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16 Infantry Battalion

May 1945

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form 2118.
(Adapted.)

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Unit 16th Aust Inf Bn (A.I.B.) Date and Time.—From 1 May 45 To 5 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BOLUS area	1 May.		Patrols for day, H128, H129, H130, H131 All returned N.M.S.	
	2 May.		Patrols for day H132, H133, H134, H135, All returned N.M.S.	
	3 May.		Patrols for day H136 (3-5 May), H137, H138, H139 . All N.M.S.	
	4 May.		Patrols for day H136 (3-5 May), H139, H141 (4-5 May), H142. All N.M.S.	
	5 May.		Patrols for day H136 (3-5 May) returned N.M.S. H139 returned N.M.S. Followed footprints of one Jap and one native from 680537 NORTHWARDS to patrol limit. Footprints continued leading NORTH from	

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Unit 1.6 Feet Inf Bn (A.I.F.) Date and Time.—From 5 May 45 To 5 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p>This point. At 679542 patrol found a month old hut containing 4 boxes Jap grenades, 2½ boxes and 2 sugar bags .25¢ ann, 9 bags of rice (totalling about 20 lbs), and 2 cases soya bean powder, — all in perfect condition. Hut and stakes were destroyed by patrol.</p> <p>H 143, H 144, H 145, returned N.M.S.</p> <p>Patrols for day, H 146, H 147, H 148,</p> <p>— all returned N.M.S.</p> <p>NX 115705. Lt. A.S. WOODS arrived, — posted to unit from General Reinfts. Lt Woods was made O.C 2 pl. (M.M.S.)</p>	
<u>Bonus area</u>	<u>6 May</u>			

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Unit 16 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) Date and Time.—From 6 May 45 To 10 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BULUS area	6 May 45		Patrols for day H146, H147, H148 — all returned N.M.S.	
	7 May 45		Patrols for day H149, H150, with patrols two days duration (7-8 May). Object was to locate and destroy any enemy dumps, as had been found by H139 on 5 May.	
	8 May 45		Patrols for day H149 (7-8 May), H150 (7-8 May) — both returned N.M.S., no dumps found.	
	9 May 45		Patrols for day H151, H153. Both returned N.M.S.	
	10 May 45		Patrols for day H147, 101000K A 9 ap was seen to drop from a tree after	

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Unit 16 Ass + Inf Bn (A.I.F.) Date and Time.—From 10 May 45 To 10 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p>70 yds forward of patrol. Tap fled NE through the jungle. His footprints were picked 200 yds further up the track and they continued NE beyond the point selected for the pl patrol ambush.</p> <p>Following the above report a pl ambush was set on the track each day — pl remaining until relieved ^{each} by following day. Each day too, ^{another} pl patrolled NE through the ambush to time limit. These patrols operated until the unit was relieved on 14 May.</p>	<p>See details later dates.</p>

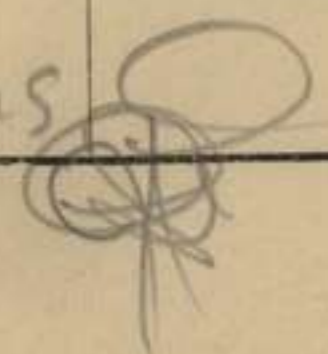
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Unit 164th Aust Inf Bn (A.I.F.) Date and Time.—From 10 May 45. To 12 May 45.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BELUS area.			H154 (10-11 May) N.M.S. H157 (10-11 May) N.M.S. H155. N.M.S.	
	11 May 45.		H154 (10-11 May) returned N.M.S. H157 (10-11 May) returned N.M.S. H159 (11-12 May) N.M.S. H158 returned , H160 returned N.M.S.	
	12 May.		Rece parties of 11 Bn moved to Bn HQ and fwd coys in preparation for the unit relief on 14 May. Patrols for day. H159 (11-12 May) returned N.M.S. H163 (12-13 May) N.M.S. H162 H164 returned N.M.S.	



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Unit 16 Aust Inf Bn (A14) Date and Time.—From 12 May 45 To 12 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			<p>H165, Returned NMS. The patrol discovered the cause of the unusual smoke seen rising from 625532 ^{on 25 Apr}. At one end of a garden kaunas had cleared a large area ^{as an} for the extension; and the fallen timber had been left burning for at least the past month. Of consequence there was a thick carpet of fine ash over the surface of the ground. Only craters were located in the ashes and it was obvious that the pall of smoke seen on the 25 Apr was</p>	



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Unit 16 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Date and Time.—From 14 May 45 To 14 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Bulus area	14 May	0930	<p>Bn command was relieved by 11 Bn of of responsibilities BULUS-MOONDEI RIVER area. During the previous ^{two} day small adv parties of the 11 Bn had moved fwd to our fwd coys to arrange the takeover, and our adv party totalling 40 all ranks had moved rearwards to the 11 Bn.</p> <p>The bn now less C Coy, moved without incident to TOK area (647506). C Coy remained under comd 11 Bn at 660522 until B Coy 11 Bn on the cross island track, WIDE BAY — OPEN BAY, could be relieved</p>	<p>see 00406 Appx "H"</p>

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Unit 16 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.B.) Date and Time.—From 14 May 45 To 15 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOK area map ref 647506 (ref WAITAVALO 1:25000)	15 May	1800.	by B Coy 16 Bn. Nil patrols for day. A fine day which enabled the bn to "settle in" in its new area. The bn is now in bde res. It will function with minimum patrolling, but will provide all bde working parties. The latter increased gradually from week to week, — commencing with approx 120 all ranks, and increasing to 290 just prior to our relieving 28 Bn on 18 Jun. No patrols for day. May, HOWARD, OCC Coy returned from	detailed list of Bn and Bde duties attached as appx " "

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Unit 16 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.B.) Date and Time.—From 15 May 45 To 16 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			hospital and rejoined his coy at 660 522.	
TOH area, 647506, (ref WAITAVALO 1:25000)	16 May.		Def positions are now being dug around the coy perimeter. whilst in TOH area the bn will have two picture shows each week. The first was shown on the night of our arrival in TOH area (14 May). Coys were keen to commence some sporting activity. Volley ball, & deck tennis courts were constructed in all areas. Some inter coy, & inter unit football matches were	

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Unit 16 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.B.) Date and Time.—From 16 May 45 To 22 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			played on The 2/14 2d Regt oval. Patrols for day H170, N.M.S.	see appx "A"
TOH area 647506 (ref WAITAYALO 1:25000).	17 May	0700	B Coy moved by barge to RHE, and thence on foot, to relieve B Coy 11 Bn on The cross island track WIDE BAY to OPEN BAY.	see DO NOT appx "AH"
TOH area.	16 May		Patrols for day H171 N.M.S.	see appx "A"
TOH area	18 May		Patrols for day H172 N.M.S.	see appx "A"
TOH area	19 May		Patrols for day H173 N.M.S.	see appx "A"
TOH area	20 May		Patrols for day H174 N.M.S.	see appx "A"
TOH area	21 May		Brig. Med. Services West Aust Army visited the unit.	
			Patrols for day H175 N.M.S.	see appx "A"
TOH area.	22 May		May MCPHAIL departed by barge	

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Unit 16 Aircraft Ref Bn (A.I.F) Date and Time.—From 22 May 45 To 24 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			for JACQUINOT BAY from whence he will move by air to attend an Air Co-operation School at CANBERRA.	
			Capt NATHAN (QM) will admin comd of HQ Coy in the absence of Maj MCPHAIL	
			Patrols for day H176 NMS.	See appx "A"
102 area	23 May		Patrols for day H177 NMS.	see appx "A"
647506 (ref	24 May	0600	18 pl D Coy moved by barge to RILE and thence on foot to post 3 on	
WAITAYALO			The cross island track WIDE BAY to OPEN BAY, as protective party to native carriers.	
1:25000).		0630	Capt MURDOCH and Lt KNIGHT moved by barge to 5 Div Reception	

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Unit 16 Aust Inf Bn (A.I.B.) Date and Time.—From 24 May 45 To 25 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			Camp SACCQUINOT BAY, for interview with Maj Gen. ROBERTSON G.O.C 5 Aust Div.	
		1000	C Coy returned from passed from comd 11 Bn at 660522 and re-turned to Bn Hd area.	
		2100 1675	Bde advised that a pl patrol of the 28 Bn operating in the area WEST of the WOLINUT R. had not returned. A Coy 16 Bn was placed on 20 mins notice to move as from 0600 hrs 25 May.	
			Patrols for day H178 NMSG	see appx "A"
TOH area	25 May	0750	Bde advised that 28 Bn patrol	



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Unit 16 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Date and Time.—From 25 May 45 To 26 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOH area 647506 (ref WAITAVALO 1:25000)	26 May.		<p>(ref 24 May) had returned late that night. A Coy 16 Bn 'stood down' Patrol for day H179 NIMS</p> <p>Since return to TOH area the bn has been only conducted one sec patrol each day. As from the 26 May two patrols will operate daily. One pl will move out each evening and take up a position in the vicinity of 647513, where it will remain over night. The following morning a sec patrol will move through the the standing ^{pl} patrol position and the pl patrol will withdraw.</p>	<p>see appx "A"</p> <p>See OO No 9 and 10, - appx "H"</p>

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Unit 16 Bn (A.I.F)

Date and Time.—From 26 May 45 To 29 May 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
			Patrols for day H180, H181 N.M.S.	see appx "A"
TOH area 647506 (ref WAITAVALO 1:25000)	27 May	1315	18 pl 1 Coy returned from cross island track	see entry 24 May. see appx "A"
			Patrols for day H182, H183 N.M.S.	see appx "A"
	28 May		Patrols for day H184, H185 (28-30 May) H186, H184 and H186 N.M.S.	see appx "A"
TOH area	29 May		Two Corsair aircraft circle the area almost daily now. They conduct Tac R flights along the EAST coast of GAZELLE PENINSULAR.	
			Patrols for day H185 (28-30 May), H187, H188, Two latter N.M.S.	see appx "A"

^RSt Boyd marched in ex Small Arms School BONEGILHA, was posted to 8 pl A Coy.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
18 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / 5 / 1945 16 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 129 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
WE 1 3 9 20	1 1	3	1 2 8 23	Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAMC	1			
33	2	3	34			1			

DETAIL.	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	..	TOTAL.
A.	34									34
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
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PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX 32975	Lt	HUMPHRY L.C.	110 (P) MH	30.4.45	sick

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5/5/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-col	WX 11	HORLEY	R.	CO	YES		
Major	WX 30916	DONCON	E.T.	2ic	"		
"	WX 32620	MCPHAIL	E.F.	OC HQ	"		
T/Capt	WX 13849	FLETCHER	N.S.	ADJT	"		
Lt	WX 27609	ARMSTRONG	M.E.	A/ "	"		
Capt	WX 32989	ROBINSON	O.T.	OC A	"		
"	WX 29255	JOHNSTON	R.F.	OC B	"		
"	WX 32982	MURDOCH	R.L.	2ic B	"		
"	WX 32973	DOCHRA	R.S.	" C	"		
"	WX 32990	MYLES	W.H.S.	OC D	"		
"	WX 32976	FAULKS	R.E.	2ic D	"		
T/Capt	WX 29788	NATHAN	G.S.	CM	"		
Lt	WX 32980	PRICE	J.A.S.	IO	"		
"	WX 29792	MEDCALF	I.G.	TO	"		
"	WX 32974	DUFFIELD	E.T.	OC 1P1	"		
"	WX 32978	WALKER	R.N.	OC 3	"		
"	WX 32983	TREASURE	P.W.	OC 4	"		
"	WX 12625	THORNTON	F.T.	OC 5	NO	Leave	
"	WX 12627	BALL	M.J.	OC 7	YES		
"	WX 29775	HOWARD	D.A.	OC 8	"		
"	WX 11636	HALLS	D.L.	OC 9	"		
"	WX 32969	ANDREWS	J.P.	A/2icA	"		
"	WX 32965	LONGSON	G.C.	OC 10F	"		
"	WX 32971	KNIGHT	J.D.	OC 11	"		
"	WX 33185	GLASSON	T.A.	OC 12	"		
"	WX 29769	FERGUSON	L.N.	OC 13	"		
"	VX 23916	WATSON	A.R.V.	OC 14	"		
"	WX 9701	BICKFORD	H.R.	OC 15	"		
"	TX 10712	BIRD	M.J.	OC 16	"		
"	WX 11766	JACKSON	C.E.	OC 17	"		
"	WX 13925	STEWART	E.J.	OC 18	"		
"	WX 32979	MARSHALL	B.G.	N/POST	NO	Det HQ 13 Aust Inf Bde	
"	WX 17205	NAUGHTON	T.B.	"	NO	"	
"	WX 32999	HAWKINS	J.N.	"	"	Det HQ 5 Aust Div pen sec.	
Capt	TX 6274	HEDE	J.A.	RMO	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
h Cl III	VX 92011	THOMSON M.A.	A Ch D	2.3.44	Chaplain
Lt	WX 32972	PLINT D.A.	13 Bde	1.5.45	Att pending cessation of secondment.

5 May 45

Date of Despatch

Truth—7/43.

R. Horley

Signature of Commander

R. HORLEY=

Lt-col

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

...../.....(Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12 / 5 / 194 5 10 AUG 1945 (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 120 3. OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
<u>WE</u>									
<u>1</u>			<u>1</u>	Lieut.-Colonels					
<u>3</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>2</u>	Majors					
<u>9</u>	<u>1</u>		<u>8</u>	Captains	<u>AAND</u>	<u>1</u>			
<u>20</u>		<u>4</u>	<u>24</u>	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
<u>33</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>35</u>			<u>1</u>			

DETAIL.	A.I.P.	O.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	••	TOTAL.
A.	<u>35</u>									<u>35</u>
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
<u>MX115705</u>	<u>Lt</u>	<u>WOODS A.J.</u>		<u>5.5.45</u>	<u>From Gen Reinf'ts (Inf)</u> <u>Posting order number</u> <u>16/30/45</u>

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12/5/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-col	WX 11	HORLEY	R.	CO	YES		
Major	WX 30916	DONCON	E. T.	21c	"		
"	WX 32620	MOPHAIL	E. P.	CC HQ	"		
T/Capt	WX 13849	PLATONER	R. S.	ADJT	"		
Lt	WX 27609	ARMSTRONG	M. E.	A/ADJT	"		
Capt	WX 32989	ROBINSON	O. T.	CC A	"		
"	WX 29255	JOHNSTON	R. P.	CC B	"		
"	WX 32982	MURDOCH	R. L.	21c B	"		
"	WX 32973	DOONRA	R. S.	21c C	"		
"	WX 32990	MYLES	W. H.	CC D	"		
"	WX 32976	PAULKS	R. E.	21c D	"		
T/Capt	WX 29788	NATHAN	G. S.	QH	"		
Lt	WX 32980	PRICE	J. A.	IO	"		
"	WX 29792	MEDCALF	I. G.	TO	"		
"	WX 32974	HUFFIELD	E. T.	CC 1PL	"		
"	WX 115705	WOODS	A. J.	CC 2nd	"		
"	WX 32978	WALKER	R. W.	CC 3rd	"		
"	WX 32983	TREASURE	P. W.	CC 4th	"		
"	WX 12625	THORNTON	F. T.	CC 5th	NO	Leave	
"	WX 12627	BALL	H. J.	CC 7th	YES		
"	WX 29775	HOWARD	D. A.	CC 8th	"		
"	WX 11636	HALLS	D. L.	CC 9th	"		
"	WX 32969	ANDREWS	J. P.	A/21cA	"		
"	WX 32965	LONGSON	G. C.	CC 10	"		
"	WX 32971	KNIGHT	J. D.	CC 11	"		
"	WX 33185	GLASSON	T. A.	CC 12	"		
"	WX 29769	FERGUSON	L. H.	CC 13	"		
"	VX 23916	NATSON	A. R. V	CC 14	"		
"	WX 9701	BICKFORD	H. R.	CC 15	"		
"	WX 10712	BIRD	H. J.	CC 16	"		
"	WX 11766	JACKSON	C. E.	CC 17	"		
"	WX 13925	STEWART	H. J.	CC 18	"		
"	WX 32979	MARSHALL	B. G.	N/POST	NO	Det HQ 13 Aust Inf Bde	
"	WX 17205	HAUGHTON	T. B.	"	"		
"	WX 32999	HAWKINS	J. H.	"	"	Det HQ 5 Aust Div	
Capt	TK 6274	KEDE	J. A.	RMO	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chaplain III	VX 92011	THOMSON M.A.	A Ch D	2.3.44	Chaplain
Lt	WX 32972	PLINT D.A.	13 Bde	1.5.45	Att pending cessation of secondment.

12 May 45

Date of Despatch

Truth—7/43.

Signature of Commander
R. HORLEY COMD.

Lt-col

Unit 16 AUST INF BN (AIF)

APPENDIX 'A'

WE 769 Attached by WE 32

Date 12 May 45

Serial 19/45

In lieu of Part 'E' - AF W3009

Trade	Rank	WE	Post Strength	Def or Surp	Reinfts Required
TRADE GP 1					
Blacksmiths	Pte	1	3	(2)	
Bricklayers	"	-	2	(2)	
Fitters	"	-	1	(1)	
TRADE GP 2					
Atomers	"	-	1	(1)	
Bakers	"	-	3	(3)	
Carpenters	"	6	9	(3)	
Cooks	"	-	4	(4)	
Int Duties	Sjt	1	2	1	Promotion required
"	Cpls	2	1	1	Promotion submitted
"	Ptes	7	5	2	
Minist Wood	"	-	2	(2)	
Masons	"	-	1	(1)	
Mechanics MT	"	-	1	(1)	
Miners	"	-	3	(3)	
Painters	"	-	1	(1)	
Printers	"	-	1	(1)	
Signallers	Sjt	1	1		
"	Cpls	4	2	2	1/2 X list hospital 1 " " School
"	Ptes	22	21	1	1 X list hospital
TRADE GP 3					
Butcher	"	1	4	(3)	
Clerks	Sjt	2	2		
"	Cpls	6	5	1	Promotion submitted
"	Ptes	4	3	1	1 X list hospital
Concretors	"	-	2	(2)	
Despatch Riders	"	-	1	(1)	
Dr Moch	"	-	24	(24)	
Equipment Repairers	"	1	1		
Rangotakers	"	4	3	1	
Shoemakers & Boot Repairers	"	-	4	(4)	
Storemen Tech	Sjt	1	1		
"	Ptes	3	3		
Tailors	Sjt	1	1		
"	Cpl	1	1		
NON - TRADESMEN					
RSM	WOI	1	1		
RQMS	WOII	1	1		
CSMS	"	5	5		
CQMS	S/3jt	5	4	1	1 X list hospital
Sjts Rfn	Sjt	12	10	2	2 X list school + X hospital + Prom reqd.
Batmen	Ptes	35	33	2)	Reinforcements requi
Orderlies	"	32	30	2)	
Gen Duties	"	3	3		
TOTAL - SURPLUSES				(59)	Gr Fwd.
DEFICIENCIES				197	
TOTALS		162	2024		

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted strength	Def or Surp	Reinfts Required
<u>Br. fwd</u>		162	202 4	(59) 197	
<u>NON - TRADESMEN</u>					
Hygiene Duties	Ptes	4	4		
Water Duties	Ptes	2	2		
Regt Police	Sjt	1		1	Promotion required
"	Ptes	6	6		
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1		
"	Cpls	4	4		
"	Ptes	28	18	10	Reinforcements required
SBs	Sjt	1	1		
"	Cpls	2	2		
"	Ptes	18	13	5	" "
Tk/A No's	Sjts	3	3		
"	Cpls	4	3	1	Promotion required
"	Ptes	15	11	4	
Mort No's	Sjts	5	5		
"	Cpls	5	5		
"	Ptes	68	64	64	
Storemen	"	6	6		
Drivers MT	Cpl	1	1		
"	Ptes	11	11		
MMG No's	Sjts	3	1	2	2 X list school
"	Cpls	2	1	1	
"	Ptes	20	20		
LMG & R/Man	Cpls	36	36 28	8	6 Prem submitted 2 required
"	Ptes	361	240 238	121 123	
<u>Attached By WE</u>					
AACG	WOII	1	1		
"	Sjts	5	4	1	Promotion submitted
"	Cpls	5	4	1	1 X list school
"	Ptes	13	13		
AAMC	Sjts	2	2		
"	Cpls	1	1		
"	Ptes	1	1		
AACC	Cpl	1	1		
AAPC	Sjt	1	1		
"	Cpl	1		1	Promotion submitted
AAPS	Sjt	1	1		
<u>TOTAL: SURPLUSES</u>				(59)	
" <u>DEFICIENCIES</u>				179	
<u>TOTALS</u>		801	681	120	

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 12 May 45
 Date of Despatch

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R. Horley Lt-col
 R. HORLEY Comd.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 19/5/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt-col	WX 11	HORLEY	R.	CO	YES		
Major	WX 30916	DONCON	E.T.	21c	"		
"	WX 32620	MCPHAIL	E.F.	OC HQ	"		
"	NX 29768	HOWARD	J.A.	OC C	"		
T/Capt	WX 13849	FLETCHER	N.S.	ADJT	"		
Lt	WX 27609	ARMSTRONG	M.E.	A/ "	"		
Capt	WX 32989	ROBINSON	O.T.	OC A	"		
"	WX 29255	JOHNSTON	R.F.	OC B	"		
"	WX 32982	MURDOCH	R.L.	21c B	"		
"	WX 32973	DOCWRA	R.S.	" C	"		
"	WX 32990	MYLES	W.H.S.	OC D	"		
"	WX 32976	FAULKS	R.E.	21c "	"		
T/Capt	WX 29788	NATHAN	G.S.	OH	"		
Lt	WX 32980	PRICE	J.A.S	IO	"		
"	WX 29792	MEDCALF	I.G.	TO	"		
"	WX 32974	DUFFIELD	E.T.	OC 1P1	"		
"	NX 115705	WOODS	A.J.	OC 2"	"		
"	WX 32978	WALKER	R.N.	OC 3"	"		
"	WX 32983	TREASURE	P.W.	OC 4"	"		
"	WX 12625	THORNTON	F.T.	OC 5"	NO	Leave	
"	WX 12627	BALL	M.J.	OC 7"	YES		
"	WX 29775	HOWARD	D.A.	OC 8"	"		
"	WX 11636	HALLS	D.L.	OC 9"	"		
"	WX 32969	ANDREWS	J.P.	A/21cA	"		
"	WX 32965	LONGSON	G.C.	OC 10P	"		
"	WX 32971	KNIGHT	J.D.	OC 11"	"		
"	WX 33185	GLASSON	T.A.	OC 12"	"		
"	WX 29769	FERGUSON	L.N.	OC 13"	"		
"	VX 23916	WATSON	ARR. V.	OC 14"	"		
"	WX 9701	BICKFORD	H.R.	OC 15"	"		
"	WX 10712	BIRD	M.J.	OC 16	"		
"	WX 11766	JACKSON	C.E.	OC 17	"		
"	WX 13925	STEWART	E.J.	OC 18	"		
"	WX 32979	MARSHALL	B.G.	N/POST	NO	Detached HQ 13 Aust Bde	
"	WX 17205	NAUGHTON	T.B.	"	"	" " "	
"	WX 32999	HAWKINS	J.N.	"	"	" 5 Aust Div	
Capt	TX 6274	HEDE	J.A.	RMO	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Ch Cl III	VX 92011	THOMSON M.A.	A Ch D	2.3.44	Chaplain
Lt	WX 32972	PLINT D.A.	13 Bde	1.5.45	Attached pending cessation of secondment

19 May 45

Date of Despatch

Truth—7/43.

Signature of Commander

R. HORLEY

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

20 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 19 / 5 / 1945 (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 120 3. OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
WE									
1			1	Lieut.-Colonels					
3			3	Majors					
9	1		8	Captains	AAMC	1			
20		4	24	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
33	1	4	36			1			

DETAIL.	A.I.P.	O.M.P.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	..	TOTAL.
A.	36									36
E. (1)										
E. (2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
 ** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NYJSE NX29768	Major	HOWARD J.A.		15.5.45	From 2/8 AGH & X List

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

Unit 16 AUST INF BN (AIF)

APPENDIX 'A'

WE 769 Attached by WE 32

Date 19 May 45

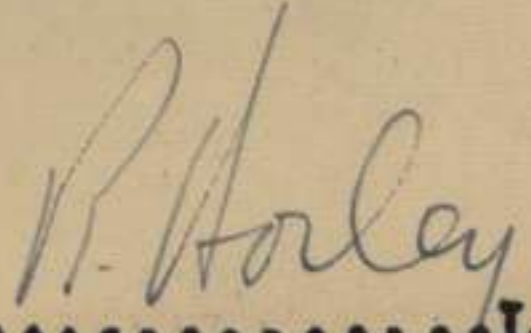
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In lieu of Part 'E' - AF W3009

Trade	Rank	WE	Post Strength	Def or Surp	Reinfts Required
<u>TRADE GP 1</u>					
Blacksmiths	Pte	1	3	(2)	
Bricklayers	"	-	2	(2)	
Fitters	"	-	1	(1)	
<u>TRADE GP 2</u>					
Axemen	"	-	2	(2)	
Bakers	"	-	3	(3)	
Carpenters	"	6	9	(3)	
Cooks	"	-	3	(3)	
Int Duties	Sjt	1		1	Promotion required
"	Cpls	2	2		
"	Ptes	7	4	3	
Mechinist Wood	"	-	2	(2)	
Masons	"	-	1	(1)	
Mechanics MT	"	-	1	(1)	
Miners	"	-	3	(3)	
Painters	"	-	1	(1)	
Printers	"	-	1	(1)	
Signallers	Sjt	1	1		
"	Cpls	4	3	1	X list school
"	Ptes	22	22		
<u>TRADE GP 3</u>					
Butcher	"	1	4	(3)	
Clerks	Sjt	2	2		
"	Cpls	6	5	1	Promotion submitted
"	Ptes	4	3	1	X list hospital
Concretors	"	-	2	(2)	
Despatch Riders	"	-	1	(1)	
Dr Mech	"	-	25	(25)	
Equipment Repairers	"	1	1		
Rangotakers	"	4	3	1	
Shoemakers & Boot Repairers	"	-	4	(4)	
Storemen Tech	Sjt	1	1		
"	Ptes	3	3		
Tailors	Sjt	1	1		
"	Cpl	1	1		
<u>NON - TRADESMEN</u>					
RSM	WOI	1	1		
RQMS	WOII	1	1		
CSMs	"	5	5		
CQMS	S/3jt	5	4	1	X list hospital
Sjts Rfn	Sjt	12	10	2	
Batmen	Ptes	35	33	2)	Reinforcements required
Orderlies	"	32	30	2)	
Gen Duties	"	3	3		
<u>TOTAL - SURPLUSES</u>				(60)	<u>Or Fwd.</u>
<u>DEFICIENCIES</u>				15	
<u>TOTALS</u>		162	205		

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted strength	Def or Surp	Reinfts Required
<u>EP. FWL</u>		162	205	(60) 15	
<u>NON - TRADESMEN</u>					
Hygiene Duties	Ptes	4	4		
Water Duties	Ptes	2	2		
Regt Police	Sjt	1		1	Promotion required
"	Ptes	6	5	1	
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1		
"	Cpls	4	3	1	
"	Ptes	28	18	10	Reinforcements required
SBS	Sjt	1	1		
"	Cpl	2	2		
"	Ptes	18	13	5	" "
Ex/A No's	Sjts	3	4	(1)	
"	Cpls	4	3	1	
"	Ptes	15	12	3	
Mort No's	Sjts	5	5		
"	Cpls	5	5		
"	Ptes	68	64	4	
Storemen	"	6	6		
Drivers ME	Cpl	1	1		
"	Ptes	11	11		
MMG No's	Sjts	3	1	2	2 X list school
"	Cpls	2	1	1	Promotion submitted
"	Ptes	20	20		
IMG & R/Man	Cpls	36	30	8(2)	1 surp cpl replacing def RP Sjt 1 " " " " s/sjt CQMS.
"	Ptes	361	239	122	
<u>Attached By WE</u>					
AACC	WOII	1	1		
"	Sjts	5	5		
"	Cpls	5	4	1	X list school
"	Ptes	13	13		
AAMC	Sjts	2	2		
"	Cpls	1	1		
"	Ptes	1	1		
AACC	Cpl	1	1		
AAPG	Sjt	1	1		
"	Cpl	1		1	Promotion submitted
AAPS	Sjt	1	1		
<u>TOTAL SURPLUSES</u>				(61)	
<u>" DEFICIENCIES</u>				176	
<u>TOTALS</u>		801	686	115	

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Date of Despatch


Lt-col
R. HORLEY **Cmd.**

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
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(Revised Jan., 1943)

20/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 26/5/1945 16 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/1203 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.											
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9	10						
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.							
WE 1 3 9 20	1 1	2	1 2 8 22	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAMC	1										
33	2	2	33			1										
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.		
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				A.	33									33		
				E.(1)												
				E.(2)												

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

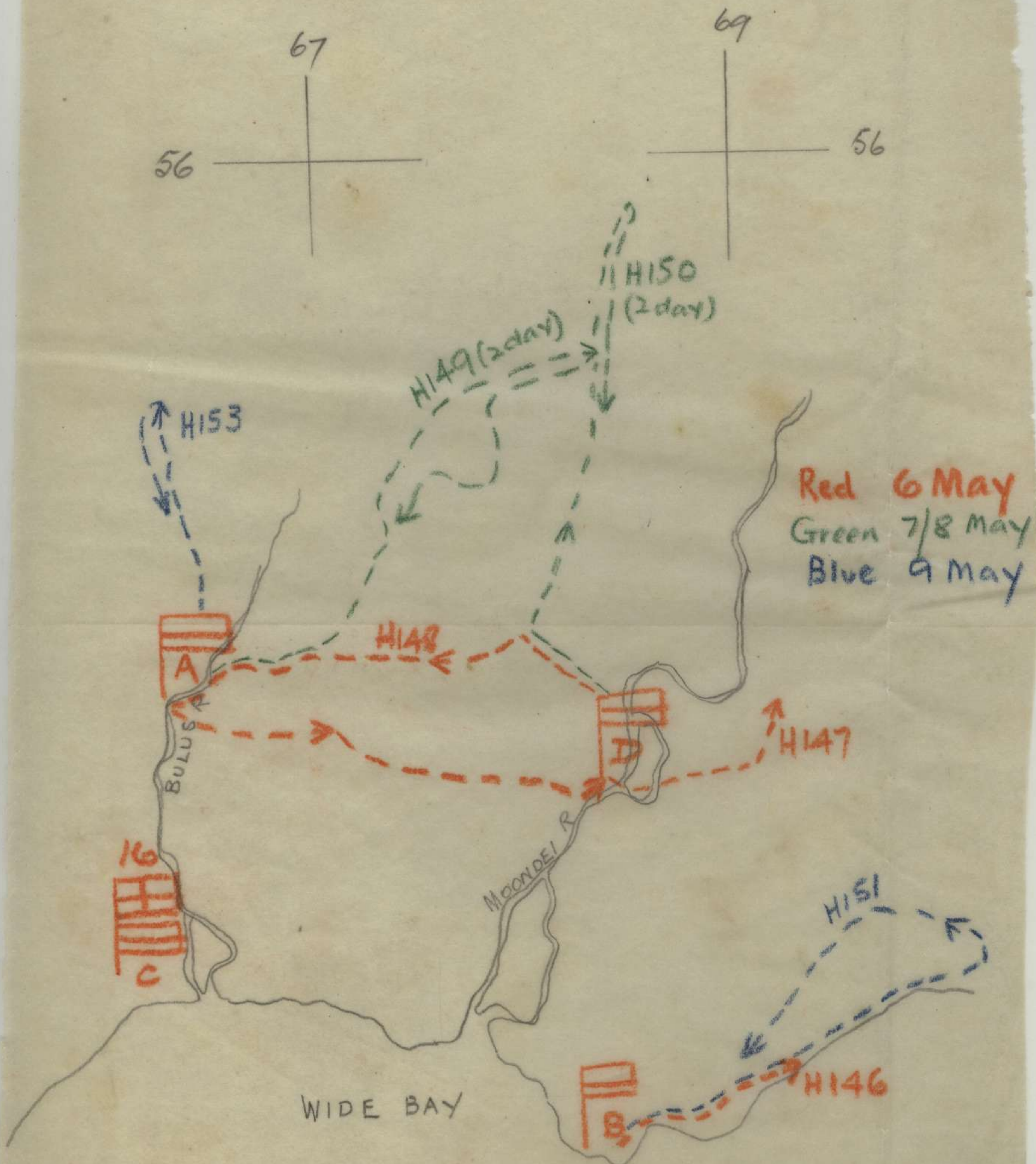
Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX32620	Maj	MOPHAIL E.P.		24.5.45	To RAAF school of Army Co-op Canberra.
WX17205	Lt	HAUGHTON T.B.		17.5.45	To LHQ school of MI Course 22 - 'C' wing
WX32999	Lt	HAWKINS J.A.			Appointed staff officer Native Labour HQ 5 Aust Div

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / /194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

OVERLAY OF WAITAVALO

SHEET 1/25000

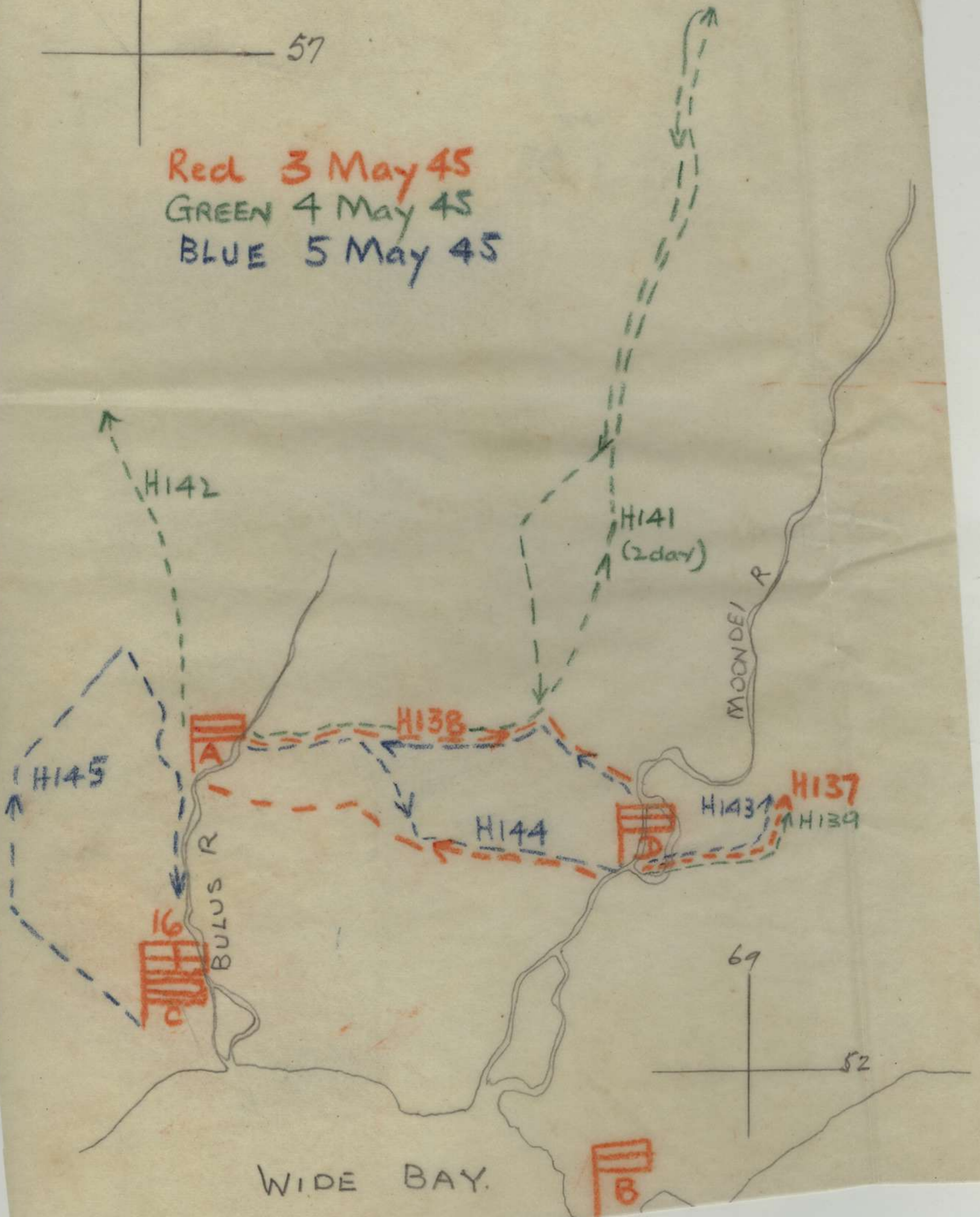


OVERLAY OF
WAITAVALO SHEET
1/25000

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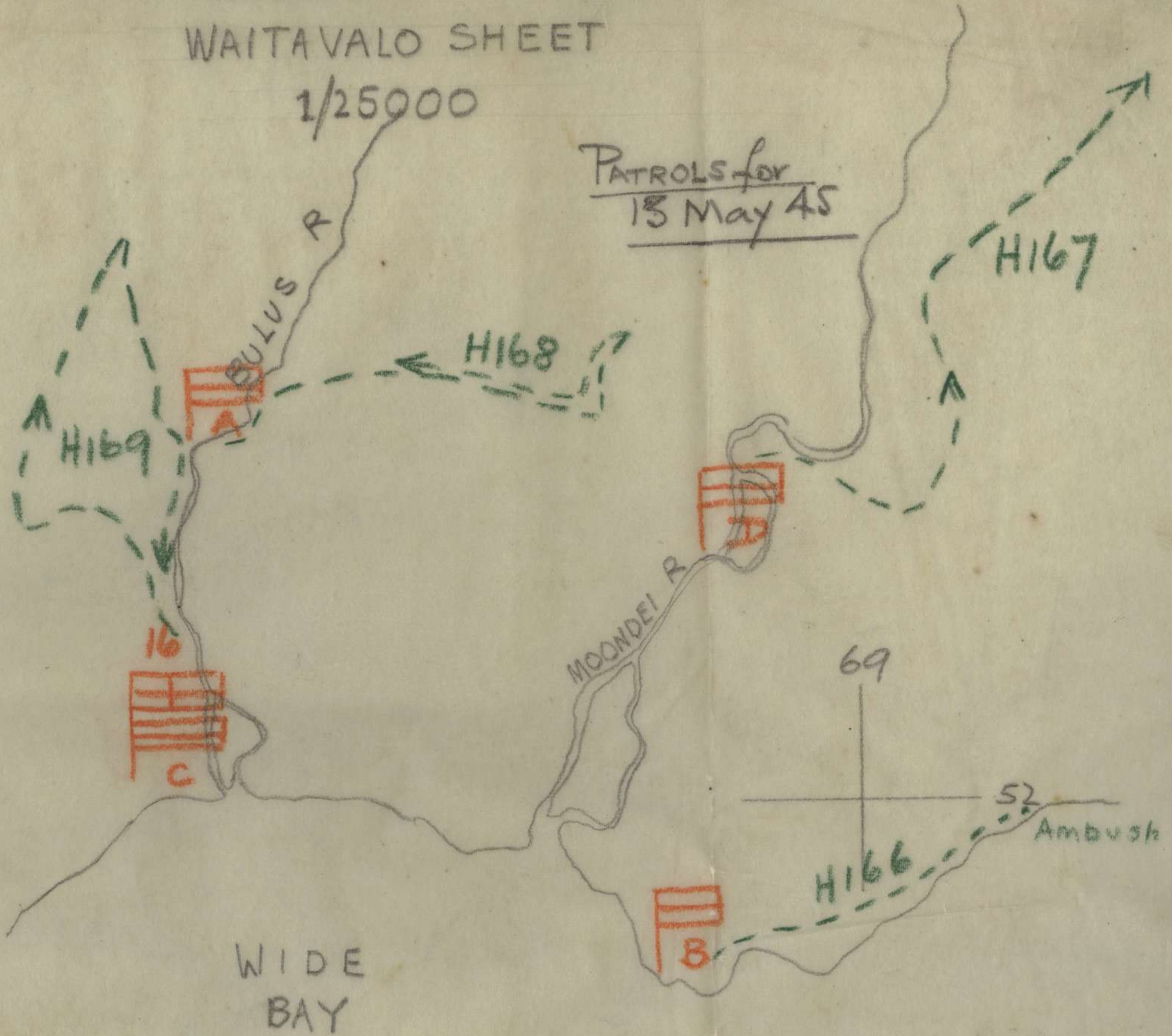
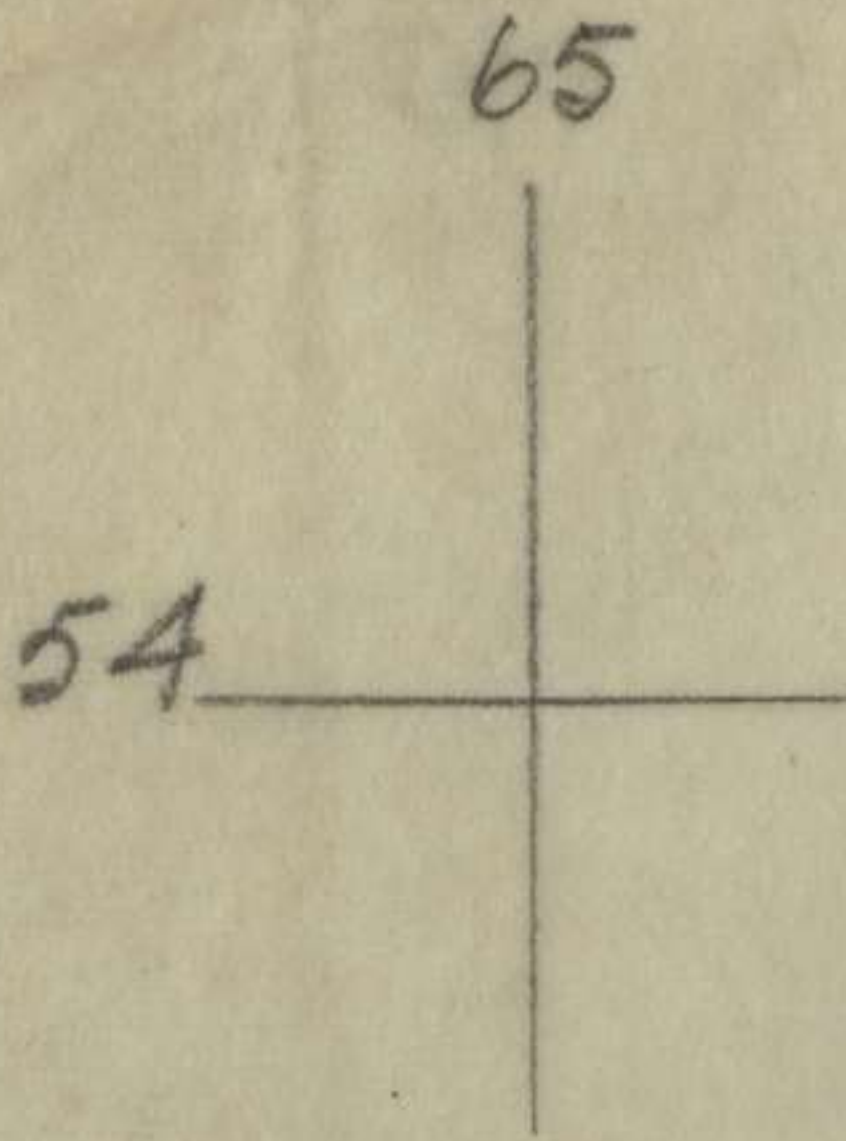
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GREEN 4 May 45
BLUE 5 May 45



OVERLAY
WAITAVALO SHEET

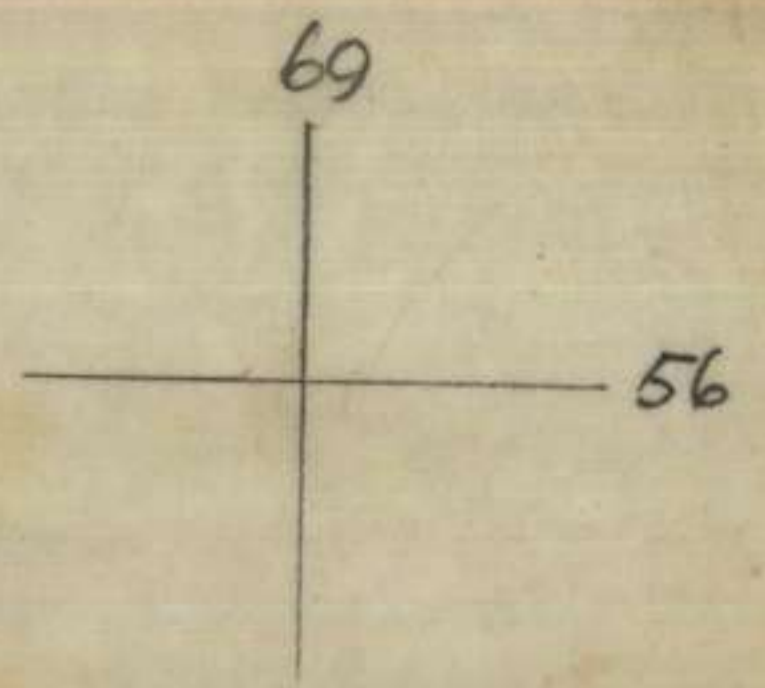
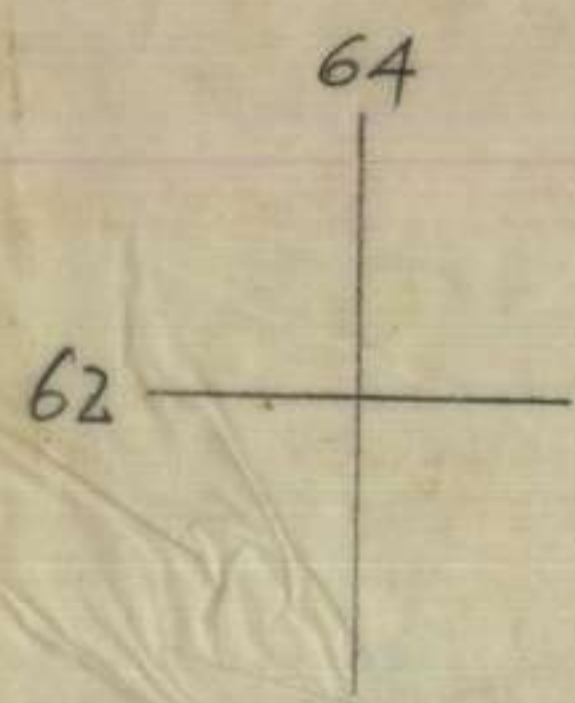
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PATROLS for
13 May 45



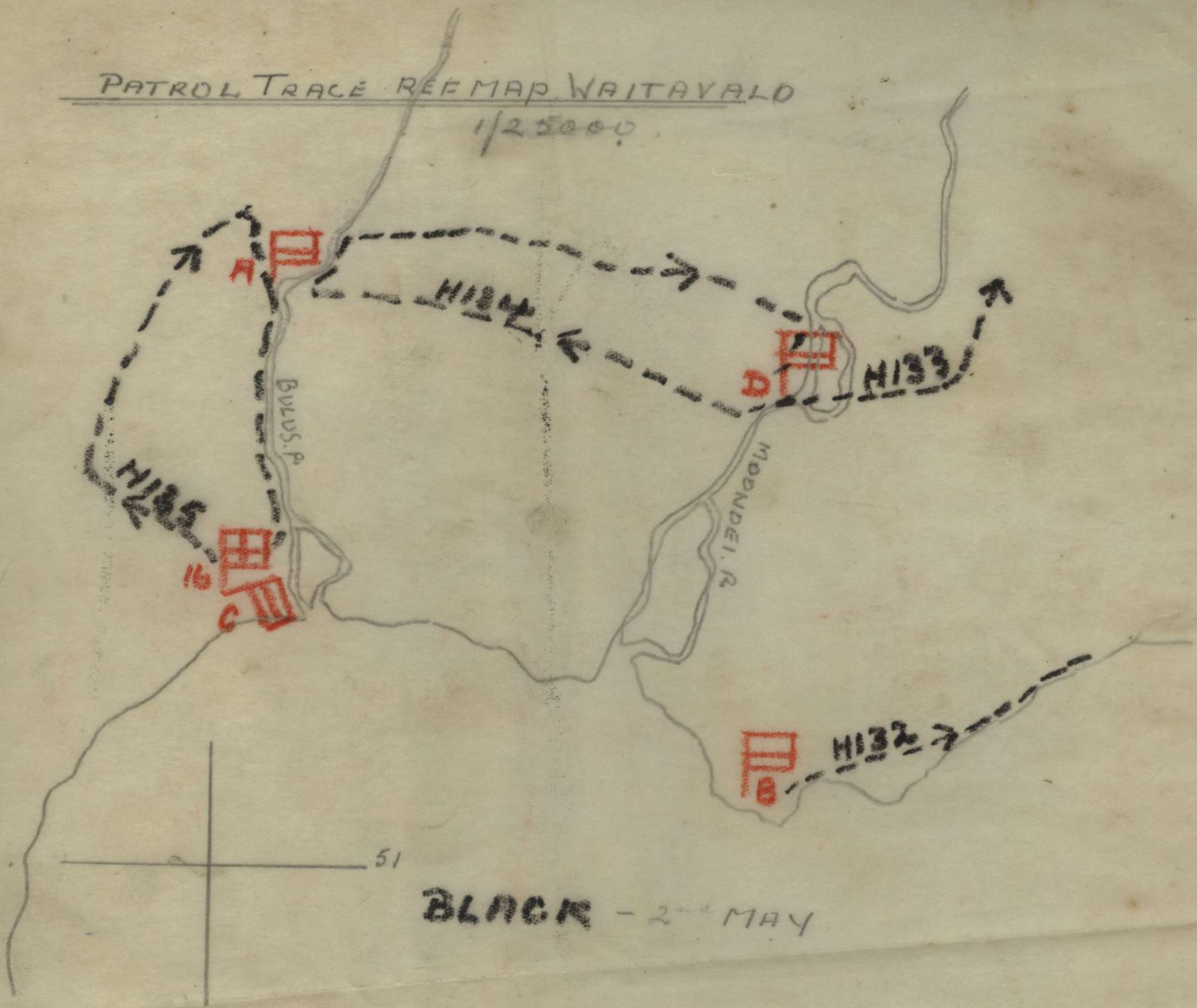
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WAITAVALO & UMAMITKI
SHEETS 1/25000

Green 10 May 45
Red 11 May 45
Purple 12 May 45



PATROL TRACE REEF MAP WAITAVALO

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BLACK - 2nd MAY

PATROL TRACE REF MAP, WHITAVALO

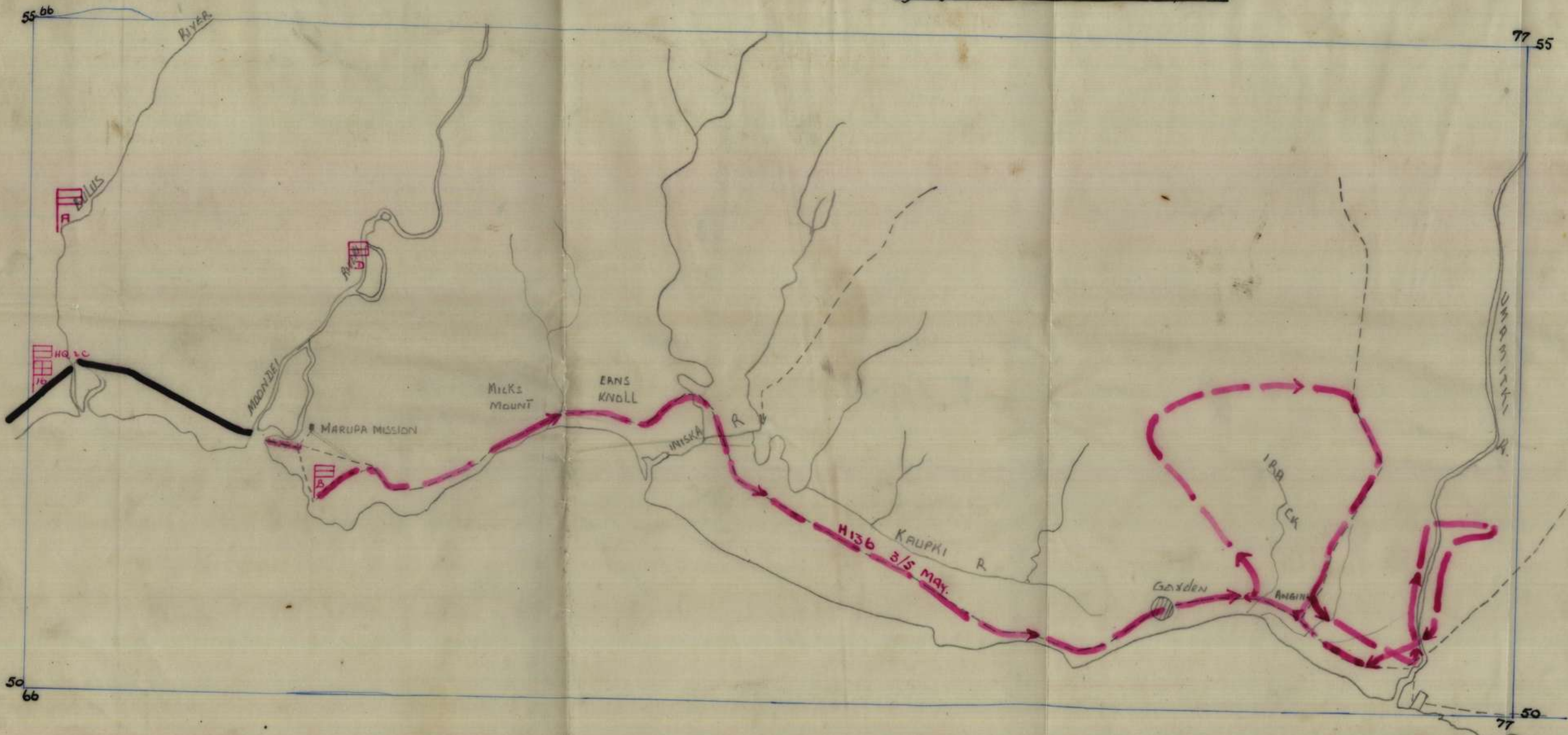
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RED - 1st MAY.

PATROL ROUTE of H136

Ref Maps WAITAYALO . UMAMITHI 1/25000



MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp
	16 Bn	01 18 10K	20
For Action			Message Instructions
TO	13 Bde (w) For Information (INFO.)		

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GI 353 Confidential SITREP 181 to 011800K
 O No change O H128 H129 H130 NMS O
 H 131 Time in 011500K reached 677548
 returned same route NMS

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless	If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority immediate full phone	Time	System	Op
			THI or TOR		
Signed	Signed		Time Cleared		

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) <i>H6 bn</i>	Originator	Date—Time of Origin <i>051900K</i>	Office Date Stamp
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For Action

TO <i>13 bde</i>	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

*GI 376 Confidential @ SITREP 188 to 051800K
 @ no change @ H136 @ Time in 051030K NMS @
 Topo follows @ H141 @ Time in 051500K @ Reached
 687574 NMS @ Footprints approx one day old
 of one Jap and one native along track
 from 671537 to limit of patrol then northwards
 @ At JAPRV 655555 found vacated def position
 NOT dug in for approx 60 @ Similar
 positions found 687562 and 687565 @ All
~~pos~~ vacated approx two weeks @ Tree
 OP overlooking WIDE BAY at JAPRV @
 Month old hut found 679542 containing
 4 boxes grenades ^{two and one half} boxes and 2 sugar
 bags SAA 9 calico bags of rice 2 cases
 savoury powder all in perfect condition
 @ Hut and stores destroyed @ No water
 on route but sounds heard EAST of
 687566 and 687572 @ H143 ~~reached~~
 699548 NMS @ H144 NMS @ H145 NMS
 Kanaha NOT wearing laplap shorts*

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless	If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority	Time	System
			THI or TOR	
Signed	Signed		Time Cleared	

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM
(A)

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

at 654528 @ Nature fled WEST

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

[Handwritten signature]
Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into
enemy hands, this message must be
sent **IN CIPHER**

Signed

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

IMMEDIATE
Telephone

Time	System	Op
THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator 16 Bn	Date—Time of Origin 11 19 00K	Office Date Stamp
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For Action

TO	13 Bde (w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

GI400 Confidential SITREP 206 to 111800K

No change @ H154 Time in 111440K NMS @ 101505K

Smoke-observed rising from garden 725534

unable to investigate @ H157 Time in

110900K NMS @ H158 @ Time in 111720K

reached 708557 NMS @ Recent footprints one

~~Tap~~ Tap beside body dead Tap 698547 @

Signs of possible ^{recent} movement of small Tap

party NORTH from 704552 @ well defined

unused track ~~running~~ EAST from 708557

@ H159 ~~NMS~~ NMS @ H160 ~~NMS~~ NMS @ Patrols

12 May @ H161 cancelled @ ~~H165~~ H165

one pl 13 Coy @ lighting @ NE to 714522

NE to ~~garden~~ 725534 @ Similar @

Examine garden area @ w/T and

pigeons @ 120800K @ NOT later than

131500K

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means *except*

[Signature]
 Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Signed

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

IMMEDIATE

fuller phone

Time	System	Op
THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

PRO - FORM MESSAGE FORM

011930K

FROM 13 Bde

TO 5 Div

INFO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1 NGIB AIB
2/14 Fd Regt 13 Fd Coy 2 Fd Amb
HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep P1 251 Sup
Dep P1 ANGAU P1 D coy 11 Bn
107 Ord Fd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty

Copies to Bde Comd BM IOs sig O W/D (2) BMB

GI374 SECRET sitrep 180 to 011900K (.) 11 Bn (.) all patrols NMS (.)
1 offrd OR B coy with att pers mov area to be selected approx
500470 to est Post 4 (.) 16 28 Bns all patrols NMS (.) B coy 1 NGIB
(.) patrol D12 of 29/30 Apr (.) LEMINGI track to 711563 then EAST
to garden 719562 (.) NMS (.) local KAIKAKAS report track 739590 to
JAMMER BAY used by japs (.) track NORTH of garden to latter track
NOT used by enemy in last few months (.) one sec accompanied party
11 Bn to approx 500470 (.) 36 Bn recee party from OPEN BAY arrived
011630K (.) all infml

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052100K

TO 5 Div

INFO 11 bn 16 bn 28 bn 7 NGIB AIB 2/14 Pd Regt 13 Pd Coy 2 Pd Amb
 Tac HQ RAB 250 Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup Dp Pl ANGAU B coy 11 bn
 107 Ord Pd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty

Copies to Bde Comd BM LOs Sig O W/D 2 BMS

GI 399 SECRET sitrep 18c to 051900K (.) 11 bn (.) all patrols NMS (.)
 D coy now complete 647506 (.) 16 bn (.) H 136 returned coy area
 051030K NMS (.) H 141 reached 687574 NMS (.) report footprints approx
 2 hrs old 1 jap 1 native leading NORTH along track from 671537
 continuing past patrol limit (.) signs enemy occupation 685555
 687562 and 687565 (.) est vacated two weeks ago (.) trees OP at
 685555 overlooks WIDE BAY (.) but est north old 679542 containing
 and rice perfect condition (.) H 143 reached 699548 NMS (.) H 144
 NMS (.) H 145 at 654528 saw unidentified KANAKA who fled WEST (.)
 28 bn (.) all patrols NMS (.) pl B coy 615520 nor 635512 (.)
 composite pl HQ coy now 615520 (.) all infm

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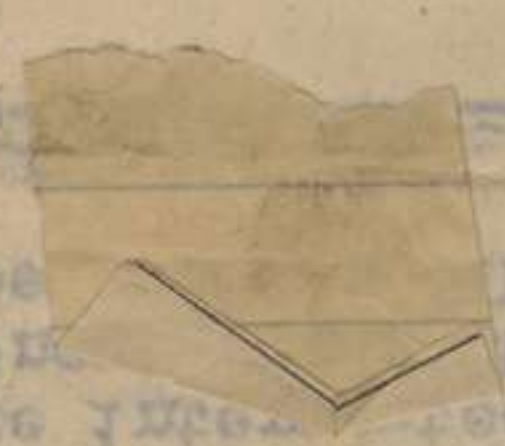
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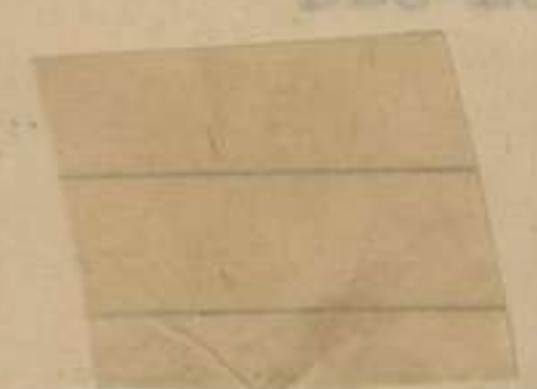
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FROM 13 Bde

061900 K

TO 5 Div

INFO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1 NGIB AIB
2/14 Pd Regt 13 Pd Coy 2 Pd Amb
Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep Pl 251
Sup Dep Pl B coy 11 Bn 107 Ord
Pd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty ANGAU

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GI402 SECRET sitrep 190 to 061900K (.) 11 Bn (.) all patrols NMS (.)
protective pl sawmill 607523 withdrawn to coy area (.) 16 Bn all
patrols NMS (.) Further details signs enemy occupation found by
H141 (.) well sited natural posns improved but NOT dug in with
sleeping area within perimeter (.) estimated for str 60 (.) stores
found hut 679542 consisted 4 boxes grenades 2 sugar bags plus one
and half boxes SAA 9 calico bags rice 2 cases soya bean meal (.)
28 Bn all patrols NMS (.) all infml

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From 13 Bde

060910K

To 5 Div

Info 1 bn 16 bn 28 bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 Fd Regt 2 Fd Amb Tac HQ RAE
 13 Fd Coy 250 Sup Dep P1 251 Sup Dep P1 ANGAU D Coy 11 bn
 107 Ord Fd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty

Copies to: Bde Comd BM LOs Sig O W/D 2 EMB

GI 401 SECRET sitrep 189 to 060800K (.) WIDE BAY (.) NO change (.)
 OPEN BAY (.) D coy 36 bn (.) 3 may AIB report approx 200 japs 50
 KIMBIS preparing def posns at 285638 and 287612 (.) 030700K jap
 prepared posn at 285637 285634 and 287628 fired on by our 3 inch
 mortars (.) AIB report 030815K large party japs mov to 279613 then
 EAST (.) 040450K probable 70mm fired 9 rounds into old coy posn
 276613 (.) patrol to 286613 returned 041600K sighted one native
 possibly KIMBIS at 272590 (.) D coy 36 bn established 268600 (.)
 pl D coy NGIB standing patrol established 296547 (.) patrol D coy
 36 bn to 286620 returned 051400K NMS (.) area clear to 279619 and
 286620

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PRO - NORMA MESSAGE FORM

071915K

FROM 13 Bde

TO 5 Div

INFO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1 NGIB AIB
2/14 Fd Regt 13 Fd Coy 2 Fd Amb
Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep P1 251
Sup Dep P1 B coy 11 Bn ANGAU
107 Ord Fd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty

Copies to Bde Comd HM LOS Sig O W/D (2) EMB

GI409 SECRET sitrep 192 to 071900K (.) 11 Bn (.) protective pl
mov to camp 3 at 425456 (.) patrol A45 found prints jap rubber
boot 645516 believed recent (.) A46 MMS (.) 16 Bn and 28 Bn all
patrols MMS (.) all infmd

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071045K

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070900K

TO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1 NGIB Aib
2/14 Fd Regt 13 Fd Coy 2 Fd Amb
Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep P1 251
Sup Dep P1 B coy 11 Bn 107 Ord
Fd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty ANGAU

INFO

Copies to Bde Comd HM LOs Sig O W/D (2) BMB

GI406 SECRET revisit 154 as at 070900K (.) WIDE BAY (.) NO change (.)
OPEN BAY (.) AIB scout reports enemy def posns 284638 and 286628
occupied (.) 061030K these posns engaged by our 3 in mortars causing
1 fire (.) D coy 36 Bn returned MAVELO river 061500K

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to fall into enemy hands this
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Signed W. Hussar
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PRO - FORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM 13 Bde

080820 K

TO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1 NGIB AIB
2/14 MI Regt 13 Pd Coy 2 Pd Amb
Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup
Dep pl ANGAU B coy 11 Bn 107
Ord Pd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty
37/52 Bn

INFO

Copies to Bde Comd IM LOs Sig Os W/D (2) BMB

GI412 SECRET revsit 155 as at 080810K (.) WIDE BAY (.) NO change

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to fall into enemy hands this
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Signed W. Hansen capt.

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W. Hunter

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PRO-FORMA MESSAGE FORM

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FROM 13 Bde

092000K

TO 5 Div

INFO 11 bn 16 bn 28 bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 Rd Regt 13 Rd Coy
 2 Rd Amb Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup Dep Pl
 B coy 11 bn ANGAU 107 Ord Rd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty
 37/52 bn

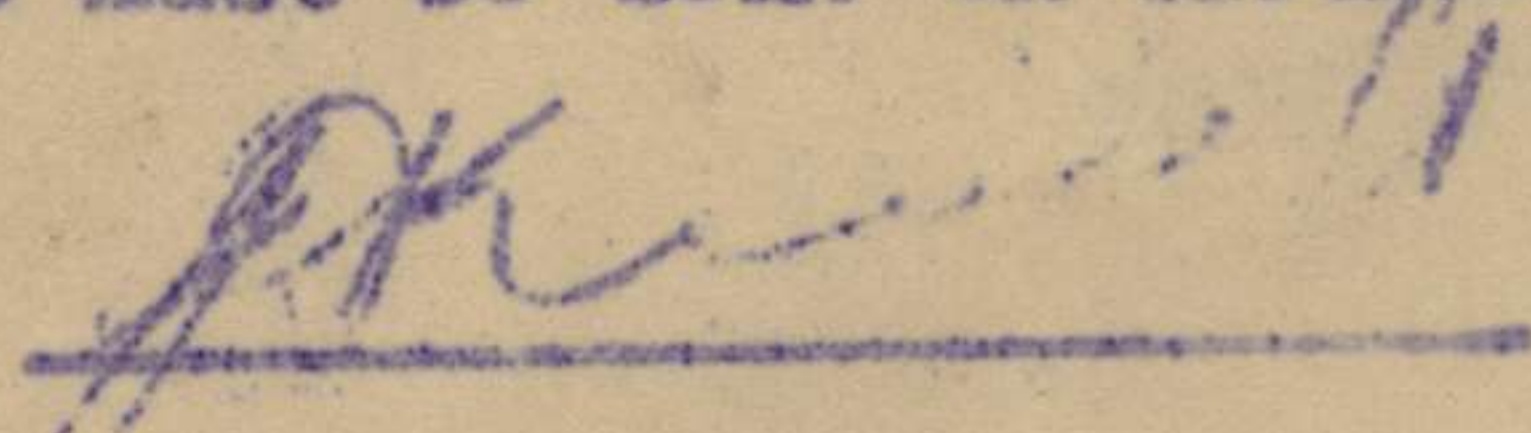
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GI 426 SECRET sitrep 196 to 091900K (.) 11 bn (.) A50 report
 fresh footprint rubber boot probably jap 645513 NMS (.) A49 NMS
 (.) 16 bn 28 bn all patrols NMS (.) B coy NGIB (.) 091120K patrol
 D14 killed one of three japs contacted on track JAMMER BAY -
 LEMINGI track (.) details not yet to hand (.) patrol returned
 through MARUPA 091750K (.) all infmd

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090831K

TO 11 bn 16 bn 28 bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 Fd Regt 13 Fd Coy
2 Fd Amb Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup Dep Pl
ANGAU B Coy 11 bn 107 Ord Fd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty
37/52 bn

COPIES TO Bde Comd EM LOs Sig O W/D 2 BMB

GI 420 SECRET revsit 156 as at 090830K (.) WIDE BAY (.) NGIB
patrol D 14 followed track generally NORTH from 753508 to track
JAMMER BAY - LEMINGI track at 757554 (.) here track slightly
overgrown NO signs use at least 3 weeks (.) patrolling fwd
today to june 740590 then return by LEMINGI track (.) OPEN BAY(.)
AIB report 060400K bright beam light like small SL also several
small moving lights on sea via POWELL HARBOUR (.) 080230K bright
yellow light observed for 3 minutes via TORIU River

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to fall into enemy hands this
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PRO - FORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM 13 Bde

101930 K

TO 5 Div

INFO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn + NGIB AIB 2/14 Fd Regt
13 Fd Coy 2 Fd Amb Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep Pl
251 Sup Dep Pl ANGAU B coy 11 Bn 107 Ord Fd Pk
128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty 37/52 Bn

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GI430 SECRET sitrep 198 to 101900K (.) 11 Bn (.) all patrols NMS (.)
16 Bn (.) H154 biv night 10/11 may 726537 NMS (.) H155 NMS (.) 100750K
H156 report signs 1 japs vicinity 691534 (.) fresh footprints 1 jap
followed up LEMINGI track to 694539 where ambush est (.) footprints
continued NORTH (.) patrol returned 101705K NMS (.) 101410K H157 est
ambush 591532 to continue watch this area after withdrawal H156 (.)
for details see patrol plan 25 (.) 28 Bn (.) D coy mov 635512 (.) C coy
less pl mov 622522 pl at 621519 (.) all patrols NMS (.) all infmd

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MRussell
capt.

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PRO - FORM MESSAGE FORM

FROM 13 Bde

100900K

TO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 Fd Regt 13 Fd Coy
2 Fd Amb Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup Dep Pl
ANGAU B coy 11 Bn 107 Ord Fd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty 37/52 BN

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GI428 SECRET revisit 157 as at 100850K (.) WIDE BAY (.) B coy NGIB (.) further to sitrep 196 (.) patrol D14 found 14 huts accn approx 100 men 743580 NOT used approx 3 weeks (.) tracks 1 jap 1 day old leading NORTH along track from huts (.) 091120K heard voices and estimated str 30 japs vic junc steep razor-back 740590 (.) 3 japs seen range 10 yds on edge dug posns killed 1 wounded 2 own cas NIL (.) patrol withdrew under fire consider pursued for 500 yds (.) patrol left track 744575 returned via 734508 and coast track (.) track NOT used for 3 weeks leads EAST from 746571 (.) due uncertainty return route this patrol 16 Bn patrol H152 was cancelled (.) additional patrol 16 Bn (.) H156 pl D coy fighting (.) 684531 NE along LEMINGI track est ambush within 1000 yds coy area (.) W/T L/T (.) 100630K 101530K (.) ref our PATROL PLAN 24 (.) patrol H154 should read pl B coy (.) OPEN BAY (.) pl D coy 36 Bn est standing patrol 250567

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Signed J. H. [Signature]

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FROM 13 Bde

11 1937 K

TO 5 Div

INFO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 Fd Regt 13 Fd Coy
2 Fd Amb Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup Dep Pl
ANGAU B coy 11 Bn 107 Ord Fd Pl 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty 37/52 Bn

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GI436 SECRET atrep 200 to 111900K (.) 11 Bn 28 Bn all patrols returned
NMS (.) 16 Bn (.) H154 returned 111440K NMS (.) H158 reached
708557 report recent footprints 1 jap 69854.7 beside body jap killed
sometime ago (.) patrol returned 111720K NMS (.) all other patrols
returned NMS (.) all infd

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FROM 13 Bde

110845K

TO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 Fd Regt
13 Fd Coy 2 Fd Amb Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep Pl
251 Sup Dep Pl ANGAU B coy 11 Bn 107 Ord Fd Pk
128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty 37/52 Bn

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GI434 SECRET revsit 158 as at 110900K (.) WIDE BAY (.) patrol report NGIB D14 080700K to 091800K (.) route along coastal track to 756505 then NORTH to KANAKA track 758523 along track to 758544 where biv night 8/9 may (.) this feature considered suitable coy perimeter with water nearby (.) reached track JAMMER BAY - LEMINGI at 756554 (.) main track slightly overgrown NO sign enemy mov at least 3 weeks (.) considered previous mov had been in both directions (.) patrol moved to 746572 where track in similar condition similar use leads EAST to IWITKI river approx 759575 (.) from 746572 patrol moved to 742581 found 14 huts estimated accomodate 100 men but NOT occupied for approx 3 weeks (.) followed footprints 1 jap 1 day old and at 091120K contacted enemy 740589 on very narrow ridge (.) vacant sentry post found and further up ridge LMG dug in posn with 3 japs & 3 shelters nearby (.) patrol killed 1 jap and wounded possibly killed other 2 (.) own cas NIL (.) patrol withdrew under rifle and grenade discharger fire from higher up ridge (.) believed pursued 500 yds down track (.) from noises enemy in area and amount fire power estimated str at least 30 on dominating ground covering JAMMER BAY and LEMINGI tracks from junc 740590 (.) route in broke bush from 744576 to 709518 thence coastal track (.) KANAKA garden 3 huts 724545 with more huts EAST evacuated at least 1 week (.) overgrown KANAKA track leads SOUTH from 753560 maybe track to ANGINI previously reported by KANAKA (.) OPEN BAY (.) recce party 37/52 Bn arrived WATU PT 081400K (.) 080230K bright yellow coloured lt observed for 3 mins vicinity TORIU river (.) 091930K bright lt seen low on horizon off BAIA for approx 20 mins

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PRO FORMA MESSAGE FORM

FROM 13 Bde

121905K

TO 5 Div

INFO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1NGIB AIB 2/14 Pd regt 13 Wa Coy 2 Pd Amb
Tac HQ RAE 250 Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup Dep Pl ANGAU B Coy 11 Bn
107 Ord Pd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty 37/52 Bn

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GI 445 SECRET sitrep 202 to 121900K (.) 11 bn all patrols returned
NMS (.) 16 Bn (.) H159 H164 returned NMS (.) H162 reached 703552
returned NMS (.) H163 est ambush 695547 NMS (.) H165 completed
task early and returned NMS (.) 28 bn (.) all patrols returned NMS
(.) 120600K 1 offr 35 OR departed TOL escort svy and engr recee
party 2 offr 10 OR on recee suitable route new road WIDE BAY -
OPEN BAY (.) all infmd

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W. H. M. C. J.

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FROM 13 Bde

120905K

TO 11 bn 16 bn 28 bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 fd regt 13 fd coy 2 fd amb
Tae HQ RAE 250 sup dep bd/251 sup dep pl ANGAU B coy 11 bn
107 ord fd pk 128 bde whap 5 svy bty 37/52 bn

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GI 439 SECRET revisit 159 as at 120900K (.) NO change

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Signed A. J. [Signature]

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FROM 13 Bde

130845K

TO 11 bn 16 bn 28 bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 fd regt 13 fd coy
2 fd amb Tac HQ RAB 250 sup dep pl 251 sup dep pl
ANGAU 107 ord fd pk 128 bde wksp 5 svy bty 37/52 bn

COPIES TO Comd EM sig 0 LOs W/D 2 BMB

GI 445 SECRET revert 160 as at 130800K (.) WIDE BAY - OPEN BAY
(.) NO change

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FROM 13 BDE

202000K

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Info 11bn 16 bn 28 bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 Pd Regt 13 Pd Coy 2 Pd Aib
Tac HQ RAE 250Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup Dep Pl ALGAU 107 Ord Pd Pl
128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty 37/52 bn

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11bn
Gl 487 SECRET sitrep 218 to 201900K (.) A77 reached 622534 returned
NMS (.) A78 reached 673543 followed track to 676542 (.) 5 huts this
point contained folded blankets - pillows 4 pair boots (.) estimated
10 - 15 men have occupied area unknown date (.) A79 returned NMS (.)
16 bn 28 bn all patrols returned NMS (.) all infml

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FROM 13 Bde

202005K

TO As for 43487 Revisit 218

Gl 488 SECRET ref our patrol plan 35 for 21 May (.) Additional patrol
11 bn (.) A83 pl C coy fighting (.) 684531 - 680537 along creek to
679538 then 676542 (.) set ambush covering huts (.) similar (.) 108
and pigeon (.) 211200K 221000K (.) all infml

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FROM 13 Bde

292015K

TO 5 Div

INFO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 Fd Regt 4 Fd Coy
13 Fd Coy 2 Fd Amb 250 Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup Dep Pl
ANGAU 107 Ord Fd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty 37/52 Bn

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GI539 SECRET sitrep 237 to 291900K (.) 11 Bn (.) A103 returned NMS (.)
A104 mov down track from 714562 to 713549 biv night 29/30 at 713549
NMS (.) 16 Bn (.) H185 biv night 29/30 at 625552 NMS (.) H186 and
H187 returned NMS (.) 28 Bn (.) B254 biv night 29/30 at 570525 NMS (.)
B258 to B261 returned NMS (.) 1 NGIB (.) B coy (.) further sitrep
235 (.) jap made NO effort leave posns when attacked (.) directed by
but ineffective fire vic dead sentry (.) intermittent fire from
direction contact for 1 hour afterwards (.) unoccupied huts found
11 at 735585 (.) 23 with max capacity 200 pers at 729583 (.) 4
reported by Tac R confirmed at 717571 (.) small gps between 729583
and 717571 (.) at 740590 JAMMER BAY track closed observation from
LEMINGI track by fallen tree (.) vacated OP 743579 NO use track
below this point at least 5 weeks (.) all infm

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FROM 13 Bde 292015K

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INFO 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn 1 NGIB AIB 2/14 Fd Regt 4 Fd Coy
 13 Fd Coy 2 Fd Amb 250 Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup Dep Pl
 ANGAU 107 Crd Fd Pk 128 Bde Wksp 5 Svy Bty 37/52 Bn

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GI539 SECRET sitrep 237 to 291900K (.) 11 Bn (.) A103 returned NMS (.)
 A104 mov down track from 714562 to 713549 biv night 29/30 at 713549
 NMS (.) 16 Bn (.) H185 biv night 29/30 at 625552 NMS (.) H186 and
 H187 returned NMS (.) 28 Bn (.) B254 biv night 29/30 at 570525 NMS (.)
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Signed *W. H. H. H. H.*
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TO 2/14 Fd Regt 5 Svy Bty 4 Fd Coy 13 Fd Coy 11 Bn 16 Bn 28 Bn
1 NGIB AIB 250 Sup Dep Pl 251 Sup Dep Pl 2 Fd Amb 107 Ord Fd
Pk 128 Bde Wksp ANGAU

COPIES TO Comd BM L6 Sig 0 W/D 2 HMB

GI 536 SECRET revsit 176 as at 290800K (.) WIDE BAY (.) 281709K
281955K green flares seen by 6 independant observers sq 6359 (.)
OPEN BAY (.) 281709K pl at 250569 noticed jap barge approx 3000 yds
bearing 350 deg (.) barge disappeared NNW 281750K (.) sec patrol
NGIB patrolling coast from SAI to POTATAI rivers 29 May to
investigate (.) all infm

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W. H. H. Capl

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10. 16 Bn.

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W. Smith
Capt

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for 27-28 May

No	str sub Unit	Type	Route Tasks, etc	Comms	Time		Results
					OUT	IN	
H 183	One pl D Coy	Standing	Repeat H 181 Patrol returns when H 184 and H 185 pass through	L/T	in pm 271700H	approx 280730H	
H 184	One sec D Coy	Fighting	647506 to NORTH 646513 to 647515 to 649513 to 655521 to 654522 to 650520 to 646513 to 647506. Clear area report signs	N.L.	270630H	271400H	
H 185	One pl A Coy	Fighting	647506 to 625540 to 624559, to 625540. to 615520, to 647506. Clear area, and report signs in occup ation in vicinity of village reported at 624559. BB de sign with patrol to conduct com test.	108 figures	280700H	301600H	

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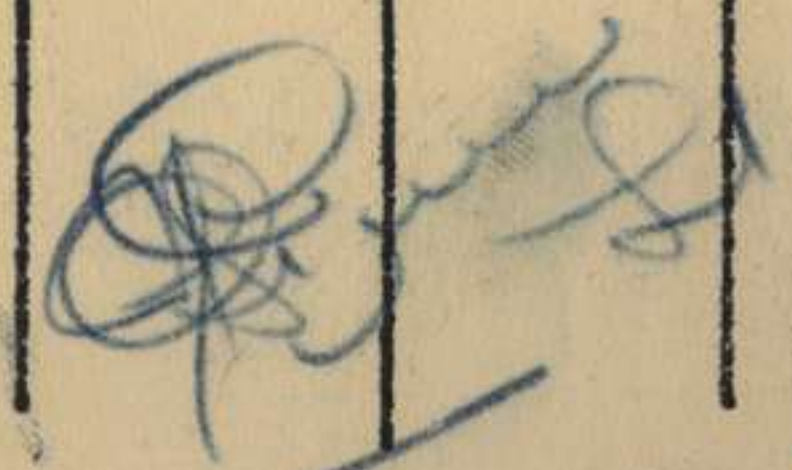
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No	Str sub Unit	Type	Route Tasks, etc	Comms	Time		Results
					OUT	IN	
H 186	One pl A Coy	Standing	Repeat H 183 Patrol returns when H 187 passes through	L/T	in from 281700K	approach 290730K	
H 187	One sec A Coy	Fighting	647506 to 646515, to 648522, to 653522, to 646515, to 647506.	Nil	290630K	2911400K	

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No	Str sub Unit	Type	Route Tasks, etc	Comms	Time		Results
					OUT	IN	
H 88	One pl C Coy	Standing	Repeat H186 Patrol returns when H189 passes through	L/T	in pen approx 291700K	300730K	
H 89	One Sec C Coy	Fighting	647506 to 646511, to 654522, to 650520, to 645513, to 647506.	NIL	300630K	301400K.	



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No	Str Sub Unit	Type	Route Tasks, etc	Comms	Time		Results
					OUT	IN	
H 190	One pl HQ Coy	Standing	Report H188. Patrol returns when H191 passes through.	L/T.	am pm 301700H	am pm 310730H	
H 191	See HQ Coy	Fighting	647506 to 647509 to 649503 to 647516 to 647511 to 650520 to 647516 to 647506. Clear area report seen recent enemy movement.	Nil.	310630K	311400H	

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