust Army
10 Oct 44
Q10511

Distribution:

List 'A' (Branches etc of First Aust Army)
Less serials 8,15

The allotment of vehicles on strength of Rear Ech First Aust Army is shown as Appendix 'A'.

2. Although an allotment has been made to Branches and Services, it will be necessary for allotted vehicles to be made available to the pool when not required by the allottee. Such arrangements will be made between the TO and the allottee concerned.

AW Hayes Lt-Col.,
AA & TAC Rear Ech First Aust Army.

Appendix 'A'
Attached to Q10511 of 10 Oct 44

<u>Allottee</u>	<u>Vehicle No</u>	<u>Type</u>
GOC	8693	6-Seater
G(I)	15027	Car DS
AQ	79362	"
CSO	46715	"
ADMS	42008	"
ADST	64273	"
ADOS	20389	"
ADME/CRE	7903	"
DAPM	4618193	6-seater Utility
AWAS	20376	Car DS
CHAPLAINS	}	6-seater Utility
LEGAL		
SALVAGE		
AMENITIES		
POOL	2080	Reserve for Senior
	7907	Visiting Officers
	20392	Car DS
	64251	"

War Diary

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Appendix 'G'

HQ First Aust Army (AIF)
17 Oct 44

ADDENDUM No 1 TO:
FIRST AUST ARMY ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No 16 DATED 6 OCT 44.

1. MOVEMENT

Serials as shown in Appendix 'A', excluding serials 6 to 29, 31 to 38 will parade on parade ground in marching order as under. Supernumerary Officers as shown opposite serials 6 to 29, 31 to 38 will assemble at respective messes and proceed independantly to train under orders of Senior Officer present:

SERIAL	TIME OF PARADE	TIME OF EN- TRAINMENT	ETD	TOTAL TO ENTRAIN
1-5	14 Oct 0230 hrs	14 Oct 0330 hrs	14 Oct 0400 hrs	151
7-29 31-38	-	0330 hrs	0400 hrs	33
30, 52 49-54	0245 hrs	0330 hrs	0400 hrs	60
TOTAL				244

2. Assistant Camp First Aust Army will ensure that all Supernumerary Officers vide Appendix 'A' serials 7 to 38, are informed concerning their movement.

3. BAGGAGE

Officers heavy baggage will be dumped outside respective messes by 0245hrs 14 Oct 44.

4. Camp Rear First Aust Army will provide:

- (a) A baggage party of 3 NCOs and 9 rank and file to load Officers heavy baggage onto vehicles and train.
- (b) 3 trucks 3-ton, one to report each B D and E messes respectively at 0245hrs 14 Oct 44.
- (c) A detail of 1 NCO and 3 rank and file from the baggage party to move with each vehicle.

5. APPENDIX 'A'.

Appendix 'A' is amended as follows:

- (a) Serial 5 Amend personnel to read as follows:
Offrs 1; WOs-sjts 4; ORs 43; TOTAL 48.
- (b) Serial 14 for Lt-Col SHEAHAN substitute Capt E.J. DWYER
Serial 22 for Maj J. SIMPSON substitute Capt M. HARLAND
Serial 28 for Capt E.W. CODE substitute Capt D.K. THORNTON
Serial 37 for Capt M.A. McTAGGART substitute Capt M.A. BROOKE.
- (c) Add new serial 54.
Serial 54 1 AAPIU less Det: 3 Offrs; - WOs; 1 sjt;
1 OR; TOTAL 4.
- (d) Serial 53 Add 1 OR.
- Amend all totals accordingly.

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Robert S. [Signature]
for Lt-Gen.,
GOC First Aust Army.

Time of Signature: 1400 hrs // Oct 44.

Distribution:

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1 AAPIU

For information:

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Mov TOWNSVILLE - Copy No 36

Mov CAIRNS - Copy No 37

Mov MAREEBA - Copy No 38

Appendix 'H'

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ADDENDUM NO 2 TO -

FIRST AUSTRALIAN ARMY ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 10 DATED
25 JUL 44

TYRE INFLATION PRESSURES

1. Add the following:

Tyre Size	Vehicle Type	Pressures	
		Front	Rear
900 x 20	Diamond T 4-ton Wrecker 6x6	65 lbs	65 lbs
900x 20	Gardiner Gen Set	65 lbs	
600 x 16	Sperry Gen Set	30 lbs	30 lbs
600 x 16	Sperry Projector	30 lbs	30 lbs
900 x 16	Projector 150 CM, Mk IV	60 lbs	
900 x 18	Standard Waygood Gen Set	65 lbs	
1050 x 20	Lister Gen Set	70 lbs	
1400 x 24	155 mm Gun Carraige	90 lbs	
32 x 6	Skelly Gen Set	65 lbs	65 lbs
1350 x 28 Rear } 650 x 16 Front }	Fowler Hydraulic Crane	45 lbs	25 lbs

W. C. ...
Lt-Col.,
AA & QMG Rear Ech First Aust Army.

1 Oct 44

Distribution:

List 'C' (Branches and Formations plus units of
Army Tps Rear Ech First Aust Army only)
Less serials 9, 11, 24, 23, 43, 57, 54, 57
57-58, 60-61, 64-67, 70, 72-74
Plus 1. Aust Corps

Distribution:

Cairo Base Camp
1 Asst Corps
11 Asst Div
17 Asst L of C Sub-Area
2/2 Asst E3 G4 E5
Movement Control Cairo
Movement Control Mersa
1 Asst E3 Area Comd
O(AD)
A
Engin
Signal
Medical
S & T
Ord
R&B
Postal
Camp
War Diary (2) —
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Appendix 'I'

REAR ECHELON FIRST AUST ARMY ADMINISTRATION INSTRUCTION NO 17

CLOSING OF CAIRNS REST CAMP

Rear Ech First Aust Army
2 Oct 44

Ref Rear Echelon First Aust Army Q718 of 20 Oct 44.

1. GENERAL:

- (a) CAIRNS Rest Camp will close on 25 Oct 44
- (b) Rest Camp Staff will remain to foster in units of 2 Aust Docks Gp into EDGE HILL Camp
- (c) On completion of hand-over of camp and camp stores, Rest Camp Staff will move to Rear Echelon First Aust Army area.

2. MOVEMENT:

- (a) Separate instructions will be issued
- (b) CAIRNS Rest Camp will advise by signal on 28 Oct, strength and destination of any attached personnel.

3. CAMP SITE:

- (a) Camp site and buildings will be handed over to incoming unit as soon as practicable after arrival.
- (b) OC Rest Camp will arrange with HQ 17 Aust L of C Sub Area to nominate a representative to be present during the hand-over.
- (c) Clearances will be obtained for camp site and buildings and a copy of the clearances will be forwarded to this HQ by OC Rest Camp.

4. CAMP ACCOMMODATION STORES will be transferred in situ to incoming units.

5. AMENITIES STORES now held by Rest Camp will be stored in Amenities Store CAIRNS under arrangements 17 Aust L of C Sub Area, and held for CAIRNS Rest Camp.

6. OFFICERS AND SJTS MESS EQUIPMENT:

Cutlery and crockery now held by Officers and Sjts Messes will accompany Rest Camp on movement from CAIRNS.

7. OUTSTANDING ACCOUNTS will be finalised prior to movement

8. UNIT STORES AND EQUIPMENT including vehicles, office furniture, typewriters and stationery will accompany unit to Rear Echelon First Aust Army Area.

9. ACCOMMODATION on arrival will be arranged by 2/2 Aust HQ Cd Bn who will arrange reception.

Lt-Col.
AA & QMG Rear Ech First Aust Army.

Issued by: _____

Signed at: _____ hrs 22 Oct 44

FORMS DINING TENT AND TABLES FS

under Diary
Appendix 'J'

Rear Ech First Aust Army

17 Oct 44

Q10583

1 Aust Corps
11 Aust Div
TORRES STRAIT Area
BRISBANE Fortress
TOWNSVILLE Fortress
CAIRNS Fortress
1 Aust HQ Area Comd
Aust Trg Centre (JW)
Aust Water Tot Trg Centre

1. Subjoined is a copy of LHQ B64190 of 28 Sep 44:

"Contract demands were recently placed by CPO for Forms Dining Tent and Tables FS. The Board of Business Administration disapproved of these demands, as it was of the opinion that there are sufficient stocks in Australia to fulfil all demands.

2. It is desired to ascertain the present holdings of forms dining tent and Tables FS in camps, and to examine a number of units to ensure that holdings of these items are not in excess of E2-500 Scale 187.

3. It is requested that:-

(a) A return be obtained from all camps showing the total number of forms dining tent and Tables FS on charge to Camp QMs, the return to include - articles on loan to units within the camp. The capacity of personnel for each camp is to be included in the return which should be forwarded to reach this HQ not later than 23 Oct.

(b) Unit Equipment Inspectors examine all units situated outside a camp area to be visited during October to ascertain if they are holding forms dining tent and/or Tables FS in excess of E2-500 Scale 187. If so, these articles are to be returned forthwith to RSD and the UEI will take a note of the quantity. At the end of the month, the excess figures (if any) supplied by UEIs be consolidated and forwarded to reach LHQ by 13 Nov.

4. In formations and L of C Areas where UEI is absent on duty it is requested that arrangements be made for twenty units situated outside standing camps be examined and returns forwarded in accordance with para 3 (b) above."

2. With reference to sub para (a) of the third para, 1 Aust HQ Area Comd will supply information as required for Standing Camps under command.

3. Returns as per para 3. (a) above are required to reach Rear Echelon First Aust Army by 23 Oct for consolidation and forwarding to HQ. Returns required by para 3 (b) will be forwarded to this HQ by 6 Nov for consolidation.

(Handwritten signature)

Maj-Gen.
Comd. Rear Ech First Aust Army

19 Oct 44

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Appendix 'K'
War Diary

REAR ECHELON FIRST AUST ARMY ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 1.

1. WARNING ORDER

11 Aust Div will prepare units etc of 4 Aust Div for move to destinations as shown in Rear Echelon First Aust Army memo Q157 of 19 Oct 44.

All units and sub-units will move with personal arms and equipment, unit equipment at present held, accommodation stores held on arrival at present location, less tentage, less vehicles.

2. DISPOSAL OF VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT

- (a) All vehicles, complete with VOL equipment only, will be transferred to 7 AOVP in present condition, but utmost unit maintenance will be effected.
- (b) All stores in vehicles, other than unit equipment, will be returned to PSD, by arrangement with ADCS 11 Aust Div.
- (c) Unit equipment will be crated in readiness for despatch to unit destinations.
- (d) RAE and AEIE units will move with kits of hand-tools.
- (e) Vehicles will move to 7 AOVP with sufficient petrol for journey only. Surplus POL will be returned to BIPOD KAIRI.
- (f) Vehicle tool kits will be left in tool boxes and VOL checked before vehicle is returned.
- (g) Documentation
 - (i) Two copies of AAF G52 will be made out for each unit.
 - (ii) A master G1033, with schedule attached, will be made out for each group of vehicles returned.
 - (h) Time and order of return for vehicles is as shown in Appendix 'A' attached.
 - (j) 11 Aust Div will retain, temporarily, such essential administrative vehicles as is considered necessary for the completion of the movement of units.

3. DISPOSAL OF PERSONNEL

Units and sub-units will move out of the area as shown in Appendix 'B' attached.

4. ACCOMMODATION STORES ON LOAN

Accommodation stores on loan will be returned to Camp Staff, MAPEE.

5. RATIONS

- (a) Reserve rations will be returned to DID HAPPE
- (b) Ration overdrawals will be adjusted prior to movement.

6. RETURNABLE CONTAINERS

Will be returned to DID HAPPE and AMF F75 obtained in acquittance.

7. ISSUES OF CLOTHING

11 Aust Div will issue clothing in urgent replacement cases only. All other issues will be arranged when units arrive at destinations.

8. CANTEENS

Unit canteens (where established) are to be closed and profits (if any) will be distributed to personnel vide GRO F819/43.

Advice when this has been done will be forwarded to Rear Echelon, First Aust Army.

9. CAMP CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

Units and sub-units will obtain a clearance for camp sites from Camp Staff Officer, HAPPE, before leaving the area. Copy of clearance will be forwarded to 11 Aust Div.

E. Blackshaw Cpt.
Lt-Col.,
A4 & QMG Rear Ech First Aust Army.

Signed at 1515 hrs 25 Oct 44

Distribution

11 Aust Div (12 c pies)
7 Aust Ord Vch Pl

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Appendix 'A' to Rear Ech
First Aust Army Administrative
Instruction No 1.

VEHICLES : 4 AUST DIV DETAILS : TIME AND ORDER OF
RETURN.

GROUP	DATE	TIME	UNIT	NO OF VEHICLES
1	26 Oct	0830- 1145	HQ RAE 4 Aust Div 57 Fd Fl Coy Sigs 4 Aust Div 105 Amb 102 CCS 4 Div Pro HQ Comd AASC 4 Div Cash Office	7 25 (incl 1 MC 3 trlrs) 45 (incl 5 trailers) 1 4 9 10 2 <u>104</u>
2	26 Oct	1400- 1630	159 Aust Gen Tpt Coy 4 Div Postal 233 LAD 329 LAD 56 Comp AA Regt	12 2 6 5 55 <u>80</u>
3	27 Oct	0830- 1145	56 Comp AA Regt 57 Fd Fl Coy HQ 4 Aust Div X 39 Cipher Sec X	61 2 44 1 <u>108</u>

X - Camp Rear Ech First Aust Army to arrange

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Appendix 'B' to Rear Ech
First Aust Army Adm
Instruction No 1.

ORDER OF MOVEMENT FROM AREA : 4 AUST DIV DETAILS

SERIAL	UNIT	DESTINATION
1	102 Aust GCS	NARELLAN
2	56 Comp AA Regt	GRETA
3	Det 4 Aust Div Pro Coy	NARELLAN
4	HQ Comd AMSC 4 Aust Div and dets 159 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	STRATHPINE
5	233 Aust LAD	STRATHPINE
6	4 Aust Div Cash Office	NARELLAN
7	Postal Dets	NARELLAN
8	Medical Dets	NARELLAN
9	Sigs 4 Aust Div	Vic L of C
10	HQ, RCE 4 Aust Div	WAGGA
11	329 Aust LAD	WAGGA
12	57 Aust Fd Pk Coy	WAGGA

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
LAE	1 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position Return No.141	Appendix A
"	1 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements Return No.141	" B
"	2 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position Return No.142	" C
"	2 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" D
"	2 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.142	" E
"	3 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.143	" F
"	3 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position Return No.143	" G
"	3 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" H
"	3 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" I
"	4 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" J
"	4 Oct 44	-	Daily Summary of Movements	" J(1)
"	4 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position No.144	" K
"	4 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" L
"	5 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position Return No.145	" M

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LAE	5 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	Appendix N
"	5 Oct 44	-	Proposed Shipping Allotments	" O
"	5 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" P
"	5 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements Return No.145	" Q
"	6 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements Return No.146	" R
"	6 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.146	" S
"	6 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" T
"	6 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" U
"	7 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position Return No.147	" V
"	7 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.147	" W
"	7 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" X
"	7 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" Y
"	7 Oct 44	-	Air freight requirements Q1082	" Z
"	8 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.148	" AA

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LAE	8 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No. 148	Appendix AB
"	8 Oct 44	-	First Aust Army Admin Instn No. 1	" AC
"	9 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No. 149	" AD
"	9 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No. 149	" AE
"	9 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" AF
"	10 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No. 150	" AG
"	10 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No. 150	" AH
"	10 Oct 44	-	Notes on Conference held in office of AQMG 10 Oct 44	" AI
"	10 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" AJ
"	11 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position Return No. 151	" AK
"	11 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements Return No. 151	" AL
"	11 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" AM
"	12 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes 11/12 Oct 44	" AN
"	12 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" AO

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LAE	12 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position Return No.152	Appendix AP
"	12 Oct 44	-	First Aust Army Adm Instn No.2	" AP(1)
"	12 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements Return No.152	Appendix AQ
"	12 Oct 44	-	Proposed Shipping Allotments as at 11 Oct 44	" AR
"	13 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position Return No.153	" AS
"	13 Oct 44	-	Daily Summary of Movements - Return No.153	" AT
"	13 Oct 44	-	Q Branch Summary of Events for week ending 6 Oct 44	" AU
"	13 Oct 44	-	AQHG's Conference Notes	" AV
"	14 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.154	" AW
"	14 Oct 44	-	AQHG's Conference Notes	" AX
"	14 Oct 44	-	Q188 - Postal Address Personnel HQ First Aust Army	" AY
"	14 Oct 44	-	Q189 - Mail Closing Times	" AZ
"	14 Oct 44	-	Q186 - Allocation of Officers to Messes	" BA
"	15 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.155	" BB

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LAE	15 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	Appendix BC
"	15 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.155	" BD
"	16 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" BE
"	16 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.156	" BF
"	16 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Return - Return No. 156	" BG
"	17 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" BH
"	17 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.157	" BI
"	17 Oct 44	-	Addendum No.1 to First Aust Army Adm Instn No.2	" BJ
"	17 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" BK
"	17 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.157	" BL
"	18 Oct 44	-	First Aust Army Adm Instn No.3	" BM
"	18 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.158	" BN
"	18 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" BO
"	19 Oct 44	-	Daily Summary of Movements - Return No.159	" BP

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LAE	19 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	Appendix BQ
"	19 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.159	" BR
"	19 Oct 44	-	Proposed Shipping Allotments as at 18 Oct 44	" BS
"	19 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" BT
"	20 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.160	" BU
"	20 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.160	" BV
"	20 Oct 44	-	First Aust Army Adm Instn No.4	" BV
"	20 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" BX
"	21 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.161	" BY
"	21 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" BZ
"	21 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.161	" CA
"	21 Oct 44	-	Q2108 Printing Requirements	" CB
"	22 Oct 44	-	First Aust Army Adm Instn No.5	" CD
"	22 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping ^{Position} Return - Return No.162	" CE

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LAE	22 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.162	Appendix CF
"	22 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" CG
"	23 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.163	" CH
"	23 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.163	" CI
"	24 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.164	" CJ
"	24 Oct 44	-	Outline Mov & Tn Plan - JACQUINOT BAY	" CK
"	24 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" CL
"	25 Oct 44	-	Q358 re move 5 AUST DIV and 5 AUST BASE SUB AREA	" CM
"	25 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.165	" CN
"	25 Oct 44	-	ACMG's Conference Notes - 23/24 Oct 44	" CO
"	25 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" CP
"	25 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.165	" CQ
"	25 Oct 44	-	ACMG's Conference Notes - 25 Oct 44	" CR
"	26 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" CS

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LAE	26 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.166	Appendix CT
"	26 Oct 44	-	ACMG's Conference Notes - 26 Oct 44	" CU
"	26 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.166	" CV
"	26 Oct 44	-	Proposed Shipping Allotments as at 26 Oct 44	" CW
"	27 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.167	" CX
"	27 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.167	" CY
"	27 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" CZ
"	27 Oct 44	-	Direct Bag Services - 7 Aust Base Postal Unit	" DA
"	28 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" DB
"	28 Oct 44	-	ACMG's Conference Notes 27/28 Oct 44	" DC
"	28 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.168	" DD
"	28 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.168	" DE
"	29 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.169	" DF
"	29 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.169	" DG

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LAE	30 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	Appendix DH
"	30 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" DI
"	30 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.170	" DJ
"	30 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.170	" DK
"	31 Oct 44	-	Daily Return of Movements - Return No.171	" DL
"	31 Oct 44	-	Daily Shipping Position - Return No.170	" DM
"	31 Oct 44	-	Q Matters Current	" DN
"	31 Oct 44	-	AQMG's Conference Notes	" DO

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HQ NG FORCE
1 OCT 44

DAILY SHIPPING POSITION RETURN NO.141

(As at 1200 hrs 1 Oct 44)

MORESBY						
IN PORT	ETD	FOR	EN ROUTE	ETA	FROM	REMARKS
			SUVA	2/10	LAE	
MILNE BAY						
BUNGAREE		SYDNEY				
BUNA						
PONCE		AUST	TAROONA (60)		LAE	
LAE						
J BARTROM S KNAPP H L GANTT RAMO SWARTENHONDT		B'VILLE AUST N BRITN	S NEWELL CAPE VICTORY ACONCAGUA JAMES OLIVER TAROONA (60) ORRISTON (19) GORGON	1/10	MILNE B AUST AUST AUST AITAPE	To load for BOUGAINVILLE For EMIRAU-TREASURY MINDA To load for BOUGAINVILLE To load at SYDNEY To load at TOWNSVILLE Sailed ex TVILLE 30/9 To backload for TVILLE
FINSCHHAFEN						
			PAHUD VANDER BOSCH B C EXPRESS		AUST AUST AUST	Freezer-Sld ex TVILLE 17/9 Freezer-To load TVILLE Freezer-Sld ex SYD 22/9
MADANG						
			SWARTENHONDT		N BRITN	To load for LAE
AITAPE						
			F PARKMAN NANCY HARKS J SWEET R SAGE GORGON KATOOMB (33)		AUST) AUST) AUST AUST AUST AUST	To load SYDNEY & CAIRNS Subst for "C MATHEWSON" To load BRIS-Move deferred To load BRISBANE
BOUGAINVILLE						
			S HOPKINS W GREENFELL H L GANTT S NEWELL ACONCAGUA DUNTROON (37) LEW WALLACE JOE HARRIS		AUST AUST LAE LAE LAE AUST AUST AUST	To load SYDNEY & BRISBANE Sld ex SYD 30/9-To load at BRISBANE To load BRISBANE Sailed ex BRISBANE 25/9 Sld ex SYD-To load TVILLE
NEW BRITAIN						
			SWARTENHONDT		LAE	
HOLLANDIA						
			FLORIDIAN		AUST	To load at SYDNEY

DISTRIBUTION :

8 AUST MC GP
MC MORESBY
MC BUNA
MC FINSCHHAFEN
MC MADANG
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WAR DIARY (2)
For Infm : ADV LHQ (For Mov)

(B W FULVER) Brigadier
DA & QMG NEW GUINEA FORCE

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 HQ NG FORCE
 1 OCT 44

DAILY RETURN OF MOVEMENTS RETURN NO.141
 (From 1000 hrs 30 Sep to 1000 hrs 1 Oct 44)

1 BY SEA						
Serial	UNIT	Strength		From	To	Remarks
		Offr	ORs			
1.	2 Aust Sig Egmt Sec	1	17)	LAE	TVILLE	Sailed "KATOOMBA"
2.	AIB (incl 3 Natives)	1	23)			
3.	Aust Details	2	1)			
4.	AANS 2/8 AGH	6	)			
2 BY AIR						
1.	25 Aust Inf Bn	3	5	MADANG	NADZAB	
2.	8 Aust Inf Bn		11	MORESELY	NADZAB	
3.	2/7 AGH		4)	NADZAB	TOWNSVILLE	
4.	HQ N/R ANGAU		6)			
5.	Aust Details		8)			
6.	Leave Draft		14)			

Robert M. Wainwright Capt
 for (S W PULVER) Brigadier
 DA & QMG NEW GUINEA FORCE

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HQ FIRST AUST ARMY.
2 Oct 44.

DAILY SHIPPING POSITION RETURN NO 142.
(Ls at 1200 hrs 2 Oct 44.)

MORESBY:						
IN PORT	ETD	FOR	EN ROUTE	ETA	FROM	REMARKS
			SUVL	2/10	L/E	
MILNE BAY:						
BUNGAREE		SYDNEY				
BUNA:						
POKCE		AUST	TAROOMA(60)		L/E	
LAE:						
J.BARTROM			ACONCAGUA	3/10		To load for BOUGAINVILLE
S.KNAPP			J.OLIVER		AUST	To load at SYDNEY
H L GANTT		B'VILLE	TAROOMA(60)		AUST	To load at TOWNSVILLE
R/MO		AUST	ORLSTON(19)	4/10	AUST	
SWARTENHONDT		N.Britn	GORGON		AITAPE	To backload for TVILLE
S.NEWELL		B'VILLE				
CAPE VICTORY		N.BRITN				
FINSCHHAFFEN:						
			PAHOD		AUST	Freezer.Sld ex TVILLE17/9
			VANDER BOSCH		AUST	" To load TVILLE
			BC EXPRESS		AUST	" Sld ex TVILLE23/9
MADANG:						
			SWARTENHONDT		N.BRITN	To load for LAE
AITAPE:						
			F.PARKMAN		AUST)	
			NANCY HANKS		AUST)	To load SYD & CAIRNS
			J.SWETT		AUST	Subst for C MATHEWSON.
			R.SAGE		AUST	To load BRIS.move deferred
			GORGON		AUST	To load BRISBANE
			KATOOMBA(33)		AUST	
BOUGAINVILLE:						
			S.HOPKINS		AUST	To load SYDNEY & BRISBANE
			W.GRENFELL		AUST	Sld ex SYD 30/9 To load at BRISBANE
			H.L.GANTT		L/E	
			S.NEWELL		L/E	
			ACONCAGUA		L/E	
			DUNTROOK(37)		AUST	Sld ex BRISBANE 30/9
			LEW WALLACE		AUST	Sld ex BRISBANE 25/9
			JOE HARRIS		AUST	Sld ex TVILLE 1/10
NEW BRITAIN:						
			SWARTENHONDT		L/E	
HOLLANDIA:						
			FLORIDIAN		AUST	To load at SYDNEY

R. Bierwirth
(R. BIERWIRTH) Brigadier
DA&QMG FIRST AUST ARMY

DISTRIBUTION

S AUST K C GP

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M C FINSCHHAFFEN

M C MADANG

NG FORCE SEC AACS

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CE FIRST AUST ARMY

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For Infm:

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AQMG

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"C" MASTERS CURRENT

2 Oct 44.

Action By

1. Instruction being prepared laying down procedure for the issue of movement priorities. Col (Mov)
2. Amendments to ASOs to be submitted by Col Mov and AQMG.
3. Captain Brockway is getting answers concerning appreciation by Lt-Col J T Lang, following reconnaissance of AITAPE Area. Follow this up. AQMG
4. Adm Instr concerning reserves to be held at various points is to be issued forthwith. AQMG
5. A census is being taken of all refrigerator resources including domestic type. Follow up. AQMG
6. Examine NGF Adm Instr 157 with a view to revision. Also examine Adm Instr re vehicles with the same object. AQMG
7. RAE in LAE Area :-
 - (a) Who are here?
 - (b) Who is to leave and to come and when?
 - (c) Are Works Companies allotted for engineering or Dock Tasks? AQMG
8. FS report food and accommodation at NGF GDD unsatisfactory. Take up with LBSA. AQMG
9. Canteen supplies - 6 Div.
 - (a) ETA AITAPE
 - (b) Will canteen personnel be there? AQMG
10. No request has been made by NGF for coverage at AITAPE, and Jacquinet Bay exceeding 100,000 square feet. 200,000 sq.ft. considered necessary. Discuss with engineers. AQMG.
11. Who and what are at WAU? AQMG
12. What is tentage position LAE? AQMG
13. What is the position re motor engines? AQMG
14. What is result of ST investigation of WAU Road? AQMG
15. An additional officers mess is to be provided for certain Grade I Staff Officers. AQMG

Action By

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| 16. | Is LBSA responsible for re-supply of
MADANG? | AQMG |
| 17. | 5 Div objected to responsibility for
liquor shipment to TALAISEA being borne
by battalion group. What has been done
about this? | AQMG |
| 18. | Have maintenance state prepared from
latest available information in accordance
with pro forma laid down. | |
| 19. | ST, Ord, EME, are the only Q Services to
attend daily conferences. | AQMG |

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DAILY RETURN OF MOVEMENTS RETURN NO 142.
 (From 1000 hrs 1 Oct to 1000 hrs 2 Oct 44.)

1. BY SEA:

Serial	UNIT	STRENGTH		FROM	TO	REMARKS
		Offrs	ORs			
1	55 Aust Port Craft Coy		6)			
2	Aust Details	1	6)	LAE	MADANG	Sailed "DULCIE"

2. BY AIR:

1	HQ First Aust Army.	26	14	MAREEBA	LAE	
2	45 Aust FOD		51	MADANG	LAE	
3	Imperial Army	8		DREGER	LAE	
4	Canadian Army	1	12	DREGER	LAE	
5	Royal Navy		9	DREGER	LAE	
6	Sigs 2 Aust Div	3	116	LAE	MADANG	
7	55 Aust Port Craft Coy	1	23	LAE	MADANG	
8	NG Details		11	LAE	MADANG	
9	131 Aust Gen Tpt Coy		11	LAE	MORESBY	
10	NG Details Depot		7	MORESBY	NADZAB	
11	8 Aust Inf Bn		5	Moresby	NADZAB	
12	Aust Details	3	6	NADZAB	TOWNSVILLE	
13	Leave Draft		24	NADZAB	TOWNSVILLE	
14	MORESBY B.S.A.	1	11	MORESBY	NADZAB	

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HQ FIRST AUST ARMY.
3 Oct 44.

DAILY RETURN OF MOVEMENTS RETURN NO 143.
(From 1000 hrs 2 Oct to 1000 hrs 3 Oct 44.)

1. BY SEA:

Serial	UNIT	STRENGTH		FROM	TO	REMARKS
		Offrs	ORs			
1	Aust Details	3	3)			
2	RAAF	6	36)	FINSCH	ALEX	"SHUTTLE"
3	det 4 Docks Op Coy		82)			
4	89 Supply Depot Pl	2	30)			
5	4 Adv Pk Fl 9 Wks Pk Coy	1	20)	BUNA	AUST	Sailed "PONCE"
6	20 aust Wks Coy	2	358)			

2. BY AIR:

1	ANGAU		6)			
2	61 Aust Inf Bn		8)			
3	HQ NG Force		5)	NADZAB	TOWNSVILLE	
4	25 Aust Inf Bn		14)			
5	25 " " "		19	LENDANG	NADZAB	
6	27 " " "		13	MORESEBY	"	
7	Aust Details	2	19	"	AUST	

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for *Robert M. Birt* Capt.
.....Brigadier
(R. BIERWIRTH)
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3 Oct 44.

DAILY SHIPPING POSITION RETURN HQ 143.
(As at 1200 hrs 3 Oct 44.)

MORESBY:						
IN PORT	ETA	FOR	EN ROUTE	ETA	FROM	REMARKS
SUVA		AUST				
MILNE BAY:						
BUNGAREE		SYDNEY				
BUNA:						
			TAROONA(60)		LAE	
LAE:						
J.BARTON			ACONCAGUA	9/10	AUST	To load for BOUGAINVILLE
S.KNAPP			J.OLIVER		AUST	To load at SYDNEY
H.L.GANTT	4/10	B'VILLE	TAROONA(60)		AUST	To load at TOWNSVILLE
RAMO		AUST	ORMISTON	4/10	AUST	
SWARTENHONDT		N.BRITN	GORGON		AITAPE	To b/load for TVILLE
S.NEWELL		B'VILLE	J.S.MORETON		AUST	To load at BRISBANE
CAPE VICTORY		N.BRITN				
FINSCHLAFEN:						
			PAHOD		AUST	Freezer. Sld ex TOWNSVILLE 17/9
			VANDER BOSCH		AUST	Freezer. To load TVILLE
			LC EXPRESS		AUST	" Sld ex TVILLE 28/9
MADANG:						
			SWARTENHONDT		N.BRITN	To load for LAE
AITAPE:						
			F.PARKMAN		AUST	
			NANCY HANKS		"	To load SYD & CAIRNS
			J.SWETT		"	
			GORGON		"	To load BRISBANE
			K.TOOMBA(33)		"	To load at TOWNSVILLE
			JUBAL EARLY		"	Substituted for "R.S.32"
						To load at BRISBANE
BOUGAINVILLE:						
			S.HOPKINS		AUST	To load SYD & BRISBANE
			W.GRENFELL		"	Sld ex SYD 30/9 To load at BRISBANE
			H.L.GANTT		LAE	
			S.NEWELL		LAE	
			ACONCAGUA		LAE	
	7/10		DUNTROON(37)		AUST	Sld ex BRIS 30/9
			LEW WALLACE		AUST	Sld ex BRISBANE 25/9
			JOE HARRIS	7/10	AUST	Sld ex TVILLE 1/10
NEW BRITAIN:						
			SWARTENHONDT		LAE	
HOLLANDIA:						
			FLORIDIAN		AUST	To load at SYDNEY

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Robert M. ...
(R.BIERWIRTH) Brigadier.
for DA & GNG FIRST AUST ARMY

AQMG's CONFERENCE NOTES - 3 OCT 44

Subject	Action or Infm
1. <u>Movement Priorities - HQ Personnel</u>	
Q (Mov & Tn) is arranging for G(SD) to publish staff instruction on this matter	Infm
<u>Adm Instr re Holdings at Various Points in NEW GUINEA</u>	
2. Expected to be issued 3 Oct	Q 2
<u>GDD IAE</u>	
3. IAE Base is looking into reports of complaints re food and accn at GDD and will advise.	LBSA
Accn question is bound up with the over-all building programme in the Base Area, for which only limited technical and unskilled labour is available (see para 23)	
<u>S & T - Additional Units</u>	
4. Look into posn re additional units asked for by S & T for BOUGAINVILLE, NEW BRITAIN and MADANG	Q 2
<u>Replacement Motors for 1ET</u>	
5. (a) S&T state complete assemblies not available. Ord advise stocks coming forward from AUST. Ascertain quantities and ETA.	
(b) Ord state vehs waiting shipment from MORESBY to LAE. Q 2 but Q(Mov & Tn) have no knowledge and have had difficulty in filling ships. Ord will put full position to Q(Mov & TN). Follow up.	Q 2
<u>Freezer Cargo "GORGON"</u>	
6. S & T have issued instructions for handling this cargo on arrival.	Infm
<u>Landing Craft for JACQUINOT BAY</u>	
7. B Coy 594 EB & SR now under comd First Aust Army and is located at FINSCHHAFFEN. G is arranging for coy comd to report this for orders.	Infm
<u>Buildings - HQ First Aust Army</u>	
8. Task has been given to CE Branch and priorities laid down. Pl of Fd Coy reports 0900 hrs 3 Oct for work. Materials commence to arrive 3 Oct.	Infm
<u>Central Mess Committee</u>	
9. President will arrange for his committee at MAREEBA to obtain supply of glass tumblers and bring them forward with main body.	Central Mess Committee

Mr. Henry

Subject	Action or Infm
<u>Mail for JACQUINOT BAY</u>	
10. (a) Q(Mov & Tn) is endeavouring to arrange for provision of a Flying Boat to ply between LAE and JACQUINOT BAY. Ascertain from Postal quantities to be moved and inform Q (Mov & Tn).	Q 2 Postal
(b) An airstrip is to be constructed at JACQUINOT BAY and should be ready approx 1 month after arrival base tps. Will take BEAUFORTS, but RAAF say no pilots yet available to fly them.	
<u>600 Ton Ships</u>	
11. One expected in approx 1 week. One expected in approx 2 weeks.	Infm
<u>Base Sub Areas</u>	
12. Will be under direct comd HQ First Aust Army. Will be responsible for own local adm.	Infm
<u>Natives for 5 Aust Div</u>	
<u>Phase A</u>	
13. 905 at MADANG awaiting shipment - 95 at LAE	
<u>Phase B</u>	
500 selected at LAE.	
<u>Canteen Sups for 6 Aust Div at AITAPE</u>	
14. Will they arrive at AITAPE ahead of our troops? ETA? Will Canteens pers be there to receive sups?	Q 2
<u>Coverage for AITAPE and JACQUINOT</u>	
15. Discuss with Engrs the question of increasing coverage at these points from 100,000 sq ft to 200,000 sq ft.	Q 2
<u>Re-sup MADANG</u>	
16. LAE Base at present supplying MADANG. Continuation of this procedure will be directed in Adm Instr to be issued (see para 2).	Infm
<u>Liquor Shipments to TALASEA</u>	
17. Discuss with ADCS the possibility of Canteens bearing the cost of any breakages and for losses in canteen sups shipped with Bn Gp.	Q 2
<u>Officers' Clubs</u>	
18. (a) Look into posn re continuance of clubs (incl Women's Club) at MORESBY.	Q 2
(b) Ask ADCS for his appreciation re opening club at TOROKINA. What "Type"?	

Subject	Action or Infn
<u>ASO's</u>	
19. (a) A will inform all concerned that NGF ASOs will now be accepted as First Aust Army ASOs.	
(b) DAQMG's and Services to review relevant portions of ASOs and submit to AQMG by 15 Oct any suggested amendments or additions.	DAQMGs and Services.
(c) Review on 15th each month thereafter and submit amendments by 17th of month.	
<u>Postal Address for Private Mail</u>	
20. ADPS recommends continuance of present accommodation address for personnel who moved up by air.	Infn
<u>DA & QMG's Weekly Conference</u>	
21. At 0830 hrs each Saturday.	Q Services concerned LAE Base
Following will attend -	
Comd LAE Base Sub Area CE AA G Col Q Col (Mov & Tn) DDST DMS DDOS DDME	
<u>Local Adm</u>	
22. Camp to arrange a system of "bookings" for Camp Barber, to avoid waste of staff officers' time.	Camp
<u>Engr Resources - LAE Base</u>	
23. Stated to be insufficient to cope with volume of work. Seriously short of mech eqpt. LAE Base will submit details of requirements in personnel and mech eqpt. Comd LAE Base is to discuss with DA & QMG	IBSA Q 2
<u>FORD Spare Parts</u>	
24. LAE Base reported that they were unable to obtain Ford spares. Ord state good stocks available here. LAE Base will check back on their source of infm and advise.	IBSA
<u>Responsibility for Equipping 13 Aust Inf Bde</u>	
25. What are the instrs on this subject?	Q 2
<u>Tentage</u>	
26. Ascertain, with Ord, the actual position re tentage. What is coming forward and what are our commitments?	Q 2

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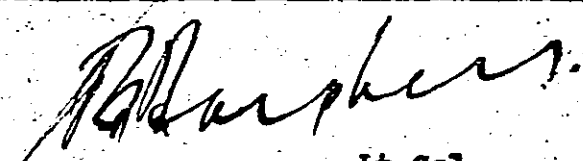
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"Q" MATTERS CURRENT

3 Oct

Serial	Subject	Action by
1	Landops requested to expedite allotment of shipping LAE and MADANG to AITAPE in view of imminent arrival shipping from AUST.	Col (Mov)
2	AQMG will inform Col (Mov): (a) Quantity of fresh rations per month required ex LAE for MADANG-TALASEA-BUHA for minimum one fresh meal per man per day. (b) Capacity and estimated dates freezer installations available those points. Col (Mov) will then demand any additional freezer shipping required for task. Check if 300 cu ft reefer installed in FRANCIS PEAT.	AQMG Col (Mov)
3	Proposals for delivering mail to and from JACQUINOT BAY being prepared.	Col (Mov)
4	What provision has been made for supply of and movement of 1500 natives to JACQUINOT BAY.	AQMG Col (Mov)
5	Appreciation being made for med evacuation from MADANG-TALASEA-JACQUINOT BAY-STRADEBROKE expected available 31 Oct.	Col (Mov)
6	Request to be made to LANDOPS for authority direct contact GREGO by this HQ.	Col (Mov)
7	"Brief" being prepared for matters to be discussed with OC B Coy 594 ESB - mov and maintenance. Question of cond of US watercraft allotted to AUST Forces at all relevant points is under discussion with G(SD).	Col (Mov) AQMG
8	Allotment of MT will be made by Q subject to op priorities laid down by G(SD).	AQMG
9	G(SD) advise verbally concurrence in 30 days reserves Sups and POL at TALASEA. Ann sealing to be advised by G. Obtain confirmation and promulgate instruction.	AQMG
10	G(SD) agree that user trials of eqpt will be coordinated by AQMG(E).	Infm
11	Weekly report GOC to CGS is to continue. Arrange accordingly ref Q matters.	AQMG
12	Submit proposals for revision of Canteens Advisory Committee and suitable amendment to ASO.	AQMG
13	Have SAT consider possibility of raising pigs having in mind large quantity of kitchen refuse available.	AQMG
14	Ensure all pers to attend DA & AQMG's conference at 0830 hrs Saturdays are warned.	AQMG

Ser- ial	Subject	Action by
15	Prepare any info of interest to 6 Div.	AQMG
16	Coverage TOROKINA:	
	(a) Send by ship conveying 3 Div any tarpaulins & coverage material surplus to requirements this area.	AQMG
	(b) Ascertain tarpaulin position in FAA area.	
17	LAE BSA complain Engr resources and labour inadequate. Comd to bring up at DA & QMG's conference:	AQMG
	(a) Ascertain Engr requirements of BSA.	
	(b) Resources available	
	(c) Allocation of native labour (said to be 2000 available)	
18	<u>13 Bde</u>	
	(a) Adv party approx 250 now at LAE.	AQMG
	(b) Comd says Bde not being re-equipped in AUST. Check this.	
	(c) Comd says Bde to come to LAE. This incorrect. It goes direct AUST to BRITAIN.	


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 A/Col Q FIRST AUST ARMY

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"C" BRANCH

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"C" MATTERS CURRENT

6 Oct 44.

Serial	Subject	Action By
1.	Tipper Trucks	
	(a) Census called for 12 Sep. Information not yet to hand. Instructed Capt. Brockway to expedite. Follow up.	
	(b) Insufficient to equip all units up to SE.	
	(c) Base Sub Areas have been instructed to issue on pro rata basis.	
	(i) Road worthy vehicles.	
	(ii) Repairable vehicles.	
	(d) Ascertain position	ACB
2.	ACB(E) to use designator SE	Inf
3.	Obtain two copies MET of a Field Ambulance and supply same to Lt-Col Johnstone, 2 Field Ambulance.	
4.	In accordance with request by HQ, authority has been granted to ANGAU to supply on loan to civilian party inspecting BULOLO Gold Field two jeeps from nine held by ANGAU at JAY surplus to RE.	ACB
5.	Instruct 3 Aust Base Sub Area to allot an area at ALTAP for three thousand refugee natives.	ACB
6.	Native labour available - HAU 600 WADANG 700. LAE 2,800	
7.	Ascertain availability tarpaulins at WADANG	ACB
8.	Ordnance reports that 30 days Ordnance sealing is at Koresby for ALTAP and BOWENVILLE. No arrangements appear to have been made for movement. Investigate.	ACB.
9.	Obtain particulars of air courier service and whether this is in use for distribution of "Guinea Gold" to various points.	ACB.

Serial	Subject	Action by
10.	Summary of movement for week ending 2400 hrs Thursdays is to be available to Col "Q" by 1800 hrs Fridays for Weekly Conference on Saturdays.	Col (Mov)
11.	Ensure suitable arrangements for messes covering period from disembarkation to availability of mess gear for main body 1st First Aust Army.	AQM9
12.	ST are taking census of BURN3 keep in the picture.	AQM9.
13.	Ensure that no release is made of refrigerators except on "Q" Authority.	AQM9
14.	Battalion Group at TALESEA will do its own baking of bread.	Engm

[Signature]
Lt-Col
A/Col Q

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DAILY SUMMARY OF MOVEMENTS RETURN No 144
(from 1000 hrs 3 Oct to 1000 hrs 4 Oct 44)

1. BY SEA

Ser	UNIT	Strength	From	To	Remarks
ial		Offrs OR			
1	2 Det 2 Aust Fd Svy Coy	1 16	MADANG	LAE	Sailed "AS 582"
2	Aust Details	10	LAE	FINSCHAF FEN	Arr "AS 55"

2. By Air

1	Imperial Army	1 12	NADZAB	HOLLANDIA	
2	Imperial Army	8	NADZAB	MADANG	
3	25 Aust Inf Bn	25)	NADZAB	TOWNSVILLE	
4	9 Aust Inf Bn	10)			
5	6 Aust Inf Bn	9)			
6	ANGAU	2 3	TOWNSVILLE	NADZAB	
7	HQ 5 Aust Div	5	MADANG	NADZAB	
8	7 Aust Inf Bn	13	MORESEY	NADZAB	
9	Aust Details	24)	NADZAB	AUST	
10	Leave Draft	2 11)			
11	Aust Details	6 23	MORESEY	AUST	

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4 OCT 44

DAILY SHIPPING POSITION RETURN NO.144
(As at 1200 hrs 4 Oct 44)

MORESBY						
IN PORT	ETA	FOR	EN ROUTE	ETA	FROM	REMARKS
SUVA		AUST				
MILNE BAY						
DUNA						
LAE						
S KNAPP			ACONCAGUA	9/10		To load for DOUGAINVILLE
H L GANTT	5/10	B'VILLE	J OLIVER		AUST	To load at SYDNEY
RAMO		AUST	TAROCNA(60)		AUST	To load at TOWNSVILLE
SWARTENHONDT	5/10	N BRITN	ORAMISTON(19)	4/10	AUST	
S NEWELL		B'VILLE	GORGON		AITAPE	To b/load for TOWNSVILLE
CAPE VICTORY		N BRITN	C S MORETON		AUST	To load at BRISBANE
FINSCHHAFEN						
			VANDER BOGCH		AUST	Freezer. Loaded TVILLE
			B C EXPRESS		AUST	Freezer. Sld ex TVILLE 28/9
MADANG						
			SWARTENHONDT		N BRITN	To load for LAE
AITAPE						
			F PARKMAN		AUST	Sld ex SYD 3/10. To load CAIRNS
			NANCY HANKS		AUST	To load SYDNEY & CAIRNS
			J SWETT		AUST	
			GORGON		AUST	To load BRISBANE
			KATOOMBA(33)		AUST	To load at TOWNSVILLE
			JUBAL EARLY		AUST	To load at BRISBANE
BOUGAINVILLE						
			S HOPKINS		AUST	Sld ex SYDNEY 2/10. To load at BRISBANE
			W GREENFELL		AUST	Sld ex SYDNEY 30/9. To load at BRISBANE
			H L GANTT		LAE	
			S NEWELL		LAE	
			ACONCAGUA		LAE	
			DUNTROON(37)		AUST	Sld ex BRISBANE 30/9
			LEW WALLACE		AUST	Sld ex BRISBANE 25/9
			JOE HARRIS	7/10	AUST	Sld ex TOWNSVILLE 1/10
NEW BRITAIN						
			SWARTENHONDT		LAE	
HOLLANDIA						
			FLORIDIAN		AUST	To load at SYDNEY

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4 Oct 44.

AQMG's CONFERENCE NOTES - 4 OCT 44

Subject

Action or
Infm

1. Canteen Sups for 6 Aust Div at AITAPE

- (a) Canteens state that 1 offr and 4 OR's will move by air LAE to AITAPE in next few days.

5 offrs and 58 OR's are to move from AUST.

Canteens New Guinea say that initial sups will not reach AITAPE ahead of the AUST tps but expect approx a fortnight's lag.

Q2

- (b) Signal to 1 Aust Corps recommending first flight 6 Aust Div move with 15 days canteen sups, in addition to quantities for use on voyage.

- (c) There is an arrangement whereby AUST tps in Sixth US Army area may draw from US PX if AACS sups are not available.

Use of Kitchen Refuse for Keeping Pigs

2. S&T and Sal will look into this posn and S&T will submit recommendations.

Important factor is provision of tpt to clear refuse at regular and frequent intervals.

S&T
Sal

3. Equipment - 4 Aust Inf Bde - MADANG

NGF recommended to LHQ that this bde be re equipped in AUST as that bde eqpt at MADANG be utilized to complete eqpt of units moving ex MADANG.

If approval not yet received from LHQ send follow up signal.

Equipping 13 Aust Inf Bde Sp

4. (a) This bde is moving from DARWIN to NEW BRITAIN
Bde is bringing :

Vehs (less jeeps and Tippers)
Accn Stores
Personal arms and eqpt

WD

LHQ is to provide :

Tentage (Landforces have been asked to despatch to destination to arrive with or ahead of the bde)

Q2
Ord

Gungle Green
SMG's Owen
35 Trlrs Jeep
1 3 ton 4x4 B'down

NGF was required to provide :

Jeeps (approx 120- 150)
Tippers for one Fd Coy

- (b) Has LHQ provided items as above. If not is ETA known. Are the jeeps and tippers available from NG resources.

Offrs Club BOUGAINVILLE

5. Lt-Col AGAR is in MELBOURNE. His deputy is communicating with Lt-Col AGAR and requesting him to take matter up with LHQ direct.

Q2

Canteens Shipments to TALASEA

6. Canteens state that very few breakables in initial shipments - which is going forward in charge of canteens personnel

Q2

Subsequent shipments will be at Canteens risk.

Inform 5 Aust Div

Coverage FAD LAE

7. To provide coverage for arm at present unloading in port, LAE Base will provide timber and roofing iron, and FAD personnel will erect.

Ord is arrangeing to submit requirements of materials to LAE Base.

Ord Scalings

1. Ord report that 30 days scalings are held at MORESBY for each AITAPE and BOUGAINVILLE Q (Mov & Tn) will endeavour expedite shipment. Q2 follow up.

Q (Mov)

Native Labour for HQ First Aust Army

9. Camp states only 17 natives available LAE Base Bid take action to increase the number provided

LESA
Camp

Later - LAE Base was direct3d to provide 100 natives daily commencing 5 Oct. CE will direct their employment.

10. Col Q Daily Resume

Col Q will be in the Battle Room each morning at 0745 hrs for purpose of passing on "high plane" matters to following heads of services, also are invited to be present :

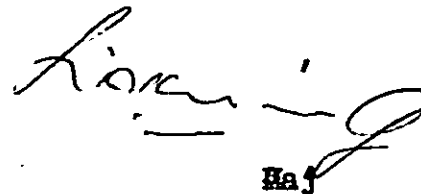
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11. Tentage

LHQ was requested on 29 Sep to despatch urgently 1000 tents to meet immediate demands and maint requirements. Informed also that all tps moving from AUST should move with tentage.

Follow up.



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DAILY SHIPPING POSITION RETURN NO.145
(As at 1200 hrs 5 Oct 44)

MORESBY

IN PORT	ETD	FOR	EN ROUTE	ETA	FROM	REMARKS
SUVA	8/10	AUST	CHARON		AUST	To load at SYDNEY

MILNE BAY

BUNA

LAE

S KNAPP			ACONCAGUA	9/10		To load for BOUGAINVILLE
H L GANTT	6/10	B'VILLE	J OLIVER		AUST	To load SYDNEY & CAIRNS
RAMO	6/10	AUST	TARCONA(60)		AUST	To load TOWNSVILLE
SWARTENHONDT	6/10	N BRITN	GORGON		AUST	To b/load for TOWNSVILLE
S NEWELL		B'VILLE	J S MORETON		AUST	To load BRISBANE
CAPE VICTORY		N BRITN	ORMISTON(20)		AUST	To load CAIRNS
ORMISTON	5/10	AUST				

FINSCHHAFEN

			VAN DER BOSCH		AUST	Freezer-Sld ex TVILLE 3/10
			B C EXPRESS		AUST	Freezer-Sld ex TVILLE 28/9

MADANG

			SWARTENHONDT		N BRITN	To load for LAE
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AITAPE

			F PARKMAN		AUST	Sld ex SYD 3/10. To load
			NANCY HANKS		AUST)	(CAIRNS
			J SWETT		AUST)	To load SYDNEY & CAIRNS
			GORGON		AUST	To load BRISBANE
			KATOOMBA(33)		AUST	To load TOWNSVILLE
			JURAL EARLY		AUST	To load BRISBANE

BOUGAINVILLE

			S HOPKINS		AUST	Sld ex SYDNEY 2/10. To load at BRISBANE
			W GRENFELL		AUST	Sld ex SYDNEY 30/9. To load at BRISBANE
			H L GANTT		LAE	
			S NEWELL		LAE	
			ACONCAGUA		LAE	
			DUNTROON(37)	6/10	AUST	Sailed ex BRISBANE 30/9
			LEW WALLACE		AUST	Sailed ex BRISBANE 25/9
			JOE HARRIS	7/10	AUST	Sailed ex TVILLE 1/10

NEW BRITAIN

			SWARTENHONDT		LAE	
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HOLLANDIA

			FLORIDIAN		AUST	To load SYDNEY
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Q BRANCH

AQMG's CONFERENCE NOTES - 5 OCT 44

Subject	Action or Infm
<u>Natives for JACQUINOT BAY</u>	
1. Arrangements have been made for 1000 natives ex MADANG and LAE to move in Phase A.	Q 3
A Works Coy is moving with Phase B so the 500 natives shown as an alternative to the Works Coy will not be required.	
<u>Allotment of MT</u>	
2. Will be made by Q subject to any op priorities laid down by G.	Infm
<u>User Trials - AQMG(E)</u>	
3. (a) Q aspects will be co-ordinated by AQMG(E) with G(SD)	Infm
(b) AQMG(E) will use designator "QE" on signals and letters. Inform Sigs and Message Centre	Q 3
<u>Infm for 6 Aust Div</u>	
4. Keep AQMG posted on any items affecting 6 Aust Div which could be passed back to them for infm.	DAQMG's and Services.
<u>Tipper Trucks</u>	
5. Census called for on 12 Sep. Ascertain posn.	Q 2
<u>Census of DUKWs</u>	
6. S & T advise that holdings of DUKWs in NEW GUINEA are :-	Infm
151 Aust Gen Tpt Coy - LAE - 8 154 " " " " - 5 Div - 5	
TOTAL 13	
<u>Cots Folding</u>	
7. 15,000 in NEW GUINEA surplus to requirements. Will be removed from "Controlled" list.	Q2 Ord
<u>Weekly Conference Notes</u> <u>Notes for Weekly Liaison Letter</u>	
8. No longer required	Infm
<u>Coverage Materials and Tarps</u>	
9. Are there any surpluses in LAE Base?	Q3 IBSA
<u>Refugee Natives - AITAFE</u>	
10. 3 Aust Base Sub Area has been requested to allot suitable site on mainland for 3000	

Subject	Action or Infr
refugee natives at present on islands off AITAPE.	
<u>Freezer for TALASEA</u>	
11. Arrangements are in hand to despatch 300 cu ft refrigerator to TALASEA.	Q 3
<u>Coverage at AITAPE-JACQUINET BAY</u>	
12. (a) Engrs advise sufficient coverage materials being sent to AITAPE to provide 300,000 sq ft.	Q 2
(b) Posn re JACQUINET BAY being examined.	
<u>Write-Offs LAE Base Sub Area</u>	
13. LAE Base report large volume of work on this matter is almost beyond capacity of their staff.	Q 3
Q3 check posn at other main bases and draft memo to LHQ requesting certain Base Sub Area Comds to be given power to write-off.	

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ADV LHO (3) PROPOSED SHIPPING ALLOTMENTS AS AT 4 OCT 44

1. This schedule is compiled with respect to personnel, vehicles and general cargo
2. Details of personnel and vehicles by units are shown where possible otherwise estimated number of AUST troops to be embarked is given.

[Signature]
 Lieutenant General
 HQ FIRST AUST ARMY ADD

Ser No	VESSEL	UNIT	ALLOTMENT			FROM	TO		REMARKS
			Pers	Vehs	Stores	Port	ETD	Port	ETA
1.	S NEWELL	Det one pl 2/2 Forestry Coy	15	11					
		Det HQ B Corps Sigs	3	1					
		HQ 1 Coy B Corps Sigs	4	8					
		Det 4 Line Sec	7	18					
		Det 5 Line Sec	7	6					
		2 Line Maint Sec	14	4					
		Det 4 DR Sec	10	29		LAE	4/10	B'VILLE	8/10
		Det 106 CCS	7	16					
		24 Hosp Laundry Unit	6	1					
		Det 133 AGT Coy	25	183					
		Det NG Adv 2 Ech	3	1					
		Det NG Details Depot	3	2					
		Det 8 Fd Amb	7	18					
		75 Mob Cinema	3	2					
2.	H L GANTT	HQ 4 Base Sub Area	8	38					
		Det Adv Party 3 Aust Div	36	62					
		Det 2 Fd Svy Coy	1	1					
		Det 129 AGT Coy	36	143					
		45 Sup Depot Pl	2	2					
		5 CRE Wks	5	9					
		10 Fd Coy	5	46					
		Red Cross	2	2					
		ANGAU	3	8					
		NG Details Depot	1	1					
		1 Aust Water Tpt Co	2	1					
						LAE	6/10	B'VILLE	10/10

Ser	VESSEL	UNIT	ALLOTMENT			FROM	ETD	TO		REMARKS
			Pers	Vehs	Stores			Port	ETA	
3.	CAPE VISTORY	23 Bde Gp	119 875 202	44 36 14		LAE LAE LAE		EMIRAU IS. TREASURY IS. MUNDA IS.		
4	ACONCAGUA	Part balance of pers for Units embarking on vessels "H L GANTT" and "S NEWELL"	1652			LAE		BOUGAINVILLE		
5	SWARTENHONDT	1 Bn Gp 6 Inf Bde Gp	700	30		LAE	6/10	TALASEA	9/10	
6	SUV	Unit & Ord Vehs (approx) General Cargo (approx)		200	1000	MORESBY	9/10	SYDNEY	18/10	
7	ORRISTON (19)	106 Tk A Regt (less 22 Bty) 6 Bde Leave Draft Details (approx)	25 130 10	17		LAE	6/10	T'VILLE	10/10	
8	SWARTENHONDT	6 Line Maint Sec Det 2/160 Sup Depot Pl 19 D R Sec 18 Line Sec (less det) Det 1 Mech Bqpt Wksp 7 Bomb Disposal Pl (less det) Det 2/2 Forestry Coy 255 L&D (Type A) Det 7 Base Postal Unit Det 5 Fd Butchering Pl B Coy 18 Fd Amb Taskforce Concert Party	27 4 27 51 2 4 4 16 8 10 60 21	4 25 6 6 1 6 10 2	600	MADANG		LAE		

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Q Branch

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"Q" MATTERS CURRENT

5 Oct 44.

Serial	Subject	Action By
1.	Canteens advise that 6 Div Troops will arrive about 14 days before arrival of bulk Canteen Supplies. 1 Aust Corps informed.	Infm
2.	13 Ede Gp is moving from Australia without jeeps and tipper trucks and tentage. Ensure provision action for these items.	AQMG
3.	LHQ was asked on 29 Sep to despatch urgently one thousand tents. Also requested that all troops from Australia move with tentage. Follow up.	AQMG
4.	Allocation of "Diamond T" trucks laid down by HQF is confirmed. Consideration to reallocation of these vehicles will be given when the position in the various Base Sub Areas is stabilised.	AQMG
5.	Engineers advise that projected shipments of coverage material will provide 500,000 square feet at AITAP. Ascertain position in NEW BRITAIN.	AQMG
6.	Cmdr IAE Base Sub Area has no powers to write off. Submit request to HQ for Treasury Delegation equal to a Ede Cmdr.	AQMG
7.	Have prepared an instruction to all concerned outlining procedure to be followed in the taking over of US Army Installations.	AQMG
8.	(a) 40 US Div is providing 16 LCMs for discharging Aust Ships on 7 and 20 Oct. <i>at TALASEA.</i> (b) When discharge of these ^{two} ships completed 8 LCMs will remain to handle resupply in small ships. (c) One Pl less one Sec of "B" Coy 594 FEB (12 LCMs) will move to TALASEA soonest after 20 Oct to replace craft mentioned in sub para (b) (d) Det of "B" Coy with 16 LCMs will move to JACQUINOT BAY to arrive approx 20 Oct. (e) Remainder of the Coy to move to JACQUINOT BAY soonest after 20 Oct. (f) The question of arrival of craft vide sub para (d) before arrival of Aust Troops is under discussion with G (Ops)	Infm

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A/Col Q First Aust Army

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DAILY RETURN OF MOVEMENTS RETURN NO.145
(From 1000 hrs 4 Oct to 1000 hrs 5 Oct 44)

1 BY SEA

Serial	UNIT	Strength Offr ORs	FROM	TO	REMARKS
1	Adv HQ 3 Aust Water Tpt Gp	1 3)			
2	NG Details ex Leave	9 272)			
3	Gen Rfts CMF	97)			
4	Gen Rfts AIF	53)	TVILLE	LAE	Arr "ORMESTONE"
5	3 Corps Salvage Unit	1 36)			
6	HQ 3 Aust Docks Op Gp	3)			
7	NG Details	6)			
8	SUA	4)			

2 BY AIR

1	HQ NGF	12		LAE	AUST
2	AACS	1	4	NADZAB	AITAPE
3	8 Aust Inf Bn		27)		
4	7 Aust Inf Bn		5)	MORESBY	NADZAB
5	27 Aust Inf Bn		7)		
6	20 Fd Coy		6	NADZAB	AUST

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DAILY RETURN OF MOVEMENTS RETURN NO. 146
(From 1000 Hrs 5 Oct to 1000 Hrs 6 Oct 44)

1 BY SEA						
Ser	UNIT	Strength		FROM	TO	REMARKS
ial		Offrs	O.R.			
1	N G Details	1	12	LAE	F'HAFEN	Sailed "AS 55"
2	Det 7 Docks Op Coy	2	30	MADANG	AITAPE	" "KATOOMB"
3	2/II AGH	1				
4	106 Tk A Regt	1	24			
5	6 Bde Leave Draft	6	123	LAE	CAIRNS	Sailed
6	N G Details	6	2			ORMISTON"
7	British Army	8				
2 BY AIR						
1	Imperial Army	8				
2	Med Evac ⁸ ex 2/II AGH	1	7	MADANG	LAE	
3	A I B	3	4	NADZAB	BRISBANE	
4	A I B	3	5	BIAK	NADZAB	
5	I4/32 Aust Inf Bn		5			
6	2 Aust Fd Regt		5	NADZAB	T'VILLE	

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(As at 1200 Hrs 6 Oct 44)

MORESBY						
IN PORT	ETD	FOR	EN ROUTE	ETA	FROM	REMARKS
SUVA	8/10	SYDNEY	CHARON		AUST	To load SYDNEY
LAE						
S KNAPP			ACONCAGUA	9/10		To load for B'VILLE
H L GANTT	6/10	B'VILLE	J OLIVER		AUST	" " SYD. & CAIRNS
RAMO	6/10	AUST	TAROOMA (60)		"	" " T'VILLE
SWARTENHONDT	6/10	N BRIT	GORGON		AITAPE	" b/load for T'VILLE
S NEWELL		B'VILLE	J S MORETON		AUST	" load BRISBANE
CAPE VICTORY		N BRITN	ORRISTON (20)		AUST	" " CAIRNS
FINSCHHAFEN						
			VAN DER BOSCH		AUST	SLD Ex T'VILLE 3/10
			B C EXPRESS		"	" " " 28/9
MADANG						
			SWARTENHONDT	15/10	N BRITN	To load for LAE
AITAPE						
			F PARKMAN		AUST	Sld ex SYD. 3/10 To
			NANCY HANKS)		"	load at CAIRNS
			J SWETT)		"	To load SYDNEY &
			GORGON		"	CAIRNS
			KATOOMBA (33)		"	Sld ex BRIS. 4/10
			JUBAL EARLY		"	To load T'VILLE
					"	" " BRISBANE
BOUGAINVILLE						
			S HOPKINS		AUST	Sld ex SYDNEY 2/10
			DUNTROON (37)	6/10	"	" " BRIS. 30/9
			W GRENFELL		"	Sld ex SYDNEY 30/9
					"	To load BRISBANE
			H L GANTT	10/10	LAE	
			S NEWELL		"	
			ACONCAGUA		"	
			JOE HARRIS	7/10	AUST	Sld. ex T'VILLE 1/10
NEW BRITAIN						
			SWARTENHONDT	9/10	LAE	
HOLLANDIA						
			FLORIDIAN		AUST	To load SYDNEY

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AQMG CONFERENCE NOTES - 6 OCT 44.

Tarpaulins

1. (a) Area Comd MADANG has advised a surplus of 50,000 sq ft of tarpauline. Instrs have been issued for 10,000 sq ft to be despatched from MADANG to TOROKINA Base.
- (b) Issue instrs for a census to be taken of tarps in all areas. To show "in use" and "surplus" Q3
Brief explanation to be given as to employment of tarps "in use"

Establishment of Ord Depot at AITAPE

2. LAE Base Sub Area has been requested to arrange air mov of Lt-Col STONE, COO 4 Aust AOD, to AITAPE on 9 Oct. He will advise the Comd 3 Aust BaseSub Area on the establishment of the new Ord Depot. Infm

A - Q Duty Officer

3. Services will ensure that offrs named for duty report at the time laid down. Services

Canteen Sups - Tobacco and Cigarettes

4. To avoid any possibility of a shortage in tobacco and cigarettes owing to the delay of the "J S MORETON", Canteens have signalled to AUSTRALIA for 5,000 lbs to be sent forward by air. Infm

Coverage JACQUINOT BAY and AITAPE

5. Engrs now advise that coverage being sent to these Bases is as follows :

JACQUINOT BAY	200,000 sq ft	Infm
AITAPE	200,000 sq ft	

Fresh Ration - LAE

6. Approx 3 issues of fresh rations are available at LAE, apart from quantities reserved for hospitals Infm
"GORGON" which is ETA LAE is expected to discharge approx 7 tons at LAE after discharging portion of her freezer cargo at AITAPE.
S&T have no firm advices yet re further shipments from AUST.

Matters for Discussion with Coy Comd, B Coy
594 EB & SR

7. Further to conference notes 3 Oct para 7. Services are requested to submit to Q by 1200 hrs 7 Oct in memo form any matters which it is desired should be taken up with Coy Comd.
These memos will be used to prepare a brief for DA&QMG. Services will be given an opportunity to discuss their matters with Coy Comd personally, on arrival.

W. H. Brown

Ord Veh Pk MADANG

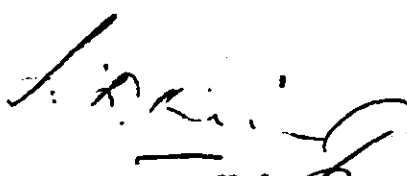
8. DDOS states approx 800 vehs in the Veh Pk MADANG with only 2 div to carry out maint. 5 Aust Div has been requested to attach 2 offrs and 50 ORs to the Veh Pk for one month to assist. Infm

Air Freight Requirements.

9. To enable Q(Mov & Tn) to be given an indication of air freight requirements in First Aust Army and obtain following infm from A, Engrs ANGAU and Q Services. Q2

Estimated quantity of freight to be moved by air monthly; separate figures to be given for each route e.g. LAE to MADANG, LAE to JAQUINOT BAY.

Bring under notice that air freight is not normal method of movement, and will only be used in exceptionally urgent cases.


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