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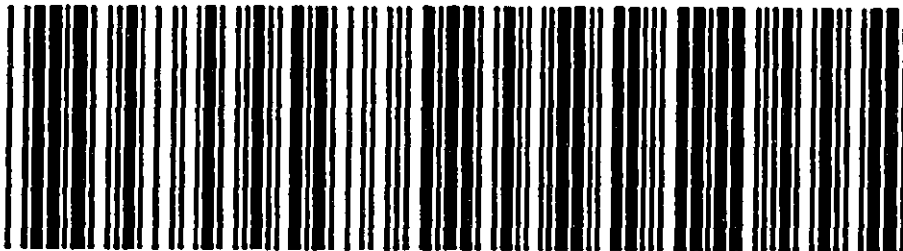
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56 Australian Squadron Air
Liaison Section (56 Aust Sqn
AL Sec)

April - July 1945



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No. 100M

Unit 56 Aust SQN A.L. Sec (A.L.S.) Date and Time.—From 0900 1 Apr 45 To 2400 30 Apr 45.

Advances 18 (NEI) SQN.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Batchelor H.T.	3 Apr 45	0700.	3 P/c completed missions KAI-TANIMBERG I ² Area. No interception — No shipping seen — Acc P/c returned to base.	
"	7 "	0700	4 P/c completed Shipping Searches along N. Coast Timor. 3 barges successfully, which were left after sinking — No interception.	
"	11 "	0630.	Capt WHITTLE G.L. (A.L.C.) departed BATCHELOR H.T. by B-25 to join SQN advance party, at JACQUINOT BAY. N.B.	
JACQUINOT BAY. N.B.	12-30 (A.L.C.)		Construction of new SQN Camp in progress. All SQN. P/c. still at BATCHELOR H.T.	
"	27 "		JACQUINOT BAY location visited by LT Col Yaw D; HASELIN (CO 18 NEI SQN) accompanied by Group Capt RYLANDS (CO 79 WING) on tour of inspection.	

R. Whittle Capt.
OC. 56 Aust SQN A.L. Sec

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3 JUNE 45

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Unit 56 Aust SQN A.L. Sec (AIF) Date and Time.—From 26 MAY 45 To 31 JUNE 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Movement from	26 MAY	1700	Section embarked on SS WILLIAM. H. SEWARD.	
TREQUINOT BAY NB	"	1800	Ship sailed routed to BIAK + MOROTAI	
to			via DARNIN and MELVILLE Bay approx 850	
BALIKPAPAN BORNEO			Personnel from 79 WING on board.	
VIA	30 "	0900	Arrived Port Moresby, All troops not required	
MOROTAI			for duty permitted shore leave for day.	
			CC Officers & OR Club made special arrangements	
			for entertainment of troops with special meals	
			which were much appreciated and the subjects	
			of very favourable comment.	
	31 "	0800	Ship sailed after taking on fuel & water.	
			routed for BIAK MELVILLE BAY	
	3 JUNE	1030	Arrived MELVILLE BAY	

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Unit 56 Aust SQN AL Sec RAF Date and Time.—From 3 JUN 45 To 19 JUN 45

Attaches 15 (NE) SQN.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
MELVILLE BAY	6 JUNE	1000	Ship sailed: During stay personnel and equipment of 13 SQN RAFF were embarked and loaded. The several days stay were occupied in organized swimming, fishing and sight seeing, a trip to the Mission Station being of particular interest.	
DARWIN	9 JUNE	2100	Ship arrived DARWIN to embark further 79 NINE personnel and take on water, fuel and ration.	
"	12 "	0500	Ship sailed with approx 700 personnel routed to BIRN.	
At Sea	19 "	1400	Inspected case of Meningitis on board. whilst some has been altered to disembark patient at TINSCHAFEN. his was safely carried out by lowering patient on stretchers to Pilot boat.	

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Unit. A. K. H. S. 18 (HEI) Sqn

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Date and Time.—From 23 JUNE 45 To 10 JUL 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BIATV	23 JUNE 45	1800.	Ship arrived BIATV	
"	"	1900	" sailed, only staying sufficiently long enough for Captain to get further orders from there. Whilst at anchor several Officers were fortunate enough to catch some fine fish.— Only the Chaps were missing—	
MOROTAI	26 JUNE	0800.	Ship arrived and the following day all the men disembarked and moved into Camp under further sailing orders. Additional cargo was loaded.— During the stay, CC Section visited 1 Aust F.L. Sq. HQ, ADV. HQAF Comd and AIF for information concerning BALIKPAPAN.	
"	10 JUL.	1700.	Ship sailed for BALIKPAPAN in Convoy with some 30 other vessels	

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14 JUL. 0600. Arrived at BALIKPAPAN and moved to anchorage in inner Harbour.

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White Capt.
O.C. 56 Amst. Sq. N.Y. Dec 1875

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OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

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Signature of Commander

