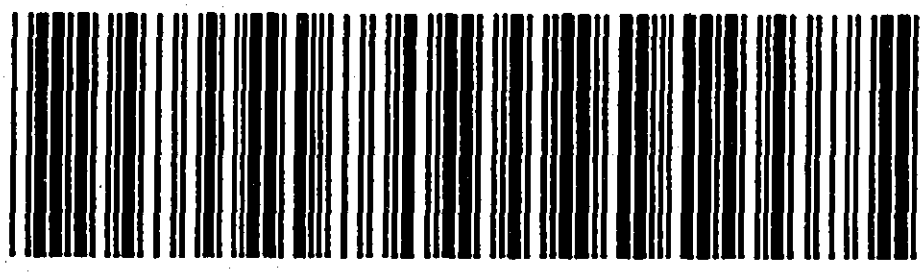
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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. SHEET 1

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Army Form C. 2118. (adapted.)

Unit 4 AUST ADV 2 ECH *Date and Time.—From* 3 Aug 1945 *To* 30 Sep 1945

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Melbourne	3.8.45		4 AUST ADV 2 ECH raised vide SM 7080 of 3 Aug 45. Strength : 1 Offr & 8 ORs	
"	15.8.45		WO1 DOIG moved to INDIA as Advance Party.	
"	19.8.45		Owing to the Japanese collapse it became evident that PWs would be recovered earlier than was previously anticipated, accordingly the WE of 4 AUST ADV 2 ECH was increased to 2 Offrs & 23 ORs vide SM 7395 of 19 Aug 45.	
"	23.8.45		Major J.N. SMALL appointed O.C. with Lieut R.J. McLACHLAN as 2 i/c.	
"			Unit concentrated at CAMP PELL , MELBOURNE and moved by rail with 2 AUST PW REC GP to NSW.	
Sydney	24.8.45		Arrived at WALGROVE Camp NSW.	
"	25.8.45		General leave granted for the day.	
"	26.8.45		Complete day spent equiping unit for embarkation.	
"	27.8.45		Lieut R.J. McLACHLAN & 8 ORs left by air for SINGAPORE as an Advance Party.	
"			Unit less dets embarked on HMAT "DUNTROON" and sailed from SYDNEY at 1630 hrs.	
Darwin	4.9.45		Arrived DARWIN.	
"	5.9.45		Departed DARWIN.	
Singapore	12.9.45		HMAT "DUNTROON" arrived SINGAPORE.	

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY. SHEET 2

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Unit 4 AUST ADV 2 ECH *Date and Time.—From* 3 Aug 45 *To* 30 Sep 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Singapore	13.9.45		Unit disembarked and proceeded to AUSTRALIAN RECOVERED PW CONCENTRATION AREA at CHANGI GAOL. There the Advance Party were already established, having arrived on 9 Sep 45.	
"			~~The task of the unit was made very much easier by virtue of~~ the fact that 8 AUST DIV during the period of captivity had maintained an outstanding order of discipline and kept records relating to PW.	
"	16.9.45		~~WE 4 AUST ADV 2 ECH increased by addition of 1 Capt & 2 ORs~~ for the purpose of the establishment of a Det at REAR HQ 2 ~~AUST PW RECEPTION GP, KANDY. Capt J.P. IVINEY appointed~~ liaison officer from WA ECH & REC.	
"	17.9.45		Det~~a~~ arrived at CEYLON.	
"	~~28.9.45~~		~~Recommendation made that main body of 4 AUST ADV 2 ECH return on the last ship conveying the main body of the Group. 1 Capt & 5 ORs to constitute the rear party.~~	
"				

J. Jarman
Major.
Officer-in-charge,
4 Aust Adv 2 Ech.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

5.45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6/10/1945. 4 Aust Adv 2 Hqh

W.E...../...../..... OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 23 + OFFRS. ..... O.R's. ..... 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.
				*					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
			1	Majors					
			1	Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
			2						

	DETAIL.		A.I.P.	O.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. 18 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.		2									
	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.

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).
DISTRIBUTION			
LHQ (1)			
Unit "B" (1)			
Unit "D" (1)			
War Diary (1)			

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6/10/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
Capt. (T/Maj)	NX12503	SMALL	J.N.	OC	Yes		
Lieut (T/Capt)	NX10169	MCLACHLAN	R.J.	Reg'l Duty	"		

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.

6.10.45
Date of Despatch

Major
Signature of Commander
C.O. 4 Aust 2 Hqh.

Truth—1/42.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

...2./.45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 22/9/1945 ..... (Unit) 4 Aust Adv 2 Ech

W.E. ...../...../..... OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 23 + OFFRS. ..... O.R's. ..... 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.					ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.
				Lieut.-Colonels					
			1	Majors					
			1	Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
			2						

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 16 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part 2(1) & 2(2).	DETAIL.		A.I.P.	G.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.		2									
	2.(1)											
	2.(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.

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).

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4 Aust Adv 2 Ech ..... Unit

3/45.... (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 22/9/1945 ..... (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1 Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	2 Army Number.	3 Surname.	4 Initials.	5 Posting.	6 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	7 If not present with Unit, state how employed.	8 Date of Detachment.
~~Capt (T/Maj)~~	NX12503	SMALL	J.N.	OC	Yes		
~~Lieut(T/Capt)~~	NX 10169	McLACHLAN	R.J.	Regt'l Duty	"		

Distribution :

2 Ech LHQ (2)
Unit (1) ✓
War Diary (1)

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.

~~22 Sep 45~~
Date of Despatch

Truth—7/43.

Signature of Commander Major.
C.O. 4 Aust Adv 2 Eo

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16/9/1945 4 Asst Adv 2 Echn (Unit)

W.E. ../../.. OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 23 + OFFRS. O.R's. 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.
				*					
				*					
			1	Lieut.-Colonels					
	1			Majors					
		1		Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	1	1	1						

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).	DETAIL.		A.T.S.	G.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.											
	E.(1)		2									2
	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., 3s U.K. Forces; 1s 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.
NX12503	Lieut.	McLACHLAN R.J.	Rejoined unit ex detachment	13/9/45	

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).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15/9/1945. (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.
~~t(T/Maj)~~	NX 12503	SMAIL.	J.H.	O.C.	Yes		
st	~~NX 10189~~	McLACHLAN	R.J.	~~Regt'l Duty~~	*		

* Was Disembd

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.

16 Sep 45
Date of Despatch

Major
Signature of Commander
O.C. 4 Asst Adv 2 Echn

Truth—7/45.

War Diary

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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1A /46 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25/8/1945 4 Aust Adv 2nd Ech (Unit)

W.E. —/—/— OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 23+ OFFRS. —— O.R's. —— 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.
				* Lieut.-Colonels					
	1		1	Majors					
		1		Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	1	1	1						

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 19 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part B(1) & B(2).	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.		2									2
	B.(1)											
	B.(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.

RECORD Lieut McLACHLAN R.J. Detached to A.I.F. Concentration Details Ingleburn Camp. (For onward movement by AIR to INDIA)

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).

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25/8/1945 (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.
Capt(T/Maj)	NX12503	SMALL	J.N.	O.C.	Yes		
Lieut	NX10169	McLACHLAN	R.J.	Sect'l Duties	No	Moving by AIR to India	24 Aug. '45

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.

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

O.C.

4 Aust Adv 2nd Ech.