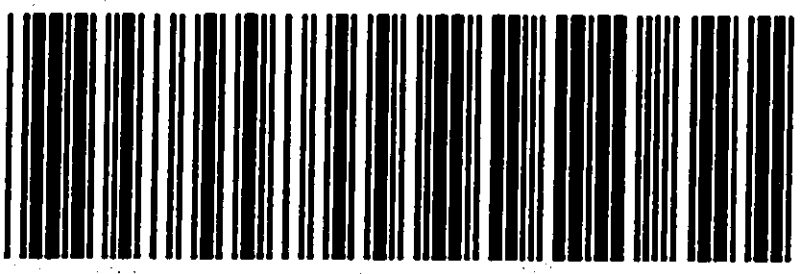
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# 1/8/8

# BASE AND LINE OF COMMUNICATION AREAS (SUB)

## 1 Australian Base Sub Area 1 Staging Area 2 Staging Area

## April 1945, part 1, appendices



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Comd
Engrs
G
A Hyg
Q Med
S&T Ord

(31)

SECRET

HQ 9 Army Tank Bde Area (ATF)
(Staging Area 2)

G/705

13 Jan 45.

ATF/705/1 (G)

[redacted]

[redacted]

1. [redacted] Staging Area 10 Sqn.

2. [redacted]

(a) [redacted]

(i) [redacted] Layout plans for sites 1, 2 and 3 completed [redacted] Work proceeding owing to area being congested.

(ii) [redacted] Complete. Plan being prepared.

(iii) [redacted] Perimeter and central survey completed by [redacted]. Owing to lack of space survey being confined to RE to mark up sites of mobile gunfire area. This should involve less clearing and also better conditions than upon ground to north. Existing roadways have been used in their alignment as proved adequate.

(iv) [redacted] Perimeter survey complete.

(v) [redacted] Approximately main avenue of alignment [redacted] Bridge sites for 5-Ton/T and 9-Ton/A Bailey.

(b) [redacted]

All survey grounds signs are being placed on areas including removal signs.

(c) [redacted]

RAF already in use in vicinity of HQ 34 TG but will be available.

(d) [redacted]

Bde of 3 Regts arrived 10 Sqn RE. Remaining two personnel and vehicles coming forward by rail.

(e) [redacted]

Activities limited by non control of Sqn.

(f) [redacted]

Bailey No 28 is good potential water supply for staging and transit Area. 100,000 gallons per hour available. Samples have been submitted to the Army for bacteriological test and classification. Until the results have been received it will be possible to supply units staging Area from this source.

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3. [redacted]

(a) Placement request of one child at present located in hospital care with [redacted] Satisfactory arrangements made and [redacted] are being carried out by [redacted] for new location.

(b) [redacted] made representation that request of [redacted] subject to [redacted] discussion at time of the hospitals review 2a.

(c) Case agreed to remain [redacted] at present hospital care although usually unacceptable [redacted] because of case. Case discussed and [redacted] to make [redacted] up on [redacted].

4. [redacted]

Certain cases have been temporarily allocated to [redacted] for consideration of their cases prior to moving [redacted].

5. [redacted]

(a) [redacted] Cases have advised that all the cases will be fully maintained for the period [redacted].

(b) [redacted] cost [redacted] will be allocating during this period.

(c) No discharge of records will take place over this period.

6. [redacted]

Placement case Court of [redacted] with Court [redacted]. Application arrangements satisfactory to both sides. Final details will be arranged when survey and planning completed.

7. [redacted] Report by [redacted] submitted.

8. [redacted]

Consideration proceeding satisfactorily.

9. [redacted]

(a) [redacted]

(i) Adm. Two checks and 3 weeks. Direct bid on [redacted] labour component, to achieve initial [redacted] months.

(ii) Local [redacted] Initial [redacted] but [redacted] cases.

(b) [redacted] [redacted] after completion of [redacted].

10. [redacted] No more Parkside cases. Eight [redacted] checked.

11. [redacted] Cases [redacted] ([redacted]); [redacted] ([redacted])

12. [redacted] Advice would be appreciated as to [redacted] proceeding suggested addition of [redacted] to [redacted] [redacted].

[redacted], Admin.

[redacted]

[redacted] (a)

det 1 Aust CRE Wks (AIF)
C/- 1 Aust Base Sub Area
Staging Area 2
11 Jan 45

Subject: ENGR PROGRESS REPORT

Weekly Resume to 11 Jan 45

HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area
Staging Area 2

AREAS:

1. (a) Hospital Areas: Layout plans for site 1, 2 and 3 complete.
(b) Docks Areas: Perimeter survey complete. Tentative layout plan complete.
(c) Staging Maint Area: Perimeter survey complete. Approx contour survey complete.
(d) Engr dump Area: Perimeter survey complete.
(e) Staging Area: Further recces carried out. Approx main access road alignment fixed. Bridge sites for SABATAI R. and SABALA River located.
(f) Transit Area: Recce indicates sufficient area available between SABATAI River and SABALA River. Rough survey to establis approx acreage will be necessary to confirm.

WATERVSUPPLY:

2. SABALA River is a good potential water supply for Staging Area. 120,000 gals per hour being available. Samples have been submitted to US Army for bacteriological count and classification. Should the results prove satisfactory, it will be possible to supply the whole Staging Area from this source.

SIGNS:

3. Signs have been prepared and placed on surveyed areas indicating "Reserved Areas".

PERSONNEL:

4. A detachment of five (5) Sappers who had been held at Staging Area 1 for some time, arrived by air on 10 Jan 45. Two sappers remained behind to accompany stores and vehicles being transported by sea.

GENERAL:

5. An inspection of a coral pit near HQ 31 US Div with a view to its use as a quarry for roadmaking material proved it to be satisfactory. Activities were limited by the non-arrival of unit tpt.

[signature] Lt Col

HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
No 2 Staging Area
11 Jan 45

Subject: MEDICAL and HYGIENE Report

MEDICAL:

1. RMO attended Anti-Malaria conference at 204 Malarial Survey Unit (USA). Five attendances to RAP for minor ailments only.

HYGIENE:

2. Showers (Offrs and OR)

Special improvised showers have been installed, consisting of drums for water storage, tap, and jam tin used as shower rose.

J Sanders. Capt

RMO No 2 Staging Area

~~SECRET~~ (30)

Subject: ~~SECRET~~

"AQ".

1. Would you please prepare in draft an Adm Instr for issue to Staging Area Troops on disembarkation. This will incorporate most of the points included in the Draft Adm Instr for Staging Troops submitted to LHQ, but in addition, as Staging Area Troops will be under comd this HQ will also include further details concerning domestic Adm.

2. ~~Any~~ LHQ have been asked to provide a Det of HQ personnel to disembark Staging Area Tps but in case these do not arrive promptly please also prepare a draft Disembarkation Orders.

8 Jan 45

J.F. Blakeland
(J.F. BLAKELAND) Maj GS.

JAN - 8 1945

(29)

SECRET

HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
(Staging Area 2)

AQ/306

7 Jan 45

AUST ENG (2)

Copy to: STAGING AREA NO 1

SUBJECT: ARRANGEMENTS FOR STAGING 1 AUST CORPS - BORNEO

Report to 2359 5 JAN 45

Ref Maps Cape GILA - SABATAT River

1. RECCE:

(a) Beach of Areas from SABATAT River to east exclusive and for 400 yards.
Good areas were seen in map ref squares 0132 and 0133. The land generally to the east was close to small secondary growth in swamps and rain forest.

(b) Beach of Areas map ref squares 0132 and 0133 exclusive and 1 Jan 45 to 5 Jan 45.
Suitable area for transit camp found commencing at 013367 and extending to SABALA River and then running to the North. Area on east side of SABALA River in square 0133 was found to be suitable but long and narrow with high ridges on each side. This was discarded as unsuitable for two reasons -

(i) Additional Engr Construction.
(ii) Difficulty of protection.

(c) Staging Maintenance Area
Recce 4 Jan 45

(d) SABATAT River including roads and water
Engr recces 1 and 4 Jan 45.

2. WORKS:

(a) Survey
1 Aust CRE has commenced survey of allotted areas. Hospital areas 1, 2 and 3 being completed 4 Jan 45. Survey of Port area now in progress.

(b) Water supply
Plans of water reticulation storage and pumping requirements for hospitals were prepared together with stores list.

(c) Hospital Layout:
Plans commenced

3. COVERAGE FOR SHORES AND SHELTER:

(a) Ref Fwd Sub LHQ Adm Instr 1 para 6 1 Aust CRE (the) has requested that a division be made of the available coverage between the various services.

(b) Engr stores coming forward will provide coverage for 150,000 sq ft only, whilst the requirements of the services are estimated to be 267,705 sq ft.

(c) The construction of sheds from bush timber can be carried out but roofing materials are very short. All buildings for Camp Maintenance Areas could be constructed in this manner and covered with tarpaulins provided from unit resources. Similarly certain buildings in depots in the Staging Maintenance and Initial Maintenance Areas could also be constructed

(d) Units such as Postal, Canteens etc, do not carry tarpaulins on WE Table.

(e) Urgent advice on the following matters is requested, please:-

(i) Are sufficient Engr stores coming forward to provide coverage for 247,705 sq ft?

(ii) Which units can provide tarpaulins from WE stores for the coverage of bush frames, and to what extent?

(f) In the Initial Maintenance Area no provision for coverage of S & T stores appears to have been made. Could this matter be confirmed, please?

4. MEDICAL:

Report by MED attached.

5. POSTAL:

VX70302 Sgt HANDLEY 6 Aust Base Postal Unit was attached this HQ 3 Jan. His arrival will assist in obtaining rapid delivery of mail. Two instances have occurred where 31 US APO left an Australian mail bag at ship, they were subsequently delivered to us by RAAF.

6. HQ CAMP AREA:

Construction of the following is now completed :-

(a) Mn offices building
(b) Offrs, Sjts, and Mens mess
(c) Showers and ablution bench
(d) Cleaning

7. RAAF:

It is understood that up to 10,000 RAAF personnel will be going into this area in the next few months. Should this be the case it is assumed that Aust Docks Op Coys and Gen Tpt units will be required to assist in the unloading and movement of stores to unit areas. The provision of supplies, POL, canteens etc, for the RAAF will, no doubt, require consideration.
As instructed by Cdr 9 Adv LHQ, no action is being taken pending the receipt of further instructions from Adv LHQ.

8. ENEMY OPERATIONS:

Two raids, five alerts.

9. WEATHER:

No rain on peninsula. One heavy storm on eastern edge of peninsular resulting in small water current in this area flooding causing considerable erosion along beach road.

(H.A.H. REID), Lt-Col,
CAMP STAGING AREA 2.

DISTRIBUTION: War Diary (2)
File. —

AQ AIK 61/Wash/1 (28) P/A file 908.

# NOTES ON TRANSIT CAMP

REQUIREMENTS:

1. (a) Required to hold 3000 men for period up to 48 hrs.
   (b) Capable of expansion to hold 5000 men.

DATA:

2. (a) Area required by one tent = 22 ft by 20 ft
   = 50 sq yds (approx).
   (b) Coy of 120 men will require 20 tents at 6 men to tent.
   (c) Coy tents will cover 1000 sq yds.
   (d) 3000 men is equivalent to 25 Coys. Tent Space 25,000 sq yds.
   (e) 5000 men is equivalent to 43 Coys. Tent Space 43,000 sq yds.
   (f) Area 500 yds by 600 yds will give 300,000 sq yds of space.

CONSIDERATIONS:

3. In a Transit Camp where troops will NOT be staged longer t 48 hrs one kitchen could serve three Coys.

Following indicates kitchen requirements:-

(a) At one kitchen per Coy:

3000 men - 25 kitchens.
5000 men - 43 kitchens.

(b) At one kitchen per three Coys:

3000 men - 9 kitchens.
5000 men - 14 kitchens.

4. On purely an area basis there is plenty of room for tents for 5000 men. (Tents require 43,000 sq yds. Area available 3000,000 sq yds) But kitchen will have to be placed near road and camp behind kitchens. Therefore length of road which can be constructed determines number of Coy Camps which can be set on either side of it.

Following indicates relation of camps to roads:-

(a) A road 600 yds long would permit of

(i) For 3000 Tps : 12 Coy Camps on one side of road
13 " " " other " " "
with frontage to the road of 46 yds per Coy Camp.

(ii) For 5000 Tps: 21 Coy camps on one side of road
22 " " " other " " "
with a frontage to the road of 27 yds per Coy Camp.

(b) A row of tents will be 7 yds wide. This would permit each Coy Camp on a 600 yds long road to be laid out as follows:-

(i) For 3000 Tps: Two rows of 10 tents each (14 yds) with ten yds between each row (10 yds) and 11 yds on outside of rows to separate Coy areas. Length of rows approx 80 yds.

(ii) For 5000 Tps: Two rows of ten tents each (14 with 5 yds between each row (5 and 4 yds on outside of rows to separate Coy areas. Depth approx 80 yds for tents

one row of tents going to a depth of 160 yds.

(e) Layout of Camps on either side of road 600 yds long on above basis would appear as in sketch attached.

J.H.
6 Jan

REO 8

det 1 Aust CRE Works) (AIF)
c/- det 1 Aust Base Sub Area
Staging Area 2
4 Jan 45

ENGR PROGRESS REPORT
Weekly Resume to 4 Jan 45

HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area
Staging Area 2

RECCE:

1. On 29 Dec 44, in company with Comd and Staff of the Staging Area 2, a recce was made of area east of SABATAIL RIVER, bridging and road problems being investigated. Lt Col Westlund and Lt May made a recce of SABATAI River and water sources east of same on 1 Jan 45. Lt MAY made a detailed recce of water sources east of SABATAI RIVER on 4 Jan 45 and took samples of water.

SURVEYS:

2. Lt CRELLIN and party commenced survey of allotted areas on 1 Jan 45. Hospital areas 1, 2 and 3 were completed by 4 Jan 45.

WATER SUPPLY:

3. Plans of water reticulation, storage and pumping requirements for Hospitals were prepared, together with stores list.

HOSPITAL LAYOUTS:

4. Plans have been commenced.

BUILDING:

5. HQ Orderly Room was completed on 31 Dec 44.

CR Westlund

Lt-Col
(C.R. Westlund)

CRE 1 Aust CRE Works (AIF)

HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
Staging Area 2
4 Jan 45

7/720/5 Med

Subject: MEDICAL AND HYGIENE REPORT

"A" Branch

MEDICAL:

1. In company with Col MCKENZIE contacted Col JENKINS (Senior Surgeon) in relation to the following:-

   (a) No 2 Trash Dump:

   This dump which is in the vicinity of the Initial Maintenance Area is at present in a very unsanitary state.

   (b) Due to a more strict selection of Hospital Patients and allocation of units to definite hospitals, a bed position has been considerably eased. All AIF patients are now allocated to 155 USA Station Hospital.

2. Four patients attended RAP during week. (Two were mild attacks of Diarrhoea.

HYGIENE:

3. (a) Ablutions:

   Ablution bench for washing of clothes has been constructed. Central ablution area for personal toilet, consisting of ablution bench.. combining soap and towel rack and fittings is under construction, waster water will be suitably disposed of into soakage Pit.

   (b) Officers Latrine:

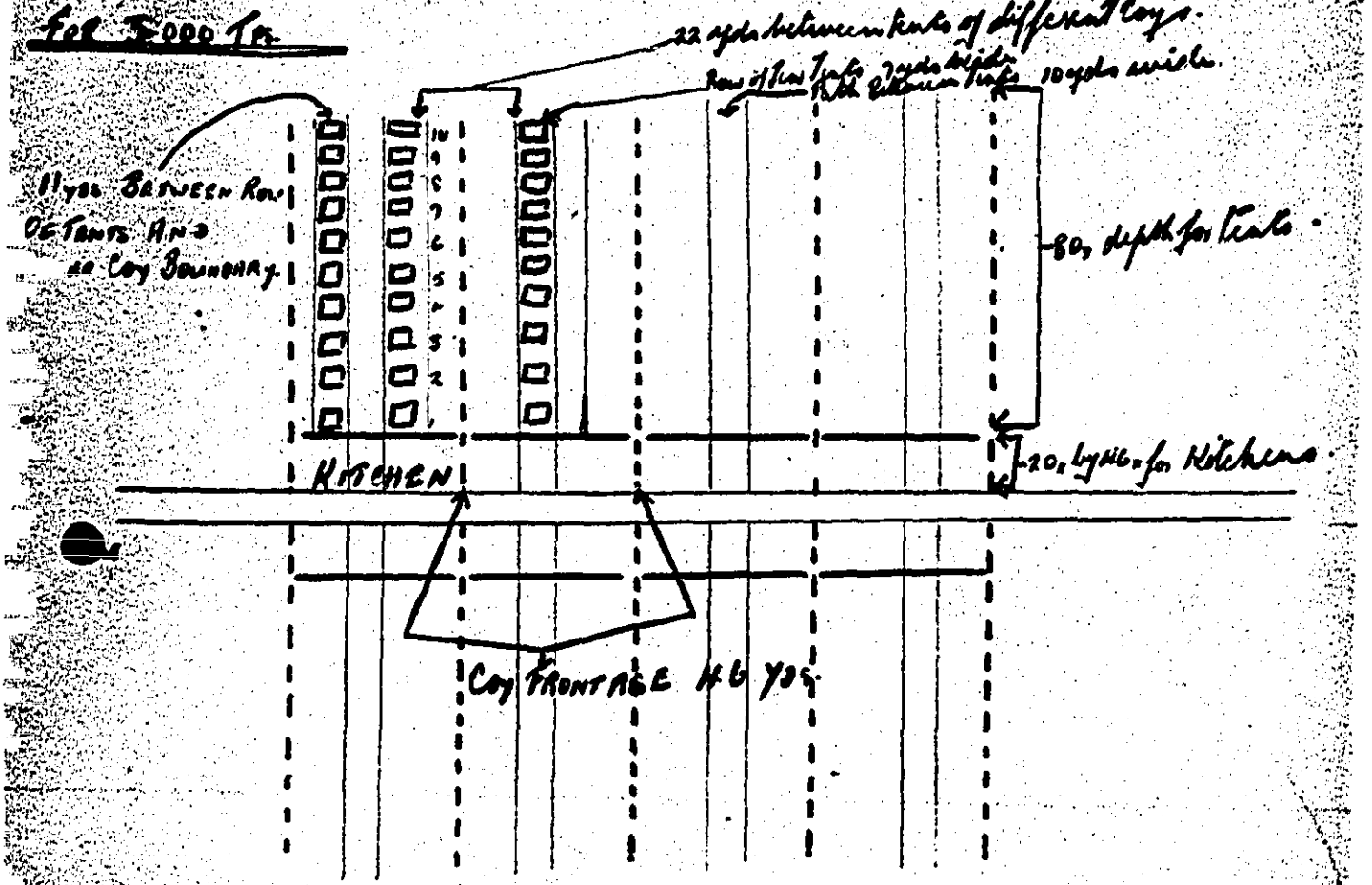
   Officers latrine (1 seater) has been constructed with fly traps attached.
   Shelter for protection against weather completed.

J. [illegible] Capt

RMO Staging Area 2

Approx. Scale. 1 inch = 50 yds

For 7,000 Tons




For 5,000 Tons.

(27)

CONFIDENTIAL

Headquarters,
2 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF).

C/908.1

19 Dec 44.

Subject : Staging Arrangements

HQ,1 Aust Base Sub Area (Staging Area 1)
HQ,1 Aust Base Sub Area (Staging Area 2)

1. During his recent visit to HQ, 1 Aust Corps, the Commander discussed the provision of an AEME adviser with each Staging Area.

2. For your information it is advised that the addition of an AEME officer was not considered warranted as the senior OC of the AEME units included in the 1 Aust Base Sub Area Staging Area and Staging Troops would be available to act as adviser to the Commander, HQ, Staging Area.

(W.KIDSTON) Major,
General Staff, 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF).

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(27) SECRET

HQ 1 Aust Base Sub-Area (AIF)
(Staging Area 2 )

AQ/908

4 Jan 45.

SUBJECT: ARRANGEMENTS FOR STAGING - ALLOTMENT OF STAGING AREA TROOPS AND STAGING TROOPS TO CAMP AREAS

ADV LHQ

1. Attached hereto for information is a copy of this HQ memo AQ/908 of 3 Jan 45 addressed to 1 Aust CRE (Wks) in which are indicated the Engineer commitments for the construction of MOROTAI STAGING AREA.

2. The appendices 'A' and 'B' thereto contain tables of the proposed allotment of Staging Area Troops and Staging Troops to their respective camps and the division within such camps into sub groups.

3. The sub groups have been formed by the amalgamation of certain units to permit of more economical use of camp scale 'A' facilities. Although 1 Aust CRE (Wks) is grouped with this HQ in No 1 Camp (HQ) consideration is being given to its re-allocation to No 5 Camp (Engrs Dump).

4. Certain Units have been allotted to particular camps for reasons explained in detail personally to AQMG (Maint) Adv LHQ. The Units in question are:-

(a) Amml Units: Allotted to Camp No 2 (Docks Area) to avoid long haul to SABATAI River Staging Camp.

(b) General Tpt Pls: HQ Gen Tpt Coy and three Pls allotted to Camp No 2 (Docks Area) so as to be able conveniently to handle, firstly, unit equipment from the ship to Staging Area, and secondly, initial maintenance. One Tpt Pl has been allotted to Camp No 4(Staging Maint) to handle daily maintenance to the Staging Area and to provide transport for Engr requirements.

(c) Works Coys: One Coy has been allotted to Camp No 2 (Docks Area) to assist in the following:-

(i) unloading of ships if more than two ships are being unloaded at the one time.

(ii) Engineer construction in hospital area.

(iii) Provision of Security guards to Engrs working in the Staging Area.

(iv) Labour in Camp No 3 (Initial Maint).

(v) The other works Coy has been allotted to Camp No 4 (Staging Maint) to assist Engrs in the development of that area and to provide labour for Engrs dump and Maintenance Area Depots.

(d) Maint Dets: A Maintenance Area for Staging Area Troops will be established in Camp No 5 (Initial Maint) and Maint Dets in Camp No 6 (Transit Area) while required.

5. The allotment of Staging Area Troops to camps has been discussed with AQMG (Maint) Adv LHQ. Areas have been discussed with HQ XI US Corps and 31 US Div and general agreement reached. (Our AQ/908 of 28 Dec 44 to XI US Corps refers, a copy of which was handed to AQMG (Maint) Adv LHQ.

6. Attached as appendices 'A' and 'B' hereto are schematic diagrams showing the relationship of Camps for Staging Area Troops and Staging Troops.

Lt-Col
(E.A. MORRIS)
Comd Staging Area 2

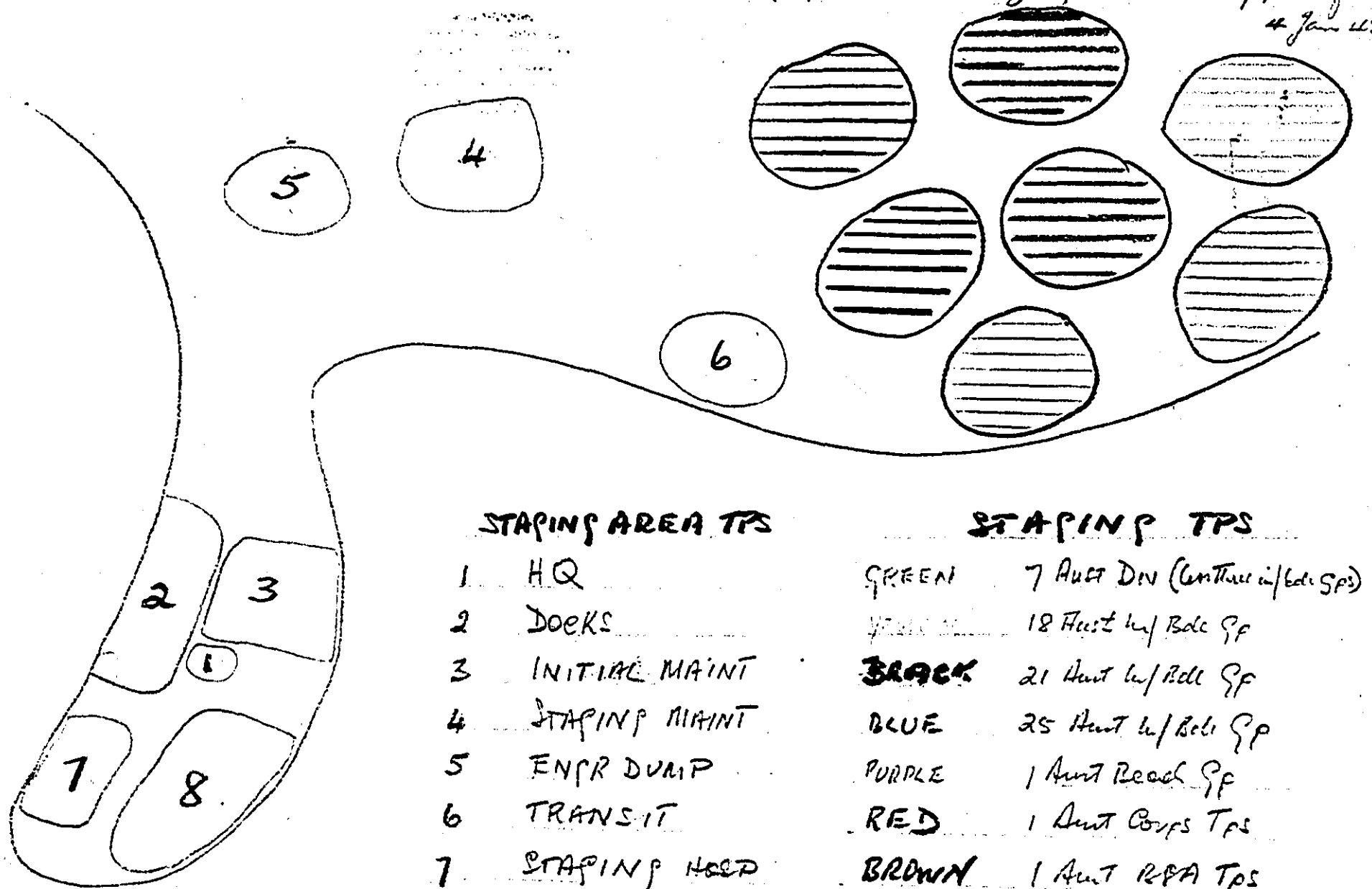
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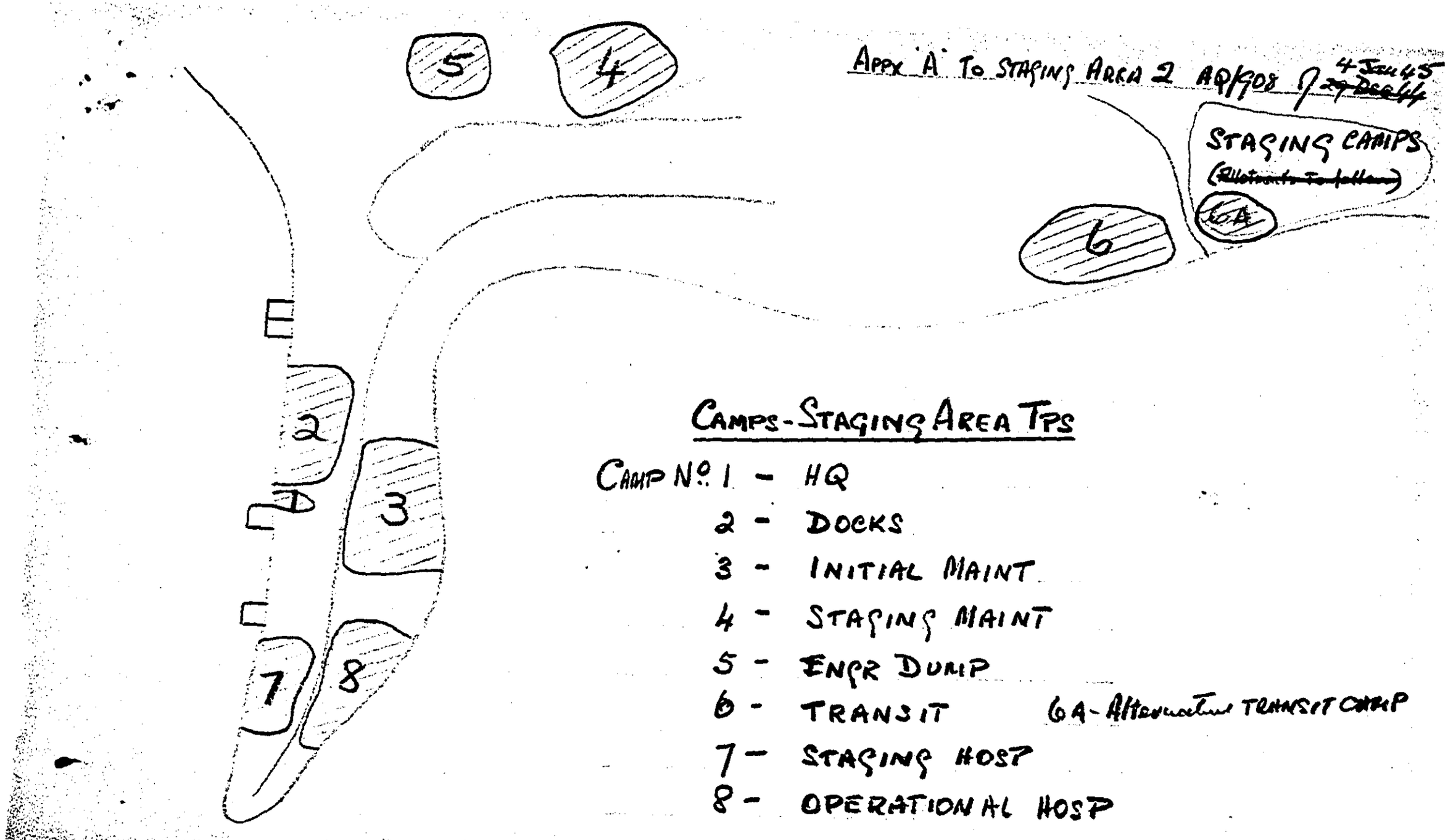
NOTE: See report Maj Gen MacARTHUR for allotment of planes and revised allotment of units (air crews) made by Comd 19 Jan

J.L.B.
20 Jan

Appx "B" to Staging Area 2 AQ/908 of 4 Jan 45




| STAGING AREA TPS | | STAGING TPS | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | HQ | GREEN | 7 Army Div (Continue in/Belt SPs) |
| 2 | DOCKS | [illegible] | 18 Army Tps/Belt SP |
| 3 | INITIAL MAINT | BLACK | 21 Army Tps/Belt SP |
| 4 | STAGING MAINT | BLUE | 25 Army Tps/Belt SP |
| 5 | ENEMY DUMP | PURPLE | 1 Army Reserve SP |
| 6 | TRANSIT | RED | 1 Army Corps Tps |
| 7 | STAGING NEED | BROWN | 1 Army RSA Tps |
| 8 | OPERATIONAL NEED | | |




APPX A TO STAGING AREA 2 AR/508 4 Jan 45

## CAMPS - STAGING AREA TPS

CAMP No. 1 - HQ
2 - DOCKS
3 - INITIAL MAINT
4 - STAGING MAINT
5 - ENGR DUMP
6 - TRANSIT 6A - Alternative TRANSIT CAMP
7 - STAGING HOSP
8 - OPERATIONAL HOSP

25A

Headquarters,
1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
(Staging Area No 2)

AQ/908.

3 Jan 45.

Subject: STAGING 1 AUST CORPS AND 1 AUST BASE SUB AREA MORATAI

1 AUST CMX (Wks).

1. Ref Fwd Sch LXI Adm Instrs 1 and 2 of 1 Dec 44 and 10 Dec 44 addressed to this HQ only.

2. Portion of 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area troops will be staged at MORATAI and will be divided into the following two categories:-

(a) Staging Area Troops
(b) Staging Troops.

3. Composition of the above categories are attached as Appendices "A" and "B" to this order and represent a division of the forces into Camp Groups and Sub Groups.

4. (a) Areas allocated to the forces are shown on the trace attached as Appendix "C". These areas will be divided as follows:-

(i) Hospital Area.
(ii) Port Area.
(iii) Staging Maintenance Area.
(iv) Engineer Dump Area.
(v) Transit Camp Area.
(vi) Seven Mile, etc., Group Areas.
(vii) Initial Maintenance Area.

(b) (i) To enable further sub-division of the above Areas into Sub Group and/or Unit Camp Sites a survey will be carried out immediately in priority order vide sub-para 4 (a) above, of all areas shown on trace (Appendix "C") and the results submitted to this HQ.

(ii) As Surveys are completed Camp Areas will be defined by this HQ, in consultation with 1 Aust Corps (Wks), to ensure that Engineer road construction is kept to a minimum.

5. ACCOMMODATION:

(a) The scale of accommodation for all units is:-

(i) Kitchens on scale of one per Inf Coy or equivalent Unit.

(ii) Water point, with tanks storage where necessary.

(iii) Showers and ablution points.

(iv) Latrines.

(v) Incinerators.

(vi) Refrigeration as available.

(b) In each camp occupied by Staging Troops will be established a Maintenance Area to provide coverage for supplies and stores for seven days and break down of bulk. Camp facilities for the service personnel occupying the Maintenance Areas will also be created.

(c) A Maintenance Area for Staging Area Troops will be established in the Initial Maintenance Area and will be occupied by Dets of the following Services:-

Ordnance
Canteens
Postal

(d) A camp to accommodate 3000 troops and capable of expansion to 5000 will be constructed in the Transit Camp Area.

6. COVERAGE FOR STORES AND SERVICES:

(a) Coverage of a minimum area of 150,000 sq ft will be constructed on the sites allotted to the Staging Maintenance Area and the Initial Maintenance Area.

(b) This coverage will be supplemented by the creation of bush timber frames for the Maintenance Areas vide para 5 (b) above. These frames will be covered with tarpaulins,etc, provided by the Service Units occupying each Maintenance Area.

7. ENGINEER STORES:

(a) Stores for the construction of the Staging Camps will be stored in the Engineer Dump Area vide para 4 (a) (iv) above.

(b) Stores for the initial maintenance of Assault and Follow-Up forces will be stored in the Initial Maintenance Area vide para 4 (a) (vii).

8. WATER:

(a) Water Points will be established throughout the various camps on the basis of one point per unit or sub group.

(b) Priorities for establishment of water points will be as under:-

(i) One water point to be provided for each Bde, etc, group and Hospital areas.

(ii) Further reticulation of Hospital Area as required by ADMS ADV HQ.

(iii) One water point to be provided for each Unit or Sub Group excluding the Hospital Area vide sub para (ii) above.

9. LOCATION OF ENGINEER UNITS:

Advice is requested as early as possible of the proposed allocation of Engineer Units to tasks so that the necessary provision can be made to include them in the accomodation requirements of the Staging Area.

(K.A.HICKMAN) Lt-Col
Comd HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area
(for 2 Staging Area)

SECRET

NOTE.

On 19 Jan Comd allotted Phase To camp areas and altered slightly adv Tac HQ limits To comply. See Appx "A" To report of maj MacARTHUR 22 I/C Sigs dated 20 Jan 45 GTB.

APPENDIX "A" TO 2 Aust Base Sub Area (Staging Area 2) AQ/908 of 3 Jan 45.

ALLOTMENT OF ACADEMY AREA TROOPS TO CAMP AREAS

CAMP No 2 — A. FM.

| Serial | Unit | Strength | Less Up Strength | Kitchens | Reserve vide Appx No Note 3 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Det HQ 2 Aust Base Sub Area | 45 | 79 | 2 | 1 |
| 2 | 2 Aust CRE (Det) | 34 | | | 26 |
| 3 | Det 28 Aust Op Sec | 22 | | | 28 |
| 4 | Det 20 Aust Line Sec | 25 | | | 29 |
| 5 | Det 9 Aust Tech Instrl Sec | 4 | 34 | 2 | 30 |
| 6 | 2 Det 42 Aust Wireless Sec (DF) | 28 | | | 31 |
| 7 | 2 Det 30 Aust Cipher Sec | 5 | | | 32 |
| | | 111 | 111 | 4 | |

CAMP No 2 — B. DUKE

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2/20 Aust Inf Bn Op Coy | 235 | 235 | 3 | 3 |
| 2 | 5 Aust Inf Bn Op Coy | 235 | 235 | 3 | 4 |
| 3 | 8 Fd Pk Aust Port Instrl Coy | 35 | 35 | 2 | 5 |
| 4 | Det 11 Aust HQ Sp | 30 | | | 6 |
| 5 | Det 5 Aust Civ Port Det | 8 | | | 22 |
| 6 | 2/2 Aust Gen Tpt Coy | 35 | | | 24 |
| 7 | 2/2 Aust Wksp Pl | 24 | 84 | 2 | 25 |
| 8 | 2 Base 2/3 Aust L of C Sig Coy | 32 | | | 27 |
| 9 | 2/2 Aust Tpt Pl | 29 | 29 | 1 | 2 |
| 10 | 2/3 Aust Tpt Pl | 29 | 29 | 1 | 35 |
| 11 | 2/25 Aust Tpt Pl | 29 | 29 | 1 | 37 |
| 12 | 2/2 Aust Sup | 46 | 46 | 4 | 38 |
| 13 | 8 Aust Water Sup | 48 | | | 39 |
| | One Aust Pl Tpt Coy | 277 | 277 | | |
| | Transit Camp (Random Loss) | 71 | 71 | | |

| Symbol | Unit | Strength | Due In Strength | Kilkenny | Due Out With Any Det A/S Order 1 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 24 | 2/5 Aust Armd Regt | 347 | | | |
| 25 | 2/5 Aust Armd Regt (Sqn) | 20 | | | |
| 26 | 2 Fd Bk Aust Mob Grp AASC | 29 | | | |
| 27 | 2/5 Aust Armd Regt Coy 2nd Fd Bk | 31 | 268 | 8 | |
| 28 | 2/31 Aust LAD (Type "E") | 60 | | | |
| 29 | 2/5 Aust Armd Regtl Wksp | 201 | | | |
| | | 2512 | 2512 | 25 | |

CASE No 3 - NEUTRAL NATION

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Det 27 Aust AGD | 65 | 80 | 2 | 22 |
| 2 | Det 24 Aust AGD | 15 | | | 35 |
| 3 | Fd 3 Aust Sup Dep Coy | 26 | | | 8 |
| 4 | 2 Aust Sup Dep Fd | 33 | 84 | 2 | 9 |
| 5 | Det AASC | 25 | | | 23 |
| | | 224 | 164 | 4 | |
| | | | 351 | | |

One Aust Fd Coy
Det 6 Aust Base Postal Unit
Det 62 Aust BIPOD

CASE No 4 - HOSTILE NATION

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 2/4 Aust Wksp Coy | 468 | 468 | 4 | 7 |
| 2 | Fd Coy AASC 2 Aust Corps (Less Det) | 23 | | | 33 |
| 3 | 2/3 Aust Sup Dep Fd | 33 | 89 | 2 | 38 |
| 4 | 2/9 Aust Sup Dep Fd | 33 | | | 40 |
| 5 | 2/33 Aust Tpt Fd | 39 | 39 | 2 | 10 |
| 6 | 2/1 Aust Bldg Fd | 37 | | | 41 |
| 7 | 2/2 Aust Bldg Fd | 37 | 205 | 2 | 42 |
| 8 | 4th Aust BIPOD Fd (less Det) | 29 | | | 33 |
| 9 | ~~2/4 Aust Aust Fd Coy~~ (2 Sqns) | ~~71~~ | ~~71~~ | ~~2~~ | ~~38~~ |

| Serial | Unit | Strength | Strength | Attached | Serial No of Unit |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 20 | Det 37 Amst AOD | 100 | | | 48 |
| 21 | Det 20 Amst Ord Veh Pk | 20 | 125 | 2 | 20 |
| 22 | Det 44 Amst AAD | 5 | | | 49 |
| 23 | Det AACE | 25 | | | 23 |
| 24 | Det 6 Amst Dome Pontiac Unit (Landing) | 40 | 80 | 2 | 24 |
| 25 | Det 11 Amst L of C Steel Imp | 7 | | | 29 |
| 26 | 2 Amst Dome Imp Mat Stevedore | 6 | | | 34 |
| 27 | 2/3 Amst Inf Tpt Ord Pk Pk. (Some Veh Pk Coy) | 74 | 74 | 2 | 22 |
| 28 | 2/3 Amst Inf Tpt Wksp | 219 | 219 | 2 | 27 |
| | | 496 | 496 | 15 | |

CAMP No 5 — NEAR HERE

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 60 Amst Corps Pk Pk Coy | 221 | | | 22 |
| 2 | 2/4 Amst LAD | 26 | 250 | 2 | 23 |
| 3 | 4 Amst Mech Repl Spare Parts Sec | 23 | | | 27 |
| | | 270 | 270 | 4 | |
| | 2/1 Amst Mech Eqpt Coy | 254 | 328 | 3 | |
| | 2 Amst Mech Eqpt Wksp | 52 | | | |
| | 3 Amst LAD | 12 | | | |

CAMP No 6 — TRANSIT

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | ~~2/2 Amst Mech Repl Coy~~ | ~~254~~ | | | 18 |
| 2 | ~~2 Amst Mech Repl Wksp~~ | ~~52~~ | ~~328~~ | ~~3~~ | 19 |
| 3 | ~~3/3 Amst LAD~~ | ~~12~~ | | | 20 |
| 4 | 2/2 Amst Bombing 22 | 78 | 78 | 2 | 26 |
| 5 | 9 Amst RHE | 21 | | | 45 |
| 6 | Det 2 Amst AAD | 30 | 1251 | 30 (#) | 28 |
| 7 | Gen Reps | 1200 | | | |
| | | 1827 | 1827 | 35 | |
| | One Amst Fd Coy | | 251 | | |

(#) — Approximate only. For use by Tpt Staging in Transit Camp.

| Serial | Unit | Strength | 25% Up Strength | Vacancies | Remarks Vide AFF 230 Adm Order 2 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **CASE No 7 - STATIC TYPE** (AREA) | | | | | |
| 1 | 2/6 Aust Gen Hosp | 337 | 632 | 5 | 44 |
| 2 | 2 Aust Blood Transf Unit | 24 | | | 47 |
| 3 | 2 Aust Hosp Laundry | 68 | | | 45 |
| 4 | 95 Aust Depot Cash Office | 3 | | | 46 |
| | | 632 | 632 | 5 | |
| **CASE No 8 - OPERATIONAL TYPE** | | | | | |
| 1 | 2/2 Aust Gen Hosp | 337 | 608 | 5 | |
| 2 | 9 Aust Hosp Laundry | 68 | | | |
| 3 | 73 Aust Depot Cash Off | 3 | | | |
| 4 | 2/9 Aust Gen Hosp | 337 | 622 | 5 | |
| 5 | 3 Aust Hosp Laundry | 68 | | | |
| 6 | 77 Aust Depot Cash Off | 3 | | | |
| 7 | 4 Aust Fwdg Mob Plastic Surgery Unit | 24 | | | |
| | | 1230 | 1230 | 10 | |

NOTE:

The foregoing groupings make no provision for RE Cops and Army Tps Cops. The allocation of these Units to corps will be dependent upon the units allotted them.

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APPENDIX "F" TO 2 Aust Base Sub Area
(Staging Area 2) AQ/508 of 3 Jan

## ALLOTMENT OF SERVICE TROOPS TO CAMP AREAS

| Serial | Unit | Strength | Sub Gp Strength | Visitors |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **SHORE CAMP - DIV TPS GP** | | | | |
| 1 | HQ Aust Inf | 226 | | |
| 2 | Gp Aust FS Sec | 12 | | |
| 3 | One Aust Sub Unit Unit Units | 22 | | |
| 4 | Det Public Relations | 10 | 278 | 5 |
| 5 | One Visitors & Obs Sec | 9 | | |
| 6 | Det AIBS (Four Units) | 6 | | |
| 7 | Det Mil Hist Sec | 4 | | |
| 8 | One Corps Aust Int Regt (Less 3 Flt) | 61 | 123 | 1 |
| 9 | One Div Pro Coy (Less Sec Det) | 62 | | |
| 10 | One Corps Commando Regt | 805 | 814 | 7 |
| 11 | One Corps Commando Sig Tp | 9 | | |
| 12 | HQ RAA | 36 | 96 | 1 |
| 13 | One Tp Aust Sup Bde | 60 | | |
| 14 | One Aust Tk/A Regt | 491 | | |
| 15 | Element Tk/A Regt Sig Sec | 12 | 535 | 4 |
| 16 | One Aust LAD (Type C) | 30 | | |
| 17 | HQ RAE | 31 | | |
| 18 | One Aust Engr Sig Sec | 18 | 277 | 2 |
| 19 | One Aust Fd Pk Coy | 205 | | |
| 20 | One Aust LAD (Type A) | 23 | | |
| 21 | One Aust Fd Coy | 254 | 254 | 2 |
| 22 | One Aust Div Sigs (Less Det) | 245 | 261 | 2 |
| 23 | One Higher Sec (Less Det) | 16 | | |
| 24 | One Aust Inf Bn | 644 | 644 | 3 |
| 25 | One Aust Inf Bn | 636 | 636 | 6 |

| Serial | Unit | Strength | Rank & Strength | Kitchens |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 26 | One Amst CCS | 236 | | |
| 27 | One Amst Hosp 2Gp (Type B) | 6 | | |
| 28 | One Amst Sub Bath Unit | 18 | 307 | 2 |
| 29 | One Amst MDU | 25 | | |
| 30 | One Amst Dental Unit | 29 | | |
| 31 | Hq Comd Amst Div AASC | 42 | | |
| 32 | One Hq Amst Gen Tpt Coy | 28 | 97 | 1 |
| 33 | One Amst Wksp Pl | 25 | | |
| 34 | One Hq Amst Gen Tpt Coy | 28 | | |
| 35 | Three Amst Tpt Pls | 297 | 350 | 3 |
| 36 | One Amst Wksp Pl | 25 | | |
| 37 | One Hq Amst Sup Dep Coy | 26 | | |
| 38 | Two Amst Sup Dep Pls | 66 | | |
| 39 | One Amst LAD (Type A) | 16 | | |
| 40 | One Div Fld Comd Offices | 9 | | |
| 41 | One Div Postal Unit | 29 | 216 | 2 |
| 42 | One Div Salvage Unit | 42 | | |
| 43 | Det AASC | 32 | | |
| 44 | One Mobile Cinema | 3 | | |
| 45 | One Mobile Cinema | 3 | | |
| 46 | One Div Reception Camp | 37 | 37 | 1 |
| | (Approx) | 1228 | 1228 | 42 |

[illegible] CAMP - [illegible]

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Hq One Amst Inf Bde | 85 | 85 | 1 |
| 2 | One Fd Amst Coy Engr | 64 | | |
| 3 | One Inf Bde Sig Sec | 19 | | |
| 4 | Det Amst Div Sigs | 6 | 114 | 1 |
| 5 | Det Amst Cipher Sec (Type K) | 2 | | |
| 6 | One Sec Amst Div Tpt Coy | 26 | | |

| | Unit | Strength | Total Strength | Vehicles |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | One Armd Cmd Hqs Pl | 33 | | |
| 8 | One Armd Regt Hqs Pl | 33 | | |
| 9 | Det Div AACS | 6 | 77 | 2 |
| 20 | Det Div Sanit Officer | 2 | | |
| 21 | Det Div Football Unit | 3 | | |
| 22 | One Armd Tpt Pl (VR) (RE) | 99 | 99 | 2 |
| 23 | One Armd Bde Gnd Def Pl | 22 | | |
| 24 | One Armd Bde Hosp (Type A) | 130 | 149 | 2 |
| 25 | One Armd LAD (Type B) | 57 | | |
| 26 | One Armd Fd Regt (SP) | 667 | | |
| 27 | One Armd Fd Regt Hq Tp | 25 | 723 | 3 |
| 28 | One Armd LAD (Type F) | 31 | | |
| 29 | One Armd Fd Sqn | 251 | 251 | 2 |
| 30 | One Armd Fd Amb | 234 | 238 | 2 |
| 31 | One Sqn Dental Unit | 4 | | |
| 32 | One Armd Inf Bn | 834 | 834 | 6 |
| 33 | One Armd Inf Bn | 834 | 834 | 6 |
| 34 | One Armd Inf Bn | 834 | 834 | 6 |
| | (Approx) | 4,388 | 4,388 | 52 |

**BLACK CAMP - ONE ARMD DIV BDE HQ**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 - 34 | As for YELLOW CAMP | 4,388 | 4,388 | 52 |

**RED CAMP - ONE ARMD DIV BDE HQ**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4 - 34 | As for YELLOW CAMP | 4,388 | 4,388 | 52 |

| Serial | Unit | Strength | No of Sections | Vehicles |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **[illegible] CAMP — 3 ARMY BRANCH HQ** | | | | |
| 1 | HQ 3 Army Branch Op | 22 | | |
| 2 | Army Branch Op Sig Unit | 52 | 111 | 3 |
| 3 | Army Branch Op Ens Pl | 39 | | |
| 4 | Army Pl Coy | 251 | 251 | 2 |
| 5 | Army Fd Pk | 822 | 822 | 6 |
| 6 | Army Labour Pk | 696 | 696 | 5 |
| 7 | Army Gen Tpt Coy | 250 | 250 | 2 |
| 8 | Army Sup Dep Pl | 33 | 99 | 1 |
| 9 | Army Branch Op Ord Unit | 66 | | |
| 10 | Army Branch Op Wksp | 51 | 81 | 1 |
| 11 | Army Branch Op Salvage Unit | 30 | | |
| 12 | Army Branch Op Med Unit | 90 | 90 | 1 |
| | (Approx) | 2600 | 2600 | 19 |

**[illegible] CAMP — CORPS TROOPS**

**ARTY GROUP**

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 53 Army AA Regt Comp | 308 | | |
| 2 | 53 Army AA Regt Sig Sec | 32 | 1048 | 9 |
| 3 | 53 Army AA Regtl Wksp | 68 | | |
| 4 | One Bty 2/5 LAA Regt | 288 | | |
| 5 | Det 2/5 LAA Regtl Sig Sec | 5 | 138 | 2 |
| 6 | Det 2/5 LAA Regtl Wksp | 13 | | |
| 7 | One Sy Royal Northumbrian Op | 71 | 71 | 1 |
| | | 1350 | 1350 | 12 |

| Symbol | Unit | Strength | Net Change Strength | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ARMY ELEMENTS** | | | | |
| 1 | 1 Armd Mil Landing Gp | 21 | | |
| 2 | Det 1 Armd Combined Op Sqn | 2 | | |
| 3 | Det Public Relations | 6 | | |
| 4 | Det Armd Mil Hist Sec | 4 | 6x | 2 |
| 5 | Det 2 AASPW | 4 | | |
| 6 | 2½ Armd Fd Sec (Enemy Equip) | 13 | | |
| 7 | Det 1 Armd Corps Postal Unit | 22 | | |
| 8 | 3 Armd Line Sec | 66 | | |
| 9 | 2½ Armd Wireless Sec (HF) | 26 | 26x | 2 |
| 10 | Two Data Cen Armd Wireless Sec (HF) | 18 | | |
| 11 | 8 Armd Pigeon Sec | 26 | | |
| 12 | 2/13 Armd Fd Amb | 248 | | |
| 13 | 2/3 Armd Div Dent Lab | 6 | 25x | 2 |
| 14 | 140 Armd Adv Ord Dep Rnd Stores | 9 | | |
| 15 | 2/83 Armd Corps Fd Wk Org | 221 | | |
| 16 | 7 Armd Engr Sqn Fd Sec | 25 | 25x | 2 |
| 17 | 2/83 Armd LAD (Type A) | 26 | | |
| 18 | 2½ Armd Fd Org | 25A | 25x | 2 |
| 19 | 3 Armd Recce Regt RA | 24 | | |
| 20 | HQ & Armd Recce Sqn | 27 | 9x | 2 |
| 21 | Det 3 Armd Fd Hyg Sec | 43 | | |
| | | 2886 | 2886 | 2 |

| Serial | Unit | Strength | Sub Strength | Vehicles |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **ZERON CAMP – 3 ARMY BASE SUB AREA TDS** | | | | |
| **ZERON GROUP** | | | | |
| 1 | 5 Aust CH (Wks) | 34 | | |
| 2 | 12 Aust CHE (Wks) | 34 | 119 | 1 |
| 3 | 25 Aust CHE (Wks) | 34 | | |
| 4 | 57 Aust DUKE (Wks) | 21 | | |
| 5 | 75 Aust DUKE (Wks) | 21 | 120 | 1 |
| 6 | 2/2 Aust Bombing Pl | 78 | | |
| 7 | 2/4 Aust FA Sqn | 291 | 291 | 2 |
| 8 | 2 Aust A Tps Coy | 277 | 277 | 3 |
| 9 | 101 Aust A Tps Coy | 277 | 277 | 3 |
| 10 | 9 Aust Wksp & Pk Coy | 283 | 283 | 3 |
| 11 | 21 Aust Wksp & Pk Coy | 283 | 283 | 3 |
| 12 | 2/2 Aust Fld Const Coy | 254 | 312 | 3 |
| 13 | 5 Aust Base Sqpt Wksp | 58 | | |
| | | 2382 | 2382 | 19 |
| **ANZAC** | | | | |
| 1 | 2/2 Aust Comp AA Regt | 968 | | |
| 2 | 2/2 Aust Comp AA Regt Sig Sec | 32 | 1068 | 8 |
| 3 | 2/2 Aust Comp AA Regt Wksp | 69 | | |
| | | 1068 | 1068 | 8 |
| **MED GP** | | | | |
| 1 | 2/12 Aust Gen Hosp (600 Bed) | 324 | | |
| 2 | 44 Aust Base Laundry (Type B) | 6 | 348 | 3 |
| 3 | 45 Aust Base Laundry (Type B) | 6 | | |
| 4 | 46 Aust Base Laundry (Type B) | 6 | | |
| | | 348 | 348 | 3 |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| [illegible] | | | | |
| 1 | [illegible] | 32 | | |
| 2 | [illegible] | 80 | | |
| 3 | [illegible] | 16 | 132 | 2 |
| 4 | [illegible] | 8 | | |
| 5 | [illegible] | 16 | | |
| 6 | [illegible] | 110 | 110 | 2 |
| 7 | [illegible] | 100 | 100 | 2 |
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HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF).
Staging Area 1.

12 Dec 44.

AQ/S1.

Subject: STAGING INSTRUCTIONS - 1 AUST CORPS.

Forward Echelon LHQ.

Copy to: HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (Staging Area 2).

1. Ref your S/472.012/Q of 9 Dec 44, attached hereto as instructed is draft of a standard Staging Instruction for issue to units Staging in this Area.

2. Pending issue of Appx "B" to your Adm Inst No. 1 of 1 Dec 44, the detail of the draft instruction cannot be finalised.

3. The draft has been prepared on the basis that adequate personnel for the staffing of the Transit Camp will be provided in the Staging Area Troops, as requested by our AQ-T1 of 8 Dec 44.

4. Advice is particularly desired on the following points covered by the Instruction:-

(a) Will cooking facilities for 3000 (or any) staging troops be provided at the Transit Camp? If not, it will be necessary to ensure that unit cooking gear is carried in a readily accessible position on the ship to be immediately available on disembarkation.

(b) As staging units will be disembarking during the wet season, it would appear necessary to provide coverage in Transit Camp for such stores as would be readily damaged by exposure to weather, until unit tentage is available. Can store tents be made available for the purpose, or will necessary coverage be erected by Engineers, either in Transit Camp or in Unit Areas?

(c) Owing to the shortage of officers at disposal of this HQ, the arrangements set out in para 12 of the draft instruction have been included. It would however be more satisfactory for each unit to be fostered into its own area by an officer responsible for the time being solely for that task. It is recommended that say six billeting officers be attached to this HQ, for the purpose of fostering units in - to live with them and generally act as mentors until the units are properly settled in.

5. The provisions of the draft relating to POL supply are subject to variation in accordance with arrangements for installation of bulk storage at present being negotiated with Base "G" US Army.

6. In order to enable allotment of Camp Areas, and to allow the Instruction to be completed as applicable to each unit, it will be necessary for this HQ to hold copy of the OOB of Staging Troops, showing chain of command for all units.

7. Attached hereto as Appx "A" is a list of the headings of subject matters which it is proposed to deal with in the Disembarkation Instructions (referred to in para 1 of the draft Staging Instruction) which will be issued by Movement Control in conjunction with this HQ in accordance with para 7(f) of your Adm Instr No. 1.

5. The draft Instruction applies only to Staging Troops of 1 Aust Corps and not to Staging Area Troops. For the latter no standard instruction seems practicable, as the arrangements will necessarily vary according to the state of development of the Staging Area at the time of each individual unit's arrival.

(F.M.COSTELLO) Lt-Col,
Commander Staging Area 1,
HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF).

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APPX "A" TO
HQ STAGING AREA 1.
AQ/21 of 12 Dec 44.

HEADINGS OF SUBJECT MATTER FOR DISEMBARKATION INSTRUCTION UNDER [illegible] SECTION ESC AND INSTRUCTION NO. 1.

1. DOCUMENTATION:

Handed to ESO and disembarkation checked by Nah & Records Personnel.

2. TRANSPORT:

(a) Provision for transport of personnel and of officers' baggage to Transit Camp.

(b) Provision of transport for unit stores.

(c) Destinations for (a) and (b).

3. GUIDES AND SIGNPOSTS ON ROUTE TO TRANSIT CAMP.

4. REAR PARTIES for Picqueting and Checking of Unit Stores and vehicles.

5. UNIT VEHICLES:

LAD site, Petrol point at dock, destination.

6. MESSING: of rear party at dock.

7. MEDICAL:

Ambulances at dock for urgent evacuations.

8. PAY:

Immediate availability; currency and rate of exchange.

9. CANTEENS:

Supplies available in Transit Camp.

10. RATIONS:

Disposal of unconsumed Voyage and Landing Rations.

11. ESSENTIAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES. CONFIDENTIAL.

HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF).
Staging Area 1.

Date_____,

AQ/S1.

Subject: STAGING INSTRUCTIONS.

(Ref Map KOKEBAJOE RIVER Scale 1/30000:-
Attached hereto as Appx "A").

To (unit) _____

PART A- CAMPING ARRANGEMENTS. (TRANSIT CAMP).

1. Upon disembarkation of unit, under separate instructions already issued, movement to Transit Camp will be effected under arrangements of this HQ. An advance party consisting of QM (or officer acting as such), all unit cooks, with unit cooking gear (including stores and utensils), and all unit water duty men, will be despatched in the first lorry or lorries to the Transit Camp, located at map ref____.

2. Upon arrival at Transit Camp, O/C Adv Party will report to Camp Q.M.

3. Upon arrival of main body at Transit Camp it will be met by guides from that Camp to conduct it to allotted area. Attached as Appx "B" is a plan of the Transit Camp, showing Camp Installations, and the allotted area. Unit Comd or 2 i/c will report to Camp HQ immediately on arrival.

4. While in the Transit Camp, unit will be under command of this HQ for local administration and will comply with all instructions issued by Camp Comdt as the representative of this HQ.

5. The unit will make available for duty to the Camp Comdt, for the duration of its stay in the Transit Camp,

(a) all unit cooks.
(b) all unit sanitary and water duty men.
(c) general duties on the basis of 5% of unit strength.

6. The unit will stage in the Transit Camp until completion of unloading of unit stores and vehicles from ship. Unit stores (except as shown in para 7) will be transported by this HQ direct to ultimate unit camp site, where picquets (detailed for the purpose by unit) will be fed by hot box from Transit Camp. The checking and guarding of unit stores is entirely a unit responsibility.

7. Stores which would be liable to damage in the open will be sent, under unit supervision, to Transit Camp and not to ultimate camp. At Transit Camp they will be stored under cover allotted by Camp Comdt. The area of coverage allotted to your unit is sq ft.

8. It will be a unit responsibility to brief drivers of unit vehicles on the route from docks to Transit Camp. There vehicles will be parked in the area allotted for the purpose and shown on appx "B", and will be available for unit purposes.

9. (a) While unit is occupying Transit Camp, rations will be provided from Camp Q.M. store. Immediately on arrival in Transit Camp, unit will lodge at Camp HQ (for transmission to Camp Maintenance Area - vide para 15(a)), indents for rations to cover the first seven days of independent rationing under para 15(c) hereof.

(b) Unconsumed Landing Rations will be delivered to AASC at

ship's side, by unit rear party.

10. Under no circumstances will the unit remove any tentage or other camp stores from the Transit Camp. These stores will be required by other units of your formation on arrival, and again by your unit and others on departure from this area, and any deficiency in such stores will only cause inconvenience to you in the long run.

PART B - CAMPING ARRANGEMENTS - STAGING AREA.

11. Your staging Camp Site is situated at map reference___, and the area outlined in red on the attached map (appx "A") has been allotted to you. Unit will NOT occupy any area outside that so delineated.

12. HQ Transit Camp will make a vehicle available to unit for recce of Camp Site pending availability of unit transport, and will provide a guide to the site. Such transport will be co-ordinated with that for other units in the Transit Camp. Preparation of area is a unit responsibility, and may be proceeded with while in Transit Camp. HQ that camp will supply reasonable demands for transport for the purpose until unit vehicles are available. Time and method of movement of unit from Transit Camp to Staging Area will be notified later.

13. The Scale of Accommodation provided is as follows:-

(i) Kitchens (Food Preparation Rooms) on the scale of one per Inf Coy or equivalent unit.

(ii) Water Point.

(iii) Showers and Ablution points.

(iv) Deep Trench Latrines.

(v) Incinerators.

(vi) Water Storage where necessary.

14. (a) It is emphasised that the camps are NOT permanent but for Staging purposes only. Only the minimum of construction work will be undertaken, and engineer stores for further buildings etc will NOT be available except in exceptional circumstances. Any demands for such will be submitted to this HQ through your formation HQ.

(b) The unit is responsible through formation HQ to this HQ for the maintenance of its Camp. No removals of or structural alterations to camp facilities will be undertaken without prior written approval of this HQ. Additional buildings of bush or salvage materials may be erected by unit labour.

PART C - MAINTENANCE.

15. SUPPLIES.

(a) A Camp Maintenance Area has been established at map Ref___. From this depot you will draw all supplies of:-

(a) Rations.
(b) AASC expense stores.
(c) POL.

(b) All POL containers will be returnable and issues of these commodities will be made only on the return of such containers.

(c) After arrival of unit in Staging Area, indents for

rations subsequent to those covered by para 9 hereof, will be submitted in accordance with formation instructions.

16. ORDNANCE:

Ordnance Maintenance stocks are available at Camp Maintenance Area. Indents will be submitted through formation Ordnance representative.

17. ARMS:

(a) Repairs will be effected by Wksp units of your own Bde Gp etc., under instructions issued by your own formation. Work beyond their capacity will be evacuated to 2/2 Aust Inf Tps Wksp. A limited number of vehicles for replacement will be available in Ord Veh Pk situated at map ref____.

(b) Recovery will be made within Camp Areas under Bde etc. arrangements. Outside Camp Areas arrangements will be made by this HQ.

18. MEDICAL:

(a) Upon disembarkation initial supplies of atebrin are available from Transit Camp QM. Thereafter atebrin will be drawn with rations from Camp Maintenance Area.

(b) Normal formation arrangements for evacuation will obtain. Thence evacuation will be to 2/5 A.G.H. located at map ref___. Personnel will be discharged from Hospital to Details Depot located at Transit Camp referred to in para 1.

(c) Medical Stores will be available on demand from Adv Depot Med Stores located at map ref___.

(d) Malaria Control in Camp Areas will be the responsibility of unit Anti Malaria Squads under the direction of Malaria Control Units. The provisions of GRO A321/44 apply as for Malarious Areas.

19. HYGIENE: (a) CAMP.

(i) Water - only water that has been superchlorinated or boiled will be used for any purpose unless under Medical Authority.

(ii) Bathing - in rivers, pools, creeks, streams, lakes or harbours will not be permitted except in such places approved by a Medical Officer.

(iii) Clothing - boots, gaiters, trousers and shirts will be worn. Shirt sleeves may be rolled up after sunrise and until dusk. Shirts may be removed during heavy labour in daylight in open areas, on the authority of an officer.

(iv) Ablutions - showers will not be used after dusk or before sunrise, unless specially screened.

(b) CAMP HYGIENE.

(i) Strict attention will be paid to the cleanliness of all grease and soap traps and drains from kitchens, ablutions and shower points.

(ii) Latrine seats will be kept closed and inspected regularly to ensure that pits are fly proof.

(iii) Garbage - wet and dry - and empty tins must be thoroughly burned in incinerators and the incinerated refuse buried in pits constructed in camp areas. Each camp will detail necessary personnel to service these refuse pits. Tins are to be crushed before burial. Refuse pit for your area will be located at map ref___.

(iv) All food refuse and empty food tins must be protected from flies pending incineration.

(v) Food must be kept covered from flies at all times.

(vi) Exteriors of food tins will be cleaned before opening.

20. WATER:

The water point for your area is located at map ref___. From this point you will draw all water for all camp purposes. The water at this point has/has not already been chlorinated.

21. TRAFFIC CONTROL:

(a) Speed limits as already laid down for main roads and Docks, hospital and HQ areas are to be strictly adhered to. These are:-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (i) | Main Road | 30 mph for all wheeled trucks.<br>35 mph for all light vehicles. (Staff cars and Jeeps). |
| (ii) | Docks, Hosps and HQ Areas. | 15 mph. |
| (iii) | Restricted Areas | 15 mph or as imposed by local authority. |

(b) (i) As maintenance of Staging Troops is being carried out by this HQ in bulk, to Camp Maintenance Areas, there should be little need for your vehicles to use main highways.

(ii) Owing to traffic congestion and difficulty of maintaining roads, comds are to ensure that traffic is reduced to a minimum, especially during or after rain.

22. PAY:

The Pay office to service the ---- at map ref___.

23. DIV---

23. PROVOST:

Provost Control in Camp Areas is responsibility of formation. Outside Camp Areas it will be controlled by this HQ.

24. SALVAGE:

Unit Salvage material will be delivered to Camp Maintenance Area. Issues of salvage material will be made from Salvage Depot located at map ref___.

25. POSTAL:

(a) In Transit Camp:-

Outward mail may be lodged with Camp Postal Orderly - location shown on Appx "B". Inward mail (if any) will be sorted into unit lots and delivered from the same point.

(b) In Staging Area:-

(i) Inward mail will be sorted into Camp Lots at Base Post Office and delivered to Postal Det. in your Camp Maintenance Area, where it will be sorted into unit lots and delivered to unit Postal orderlies.

(ii) Outward mail will be delivered by units to Postal Det in Camp Maintenance Area.

26. CANTEENS:

A canteen issuing point is established in Camp Maintenance Area. The current rationed commodities are:-

These quantities are however dependent on availability of supplies and may be reduced.

PART D - ADMINISTRATION.

27. As from time of embarkation at mainland, Casualty Returns and Forms W3003 and W3009 will be rendered to No 1 Det 2 Aust Adv 2nd Echelon, in duplicate, instead of to the Echelon & Records Office formerly serving the unit. Additional copies (if any) required under existing formation instructions will continue to be rendered.

28. Any other returns required by this HQ will be notified to and submitted by unit through formation HQ.

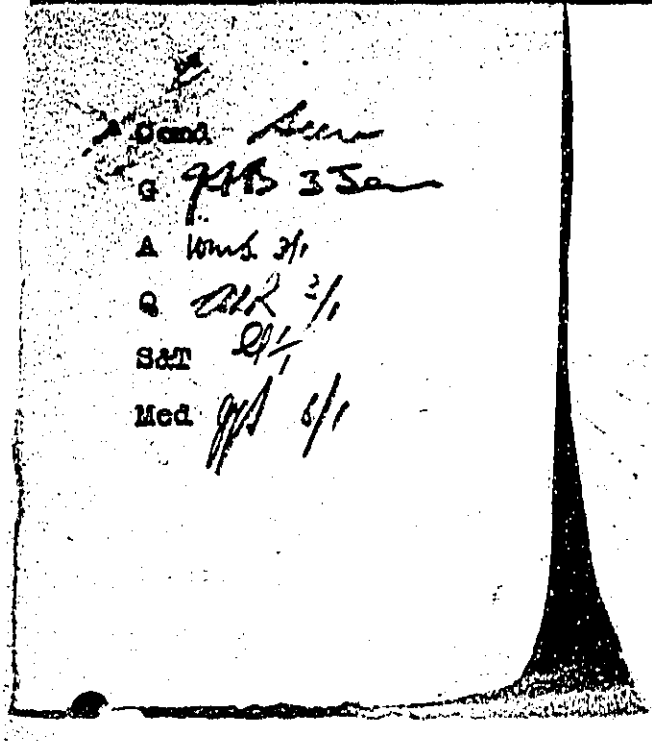
PART E- GENERAL.

29. This Staging Area HQ is located at map ref___. Normally unit approach to this HQ will be made only through your formation HQ.

30. Your own Bde etc HQ (viz.HQ___) is/will be located at map ref___. Until arrival of such HQ reference may be made direct to this HQ on matters of camp facilities and maintenance.

31. Allied HQ will be approached only through your own formation HQ. Attention is directed to GRO 0359/42.

(T.H.COSTELLO) Lt-Col.
Commander Staging Area.
HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF).


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HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
(Staging Area 2)
AQ/906

1 JAN 45.

Subject: Allocation of Areas for staging Australian Forces
NORTHERN IRELAND

Adv HEQ

1. Ref our AQ/906 of 26 DEC 44 as above to CG XI US Corps (Copy for Adv HEQ per hand of AQMG (Maint) Adv HEQ).

2. XI US Corps' answer of 30 DEC 44 (Copy forwarded to Adv HEQ under cover of our Q/906 of 31 DEC 44 "Report to 2359K 29 DEC 44) enlisted to confirm specifically arrangements for withdrawal of AA guns from hospital areas. In view of the expressed request of AQMG (Maint) Adv HEQ in this respect, XI US Corps was asked for confirmation. Copy of their reply is attached.

(H.A.MORRIS) Lt-Col
Comd Staging Area 2.

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HEADQUARTERS XI CORPS, c/o 31st Inf Div, APO 31, 1 January 1945.

To: Hq. Morotai Staging Area, Australian Imperial Force.

Under the present existing conditions it is confirmed that AA installations will be moved from the hospital areas prior to occupation. However, future conditions over which this headquarters has no control, may be such as to preclude the removal of these AA installations.

For the Commanding General:

Howard O. Roy
Lt. Col., GSC
Deputy Chief of Staff

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HEADQUARTERS XI CORPS, c/o 81st Inf Div, APO 81, 4 January 1945.

To: Hq. Morotai Staging Area, Australian Imperial Forces.

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Howard O. Roy
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# Australian Military Forces.

Please quote this Number when replying.

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*Address* 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
(No 2 Staging Area)

*Date* AQ/908.
4 Dec 44.

Subject: ALLOCATION OF AREAS.

CG.XI US Corps

1. Reference attached file, your attention is invited to paragraph 2 (c) of our letter as above of 28 Dec 44.

2. It would be appreciated if it could be confirmed that the anti-aircraft installations in the hospital areas will be removed before the hospitals are occupied.

Lt-Col.
(W.A.MORRIS)
Comd Staging Area 2.

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[redacted] 30 December 1944.

The Ag. Senior Staging Area, Australian Imperial Force.

Allocation of areas as outlined in basic correspondence and attached sketch is hereby confirmed with the exception that the area indicated as "Camp" area in the vicinity of the Salvation Army Canteen is not available to you. The area just North of that indicated by the word "Staging" marked on the east of the sketch plan will be the available substitute, as the building line between the Camp and Staging areas, is available.

For the Commanding General:

(Signed) [redacted]
Major, Judge,
Asst. Adjutant General.

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HQ MOROTAI STAGING AREA
Australian Imperial Force

AQ/908.

18 Dec 44.

CG XI US CORPS ✓

Copy to: ABV LHQ
CG 31 US DIV.

ALLOCATION OF AREAS FOR STAGING AUSTRALIAN FORCES - MOROTAI ISLAND.

1. Further to the conversation between CG XI US Corps and Comd 1 Aust Base Sub Area Staging Area 2 a reconnaissance has now been carried out, and areas discussed with HQ 31 US Div where they are effected.

2. As it is now desired to forward the matter to Advance Land H.Q. for their approval and to proceed with the survey of the areas concerned, confirmation of the arrangements made is requested. These are as follows:-

(a) Areas to be allotted to Australian Military Forces are being made available by the 31 Jan 45. These areas are shewn on overlay to HQ 13th Air Force's "Airdrome Troops and Facilities Location Map SW MOROTAI ISLAND" attached as Appendix "A".

(b) It is understood the availability of those portions of the Docks and Hospital Areas occupied by 33 US Div will depend on the withdrawal of the units concerned.

(c) The AA installations in the hospital areas will be removed before the hospitals are occupied and placed as far as possible therefrom.

3. The area required for staging East of the SARATAI River has NOT been included on the overlay. However it is understood that this area is available without any restriction.

Lt-Col.
(N.A.NORRIS)
Comd Staging Area 2.

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10 Dec 44

FWD ECH LHQ 'Q' ADM INSTRUCTION No 2.

(Issued in amplification of Fwd Ech LHQ S/472.0668/SD of 22 Nov 44 and 10 Dec 44)

RESERVE AND MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENTS FUTURE OPERATIONS - 1 AUST CORPS AND 1 AUST BASE SUB AREA

1. Adv LHQ 'Q' Adm Instr No 22 of 7 Oct 44 is cancelled and reserve and maintenance requirements for 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area are as follows:-

2. 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area will be divided into three groups as follows:-

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Group A | One Jungle Div<br>One Beach Gp<br>% Corps Tps<br>% Base Tps<br>Staging Rfts (1200) | approx | 34,000 |
| Group B | One Jungle Div<br>One Beach Gp<br>% Corps Tps<br>% Base Tps<br>Hospitalisation Tps (1216)<br>Staging Rfts (1200) | " | 35,000 |
| Group C | Balance of Corps Tps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area | " | 14,000 |
| | Total | " | 83,000 |

For details of units included, reference should be made to Fwd Ech LHQ S/472.0508/SD of 11 Nov 44 - Priority for Equipping, Concentration and Reinforcing AMF.

3. Composition of Supplies and Stores

Detailed composition required for Initial Maintenance, Reserves, and Normal Maintenance are as shown in Appx 'A' attached.

4. Assembly of Reserves and Maintenance

Schedule attached as Appx 'B' indicates details for assembly of reserves and maintenance.

5. MISCELLANEOUS

4 Gal Petrol Containers with Vehicles

In view of the comparatively small number of 4 gal Petrol Drums that are being taken to the far shore with maintenance and reserves, it will be necessary for the normal number of reserve petrol containers (4 gal) to be carried in each vehicle.

6. (a) Automatic shipments of normal maintenance for each group are required to continue until first demands for replacement of usage reach LHQ.

(b) It is desired that each shipload of automatic maintenance be balanced in all natures of supplies and stores.

(c) In this above connection and to facilitate shipping plan calculations, the following percentages have been estimated:

| Item | Initial | Staging | Normal |
|---|---|---|---|
| Amn | 10.1 | - | 10.3 |
| POL | 11.9 | 3.9 | 2.2 |
| Rations | 25.4 | 45.4 | 26.0 |
| Exp Stores | 2.1 | 3.7 | 2.2 |
| Ord Stores | 9.2 | 5.4 | 9.4 |
| Grenades | .3 | - | .3 |
| Engineer Stores | 33.0 | 14.8 | 33.7 |
| Med Stores | .6 | 1.0 | .6 |
| Mail | - | 5.9 | 3.4 |
| Canteen Stores | 5.9 | 10.1 | 6.1 |
| Beer & Spirits | - | 6.8 | 4.0 |
| Philanthropic & Sundries | 1.5 | 2.6 | 1.6 |
| Stationery | - | .4 | .2 |
| | 100 | 100 | 100 |

7. BASIS FOR CALCULATING MAINTENANCE AND RESERVE REQUIREMENTS.

The following is the basis on which Initial Maintenance, Reserves, Staging Maintenance and Reserves and Normal Maintenance tonnages have been calculated. Adv LEQ Staff and Logistic Tables have been used as the basic foundation for all calculations:

(a) Initial Maintenance is calculated on an overall figure of .44 tons (M) per man per 30 days for whole force. Only 10 days MT petrol (from AUSTRALIA) is included and such items as Distillate, Beer and Spirits, Mail and Stationery, have been deleted.

(b) Normal Maintenance and Reserves are calculated on an overall figure of .43 tons (M) per man per 30 days for the whole force. MT petrol and Distillate have been deleted, although an allowance has been made to include all lubricants and greases.

(c) Staging Maintenance and Reserves are calculated on an overall figure of .26 tons (M) per man per 30 days for the whole force. The following alterations to normal scalings have been made:-

(i) Amn - nil required
(ii) MT petrol - nil required
(iii) Distillate - nil required
(iv) Oils and Lubricants - estimated requirement is 6% of estimated daily consumption of POL and Distillate
(v) Ord Stores - ½ normal scaling
(vi) Engineer Stores - ¼ normal scaling.

To this will have to be added 500 tons (M) of training ammo, which, it has been estimated, will cover the training requirements of I Aust Corps and I Aust Base Sub Area whilst staging.

8. Acknowledge.

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APPENDIX 'A' to Fwd Ech LHQ
'Q' Adm Instruction No. of
10 Dec 44

## COMPOSITION OF RESERVES AND MAINTENANCE

1. Initial Maintenance, reserves and normal maintenance will be made up as follows:-

2. S.T

(a) Initial Maintenance

| | | Group A | Group B |
|---|---|---|---|
| 02 Rations | days | 5 | 5 |
| ABL6 Rations | days | 10 | 10 |
| Medical Landing Rations | No | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| A3 Ration | No | 34,000 | 34,000 |
| A3 Rations for issue to personnel before embarkation | No | 34,000 | 35,000 |
| Chocolate D Ration | No | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Landing Craft Ration | No | 32,000 | 34,000 |
| Solid Fuel | No | 200,000 | 200,000 |
| Cigarette tobacco, Papers & Matches | days | 30 | 30 |
| SWPA Rations (incl Biscuits) | days | 15 | 15 |
| Bread Making materials | days | 15 | 15 |
| Expense and Anti-Malarial Stores (Expense Stores will also include Razor Blades) | days | 30 | 30 |
| Hospital Supplies(based on 7½% of strength) | days | 30 | 30 |
| POL - MT Petrol | | | |
| 4 gall drums | days | 10 | 10 |
| Oils Lubricants and Greases in small packages | days | 30 | 30 |

(b) Reserves

| To be prepared into lots of 60 days for each of groups A to C | | Group A | Group B | Group C |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SWPA rations (incl bread making materials without biscuits) | days | 54 | 54 | 57 |
| Biscuits | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| 02 Ration | No | 34,000 | 34,000 | 14,000 |
| ABL6 Ration | days | 6 | 6 | 3 |
| A3 Ration | No | 30,000 | 30,000 | 15,000 |
| Landing Craft Ration | No | 15,000 | 15,000 | - |
| Solid Fuel | No | 100,000 | 100,000 | 30,000 |
| Cigarette, Tobacco Papers and Matches based on 8000 fwd tps. | days | 60 | 60 | - |
| Coke - based on 50,000 lbs bread per day | days | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| Cornsacks | No | 33,000 | 33,000 | 33,000 |
| Expense and Anti-Malarial Stores | days | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| Hospital Supplies based on 7½% of Strength | days | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| Sandbags | No | - | - | 40,000 |
| Oils Lubricants & Greases | days | 60 | 60 | 60 |

(c) Normal Maintenance per 30 days

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| SWPA Rations (bread making materials without biscuits) | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| Coke - based on 50000 lbs bread per day | days | 30 | 30 | 30. |
| Expense and Anti-Malarial Stores | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| Hospital Supplies based on 7½% of strength | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| Sandbags | No. | - | - | 20,000. |
| POL - Oils, Lubricants and Greases | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |

(d) Toilet soaps will be included in both maintenance and reserves to ensure an issue of one cake of soap per man per two weeks.

3. Ordnance

(a) Initial Maintenance

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ord Stores | days | 30 | 30 | - |
| Ammunition | days | 30(I) | 30(I) | - |
| Depot Equipment | tons | As required - particulars and tonnages to be advised by DDOS Adv LHQ. | | |

Special Scaling Requirements for Artillery Equipments.

3.7 AA Equipments

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| HE | RPGPD | 17.5 | 17.5 | - |
| Shrap | " | 2.5 | 2.5 | - |
| AP | " | 2.0 | 2.0 | - |

40 mm Equipments

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| HE | " | 20 | 20 | - |
| AP | " | 2 | 2 | - |

(b) Reserves

To be assembled in (2), two lots of (30) thirty days for each Group. A - C.

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ord Stores | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| (i) Ammunition | days | 30(I) | 30(I) | 30 (I) |
| (ii) Ammunition | days | 30(M) | 30(M) | 30 (M) |
| (iii) Special scaling requirement for artillery equipment res amn for first 30 days | | | | |
| 3.7 AA Equipments | | | | |
| HE | RPGPD | 17.5 | 17.5 | 17.5 |
| Shrap | " | 2.5 | 2.5 | 2.5 |
| AP | " | 2.0 | 2.0 | 2.0 |

40 mm Equipment

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| HE | RPGPD | 20 | 20 | 20 |
| AP | " | 2 | 2 | 2 |

(a) Normal Maintenance

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Ord Stores | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| Ammunition | " | 30(I) | 30(I) | 30(I) |

NB: (I) Intense
(M) Moderate

Approximately 8000 tons (M) of the res amn will be loaded at SYDNEY prior to the commencement of operations to form a floating res for the force, and forms part of the 60 days force res. To include balanced proportions of all natures of amn for units in Div Task Forces.

4. Engineers

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) Initial Maintenance | days | 30 | 30 | |
| (b) Reserve | " | | 60 | |
| (c) Normal Maintenance | " | | 30 | |
| (d) Additional Stores for Basc construction | tons | 8500 | | |

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5. Medical

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) Initial Maintenance | days | 30 | 30 | - |
| (b) Reserves to be assemled in lots of 60 (sixty) days for each of Groups A - C | " | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| (c) Normal Maintenance | " | 30 | 30 | 30 |

6. Canteens (Stores, Beer and Spirits)

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) Initial Maintenance (less beer & spirits) | days | 30 | 30 | - |
| (b) Reserves to be assembled in (3) three lots of (60) sixty days for Groups A - C | days | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| Depot Equipment | As required - particulars and tonnage to be advised by AACS. | | | |
| (c) Normal Maintenance | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |

7. Stationery

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) Initial Maintenance (to be taken by units) | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |
| (b) Reserves - to be assembled in lots of (60) sixty days for each of Groups A - C | days | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| (c) Normal Maintenance | " | 30 | 30 | 30 |

8. MISCELLANEOUS

| | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) Initial Maintenance (special scalings) | days | 30 | 30 | - |

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| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| (b) | Reserves - to be assembled in lots of (60) sixty days for each of Groups A - C | days | 60 | 60 | 60 |
| (c) | Normal Maintenance | days | 30 | 30 | 30 |

Miscellaneous will include -

Amenities
ACF
Red Cross
YMCA
Salvation Army
YWCA etc.

Appendix "B" to
Fwd Sch LHQ G Adm
Instruction No. 2
of 10 Dec 44.
(2 pages) Page 1.

## ASSEMBLY OF RESERVES AND MAINTENANCE

| Serial | Type of Maintenance | Days | Groups | Date of Assembly | Port of Assembly | Port of Unloading | Tons(M) | Code Marking if any | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) | (i) | (j) |
| 1 | Staging Maintenance | 40 | A | 15 Jan 45 | SYDNEY | HOLLANDIA | 11,785 | S 1 | Dependent upon the period that tps remain in staging areas, additional staging maintenance may be required |
| 2 | Staging Maintenance | 40 | B | 15 Jan 45 | SYDNEY | MOROTAI | 12,133 | S 2 | |
| 3 | Staging Reserves | 15 | A | 15 Jan 45 | SYDNEY | HOLLANDIA | 4,420 | S 1 | |
| 4 | Staging Reserves | 15 | B | 15 Jan 45 | SYDNEY | MOROTAI | 4,550 | S 2 | |
| 5 | Initial Maintenance | 30 | A | 15 Jan 45 | TOWNSVILLE CAIRNS and/or | HOLLANDIA | 14,960 | - | Weight of any one item not to exceed 3 tons (DW) |
| 6 | Initial Maintenance | 30 | B | 15 Jan 45 | BRISBANE | MOROTAI | 15,400 | - | |
| 7 | Engineer Stores | - | A | 15 Jan 45 | BRISBANE | HOLLANDIA | 4,500 | - | Required for construction of staging areas and are in addition to all Engr Stores included in above reserve and maintenance figures |
| 8 | Engineer Stores | - | B | 15 Jan 45 | BRISBANE | MOROTAI | 5,000 | - | |
| 9 | Engineer Stores | - | - | 15 Jan 45 | SYDNEY NEWCASTLE BRISBANE | - | 8,500 | | Additional engr stores required for base construction in operational area. Required to be shipped concurrently |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) | (h) | (i) | (j) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 10 | Engineer Stores | - | A | 15 Jan 45 | TOWNSVILLE or CAIRNS and BRISBANE do plus | - | 1,800 | 2605 | with first normal maintenance shipment. Tonnage required over and above normal tonnage allowed for in Initial Maintenance Figures. |
| 11 | Engineer Stores | - | B | 15 Jan 45 | SYDNEY and NEWCASTLE | | 6,100 | 1800 | |
| 12 | Reserves | 60 | A,B&C | 15 Feb 45 | SYDNEY | - | 71,380 | - | |
| 13 | Normal Maintenance | 30 | A,B&C | 15 Mar 45 | SYDNEY | - | 35,690 | - | |

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Comd (Sec) ALLIED LAND FORCES (21)
G 9 & 4 Sec SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA
AQ GHQ 4/1
ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS
2 Dec 44.

Dear Dick,

1. Lt Col Ballard – & U.S. Army now think that he was referring to the K.R.R.E. – Sorry that it has arisen.

2. Mail – Blamire phone Lind' our postal Sgt. I suggest you tie him in closely with the mail experts on 3rd Div.

3. Early move of Fd Coy & ME Coy – We are trying to arrange shipping – Can't predict what will result.

4. Cable Drawing Board – Blamire – Can't get a T square but have enclosed a couple of set squares – Hope they help. Have asked Melbourne for T Square for us.

5. Balance of Cable sent. and your Engr. items – Tedious to go on "MINNIE FISK" – No ETD available yet but is in port waiting to load – Can I send any part by air?

ALLIED LAND FORCES
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS

6. Canteen Stores — Have consignment to go on above vessel. But am sending herewith some hard soap.

7. Secombe away for a few days so his appreciation of staging scheme delayed. However I do not anticipate any change.

8. Send us an Engineer programme as soon as you can with the work involved and recommended order of priority

9. There is no intention of the R.A.A.F. undertaking the supply of RAAF formations in MORATAI ~~at present~~ under command of 13 USAAF. We have not the facilities to carry it out for our Theirs.

10. I will get the S&T to send your DADST the estimated POL & RADE expenditures for staging and general matters of POL supply.

11. Am waiting for your proposed grouping of units in Ontari. However this H.Q. approves in Ontari.

Thanks again for a most enjoyable stay

Yours Sincerely

P.S. We have a supply of spare shipping & Flying Clothing available. Will send one by air if desired

ALLIED LAND FORCES
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS

6. Canteen Stores — Have consignment to go on above vessel. But am sending herewith some here on washing soaps.

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11. Am waiting for your proposed groupings of units in detail. However this H.Q. approves in detail.

Thanks again for a most enjoyable stay

Yours Sincerely

P.S. We have some of your shipping here and am holding it awaiting your arrival by air

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HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
(Staging Area No 2)

G/908.

31 Dec 44.

ADV LHQ.

Copy to: HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area
(Staging Area No 1)

ARRANGEMENTS FOR STAGING 1 AUST CORPS
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REPORT TO 2459 I 29 DEC 44.

1. AQMG (Maint) Adv LHQ visited Staging Area No 2 27 - 30 Dec 44.

2. ALLOTMENT OF STAGING AREAS:

(a) Staging Area No 2 letter G/908 of 23 Dec 44 addressed to Adv LHQ was discussed with AQMG (Maint).

(b) Comd and AQMG (Maint) visited XI US Corps and 31 US Div and discussed the arrangements as set out in the above-mentioned letter.

The principal matters of discussion were:-

(i) Areas generally. All confirmed excepting Transit Area. This is being reserved by US Forces to cover any eventuality if 31 US Div are required to concentrate preparatory to leaving the area.

(ii) Removal of AA guns from Hospital Area. AC of S XI US Corps confirmed that CG had stated guns would be removed. It had been learnt that AA guns were under operational control of US Air Corps so request was made for XI US Corps to obtain agreement of Air Corps to this arrangement.

(c) Staging Area No 2 letter AQ/908 of 28 Dec was addressed to XI US Corps with copies to Adv LHQ (fwded safe hand with AQMG) and 31 US Div. Copy of XI US Corps letter of 30 Dec in reply is attached.
It will be noted that no confirmation has been given regarding moving AA guns, though verbal answer was received from AC of S XI US Corps that US Air Corps had agreed to move them subject to operational requirements when construction of hospitals commenced.

(d) General recce of areas were carried out on 28 Dec and recce to SABATAI River EAST area on 29 Dec 44.
SABATAI River EAST is suitable for staging purposes, the area being planted with cocoanuts and runs back 800 yds minimum from the beach on coral spurs.

There will be difficulty in bridging SABATAI River and the next stream EAST but Engrs advise these two projects could be completed by D à 8.

Arrangements have been made with 31 US Div for the provision of Landing Craft for transporting Engr equipment beyond these points, so that commencement of construction in Staging Area can be made at the same time as bridges are being built.

(c) Ref our G/908 of 23 Dec para 4 sub-para (b) AQMG (Maint) authorised Armd Regt Gp being located in an area near the wharves. An extension of Docks Area was obtained from XI US Corps and AQMG has approved of site.

3. LAYOUT OF DEPOTS:

Discussed with AQMG (Maint) who advised that layouts of Depots given by Services at Adv LHQ to Engrs were for guidance only and that changes could be made if circumstances warranted and under advice to Adv LHQ.

4. ENGRS:

(a) 1 Offr and 1 NCO 1 Aust CRE (Recs) arrived MOROTAI 27 Dec 44.

(b) It is understood that consideration is being given to calling forward one Aust Mech Equpt Coy and one Aust Fd Coy RAE to arrive at MOROTAI some days before the Staging Area troops reach here.

It is strongly recommended that very favourable consideration be given to the above as the construction of roads etc., in Staging Maintenance Areas could be proceeded with, greatly facilitating reception of stores. In addition construction could be commenced on hospital roads and road from finish of present road WEST of perimeter to the SABATAI River.

The Engr Coy could proceed with coverage for Maintenance Area and construction of two bridges required for opening up SABATAI River EAST Area.

5. ADM INSTR FOR RECEPTION OF STAGING TROOPS:

This was discussed with AQMG (Maint) and copies forwarded to Adv LHQ in his care. Our AQ/908 (b) of 29 Dec 44 refers. Letter received from CG XI US Corps ref natives etc., is enclosed and it is proposed to incorporate this in instruction.

6. FWD ECH LHQ ADM INSTR No 2 OF 10 DEC 44:

Copy of above received from AQMG (Maint) 27 Dec 44. No copy previously received.

7. CHANNELS OF COMMUNICATIONS:

As instructed by AQMG (Maint) no correspondence except matters concerning personnel promotions, etc., will be addressed to 1 Aust Base Sub Area.

Two copies of correspondence likely to be of interest to 1 Aust Base Sub Area will be forwarded to Adv LHQ one copy could be forwarded to 1 Aust Base Sub Area if considered necessary.

It has been the practice to forward copies of correspondence regarding Staging matters generally to Staging Area No 1 and this is being continued.

8. OPERATIONS:

(a) AIR - 4 raids and 18 alerts for period. There being 4 alerts on night 26/27 Dec 44.

(b) US operations against enemy on MOROTAI are proceeding.

9. [illegible]

(a) HQ 7th Div has requested estimate of POL requirements discussed with ADOS who advised estimates already submitted by Adv LHQ. HQ 7th Div were informed accordingly.

10. TRANSPORT:

The lack of transport is hampering troops and operations generally. Could movement of the two jeeps for staging Area 2 and two jeeps for 1 Aust CCS (Bn) be expedited please.

11. GENERAL:

(a) MAIL (i) Issue of beer was arranged through RAAF.
(ii) Three bullocks received from 9 Div Cl.
(iii) Five ducks from Adv LHQ.

(b) All troops were given a Rest Day the first since arrival at KOKODA.

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([illegible])
Comdt No 2 Staging Area.

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2 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
(No 2 Staging Area)
AQ/306.
3/Dec 44.

Subject: ALLOCATION OF AREAS.

CE XX US Corps

1. Reference attached file, your attention is invited to paragraph 2 (c) of our letter as above of 28 Dec 44.

2. It would be appreciated if it could be confirmed that the anti-aircraft installations in the hospital areas will be removed before the hospitals are occupied.

Lt-Col.
(W.A.MORRIS)
Comd Staging Area 2.

SECRET (17)

1st Ind.

HEADQUARTERS XI CORPS, c/o 31st Inf Div, APO 31, 30 December 1944.

To: Hq. Morotai Staging Area, Australian Imperial Force.

Allocation of areas as outlined in basic communication and attached sketch is hereby confirmed with the exception that the area indicated as "transit" area in the vicinity of the Sabatai River, cannot be made available to you. The area just north of that indicated by the word "Staging", bounded on the east by the Sabatai River and on the west by the northward extension of the dividing line between the transit and staging areas, is available.

For the Commanding General:

J. B. Harvey
Major, A.G.D.
Asst. Adjutant General

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ALLIED LAND FORCES
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

Advanced Headquarters
AQ/012.7/Q

27 Dec 44

Amendment No 2 to Forward Echelon LHQ Adm Instr No 1 of 1 Dec 44

Reception and Staging of 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area at HOLLANDIA and MOROTAI

Forward Echelon LHQ Adm Instr No 1 of 1 Dec 44 is amended as follows:-

1. Para 5 (b)

delete all words after sub sub para (vi).

2. Para 5 (d)

after "Scale of Accommodation" and before "is" insert "for all units".

3. Para 14

before "water points" insert "(a)".
for "camp" substitute "unit".
Add new sub para (b) as follows:-
"Priorities for establishment of water points will be as under:-

(i) One water point to be provided for each Bde etc Gp and Hospital area.

(ii) Further reticulation of Hospital area as required by ADMS Adv LHQ.

(iii) One water point to be provided for each unit (excluding Hospital area which is covered in (ii) above".

Ack.

Signed at 272:001

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DA & QMG

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Adm Instr No. 1 amended 31 Dec 44 hf
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HQ MOROTAI STAGING AREA
Australian Imperial Force

AQ/SCS.

28 Dec 44.

CG XI US CORPS

Copy to: ANF LHQ
CG 31 US DIV.

ALLOCATION OF AREAS FOR STAGING AUSTRALIAN FORCES - MOROTAI ISLAND.

1. Further to the conversation between CG XI US Corps and Comd 1 Aust Base Sub Area Staging Area 2 a reconnaissance has now been carried out, and areas discussed with HQ 31 US Div where they are effected.

2. As it is now desired to forward the matter to Advance Land H.Q. for their approval and to proceed with the survey of the areas concerned, confirmation of the arrangements made is requested. These are as follows:-

(a) Areas to be allotted to Australian Military Forces are being made available by the 31 Jan 45. These areas are shown on overlay to HQ 13th Air Force's "Airdrome Troops and Facilities Location Map SW MOROTAI ISLAND" attached as Appendix "A".

(b) It is understood the availability of those portions of the Docks and Hospital Areas occupied by 33 US Div will depend on the withdrawal of the units concerned.

(c) The AA installations in the hospital areas will be removed before the hospitals are occupied and placed as far as possible therefrom.

3. The area required for staging East of the SABATAI River has NOT been included on the overlay. However it is understood that this area is available without any restriction.

Lt-Col.
(H.A.MORRIS)
Comd Staging Area 2.

File

COMMAND AND TROOP MOVEMENTS

(a) CG XI US Corps arrived at MORETAI 18 DEC 44 to take Comd of all troops in the area.

(b) Movement into the area by 33 US Div is now completed.

(c) Copy of signal from 8 US Army to 31 US Div was received on 20 DEC 44 and reads as follows :-

"GS 296 (.) 101915 DEC (.) this is correction to QUEAD XXXX 04295(.) ANZ STAGING AREA TROOPS LEAVE ANZ 15 JAN AND REMAINDER 1 ANZ CORPS ABOUT 1 FEB"

STAGING AREA

Attention is invited to Staging Area 2 letter G/903 of 17 DEC 44 para 3. On arrival CG XI US Corps arrangements were made for Comd Staging Area 2 to call on Maj-Gen HALL and discuss arrangements and areas for staging. The following matters were discussed and arrangements made :-

(a) Movement of US Formations

(i) Movement out of XI US Corps and 33 US Div should be completed by the end of JAN 45, then making available areas previously allotted for occupation by Anzac troops. During its stay on MORETAI 33 US Div would be carrying out operations against the enemy in the island.

(ii) A list of US Units moving out has been obtained and the CG has given approval for recce of the areas to be carried out prior to their vacation. A conducting officer will be allotted from 31 US Div for purpose of escorting the recce party around those units concerned.

(b) Hospital Area

(i) Maj-Gen HALL agreed that the only possible location for hospitals was in the Peninsula area. He would ensure that one hospital site would be made available on arrival of our Staging Area troops. Other hospital sites would be provided as required.

(ii) It was considered that AA Guns could be removed from the actual hospital areas, but it would still be necessary for them to be emplaced on the Peninsula.

(c) Rest Area

The availability of this area is dependent on date of movement of US Units. The area at present allotted to this HQ is estimated to hold 600 to 700 troops and is being cleared with our own labour.

(d) Staging Maintenance Area

US Ammunition Dump has encroached slightly on this area, but other ground on the outskirts of the area should be available upon movement of US Units.

(e) Anzac Forces would conform to existing US Regulations regarding speed limits, etc.

TRANSIT AREA SABATAI RIVER WEST

Some doubt exists as to whether this area is required by US Forces. It is considered that by the end of JAN 45 there will be no likelihood of this, and plans will therefore be prepared for this area. Preliminary recce has been carried out.

STAGING AREA SABATAI RIVER EAST

(a) Definitely allotted. No recce yet carried out as US Forces are now patrolling on both sides of the SABATAI and it was decided to wait until these patrols had begun to make their presence felt.

(b) Some concern is felt as to whether the roads will stand up to tank traffic if the Asal Regt is put beyond the perimeter. The load capacity of bridges will also have to be considered.

(c) Small Corps and Base Units are being grouped tentatively for economy of accomodation within their camp areas.

[redacted] AREA

A preliminary recce revealed that cover lies close to the surface over a large part of the area. It was weather the area will be very muddy, with the possibility that some places will need to be corduroyed. However it is considered that vehicles should be able to get through at all times.

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SECRET

HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
(Staging Area No 2)

G/908

ADV HQ

Copy to : HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
(Staging Area No 1)

[redacted]

1. [redacted]

(a) CO AI DS Corps arrived at KOKODA 18 Dec 44 to take cont of all troops in the area.

(b) Movement into the area by 33 DS Div is now completed.

(c) Copy of signal from G DS Army to 3 DS Div was received on 20 Dec 44 and reads as follows :-

"GENAD (A) 101243 Dec (A) this is correction to GENAD CAIRO CAIRO (A) After staging area two leave ADEC 15 Jan and remainder 1 Aust Corps about 1 Feb"

2. [redacted]

Attention is invited to Staging Area 2 letter G/908 of 17 Dec 44 para 3 in context CO AI DS Corps arrangements were made for Coast Staging Area 2 to call on major Unit and discuss arrangements and areas for staging. The following matters were discussed and arrangements made :-

(a) [redacted]

(i) Movement out of AI DS Corps and 33 DS Div should be completed by the end of Jan 45, thus making available areas previously allotted for occupation by Aust troops. During the stay on KOKODA 33 DS Div would be carrying out operations against the enemy in the island.

(ii) A list of the units moving out has been obtained and the CO has given approval for recces of the areas to be carried out prior to their vacation. A conducting officer will be allotted from 33 DS Div for purpose of escorting the recce party around these units concerned

(b) [redacted]

(i) Major-Gen HALL agreed that the only possible location for hospitals was in the Peninsular area. He would accept that one hospital site would be made available on arrival of our staging area troops. Other hospital sites would be provided as required.

(ii) It was considered that AA guns could be removed from the general hospital areas but it would still be necessary for them to be sighted on the Peninsular.

(c) [redacted]

The availability of this area is dependent on date of movement of DS troops. The area at present allotted to this HQ is estimated to hold 600 to 700 troops and is being cleared with our own labour.

(d) [redacted]

US Authorities consider extended slightly on this area but other ground on the outskirts of the area should be available upon request of US units.

(e) Any factor which conflicts the existing US regulations regarding speed limits, etc.

3. [redacted]

Some doubt exists as to whether this area is required by US Forces. It is considered that by the end of June all these will be no longer of use and plans will therefore be prepared for this area. However nothing more has been carried out.

4. [redacted]

(a) Definitely objected. No reason for control set as US forces are now patrolling on both sides of the RAVENA and it was stated it was hoped later periods had been to make this decision null.

(b) Some concern is felt as to whether the result will extend up to back towards if the ARMA Road is just beyond the Perimeter. The land capacity of Bridges will also have to be considered.

(c) Small Camps and Free Units are being grouped tactically for economy of accommodation within their camp areas.

5. [redacted]

A preliminary recce revealed that canal line close to the surface over a large part of the area. It was thought the area will be very muddy with the possibility that some places will need to be metalled. However it is considered that vehicles should be able to get through at all times.

6. [redacted]

(a) Light has been used for penetration of the Perimeter. The last operation was on the night of 19-20 Jan when one ship was shot. It was found to be necessary a good searchlight dazzling effect, as the AA Battalion stated, Control over unit personnel better.

(b) It is the author there is no danger of enemy penetration to the Perimeter area.

(c) Construction of mains, bridges and buildings outside the perimeter definitely assist the security night and this will be borne in mind on the submission thereof.

(d) There were air raids during the period of this report. All lights fell on air attacks are also one out. No instances have been taken which this light.

7. [redacted]

It is the here noted the question of posting sentry there to obtain maximum efficiency in the area. And interest that all our personnel would be utilized to assist the best results to the Allied war effort, but the question of allocation of units to it or not duty personnel also the extent of such would be a matter for higher direction. Could add the indicate the policy to be followed please.

8. [redacted]

Advice has been received that 1 and one 'Ship) has sailed at [redacted]. At this time it is hoped here will arrive [redacted] should be expedited please.

9. [redacted]

A telephone has now been installed at this HQ and HQ 1SIG is calling twice daily.

10. [redacted]

Some supplies have been obtained through RAAF. HQ 2T has practically no stocks at present. New supplies are now being discharged and should be available in a few days.

11. [redacted]

No allocation has been made of buildings for Comforts Fund use in Hollandia Area. It would be appreciated if advice of any arrangement in this regard could be given.

12. [redacted]

This is now in course of preparation.

13. [redacted]

Pursuant with HQ AAA Instruction of 1 Dec 44 (para 2 (f) ) requirement some indication must be passed by service personnel as to whether accepting such gifts. It is noted that the end of Corps troops and 1 Aust Base HQ Area troops with the following exceptions, unless no provision for such personnel.

(a) Corps troops
- 1 FD & Aust Amph Sup Coy AASC
- Det 1 Aust Corps Postal Unit

(b) 1 Aust Base Sub Area Tps
- Det 17 Aust ASD
- Det 10 Aust Cdo Tpt Pln

It is requested that this HQ be advised please whether provision can be made to enable the above requirements to be fulfilled.

14. [redacted]

Working conditions during the period of this report have been satisfactory. Both Regt and Sect have maintained good work tasks. Local and truck utilities are very busy and diligently

Alan AA.-Gen.,

([illegible])
[redacted]

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# MESSAGE FORM (13)

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FROM (A) Originator: 1 Aust Base Sub Area | Date—Time of Origin: 171959K

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For Action

① 1 Aust Corps

TO

(w) For Information (INFO.)

② No 1 Det HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area

③ No 2 Det HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area

Message Instructions—GR—

ORIGINATOR'S No. O 411 SECRET ref para 2 (f) Fwd Ech LHQ S 472.01 SD of 11 Nov subject terms and definitions future ops O Presume two dets from HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area mentioned Fwd Ech LHQ S 472.012 SD of 11 Nov subject staging arrangements will now be designated HQ HOLLANDIA Staging Area and HQ MOROTAI Staging Area respectively for all official correspondence O Request advice whether these same designations are to be used by personnel of the two det HQ on their private correspondence

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except _____ } Wireless

Signed

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Signed Major

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HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
(Staging Area No. 2)

G/308.

17 Dec 44.

ADV HQ:

Copy to: HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF)
(Staging Area No.1)

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[redacted]

1. ARRIVAL ENGLAND.

(a). Ocmt reported to HQ Fwd Sub HQ on 30 Nov 44 for orders. Requested letter of introduction to 31 US Div.

(b). Fwd Sub HQ Adm Instn No.1 received on 2 Dec 44 also letter of introduction from 8 US Army to CO 31 US Div.

(c). Following verbal instns were received:-

(i) Detailed recce to be carried out on arrival in conjunction with 1 Aust CMH Wksho, Lt Col [redacted], and two representatives of "Q" Branch at Fwd Sub HQ, for the purpose of locating staging area, dumps, Etc.

(ii) Tracec of camp area and accn therein to be submitted to Fwd Sub HQ.

(iii) Detailed plan for reception and disembarkation of troops to be submitted.

(iv) Fwd Sub HQ require a weekly progress report.

(v) Closest possible liaison to be maintained with US forces on BOURTAL.

(vi) Troops to wear Australian issue uniforms only. Smartness of turnout to be emphasised. Desired generally to create a favourable impression with our allies by the soldierly bearing and conduct of our troops.

(d). Cond contacted Service Type at Fed Sch LHQ. QXX contacted GS (ops) and GS (Air).

(e). Under instns from Fed Sch LHQ 6 Guns 25Pr Guns, 6000 rounds amn and two watches GS were transferred to this HQ by 25 Aust L of C Sigs. The Guns were NOT Tropic proofed.

2. ARRIVAL MORTAR.

(a). Cond called on CG 31 US Div at 1000 hours 14 Dec 44 and presented letter of introduction. He was informed that 33 US Div was moving into this Area. CG 33 US Div, being Senior Officer, would take over Cond of the area.

(b). Lt Col WESTLUND 2 Aust CMH (Mm) was contacted and discussed with the Cond present position. This is very obscure as yet.

(c). 31 US Div was requested to arrange an appointment with CG 33 US Div on 15 Dec 44.

3. STAGING AREAS.

Cond and Lt Col WESTLUND attended conference of CG 33 US Div and staff on 15 Dec 44 and discussed the following matters:-

(a) Areas required for staging and hospitalisation purposes were indicated on the map. CG 33 US Div advised that it would be necessary for troops of his command to utilise part of the areas allotted for hospitalisation and depots. The exact area required could NOT then be indicated. The areas for Staging Area Saint and staging troops appeared to be in order.

(b) It was arranged that a list would be prepared showing the US Units moving from the Area, and a plan of areas required by 33 US Div, to enable exact position to be ascertained.

(c) Considerable doubt exists as to the exact role of 35 US Div and in view of the conversation between Col "Q" ADV HQ and Comd Staging Area No. 2 it was decided to adopt the above plan pending clarification of the position by higher authority.

(d) Detailed recces of areas definitely allotted will be commenced on 13 Dec 44.

4. Comd called on AOC 1 Sectional Task Force RAAF and the Port Director. Asst Loc with RAAF and FT Base were also contacted.

5. Execution of Staging Area Tasks:

(a) It is proposed if possible to arrange for all staging area units to proceed to their permanent camp sites on arrival NADZAB.

(b) The maximum amount of preparation will be carried out, but the small number of troops now available restricts the scale to which this can be effected.

(c) In view of the scarcity of water trucks and transport generally, vide para 6 below, it is recommended that 1 Asst Tpt Pl with vehicles be moved on the first vessel to arrive at NADZAB. X

6. TRANSPORT:

(a) Transport represents a problem at the moment. This has been temporarily overcome by assistance from 71 US Div, also the early permanent loan of a 2½-ton GS vehicle from RAAF.

(b) Delays are occurring on wharves due to lack of transport.

(c) Trucks water are very scarce and RAAF have been forced to take water vehicles from the Air Strips to carry water for their camps.

(d) The water for this FU is obtained in 4-gal drums carried in jeeps. This restricts the use of the jeeps for general use.

(e) In view of the above circumstances it is requested that two trailers jeep and one water trailer 400-gal be shipped with the remaining two jeeps for this Un X

7. [redacted]

(a) Report by RSD this HQ attached.

(b) It is understood that no further US Hospital will be coming into the area, which may result in difficulty in hospitalisation of staging area troops until Aust Gen Hosp established.

8. [redacted]

Rations and POL are being obtained from US QM as arranged by Fwd Sch HQ. Cigarettes are included in the issue.

9. [redacted]

(a) Arrangements have been made with RAAF for drawing limited canteen supplies. It is understood that further supplies will be available by the end of December.

(b) Contact is being established also with US PX.

10. [redacted]

Cash offices RAAF are prepared to make pay facilities available. In view of the small number of Aust troops involved, this offer has been accepted.

[redacted]

(K.A. [redacted])
Camp Staging Area 2.

[redacted]

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To CG Eight Army FWD

CG 31 Div

From CG Eight Army Rear

This is correction to OURAD CITE GA295.
AUST STAGING AREA TROOPS LEAVE AUST 15 JAN AND REMAINDER 1 AUST CORPS ABOUT 1 FEB.

Coord Plan 21 Dec
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ALLIED LAND FORCES (10)
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS
Forward Echelon
S/472.012/2

9 Dec 44

Subject : Staging Instructions - I Aust Corps
Ref : Fwd Ech LHQ Adm Instn No 1 of 1 Dec 44

HQ HOLLANDIA Staging Area
HQ HOROTAI Staging Area

1. It is desired that each HQ of a Staging Area prepare immediately a standard instruction for staging for their respective areas.

2. The above instruction will be based on Fwd Ech LHQ Adm Instn No 1 and on completion will be forwarded to this HQ for approval.

[signature]
Lt Col
DA & QMG.

GS 472 file

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ALLIED LAND FORCES

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

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6 Dec 44

16.

Amendment No 1 to Forward Echelon LHQ Administrative Instruction No 1.

Reception and Staging of 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area at HOLLANDIA and MOROTAI.

1. Appendix 'A' to para 2 (a) of Fwd Ech Adm Instr No 1 of 1 Dec 44 is cancelled.

2. A new shipping programme will be issued when a revised list of shipping is made available to this HQ.

3. It is anticipated that rate of movement will approximate that indicated in Appendix 'A'.

Signed at D6161.5 I

Brig
D/ & QMG

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ALLIED LAND FORCES (8)
SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

ADVANCED HEADQUARTERS
Forward Echelon
S/472.012/Q

2 Dec 44.

Subject: Arrangements for staging 1 Aust Corps
Ref: Fwd Echo LO S/472.012/Q of 11 Nov 44

LO
1 Aust Corps
1 Aust Base Sub Area
Staging Area Type HOLLANDIA
Staging Area Type MOROTAI

1. Forwarded herewith, for information and to assist in planning are advance copies of Fwd Echo LO Adm Instr No 1 of 1 Dec 44.

2. When certain details such as dates of movement and exact locations are definite it is proposed to make a full issue of the instruction together with such later information.

F.H. Berryman

(F.H. BERRYMAN) Lieut-General
Chief of Staff

SECRET
S/472.012/Q

1 Dec 44

FORWARD ECHELON LHQ ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 1 Copy No.....

(Issued in amplification of Fwd Ech LHQ S/472.012/SD of 11 Nov 44)

## RECEPTION AND STAGING OF 1 AUST CORPS AND 1 AUST BASE SUB AREA AT HOLLANDIA AND MOROTAI

1. **Composition of Force**

Forward Echelon LHQ memo S/472.012/SD of 11 Nov 44 indicates -

(a) In Appx 'A' Part I - Staging Area Troops HOLLANDIA
In Appx 'A' Part II - Staging Troops HOLLANDIA

(b) In Appx 'B' Part I - Staging Area Troops MOROTAI
In Appx 'B' Part II - Staging Troops MOROTAI

2. **Movement**

(a) Attached to copies shown in distribution list as Appx 'A' is Shipping Programme for movement of Staging Area Troops ex AUSTRALIA to HOLLANDIA and MOROTAI. At present date this plan cannot be taken as absolutely firm. Rate of movement is related to port capacities in AUSTRALIA and maximum unloading rate at destinations by Docks Op Coys on OOB.

(b) LHQ is responsible for embarkation and movement from AUSTRALIA.

(c) Adv LHQ is responsible for disembarkation and reception in Staging Areas.

3. **Command**

(a) Dets from HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area will be established in each Staging Area, and will be designated -

HQ HOLLANDIA Staging Area
HQ MOROTAI Staging Area

(b) Staging Area Troops will be under command of HQ Staging Areas, who in turn will be under direct command of Adv LHQ. However on arrival in MOROTAI of 7 Aust Div Comd he will assume command of all Aust Forces, except in matters of general Adm.

4. **Functions of HQ Staging Areas.**

Supervision of -

(a) Construction of Staging Camps, coverage and development of Staging Areas under direction of Adv LHQ.

(b) Control of all Staging Area Depots and issue in bulk of stores and supplies to Staging Troops

(c) Allocation of Camps to Staging Troops.

(d) Reception and fostering into camps of Staging Troops.

(e) Local administration of that portion of Staging Areas not occupied by a Formation.

5. **Accommodation**

(a) Location plans of Staging Areas will be issued separately as Appx 'B'.

(b) Each Staging Area is laid out in camps to accommodate the following groups :-

(i) Bde Gps
(ii) Div Tps Gp
(iii) Beach Gp
(iv) Corps Tps Gp
(v) Base Troops
(vi) Port Troops.

Amend to 27 Dec

~~Subsequent reference in this instruction to camps will mean Bde etc Gps Camps vide above.~~

(c) Composition of a Bde Gp is shown in Appx 'J' attached. Composition of other groups can be obtained from Appendices A and B of Fwd Ech S/472.012/SD of 11 Nov 44. Extracts from these Appendices will be passed to those concerned.

(d) Scale of accommodation is for all units Amend to 27 Dec

(i) Kitchens on scale of one per Inf Coy or equivalent unit.
(ii) Water point, with tanks storage where necessary.
(iii) Showers and ablution points.
(iv) Latrines
(v) Incinerators.
(vi) Refrigeration as available.

(e) All units are to arrive complete with accommodation stores which will be essential to supplement above provision.

(f) In each camp - vide para 5 (b) - will be established a Maintenance area which will be manned by AASC, Ord, Canteens and Postal personnel of the Corps, Div, Bde or Beach Group etc occupying the Camp. Coverage to hold supplies and stores up to 3 days in HOLLANDIA and 7 days in MOROTAI and camp for service personnel will be erected in each Maintenance area.

(g) A transit camp to accommodate 3000 troops and capable of expansion to 5000 will be constructed in each Staging Area. This camp will be under the control of HQ Staging Area.

6. **Coverage for Stores and Supplies**

(a) Coverage of a minimum area of 150,000 sq ft will be constructed in each Staging area on sites as indicated in Location Plans as Appx 'B'.

(b) Two areas will be prepared, one for Staging Maintenance, and one for 30 days Initial Maintenance.

(c) If necessary this coverage will be supplemented by hard standings, tarpaulin shelters, and material from local resources.

7. Reception of Staging Troops

(a) Movement Control will be responsible for unloading of all ships.

(b) HQ Staging Areas in consultation with Movement Control will be responsible for transportation of troops, supplies and stores to their allocated areas.

(c) On disembarkation, all units with personal baggage, unit equipment and cooking gear, will move to Transit Camp. Units will occupy Transit Camp for approximately 48 hours to cover unloading period of WE and accommodation stores.

(d) WE and accommodation stores of units will be moved under arrangements made by Movement Control in conjunction with HQ Staging Area, from wharf direct to camp site allocated in Camps. Each unit will provide the necessary personnel to guard these stores during disembarkation, and until the arrival of the unit at its Camp.

(e) HQ Staging Area will foster units into Transit Camp and render such assistance as is necessary.

(f) Movement Control in conjunction with HQ Staging Area will prepare detailed instructions for disembarkation and reception of troops and ensure that a copy of these instructions is passed to OC Troops of each ship at least one hour before disembarkation commences.

8. Reception of Staging Area Troops

Separate instructions will be issued covering reception of Staging Area Troops.

9. Staging Maintenance

(a) Maintenance of 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area whilst in the Staging Area will be the responsibility of Adv LHQ.

(b) Appropriate depots to be known as Staging Area Depots will be established in locations shown in Appx 'B', from where AASC Supplies, POL, Ord Stores etc will be delivered daily ( or periodically) in bulk to Maintenance Areas in Camps vide para 5 (f) above.

(c) Indents for rations, POL, Canteen Supplies, Ord Stores etc., will be co-ordinated by Services in each Maintenance area and forwarded to the appropriate Service Depot in each Staging Area for delivery daily in bulk, direct to Maintenance Areas. Mail will be delivered to and collected from Maintenance Areas, It will be the responsibility of the Service personnel at the Maintenance Area to break bulk for distribution within their own areas.

10. Initial Maintenance for Subsequent Operations

Stores and Supplies for Initial Maintenance of Assault and Follow-Up Forces will be concentrated in areas as shown in Appx 'B', and subsequently will be re-issued as required for tactical loading.

11. Landing Rations with Staging Troops

Landing Rations accompanying Staging Troops will be

taken over by Staging Area Supply Depots under instructions to be issued by HQ Staging Areas.

12. Supplies

(a) Supply Depots operated by AASC personnel of Staging Area Troops will be established in locations shown in Appx 'B'.

(b) Daily issues will be made in bulk vide para 9 (c).

13. Petrol, Oils and Lubricants

(a) Petrol Depots will be established in Staging Area Depots at locations shown in Appx 'B' and operated by BIPOD personnel of Staging Area Troops. Petrol for these Depots will be drawn from local US resources.

(b) Lubricants for use during staging will be concentrated in Petrol Depots.

(c) All containers of Petrol, distillate, certain oils and lubricants will be returnable and issues to units of those commodities will be made only on the return of such containers.

14. Water

(a) Water Points will be established throughout Staging Areas by RAE on a basis of one per [illegible]

(b) [illegible]

15. Ordnance

FODs and FADs will be established in locations shown in Appx 'B', and issues will be made in bulk to Camp Maintenance areas.

16. AEME

(a) Repairs

(i) Staging Troops by Wksp units of the Bde GP etc. Work beyond their capacity will be evacuated to Inf Tps Wksp.

(ii) Staging Area Troops by Wksp allotted to units. Work beyond their capacity and work for units without Wksp will be effected by Inf Tps Wksp.

(b) Recovery

(i) In Camp areas - under Bde etc., arrangements.

(ii) In other areas - under HQ Staging Area arrangements.

17. Medical

(a) Evacuation to AGH established in each Staging Area.

(b) Personnel will be discharged from Hospital to Details Depot at Staging Area Transit Camp.

(c) Medical Stores - on demand from:-

(i) HOLLANDIA - Adv Depot Med Stores

(ii) MOROTAI - Base Depot Med Stores

(d) Malaria Control -

(i) By Malaria Control Units (Type B) included in Staging Area Troops and unit Anti-Mosquito Squads.

(ii) Provisions of GRO A321/44 apply as for Malarious Areas.

18. Hygiene

(a) Camp

(i) Water - only water that has been super-chlorinated or boiled will be used.

(ii) Bathing - in rivers, pools, creeks, streams, lakes or harbours will not be permitted except in such places approved by a Medical Officer.

(iii) Clothing - boots, gaiters, trousers and shirts will be worn. Shirt sleeves may be rolled up after sunrise and until dusk. Shirts may be removed during heavy labour in daylight in open areas, on the authority of an officer.

(iv) Ablutions - Showers will not be used after dusk and before sunrise, unless specially screened.

(b) Camp Hygiene

(i) Strict attention will be paid to the cleanliness of all grease and soap traps and drains from kitchens, ablutions and shower points.

(ii) Latrine seats will be kept closed and inspected regularly to ensure that pits are fly proof.

(iii) Garbage - wet and dry - and tins must be thoroughly burned in incinerators and the incinerated refuse buried in pits constructed in camp areas. Each camp will detail necessary personnel to service these refuse pits. Tins are to be crushed before burial.

(iv) All food refuse and empty food tins must be protected from flies pending incineration.

(v) Food must be kept covered from flies at all times.

(vi) Exteriors of food tins should be cleaned before opening.

19. Engineer Stores

(a) For site of Engineer Dumps see Appx 'B'.

(b) Demands for Engineer Stores will be made through Formation HQ. Supply is restricted, and only under special conditions will stores be issued.

20. Traffic Control

(a) HQ Staging Area will ensure that all essential sign posts are erected on roads, and location of Depots, Camp Areas, Garbage Pits etc are indicated.

(b) Speed limits as already laid down for main roads and Docks, hospital and HQ areas are to be strictly adhered to. These are:-

(i) Main Road - 20 mph for all wheeled trucks.
25 mph for all light vehicles.
(Staff Cars and Jeeps).

(ii) Docks, Hosps and HQ Areas - 15 mph

(iii) Restricted Areas- 15 mph or as imposed by local authority.

(c) (i) As maintenance of Staging Troops is being carried out by HQ Staging Areas in bulk, to Camp Maintenance Areas, there should be little need for 1 Aust Corps vehicles to use main highways.

(ii) Owing to traffic congestion, and difficulty of maintaining roads, Comds are to ensure that traffic is reduced to a minimum, especially during or after rain.

21. Provost

HQ Staging Areas will establish liaison with US Provost Marshall with regard to control in Docks Area, Main roads and Control Posts. Aust Provost will pair up with US Provost on these duties.

22. Salvage

Through Camp Maintenance areas to Salvage Depot located in Staging Maintenance Depot Area.

23. Postal

(a) A Base Post Office will be established by Det Base Postal Unit in each Staging Area.

(b) All mail will be sorted into camp lots at Base Post Office and delivered to Postal Detachments located in Camp Maintenance Areas.

(c) Dets of Div and Corps Postal Units will be attached to Base Post Office to assist in sorting and despatching.

(d) Base Postal Unit will be responsible for establishing an APO in the HQ Staging Area and in the Port Troops area.

(e) Both official and private correspondence for temporary HQ established to command HOLLANDIA and MOROTAI Staging areas will be addressed:-

(i) HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (Staging Area 1) for HOLLANDIA and -

(ii) HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (Staging Area 2) for

Telegraphic address will be Staging Area 1 or Staging Area 2.

(f) Outwards mail will be handled in a similar manner to inwards mail.

24. Canteens

(a) Canteen Issuing Point will be established in each Camp Maintenance Area.

(b) Div Det AACS will be responsible for staffing these points.

(c) Det Base AACS will be responsible for the receipt and storing of all bulk supplies and for issuing in bulk to Camp Issuing Points.

25. Local Administration

HQ Staging Area will establish liaison at -

HOLLANDIA - US Base Section 'G'.

MOROTAI - 31 US Div

with regard to matters of local administration to which it will be necessary for Aust Forces to conform. Such matters will be notified direct to incoming units by HQ Staging Areas.

L.L.Beecombe Brig
DA& QMG Fwd Ech LHQ

Ack.

Signed at.. 0107451

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| LHQ | Copies 1 - 5 | Safe Hand |
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| 1 Aust Base Sub. Area | " 11 - 12 | " |
| Staging Area Tps- HOLLANDIA | " 13 - 14 | Hand |
| Staging Area Tps - MOROTAI | " 15 - 16 | " |
| Internal | | |
| DA & QMG | | " |
| G (Ops) | | " |
| G (SD) | | " |
| War Diary | | " |
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## STAGING AREA TROOPS

## MOVEMENT AUSTRALIA - HOLLANDIA

| Serial | Unit | From SYDNEY | | | | From BRISBANE | | | | From CAIRNS | | | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Car. Tons M | |
| 1 | Det HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area | | | | | 45 | 4 | 6 | | | | | | Allotted to GORGON ETD 13 Nov 44 |
| 2 | Det 11 Aust MC Gp | | | | | | | | | 30 | 6 | 4 | | |
| 3 | 2/1 Aust Docks Op Coy | | | | | 293 | 14 | 100 | | | | | | Vehs incl 1 x 40' Wkboat |
| 4 | 2/3 Aust Docks Op Coy | | | | | | | | | 293 | 14 | 100 | | do |
| 5 | 7 Pl, 1 Aust Port Maint Coy | | | | | 55 | 6 | 20 | | | | | | |
| 6 | 2/30 Aust Tpt Pl(TS) | | | | | 99 | 43 | 30 | | | | | | |
| 7 | 30 Aust Wks Coy | | | | | 468 | 4 | 90 | | | | | | |
| 8 | 11 Aust Sup Depot Pl | | | | | | | | | 33 | 4 | 5 | | |
| 9 | Det 17 Aust AOD | | | | | 114 | 4 | 35 | | | | | | |
| 10 | Det 5 Aust Ord Port Det | | | | | 12 | 2 | 4 | | | | | | |
| 11 | HQ 2/26 Aust Sup Depot Coy | | | | | 16 | 2 | 10 | | | | | | |
| 12 | Det AACS | | | | | 30 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | |
| 13 | Det 6 Aust Base Postal Unit | | | | | 40 | 2 | 25 | | | | | | |
| 14 | 33 Aust Works Coy | | | | | 468 | 4 | 90 | | | | | | |

MOVEMENT AUSTRALIA - HOLLANDIA (contd)

| Serial | Unit | From SYDNEY | | | | From BRISBANE | | | | From CAIRNS | | | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | |
| 14A | Maintenance for Staging Area | | | | 2000 | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 | 2/31 Aust Tpt Pl(TS) | | | | | 99 | 43 | 30 | | | | | | |
| 16 | HQ R&E 1 Aust Corps Tps | | | | | | | | | 39 | 10 | 60 | | |
| 17 | 2 Aust Fd Coy | | | | | | | | | 251 | 41 | 80 | | |
| 18 | 5 Aust Mech EqptCoy | | | | | | | | | 254 | 127 | 2400 | | |
| 19 | 2/93 Aust LAD | | | | | | | | | 16 | 6 | 20 | | |
| 20 | 2/4 Aust Mech Eqpt Wksp | | | | | | | | | 58 | 5 | 80 | | |
| 21 | 14 Aust Fd Coy | | | | | 251 | 41 | 80 | | | | | | |
| 21A | Engr Constr Stores | | | | | | | | 4000 | | | | | |
| 22 | 1 Aust Port Constr Coy | | | | | 286 | 23 | 100 | | | | | | |
| 23 | 2 Aust Port Constr Coy | | | | | 286 | 23 | 100 | | | | | | |
| 24 | 1 Aust Welding Pl | | | | | 47 | 14 | 100 | | | | | | |
| 25 | 2 Aust Welding Pl | | | | | 47 | 14 | 100 | | | | | | |
| 26 | 3 Aust Welding Pl | | | | | 47 | 14 | 100 | | | | | | |
| 27 | 5 Aust Welding Pl | | | | | 47 | 14 | 100 | | | | | | |
| 28 | Det 15 Aust Op Sec | | | | | 16 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | |
| 29 | Det 10 Aust Line Sec | | | | | 25 | 2 | 50 | | | | | | |
| 30 | Det 9 Aust Tech Maint Coy | | | | | 5 | 1 | 4 | | | | | | |
| 31 | Det 25 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | | | | | 13 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | |

MOVEMENT AUSTRALIA - HOLLANDIA (contd)

| Serial | Unit | From SYDNEY Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | From BRISBANE Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | From CAIRNS Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 32 | 41 Aust Wireless Sec (HQ less Det | | | | | 20 | 3 | 18 | | | | | | |
| 33 | Det HQ 22/L of C Sigs Aust | | | | | 4 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | |
| 34 | Det 50 Aust Cipher Sec | | | | | 5 | - | 1 | | | | | | |
| 35 | Det HQ Comd AASC 1 Aust Corps Tps | | | | | | | | | 19 | 2 | 5 | | |
| 36 | HQ 2/102 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (TS) | | | | | 28 | 4 | 10 | | | | | | |
| 37 | Det 14 Aust AAD | | | | | 32 | 1 | 6 | | | | | | |
| 38 | 2/36 Aust Tpt Pl(TS) | | | | | 99 | 43 | 30 | | | | | | |
| 39 | 2/37 Aust Tpt Pl(TS) | | | | | 99 | 43 | 30 | | | | | | |
| 40 | 2/38 Aust Tpt Pl(TS) | | | | | 99 | 43 | 30 | | | | | | |
| 41 | 64 Aust BIFOD Pl | | | | | 29 | - | 28 | | | | | | |
| 42 | 181 Aust Sup Depot Pl | | | | | 33 | 2 | 5 | | | | | | |
| 43 | 182 Aust Sup Depot Pl | | | | | 33 | 2 | 5 | | | | | | |
| 44 | 2/102 Aust Wksp Pl(TS) | | | | | 24 | 6 | 20 | | | | | | |
| 45 | 13 Aust Fd Baking Pl | | | | | 37 | - | 50 | | | | | | |
| 46 | 15 Aust Fd Baking Pl | | | | | 37 | - | 50 | | | | | | |
| 47 | 46 Aust Fd Baking Pl | | | | | 37 | - | 50 | | | | | | |
| 48 | Two Secs 2/1 Aust MAC (TS) | | | | | 28 | 14 | 10 | | | | | | |
| 49 | 102 Aust Adv Depot Med Stores | | | | | | | | | 9 | 2 | 22 | | |
| 50 | 2/5 Aust Gen Hosp | | 26 | 1800 | | 537 | - | - | | | | | | Pers to move SYD-BRIS by rail |

MOVEMENT AUSTRALIA - HOLLANDIA (contd)

| Serial | Unit | From SYDNEY Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | From BRISBANE Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | From CAIRNS Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 51 | 76 Aust Depot Cash Office | | | | | 3 | - | - | | | | | | |
| 52 | 8 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit | | | | | 68 | 7 | 90 | | | | | | |
| 53 | 13 Aust MCU | | | | | 21 | 4 | 9 | | | | | | |
| 54 | Det 10 Aust Ord Veh Pk | | | | | 30 | 2 | 6 | | | | | | |
| 55 | 2 Aust Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk | | | | | 123 | 57 | 80 | | - | | | | |
| 56 | Det 2/7 Aust Mob Laundry & Fwd Decon Unit | | | | | 60 | 11 | 40 | | | | | | |
| 57 | 336 Aust LAD | | | | | 16 | 4 | 20 | | | | | | |
| 58 | 2/2 Aust Inf Tps Wksp | | | | | | | | | 215 | 32 | 100 | | |
| 59 | Two Secs 2/3 Aust Pro Coy | | | | | 32 | 4 | 2 | | | | | | |
| 60 | Det 11 Aust L of C Stationery Depot | | | | | 7 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | |
| | Totals | - | 26 | 1800 | 2000 | 4350 | 531 | 1775 | 4000 | 1221 | 249 | 2876 | - | |
| | | | | | | Total ex BRISBANE | | | | 4350 | 531 | 1775 | 4000 | |
| | | | | | | Total ex SYDNEY | | | | - | 26 | 1800 | 2000 | |
| | | | | | | TOTAL EX AUSTRALIA | | | | 5571 | 806 | 6451 | 6000 | |

Green X Docks Area, Initial Maintenance
O Hospital Area
X Staging Maintenance Area
O Staging Area

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MOVEMENT AUSTRALIA - MOROTAI.

| Serial | Unit | From SYDNEY Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | From BRISBANE Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | From CAIRNS Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Det 1 Aust Base Sub Area | | | | | 45 | 1 | 6 | | | | | | Allotted GORGON ETD BRISBANE 18 Nov 44 |
| 2 | 2/32 Aust Tpt Pl | X | | | | 99 | 43 | 30 | | | | | | |
| 3 | 2/10 Aust Docks Op Coy | X | | | | | | | | 293 | 14 | 100 | | Vehs incl 1 x 40' Wkboat |
| 4 | 5 Aust Docks Op Coy | X | | | | 293 | 14 | 100 | | | | | | do |
| 5 | 8 Pl 1 Aust Port Maint Coy | X | | | | 55 | 6 | 20 | | | | | | |
| 6 | Det 11 Aust MC Gp | X | | | | | | | | 30 | 6 | 4 | | |
| 7 | 14 Aust Works Coy | X | | | | 468 | 4 | 75 | | | | | | |
| 8 | HQ 3 Aust Sup Depot Coy | X | | | | | | | | 16 | 4 | 5 | | |
| 9 | 12 Aust Sup Depot Pl | X | | | | | | | | 33 | 4 | 5 | | |
| 10 | 2/33 Aust Tpt Pl | X | | | | 99 | 43 | 30 | | | | | | |
| 11 | Det 17 Aust AOD | X | | | | 20 | - | 8 | | | | | | |
| 12 | Det 5 Aust Ord Port Det | X | | | | 8 | 2 | 2 | | | | | | |
| 13 | Det AACS | X | | | | 30 | 2 | 5 | | | | | | |
| 14 | Det 6 Aust Base Postal Unit | X | | | | 40 | 2 | 25 | | | | | | |
| 15 | 8 Aust Works Coy | X | | | | 468 | 4 | 75 | | | | | | |
| 15a | Maint for Staging | | | | 2000 | | | | | | | | | |
| 16 | 1 Aust CRE Wks | | | | | 34 | 9 | 20 | | | | | | |

MOVEMENT AUSTRALIA - MOROTAI (contd)

| Serial | Unit | From SYDNEY | | | | From BRISBANE | | | | From CAIRNS | | | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | |
| 17 | 18 Aust Fd Coy | | | | | 251 | 41 | 80 | | | | | | |
| 17A | Engr Constr Stores | | | | | | | | 5000 | | | | | |
| 18 | 2/1 Aust Mech Eqpt Coy | O | | | | 254 | 127 | 2400 | | | | | | |
| 19 | 2 Aust Mech Eqpt Wksp | O | | | | 58 | 5 | 100 | | | | | | |
| 20 | 340 Aust LAD | | | | | 16 | 4 | 20 | | | | | | |
| 21 | 21 Aust Fd Coy | | | | | 251 | 41 | 80 | | | | | | |
| 22 | 60 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy | | | | | 221 | 60 | 720 | | | | | | |
| 23 | 2/44 Aust LAD | | | | | 16 | 4 | 20 | | | | | | |
| 24 | 4 Aust A Tps Coy | | | | | 277 | 35 | 320 | | | | | | |
| 25 | 9 Aust A Tps Coy | | | | | 277 | 35 | 320 | | | | | | |
| 26 | 2/1 Aust Boring Pl | | | | | 78 | 24 | 300 | | | | | | |
| 27 | 4 Aust Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec | | | | | 13 | 2 | 20 | | | | | | |
| 28 | Det 18 Aust Op Sec | | | | | 12 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | |
| 29 | Det 10 Aust Line Sec | | | | | 15 | 3 | 38 | | | | | | |
| 30 | Det 9 Aust Tech Maint Sec | | | | | 4 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | |
| 31 | Two dets 41 Aust Wireless Sec (Hy) | | | | | 18 | 3 | 18 | | | | | | |
| 32 | Two Dets 50 Aust Cipher Sec | | | | | 5 | - | 1 | | | | | | |
| 33 | HQ Comd AASC 1 Aust Corps Tps (less det.) | X | | | | | | | | 23 | 4 | 2 | | |
| 34 | HQ 2/101 Aust Gen Tpt Coy | X | | | | 28 | 4 | 1 | | | | | | |
| 35 | Det 14 Aust AAD | X | | | | 10 | - | 2 | | | | | | |

MOVEMENT AUSTRALIA - MOROTAI (contd)

| Serial | Unit | From SYDNEY Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | From BRISBANE Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | From CAIRNS Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 56 | 2/34 Aust Tpt Pl | O | | | | 99 | 43 | 30 | | | | | | |
| 57 | 2/35 Aust Tpt Pl | X | | | | 99 | 43 | 30 | | | | | | |
| 58 | 2/131 Aust Wksp Pl | X | | | | 24 | 6 | 20 | | | | | | |
| 59 | 178 Aust Sup Depot Pl | X | | | | 33 | 4 | 3 | | | | | | |
| 60 | 179 Aust Sup Depot Pl | X X? | | | | 33 | 4 | 3 | | | | | | |
| 61 | 2/1 Aust Baking Pl | X | | | | 37 | - | 50 | | | | | | |
| 62 | 2/3 Aust Baking Pl | X | | | | 37 | - | 50 | | | | | | |
| 63 | 9 Aust MCU | O | | | | 21 | 4 | 9 | | | | | | |
| 64 | 2/6 Aust Gen Hosp | O | | | | | | | | 537 | 26 | 1800 | | |
| 65 | 2 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit | O | | | | | | | | 68 | 7 | 90 | | |
| 66 | 95 Aust Depot Cash Office | O | | | | | | | | 3 | - | - | | |
| 67 | 1 Aust Blood Transfusion Unit | O | | | | 24 | 2 | 5 | | | | | | |
| 68 | Det 17 Aust AOD | X | | | | 145 | 3 | 45 | | | | | | |
| 69 | Det 14 Aust AAD | X | | | | 10 | 2 | 1 | | | | | | |
| 70 | Det 10 Aust Ord Veh Pk | X | | | | 20 | 1 | 3 | | | | | | |
| 71 | Two Secs 2/3 Aust L of C Pro Coy | 1 Sec X | | | | 32 | 3 | 1 | | | | | | |
| 72 | 2/3 Aust Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk (less Veh Pk Sec) | X | | | | 74 | 42 | 30 | | | | | | |
| 73 | 62 Aust BIPOD Pl | X | | | | 29 | - | 28 | | | | | | |

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| Serial | | From SYDNEY | | | | From BRISBANE | | | | From CAIRNS | | | | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | Tps | Veh | Eqpt TonsM | Cargo TonsM | |
| 54 | 2 Aust Base Depot Mod Stores | | | | | 26 | 2 | 68 | | | | | | |
| 55 | 2/4 Aust MAC Pl (less two Secs) | | | | | 71 | 31 | 10 | | | | | | |
| 56 | 260 Aust Lt | | | | | 16 | 4 | 20 | | | | | | |
| 57 | 2/3 Aust Inf Tps Wksp | | | | | 219 | 32 | 70 | | | | | | |
| 58 | Det 1 Aust ARD | | | | | 30 | 2 | 125 | | | | | | |
| 59 | Det 11 Aust L of C Stationery Depot | | | | | 7 | 1 | 2 | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 2000 | 4549 | 752 | 5444 | 5000 | 1003 | 65 | 1947 | - | |
| | | | | | | Ex BRISBANE | | | | 4549 | 752 | 5441 | 5000 | |
| | | | | | | Ex SYDNEY | | | | - | - | - | 2000 | |
| | | | | | | TOTAL EX AUSTRALIA | | | | 5552 | 817 | 7391 | 7000 | |

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# SUGGESTED SHIPPING PROGRAMME

## Staging Area Troops, AUSTRALIA - HOLLANDIA and MOROTAI

(Ref Fwd Sch S/472.012/SD Of 11/ Nov 44)

1 AUST CORPS and 1 AUST BASE SUB AREA.

| Serial | Vessel | SYDNEY In Port Arr | SYDNEY In Port Dep | SYDNEY Tps | SYDNEY Veh | SYDNEY Load Eqpt TonsM | SYDNEY Maint TonsM | SYDNEY Engrs TonsM | BRISBANE In Port Arr | BRISBANE In Port Dep | BRISBANE Tps | BRISBANE Veh | BRISBANE Load Eqpt TonsM | BRISBANE Maint TonsM | BRISBANE Engrs TonsM | CAIRNS In Port Arr | CAIRNS In Port Dep | CAIRNS Tps | CAIRNS Veh | CAIRNS Load Eqpt TonsM | CAIRNS Load Engrs TonsM |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | AUSTRALIA - HOLLANDIA | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 | COPIAPO | | | | | | | D/9 | D/11 | 1642 | | | 513 | | | D/12 | D/14 | 1221 | | 249 | |
| 2 | MEXICO | | | | | | | D/9 | D/11 | 1068 | | | 610 | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | JANE ADAIS | | | | | | | D/9 | D/11 | 992 | | | 702 | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | LEW WALLACE | | | | | | | D/9 | D/12 | | | 207 | | | 2000 | | | | | | |
| 5 | LIBERTY VESSEL | D/4 | D/7 | | | | 2000 | D/9 | | | | | | | | D/10 | D/14 | | 213 | 2400 | |
| 6 | LIBERTY VESSEL | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 7 | LIBERTY VESSEL | | | | | | | D/14 | D/17 | | | 210 | | | 2000 | | | | | | |
| 8 | LIBERTY VESSEL | D/8 | D/11 | | 26 | 1800 | | D/13 | D/14 | | | 114 | | | | D/18 | D/19 | | 36 | | |
| 9 | EVANGELINE | | | | | | | D/35 | D/36 | 608 | | | 90 | | | D/38 | D/39 | 608 | | 90 | |
| | AUSTRALIA - MOROTAI | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 | JOHN C AINSWORTH | | | | | | | D/1 | D/3 | 1014 | | | 255 | | | D/7 | D/8 | 395 | | 116 | |
| 11 | CHAS LUMMIS | | | | | | | D/4 | D/6 | 1430 | | | 415 | | | | | | | | |
| 12 | L M GARRISON | | | | | | | D/4 | D/6 | 936 | | | 1762 | | | | | | | | |
| 13 | CARLOS CARILLO | | | | | | | D/4 | D/6 | 1124 | | | 606 | | | | | | | | |
| 14 | LIBERTY VESSEL | D/2 | D/5 | | | | 2000 | D/7 | D/8 | | | 211 | | | | | | | | | |
| 15 | LIBERTY VESSEL | | | | | | | D | D/5 | | | 196 | 2400 | | 2000 | D/9 | D/10 | | 32 | | |
| 16 | LIBERTY VESSEL | | | | | | | D/4 | D/8 | | | 198 | | | 3000 | | | | | | |
| 17 | LIBERTY VESSEL | | | | | | | D/11 | D/13 | | | 143 | | | | | | | 33 | 1800 | |
| 5 | EVANGELINE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | D/38 | D/39 | 608 | | 90 | |

| Serial | Vessel | HOLLANDIA Engrs TonsM | HOLLANDIA In Port Arr | HOLLANDIA In Port Dep | HOLLANDIA Discharge Tps | HOLLANDIA Discharge Veh | HOLLANDIA Discharge Eqpt TonsM | HOLLANDIA Discharge Maint TonsM | HOLLANDIA Discharge Engrs TonsM | MOROTAI In Port Arr | MOROTAI In Port Dep | MOROTAI Tps | MOROTAI Veh | Discharge Eqpt TonsM | Discharge Maint TonsM | Discharge Engrs TonsM | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | D/18 | D/19 | 1642 | | 513 | | | | | | | | | | Tps of Serials 3,5-7,9,13,24. |
| | | | D/18 | D/19 | 1221 | | 249 | | | | | | | | | | " " " 2,4,8,16-20,35,49,58. |
| | | | D/19 | D/20 | 1068 | | 610 | | | | | | | | | | " " " 15,21,22,23,25,26,27. |
| | | | D/19 | D/20 | 992 | | 702 | | | | | | | | | | " " " 28,29,30-34,36-48,53-57,59,60. |
| | | | D/20 | D/25 | | 207 | | 2000 | 2000 | | | | | | | | Vehs " " 1,3,5-7,9-15,21,22,24. |
| | | | D/20 | D/25 | | 213 | 2400 | | | | | | | | | | " " " 2,4,8,16-20 and eqpt of 18. |
| | | | D/25 | D/28 | | 210 | | | 2000 | | | | | | | | " " " 23,25-33,36-40. |
| | | | D/25 | D/28 | | 196 | 1800 | | | | | | | | | | " " " 35,42,43,44,48-50,52-60 and eqpt of 50. |
| | | | D/42 | D/43 | 608 | | 90 | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | 5531 | 806 | 6364 | 2000 | 4000 | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | D/17 | D/19 | 1409 | | 371 | | | Tps of Serials 2-10 and 33 |
| | | | | | | | | | | D/17 | D/19 | 1430 | | 415 | | | " " " 11-21. |
| | | | | | | | | | | D/17 | D/19 | 936 | | 1762 | | | " " " 22-32. |
| | | | | | | | | | | D/17 | D/19 | 1124 | | 606 | | | " " " 34-43,47-59. |
| | | | | | | | | | | D/19 | D/24 | | 211 | | 2000 | | Vehs " " 2,4,5,7,10,12-15,16,17,21 |
| | | | | | | | | | | D/19 | D/24 | | 228 | 2400 | | 2000 | " " " 3,6,8,9,18-20,22,33 and eqpt of 18. |
| | | | | | | | | | | D/19 | D/24 | | 198 | | | 3000 | " " " 23-27,28-31,34,36,37. |
| | | | | | | | | | | D/24 | D/26 | | 176 | 1800 | | | " " " 38-40,43-59 and eqpt of 44. |
| | | | | | | | | | | D/45 | D/46 | 608 | | 90 | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | 5507 | 813 | 7444 | 2000 | 5000 | |

NOTES: (a) The above timings are 'tight' and make no allowance for weather, strikes, acts of God and other hazards to shipping programmes. A factor of at least 50% should be added for this purpose; thus, the total time required for the move, exclusive of the Hospitals etc in EVANGELINE, should be estimated at 28 days + 50% = 42 days.

(b) Once the move is complete the troops at both HOLLANDIA and MOROTAI will need to be maintained to the extent of approximately 1500 tons M per month. Shipping for this is NOT shown above.

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## COMPOSITION OF A BDE GP FOR STAGING

- HQ One Inf Bde
- One Inf Bn
- One Inf Bn
- One Inf Bn
- One Pl Gd Regt
- One Fd Regt (JD)
- One Fd Coy
- One Inf Bde Sig Sec
- Det Div Sigs
- Det Cipher Sec (Type K)
- One Fd Regt Sig Sec (JD)
- One Sup Dep Pl
- One Sup Dep Pl
- One Gen Tpt Pl (TS)(LT)
- One Fd Amb
- One Sec Dental Unit
- One Bde Ord Fd Pk
- One Bde Wksp (Type A)
- One LAD (Type J)*
- One LAD (Type D)
- One Sec Div Pro Coy
- Det Div AACS
- Det Div Cash Office
- Det Div Postal Unit

Staging Area MOROTAI

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ALLIED LAND FORCES

SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

Forward Echelon LHQ
S/472.012/SD
11 Nov 44

Subject:- ARRANGEMENTS FOR STAGING 1 AUST CORPS
Ref LHQ TOPSEC 1949 of 20 Oct,
SM 11247 of 25 Oct and TOPSEC 1962 of 31 Oct

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| LHQ | (25) |
| Adv LHQ | (2) |
| 1 Aust Corps | (2) |
| 1 Aust Base Sub Area | (2) |
| Q'Land L of C Area | (3) |

1. By agreement with LHQ, . . . documents referred to above are cancelled and should be destroyed. This document sets out the required arrangements for the staging of 1 Aust Corps.

BACKGROUND

2. 1 Aust Corps will not now be lifted by amphibious shipping from the mainland to the objective area. It is now intended that the portion of the corps which is to carry out the assault, will be lifted in merchant shipping to two forward staging areas where, after a period of training, they will embark in amphibious craft for the assault.

The balance of 1 Aust Corps, not staged as described above, will be lifted in merchant shipping from the mainland direct to the objective area, as soon as the operational situation allows.

PREPARATION OF STAGING AREAS

3. Staging areas are HOLLANDIA and MOROTAI and necessary constructional work for the staging troops accommodation will be carried out by units to be referred to as staging area troops. These staging area troops will be provided from within the resources of 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area.

Compositions of the staging area troops are attached as follows:-

For HOLLANDIA, Appendix 'A', Part I
For MOROTAI, Appendix 'B', Part I.

4. 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area will prepare staging area troops nominated for movement overseas, so that they are ready to embark from BRISBANE or CAIRNS, dependant upon their present locations, by 25 Nov 44.

5. Forward Ech LHQ will arrange for the necessary shipping to move forward the staging area troops and will advise addressees of the numbers and types of ships being provided and the dates available on berth ready for loading.

Adv LHQ BRISBANE, in conjunction with Q'Land L of C Area, will be responsible for call forward of units for embarkation according to the priorities laid down in Appendices 'A' and 'B'.

6. 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area will advise Adv LHQ and Q'Land L of C Area as early as possible of GRO/SIB particulars in respect of units nominated in Appendices 'A' and 'B' Part I.

7. On arrival at destination staging area troops will pass to command of Forward Ech LHQ until a date to be notified to 1 Aust Corps by Forward Ech LHQ.

STORES AND EQUIPMENT

8. For the purpose of calculating maintenance requirements etc the following logistics regarding staging are advised:-

(a) HOLLANDIA Staging Area tps 5607
HOLLANDIA Staging tps 28115
MOROTAI Staging Area tps 5527
MOROTAI Staging tps 29191

(b) Period of staging in each area is estimated at 40 days

(c) Facilities to be provided in each staging area are -

Scale A accommodation
Access roads
Waterpoints including purification point
1200 bed hospital first stage
180,000 square foot coverage
Refrigeration

9. LHQ is arranging for:-

(a) The following maintenance etc to be concentrated in BRISBANE by 25 Nov 44 under control of Q'Land L of C Area -

(i) 14 days voyage rations, 10 days landing rations; 10 days expense and anti-malarial stores.

X (ii) Two sets of tentage each for 6,000 troops, for the purpose of preparing camps for the first brigade groups arriving in each staging area.

(iii) Necessary constructional material to prepare staging areas.

(b) 15 days reserves, less engineer stores, for each staging force and staging area troops to be concentrated in separate lots at SYDNEY by 25 Nov 44. The reserve will carry full scalings of rations but special scalings for other items will be made out to meet the requirements of staging in a quiet area.

(c) 40 days staging area maintenance for each staging force and staging area troops to be concentrated at SYDNEY by 25 Nov.

(d) 2,400 general reinforcements to be concentrated by 1 Feb 45 for the purpose of movement into staging areas to replace wastage in the staging forces due to sickness.

10. The necessary shipping to move forward the items listed in para 9 above will be provided by Forward Ech LHQ and advice of arrangements made will be notified vide para 5 above.

11. All packages will be marked as follows:-

For HOLLANDIA - SI
For MOROTAI - SII

12. Units will move with their own accommodation stores including tentage, mosquito nets, and cots.

MOVEMENT OF STAGING FORCES

13. The compositions of the staging forces are set out in Appendices 'A' and 'B' Parts II.

14. Units listed should be prepared for embarkation as follows:-

Divs and Beach Groups - 1 Dec
Corps Troops and Base Troops - 15 Dec.

Addressees will be notified of shipping arrangments in the same manner as set out in para 5 above and will advise GRO 318 particulars to Adv LHQ and Queensland L of C area.

REPORTS OF MOVEMENT

15. To ensure that rear details if any are accounted for 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area will advise this HQ, Adv LHQ and Queensland L of C area by signal -

(a) Appendix letter and priority of unit
(b) Date unit or part thereof was shipped
(c) GRO G 318 details for balance if any which remain. (Not to Fwd Ech LHQ.)
(d) Date Unit move ex AUSTRALIA completed.

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( F H BERRYMAN) Lieutenant-General
Chief of Staff

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Appendix 'A' to 8/472 0608/SE
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PART I :- STAGING AREA TROOPS HOLLANDIA

NOTE :- TOWNS = TOWNSVILLE

| Priority | Formation Unit or dot | Personnel | Vehicles incl guns and trailers | Measurement tons of stores out of vehicles | Port of Embarkation | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
| 1 | Dot HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (Type E) | 45 | 4 | 6 | BRISBANE | |
| 2 | Dot & 11 Aust MG Gp (Type E) | 30 | 6 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 3 | 2/1 Aust Docks Op Coy (Type C) | 293 | 13 (a) | 81 | BRISBANE | (a) In addition each coy - Work Boats 1 Surf Boats 2 Dingy 1 |
| 4 | 2/2 Aust Docks Op Coy (Type C) | 293 | 13 (a) | 81 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 5 | 7 Pl 2 Aust Port Maint Coy | 55 | 6 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| 6 | 2/30 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 7 | 30 Aust Wks Coy | 468 | 4 | 75 | BRISBANE | |
| 8 | 33 Aust Wks Coy | 468 | 4 | 75 | BRISBANE | |
| 9 | HQ R&E 1 Aust Corps Tps | 39 | 10 | 20 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 10 | 5 Aust Mech Eqpt Coy | 254 | 127 | 2160 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 11 | 2/93 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 6 | 4 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 12 | 2 Aust Fd Coy | 251 | 41 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 13 | 2/4 Aust Mech Eqpt Wksp | 58 | 5 | 70 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | att 5 Aust Mech Eqpt Coy |
| 14 | 14 Aust Fd Coy | 251 | 41 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 15 | 1 Aust Port Constr Coy | 286 | 23 | 30 | BRISBANE | |
| 16 | 2 Aust Port Constr Coy | 286 | 23 | 30 | BRISBANE | |
| 17 | 1 Aust Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | BRISBANE | |
| 18 | 2 Aust Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | BRISBANE | |
| 19 | 3 Aust Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | BRISBANE | |
| 20 | 5 Aust Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | BRISBANE | |
| 21 | Dot 18 Aust Op Soc | 16 | 1 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 22 | Dot 10 Aust Line Soc | 25 | 2 | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 23 | Dot 9 Aust Tech Maint Soc | 5 | 1 | 4 | BRISBANE | |
| 24 | Two dots 25 Aust Wireless Soc (12) | 23 | 2 | 2 | BRISBANE | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 25 | 41 Aust Wireless Soc (Hy) (less two dets) | 20 | 3 | 18 | BRISBANE | |
| 26 | Det HQ 22 Aust L of C Sigs (ME) | 4 | 2 | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 27 | Det 50 Aust Cipher Soc (Type K) | 5 | - | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 28 | 11 Aust Sup Depot Pl (TS) | 33 | 4 | 1 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 29 | Det HQ Cond AASC 1 Aust Corps Tps. | 19 | 2 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 30 | HQ 2/2CC Aust GT Coy (TS) | 26 | 4 | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 31 | 2/31 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 32 | Det 17 Aust AOD | 114 | 4 | 28 | BRISBANE | |
| 33 | Det 14 Aust AAD | 32 | 1 | 6 | BRISBANE | |
| 34 | Det 5 Aust Ord Port Det (Type B) | 12 | 2 | 4 | BRISBANE | |
| 35 | 2/36 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 36 | 2/37 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 37 | 2/38 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 38 | 64 Aust BIPOD Pl | 29 | - | 28 | BRISBANE | |
| 39 | HQ 2/26 Aust Sup Depot Coy | 16 | 2 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 40 | 161 Aust Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 2 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 41 | Det AA Canteens Services | 30 | 1 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 42 | 102 Aust Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 2 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 43 | 2/102 Aust Wksp Pl (TS) | 24 | 6 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 44 | 13 Aust Fd Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 45 | 15 Aust Fd Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 46 | 46 Aust Fd Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 47 | Two Secs 2/1 Aust MAC Pl (TS) | 128 | 14 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 48 | 102 Aust Adv Dep Med Stores | 9 | 2 | 22 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 49 | 2/5 Aust Gen Hosp (M)(1200 beds. | 537 | 26 | 1764 | SYDNEY | |
| 50 | 76 Aust Depot Cash Office (Type C) | 3 | - | - | BRISBANE | att 2/5 Aust Gen Hosp |
| 51 | 6 Aust Hospital Laundry Unit (Type A) | 68 | 7 | 71 | BRISBANE | att 2/5 Aust Gen Hosp |
| 52 | 13 Aust Malarial Control Unit (Type B) | 21 | 4 | 9 | BRISBANE | |
| 53 | Det 10 Aust Ord Veh Pk (LS) | 30 | 2 | 6 | BRISBANE | |
| 54 | 2 Aust Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk | 123 | 57 | - | BRISBANE | |

| a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 55 | Det 2/7 Aust Mob Laundry and Fwd Decn Unit | 60 | 11 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 56 | 336 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 4 | 2 | BRISBANE | Att det HQ Base Sub Area |
| 57 | 2/2 Aust Inf Tps Whsp | 219 | 32 | 46 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 58 | Det 6 Aust Base Postal Unit | 40 | 2 | 25 | BRISBANE | |
| 59 | Two Sections 2/3 Aust L of C Pro Coy | 32 | 4 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 60 | Det 11 Aust L of C Stationery Depot | 7 | 1 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| | Staging Maintenance | | | 2000 | SYDNEY or BRISBANE | To come forward as bottom stowage in ships lifting the above priorities. |
| | Engr Construction Stores | | | 4000 | BRISBANE | -do- |
| | | 5571 | 804 | 11145 | | |

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PART II - STAGING TPS.
HOLLANDIA

| Priority | Formation Unit or Det | Personnel | Vehs (excl MC) & Trlrs Guns | Mean tons of stores out of vehicles | Port of Embarkation | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
| A | HQ 1 Aust Corps | 535 | 34 | 126 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Corps Sec Int Corps | 12 | 4 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Comb Ops Sec (less det) | 19 | 3 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | TOTAL HQ 1 Aust Corps | 566 | 42 | 128 | | |
| B | 9 Aust Div | 18000 | 1901 | 3341 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | To be moved forward in four echelons.<br>Three Inf Bde Gps Div Tps<br>Strength Inf Bde Gp - 4250<br>Div Tps - 5250 |
| C | 2 Aust Beach Gp | 2102 | 313 | 619 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| B | 1 Aust Corps Tps | | | | | Priorities of units listed below to be advised at a later date. |
| | 2 Aust Mil Landing Gp | 21 | 6 | 2 | CAIRNS or TOWNS | |
| | 2 Aust AAFIU (less det) | 6 | 3 | - | " | |
| | 3 Aust AAFIU | 10 | 3 | - | " | |
| | 35 Aust FS Sec (Enemy Eqpt) | 12 | - | 3 | " | |
| | U Aust FS Sec | 15 | 6 | - | " | |
| | 1 Aust Mob Mot Flt | 11 | 4 | - | " | |
| | 23 Fl 2/1 Aust Gd Regt | 42 | - | 4 | " | |
| | Det ATIS | 8 | - | 1 | " | |
| | 1 Aust AL Group | 61 | 19 | - | " | Includes Two Comd AL Secs. |
| | 2/9 Aust Armd Regt | 517 | 161 | 80 | " | Seventeen Sqn AL Secs. |
| | HQ RAA 1 Aust Corps | 36 | 17 | - | " | |
| | 2 Aust Mod Regt (Jungle Corps) | 650 | 64 | 200 | " | |
| | 2/1 Aust AA Regt (Comp)(MR) | 928 | 115 | 59 | " | |
| | 2/4 Aust LAA Regt (less one bty) | 487 | 71 | 105 | " | |
| | Adv HQ and one tp 1 Aust Naval Bombardment Gp | 91 | 11 | - | " | |
| | 2 Aust BD Fl | 24 | 3 | 3 | " | |
| | Det 5 Aust Fd Svy Coy | 43 | 5 | 8 | " | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1 Aust Corps Tps (Continued) | | | | | |
| | HQ 'A' Aust Corps Sig | 81 | 22 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 3 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | 26 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 7 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | 26 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 12 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | 26 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 40 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | 26 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Wireless Sec (Hy) (less two dets) | 20 | 8 | 20 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 13 Aust Wireless Sec (Hy) | 38 | 16 | 26 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Line Sec | 66 | 10 | 153 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2 Aust Line Sec | 66 | 10 | 153 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 8 Aust Line Sec | 66 | 10 | 153 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Tech Maint Sec | 23 | 4 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Line Maint Sec | 27 | 5 | 12 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 13 Aust Line Maint Sec | 27 | 5 | 12 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Op Sec | 40 | 4 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2 Aust Op Sec | 40 | 4 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust DR Sec | 27 | 24 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 4 Aust Engr Sig Sec | 20 | 6 | 6 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 21 Aust Cipher Sec (Type K) | 22 | - | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 49 Aust Cipher Sec (Type K) | 22 | - | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | HQ 1 Aust Pigeon Coy | 4 | 2 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 3 Aust Pigeon Sec | 16 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 5 Aust Pigeon Sec (less two op dets) | 14 | - | 9 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |

| b | c | d | e | f | g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 Aust Corps Tps (Continued) | | | | | |
| 2 Aust Mod Regt (Jungle Corps) Sig Sec | 35 | 4 | 5 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 2/4 Aust LAA Regt (Sig Sec (less det) | 11 | 4 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 2/9 Aust Armd Regt Sig Tp | 20 | 8 | 4 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 2/1 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Sig Sec (LE) | 32 | 8 | 29 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 2/21 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 51 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | Equipped with DUKWS. |
| 2/3 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment | 26 | 3 | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| One Pl 4 Aust Armd Bde Coy AASC | 99 | 45 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 2/13 Aust Fd Amb | 218 | 18 | 83 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 10 Aust Fd Amb | 218 | 18 | 83 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 2/3 Aust CCS | 128 | 14 | 215 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 110 Aust CCS | 128 | 14 | 215 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 15 Aust Malarial Control Unit (Type A) | 32 | 9 | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 21 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | att 2/3 Aust CCS |
| One Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | att 110 Aust CCS |
| 103 Aust Mob Bact Lab | 6 | 4 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 109 Aust Adv Dep Med Stores | 9 | 2 | 22 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 2/9 Aust Armd Regt Ord Fd Pk (HE) | 57 | 48 | 18 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 234 Aust LAD (Type D) | 37 | 12 | 11 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | att 2 Aust Med Regt (Jungle Corps) |
| 2/9 Aust Armd Regt Wksp (Type B) | 212 | 83 | 200 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 2/1 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Wksp (LE) | 89 | 16 | 13 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 2/4 Aust LAA Regt Wksp (less det) | 35 | 14 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 290 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 6 | 4 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | att 'A' Aust Corps Sigs |
| 319 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 6 | 4 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | att HQ 1 Aust Corps |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1 Aust Corps Tps (Continued) | | | | | |
| | 1 Aust Armd Div Pro Coy | 110 | 10 | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Corps Roe Camp | 23 | 3 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | TOTAL 1 Aust Corps | 3353 | 1016 | 932 | | |
| E | 1 Aust Base Sub Area Tps | | | | | |
| | 9 Aust CRE (Wks) | 34 | 9 | 3 | BRISBANE | Priorities of units listed below to be advised at a later date. |
| | HQ 2/106 Aust GT Coy | 28 | 4 | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/19 Aust Tpt Pl (TB) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/20 Aust Tpt Pl (TB) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | Equipped with DUKWS |
| | 49 Aust Tpt Pl (TB) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 50 Aust Tpt Pl (TB) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/1 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment (TB) | 26 | 3 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment (TB) | 26 | 3 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| | 4 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment (TB) | 26 | 3 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| | 5 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment (TB) | 26 | 3 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/106 Aust Wksp Pl (TB) | 24 | 7 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/4 Aust Gen Hosp (600 beds) | 351 | 18 | 927 | BRISBANE | |
| | 40 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | |
| | 42 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | Att 2/4 Aust Gen Hosp |
| | 43 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | |
| | TOTAL 1 Aust Base Sub Area Tps | 955 | 226 | 1028 | | |
| | General Reinforcements | 1200 | - | - | | |
| | MAINTENANCE AND STORES | | | | | |
| | 30 days Initial Maintenance for operational purposes | | | 26000 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | To be moved forward as bottom stowage in ships lifting above units. |
| | STAGING Maintenance | | | 30000 | SYDNEY or BRISBANE | |
| | Engr Construction Stores | | | 2600 | BRISBANE, CAIRNS and TOWNS | -do- |
| | TOTAL Maintenance and Stores | | | 48600 | | |
| | TOTAL STAGING TROOPS HOLLANDIA | 28176 | 3499 | 54417 | | |

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## PART I - STAGING AREA TROOPS MOROTAI

NOTE: TOWNS = TOWNSVILLE

| Priority | Formation Unit or Dot | Pers | Vehs incl guns & Tlrs | Tons(m) Stores out of Vehs | Port Embarkation | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
| 1 | Dot HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (Type B) | 45 | 4 | 6 | BRISBANE | |
| 2 | 2/32 Aust Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 3 | 2/10 Aust Docks Op Coy (Type C) | 293 | (a)13 | 81 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | (a) Plus: Workboat 1 Surfboat 2 Dinghy 1 |
| 4 | 5 Aust Docks Op Coy (Type C) | 293 | (a)13 | 81 | BRISBANE | |
| 5 | 8 Pl 1 Aust Port Maint Coy | 55 | 6 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| 6 | dot 7 11 Aust MC Gp (Type E) | 30 | 6 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 7 | 14 Aust Works Coy | 466 | 4 | 75 | BRISBANE | |
| 8 | 88 Aust Works Coy | 466 | 4 | 75 | BRISBANE | |
| 9 | 1 Aust CRE (Works) | 34 | 9 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 10 | 2/1 Aust Mech Eqpt Coy | 254 | (b)127 | 2160 | BRISBANE | (b) incl Mech Eqpt |
| 11 | 2 Aust Mech Eqpt Wksp | 58 | 5 | 70 | BRISBANE | att 2/1 Mech Eqpt Coy |
| 12 | 340 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 4 | 4 | BRISBANE | att 2/1 Mech Eqpt Coy |
| 13 | 18 Aust Fd Coy | 251 | 41 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 14 | 21 Aust Fd Coy | 251 | 41 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 15 | 60 Aust C Fd Pk Coy | 221 | (b)60 | 573 | BRISBANE | |
| 16 | 2/44 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 4 | 4 | BRISBANE | att 60 C Fd Pk Coy |
| 17 | 4 Aust A Tps Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | BRISBANE | |
| 18 | 9 Aust A Tps Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | BRISBANE | |
| 19 | 2/1 Aust Boring Pl | 78 | 24 | 200 | BRISBANE | |
| 20 | 4 Aust Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec | 13 | 2 | 9 | BRISBANE | |
| 21 | dot 11 Aust Op Sec | 12 | 1 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 22 | dot 10 Aust Admin Sec | 15 | 3 | 38 | BRISBANE | |
| 23 | dot 9 Aust Tech Maint Sec | 4 | 1 | 3 | BRISBANE | |

| a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 24 | two dets 41 Aust Wireless Sec (Hy) | 18 | 3 | 18 | BRISBANE | |
| 25 | det 50 Aust Cipher Sec (Type K) | 5 | - | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 26 | HQ Comd AASC 1 Aust Corps Tps(less det) | 23 | 4 | 2 | TOWNS OR CAIRNS | |
| 27 | HQ 3 Aust Sup Depot Coy | 16 | 4 | 3 | TOWNS OR CAIRNS | |
| 28 | 12 Aust Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 4 | 3 | TOWNS OR CAIRNS | |
| 29 | HQ 2/101 Aust Gen Tpt Coy | 3 | 4 | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 30 | 2/33 Aust Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 31 | det 17 Aust AOD | 20 | - | 8 | BRISBANE | |
| 32 | det 14 Aust AAD | 10 | - | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 33 | det 5 Aust Ord Port Det | 8 | 2 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 34 | 2/34 Aust Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 35 | 2/35 Aust Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 36 | 2/101 Aust Wksp Pl | 24 | 6 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 37 | 178 Aust Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 4 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 38 | 179 Aust Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 4 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 39 | det Aust Army Canteens Service | 15 | 1 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 40 | 2/1 Aust Fd Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 41 | 2/3 Aust Fd Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 42 | 9 Aust MCU (Type B) | 21 | 4 | 9 | BRISBANE | |
| 43 | 2/6 Aust Gen Hosp (M) (1200 beds) | 537 | 26 | 1764 | TOWNS OR CAIRNS | |
| 44 | 2 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type A) | 68 | 7 | - | TOWNS OR CAIRNS | |
| 45 | 95 Aust Dep Cash Office (Type C) | 3 | - | - | TOWNS OR CAIRNS | |
| 46 | 1 Aust Blood Transfusion Unit | 24 | 2 | 5 | BRISBANE | |
| 47 | det 17 Aust AOD | 145 | 3 | 35 | BRISBANE | |
| 48 | det 14 Aust AAD | 10 | 2 | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 49 | det 10 Aust Ord Veh Pk | 20 | 1 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 50 | two secs 2/3 Aust L of C Pro Coy | 32 | 3 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 51 | 2/3 Aust Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk (less Veh Pk Sec) | 74 | 42 | - | BRISBANE | |

| a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 52 | 62 Aust Bipod Pl | 29 | - | 28 | BRISBANE | |
| 53 | 2 Aust Base Depot Mod Stores | 26 | 2 | 68 | BRISBANE | |
| 54 | 2/4 Aust M/C Pl (less two secs) | 71 | 31 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 55 | 260 Aust LAD(Type A) | 16 | 4 | 4 | BRISBANE | Att HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area |
| 56 | 2/3 Aust Inf Tps Wksp | 219 | 32 | 46 | BRISBANE | |
| 57 | Det 6 Aust Base Postal Unit | 40 | 2 | 25 | BRISBANE | |
| 58 | Det 1 Aust ARD | 30 | 2 | 125 | BRISBANE | |
| 59 | Det 11 Aust L of C Stationery Depot (Type A) | 7 | 1 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 60 | Det Aust Army Canteens Service | 15 | 1 | - | BRISBANE | |
| - | Staging Maintenance | - | - | 2000 | SYDNEY or BRISBANE | To come forward as bottom stow in vessels lifting above priorities. |
| - | Engrs Constr Stores | - | - | 5000 | BRISBANE | -do- |
| | Totals | 5552 | 815 | 12[illegible] | | |

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PART II - STAGING TPS MOROTAI.

| Priority | Formation Unit or Det | Pers | Vehs incl guns & Tirs | Tons(m) Stores out of Vehs | PORT EMBARKATION | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
| A | 7 AUST DIV (a) | 18000 | 1901 | 3341 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| B | 1 AUST BRIGH GP | 2102 | 313 | 619 | TOWN or CAIRNS | (a) To be moved forward in four echelons - Three Inf Bde Gps Div Tps Strength Inf Bde Gp - 4250 Div Tps - 5250 |
| C | CORPS TPS (b) | | | | | (b) Priorities of units listed below to be advised at a later date |
| | 1 Aust Mil Landing Gp | 21 | 6 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | dot 1 Aust Combined Op Sec | 2 | - | 1 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | dot Public Relations | 6 | 2 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | dot Aust Mil History Sec | 4 | 3 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | dot 2 AAPIU | 4 | 1 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 34 Aust FS Sec (Enemy Eqpt) | 13 | - | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/5 Aust Armd Regt | 517 | 161 | 80 | BRISBANE | |
| | 53 Aust AA Regt (Comp) (LE) | 988 | 115 | 109 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | one bty 2/4 Aust LAA Regt | 222 | 31 | 50 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | one tp 1 Aust Naval Bombardment Gp | 71 | 11 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/23 Aust C Fd Pk Coy | 221 | 68 | 573 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 24 Aust Fd Coy | 251 | 41 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 5 Aust ED Pl | 24 | 3 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | CORPS TPS (Contd) | | | | | |
| | 7 Aust Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec | 13 | 2 | 9 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | HQ 2 Aust Docks Gp | 27 | 8 | 8 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | dot 5 Aust Fd Svy Coy | 43 | 5 | 8 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/5 Aust Armd Regt Sig Tp | 20 | 8 | 4 | BRISBANE | |
| | 3 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Sig Sec | 32 | 8 | 29 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | dot 2/4 Aust LAA Regt Sig Sec | 3 | - | 1 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 3 Aust Line Sec | 66 | 10 | 153 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 24 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | 26 | 8 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | two dots 1 Aust W/less Sec (Hy) | 18 | 8<br>- | 18 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 8 Aust Pigeon Sec | 16 | - | 10<br>- | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | one pl 4 Aust Armd Bde Coy AASC | 99 | 45 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/12 Aust Fd Amb | 218 | 18 | 83<br>- | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/3 Aust Mob Bact Lab | 6 | 4 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 110 Aust Adv Dep Med Stores | 9 | 2 | 22 | SYDNEY | |
| | 2/5 Aust Armd Regt Ord Fd Pk (LE) | 31 | 20 | 13 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/91 Aust LAD (Type H) | 60 | 12 | 5 | BRISBANE | Att 2/5 Aust Armd Regt |
| | 2/65 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 6 | 4 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | Att 2/83 Aust C Fd Pk Coy |
| | 2/5 Aust Armd Regt Wksp (Type A) | 141 | 24 | 40 | BRISBANE | |
| | 83 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Wksp (LE) | 89 | 16 | 15 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | dot 2/4 Aust LAA Regt Wksp | 13 | 4 | 1<br>- | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | dot 1 Aust Corps Postal Unit | 12 | 4 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | Total 1 Aust Corps Tps: | 3242 | 654 | 1275 | | |

| a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| D | 1 AUST BASE SUB AREA TPS | | | | | |
| | 5 Aust CE (Works) | 51 | 10 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| | 12 Aust CRE (Works) | 34 | 9 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| | 15 Aust CRE(Works) | 34 | 9 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| | 57 Aust DCRE (Works) | 21 | 5 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 73 Aust DCRE (Works) | 21 | 5 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/4 Aust Fd Sqn | 251 | 41 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2 Aust A Tps Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | BRISBANE | |
| | 101 Aust A Tps Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | BRISBANE | |
| | 9 Aust Wksp & Pk Coy | 283 | 20 | 33 | BRISBANE | |
| | 11 Aust Wksp & Pk Coy | 283 | 20 | 33 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust Rly Constr Coy (Mech Eqpt) | 254 | 127 | 2180 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust Boring Pl | 78 | 24 | 200 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust AA Regt (Comp) (LE) | 928 | 81 | 109 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Sig Soc (LE) | 32 | 8 | 29 | BRISBANE | |
| X | 2/12 Aust Gen Hosp (600 beds) | 351 | 18 | 927 | BRISBANE | |
| X | 4 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | |
| X | 5 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | |
| X | 6 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust MAC Pl | 110 | 45 | 6 | BRISBANE | |
| X | HQ 2 Aust BIPOD | 12 | - | 8 | BRISBANE | |
| X | HQ and one pl 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy | 80 | 10 | 36 | BRISBANE | |
| | Det 17 Aust AOD | 16 | - | 8 | BRISBANE | |
| | Det 10 Aust Ord Veh Pk | 8 | - | 5 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Wksp (LE) | 89 | 18 | 18 | BRISBANE | |
| | 3 Aust Mech Eqpt Wksp | 58 | 5 | 70 | BRISBANE | att 2/2 Aust Rly Constr Coy |
| | 328 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 4 | 4 | BRISBANE | att 2/2 Aust Rly Constr Coy |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1 AUST BASE SUB AREA TPS (Contd) | | | | | |
| | Det 1 Aust ARD | 100 | 7 | 373 | BRISBANE | |
| | Total 1 Aust Base Sub Area Tps | 3683 | 548 | 4524 | | |
| | General Reinforcements | 1200 | - | - | | |
| | MAINTENANCE AND STORES | | | | | |
| | 30 days Initial Maintenance for operational purposes | - | - | 18000 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | To be moved forward as bottom stowage in ships lifting above units. |
| | Staging Maintenance | - | - | 30000 | SYDNEY or BRISBANE | - do - |
| | Engrs Construction Stores | - | - | 3000 | SYDNEY and BRISBANE | -do- |
| | TOTAL Maintenance and Stores | - | - | 49000 | | |
| | TOTAL STAGING TROOPS MOROTAI | 27975 | 3369 | 58759 | | |
| | HOSPITALIZATION FOR CASUALTIES FROM OPERATIONAL AREA | | | | | |
| | 2/2 Aust Gen Hosp (M) (1200 beds) | 537 | 26 | 1764 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 9 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type A) | 68 | 7 | 71 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 73 Aust Dep Cash Office (Type C) | 3 | - | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/9 Aust Gen Hosp (M) (1200 beds) | 537 | 26 | 1764 | SYDNEY | |
| | 5 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type A) | 68 | 7 | 71 | SYDNEY | |
| | 77 Aust Dep Cash Office (Type C) | 3 | - | - | SYDNEY | |
| | 4 Aust Fact, Max Plastic Surgery Unit | 14 | - | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | | 1230 | 66 | 3673 | | |

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Subject: ARRANGEMENTS FOR STAGING - 1 AUST CORPS

Hq, HOLLANDIA Staging Area
Hq, MOROTAI Staging Area

INFORMATION

1. The portion of 1 Aust Corps which is to carry out the assault will be lifted in merchant shipping to two forward staging areas where, after a short period of training, they will embark in amphibious craft for the assault.

2. The balance of 1 Aust Corps, not staged as described above, will be lifted in merchant shipping from the mainland direct to the objective area, as soon as the operational situation allows.

PREPARATION OF STAGING AREAS.

3. Staging Areas will be constructed by Staging Area Troops provided from within the resources of 1 Aust Corps ( incl 1 Aust Base Sub Area ) . The Staging Areas have been named : -

(a) HOLLANDIA Staging Area

(b) MOROTAI Staging Area

Hq, 1 Aust Corps will be located in the HOLLANDIA Staging Area.

ORDERS OF BATTLE.

4. Orders of Battle are attached as follows :-

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (a) HOLLANDIA Staging Area | Appendix A | Pt 1 -Staging Area Troops<br>Pt II - Staging Troops |
| (b) MOROTAI Staging Area | Appendix B | Pt 1 -Staging Area Troops<br>Pt II -Staging Troops |

CONSTITUTION OF HEADQUARTERS STAGING AREAS.

5. Hqs for Staging Areas will be raised from Hq, 1 Aust Base Sub Area as follows :-

(a) Hq, HOLLANDIA Staging Area. Commander - VX64666 Lt-Col F.E.COSTELLO.

(b) Hq, MOROTAI Staging Area. Commander - WX 36 Lt-Col K.A.MORRIS.

STAFF.

6. Staff for Hq Staging Areas is shown in appendices as follows -

(a) Hq, HOLLANDIA Staging Area Appendix "C"

(b) Hq, MOROTAI Staging Area " "C"

MOVEMENT OF UNITS

7. Units are being prepared for embarkation by 1 Aust Corps and 1 Aust Base Sub Area. They will be ready to embark in BRISBANE, or CAIRNS or SYDNEY dependent upon their present locations, by the following dates :-

(a) Staging Area Troops - 25 Nov 44

(b) Staging Troops - 15 Dec 44

8. Forward Echelon LHQ is arranging for shipping and will advise numbers and types of ships being provided and the dates they will be on berth ready for loading.

9. Adv LHQ in conjunction with Qld L of C Area is responsible for the call forward of units for embarkation according to the priorities laid down in Appendices "A" and "B".

10. GRO 318/43 particulars of all 1 Aust Base Sub Area units concerned will be advised to Adv LHQ and Qld L of C Area by this HQ.

COMMAND

11. On arrival at destination staging area troops will pass to command of Forward Echelon LHQ until a date to be notified to 1 Aust Corps by Forward Echelon LHQ.

12. 1 Aust Base Sub Area Units come under command their respective HQ Staging Area on arrival in Staging Areas.

STORES AND EQUIPMENT

13. For the purpose of calculating maintenance requirements etc the following logistics regarding staging are advised :-

(a) HOLLANDIA Staging Area tps 5607
HOLLANDIA Staging tps 28115
MOROTAI Staging Area tps 5527
MOROTAI Staging tps 29191

(b) Period of staging in each area is estimated at 40 days

(c) Facilities to be provided in each staging area are :-

Scale A accommodation
Access roads
Waterpoints including purification point
1200 bed hospital first stage
180,000 square feet coverage
Refrigeration

14. LHQ is arranging for :-

(a) The following maintenance to be concentrated in BRISBANE by 25 Nov 44 under control of Q'land L of C Area-

(i) 14 days voyage rations, 10 days landing rations; 10 days expense and anti-malarial stores.

(ii) Two sets of tentage each for 6,000 troops, for the purpose of preparing camps for the first brigade groups arriving in each staging area.

(iii) Necessary constructional material to prepare staging areas.

(b) 15 days reserves, less engineer stores, for each staging force and staging area troops to be concentrated in separate lots at SYDNEY by 25 Nov 44. The reserve will carry full scaling of rations but special scalings for other items will be made out to meet the requirements of staging in a quiet area.

(c) 40 days staging maintenance for each staging force and staging area troops to be concentrated at SYDNEY by 25 Nov.

(d) 2,400 general reinforcements to be concentrated by 1 Feb 45 for the purpose of movement into staging areas to replace wastage in the staging forces due to sickness.

15. The necessary shipping to move forward the items listed in para 9 above will be provided by Forward Echelon LHQ and advice of arrangements made will be notified vide para 5 above.

16. All packages will be marked as follows :-

For HOLLANDIA - S I

For MOROTAI - S II

17. Units will move with their own accommodation stores including tentage, mosquito nets, and cots.

MOVEMENT OF STAGING FORCES

The compositions of the staging forces are set out in Appendices "A" and "B" Parts II.

REPORTS OF MOVEMENT

18. To ensure that an accurate check is kept of the movement of Staging Area troops and Staging troops Headquarters HOLLANDIA and MOROTAI Staging Areas will advise this HQ by signal -

(a) Appendix Letter and priority of unit

(b) Date unit or part thereof arrived in staging area.

LIAISON

19. As 1 Aust Base Sub Area is to function temporarily in widely separated areas it is essential that close liaison be maintained between the various detachments and this HQ.
HQ, HOLLANDIA Staging Area and HQ, MOROTAI Staging Area will forward the following documents to this HQ with a copy to the other HQ, Staging Area :-

(a) Location Statement - Bi-monthly
(b) Location Reports - daily if necessary
(c) Resumes of all Branches - weekly
(d) "E" and Services Branch Returns - As set out in Appendix D attached.

This HQ will furnish similar information to each HQ, Staging Area.

20. Please acknowledge receipt.

W. Kidston.

(W.KIDSTON) Major,
General Staff, 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF).

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## PART I - STAGING AREA TROOPS HOLLANDIA

NOTE: TOWNS - TOWNSVILLE

| Priority | Formation Unit of or det | Personnel | Vehicles incl guns and trailers | Measurements of stores out of vehicles | Part of Embarkation | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
| 1 | Det HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (Type B) | 45 | 4 | 6 | BRISBANE | |
| 2 | Det 7 11 Aust MC Gp (Type E) | 30 | 6 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 3 | 2/1 Aust Docks Op Coy (Type C) | 293 | 13 (a) | 81 | BRISBANE | (a) In addition each coy - Work Boats 1 Surf Boats 2 Dinghy 1 |
| 4 | 2/3 Aust Docks Op Coy (Type C) | 293 | 13 (a) | 81 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 5 | 7 Fd 1 Aust Port Maint Coy | 55 | 6 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| 6 | 2/30 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 7 | 30 Aust Works Coy | 468 | 4 | 75 | BRISBANE | |
| 8 | 33 Aust Wks Coy | 468 | 4 | 75 | BRISBANE | |
| 9 | HQ RAE 1 Aust Corps Tps | 39 | 10 | 29 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 10 | 5 Aust Mesh Eqpt Coy | 234 | 127 | 2360 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 11 | 2/23 Aust LAD (Type A) | 26 | 6 | 4 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 12 | 2 Aust Fd Coy | 251 | 41 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 13 | 2/4 Aust Mesh Eqpt Whsp | 58 | 5 | 70 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | ett 5 Aust Mesh Eqpt Coy |
| 14 | 14 Aust Fd Coy | 251 | 41 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 15 | 1 Aust Port Constr Coy | 286 | 23 | 30 | BRISBANE | |
| 16 | 2 Aust Port Constr Coy | 286 | 23 | 30 | BRISBANE | |
| 17 | 1 Aust Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | BRISBANE | |
| 18 | 2 Aust Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | BRISBANE | |
| 19 | 3 Aust Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | BRISBANE | |
| 20 | 5 Aust Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | BRISBANE | |
| 21 | Det 18 Aust Op Sec | 16 | 1 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 22 | Det 20 Aust Line Sec | 25 | 2 | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 23 | Det 9 Aust Tech Maint Sec | 5 | 1 | 4 | BRISBANE | |
| 24 | Two dets 25 Aust Wireless Sec (16) | 13 | 2 | 2 | BRISBANE | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 25 | 41 Aust Wireless Sec (Hy) (less two dets) | 20 | 3 | 18 | BRISBANE | |
| 26 | Det HQ 22 Aust L of C Sigs (MR) | 4 | 3 | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 27 | Det 50 Aust Cipher Sec (Type E) | 5 | - | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 28 | 11 Aust Sup Depot Pl (TS) | 32 | 4 | 1 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 29 | Det HQ Comd AASC 1 Aust Corps Tps | 19 | 2 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 30 | HQ 2/102 Aust GT Coy (TS) | 28 | 4 | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 31 | 2/31 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 32 | Det 17 Aust ACD | 114 | 4 | 28 | BRISBANE | |
| 33 | Det 14 Aust AAD | 22 | 1 | 6 | BRISBANE | |
| 34 | Det 5 Aust Ord Port Det (Type B) | 12 | 2 | 4 | BRISBANE | |
| 35 | 2/36 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 36 | 2/37 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 37 | 2/38 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 38 | 44 Aust EKPOR Pl | 29 | - | 28 | BRISBANE | |
| 39 | HQ 2/26 Aust Sup Depot Coy | 16 | 2 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 40 | 151 Aust Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 2 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 41 | Det AA Canteens Services | 20 | 1 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 42 | 152 Aust Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 2 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 43 | 2/102 Aust Wksp Pl (TS) | 24 | 6 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 44 | 13 Aust FR Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 45 | 15 Aust FR Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 46 | 46 Aust FR Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 47 | Two Secns 2/1 Aust MAC Pl (TS) | 28 | 14 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 48 | 102 Aust Adv Dep Ref Stores | 9 | 2 | 22 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 49 | 2/5 Aust Gen Hosp (H) (1280 beds) | 537 | 26 | 1764 | SYDNEY | |
| 50 | 76 Aust Depot Cash Office (Type C) | 3 | - | - | BRISBANE | att 2/5 Aust Gen Hosp |
| 51 | 8 Aust Hospital Laundry Unit (Type A) | 68 | 7 | 71 | BRISBANE | att 2/5 Aust Gen Hosp |
| 52 | 18 Aust Malaria Control Unit (Type B) | 21 | 4 | 9 | BRISBANE | |
| 53 | Det 19 Aust Ord Veh Pk (MT) | 26 | 2 | 6 | BRISBANE | |
| 54 | 2 Aust Inf Tps Ord Pl Pk | 123 | 57 | - | BRISBANE | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 55 | Det 2/7 Aust Mob Laundry and Bath Decn Unit | 60 | 11 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 56 | 335 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 4 | 3 | BRISBANE | Att det HQ Aust Sub Area |
| 57 | 2/2 Aust Inf Tpt Coy | 219 | 38 | 46 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 58 | Det 6 Aust Base Postal Unit | 48 | 2 | 25 | BRISBANE | |
| 59 | Two Sections 2/3 Aust L of C Tpt Coy | 32 | 4 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 60 | Det 11 Aust L of C Stationery Depot | 7 | 1 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| | Staging Maintenance | | | 2000 | SYDNEY or BRISBANE | To come forward as bottom stowage in ships lifting the above priorities. |
| | Engr Construction Stores | | | 4000 | BRISBANE | -do- |
| | | 5571 | 804 | 11145 | | |

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Appendix "A" to Ltr Hdqs XIII C/S/72-SEA/Ops dtd 11 Nov 44

## PART II - ATTACK ON MALAKAL

| Prior-ity | Formation Unit or Det | Pers-onnel | Vehs (excl MT) & Guns | Trlrs | Weap temp out of stores & vehicles | Part of Mainst-ation | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | | (g) |
| A | HQ 1 Aust Corps | 535 | 34 | 126 | TOWED or CARRIED | | |
| | 1 Aust Corps Sec Int Corps | 12 | 4 | - | TOWED or CARRIED | | |
| | 1 Aust Comb Ops Sec (less det) | 19 | 3 | 2 | TOWED or CARRIED | | |
| | TOTAL HQ 1 Aust Corps | 566 | 41 | 128 | | | |
| B | 2 Aust Div | 18000 | 1981 | 3948 | TOWED or CARRIED | | To be moved forward in four echelons.<br>Three Inf Bde Gps - Div Tps<br>Strength Inf Bde Gp - 4250<br>Div Tps - 5250 |
| C | 2 Aust Beach Gp | 2102 | 313 | 619 | TOWED or CARRIED | | |
| D | 1 Aust Corps Tps | | | | | | |
| | 2 Aust Mil Landing Gp | 21 | 6 | 2 | CARRIED or TOWED | | Priorities of units listed below to be advised at a later date. |
| | 2 Aust AAPIU (less det) | 6 | 3 | - | " | | |
| | 2 Aust AAPIU | 10 | 2 | - | " | | |
| | 35 Aust FS Sec (Heavy Eqpt) | 13 | - | 3 | " | | |
| | 2 Aust FS Sec | 15 | 6 | - | " | | |
| | 1 Aust Mob Met Flt | 11 | 4 | - | " | | |
| | 28 Fl S/L Aust Sig Regt | 41 | - | 4 | " | | |
| | Met ATU | 8 | - | 1 | " | | |
| | 1 Aust AL Group | 61 | 19 | - | " | | Includes Two Comd AL Secns. |
| | 2/3 Aust Armd Regt | 517 | 161 | 80 | " | | Seventeen Sqn AL Secs. |
| | HQ RAA 1 Aust Corps | 24 | 11 | - | " | | |
| | 2 Aust Mod Regt (Jungle Corps) | 650 | 64 | 280 | " | | |
| | 2/1 Aust AA Regt (Comp)(LE) | 928 | 135 | 89 | " | | |
| | 2/4 Aust LAA Regt (less one Bty) | 488 | 71 | 186 | " | | |
| | Bty HQ and one Sp 2 Aust Naval Bombardment Gp | 91 | 21 | - | " | | |
| | 1 Aust MB Fl | 24 | 3 | 2 | " | | |
| | Det 2 Aust Bde Sup Coy | 48 | 5 | 8 | " | | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
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| | **2 Aust Corps Tps (Continued)** | | | | | |
| | HQ "A" Aust Corps Sig | 81 | 22 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 3 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | 26 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 7 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | 26 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 12 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | 26 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 40 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | 26 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Wireless Sec (Hy) (less two dets) | 20 | 8 | 20 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 13 Aust Wireless Sec (Hy) | 38 | 16 | 26 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Line Sec | 66 | 10 | 153 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2 Aust Line Sec | 66 | 10 | 153 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 8 Aust Line Sec | 66 | 10 | 153 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Tech Maint Sec | 23 | 4 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Line Maint Sec | 27 | 5 | 12 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 13 Aust Line Maint Sec | 27 | 5 | 12 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Op Sec | 40 | 4 | 3 | TOWNS or Cairns | |
| | 2 Aust Op Sec | 40 | 4 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust IR Sec | 27 | 24 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 4 Aust Engr Sig Sec | 20 | 6 | 6 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 21 Aust Cipher Sec(Type K) | 22 | - | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 49 Aust Cipher Sec (Type K) | 22 | - | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | HQ 1 Aust Pigeon Coy | 4 | 2 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 3 Aust Pigeon Sec | 16 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 5 Aust Pigeon Sec (less two op dets) | 16 | - | 9 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2 Aust Mod Regt (Jungle Corps) Sig Sec | 25 | 4 | 5 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 3/4 Aust LAA Regt (Sig Sec (less det) | 11 | 4 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
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| **1 Aust Corps Tps (Continued)** | | | | | | |
| | 2/9 Aust Armd Regt Sig Tp | 20 | 8 | 4 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/1 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Sig Sec (IE) | 23 | 8 | 29 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/21 Aust Tpt Pl (MB) | 99 | 51 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | Equipped with DUKWS. |
| | 2/3 Aust Amphibious Veh Detachment | 26 | 3 | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | One Pl 4 Aust Armd Bde Coy AASC | 99 | 45 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/13 Aust Fd Amb | 218 | 18 | 83 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 10 Aust Fd Amb | 212 | 18 | 83 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/3 Aust CCS | 128 | 14 | 215 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 110 Aust CCS | 128 | 14 | 215 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 15 Aust Malaria Control Unit (Type A) | 22 | 9 | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 23 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | Att 2/3 Aust CCS |
| | One Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | Att 110 Aust CCS |
| | 103 Aust Mob Rest Lab | 6 | 4 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 109 Aust Adv Dep Med Stores | 9 | 2 | 22 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/9 Aust Armd Regt Ord Fd Pk (ME) | 57 | 48 | 18 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 224 Aust LAD (Type D) | 37 | 12 | 11 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | Att 2 Aust Mat Regt (Jungle Corps) |
| | 2/9 Aust Armd Regt Whsp (Type B) | 212 | 32 | 200 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/1 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Whsp (IE) | 89 | 16 | 13 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/4 Aust LAA Regt Whsp (less det) | 35 | 14 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 290 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 6 | 4 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | Att "A" Aust Corps Sigs |
| | 219 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 6 | 4 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | Att HQ 1 Aust Corps |
| | 1 Aust Armd Div Pro Coy | 110 | 10 | 30 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 1 Aust Corps Rec Camp | 23 | 2 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | TOTAL 1 Aust Corps | 3353 | 1016 | 921 | | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
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| | 2 Aust Base Sub Area Tps | | | | | |
| | 9 Aust CRE (Wks) | 34 | 9 | 3 | BRISBANE | Priorities of units listed below to be advised at a later date. |
| | HQ 2/106 Aust GT Coy | 28 | 4 | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/19 Aust Tpt Pl (TB) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/20 Aust Tpt Pl (TB) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | Equipped with DUKWS |
| | 49 Aust Tpt Pl (TB) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 50 Aust Tpt Pl (TB) | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/1 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment (TB) | 26 | 5 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment (TB) | 26 | 3 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| | 4 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment (TB) | 26 | 3 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| | 5 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment (TB) | 26 | 3 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/106 Aust Whup Pl (TB) | 24 | 7 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/4 Aust Gen Hosp(600 beds) | 251 | 18 | 927 | BRISBANE | |
| | 48 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | |
| | 42 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | Att 2/4 Aust Gen Hosp |
| | 43 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 6 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | |
| | TOTAL 2 Aust Base Sub Area Tps | 755 | 228 | 1038 | | |
| | General Reinforcements | 1200 | - | - | | |
| | MAINTENANCE AND STORES | | | | | |
| | 30 days Initial Maintenance for operational purposes | | 16000 | | TOWNS or CAIRNS | To be moved forward as bottom stowage in ships lifting above units. |
| | STORES Maintenance | | 30000 | | SYDNEY or BRISBANE | |
| | Engr Construction Stores | | 2600 | | BRISBANE, CAIRNS and TOWNS | -do- |
| | TOTAL Maintenance and Stores | | 48600 | | | |
| | TOTAL STORES TROOPS NOELANDIA | 28176 | 2499 | 54697 | | |

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## PART I - STRIKING AREA TROOPS ROTATAL

NOTE: TONS = TONNEFILLS

| Priority (a) | Formation Unit or Det (b) | Pers (c) | Vehs incl Guns & Tkrs (d) | Tons(a) Stores out of Vehs (e) | Port Embarkation (f) | Remarks (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Det HQ 1 Aust Base Sub | 45 | 4 | 6 | BRISBANE | |
| 2 | 2/32 Aust Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 3 | 2/10 Aust Docks Op Coy (Type C) | 293 | (a)13 | 81 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | (a) Plus |
| 4 | 5 Aust Docks Op Coy (Type C) | 293 | (a)13 | 81 | BRISBANE | Workboat 1<br>Surfboat 2<br>Dinghy 1 |
| 5 | 8 Pl 1 Aust Port Maint Coy | 55 | 6 | 10 | BRISBANE | |
| 6 | Det 5 11 Aust MC Sp (Type E) | 20 | 6 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 7 | 36 Aust Works Coy | 468 | 4 | 75 | BRISBANE | |
| 8 | 38 Aust Works Coy | 468 | 4 | 75 | BRISBANE | |
| 9 | 1 Aust GRS (Works) | 34 | 9 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 10 | 2/1 Aust Mech Eqpt Coy | 254 | (b)12 | 2160 | BRISBANE | (b) Incl Mech Eqpt |
| 11 | 2 Aust Mech Eqpt Wksp | 58 | 5 | 70 | BRISBANE | att 2/1 Mech Eqpt Coy |
| 12 | 340 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 4 | 4 | BRISBANE | att 2/1 Mech Eqpt Coy |
| 13 | 18 Aust Pl Coy | 221 | 41 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 14 | 21 Aust Pl Coy | 251 | 41 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 15 | 60 Aust C Pl Pr Coy | 221 | (b)60 | 573 | BRISBANE | |
| 16 | 2/46 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 4 | 4 | BRISBANE | att 60 C Pl Pr Coy |
| 17 | 4 Aust A Tpt Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | BRISBANE | |
| 18 | 9 Aust A Tpt Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | BRISBANE | |
| 19 | 2/1 Aust Bering Pl | 78 | 24 | 280 | BRISBANE | |
| 20 | 4 Aust Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec | 13 | 2 | 9 | BRISBANE | |
| 21 | Det 18 Aust Op Sec | 22 | 1 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 22 | Det 20 Aust Mine Sec | 25 | 3 | 38 | BRISBANE | |
| 23 | Det 9 Aust Tank Maint Sec | 4 | 1 | 3 | BRISBANE | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
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| 24 | Two dets 41 Aust Wireless Sec (Hy) | 18 | 3 | 18 | BRISBANE | |
| 25 | Det 50 Aust Cipher Sec (Type K) | 5 | - | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 26 | HQ Comd AASC 1 Aust Corps Tps (less det) | 22 | 4 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 27 | HQ 3 Aust Sup Depot Coy | 16 | 4 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 28 | 12 Aust Sup Depot Pl | 23 | 4 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 29 | HQ 2/101 Aust Gen Tpt Coy | 23 | 4 | 1 | BRISBANE | |
| 30 | 2/33 Aust Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 31 | Det 17 Aust ACR | 20 | - | 8 | BRISBANE | |
| 32 | Det 14 Aust AAB | 10 | - | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 33 | Det 5 Aust Ord Port Det | 6 | 2 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 34 | 2/24 Aust Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 35 | 2/35 Aust Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 36 | 2/101 Aust Wksp Pl | 24 | 6 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 37 | 178 Aust Sup Depot Pl | 23 | 4 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 38 | 179 Aust Sup Depot Pl | 23 | 4 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 39 | Det Aust Army Canteens Service | 15 | 1 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 40 | 2/1 Aust Pl Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 41 | 2/2 Aust Pl Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | BRISBANE | |
| 42 | 9 Aust MDU (Type B) | 21 | 4 | 9 | BRISBANE | |
| 43 | 2/5 Aust Gen Wksp (M) (1 Sec Main) | 387 | 26 | 1764 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 44 | 2 Aust Wksp Laundry Unit (Type A) | 48 | 7 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 45 | 95 Aust Depot Cash Office (Type C) | 3 | - | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| 46 | 2 Aust Fleet Transfusion Unit | 24 | 2 | 5 | BRISBANE | |
| 47 | Det 17 Aust ACD | 145 | 8 | 25 | BRISBANE | |
| 48 | Det 14 Aust AAB | 10 | 2 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| 49 | Det 28 Aust Ord Veh Pl | 20 | 2 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| 50 | Two secns 2/3 Aust L of C Tpt Coy | 32 | 2 | - | BRISBANE | |
| 51 | 2/3 Aust Inf Tps Coy Pl Pl (less Veh Pl Secn) | 74 | 45 | - | BRISBANE | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 52 | 62 Amst MIFCU Pl | 29 | - | 28 | [illegible] | |
| 53 | 2 Amst Base Depot Med Stores | 26 | 2 | 66 | [illegible] | |
| 54 | 2/4 Amst HAC Pl (less two secs) | 71 | 31 | 3 | [illegible] | |
| 55 | 200 Amst LAD (Type A) | 16 | 4 | 4 | [illegible] | Att HQ 1 Amst Base Sub Area |
| 56 | 2/3 Amst Inf Tps Wksp | 212 | 32 | 46 | [illegible] | |
| 57 | Det 6 Amst Base Postal Unit | 40 | 2 | 25 | [illegible] | |
| 58 | Det 1 Amst AED | 30 | 2 | 125 | [illegible] | |
| 59 | Det 11 Amst L of C Stationery Depot(Type A) | 7 | 1 | 2 | [illegible] | |
| 60 | Det Amst Army Canteens Service | 25 | 1 | - | [illegible] | |
| - | Staging Maintenance | - | - | 2000 | [illegible] | To come forward as [illegible] other in vessels lifting above priorities. |
| - | Regrs Constr Stores | - | - | 3000 | [illegible] | -do- |
| | Totals | 3032 | 815 | XXL00 | | |

PART II - STAGING THE MEROTAI

| Priority | Formation Unit or Det | Pers | Vehs incl. guns & Tlrs | Tonnage Stores out of Vehs | PORT EMBARKATION | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
| A | 1 AUST DIV (a) | 18000 | 3207 | 3241 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| B | 1 AUST BEACH GP | 2182 | 313 | 619 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | (a) To be moved forward in four echelons - Three Inf Bde Gps Div Tps Strength Inf Bde Gp - 4250 Div Tps - 5250 |
| C | CORPS TPS (b) | | | | | (b) |
| | 1 Aust Mil Landing Gp | 21 | 6 | 2 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | Priorities of units listed below to be advised at a later date. |
| | Det 1 Aust Combined Op Sec | 2 | - | 1 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | Det Public Relations | 6 | 2 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | Det Aust Mil History Sec | 4 | 2 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | Det 2 AAPIU | 4 | 1 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 26 Aust FS Sec (Enemy Rupt) | 13 | - | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/3 Aust Armd Regt | 527 | 161 | 80 | REINFMT | |
| | 53 Aust AA Regt (Comp) (LE) | 928 | 125 | 209 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | One Bty 2/4 Aust LAA Regt | 282 | 21 | 50 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | One Tp 1 Aust Naval Embarkment Gp | 71 | 11 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/23 Aust C Pl Fk Coy | 221 | 68 | 272 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 24 Aust Pk Coy | 251 | 41 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 3 Aust [illegible] Fl | 24 | 2 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | CORPS TPS (Contd) | | | | | |
| | 7 Aust Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec | 13 | 2 | 9 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | HQ 2 Aust Docks Gp | 27 | 8 | 8 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | Det 5 Aust Fd Svy Coy | 43 | 5 | 8 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/3 Aust Armd Regt Sig Tp | 20 | 8 | 4 | BRISBANE | |
| | 53 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Sig Sec | 32 | 8 | 29 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | Det 2/4 Aust LAA Regt Sig Sec | 3 | - | 1 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 3 Aust Line Sec | 66 | 10 | 153 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 26 Aust Wireless Sec (Lt) | 26 | 8 | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | Two Dets 1 Aust W/less Sec (Ry) | 18 | 8 | 18 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 8 Aust Pigeon Sec | 16 | - | 10 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | One Pl 4 Aust Armd Bde Coy ASC | 99 | 45 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/12 Aust Fd Amb | 218 | 18 | 83 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/3 Aust Mob Bact Lab | 6 | 4 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 110 Aust Adv Dep Med Stores | 9 | 2 | 22 | SYDNEY | |
| | 2/5 Aust Armd Regt Qrd Fd Pk (LE) | 31 | 20 | 13 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/9 Aust LAD (Type E) | 60 | 12 | 5 | BRISBANE | Att 2/5 Aust Armd Regt |
| | 2/65 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 6 | 4 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | Att 2/12 Aust C Fd Pk Coy |
| | 2/5 Aust Armd Regt Whsp (Type A) | 141 | 24 | 40 | BRISBANE | |
| | 53 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Whsp (LE) | 89 | 14 | 12 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | Det 2/4 Aust LAA Regt Whsp | 13 | 4 | 1 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | Det 1 Aust Corps Postal Unit | 12 | 6 | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | Total 1 Aust Corps Tps | 2268 | 854 | 1275 | | |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| D | 1 AUST BASE SUB AREA TNK | | | | | |
| | 5 Aust CE (Works) | 51 | 10 | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| | 12 Aust CRE (Works) | 34 | 9 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| | 15 Aust CRE (Works) | 34 | 9 | 3 | BRISBANE | |
| | 37 Aust RCME (Works) | 21 | 5 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 73 Aust RCME (Works) | 21 | 5 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/4 Aust Pd Sqn | 231 | 42 | - | BRISBANE | |
| | 2 Aust A Tps Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | BRISBANE | |
| | 101 Aust A Tps Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | BRISBANE | |
| | 9 Aust Wksp & Pk Coy | 283 | 29 | 33 | BRISBANE | |
| | 11 Aust Wksp & Pk Coy | 283 | 20 | 33 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust Rly Constr Coy (Mech Eqpt) | 254 | 127 | 2160 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust Boring Pl | 78 | 24 | 200 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust AA Regt (Comp) (LE) | 428 | 61 | 109 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Sig Sec (LE) | 32 | 8 | 23 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/12 Aust Gen Hosp (600 beds) | 251 | 18 | 227 | BRISBANE | |
| | 44 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 8 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | |
| | 45 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 8 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | |
| | 46 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type B) | 8 | 2 | 19 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust MAC Pl | 110 | 45 | 6 | BRISBANE | |
| | HQ 2 Aust REPCO | 12 | - | 8 | BRISBANE | |
| | HQ and one pl 4 Aust Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy | 30 | 10 | 26 | BRISBANE | |
| | Det 17 Aust ACD | 16 | - | 8 | BRISBANE | |
| | Det 20 Aust Ord Veh Pk | 8 | - | 2 | BRISBANE | |
| | 2/2 Aust AA Regt (Comp) Wksp (LE) | 89 | 16 | 18 | BRISBANE | |
| | 5 Aust Mech Eqpt Wksp | 58 | 3 | 79 | BRISBANE | Att 2/2 Aust Rly Constr Coy |
| | 230 Aust LAD (Type A) | 16 | 4 | 6 | BRISBANE | Att 2/2 Aust Rly Constr Coy |

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 2 AUST BASE SUB AREA TYP (Contd) | | | | | |
| | Det 1 Aust HQ | 100 | 7 | 375 | BRISBANE | |
| | Total 1 Aust Base Sub Area Typ | 3682 | 562 | 4624 | | |
| | General Reinforcements | 1200 | - | - | | |
| | MAINTENANCE AND STORES | | | | | |
| | 30 days Initial Maintenance for operational purposes | - | - | 16000 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | To be moved forward as bottom stowage in ships lifting above units. |
| | Staging Maintenance | - | - | 20000 | SYDNEY or BRISBANE | -do- |
| | Engrs Construction Stores | - | - | 2000 | SYDNEY and BRISBANE | -do- |
| | TOTAL Maintenance and Stores | - | - | 49000 | | |
| | TOTAL STAGING TROOPS EMROUTE | 27975 | 2269 | 58759 | | |
| | [redacted] | | | | | |
| | 2/2 Aust Gen Hosp (M) (1200 beds) | 537 | 26 | 1764 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 9 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type A) | 68 | 7 | 71 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 73 Aust Hsp Cash Office (Type C) | 3 | - | - | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | 2/2 Aust Gen Hosp (M) (1200 beds) | 537 | 26 | 1764 | SYDNEY | |
| | 3 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type A) | 68 | 7 | 71 | SYDNEY | |
| | 77 Aust Hsp Cash Office (Type C) | 3 | - | - | SYDNEY | |
| | 4 Aust Plastic Max Plastic Surgery Unit | 14 | - | 3 | TOWNS or CAIRNS | |
| | | 1230 | 66 | 3673 | | |

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Subject: PERSONNEL FOR MAIN AND SECONDARY STAGING BASES.

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DAD Lab
No. 1 Det HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF) (4)
No. 2 Det HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF) (4)

1. All previous minutes on this subject are cancelled.

2. The undermentioned personnel will be prepared for embarkation for tropical service forthwith.

3. Personnel will be fully equipped, all medical, dental and administrative requirements will be completed and Atebrin course will be commenced forthwith.

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MAIN.

C.O. NX-64666 Lt-Col. F.H. COSTELLO (move by Air)

| | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **G.S.** | | | | | |
| G.S. 3rd Grade | 1 | QX-52234 | LT | A. | DALE |
| Clerks, G.S. | 1 | NX-129489 | Sgt | O.C. | MURRAY |
| **AA & QMG** | | | | | |
| Staff Capt "A" | 1 | VX-[illegible] | Capt | J.O. | TAIT |
| Staff Capt "Q" | 1 | QX-[illegible] | Capt | D.A. | SUTHERS (to move by Air) |
| Clerks, AQ | 3 | QX-49845 | Cpl | C.G. | GOODWIN |
| | | NX-174378 | Pte | P.W. | JAMES |
| | | NX-80180 | Pte | P.W. | GARRISON (to move by Air) |
| **DADMS** | | | | | |
| Hygiene DADH | 1 | | | | |
| Hyhiene Inspectors | 3 | NX-144837 | Sgt | L.F. | MOLYNEUX |
| | | Q -99798 | S/Sgt | G.E. | COOK |
| | | NX-175077 | Sgt | L.G. | CARLON |
| Clerks, | 1 | QX-34464 | Sgt | L.C. | GRAHAM |
| **EDUCATION** | | | | | |
| Education Sgt | 1 | VX-71506 | Sgt | W.F. | WANNAN |
| **S & T** | | | | | |
| Capt POL | 1 | VX-30174 | Capt | C.G. | DWYER (to move by Air) |
| Clerks, S & T | 7 | NX-104862 | WO II | G.W. | HARRISON (to move by Air) |
| | | QX-40116 | S/Sgt | J.Y. | JOHNSON |
| | | NX-150763 | Sgt | P.E. | MARKS (to move by Air) |
| | | VX-148528 | Pte | J.D. | LEE |
| | | NX-203411 | Pte | J. | KIDNIE |
| | | VX-115908 | Pte | T. | MANDEL |
| **DADL** | 1 | VX-112156 | Capt | V.J. | LOADER |

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| CRD | | | | |
| BOWO | 1 | VX-120048 | SGT | J.W. WHINNEY |
| Clerks | 1 | WX-21964 | Pte | H. WARREN |
| Local Adm | | | | |
| Rest Camp | 1 | | | |
| MO | 1 | VX-132692 | Capt | A.P. TENNY |
| Orderlies | 3 | QX-61482 | Pte | J. NORRIS |
| | | WX-40140 | Pte | J.G. ROBERTS |
| | | V -340537 | Pte | G DAVIS |
| Clerks | 1 | QX-61421 | Pte | E.S. SABIEN |
| Cooks | 2 | NX-20105 | Pte | R.A. ROBINSON |
| | | VX-147768 | Pte | J. KEMPTON |
| Dr. Mechs | 1 | SX-22843 | Pte | L.H. CROWHURST |
| Drs. M.T. | 3 | NX-139084 | Pte | H.N. BEATTIE |
| | | SX-20082 | Pte | J.B. SIMPSON |
| | | NX-20195 | Pte | J. FLEMING |
| Gen Duties | 4 | SX-32374 | Cpl | C.A. SPAIN |
| | | QX-51661 | Pte | M.R. PARSONS |
| | | NX-164476 | Pte | N. MLADNOS |
| | | NX-164979 | Pte | A.C. WATSON |
| Hygiene | 1 | NX-174023 | Pte | R.L. BRIDGE |
| Med Orderlies | 2 | NX-119166 | Cpl | L.T. CARROLL |
| | | VX-77290 | Pte | R. WAXMAN |
| Water Duties | 1 | SX-29800 | Pte | D.C. MOORE |

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| C.O. | | WX-38 | | Lt-Col N.A. NORRIS (to move by Air) |
| G.S. | | | | |
| S.O. Arty | 1 | NX-14671 | Maj | J.F. BLAXLAND |
| Clerks G.S. | 1 | QX-43960 | Cpl | S.L. BEARD |
| AA & QMG | | | | |
| Staff Capt "A" | 1 | NX-107253 | Capt | W.M. BRUNSDON |
| Staff Capt "Q" | 1 | VX-81098 | Capt | A.L. REDMOND (to move by Air) |
| Clerks, AQ | 3 | NX-43829 | Cpl | F.J. ROWE (to move by Air) |
| | | QX-43790 | Cpl | H.C. GEORGE |
| | | NX-110871 | Pte | G.L. WILKINS |
| DADMS. | | | | |
| Hygiene Lieut | 1 | NX-119869 | Lt | W.G. POLYCHRONE |
| Hygiene Inspectors | 3 | VX-117443 | Sgt | W.L. SIDWELL |
| | | SX-21692 | Sgt | R.A. THOMAS |
| | | QX-37228 | Sgt | J.W. KOHLER |
| Clerks | 1 | NX-192919 | Cpl | R.L. LEARY |
| EDUCATION | | | | |
| Eduoction Sgt | 1 | NX-165570 | Sgt | K. BROKENSHIRE |
| S & T | | | | |
| DADS | 1 | VX-24148 | Maj | J.G. PINNIGER (to move by Air) |
| Clerks, S & T | 7 | QX-12833 | S/Sgt | P.S. UHLMANN (to move by Air) |
| | | QX-36499 | Cpl | J.R. STEELE |
| | | NX-145096 | Cpl | C.A. FLOOK (to move by Air) |
| | | NX-170937 | Cpl | M. TEHAN |
| | | WX-37242 | Pte | N.D. WOTHERSPOON |
| | | VX-40145 | Pte | S. KEENAN |
| ORD | | | | |
| BOWO | 1 | VX-111801 | WO I | R.H. ALLEN |
| Clerks | 1 | W -24840 | Pte | S.H. WESTON |

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| **LOCAL AIM** | | | | |
| RMO | 1 | NX-170034 | Capt | J.V. SANDERS |
| Sgt Clerk | 1 | NX-46758 | Sgt | R.S. SIMPSON |
| Batmen | 3 | NX-178548 | Pte | L.A. CONLON |
| | | NX-110858 | Pte | S.K. PIKE |
| | | NX-111371 | Pte | A.T. PUCKERIDGE |
| Clerks | 1 | QX-36178 | Pte | C.R. HANSEN |
| Cooks | 2 | QX-28407 | Pte | W.G. WATSON |
| | | Q -125500 | Pte | C.P. SEATON |
| Dr. Mechs | 1 | VX-43567 | Pte | A.S. KNIGHT |
| Drs. M.T. | 3 | NX-80243 | Pte | E. PARSONS |
| | | QX-82419 | Pte | H.J. KENDALL |
| | | WX-13410 | Pte | A.N. MEARS |
| Gen Duties | 4 | QX-59075 | Pte | W.P. SHAW |
| | | V -507333 | Pte | F.B. ANDERSON |
| | | TX-11461 | Pte | G.A. DIDSBURY |
| | | QX-84090 | L/Cpl | L.R. OSBORNE |
| Hygiene | 1 | NX-195830 | Pte | W.G. EVANS |
| Med Orderlies | 2 | WX-84690 | Cpl | N.S. HORTON |
| | | NX-150442 | Pte | G.F. BARHAM |
| Water Duties | 1 | NX-176320 | Pte | M.T. CROWLEY |

H Richam Maj
for (O.A.KESSELS) Lt-Col,
AA & QMG, 1 Aust Base Sub Area (AIF).
13 Nov 44.

| H.Q. 1 AUST. BASE SUB AREA | | |
|---|---|---|
| Appt | Initials | Date |
| Comd. | | |
| GSO II | | |
| GSO III | | |
| S.I. | | |
| I.O. | | |
| SO (Arty) | | |
| | | |

1 AUST. BASE
RECEIVED
13 NOV 1944
SUB AREA

1700 hrs

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General Info (Not yet official)

LHQ Topsec 1949 of 20 Oct )

* SM 11249 of 25 Oct ) Cancelled

* Topsec 1982 of 31 Oct )

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1. Constructional Work at Staging Bases - Carried out by 'Staging Area Tps'.

2. Staging Area Tps to be ready to embark BRISBANE or CAIRNS (dependent on present location) by 25 Nov 44.

3. 1 Corps and 1 BSA to advise Adv LHQ and Qld L of C Area as early as possible of GRO 318 particulars of units nominated in Appendices 'A' & 'B' Part I (Staging Area Tps).

4. Packages marked :-

For HOLLANDIA - S I

For MOROTAI - S II

5. Units move with their own scan stores incl tentage, mosquito nets and cots.

6. Staging Forces

As shown in Appendices 'A' & 'B' Part II.

7. Staging Forces to be prepared for embarkation as follows :-

Div & Beach Gps - 1 Dec

Corps Tps & Base Tps - 15 Dec.

GRO 318 particulars to be notified to Adv LHQ & Qld L of C Area.

8. To ensure that rear details if any are accounted for, 1 Corps and 1 BSA will advise this HQ, Adv LHQ & Qld L of C Area by signal -

(a) Appx Letter and priority of unit.

(b) Date unit or part thereof was shipped.

(c) GRO 318/43 details for balance if any which remain (NOT to Fwd Each LHQ).

(d) Date Unit move ex AUST completed.

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Not yet official
Corps not in picture yet
Advance info to enable
us to make start on
preparing unit

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Appendix 'A' to Fwd Ech LHQ S/472.012/SD

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## Part I - Staging Area Troops HOLLANDIA

| Priority (a) | Formation Unit or det (b) | Personnel (c) | Vehs incl guns & trlrs (d) | Meas Tons of Stores out of vehs (e) | Port of Embark (f) | Remarks (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Det HQ 1 BSA | 48 | 4 | 6 | B | |
| 2 | Det 5 11 MC Op | 30 | 6 | 2 | T or C | |
| 3 | 2/1 Docks Op Coy | 293 | 13(a) | 81 | B | (a) in addition each coy - Work Boats 1, Surf " 2, Dinghy 1 |
| 4 | 2/3 Docks Op Coy | 293 | 13(a) | 81 | B | |
| 5 | 7 Pl 1 Port Maint Coy | 55 | 6 | 10 | B | |
| 6 | 2/30 Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | B | |
| 7 | 30 Wks Coy | 468 | 4 | 75 | B | |
| 8 | 33 Wks Coy | 468 | 4 | 75 | B (?) | |
| 9 | HQ RAE 1 Corps Tps | 89 | 10 | 29 | T or C | |
| 10 | 5 Mech Eqpt Coy | 234 | 127 | 2160 | T or C | |
| 11 | 2/93 LAD | 16 | 6 | 4 | T or C | |
| 12 | 2 Fd Coy | 251 | 41 | - | T or C | |
| 13 | 2/4 Mech Eqpt Wksp | 58 | 5 | 70 | T or C | (att 5 ME Coy) |
| 14 | 14 Fd Coy | 251 | 41 | - | B | |
| 15 | 1 Port Constr Coy | 286 | 23 | 30 | B | |
| 16 | 2 Port Constr Coy | 286 | 23 | 30 | B | |
| 17 | 1 Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | B | |
| 18 | 2 Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | B | |
| 19 | 3 Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | B | |
| 20 | 5 Welding Pl | 47 | 14 | 59 | B | |
| 21 | Det 18 Op Sec | 16 | 1 | 2 | B | |
| 22 | Det 10 Line Sec | 25 | 2 | 80 | B | |
| 23 | Det 9 Tech Maint Sec | 5 | 1 | 4 | B | |
| 24 | Two dets 25 WT Sec (Lt) | 13 | 2 | 2 | B | |
| 25 | 41 WT Sec (Hy) less two dets | 20 | 3 | 18 | B | |
| 26 | Det HQ 22 L of C Sigs | 4 | 2 | 1 | B | |
| 27 | Det 50 Cipher Sec | 5 | - | 1 | B | |
| 28 | 11 Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 4 | 1 | T or C | |
| 29 | Det HQ Comd ASC 1 Corps Tps | 19 | 2 | 2 | T or C | |
| 30 | HQ 2/102 GT Coy | 28 | 4 | 1 | B | |
| 31 | 2/31 Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | B | |
| 32 | Det 17 AOD | 114 | 4 | 28 | B | |
| 33 | Det 14 AAD | 32 | 1 | 6 | B | |
| 34 | Det 5 Ord Port Det | 12 | 2 | 4 | B | |
| 35 | 2/36 Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | B | |
| 36 | 2/37 Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | B | |
| 37 | 2/38 Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 | - | B | |
| 38 | 64 RIPOD Pl | 29 | - | 28 | B | |
| 39 | HQ 2/26 Sup Depot Coy | 16 | 2 | 3 | B | |
| 40 | 181 Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 2 | 3 | B | |
| 41 | Det AA Canteens Services | 20 | 1 | - | B | |
| 42 | 182 Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 2 | 3 | B | |
| 43 | 2/108 Wksp Pl | 24 | 6 | - | B | |

| Priority (a) | Formation Unit or det (b) | Personnel (c) | Vehs incl guns & wlrs (d) | Mess Tons of Stores out of Vehs (e) | Port of Embark (f) | Remarks (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 44 | 13 Fd Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | B | |
| 45 | 16 Fd Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | B | |
| 46 | 46 Fd Baking Pl | 37 | - | 50 | B | |
| 47 | Two Secs 2/1 MAC Pl | 28 | 14 | 2 | B | |
| 48 | 102 Adv Dep Med Stores | 9 | 2 | 22 | T or C | |
| 49 | 2/5 AGH (M) (1200 Beds) | 537 | 26 | 1764 | SYDNEY | |
| 50 | 75 Depot Chak Office | 3 | - | - | B | Att 2/5 AGH |
| 51 | 8 Hosp Laundry Unit | 68 | 7 | 71 | B | " " " |
| 52 | 13 Malaria Control Unit | 21 | 4 | 9 | B | |
| 53 | Det 10 Ord Veh Pk | 30 | 2 | 6 | B | |
| 54 | 2 Inf Tps Ord Fd Pk | 183 | 57 | - | B | |
| 55 | Det 2/7 Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit | 60 | 11 | - | B | |
| 56 | 336 LAD | 16 | 4 | 2 | B | Att Det HQ 12SA. |
| 57 | 2/2 Inf Tps Hosp | 219 | 28 | 46 | B | |
| 58 | Det 6 Base Postal Unit | 40 | 2 | 25 | B | |
| 59 | Two Secs 2/3 L of C Pro Coy | 32 | 4 | - | B | |
| 60 | Det 11 L of C Stationary Depot | 7 | 1 | 2 | B | |
| | 60 Days Reserve & Maintenance | | | 34000 | SYDNEY | To come as bottom stowage in ships lifting the above priorities. |
| | Engr Constr Stores | | | 4000 | SYDNEY | - do - |
| | | 5607 | 804 | 43145 | | |

Part II - Staging Tps, HOLLANDIA

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| X | 3 Amph Base Sub Area Tps | | | | | |
| | 9 CRE (Whs) | 34 | 9 | 3 | B | Priorities of units listed below to be advised at a later date |
| | HQ 2/108 GT Coy | 28 | 4 | 1 | B | |
| | 2/19 Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 ? | - | B | Equipped with DUKWS |
| | 2/20 Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 ? | - | B | " " " |
| | 49 Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 ? | - | B | " " " |
| | 50 Tpt Pl | 99 | 43 ? | - | B | " " " |
| | 2/1 AVI | 26 | 3 | 10 | B | |
| | 2/2 AVI | 26 | 3 | 10 | B | |
| | 4 AVI | 26 | 3 | 10 | B | |
| | 8 AVI | 26 | 3 | 10 | B | |
| | 2/108 Hksp Pl | 24 | 7 | - | B | |
| | 2/4 ACH (600 beds) | 351 | 18 | 927 | B | |
| | 40 Hosp Laundry Unit | 6 | 2 | 19 | B | |
| | 42 " " " | 6 | 2 | 19 | B | |
| | 43 " " " | 6 | 2 | 19 | B | |
| | TOTAL | 955 | 228 | 1028 | | |
| | General Reinfts | 1200 | | | | |
| | Maintenance and Stores | | | | | |
| | 30 days Initial Maintenance for operational purposes | | 14000 | T or C | | To be moved fwd as bottom stowage in ships lifting above units |
| | Engr Constr Stores | | 1600 | B, C & T | | - do - |
| | TOTAL Maint & Stores | | 15600 | | | |
| | TOTAL Staging Tps HOLLANDIA (1Sol Corps & Div) | | | | | 28115 / 3480 / 21647 |

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Appx "B" to Fwd Mob LSO
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PART I - Staging area troops - MORCTAI

Note: TOWNS = TOWNSVILLE

| PRIORITY | FORMATION UNIT OR DET | PERS | VEHS INCL GUNS & TRLRS | TONS(a) STORES OUT OF VEHS | PORT EMB | Remarks |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
| 1 | Det HQ 1 Amph Base Sub Area (Type B) | 45 | 4 | 6 | B | |
| 2 | 2/2E Amph Tpt Pl | 29 | 43 | - | B | |
| 3 | 2/10 Amph Ducks Op Coy (Type C) | 235 | (a)13 | 84 | T or C | (a) Plus Whaleboat 1<br>Surf Boat 1<br>Dinghy 1 |
| 4 | 3 Amph Ducks Op Coy (Type C) | 235 | (a)13 | 84 | T or C | |
| 5 | 8 Pl 1 Amph Port Elem Coy | 35 | 6 | 10 | B | |
| 6 | Det 5 11 Amph HQ Sp (Type B) | 30 | 6 | 2 | T or C | |
| 7 | 14 Amph Veh Coy | 150 | 4 | 72 | B | |
| 8 | 26 Amph Veh Coy | 150 | 4 | 72 | B | |
| 9 | 1 Amph CRE (Elm) | 34 | 9 | 3 | B | |
| 10 | 2/1 Amph Mech Engr Coy | 254 | (b)127 | 2160 | B | (b) Incl Mech Engr |
| 11 | 2 Amph Mech Engr Elm | 28 | 5 | 72 | B | Det 2/1 ME Coy |
| 12 | 2/2 LAD (Type A) | 46 | 4 | 4 | B | do |
| 13 | 42 Amph Pl Coy | 251 | 41 | - | B | |
| 14 | 21 Amph Pl Coy | 251 | 41 | - | B | |
| 15 | 60 Amph C Pl Pk | 251 | (b)60 | 572 | B | Det 60 C Pl Pk |
| 16 | 2/4A LAD (Type A) | 46 | 4 | 4 | B | |
| 17 | 4 Amph A Tpt Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | B | |
| 18 | 2 Amph A Tpt Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | B | |
| 19 | 2/1 Amph Bulldog Pl | 38 | 24 | 220 | B | |
| 20 | 4 Amph Mech Engr Survey Parties Det | 13 | 2 | 9 | B | |
| 21 | Det 18 Amph Sp Det | 12 | 1 | 2 | B | |
| 22 | Det 19 Amph Line Det | 15 | 3 | 36 | B | |
| 23 | Det 3 Amph Tech Elem Det | 4 | 1 | 3 | B | |
| 24 | Det Instl 4i Amph Wireless Det (Sy) | 14 | 3 | 18 | B | |
| 25 | Det 28 Amph Sig Det (Type E) | 5 | - | 1 | B | |
| 26 | HQ Comd AASC 1 Amph Supply Tpt(less det) | 25 | 4 | 2 | T or C | |
| 27 | HQ 5 Amph Sup Depot Coy | 16 | 4 | 5 | T or C | |
| 28 | 12 Amph Sup Depot Pl | 53 | 4 | 5 | T or C | |
| 29 | HQ 2/101 AGT Coy | 3 | 4 | 1 | B | |
| 30 | 2/33 Amph Tpt Pl | 28 | 45 | - | B | |
| 31 | Det 17 Amph AGT | 20 | - | 6 | B | |
| 32 | Det 14 Amph AGT | 10 | - | 2 | B | |
| 33 | Det 5 Amph Sup Port Det | 8 | 2 | 2 | B | |
| 34 | 2/34 Amph Tpt Pl | 28 | 45 | - | B | |

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PART I - Staging area Troops - HOKKAI

| a | b | c | d | e | f | g |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 25 | 2/75 Amnt Trk Pl | 29 | 43 | - | S | |
| 26 | 2/101 Amnt Wksp Pl | 26 | 4 | - | S | |
| 27 | 175 Amnt Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 4 | 3 | S | |
| 28 | 175 Amnt Sup Depot Pl | 33 | 4 | 3 | S | |
| 29 | Det Amnt Army Ordnance Service | 15 | 1 | - | S | |
| 30 | 2/1 Amnt Pk Bnking Pl | 37 | - | 20 | S | |
| 31 | 2/3 Amnt Pk Bnking Pl | 37 | - | 20 | S | |
| 32 | 2 Amnt MDU (Type B) | 21 | 4 | 9 | S | |
| 33 | 2/6 Amnt Sup Wksp (M) (1200 Tons) | 237 | 26 | 1764 | T or C | |
| 34 | 2 Amnt Wksp Lymnday Unit (Type A) | 68 | 7 | - | T or C | |
| 35 | 93 Amnt Depot Comb OCU (Type C) | 3 | - | - | T or C | |
| 36 | 1 Amnt Mixed Transmission Unit | 24 | 2 | 5 | S | |
| 37 | Det 17 Amnt AOD | 145 | 3 | 25 | S | |
| 38 | Det 14 Amnt AAD | 10 | 2 | 1 | S | |
| 39 | Det 10 Amnt Ord Veh Pk | 20 | 1 | 3 | S | |
| 40 | Tmn Base 2/3 L of C Type Coy | 32 | 3 | - | S | |
| 41 | 2/3 Amnt Inf Typ Ord Pk Pk (less Veh Pk Sec) | 74 | 42 | - | S | |
| 42 | 68 Amnt MDUD Pl | 29 | - | 28 | S | |
| 43 | 2 Amnt Base Sup Det Pioneer | 26 | 2 | 68 | S | |
| 44 | 2/1 MAG Pl (less 2 Secs) | 71 | 31 | 3 | S | |
| 45 | 260 Amnt LAD(Type A) | 16 | 4 | 4 | S | Att HQ 1 Amnt Base Sub Area |
| 46 | 2/3 Amnt Inf Typ Wksp | 219 | 32 | 46 | C | |
| 47 | Det 6 Amnt Base Postal Unit | 10 | 2 | 25 | S | |
| 48 | Det 1 Amnt AOD | 30 | 2 | 125 | S | |
| 49 | Det 11 Amnt L of C Maintenance Depot (Type A) | 7 | 1 | 2 | S | |
| 50 | Det Amnt Army Ordnance Service | 15 | 1 | - | S | |
| - | 60 days Reserves & Maintenance | - | - | 34000 | SUNDRY | To come forward as build storage in vessels lifting above population. |
| - | Depot Construction Stores | - | - | 300 | | |
| | TOTAL | 3547 | 815 | 45100 | | |

Annex "B"

PART II – Staging Troops, KOKOTAI

| (a) | (b) | (c) | (d) | (e) | (f) | (g) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **1 ANZA Base Sub Area Tps:** | | | | | |
| | 5 CH (Wks) | 51 | 10 | 2 | B | |
| | 12 CHE " | 54 | 9 | 3 | B | |
| | 15 CHE " | 54 | 9 | 3 | B | |
| | 27 DCHE (Wks) | 21 | 5 | - | B | |
| | 73 DCHE " | 21 | 5 | - | B | |
| | 2/4 Fd Sqn | 251 | 41 | - | B | |
| | 2 A Tps Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | B | |
| | 101 A Tps Coy | 277 | 35 | 220 | B | |
| | 9 Hosp & Fk Coy | 283 | 20 | 55 | B | |
| | 11 " " " | 283 | 20 | 55 | B | |
| | 2/2 Fly Constr Coy | 254 | 127 | 2160 | B | |
| | 2/2 Bombing Fl | 78 | 24 | 280 | B | |
| | 2/2 AA Regt (Comp) | 928 | 61 | 103 | B | |
| | 2/2 AA Regt Sig Sec | 32 | 6 | 29 | B | |
| | 2/12 AGH(600 beds) | 351 | 18 | 987 | B | |
| | 4A Hosp Laundry Unit | 6 | 2 | 19 | B | |
| | 4B Hosp Laundry Unit | 6 | 2 | 19 | B | |
| | 4C Hosp Laundry Unit | 6 | 2 | 19 | B | |
| | 2/2 MAC Fl | 110 | 45 | 6 | B | |
| | HQ & HIPCO | 12 | - | 8 | B | |
| | HQ & one Fl & Bulk Petroleum Storage Coy | 80 | 10 | 36 | B | |
| | Det 17 AGD | 16 | - | 8 | B | |
| | Det 10 Ord Veh Pk | 8 | - | 5 | B | |
| | 2/2 AA Regt(Comp)Hosp | 89 | 18 | 18 | B | |
| | 5 Mesh Rept Hosp | 58 | 5 | 70 | B | Att 2/2 Fly Constr Coy |
| | 2/5 LAD | 16 | 4 | 4 | B | do |
| | Det 1 ARD | 100 | 7 | 375 | B | |
| | TOTAL 1 ANZA Tps | 3682 | 542 | 4538 | | |
| | General Reinfts | 1200 | - | - | | |
| | **Maintenance & Stores** | | | | | |
| | 28 days Initial Mtce for Operational purposes | - | - | 14000 | T or C | To be moved Ind on bottom storage in ships lifting sleeve units |
| | Engr Constr Stores | - | - | 3000 | S & B | do |
| | AL Maint & Stores | - | - | 17000 | | |
| | AL Staging Tps KOKOTAI (al 7 Div & Reinh Gp) | 27975 | 3369 | 26759 | | |
| | **HOSPITALISATION REINFORCEMENTS FOR CASUALTIES FROM OPERATIONAL AREA** | | | | | |
| | AGH(m)(1200 beds) | 537 | 26 | 1764 | T or C | |
| | Hosp Laundry Unit | 68 | 7 | 71 | T or C | |
| | Depot Cmth Offices | 3 | - | - | T or C | |
| | AGH(m)(1200 beds) | 537 | 26 | 1764 | S | |
| | Hosp Laundry Unit | 68 | 7 | 71 | S | |
| | Depot Cmth Offices | 3 | - | - | S | |
| | | 1216 | 66 | 3670 | | |

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GENERAL INFO (NOT FOR OFFICIAL)

HQ Tryone 1040 of 20 OCT
" BELFAST of 25 OCT
" Tryone 1060 of 31 OCT
} Cancelled

1. Constructional Work at Staging Areas - Carried out by 'Staging Area Tps'

2. Staging Area Tps to be ready to embark BELFAST or CALDER (dependent on present location) by 25 NOV 44.

3. 1 Corps and 1 INA to advise Adv HQ and QM L of C Area as early as possible of SHIPS particulars of units nominated in Appendices 'A' & 'B' Part I (Staging Area Tps).

4. Packages marked :-

For HELLADIA - S I

For NORTAI - S II

5. Units move with their own mess stores incl tentage, mosquito nets and cots.

6. Staging Forces
As shown in Appendices 'A' & 'B' Part II.

7. Staging Forces to be prepared for embarkation as follows :-

Adv & Rear Tps - 1 Dec

Corps Tps & Base Tps - 15 DEC.

SHIP SIS particulars to be notified to Adv HQ & QM L of C Area.

8. To ensure that rear details if any are accounted for, 1 Corps and 1 INA will advise this HQ, Adv HQ & QM L of C Area by signal -

(a) Appx Letter and priority of unit.
(b) Name unit or part thereof was shipped.
(c) SHIP SIS/AS details for balance if any which remain (NOT to Fwd Adv HQ)
(d) Name Unit move on ADVE completed.

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[redacted] Cancelled

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2. Constructional Work at Staging Posts - [redacted] carried out by 'Staging Area Tpt'

3. Staging Area Tpt to be ready to submit MECHANIX or CAMELS (dependent on prevailing Instruction) by 25 JULY 44.

4. 2 Troops and 2 MAA to advise AHQ IND and GHQ L of C Area on route of passage of [redacted] particulars of which mentioned in Appendices 'A' & 'B' Part I (Staging Area Tpt).

5. Packages marked :-

For BELGIUM - S X

For NORWAY - S XX

6. Units move with their own mess stores and tentage, mosquito nets and cots.

7. Staging Rooms
As shown in Appendices 'A' & 'B' Part II.

8. Staging Rooms to be prepared for subsistence as follows :-

Air & South Ops - 1 Box

Omega Ops & Base Ops - 25 Men.

and the particulars to be notified to AHQ IND & GHQ L of C Area.

9. To ensure that room details if any are necessary for, 2 Troops and 2 MAA will advise this HQ, AHQ IND & GHQ L of C Area by signal -

(a) Area Letter and priority of unit.
(b) Date unit or part thereof was shipped.
(c) and signal details for balance if any which remain (NOT to Pet Mil Mov)
(d) Date Unit move on ARMY completed.

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[redacted] Express 1949 of 22 OCT )
[redacted] 1949 of 25 OCT ) Cancelled.
[redacted] Express 1949 of 26 OCT )

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1. [redacted] Work at Singing Towers - Carried out by 'Singing Arms Type'

2. Singing Arms Type to be ready to submit [redacted] or GAINES (Dependent on present location) by 28 DEC 49.

3. 2 Corps and 1 BDA to advise AHQ ENS and GHQ 1 of C Arms on expiry of possible of above participants of units mentioned in Appendices 'A' & 'B' Part I (Singing Arms Type).

4. Pathogen method :-

[redacted] - 8 I

[redacted] - 8 II

5. Units move with their own scan sources load tonnage, ammunition note and coils.

6. [redacted]
As shown in Appendices 'A' & 'B' Part II.

7. Singing Towers to be prepared for embarkation as follows :-

[redacted] - 1 Dec

[redacted] - 15 DEC.

and the particulars to be notified to AHQ ENS & GHQ 1 of C Arms.

8. To ensure that every detail of any are carried out, 2 Corps and 1 BDA will advise their HQ, AHQ ENS, & GHQ 1 of C Arms by signal :-

(a) Area landed and probably of unit.
(b) Date unit or part thereof was shipped.
(c) Any special details for balance of any which remain (NIL to be sent).
(d) Date unit move or ARMY completed.

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LHQ Topsec 1949 of 20 OCT
" SM11247 of 25 OCT
" Topsec 1962 of 31 OCT
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1. Constructional Work at Staging Bases - Carried out by 'Staging Area Tps'

2. Staging Area Tps to be ready to embark BRISBANE or CAIRNS (dependent on present location) by 25 NOV 44.

3. 1 Corps and 1 BSA to advise Adv LHQ and Qld L of C Area as early as possible of GRO318 particulars of units nominated in Appendices 'A' & 'B' Part I (Staging Area Tps).

4. Packages marked :-

For HOLLANDIA - S I

For MOROTAI - S II

5. Units move with their own accn stores incl tentage, mosquito nets and cots.

6. Staging Forces

As shown in Appendices 'A' & 'B' Part II.

7. Staging Forces to be prepared for embarkation as follows :-

Div & Beach Gps - 1 Dec

Corps Tps & Base Tps - 15 DEC.

GRO 318 particulars to be notified to Adv LHQ & Qld L of C Area.

8. To ensure that rear details if any are accounted for, 1 Corps and 1 BSA will advise this HQ, Adv LHQ & Qld L of C Area by signal -

(a) Appx Letter and priority of unit.
(b) Date unit or part thereof was shipped.
(c) GRO 318/43 details for balance if any which remain (NOT to Fwd Ech LHQ)
(d) Date Unit move ex AUST completed.