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**7 Infantry Battalion**

**March 1942**

# WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit ..... 7 BN. .....

Date and Time.—From ..... MARCH ..... To ..... MARCH .....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<u>IN THE FIELD</u>	<u>MARCH</u>		<p>The 7 BN is the NORTH WEST MURRAY BORDER REGT. and is commanded by Lt-Col. R.M.SADLER D.S.O. M.C. V.D. with its Head Quarters in peace time at MILDURA. Its Chief Officers are:-</p> <p>2 I/C Major OSMOND W.F.                          Adjutant JONES C. Lt.</p> <p>Coy Comds. Major McLEOD I.C.                          Captains V.IREDALE,                          V.ELLES</p> <p>K.BLABY, J.HUGHES, and J.THOMPSON.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From 1 MAR 42 To 1 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONAMAH	1 MAR 42	1455	Inward Message No. 7.	APPENDIX No. 1.
			Commanding Officer, Intelligence Officer, Intelligence Serg. and Officer	
			Commanding E (M.M.G.) Coy on Recce. of Defensive Area.	
			Weather :- Sky Overcast Visibility Fair.	
			Troops spend the day settling down in camp. It has been stressed on	
			the men the importance of eating sufficient salt to counteract the loss	
			of same through perspiration, and also the importance including in their	
			diet plenty of citrus juices. Evening meal held an hour earlier due to	
			there being a Church Parade at 1930 hrs.	
		1930 hrs	Chaplain Milligan conducted a Congregational Church Parade, in the	
			open air theatre, after which a picture show was held, the programme being	
			Hopalong Cassidy in "The Renegade Trail" and the supporting picture	
			was "Nancy Drew - Reporter" a Newsreel was also shown. Adjacent to	
			the camp on the oval American Soldiers played a game of soft ball this	
			afternoon.	

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Date and Time.—From 2 MAR 42 To \_\_\_\_\_

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONAMAH	2 MAR 42	0900	Intelligence Telegram forwarded to 7 M.D. Head Quarters. (Register No.18.	APPENDIX No. 2.
		1155	Message Outwards to Coys (Register No.19.)	APPENDIX No. 3.
		1610	Message Inwards from 23 Inf Bde (Register No. 8)	APPENDIX No. 4.
			Message Inwards from 8 Inf Bde (register No. 9)	APPENDIX No. 5.
			Received instruction on ANTI TANK MINES, also instructions on VISUAL and	APPENDIX No. 6.
			WHISTLE Signals, and also Control of the Town of DARWIN.	APPENDIX No. 7.
			Received Code List No. S.M.2600	APPENDIX No. 8.
			Received Instruction on DAILY INTELLIGENCE REPORTS	APPENDIX No. 9.
			Camp Routine Order No. 2.	APPENDIX No.10.
			Weather Fine, Visibility Good.	APPENDIX No.10 A.
			2 Officers from each Coy reported to Bn H.Q. and proceeded on Recce of	
			the defensive area with Intelligence Officer and Sergeant acting as	
			guides. Capt. Thompson reported to Capt. Polglase to prepare new camp	
			site approx. six miles North of Noonmah.	

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NOONAMAH	MAR. 7 <sup>TH</sup> . 2 <del>3</del> (Contd)	2045 hrs	<p>Lt.Col. SADLER R.M. called a parade of all Officers and N.C.O.s and addressed them at the picture theatre. A welcome was given to all new men to the Unit. He stressed the necessity for co-operation between all ranks and explained the serious of the situation and asked that it be passed onto the men, and delivered a general pep talk. After this Major Osmond 2 I/C of the Unit explained that he could buy a considerable amount of goods to establish a canteen for this Bn. Owing to the fact that D.F.O. could not be located the Canteen Fund Cheque could not be honoured thus unenabling the goods to be purchased. Consequently he suggested that a unit canteen fund may be formed by the support of the Officers and N.C.O.s., they lending the necessary £ 140. This amount was raised.</p> <p>As no canteen had been available to the troops since arrival their supply of tobacco etc. was exhausted. Major Osmond explained that only a limited supply of tobacco could be obtained and that it would have to</p>	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONAMAH	2 Mar (C'td)		be rationed. All the goods to be purchased were essential needs.	
			The money lent by the Officers and N.C.O.s to be repaid at a later date.	
	3 MAR 42	1200 hrs	Intelligence to 7 M.D. (register No. 24.)	APPENDIX No. 11.
		1440	Outward Message to Coys (Register No. 25.)	APPENDIX No. 12).
		1614	Outward Message to Intelligence Officer at 7 M.D. (Register No. 28)	APPENDIX No. 13.
			Received 7 M.D. Instruction No. 1.	APPENDIX No. 14.
			Received 7 M.D. Intelligence Summary No. 64	APPENDIX No. 15.
			Coy Commanders spend the day on inspecting defensive positions.	
			Camp Routine Order No. 3.	APPENDIX No. 15.A
			Fine weather and Fair Visibility.	
			Standing Orders for battle issued to Officers and N.C.O.s. Were	APPENDIX no. 15 B
			checked to ensure that all had received and read a copy.	
			During the recce by the Officers and N.C.O.s a coconut grove was	
			noticed and coconuts appeared to be there in plenty.	

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Date and Time.—From 3 MAR 42 To 4 MAR 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONAMAH	3 MAR 42 (Cont'd)	1500 hrs	A civilian by the name of Alf. Farrow was intercepted by the unit guard. R.P. Sgt. SHERGOLD brought him to I. Office for interrogation. Owing to the absence of I.O. the Ass. Adjt Lt HANLON interrogated him. He was then taken to 7 M.D. Adv H.Q. Int. for further interrogation and was then allowed to proceed to DARWIN, where he was destined for, when intercepted and found to be without a pass. <i>MS.</i>	
"	4 MAR 42	1808	Outward Message to Coys (Register No. 35.) Received copy of JAPANESE TACTICS AND EQUIPMENT No. 7. Recce by Coy Commanders continued. CAMP ROUTINE ORDER No. 4. WEATHER : OVERCAST VISIBILITY : FAIR.	APPENDIX No. 16. APPENDIX No. 17. APPENDIX No. 17 A
			7 Bn Canteen. Lt. NORMAN appointed O.C. of canteen. All canteen goods were divided into equal lots pro rata to Coy strengths. There being only a limited amount of tobacco available it was necessary to <i>MS.</i>	APPENDIX No. 17 B.

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Date and Time.—From 4 MAR 42 To 5 MAR 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONAMAH	4 MAR 42 (Cont'd)		divide one 2 oz. tin amongst five persons. As the men have not been paid for a few weeks and the trip up included in those weeks, very few of the troops had sufficient cash to buy anything at the canteen, so a system of chits was introduced to enable them to purchase their requirements. The spending power of each man was approx. 2/-, the chits used instead of money, were to be honoured on the next payday. <i>MS.</i>	
"	5 MAR 42	0900	Intelligence Telegram to 7 M.D. (register number 36.)	APPENDIX No. 19
			Received copy S/9/31 use of S.A.A. for practice purposes.	APPENDIX No. 20.
		1225	Message to Coys (Message Register 39)	APPENDIX No. 21.
		1438	Message from Unit Pay Sgt. (Message Register 16)	APPENDIX No. 22
		1540	Message to Escort Pay Sgt (Message Register 40)	APPENDIX No. 23
		1845	Message to All Coys (Message Register 41).	APPENDIX No. 24.
			Fine weather with good visibility	
			ROUTINE ORDER. No. 5. <i>MS.</i>	APPENDIX No. 25.



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Unit 7 Bn Date and Time—From 5 MAR 42 To 6 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONAMAH	5 MAR 42	1900	A boxing tournament arranged between A and B Coys was held at NOONAMAH Camp site. The following Officials had charge of the contests. Ring master Capt. V. Tredale, Referee Lieut. WESTWOOD, Judges, Capt. W.O. Mc. INNES, Cpl. W.E. ELLIOTT. Time Keeper, Padre MILLIGAN. All contests were of 3 Minutes duration. Results are as follows. No. 1. Pte SYDNEY 8 st. 10 lbs Versus Pte KNIGHT 9 St. Won by KNIGHT. No. 2. Pte WILSON 10 St. Versus Pte DEACON 10 St. Won by DEACON. No. 3. Pte ROSE 10 St. 7 lbs Versus Pte MAYNE 10 st. 12lbs Draw. No. 4. Pte CHAMBERS 10st. 7 lbs Versus Pte SWORD 10 st. 7 lbs Won by CHAMBERS. No. 5. Pte. La ROSE 9 st. 7 lbs. Versus Pte ROGER 9 st 7 lbs. Won by LA ROSE. No. 6. Pte LOWE 10 st. 7 lbs Versus Cpl. SUTHERLAND 10 st. 7 lbs. won by SUTHERLAND. No. 7. Pte BARNES 12 st. Versus Pte BAILEY 12 st. Won by BAYLEY.	
<del>NOONAMAH</del>	<del>6 MAR 42.</del>		<del>Received OPERATION INSTRUCTION NO. 8.</del>	<del>APPENDIX No. 26.</del> <i>CBP</i>

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Date and Time.—From ..... 6 MAR. 42. .... To ..... 6 MAR. 42. ....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONAMAH.	6 MAR. 42.	0900	Coy's carry on recce of the DARWIN DEFENSIVE AREA.	
			INTELLIGENCE SECTION engaged on the recce of the DEFENSIVE AREA.	
			Received Operation Instruction No. 8.	APPENDIX. No. 26.
			Postal Arrangements 7 M.D.	APPENDIX. No. 27.
			Unit Censorship.	APPENDIX. No. 28.
			Received Code List No. S.M. 2710	APPENDIX. No. 29.
			Anti-Para Troop Areas. No. S/7/47.	APPENDIX. No. 30.
			Received Intelligence Summary No. 62.	APPENDIX. No. 31.
			Received Intelligence Summary No. 63.	APPENDIX. No. 32.
			Unit Standing Orders	APPENDIX. No. 33.
			ROUTINE ORDER No. 6	APPENDIX. No. 34.
			14 Platoon moved to new Camp site.	
			Recce by the Intelligence Sergeant.	
			WEATHER :- FINE.	
			VISIBILITY:- GOOD.	

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Date and Time.—From 7 MAR. 42. To 7 MAR. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
NOONAMAH.	7 MAR. 42.	2137	Inward Message (Register No. 36)	APPENDIX. No. 35.	
		0900	Intelligence Telegram (register Outward No. 50)	APPENDIX. No. 36.	
		1700	OUTWARD MESSAGE No. 52 (Register No. 52)	APPENDIX No. 37.	
			Received Green Envelope and Field Service Post Card Instructions.	APPENDIX. No. 38.	
			W/T. Frequencies.	APPENDIX. No. 39.	
			CAMP ROUTINE ORDER No. 7.	APPENDIX. No. 40.	
			Personnel of the Battalion that had NOT previously been Blood Grouped were grouped today. Location maps of the New Camp Site prepared.		
			While working on the New Camp Site a Python snake was killed by		
			CAPTAIN J.A. THOMSON. 20 Platoon move to New Camp Site. R.C. Church		
			Parade. During the afternoon a soft ball game was played by members of the U.S. ARMY.		

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Unit 7 BATTALIONDate and Time.—From 8 MAR. 42. To 8 MAR. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONAMAH.	8 MAR. 42.		Training has been rather restricted owing to reorganization and movement to New Camp Site. Morale of the Troops in general varies considerable owing mostly to the lack of news from home towns and shortage of the Canteen supplies.	
		0900	Communion Church Parade .  10 Platoon moved to New Camp Site.  Afternoon spent in a make and mend period. Ball and Cricket played .	
		2000	Church Parade after which a picture show was conducted. The Pictures being "CRACKERJACK - FIXER DUGAN".  Troops receive their first pay since leaving DANDENONG.  Received Intelligence Summary No 64.	APPENDIX, No. 41.
			<del>Received Notes on Bombing of GONNATHUR DRIVE.</del>	<del>APPENDIX, No. 42.</del> BBR.
			<del>Received Instruction re Ship Unloading Duties.</del>	<del>APPENDIX, No. 43.</del> BBR.
			CAMP ROUTINE ORDER, No. 8. WEATHER:- FINE. VISIBILITY:- GOOD.	APPENDIX, No. 43A.

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Unit 7 BATTALIONDate and Time.—From 9 MAR. 42. To 9 MAR. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONAMAH.	9 MAR. 42.	0900	2 i/c. Transport Officer Intelligence Sergeant on recce of the Right Sector of the DARWIN DEFENSIVE AREA. Intelligence Officer attends Conference at 7.M.D. Commanding Officer attends conference at 23 BRIGADE REAR HEADQUARTERS. Troops engaged on instruction of rifle exercises and general toughening up process. 19 Platoon moved to New Camp Site. Sergeants hold Mess meeting.	
		0930	Intelligence Telegram (Register No. 57)	APPENDIX. No. 44.
		1611	Outward Message (Register No. 59)	APPENDIX. No. 45.
			Received Instruction on A.A. DEFENCE OF TROOP TRAINS. S.M. 2781.	APPENDIX. No. 46.
			Received EVACUATION ARRANGEMENTS	APPENDIX. No. 47.
			Received Instructions on RECOGNITION OF AIRCRAFT. S.M. 2780.	APPENDIX. No. 48.
			WEATHER :- FINE. VISTIBILITY :- GOOD.	
			WIND :- NORTH to NORTH-WEST.	
			CAMP ROUTINE ORDER No. 9	APPENDIX. No. 49.

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Unit ..... 7 BATTALION .....

Date and Time.—From ..... 10 MAR. 42. .... To ..... 11 MAR. 42. ....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
NOONAMAH.	10 MAR. 42.		11 Platoon move to New Camp Site Remainder of C. Coy moved to Camp Site.	
			JAPANESE recce planes over DARWIN, A/A. Battery opens fire.	
			Troops in occupation of the New Camp Site working on improving the Site in general. Intelligence Personnel engaged on Recce of area.	
		0930	Intelligence Telegram Outward Message. (Register no. 62)	APPENDIX. No. 50.
			Camp Routine Order No. 10.	APPENDIX. No. 51.
		Instruction Re Platoon Gardens.	APPENDIX. No. 52.	
		WEATHER:- Fine. VISTIBILITY:- FAIR Sky rather overcast.		
IN THE FIELD.	11 MAR. 42.		12 Platoon move to New Camp Site. Battalion Headquarters move to New Camp Site Intelligence Personnel engaged in the digging of Slit Trenches	
		1230	Signal complete link up to Companies also units in Battalion Headquarters with line telephone.	
		1800	Outward Message. (Register No. 64)	APPENDIX. No. 53.

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Unit 7 BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 11 MAR. 42. To 12 MAR. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	11 MAR. 42.		CAMP ROUTINE ORDER, No. 11	APPENDIX, No. 54.
			WEATHER:- FINE. VISIBILITY:- GOOD.	
IN THE FIELD.	12 MAR. 42.		Construction of buildings in Company areas is well under way. Training is restricted owing to the construction of the New Camp Site. Morale of the troops has improved considerably since the arrival of Southern Mail.	
			A boxing ring has been erected by A. Company and a challenge has been issued by them to another company. Personnel from E. Company engaged on the metalling of the roads within the New camp area. Intelligence Personnel engaged on recce work.	
		0902	Intelligence Telegram. Outward Message (Register No. 65)	APPENDIX, No. 55.
			DISTRIBUTION OF AMMUNITION IN THE BATTALION	APPENDIX, No. 56.
			Code Name List, from 7. M. D.	APPENDIX, No. 57.
			Gas Intelligence Instruction No. 1.	APPENDIX, No. 58.

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Unit 7th BATTALION Date and Time—From 12 MAR 42 To 13 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	12 MAR 42.		Received Instruction on Cenorship= Security of information. <del>WATER RESTRICTION.</del>	APPENDIX. No. 59. <del>APPENDIX. No. 60.</del> <i>106 R.</i>
			CAMP Routine Order No. 12.	APPENDIX. No. 61.
			WEATHER. FINE. VISTIBILITY. GOOD. <i>OK.</i>	
IN THE FIELD.	13 MAR 42	0115	C.O. and I.O. return after a recce of the COXS PENINSULA which proved very fruitful from the information that they had gained and will be very valuable from the point of veiw of further recces in this area. All coys have started on their routine training now that the new camp site has almost reached a stage of completion, only minor items have to be done around the camp and these are being carried out by a maintenance section. The morale of the troop has varying effects, the main reason being the shortage of rations and tobacco. Some of the troops find it hard to realize the difficulties of getting supplies to this point, as most have been used to a good supply service before coming North. <i>OK.</i>	



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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	13 MAR 42.		Owing to the scarcity of green vegetables the platoons have decided to try and grow some during there stay. Each platoon is preparing its own garden as the soil is very suitable for growing purposes. surplus water from the shower is going to utilized for the watering of the plots. The unit has a limited number of seeds available. WEATHER FINE ,	
			VISTBILITY. GOOD.	
		1020	Intelligence Telegram (Register No. 68)	APPENDIX. No. 62.
		1058	Outward Message (Register No. 69)	APPENDIX. No. 63.
			Notice had been received that all signs in this area are to destroyed that are likely to be of use to the enemy should they attempt an invasion.	
			Notice received from 23 Brigade to carry out recce of the MILLNER'S CREEK area.	
			Routine order Part 1 issued by the C.O.C. 7 M.D.	APPENDIX. No. 64.
			CAMP ROUTINE ORDER No. 13	APPENDIX. No. 65.

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Date and Time.—From 14 MAR. 42. To 14 MAR. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	14 MAR. 42.		The following is a list of the boxing bouts between A and H.Q. Coys together with the results of same.	
			No. 1. Pte DEACON 10st. Versus Pte BRAINWOOD 10 st. Won by BRAINWOOD.	
			No. 2. Pte BALSHAW 11 st. Versus Pte WENTON 11 st. Won by BALSHAW.	
			No. 3 Pte BAILEY Versus Pte COLBERT. Exhibition Bout.	
			No. 4. Pte YOUNG 10 St. Versus Cpl VIDLER. Draw.	
			No. 5. Pte DOUGHTERY 10 st. Versus Pte JONES 10 st. 7 lbs. Won by JONES.	
			No. 6 Rain interrupted this contest.	
		0945	Intelligence Telegram (Register No. 70)	APPENDIX No. 66.
		1015	Received instruction re the change in parade hours. The C.O. decided to try and get the troops gradually climatized by allowing them a rest period of two hours each day this taking place from 1400 to 1600 hrs.	APPENDIX. No. 67.
			Camp Routine Order No. 14	APPENDIX. No. 68.
			WEATHER :- FINE VISIBILITY:- GOOD.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<u>INT. THE FIELD.</u>	<u>14 MAR. 42.</u>		<p>Intelligence Section carried out recce of the <u>MILNER'S CREEK</u> area. The commencement of platoon training sees the improvement of discipline.</p> <p>After a recce of the area in the proximity of the camp a piece of the area has been selected as suitable for a sports ground and work is being carried out by the troops, it is intended to clear this area and put down a cricket pitch, it is also intended to use this area as a training ground. Personnel from each platoon is entering into work of preparing the vegetable garden plot very well and a showing of the results of this work should soon be seen. The morale in general is improving but the shortage of tobacco is still causing the troops some concern.</p> <p>1900 A boxing tournament between A and H.Q. Coys takes place in A Coys Area, the results of which are shown below. The contestants entered into the contests with vigor and some good bouts were witnessed.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From 15 MAR. 42. To 15 MAR 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD	15 MAR, 42	0900	A R.C. Church Parade was held Capt J. HUGHES M.M. had charge of this parade approximately 56 personnel attended this parade. Today being SUNDAY the day was devoted to make and mend, but it was noticed that personnel that had been engaged on certain jobs the day before drifted back to these jobs after doing their washings mainly to pass the time away. Arrive of further Southern mail did much to improve the morale of the troops, lack of tobacco is still causing some concern. The showers constructed were for the first time given a try out and proved very satisfactory.	
		1945	A church service was held Padre MILLIGAN having charge of this service.	
		2018	Inward Message (Register No. 45)	APPENDIX. No. 69.
		1200	Outward Message (Register No. 72)	APPENDIX. No. 70.
		1700	Camp Routine Order No. 15	APPENDIX. No. 71.
			WEATHER:- FINE. VISIBILITY:- GOOD.	

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Date and Time.—From 16 MAR 42 To 17 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	16 MAR 42.	0835	Intelligence Telegram (Register No. 79)	APPENDIX. No. 72.
		1145	Inward Message (Register No. 45)	APPENDIX. No. 73.
		1720	Inward Message (Register No. <del>74</del> <sup>51</sup> )	APPENDIX. No. 74
		1030	Camp Administration Order	APPENDIX. No. 75
		1730	Camp Routine Order No. 16.	APPENDIX. No. 76
			WEATHER: FINE. VISIBILITY:- GOOD. <span style="float: right;"><i>DM</i></span>	
IN THE FIELD.	17 MAR. 42		Camp routine goes on the troops being engaged on rifle drill. Work in connection with the new camp site that unit is in occupation of is nearing completion. Vegetables seeds planted by the platoons are beginning to come up and the different seed bed will soon be covered with green, which should be very valuable in the near future. The C.O. and I.O. were engaged on the recce in the vicinity of DARWIN to check up the location of the defensive positions. <span style="float: right;"><i>PS</i></span>	

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Date and Time.—From 16 MAR. 42 To 16 MAR. 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	16 MAR. 42		<p>More extensive training is in progress, training is mainly consisting of L.M.C., rifle, and grenade. It is reported that the A.M.F. at the present time is better trained than the A.I.F. The morale of the troops have improved considerably. The AUSTRALIAN COMFORTS FUND made a distribution of two small packets of cigarettes to each member of the unit and these were very much appreciated. Air alarms seem to have no detrimental effect on the morale of the troops although a general dive is made for cover. WEATHER :- FINE. VISIBILITY:- GOOD.</p> <p>At approximately 2100 hrs a rain storm developed but only a light fall was registered in the unit area. The C.O. and O.C. of B.Coy made a recce of the ELIZABETH RIVER with the view of finding out if fish could be caught, the reason being to help make up the deficiencies in the food supply caused by the strain on communication and the sinking of ships in the DARWIN HARBOUR by the enemy.</p>	

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Unit 7 BATTALION

Date and Time.—From 17 MAR 42 To 18 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	17 MAR 42.	2050	Inward Message (Register No. 53.)	APPENDIX. No. <del>72</del> <sup>7</sup> .
		1705	Outward Message (Register No. 85)	APPENDIX. No. <del>73</del> <sup>8</sup> .
		1834	Outward Message (Register No. 86)	APPENDIX. NO. <del>74</del> <sup>9</sup> .
		2155	Outward Message (Register No. 87)	APPENDIX. No. <del>75</del> .
		2158	Outward Message (Register No. 88)	APPENDIX. No. <del>76</del> .
				Camp Routine Order No. 17
		WEATHER:- FINE      VISIBILITY:- FAIR. <span style="float: right;"><i>MD.</i></span>		
IN THE FIELD.	18 MAR 42.		Training is now under way and each coy is making good progress with their training, which mostly consists of bayonet, I.M.G. and rifle work.	
			The morale of the troops is improving but some still are feeling the effects of the climate up and are NOT trying to get used to it. No. 9 Pl.	
			of A.Coy have set rather a good example to other platoons by constructing a small shelter with tables which can be used by members of their platoon	
			as a writing room and a place where they can spend their evenings. <span style="float: right;"><i>MD.</i></span>	

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Date and Time.—From 18 MAR 42..... To 18 MAR 42.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD	18 MAR 42		E Coy report that one of their personnel have been admitted to MAIN DRESSING STATION for an operation. It is also reported that the sound of the Air Raid Alarm has stimulated the digging of slit trenches. It is reported that some of their personnel are breaking out in a rash which is due to the shortage of green vegetables, the outbreak of this has caused the troops to urge the growing of more green vegetable so further plots are being sown.	
		0700	A shower of rain fell in the unit area but only lasted for a short time.	
		0945	Two flights of friendly aircraft, (fighters) passed over the outer perimeter of this unit flying in a SOUTH EASTERLY direction.	
		2255	Inward Message (Register No. 58)	APPENDIX, No. 77, 83
		0829	Outward Message. (Register No. 89)	APPENDIX, No. 78, 84
		0915	Intelligence Telegram. (Register, No. 91)	APPENDIX, No. 79, 85
			Received Intelligence Summary No. 67	APPENDIX, No. 80, 86



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Date and Time.—From 18 MAR. 42. To 19 MAR. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	18 MAR. 42.		CAMP ROUTINE ORDER No. 18	APPENDIX. NO. 87.
			WEATHER :- FINE. VISIBILITY :- FAIR.	
IN THE FIELD.	19 MAR. 42.		Training is progressing according to schedule and big improvement is being made, personnel are taking a very keen interest in their training especially those that have NOT had very much training previously.	
			The morale of the troops in general is improving owing to the interest they are taking in their training and having a definite job to do each day.	
			Three air raid alarms were sounded and planes were visible in the sky flying at a high altitude. Intelligence personnel engaged on a recce of the area towards the ELIZABETH RIVER to find out if a road could be made to allow an alternative route out of DARWIN.	
		0900	Intelligence Telegram (Register No. 93)	APPENDIX. No. 88.
		0950	Outward Message (Register No. 95)	APPENDIX. No. 89. <i>Ad.</i>

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Unit 7 Bn Date and Time.—From 20 Mar 42 To 20 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD	19 MAR 42		CAMP ROUTINE ORDER No. 19.	APPENDIX NO. 90.
IN THE FIELD	20 MAR 42		The Company's are carrying on with pl training which consists mostly of rifle training during the morning and pl exercises in the afternoon.	
			The troops are generally taking a keen interest in their training	
			Morale of the troops is becoming better each day as they now more or less realise the difficulty that is experienced in obtaining supplies	
			• and another factor being that they are now becoming acclimatised.	
			The camp is now completed with the exception of a few minor adjustments which are gradually being cleared up by the PIONEER PL.	
			The I. Section personnel continued their recon in two Carriers over the area which is to be used for an alternate road by the Bn. The drivers of the Carriers have a very difficult job owing to the thick timber and the nature of the country.	
IN THE FIELD.			<del>Received instructions for crews of motor launches.</del>	<del>APPENDIX 91. BBR.</del>
			<del>Instructions to Sentries</del>	<del>APPENDIX 92. BBR.</del>

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Date and Time.—From 20 MAR 42. To 21 MAR 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD	20 MAR 42		Instructions re the protection of ammunition.	APPENDIX 93.
			CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 20	APPENDIX 94.
			Weather - Fine with rain later in the evening. Visibility fair. <i>MS.</i>	
IN THE FIELD.	21 MAR 42		It is reported from the various coys in the unit that troops are showing more interest and improvement in their training, they are now realizing that the position is serious, and are anxious to further improve their training and fit themselves to meet the enemy should they attempt an invasion of AUSTRALIA. The morale is improving considerably owing to the interest being taken in training and the more interesting food that is being prepared. Owing to the rain that had fallen overnight it was found that the country was too wet to allow the continuance of the recce that is being carried out, the recce is being carried out by the use of carriers. <i>MS.</i>	

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Date and Time.—From 21 MAR 42 To 22 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	21 MAR. 42	1945	A parade held by the C.O. which was attended by the officers C.S.M's and Pl. Sgts. to discuss the question of camouflaging.	
		1720	Outward Message (Register No 106)	APPENDIX No. 95.
		1010	Inward Message (Register No. 63)	APPENDIX. NO. 96.
		1600	Inward Message (Register No. 64)	APPENDIX. NO. 97.
		1600	CAMP ROUTINE ORDER No. 21.	APPENDIX. NO. 98.
			WEATHER Fine. VISIBILITY fair. <span style="float: right;">DS</span>	
IN THE FIELD.	22 MAR. 42.		Today being SUNDAY <sup>was</sup> reveille <del>NOT</del> until 0730 hrs the extra half rest was welcomed by all the troops. A church parade was held by PADRE MILLIGAN at 0930 hrs which was attended by H.Q.'s and E coys. No R.C. church parade was held and this caused some concern among the members of this particular church. After church parade the balance of the morning was devoted to the camouflaging of tents and buildings in the camp area.	

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Date and Time.—From 22 MAR 42 To 23 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	22 MAR 42		Afternoon being spent in a make and mend and rest for the troops.	
			Int. Sec with the aid of two M.M.G. Carriers continued the recce of the proposed new road.	
		1400	Unit first ammunition exercise commences.	
		1630	Ammunition exercises ends.	
		1930	Padre MULLIGAN holds a church service which was well attended by the following companies, A., B., C., D. After the service a lecture was given by Lieut. BARRETT, the subject being "Current Events".	
			Ammunition Exercises	APPENDIX, NO. 99.
			CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 22	APPENDIX, NO. 100.
IN THE FIELD.	23 MAR 42		Today the troops started on a definite syllabus with the view of further intensifying the training. The training in general will consists of rifle and L.M.G and also the grenade. The MORALE of the troops is fastly	

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Date and Time.—From 23 MAR 42. To 23 MAR 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	23 MAR 42		The R.M.O. today carried out an inspection of the troops to find out if the tropical climate was impeding the health of the troops in general. It was found that in only very few cases was the health being effected. No. 2 Platoon (Anti-Aircraft) today said farwell to their Platoon Commander (Mr. G.A. JONES) who owing to health reasons has to return to a cooler climate.	
		1945	Captain DERWENT GAVE a lecture to personnel of this unit, the title of the talk being "THE WAR SITUATION IN GENERAL" the talk proved very helpful and it is hoped that further talks can be arranged. The Int. Sec continued with the recce of the proposed new road. C.O. and I.O. attend a conference at the H.Q. of the 23 Aust Inf. Bde.	
			Received the screed re Weekly Reports.	APPENDIX. NO. 101.
			Received the screed re Ammunition Expenditure.	APPENDIX. NO. 102.
			CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 23. WEATHER :- FINE. VISIBILITY: - FAIR. <i>W.</i>	APPENDIX. NO. 103.

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Date and Time.—From 24 MAR 42 To 24 MAR 42 .....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	24 MAR 42		<p>Training proceeding according to the syllabus and good progress is being made. The Morale of the troops in general is quite good. Four members of the Int. Sec engaged on the straightening off the proposed new road.</p> <p>At 1800 hrs a flight of fighter aircraft passed over the unit H.Q. flying in a NORTHERLY direction, they were flying at a very low altitude.</p> <p>At 1900 hrs rain commenced to fall after a rather cool day and continued throughout the night. Troops were able to procure tobacco and this was appreciated by all concerned.</p>	
		1555	Outward Message (Register No. 120)	APPENDIX NO. 104.
		1010	Inward Message (Register No. 76)	APPENDIX NO. 105.
		1420	Inward Message (Register No. 78)	APPENDIX, No. 106.
			CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 24	APPENDIX, No. 107
			WEATHER:— Cloudy with a cool breeze. VISTIBILITY POOR. <i>PS</i>	

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Date and Time.—From 25 MAR. 42 To 25 MAR. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD.	25 MAR 42		<p>Training in the various companies is being carried out with the view to fitting each man to be able to accustom himself to fighting in a similar climate to that of MALAYA. Morale this is improving every day as the troops realize importance of being fit and well to defend their own country. The arrival of tobacco supplies has also been instrumental in raising the morale. Members of the Intelligence Section engaged in a recce to improve the line of the proposed New Road.</p> <p>At 1800 hours a flight of friendly aircraft were observed flying in a NORTHERLY direction at a LOW altitude.</p> <p>WEATHER :- CLOUDY with a cool breeze blowing from the N.E.</p> <p>VISIBILITY:- FAIR. At 1900 hours rain began to fall.</p> <p>Camp Routine Order No. 25.</p> <p>Training Instruction.</p> <p><del>WORKING PARTIES.</del></p>	<p>APPENDIX No. 108.</p> <p>APPENDIX No. 109.</p> <p><del>APPENDIX No. 110.</del> <i>BBR</i></p>



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Date and Time.—From 25 MAR. 42 To 26 MAR. 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD	25 MAR 42	0850	Intelligence Telegram (Outward Register No 122.)	APPENDIX, No. 111.
IN THE FIELD	26 MAR. 42		<p>Companies are continuing with their training and reports show that the troops are very interested in their training and are doing a good job.</p> <p>The MORALE in general is on the up grade and with the arrival of mail it will further improve. Platoon gardens are coming on nicely and before long troops should be reaping the benefit from these gardens.</p> <p>The camp has now been completed with showers in each company area, which are proving a great asset in this climate. Members of the Intelligence Section engaged on a recce of the area in the vicinity of the ELIZABETH RIVER with the view of finding out the type of country.</p> <p>WEATHER :- Rain fell in the early part of the morning but only lasted for 30 minutes. The rest of the day was sultry and warm.</p> <p>VISIBILITY:- FAIR.</p>	

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Date and Time.—From 26 MAR. 42. To 27 MAR. 42.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD	26 MAR 42	0820	Intelligence Telegram. (Outward Register No. 129)  Camp Routine Order No 26	APPENDIX, No. 112.  APPENDIX, No. 113.
IN THE FIELD	27 MAR 42		I.O. and Coy Commanders make a recce of proposed "Battle Areas" and attend a conference at 1200 hours. The conference was convened by the acting C.O. Major W.F. OSMOND, in the absence of the Commanding Officer Lt-Col R.M. SADLER who is acting Brigadier. Troops under Platoon Commanders pack up gear and prepare for order to move out. At 1400 hours instructions were issued by acting C.O. Major W.F. OSMOND, to proceed to new area. The move being well carried out, the camp being vacant except for guards by 1800 hours. A fine gesture by the AMERICANS was the distribution of a packet of cigarettes to the troops as they passed the AMERICAN camp. Owing to move the Platoons did NOT derive any benefit from the vegetable gardens which had been planted by the troops.	<i>MS.</i>

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Date and Time.—From 27 MAR 42 To 28 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD	27 MAR 42		WEATHER:— Dull and Rainy. VISIBILITY:— POOR.	
		1740	Inward Message (Register No. 86)	APPENDIX No. 114.
IN THE FIELD	28 MAR 42		<p>Work commenced on the digging of a defensive position. Trenches being dug are to serve a dual purpose of fire and slit. The digging of dugouts for the use as offices were also commenced. Personnel NOT engaged on digging were employed by clearing scrub and flattening grass in front of the positions to allow for fields of fire. Before the old camp was vacated the troops were instructed to take the minimum of personal gear. Universal kit bags were stored temporarily until arrangements could be made to remove them to a depot at ADELATDE RIVER. Everything that might reveal our new position such as tents were left behind.</p>	
			WEATHER:— CLOUDY AND DULL VISIBILITY:— FAIR.	

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Date and Time.—From 28 MAR 42 To 29 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
IN THE FIELD	28 MAR 42	0840	Outward Message (Register No 141)	APPENDIX No. 115.
IN THE FIELD	29 MAR 42		Instructions were issued that all personnel were to "STAND TO" 1 hour before dawn. Work was continued on the digging of weapon pits throughout the Battalion. The Morale of the troops in general is good, the arrival of mail is managing to maintain the morale to this height.  WEATHER:- FINE. VISIBILITY:- GOOD.	
		1345	Outward Message (Register No 151)	APPENDIX No 116.
		1925	Outward Message (Register No 156)	APPENDIX No 117.
		0355	Inward Message (Register No 103)	APPENDIX No 118)
			<i>MS.</i>	

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Date and Time.—From 30 MAR 42 To 30 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<del>IN THE FIELD</del>	30 MAR 42		<p>Work is continueing with the digging of weapon pits and the clearing of fields of fire and quite good progress is being made considering the type of country encountered which is very hard rock and has to be picked.</p> <p>In some of the weapon pits water has been encountered and breastwork had to be constructed to allow sufficient cover. Patrols are arranged by the Intelligence Officer and carried out throughout the night.</p> <p>The Morale of the troops is good.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">WEATHER:- FINE and WARM. <span style="float: right;">VISIBILITY GOOD.</span></p>	
		1520	Air Raid alarm sounded, a flight of Enemy Planes came over but were engaged by the ANTI-AIRCRAFT Battery, which put up a terrific barrage.	
		0946	Outward Message (Register No 164)	APPENDIX No. 119
		1153	Inward Message (Register No 137)	APPENDIX No. 120
			<i>DRS</i>	

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Date and Time.—From 31 MAR 42 To 31 MAR 42

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
<del>IN THE FIELD</del>	31 MAR 42		The digging of weapon pits is progressing but hard ground is still being encountered. Troops are giving a good account of themselves and a good showing is being made despite the hard ground being encountered.	
			Morale this is still good. Intelligence Section engaged on procuring the layout of the dispositions of each company with the view of compiling the Situation Map.	
			WEATHER:- FINE with Clouds. VISIBILITY:- Fair, owing to the clouds.	
			Screeed issued by the Adjutant on the "ALLEGED THEFT OF WEAPONS".	APPENDIX. No. 121.
		1511	Inward Message (Register No156)	APPENDIX. No. 122
		1800	Inward Message (Register No157)	APPENDIX. No 123.
		1554	Inward Message (Register No158)	APPENDIX. No 124.
		2248	Inward Message (Register No164) <sup>3</sup>	APPENDIX. NO 125.

*W. L. Inland maps*

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APPENDIX No 1

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

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GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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7 BN NOONAMAH.

FROM	D. A. Q. M. G. Rear H. Q. 7MD	Originator's Number	QL 4	Date	1	In Reply to Number.	
Train	departed	ADELAIDE	RIVER	1445	his		
Today	with	7 M.T.	3	carriers	35		
personnel	for	7 BN	0	also	on		
train	three	prisoners	for	DARWIN	0		
have	instructed	D. H. P. M.	7 M.D.	As	arrange		
for	prisoners	to	be	taken	over		
at	NOONAMAH.						

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

L. Llewellyn

Sp. D.R

1505

SIGNED

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T.H.I.

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TO

MUMI. r/vtd. JONI.

FROM

7. BIV.

Originator's Number

1.63

Date

2.

In Reply to Number.

INTELLIGENCE TELEGRAM

NIL.

TELEGRAM

(C)

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NIL.

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NIL.

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TIME OF ORIGIN

1155.

SIGNED

A. J. Bone Sgt.

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TO

A, B, C, D, E, H.Q Coy

FROM

FEBE.

Originator's Number

I. 64.

Date

2.

In Reply to Number.

Commencing	3.	MAR.	Two	offrs.	from
each	coy	will	report	daily	at
0830	hrs	at	FEBE.	H.Q.	for
all day	recce.	⊙	They	will	bring
messaging	utensils	water bottles	arms	still	helmets
and	respirators	only	⊙	ack.	

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TO

FEBE

FROM

JONI

Originator's Number

1.75

Date

2.

In Reply to Number.

arrange	for	work	officer	from	ROMO.
and	FEBE	to	meet	capA.	COLGLASE
at	entrance	to	camp	site	main
road.	086949	at	1430	his	MONDAY
2	MAR	o	two	water	supply
engineers	will	be	present	to	discuss
position	water	supply	o	ack	

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TO

FEBE

FROM

ROMO. I.O.

Originator's Number

I 67

Date

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In Reply to Number.

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has	commencing 1900	has	4	MAR
42	is OPERATIONS	⊙	ack.	

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
DARWIN 1 Mar 42.

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SECRET

A TK MINES

Attached is a pro forma concerning the information which it is required be recorded when A Tk Mines are laid. This must be adhered to strictly.

2. Units will forward reports in duplicate to this HQ when mines have been laid. The prompt rendering of these reports is essential, as is also the accuracy of the information contained therein, as they will be used to indicate to other units any mined areas, and also, possibly, subsequently when a minefield has to be taken up.
3. Attention is drawn to M.T.P. No 40/ Sec 1 para 6 in regard to the recording of minefields.
4. All Offrs and NCOs will be made familiar with the method of recording minefields, and their responsibility in that regard.

Major.  
B.M. 23 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION. 19 M G Regt; 2/14 Fd Regt; 14 A Tk Bty; "M" A Tk Bty;  
2/11 Fd Coy; 23 Fd Coy; Fd Regt Sigs; Bde Sig Sec; 7 Bn; 8 Bn; 27 Bn; 43 Bn; 23 Bde  
Coy AASC; 23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Wkshop; 23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk; 83 LAD; 108 LAD;  
236 LAD; Right, Centre and Left Sectors; 147 Fd Arty. U S Army.

A TK MINE REPORT

1. Ref Map \_\_\_\_\_
2. Map ref of minefield \_\_\_\_\_
3. Date of preparation of minefield \_\_\_\_\_
4. By whom laid (sub-unit) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Type of A Tk Mine \_\_\_\_\_
6. Type of firing mechanism \_\_\_\_\_
7. Number of A Tk mines laid \_\_\_\_\_
8. How laid (e.g. 3" under surface, on surface, etc.)  
\_\_\_\_\_
9. Ref Points on ground \_\_\_\_\_
10. Remarks \_\_\_\_\_
11. Shetch (to show ref points, position each mine, distances, bearings, North Point. Sketch must be accurate and of a scale of at least 4" - 1 mile, and may be atched to the report as an appendix.)

Signature and rank  
of person in charge of  
minelaying. \_\_\_\_\_ 666

Distribution  
of Report;

Unit \_\_\_\_\_ 66

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Advanced Headquarters,  
7th Military District.  
26 Feb. 42.

## 7th BATTALION

TRAINING INSTRUCTION - VISUAL AND WHISTLE SIGNALS.AMENDMENT NO. 2.

It is desired to draw attention to the following amendment to M.B. 98929 "Training Instruction - Visual Signals".

Page 2	-	Signal No. 15 "Rally"
Column 3	-	"Whistle or Horn"
<u>Delete</u>	-	"Succession of Short/ blasts.
<u>Substitute</u>	-	"Two Short Blasts".

Lt. Col.  
General Staff 7 M.D.

## Distribution:-

G.O.C.  
G.S.O.  
A.D.M.S.  
7 M.D. Sigs.  
A.D.S. & T  
7 M.D. Svy Sec.  
124 Res M.T. Coy.  
39 Div. H.Q. Defence & Employment Pl.  
23 Aust. Inf. Bde. (25)  
Fortress Comd. (20)  
Camp Comd., Adelaide River (15)  
Camp Comd., Katherine (15)

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES  
**7th BATTALION**  
 CONTROL OF TOWN OF DARWIN.

For your information you are advised that the town of DARWIN is under the control of the town Major, DARWIN (Major A. ANDERSON) appointed by the G.O.C. 7.M.D.

Troops entering DARWIN must be in possession of a pass, otherwise they will NOT be allowed in. Troops and convoys on duty will be in charge of an officer or N.C.O. with written duty instructions. If possible the entering or passing through of convoys will be notified to the town Major and Provost Coy so that arrangements can be made to assist the passage of the troops and vehicles on duty.

Dimmed lights may be used and the responsibility of the lights being correctly dimmed, in accordance with instructions already issued, will be the responsibility of the O.C. vehicles or the vehicle driver.

Any vehicle showing excessive lights will be stopped by the Provost or Traffic Man, the offence pointed out, action to dim lights requested, the vehicles number, driver's licence and time of occurrence will be reported by Town Major direct to units concerned and a copy to 7 M.D. H.Q.'s.

All traffic control personnel and sentries will be given detailed instructions every time they go on duty. They will be questioned to see if they are clear as to what they are to do.

Col.  
Col i/c Administration.

DISTRIBUTION. Commandant; G.S.O. 1; G.S.O. Int; A.A.; & Q.M.G.; D.A.D.T; D.A.Q.M.G. A.D.M.S. (2) D.A.D.O.S. (2) ; D.F.O. (2) D.R.O. (2) D.A.D.T. Camp Commandant (4) O.C. Signals (3); 7 M.D. Survey; D.A.A.G. (E); D.A.D.W. (2) Entertainments; Area Officer; D.A.D. Posts; (2); Press Unit; Salvage Officer; Officers Mess; (2) Sergeant Mess; Orderley Sergeant; Notice board (2) Sgt. KLINTWORTH; C.F.D. ; DARWIN Fixed Defences (10) ; C.E. H.Q.; R.A.E. (7) S.O.M.E.; A.A.O.C. (4) L.S.O. ; 14 A.A. Bty. (2); D.A.P.M. (2) ; Camp Commandant ADELAIDE RIVER (4) ; 9th Army Troop; 111 Convalescent Depot; 19 Bn; (6); 18 Fd. Bty. (2) ; A.A.S.C. (7) ; A.A.O.D. (6) ; Field Bakery ; Field Butchery; 11 Supply pers. Coy.; A.D.S.S & T; 23 Bde Coy; A.A.S.C. (2) ; 24 Res. M.T. Coy.; 119 General Hospital; 101 A.D.M.S.; 14 Fd. Hygiene Sec.; H.Q. 23 Inf Bde (4) ; 23 Dental Unit; 2/12 Fd Ambulance (3); 2/11 Fd. Coy (3) ; 2/14 Fd. Regt (6); 2/4/ Pioneer Bn. (6) 11 Recovery Sec (2) ; (F) Sec 8 Div Sigs.; "K" Sec 8 Div Sigs; 83 L.A.D.; 14 A Tk Bty.; 22 Dental Unit.; 75 L.A.D. ; "B" Troop 18 A Tk Bty.; "C" Troop 18 A Tk Bty; 104 L.A.D. ; 23 Bde Gp Ord. Fd Pk; Mobile Laundry; 19 M.G. Regt; 7 Bn.; 8 Bn ; 11 A Tk. Bty.

Copies to U.S.A. Forces; DARWIN Town Major.

SM 1600.

7th BATTALION

10 Feb 42 APPENDIX No 9

1. Reference H.Q., 7 M.D., SM.2022, 3 Dec. 41, SM.2137, 27 Dec. 41, SM.2160, 1 Jan. 42, SM.2259, 10 Jan. 42, and SM.2339 of 17 Jan. 42; it is advised that the allotment of CODE NAMES contained therein is hereby cancelled.

2. The re-allotment of CODE NAMES is as per attached list.

3. These amended CODE NAMES will become operative as from midnight (0001 hrs.) night 11/12 Feb. 42.

4. Please acknowledge receipt on attached A.57 and return immediately.

*L. L. Edalat*

Lt.-Col.,  
General Staff (Intell.), 7 M.D.

DISTRIBUTION:

	<u>Copies.</u>		<u>Copies.</u>
H.Q. 7 M.D. G Branch	1- 3	7 M.D. Sigs. KATHERINE	61
H.Q. 7 M.D. A "	4- 5	" " BATCHELOR	62
H.Q. 7 M.D. O "	6- 7	N.C.O. I/C SIGS. BARROW CK.	63
7 M.D. Records Office	8	BANKA BANKA	64
" D.F.O.	9	ELLIOTT	65
" Cipher Office	10	LARRIMAH	66
H.Q. 7 M.D. Sigs.	11-20	H.Q. 23 Aust. Inf. Bde.	67-91
Movement Control	21	27 Inf. Bn.	92
H.Q. (Cent. Aust) L.of C.	22	43 Inf. Bn.	93
R.T.O. LARRIMAH	23	19 M.G. Regt.	94
C.F.D.	24	2/4 Pioneer Bn.	95
H.Q. R.A.A. & Fire Command	25	19 Inf. Bn.	96-97
EAST POINT Bty.	26	7 M.D. Intelligence Section	98
EMERY " "	27	H.Q. 7 M.D. A.A.S.C.	99-103
WEST " "	28	7 M.D. Res. M.T. Coy.	104
H.Q., A.A. Defences	29	Bulk Issue Petrol & Oil Dep.	105
14 A.A. Bty.	30	23 Bde. Coy. A.A.S.C.	106
2 A.A. Bty.	31	H.Q. 7 M.D. A.A.M.C. (ADMS)	107
18 Fd. Bty.	32	119 A.G.H. (BERRIMAH)	108
2/14 Fd. Regt.	33-35	" " (BAGOT WING)	109
14 A/Tk. Bty.	36	2/12 Fd. Amb.	110
H.Q. R.A.E. - C.E.	37-38	111 Convalescent Depot	111
Works Office	39	14 Fd. Hygiene Sec.	112
9 Works. & Parks Coy.	40	7 M.D. H.Q. A.A.O.C. S.ONE.	113-114
9 Army Tp.	41	7 M.D. D.A.D.O.S.	115-116
2/11 Fd. Coy.	42	7 M.D. W/shp. & Rec/Sec.	117
Darwin Fortress Co.	43-45	23 Ind. Bde.Gp.Ord.Fd/Wshp.	118
1/54 A.A.S.L. Coy. H.Q.	46	" " " " " Fd./Park	119
" " " WEST ARM IS.	47	7 M.D. Ord. Depot	120
" " " TALC HEAD.	48	Bde.Sec. 8 Div. Amm. Sub/Pk.	121
" " " MIDDLE PT.	49	7 M.D. Provost Coy.	122
" " " EAST ARM	50	ADELAIDE RIVER Camp	123
" " " SWIRES BLUFF	51		
" " " FLAGSTAFF	52	Spares	124-135.
" " " CHANNEL IS.	53		
" " " PICNIC COVE	54		
" " " "B" Sec. H.Q.	55		
7 M.D. Svy. Sec.	56		
7 M.D. Sigs. ADELAIDE RIV.	57		
" " COOMALLIE CK.	58		
" " WEST PT.	59		
" " 22 Mile	60		



# 7th BATTALION

SECRET.

CODE      NAMES.

H.Q. 7 M.D.	BAKO	19 M.G. Regt.	YALA
" 7 M.D. Signals	ZUKA	7 M.D. Intelligence Sec.	MUMU
D.A. Q.M.G.	DELU	H.Q., 7 M.D. A.A.S.C.	BOLA
Movement Control Officer	YUTI	7 M.D. Res. M.T. Coy.	ZERA
C.F.D.	FIKO	Bulk Issue Petrol & Oil Dep.	DOGO
EAST POINT Battery	WOKU	H.Q. 7 M.D. A.A.M.C.	FUZA
EMERY POINT "	GELA	119 Aust. Gen. Hospital	WUZU
WEST POINT "	VUXO	" " " " BAGOT Wing	GUKO
H.Q. R.A.A. & Fire Comd.	HOKI	2/12 Fd. Amb.	VOLI
H.Q. A.A. Defences	TURA	111 Convalescent Depot	HUFA
14 A.A. Bty.	JENU	7 M.D. H.Q. A.A.O.C. (SOME)	TIMO
2 A.A. Bty.	RULO	" D.A.D.O.S.	JAFI
18 Fd. Bty.	KEKA	" W/shops & Rec. Sec.	ROTI
2/14 Fd. Regt.	PUXI	23 Ind. Bde. Gp. Ord.	
27 Fd. Bty.	IAFU	Fd./Wkshop	KUKU
28 Fd. Bty.	NUGO	23 Ind. Bde. Gp. Ord.	
14 A/Tk. Bty.	MAKI	Fd./Park	PUKO
7 M.D. R.A.E. H.Q. C.R.E.	BEJU	7 M.D. Ordnance Dept.	LONU
" Works Office	ZONI	Bde. Sec. 8 Div. Ammn.	
9th Works & Parks	DIKO	Sub-Park	NELO
9th Army Troop	YUNU	7 M.D. Provost Coy.	MUKI
2/11 Fd. Coy.	FALA	ADELAIDE RIVER Camp.	BUXU
23 Fd. Coy.	WUKI	23 Bde. A.A.S.C.	YOJO
DARWIN Fortress Co.	GIJU		
1/54 A.A.S.L. Coy.	VIFO		
" " " WEST ARM.			
	IS. HARA		
" " " TALC HEAD	TEJA		
" " " B Sec. H.Q.	JUKU		
" " " MIDDLE PT.	KAJI		
" " " EAST ARM.	PURU		
" " " SWIRES BLUFF	LEKA		
" " " FLAGSTAFF	NUMI		
" " " CHANNEL IS.	MEJU		
" " " PICNIC			
	COVE		
7 M.D. Svy. Sec.	BILL		
7 M.D. Sigs. ADELAIDE R.	ZIJU		
" Sigs. COOMALLIE CK.	DUXO		
" " WEST POINT	YIJI		
" " 23 MILE	FOLU		
" " KATHERINE	WIKO		
" " MOBILE NO.1.	GAKI		
" " " NO.2.	VAKA		
" " WORKSHOP	HIJO		
" " BATCHELOR	TAKU		
23 Aust. Inf. Bde. H.Q.	DUJU		
(Adv.)			
" " " (Rear)	JONI		
27 Inf. Bn.	RIDU		
43 Inf. Bn.	KIMO		
19th Inf. Bn.	POLU		
2/4 Pioneer Bn.	LIJI		
	NAKA		

7BN

8BN

147 Fd. Arty US Army

M' A TK Bty

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## 7th BATTALION

CODE NAMES : ALPHABETICAL.

BAGO - H.Q. 7 M.D.  
 BEJI - 7 M.D. R.A.E. H.Q. C.E.  
 BICI - 1/54 A.A.S.L. PICNIC COVE.  
 BIDA - H.Q. 7 M.D. A.A.S.C.  
 BODO - ADELAIDE RIVER CAMP  
 BODI - D.A. Q.M.G.  
 BIKO - 9 Wks. & Pks.  
 BIGO - Bulk Issue Pet. & Oil Depot  
 BISI - 7 M.D. SIGS. BATCHELOR  
 BIKO - " " ADELAIDE RIV.  
 BIDA - 8/11 Fd. Coy.  
 BODO - " " " "  
 BODI - 7 M.D. Sigs. WEST POINT  
 BIDA - H.Q., 7 M.D. A.A.M.G.  
 BIKO - 7 M.D. Sigs. KATHERINE  
 BODI - EMBURY PT. Bty.  
 BICI - DARWIN Fort. Co.  
 BIKO - 119 A.G.H. - BAGOE WING  
 BARA - 1/54 A.A.S.L. Coy. WEST ARM  
 BISI - 7 M.D. Sigs. 2 MOBILE.  
 BODI - H.Q. R.A.A. & Fire Commd.  
 BODI - 111 Convalescent Depot.  
 BENU - 14 A.A. Bty.  
 BANI - 7 M.D. D.A.D.O.S.  
 BONI - 23 Aust. Inf. Bde. (adv.)  
 BIKU - 1/54 A.A.S.L. Coy. B Sec. H.Q.  
 BANI - 1/54 A.A.S.L. MIDDLE PT.  
 BANI - 18 Fd. Bty.  
 BANI - 27 Inf. Bn.  
 BIKU - 23 Ind. Bde. Gp.Ord.Fd/Wshp.  
 BANI - 27 Fd. Bty.  
 BANI - 1/54 A.A.S.L. Coy., SWIRES  
 BLUFF.  
 BANI - 19 Inf. Bn.  
 BONU - 7 M.D. Ordnance Depot.  
 MAKI - 14 A/Tk. Bty.  
 BODU - 1/54 A.A.S/L. CHANNEL IS.  
 BODU - 7 M.D. Intelligence Sect.  
 BODU - " Provost Coy.  
 BODU - 2/4 Pioneer Bn.  
 NELO - Bde. Sec. 8 Div Ammn. S/Pk.  
 BODU - 1/54 A.A.S.L.Coy. FLAGSTAFF  
 BODU - 28 Fd. Bty.  
 BODU - 43 Inf. Bn.  
 BODU - 23 Ind. Bde. Gp.Ord. Fd/Pk.  
 BODU - 1/54 A.A.S.L.Coy. EAST ARM.  
 BODU - 2/14 Fd. Regt.  
 BODU - 23 Aust. Inf. Bde. (Rear)  
 BODU - 7 M.D. W'shops & Rec. Sec.  
 BODU - 2 A.A. Bty.

TAKU - 7 M.D. Sigs. + Workshop -  
 TEJA - 1/54 A.A.S.L. Coy, TALC HEAD.  
 TIMO - 7 M.D. H.Q. A.A.O.C. S.O.M.B.  
 TURA - H.Q. A.A. DEFENCES.  
 VAKA - 7 M.D. Sigs. 1 Mobile.  
 VIFO - 1/54 A.A.S.L. Coy.  
 VOLI - 2/12 Fd. Amb.  
 VUXO - WEST PT. Bty.  
 WIKO - 7 M.D. Sigs. 22 Mile.  
 WOKU - EAST PT. Bty.  
 WUKI - 23 Fd. Coy.  
 WUZU - 119 A.G.H. - BERRIMAH  
 YALA - 19 M.G. Regt.  
 YIJI - 7 M.D. Sigs. - COOMALLIE  
 YOJO - 23 Inf. Bde. - A.A.S.C.  
 YUNU - 9 Army Tp.  
 YUTI - Movement Control.  
 ZERA - 7 M.D. Res. M.T.  
 ZIJU - 7 M.D. Svy. Sec.  
 ZONI - 7 M.D. Works Office  
 ZUKA - H.Q., 7 M.D. Sigs.

## 7th BATTALION

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.IO/GP  
S/17H.Q. 23 AUST. Inf BDE.  
DARWIN 28 Feb 42SECRET.DAILY INTELLIGENCE REPORTS.

All Units will be required to furnish daily intelligence Telegrams direct to ISGS 7 M.D. to be in their hands by 1200 hrs on the day following the 24 hrs period covered by the report.

2. Telegrams will be made on message forms (AF C2128) and will be repeated to this H.Q for information.

3. The following is a guide as to the type of information required set out under appropriate headings:-

- |                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| (a) <u>TOPOGRAPHICAL.</u> | Reports on the condition of roads, tracks, bridges, water, etc.           |
| (b) <u>ENEMY ACTION.</u>  | Information as to enemy planes or ships sighted giving time and location. |
| (c) <u>GENERAL.</u>       | Any information of operational value.                                     |

4 Attached hereto is example of a message showing use of letters (a) , (b) , (c) , as code to headings required.

5 If applicable, units will furnish NIL returns.

6 These reports will cover the period 0001 hrs to 2400 hrs daily and will commence forthwith.

7 Unit weekly Intelligence Reports will now be discontinued as from week ending 4 MAR 42.

8 Ack.

T.F. DAVIES.

Major.

B.M. 23 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION. 19 M.G. Regt; 2/14 Fd Regt; 14 A Tk Bty; 'M' A Tk Bty; 2/11 Fd Coy; 23 Fd Coy; Fd Regt Sigs; Bde Sigs Sec; 7 Bn ; 8 Bn ; 27 Bn ; 43 Bn ; 23 Bde Coy AASC 2/12 Fd Amb; 23 Ind Bde Gp Ord Wkshop ; 23 Ind Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk; 147 Fd Arty; U S Army ISGS 7 M.D. ( for information)

EXAMPLE INTELLIGENCE TELEGRAM.

**MESSAGE FORM**

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

OUT

**7th BATTALION**

No. of Groups

**GR.**

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

**TO**

MUMU rptd JONI

**FROM**

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

I

Intelligence	Telegram	(.)	(a)	Creek	crossing
map	ref	DARWIN	one	inch	mile
823426	now	impassable	(b)	plane	indentified
JAPANESE	seen	flying	SOUTH	very	high
1400 hrs	(c)	Two	civilians	intercepted	near
this	H.Q.	1545 hrs	handed	to	provost
for	custody				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT **IN CYPHER.**

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

0830 hrs

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

W.D.

APPENDIX 10A

# 7th BATTALION

## AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 2

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
2 MAR 42

by

LtCol. R.H. SADIER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTY Duty Coy to man at retreats: D Coy  
Next for Duty: B Coy
2. OUT OF BOUNDS The whole area in vicinity of Bn H.Q.s is OUT OF BOUNDS to ALL BATTALION except when on duty.
3. FIRES NO fires are to be lit in the Camp area with the exception of authorised Cook Houses.
4. TRUNCHE ~~TRUNCHE~~
4. AIR RAIDS In the event of an air raid warning at night, no torches or matches are to be lit and troops will move to the slit trenches immediately.
5. TRAFFIC Only one-way traffic is permitted on perimeter Road. Traffic IN can only come through IN gate, and traffic OUT through OUT gate.  
  
NO vehicle will halt, or be parked, within at least 50 yards of any other vehicle.

*W. Ellis Capt*  
Adjutant.  
Adj 7 Bn.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX - No 11.

Serial No. **11**  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

MUMU r/Ad. JONI

FROM

7 BN

Originator's Number

I.4

Date

3

In Reply to Number.

INTELLIGENCE

TELEGRAM

(a)

(a)

NIL

(b)

NIL

(c)

NIL

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

1200

SIGNED

W.B. Lellepar

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

MEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

COPY

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX. No. 12.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

FEBE

FROM

FEBE

Originator's Number

J157

Date

3

In Reply to Number.

coy	comdus	will	submit	return	certifying
that	all	officers	and	N.C.O.'s	are
in	possession	of	S.O's	for	batlle.
and	have	read	same	⊙	coy.
comdus	will	check	by	personal	inspection
of	ALL	offrs	S.O's	⊙	ack

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

1440.

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX. No 13.

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

Romo. I.O.

FROM

7 BN

Originator's Number

L.1

Date

3

In Reply to Number.

The	civilian	claims	to	be	ALFRED
THOMAS	FARROW	working	on	beam	wireless.
contract	at	BATCHELOR	and	now	on
way	to	DARWIN.	is	checked	utility
N.T. 1772	is	at	present	held	at
7 BN	is	for	interrogation	and	direction
please	is	employer	NORMAN	MORGAN	contractor

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS.

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

1614

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.



AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

In the field

**7th BATTALION**

25 Feb. 1942.

7 M.D., ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 1.INFORMATION:-

In view of present general situation and operational moves, the following instructions are issued and will be given immediate attention by all Units and Services concerned.

Generally, action is being taken to establish the 7 M.D., Command, Administrative Units and Services on the following operational basis:-

- (a) MAIN BASE - KATHERINE RIVER.
- (b) ADVANCED BASE - ADELAIDE RIVER
- (c) Forward DEPOTS & ESCHELONS in front of ADELAIDE RIVER.

FINANCE & RECORDS:-

The District Finance Section and Records Section will move their main records to KATHERINE as soon as space can be allotted on the railway.

Each of these services will arrange:-

- (a) To leave an Office open for receipt of messages and the carrying on of essential work at the present location until their new Office opens in new location.
- (b) Arrange, if not already done, for an advance party to move to new location as indicated by D.A.Q.M.G., with Works Services.
- (c) To, forthwith, submit their plan of administrative layout to meet the changed situation.
- (d) To keep Units advised on any technical instructions necessary.

POSTAL UNITS AND POSTAL ARRANGEMENTS

The Main Base Post Office will be established at KATHERINE RIVER.

The D.A.D. posts 7 M.D., will organise and place his various Field Post Offices and other postal units.

Postal arrangements for the delivery and despatch of mail must function during any change of location.

H.Q.'s of the Unit will not close in one place without re-opening at another at the same time.

In view of no P.M.G.'s facilities being available for the despatch of letters and parcels, the following arrangements will operate until further advised:-

- (a) All surface borne mail will be endorsed "ON ACTIVE SERVICE" and will be carried free.
- (b) All Air Mail will be endorsed "ON ACTIVE SERVICE - COLLECT 4d" (Parcels in accordance with weight).

No private telegrams can be received at present. When this facility is available, O.C. Signals will arrange to advise H.Q. and all Units will be notified.

AMENITIES SERVICES

All Amenities Services will continue to function in their normal roll. All forward Units being given priority when situations arise for choice of areas. Any moves of H.Q.s Units approved of, or enemy action, are not to be allowed, as far as practicable to interfere with the work of such services. Too much stress cannot be laid on the question of Camp and Unit Area sanitation of all Cook Houses and cooking utensils. The A.D.M.S. will arrange for vigorous practical action in this direction in relation to the whole District Area.

Every Commanding Officer and Officers in charge of small units of the various services is responsible for the maintenance of a high standard of health. The responsibility of subordinate is to be constantly checked.

TOWN MAJOR - DARWIN.

As notified to most Units concerned, Major A. Anderson has been appointed Town Major, Darwin and he is responsible to the G.O.C. Command for the Control of the Town area. The Town Major is working in close liaison with the Administrator or his representative.

Any property it is desired to impress or hire from Darwin will be done through the Town Major who has the assistance of 7 M.D., Hirings Officer and Impressment Officers.

Units moving convoys and parties through Darwin at night are to contact the Town Major in order to arrange facilities for their efficient passage through the town and the use of dimmed head lights.

LOOTING

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### LOOTING

Some cases of looting have been reported. Action is to be taken by all Units to bring under notice of all ranks the seriousness of this crime and, at the same time, when such a charge is laid to deal with it speedily and severely.

### TRAFFIC SPEED

All Officers concerned and all drivers of Army and civilian vehicles are to be again warned that speeds of vehicles must NOT exceed that which is laid down, viz:-

STAFF CARS	30 m.p.h.
LORRIES	20 m.p.h.

and that those speeds, not only provide for safety, but are specially provided for to protect and maintain the road - a vital line of communication.

Further all such Officers and drivers are to have impressed upon them the great importance of saving every small ounce of petrol possible. If every one using a vehicle could save  $\frac{1}{2}$  gallon a day the grand aggregate would be very large indeed.

No petrol will be used issued without the production of A.A.F. G.2. and, all drivers must be in possession of this form at all times when on the road.

### M.T. RECORDS.

It is most necessary that all Units keep accurate M.T. records. Instructions already issued must be carried out to the full under all conditions of service.

It is stressed that M.T. and Petrol Returns be furnished promptly by Units on the dates specified to enable collation of information for A.H.Q.

### RATIONS

In view of the present ration position all Units will exercise strict economy in the use of foodstuffs. It is considered that a close watch on Unit cook Houses by a responsible Officer should tend to prevent waste and effect a saving of valuable food.

Col.  
Col. i/c Administration & M.D.

INFORMATION from 7 MD INT SUMMARY no 64

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BURMA

On the night 21/22 Feb our troops withdrew to MOKPALIN situated on the ry on the east bank of SITTANG R, forward tps being in vicinity of KYAINTO. Early on the morning 22 Feb enemy launched a heavy attack from NORTH and EAST. On the morning of 23 Feb the bridge ~~ere~~ crossing SITTANG R was demolished by our tps. It is feared that some of our troops may be cut off in this area, but it is thought that they may be able to get through and cross SITTANG R by ferries further NORTH.

A diary taken from a dead JAP indicates that two JAP divisions are operating in this area. There is nothing to report from NORTH BURMA or RANGON.

N.E.I.

Enemy air activity was on a large scale on 24 Feb. The following places in EAST JAVA ~~were~~ were attacked:- ANDIR and KALI DJATI. 3 enemy aircraft were shot down, our losses being 3 destroyed on ground, and 3 damaged. Reports of other damage to aircraft are not believed to be serious.

Recce reports of 20 Feb give details of large concentrations of warships comprising 80 to 100 enemy ships at JOLO in SULU IS.

7 tpts were sighted in at MACASSAR on 22 Feb.

8 warships, 6 tpts and 4 subs were sighted 150 miles NORTH of SUMBAWA IS on 24 Feb.

A U S submarine reported two direct hits on two enemy ships of above convoy on 23 Feb.

2 enemy ships sunk by our aircraft at mouth of MACASSAR R on 24 Feb.

DARWIN

An Alert was sounded from 1200 hrs to 1300 hrs 26 FEB. No further details.

NEW GUINEA

Our aircraft attacked LAKANUI aerodrome 25 Feb. 5 Fires were started and some casualties caused. 2 enemy planes destroyed on ground.

PAPUA

Enemy made a recce flight over PORT MORESBY on 25 Feb. NO bombs dropped.

VICTORIA

A submarine is reported as being sighted off SHELL BACK IS, WEST of WILSON'S PROMONTORY at 1100 hrs 26 Feb. Aerial recce of the area is being carried out.

DISTRIBUTION

19 M G Regt  
2/14 Fd Regt  
14 A/Tk Bty  
"M" A Tk Bty  
2/11 Fd Coy  
23 Fd Coy  
7 Bn.  
8 Bn.  
27 Bn.  
43 Bn.  
23 Bde Coy AASC  
2/12 Fd Amb  
23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Wkshop  
23 Ind Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk.  
Comd Right Sector,  
Comd Centre Sector  
Comd Left Sector  
147<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> Fd Arty U S Army.

*War Diary  
Lentel.*

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## A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 3.

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
3 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M.SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

### I. DUTIES

- Duty Coy - B Coy
- Next for Duty - E Coy
- Orderly Officer - Lieut J.W.TURVEY
- Orderly Sgt - Sgt CLOHESY L.J.B.
- Orderly Cpl - Cpl McGOWAN H.
- Bicycle Orderly - Pte WILSON W.A.

### 2. SALVAGE

All old sump oil and kerosene or oil of any description will be salvaged and sent to Pioneer Sgt. This is most essential as there is a shortage of oil for the prevention of Malaria.

### 3. CAMP SANITATION

All Coys will arrange for the washing of dishes after meals as follows:-  
 Parties will be paraded under an officer or N.C.O. past three receptacles in the following order:  
 1. Hot water in which all dishes will be washed.  
 2. Very hot water in which all dishes will be rinsed.  
 3. Boiling water in which all dishes will be sterilised.  
 This will assist in the prevention of diahorrea.  
 It is most important that food scraps be put into receptacles provided for that purpose, before dishes are washed..

#### Water Pipe Line

It has been noticed that many tps are bathing under the air vents on the main Water Pipe Line.  
 Tps will NOT shower under these vents as pools of water left on the ground will cause mosquitoes to breed.  
 Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

*W B Winton*

Lieut.  
for Adjnt 7 Bn.

### NOTICES

#### LOST

I Wristlet Watch. I Ring. I Money Belt.  
Finder please return to 7 Bn H.Q.

#### DISTRIBUTION

- |   |               |   |          |
|---|---------------|---|----------|
| I | C O and Adjnt | 1 | HQ Coy   |
| 1 | 2 i/c         | 1 | A "      |
| 1 | File          | 1 | B "      |
| 1 | Q M           | 1 | C "      |
| 1 | Sig O         | 1 | D "      |
| 1 | T O           | 1 | E "      |
| 2 | War Diary     | 1 | Ord Offr |
|   |               | 1 | R.M.O.   |

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SECRET

NOT to be taken in Forward Areas.

STANDING ORDER FOR WAR.

7th Battalion

# 7th BATTALION

## PREFACE

Since enemy action in war can never be forecast with certainty, no standing orders can ever meet all contingencies

It is the duty of every leader to avoid being surprised whenever enemy action can be foreseen or to minimise surprise by speedy and appropriate action.

The orders will not have the same rigidity and Standing Orders Peace but will be treated as set out in P.S.R. VOL 11 1935 Ch. Sec 14 5.

## DISTRIBUTION

These Orders will be issued on the scale of one copy for each Officer and N.C.O. in 7 Bn.

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## SECURITY

1. All ranks will exercise constant care to prevent leakage of information through indiscreet conversation, in public places or before strangers, whether in uniform or not, on topics connected with their unit or operations. Disclosure even among relatives or friends while home on leave of impending moves of themselves or their unit is forbidden.
2. Orders, official documents and marked maps will not be carried into action except such as are indispensable to the operation in hand. Any such papers or maps taken into action will be destroyed and any tale map coverings will be rubbed clean when there is a risk of capture. The same applies to any private papers which might give indication of the location of units or the conditions at home.
3. Documents, maps and secret and confidential papers will not be left lying about in offices, tents, or billets. Those in charge of offices will ensure that all drafts of orders, stencils, waste paper etc. are destroyed by burning.
4. Cameras will not be taken into the field.
5. Bn I.O. will be Security Officer and will ensure that all "Secret" and "security" documents are kept in a suitable place. He will be responsible for the security-mindedness of all members of the unit.
6. Platoon and specialist commanders will read out to every man under their command Secs 16-26 of F.S.P.B. Pamphlet No. 3. The keeping of private diaries in the field is forbidden.

## COMMAND CONTROL

7. A normal Battalion Group is given as Appx I.
8. The following terms will be used in the Battalion and Companies:-
 

R Group	(R Gp.)	The Commander's Group.
O Group	(O Gp.)	Subordinate Commanders and Staff.
F Group	(F Gp.)	The main (or fighting) Body of the Unit.
T Group	(T Gp.)	The transport not required with F Gp.

## NORMAL COMPOSITION OF GROUPS

9.

<u>Gp.</u>	<u>How Carried</u>	<u>Bn</u>	<u>Coy</u>	<u>Pl</u>
Recce. R.	D.S.Car or Carriers.  Own Tpt.	Bn Comd. Adjt or I.O. Comd MMG Coy. Sig O. IO8 W/T set 2 D.R. R Gp. supporting arms. e.g. Arty, M.G.Regt etc.	Coy Comd C.S.M. Orderly.	Pl Comd. Orderly.
Order. O.	Van 15 cwt. M/Cs	2 i/c Bn. Coy R Gp. Comd Carrier Pl " Mortar " " MMG Coy Pls.	Pl R Gps.	Sec Comd.

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<u>Gp.</u>	<u>How Carried</u>	<u>Bn</u>	<u>Coy</u>	<u>Pl</u>
Fighting F.		Bn H.Q. MMG Coy Four Rifle Coys Pls of HQ Coy A ech tpt.	Coy H.Q. Three pls Pl trucks.	Pl H.Q. Three secs Pl trucks.
Tpt. T.		B ech. (if under Bn control)		

These groups must always be available and ready to move at short notice.

10. The composition of these groups is governed by varying circumstances, and the C.O. will quite possibly require any or all the following of his R Gp :-  
                                 CARRIER PL COMD.    MORTAR OFFICER.  
 Such changes will be ordered by the C.O. when calling for the Gp.
11. Concise verbal orders are insisted upon and when they are being given out, any officer not required, orderlies and drivers will remain out of hearing and under cover.
12. Time is a vital factor.
13. Normal method of issue of orders is:-

IN CASE OF ATTACK.

C.O. meets at R.V.  
 Coy Comds.  
 C.S.Ms.  
 Coy Orderlies.

and says :-

- (a) "Orders for attack.
- (b) "Forward Coy's 'A' Right 'B' Left of this task".
- (c) "Call up your Coy's" - (may choose assembly areas himself)
- (d) (Orientation of R.V.)
- (e) (C.O. here gives out orders in normal sequence: Information, Intention, Method, Adm, Intercomm.)

- Coy Comd then makes his recce while C.S.M. :-
- (a) Gives information to platoon comds and Coy 2 i/c
  - (b) Tapes or sends Pl Comds to Coy Comd.
- At the same time Coy 2 i.o disposes Coy and gives information to the Platoon Sergeants (and moves further up if necessary)

Coy Comd meets platoon Comds and Pl runners and says:-

- (a) "Orders for Attack"
- (b) "Forward Platoons 10 Right 9 Left".
- (c) "Assemble there".
- (d) "Call up your platoons".

Runners bring up platoons.

Coy Comd then gives out orders in normal sequence :-  
 Information, Intention, Method, Adm, Intercomm.  
 Platoon Comds make recce and give out orders to section Comds, who will then (if necessary) make their local recce.  
 By this time necessary information should have reached every man in the section.

Finally section leaders will give out their orders - possibly on the move.

Similar procedure in specialist platoons (Carriers, HQ's Mortars and Signals) will be taking place simultaneously with the above. Orders must be concise - no unnecessary words, questions or arguments.

Question time at the end of orders.

Thoroughly understand what you are to do before you leave your R.V.

DEFENCE

14. Rapid occupation of a defensive position.

C.O. allots localities to Coys from the map.  
e.g. A. B. C. forward D reserve.

Bn. R Gp. and A Coy Comd proceed to recce A Coy area.

Adjt directs all other coys, to their areas and move Coys into them, giving Pl Comds tentative dispositions (i.e. Warning Order)

Pl Comds recce areas, fix assembly positions for platoons (but do not move pls into them) and give warning order to section leaders..

Similarly Section Leaders recce positions.

The C.O. after finishing "A" Coy inturn visits remaining Coys and gives his orders. All warning orders are then carried into effect being modified if necessary.

Meantime M.G.O. - Mortars - Carriers - Sigs . carrying out their roles as laid down by C.O.

In an emergency (i.e. enemy attack) all Coys occupy position in accordance with warning order without further orders from C.O.

15. R.S.M. is responsible for layout, control and organisation of Bn H.Q. His first task is to arrange traffic control, dispersion circuits, parking of vehicles. He will organise Bn H.Q. so that its components can carry on efficiently and so that they, together with D.Rs. and orderlies on duty can be readily found in an emergency. He will arrange for sentries, and have those present told off ready to fight in specially allotted alarm posts should Bn HQ. be suddenly called upon to defend itself. Post Air and Gas sentries. In this he will collaborate with O.C. No.2 Pl should that unit be in the vicinity of Bn H.Q.
16. R.S.M. will be responsible for ammunition supply, and will take steps to collect and augment from any available source. He will have an orderly posted day and night at Bn H.Q. sign, who must know where to find all officers of Bn H.Q. and the route to such Coy H.Q.
17. No 2 Pl will in addition to A.A. and ground defence, provide a Gas sentry and will liaise with R.S.M. for the local defence of Bn H.Q.
18. Bn H.Q. will be marked by a Bn H.Q. sign - a second and smaller sign being set up where road or track leaves a main road. Spare signs will be available for establishment of a new Bn H.Q.
19. When placing signs care should be taken that they are not visible from the air.
20. Orderlies, Runners and D.Rs. must keep under cover when in the vicinity of Bn H.Q.
21. Strict track discipline must be observed in the Bn H.Q. area.
22. Immediately after a move all Coys (including attached units) will report the exact position of their H.Q. to the H.Q. of the unit under which they are operating.

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23. Bn and Coy H.Qs. will give every assistance to personnel of Bn Intelligence Section by frequently giving them information to enable them to maintain the situation map at Bn H.Q. right up to the minute.
24. Officers, N.C.Os and O.Rs. resting at H.Q. and Coy H.Q. are not to be disturbed except in cases of emergency.

### COMMUNICATIONS.

25. All Officers must learn to use R/T personally and not through operators. They will familiarise themselves with R/T Signal procedure - I94 ( - issued for inclusion in F.S.P.B.
26. All operational messages "in" or "out" are to be routed through Intelligence Section. Sufficient carbon copies are to be made by the originator to allow of one copy being retained by Intelligence.  
All telephone messages of an operational nature must be recorded on message pad in duplicate, one copy being handed at once to Int Sec.
27. All ranks must assist orderlies and D.Rs to locate the H.Q. or the individual officers to whom their message is to be delivered.
28. When it is possible to do so without the loss of vital time, an orderly or D.R. should pass on any information he may have collected to intermediate H.Qs on his way anywhere in the Bn area.
29. Before returning to his own H.Q. after delivery of a message, an orderly or D.R. will always ask if there is any message to take back. He should not be detained for an unreasonable period for this purpose.
30. Should the H.Q. be on the move at the time of his call, he should follow behind the signal vehicle and learn the position of the new H.Q. if time permits before returning.
31. An orderly wishing to deliver a message to an officer who may be engaged in conversation, will not wait until he is asked what he wants, but will make his presence known by saying loudly -  
"MESSAGE FOR ----- "
32. D.Rs, Orderlies and Runners time is valuable - DON'T KEEP THEM HANGING ABOUT UNNECESSARILY.

### CIVIL TELEGRAPH AND PHONE LINES

33. Civil lines, offices and exchanges will not be used without the authority of the C.S.O., except when vital communications would be delayed by reference to C.S.O. Such urgent use of the civil systems will be reported to the C.S.O. without delay.
34. Bn Signal Officer will synchronise time with Coys at 2000 hrs daily.

### S.O.S. SIGNAL

35. Unless other orders are issued, the S O.S. Signal may be put up on the authority of a Coy Comd. It will only be put up when infantry or tanks are advancing to attack. The S.O.S. Signal will be answered by all weapons on fixed lines, the fire of which falls in the area from which signal has gone up.
36. Rates of fire to be applied in various circumstances will be issued in orders. It is essential that these should not become stereotyped. In the absence of specific orders the following rates will be used :-

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L.M.G. - 1 min rapid, 1 minute normal and repeat according to circumstances.

M.M.G. - 2 mins rapid, 3 mins normal (repeating according to circumstances).

MORTARS - 5 Rds H.E. per min for three mins (if ammunition allows)

### MOVEMENT BY ROAD DISMOUNTED

37. Dismounted tps will march in one of the following ways :-

In threes : (In file on one and single file on the other side of the road); in single file on each side; all in single file on one side. They will move with gaps (50 yds unless otherwise ordered) between platoons. Unit or sub-unit Comds should vary unit formations to suit traffic conditions, e.g. in towns or where meeting other dismounted tps on the march. When roads are very narrow, sections in single file should be echeloned.

### UNIT TRANSPORT

38. Unit transport will be moved by bounds from one area to another and will be well dispersed at all times, making use of any available cover.

39. When action is expected, sub-unit vehicles move with their sub-units, but in any case by day there should be a clear gap of 100 yds in every direction between vehicles.

40. When starting from bivouacs etc. dismounted tps and M.T. will move off direct from dispersed platoon etc. areas without first forming up by companies. When drivers are conversant with the normal order of march a move should present no difficulty but the standard to be reached is one whereby all vehicles can move direct from billets or bivouacs into their correct places in the column and adjust themselves to the speed and density without forming up.

41. All tps, including vehicles and gps of vehicles when halting even for a very short time, will, if possible, clear the road and maintain dispersion.

42. Drivers must be on the alert to observe traffic control posts and signs. Signs on the RIGHT HAND side of the road will be ignored. When there is no sign at a cross road, on a marked route, vehicles will be straight ahead. Signs will be placed 200 yds before a turn and not on it. When in forward areas drivers must continually note possible turning points on the road and the nearest cover from air.

43. Drivers must not become road-minded as there will be many occasions when they will have to leave roads and move across country.

44. Every vehicle will carry a "pass" sign on the reverse side of the serial number plate. This will be displayed at rear of a vehicle when halted for the following reasons :-

(a) Breakdown

(b) No intention to proceed further with the column.

(See S.Comd. Tng Instr 259/1941 Appx "H" Page 56)

45. When a driver sees a notice displayed at a Traffic Control post he must read the notice before proceeding further.

46. Drivers must co-operate with Provost and Traffic Control personnel as only by strict adherence to their instructions can roads be kept open, large numbers of vehicles handled and the safety of tps be best assured.

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47. Leading and tail vehicles of units will carry HEAD and TAIL boards respectively, signifying the beginning and end of a particular unit's vehicles.
48. Every driver must know where he is going. He will carry a route card or map showing his route when this is laid down. It is the driver's responsibility to make sure he knows his orders before starting a move.
49. Every driver must make himself acquainted with the distance between vehicles to be observed under various densities. THESE DISTANCES MUST BE ADHERED TO. Unless otherwise ordered, density will be 10 V.T.M.
50. A vehicle will not approach within 100 yds of another except
  - (a) When coming up to pass.
  - (b) When giving assistance.
  - (c) When under cover.
  - (d) When there is ordered a change in diversity warranting a lesser distance.
51. When a vehicle halts it should do so under cover from air and if possible off the road observing dispersion at all times.
52. Tps resting out of their vehicles will keep under cover from the air. Lost road space will not be made up during the time allotted for halts. Any tps not re-embussed within two minutes of the re-embussing order being given will be left behind.
53. When in concealed areas officer i/c of vehicles must remember that dispersion of vehicles lessens the risk from shell fire and air bombing and will order such dispersion as far as the necessity for control and protection against possible ground action will allow.
54. Where vehicles are at rest in concealed areas small arms fire will never be directed against aircraft unless actually attacking. In all cases fire should not be opened on aircraft flying about 500 ft. At this height the markings and details or shape of the machine can be clearly seen and there is a reasonable chance, if the fire is held and controlled till this height is reached, of bringing down the aircraft above this height. Firing only wastes valuable ammunition and discloses position to the enemy.

### DRIVING BY NIGHT

55. If driving with lights, the density by night will be the same as by day. The enemy will see the movement but the danger will be no more than by day. If it is desired to conceal the move, then very few lights must be used. If it is a bright moonlight night the normal day spacing can be used without lights. If it is a dark night, the only solution is to use groups of four or five vehicles. The leading vehicle uses side lights and other vehicles follow quite close up, using the underneath lighting of the vehicle in front as a guide. Several hundred yds are left between gps so as to conform to whatever V.T.M. has been ordered. The Comd in the leading vehicle of each gp is responsible for keeping the spacing and **for** the control.
56. Whenever there is a check, or if a road block occurs, the nearest officers or N.C.Os will invariably take charge with a view to enabling the march to continue with the minimum delay.
57. In desert conditions or during cross country movement lateral dispersion in depth is essential. Vehicles should be 100-200 yds from any other vehicle and will maintain this spacing when halted. Movement by night in desert conditions is found to be very slow unless moonlight is available. Formation for night moves is usually "double line ahead", i.e. two columns of single vehicles side by side and at close spacing.

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### MOVING CARRIERS

58. Where carriers have to be moved long distances every opportunity will be taken to carry them in lorries, to save track wear. They can be loaded from banks or by digging pits into which to back the lorries.
59. When vehicles are moving only essential personnel remain exposed to spray attack. Where a L.M.G. is being carried in the vehicle an improvised A.A. mounting will be arranged and a plan made for defensive fire against low flying aircraft.
60. A gas detector will be mounted in sight of the driver on every vehicle.
61. A driver will remain with his vehicle if it is moved off the road for repairs, until relieved by the T.O.
62. Tps moved in M.T. will carry sufficient arms and S.A.A. to fight at once without waiting for first line tpt.
63. When embussing or debussing on a road vehicles will be drawn up on the side offering best cover from air and will retain dispersion.
64. As soon as allotted, all vehicles should be numbered (see S.Comd. Tng Instr 259/1941 Appx H page 56) and all tps should know their own vehicle so that on the order to embus each vehicle load will move direct to its vehicle.
65. Officers i.c Sub-Units will sit in the passenger's front seat alongside the driver. (In this case the spare driver travels in the rear of the same vehicle.)
66. In the case of breakdown the driver will draw his vehicle into the left hand side of the road, display his pass sign and, if he cannot do his repairs in five minutes, transfer his load to one of the spare vehicles (if any). Traffic control personnel inform L.A.D. of the breakdown and at the same time advise the column comd.
67. The utmost care must be taken to ensure that the provisions of S.C. Tng Instr 259/1941 and Standing Orders for Operation and Maintenance of Mechanical Vehicles 1940 are rigidly adhered to. The care, handling and maintenance of wheeled and tracked vehicles must be executed as laid down, irrespective of all other considerations. "DAILY MAINTENANCE" must be the battle cry of those in whose care vehicles have been placed.

Vehicle Inspection : A suggested routine for periodical inspection is contained in Appendix I.

Allotment of Vehicles : See W/E II/1940/12/2

### ACTION IN CASE OF GROUND ATTACK

68. If halted, drivers will remain with their vehicles but not in them, placing themselves where they can readily observe any signals. Tps will not debus without orders. Every endeavour will be made to extricate that part of the column not involved, but should this not be possible, Comds will order tps to debus and take up fire posns to fight. A.F.Vs will be engaged by all available A/Tk weapons. If ambushed fire may have to be opened at once from the vehicles to cover tps debussing.

### ACTION IN CASE OF AIR ATTACK

69. Columns will continue to move. All A.A.L.M.Gs on motley or improvised mountings will engage low-flying enemy aircraft.

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ORDER OF MARCH.

70. The following is a suggested order of march for a marching Bn :-

Two sec carriers.  
 Rifle Coy  
 Two Mortars (on carriers)  
 A.A. Truck  
 Bn H.Q.  
 H.Q. Coy (less A.A.Pl and Mortar Pl.  
 H.G. Coy  
 A.A. Truck  
 Rifle Coy  
 Two Mortars (on carriers)  
 Rifle Coy  
 A.A. Truck  
 Rifle Coy  
 Two mortars on carriers  
 One Sec carriers  
 T Gp  
 A.A. Truck

ORDER OF MARCH - "CONTACT" OR "CONTACT IMMINENT".

71. Serial 1	H.c. Sec 4 Pl ) One Sec 4 Pl )	} Adv element.
	Gap 2 miles )	
Serial 2	One Sq H.G.Regt ) Gap 1 mile )	
Serial 3	No. 4 Pl less H/C Sec and 2 Carrier Secs.) Comd. ) R Gp ) O Gp ) A.A.Truck ) A Coy ) 2 Dets Mortars ) Bn H.Qs. and details ) Sec Fd Coy ) No. 18 Pl H.M.Gs. ) Det Div Sigs ) Sec A/Tk Bty )	} Fwd Tps } } Comd } C.O. 7 Bn } or in } absence of } R and O Gps } Comd A Coy.
	Gap 1 mile	
Serial 4	Bty Fd Arty Sec A/Tk Bty Gap 2-3 miles	
Serial 5	E Coy less 18 Pl ) A.A. Truck ) B Coy ) 2 Dets Mortars ) C Coy ) D Coy ) 2 Dets Mortars ) Coy Fd Amb ) L.A.D. ) A.A. Truck )	} Main Body
	Gap 1 mile	
	One Sec No. 4 Pl.	



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- a) Speed and Density at all times will be -  
 Day : 10 V.T.M. and 20 m.i.h.  
 Night: 40 V.T.M. and 10 m.i.h.
- (b) Lights. Night driving with lights out.
- (c) Action during aerial attack :  
 S.A.A. Column will proceed as normal.  
 ECMB " " " " "
- (d) T.C.Posts: Comd fwd tps will be responsible for setting down M/C T.C.Ps at Rd Juncs, deviations, bns and defiles, where this has not been arranged beforehand.
- (e) Traffic Marshalling: T.O. is responsible for marshalling of motorized column prior to a move after a halt. A start line will always be selected past which various gps will move at given times.
- (f) A Echelon: Vehicles of A echelon attached to sub-units will not be taken further forward into battle than is consistent with their safety and utmost care will be taken in selecting harbours giving protection from field gun fire and aerial observation and attack.
- (g) Troop Carrying M.T. Debussing points will normally be selected out of range of enemy field artillery. In selecting debussing points care must be taken that a turning circuit is available. The A/A Pl will always be in position to give protection while troops are embussing or debussing.
- (h) During all movements either by road or rail, sub-unit Comds will detail "Look-out Sentries" to give warning of enemy aircraft.

### PROTECTION OF B ECHELON

72. This will be the responsibility of Bn Q.M. All drivers and tps accompanying B echelon will be arranged in gps and will dig slit trenches in posns selected to give greatest possible protection to dispersed and vehicles. A/A and ground sentries will be maintained at all times and all tps in the area will at all times wear Battle equipment and have rifles, grenades, petrol bombs etc. within easy reach. This matter is of vital importance and in the absence of the Q.M. will be the direct responsibility of the senior Officer or N.C.O. present, no matter how large or small the column may be.

### MOVE TO NEW AREA AND IN WITHDRAWALS.

73. Bn billeting party with tpt as under :-

<u>Bn H.Q. &amp; H.Q.Coy.</u>		<u>M.M.G.Coy.</u>	<u>Rifle Coys (each)</u>
2 i/c	Det 4 sigs	2 i/c	2 i/c
I.O.	Clerk	three pl sgts	three pl sgts
Sig O	Orderly	three range-	Orderly.
R.S.M.	2 M/C orderlies.	takers.	
Pl Sgt 3 pl.		M/C Orderly	

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### BILLETING

#### 14. Transport arrangements :-

Van 15 cwt	2 i/c I.C. R.S.M. Clerk Orderly Dr.	Bn H.Q. and H.Q. Coy
Van 15 cwt	Sig O. Det four Sigs Dr.	"
2 M/Cs	Orderlies.	
Van 15 cwt	2 i/c three pl sgts three rangetakers Dr	M.M.G. Coy.
M/C	Orderly	
Van 15 cwt	2 i/c Three pl sgts Orderly Dr.	Rifle Coys each

#### PRECAUTIONS AGAINST AIR AND GAS IN BILLETS AND BIVOUACS.

Sentries will be dedetailed (by day) by each Coy. Sentries on A.A. and M.G. posts and on gas spray detectors may be included in this number.

75. A.A., M.G. posts : Four posts (or more if ordered) will be prepared in each area and will be provided with all-round sandbag protection. These will be permanently manned by day.
77. When a general warning system is in force an inlying picquet with six L.M.Gs will also, if practicable, be detailed in each area by day, ready to turn out when an air raid warning is given. But tps will NOT be left in billets etc. for the purpose.
78. Gas Spray detectors will be laid out and sentries detailed as given in F.S.P.B. Pam No. 8 Sec 5.
79. Gas Alarm: will be Gas Gong and/or Rattles sounded continuously for 5 mins.
80. Slit Trenches will be dug at once in the vicinity of billets and in camp and bivouac areas.
81. Tarpaulin or other cover will be provided both overhead and to windward to reduce danger of food being subjected to spray. Detectors will be placed near any food which must be left in the open.
82. Water containers will be kept covered. Other stores especially those NOT in metal containers should be kept covered as far as possible.
83. Bath places and Latrines in the open should be provided with both overhead and cover to windward as protection against spray.
84. All lights in buildings etc. will be screened so as to ensure effective blackout.
85. Available fire fighting equipment will be held at fire posts. Sufficient fire parties will be detailed in each area to man this

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86. Air raid warning: On the warning being given by the general warning system, or by field signals laid down for enemy aircraft in sight (a succession of long blasts on the whistle, or both arms held above the head and the hands waved) or on hearing nearby A.A.L.M.G. fire, all personnel will go under cover except A.A.L.M.G. posts and picquets, and sentries. Personnel with P.A.G. duties will first proceed to their posts.
87. All ranks will be instructed in Protection Against Gas as laid down in F.S.P.B. Pam No. 8 1939.
88. Tps or animals will not be permitted to use water which has not been declared fit for use by hygiene section. Sources of water so tested will normally be sign posted.
89. Whether in camp, billets or in the field, a weekly boot inspection will be made and certificates from Coy Comds that this has been done rendered to Bn H.Q. by 1800 hrs each SATURDAY. This instruction is to be practised immediately on promulgation of these orders.

ACTIVE OPERATIONS

90. In active operations anti-gas equipment will be carried by all tps. Respirators will always be worn in the "alert" position.
91. In fwd areas, one day's hard ration will be carried by all tps in addition to normal iron ration, the latter not being consumed without sub-unit leader's permission.
92. In all phases of modern warfare, dispersal of tpt, tps, stores at rest or on the move is VITAL. No opportunity will be lost in training or during active operations to stress this practice.

GENERAL

93. S.A.A.: 100 rds to be carried by all personnel armed with rifles.
94. Grenades : 2 boxes hand grenades (distributed) will be carried by each pl. Proportion of H.E. to Smoke - 3:1.
95. Tools : When unit is engaged on offensive operation with limited objective, or has to occupy a defensive position, Coys will carry into action a minimum of 30 picks and 50 shovels. Each Sec will carry one pr wirecutters.
96. Demolitions : Coy Comds are responsible for final order for demolition of bns, craters etc in their sectors, and for the closing of obstacles which may have been open to permit withdrawal of fwd tps.
97. Minefields : Coy Comds are responsible that our own vehicles moving through minefields in their area are directed through safe lanes in the mined areas.
98. Outposts : Coy Comds are responsible for the safety of their tps at all times. On defence, an unceasing system of outposts and patrols will be maintained. In offensive operations care will be taken to see that advancing tps are not outflanked, and one protected on F.U.P. and on objective. At rest adequate protection will be maintained against gas, air or A.F.V. attack.
99. Sub-unit Comds are responsible that all personnel under their command are trained soldiers. This includes the training of all specialists e.g. cooks, signalers, clerks, drivers, orderlies, batmen, technicians etc. Such training will include weapon training, and every man must be able to take his place as an efficient fighting soldier.

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## APPENDIX I.

### VEHICLE INSPECTION.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

These notes are issued as a guide to help Comds of newly mechanised units to inspect their mechanically propelled vehicles. A deep knowledge of the function of the parts of a motor vehicle is not necessary for intelligent inspection. At uncertain intervals some of the following tests can be carried out by the Comd. They are simple and can be done by anyone with a very elementary knowledge. Overalls must be worn if the inspection is to be carried out thoroughly. Such inspections ensure efficient maintenance and encourage the competitive spirit between crews of vehicles.

#### 2. PREPARATION OF VEHICLE FOR INSPECTION.

- (1) Vehicle drawn up in line at intervals as ordered by inspecting offrs.
- (2) All boxes, flaps, doors etc. to be open.
- (3) Engine to be exposed.
- (4) Tool kits to be laid out in order as per V.C.L. in front of the vehicle
- (5) Removable floor boards to be removed.
- (6) Batteries exposed.
- (7) Tarpaulins to be fitted or laid out for inspection.

#### 3. METHOD OF INSPECTION.

Dr or crew to stand by vehicle.  
Dr or crew ldr to report vehicle "correct" or otherwise.  
Inspect log book AAF G2 and G13 (these should always be on the vehicle).  
Have noted any defect or deficiency reported - investigate reasons for delay if defects reported have not been attended to within a reasonable time.

#### CLEANLINESS - GENERAL

General appearance often misleading - (Do not let dr etc "Put one over you" by lavish use of oil and kerosene).  
Look at the following :-  
Under the mudguards.  
Insides of wheels.  
Along the chassis members (easily seen on most lorries from the rear).  
Underneath the gear box and engine.  
Springs and brake rods.

#### ENGINE

- (a) Inspect oil level. This should be done before the engine is run.
- (b) Examine for cleanliness - Difficult to discover leaks, fractures etc. if engine is covered in grease and oil.
- (c) Examine for oil leaks - Excessive oil on the engine may be due to a leak from oil pipes or loose joints, too high an oil level in the sump, worn bearings or worn oil retainers.

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- 17 Examine cooling system for:-
- (1) Cleanliness of radiator - level and cleanliness of water.
  - (2) Water leaks in system. (Rusty stains)
  - (3) Fan belts clean and correct tension. (With engine stationary fan should not turn inside a double or triple belt. Belt must not be absolutely tight, as then a severe strain would be placed on bearings.)
  - (4) Rubber hose for leaks and signs of perishing.
  - (5) Examine engine to see that small nuts and bolts set screws etc. have not been replaced by pieces of wire, string etc. (control rods to carburettor and ignition).

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT.

- (a) Examine battery for cleanliness. See that terminals are tight, clean and greased. Level of liquid (electrolyte) inside is above the plates.
- (b) Switch on all lights to see that they are working. (Do not overlook the tail and stop light and dipper).
- (c) All connections should be tight and all wires clean and free from oil and dirt.

SUSPENSION.

- (a) Cleanliness of axles and springs. Oil level in back axle, up to filter hole.
- (b) Examine tyres for:-
  - (1) Deep cuts.
  - (2) Flints (can nearly always be found in the cuts, and should be dug out by the driver periodically.)
  - (3) Air pressure.
  - (4) Examine to see that front and rear tyres have been changed around to equalise wear.
  - (5) Don't forget the spare.

Note:- Uneven wear on the front tyres indicates some fault in the steering gear. In tracked vehicles rubber tyres tend to break away from the rims. They should be changed when these signs appear.

LUBRICATION

To check if oil and grease nipples have been lubricated properly, either remove nipple or push in ball when the lubricant should ooze out.

DRIVER'S COMPARTMENT.

Examine instrument panel and see that there are no loose wires hanging down.

Check play of steering wheel. Excessive play indicates faulty or worn steering gear.

"START UP" ENGINE.

Note how engine starts. i.e. Ease of starting - under normal conditions engine should not need excessive cranking (if it does, probably indicates faulty carburettor or ignition adjustment.) If engine "turns over" easily indicates that battery is in good condition.

CHECK INSTRUMENTS

i.e. Ammeter or battery indicator registering.  
 Oil pressure O.K.  
 Temperature gauge working.  
 Fuel gauge if fitted working.

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Listen to sound of engine. i.e. Does it run smoothly? Is it noisy? Are there any knocks? Are there any unusual noises? (Listening to the exhaust note assists in deciding whether an engine is running smoothly or is "missing".) Tappets badly adjusted are a common source of noise. The indication is a distinct tapping sound.

"SWITCH OFF" ENGINE.

Note how engine stops. Indication of engine condition. i.e. If engine stops instantly switch is operated, indicates good compression.

BODY.

Examine for dents in body. Cracks in woodwork. Condition of paint. Tears in hood, tarpaulin etc. Door catches operating easily. Door hinges in good condition.

EQUIPMENT.

Examine for cleanliness of tools and tool box. Deficiencies. Check pyrenes for operation and contents. Examine grease gun to see that it pumps correctly. Examine jack for operation.

ROAD TEST.

Drive the vehicle yourself or have it driven by a competent driver. The test should include a steep hill. If everything is working correctly you will have tested the engine, brakes, gear-box and steering.

4. NOTES.

It is not suggested that inspecting officers look at all the points in this precis at every inspection. Inspections however should be frequent and inspecting officers should select certain points for inspection prior to the inspection. These can be varied every inspection.

DRIVER.

Ask the driver any question concerning his vehicle that occurs to you. C.F. "When was the oil last changed"? (Oil should be changed every 2000 miles for wheeled and every 500 miles for tracked vehicles).

"What is the air pressure in the tyres"? (Test one).

"How many miles has the vehicle done"?

"When was it last decarbonised etc"?

This keeps the driver on the alert and compels him to take an interest in and to learn all about the vehicle he is driving.

Finally be very critical, be sparing in praise so that it comes as a much valued compliment to the driver or crew that receive it.

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## APPENDIX II.

### STANDING ORDERS.

#### PART I - IN CAMP OR BARRACKS.

##### I. DAILY ROUTINE.

Unless otherwise ordered, and subject to amendments published in Camp Routine Orders, the following will be the daily routine :-

REVEILLE	0630 hrs.
ROLL CALL	0635 "
SICK PARADE	0700 "
BREAKFAST	0730 "
COY PARADE	0815 "
BN PARADE	0830 "
DISMISS	1230 "
MID-DAY MEAL	1245 "
PARADE	1400 "
DISMISS	1630 "
MARKERS FOR DUTIES	1725 "
DUTIES PARADE	1730 "
EVENING MEAL	1730 "
RETREAT	1800 "
OFFICERS MESS	1815 "
FIRST POST	2130 "
LAST POST	2200 "
LIGHTS OUT	2215 "

- (a) Massed bugles will sound "REVEILLE", "RETREAT", "FIRST" and "LAST POST". All calls other than these will be sounded by the Orderly Bugler.
- (b) No bugle will be sounded between "LAST POST" and "REVEILLE" except "LIGHTS OUT" or the "ALARM".
- (c) The Regimental Band will play in front of lines at "REVEILLE".
- (d) Officers and N.C.Os in charge of Parties will report the arrival of their Party to Bn H.Q.
- (e) Action in case of "ALARM".  
On the alarm being sounded all Tps will turn out under arms. Pls will form up on their respective Parade Grounds and await instructions. Tpt personnel will proceed to the Tpt lines and "Stand to the Vehicles".

##### 2. DUTIES

The following duties will mount daily :-

- (a) INLYING PICQUET:- Strength, 1 Pl (Not less than 1 Offr and 20 O.Rs), attends all parades of Unit, and is not to be detailed for any duty. The Inlying Picquet will parade at "RETREAT".
- (b) Officer of the day - (ORDERLY OFFICER).
- (c) Battalion ORDERLY SERGEANT.
- (d) Battalion ORDERLY CORPORAL.
- (e) One ORDERLY for Bn H.Q.
- (f) The above duties will be supplied by the Duty Coy. Duties will mount at 1730 hrs. Markers will report to R.S.M. at 1725 hrs.
- (g) Duties being relieved, will fall in at Bn H.Q., be inspected and ready to move at 1730 hrs.

##### 3. DRESS

For Guard, MARCHING ORDER.

For Inlying Picquet, DRILL ORDER without Rifles.

- (a) During the playing of "RETREAT" duties will stand to "Attention". GUARD at the Slope.
- (b) The parade will be under the command of the Adjutant.

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#### 4. R.M.O.

The Regimental Medical Officer will inspect the Camp daily, accompanied by the Second-in-Command and Orderly Officer.

#### 5. FATIGUES

Fatigues and other duties will be reduced to a minimum. I NCO and 6 men will report to Bn H.Q. at 0800 hrs daily for fatigue duties. These will be placed under the command of the Pioneer Sgt.

#### 6. TENTS.

Tents must be trenched, and tents and pegs carefully aligned. Flaps and walls of tents to be nearly rolled up at "REVEILLE", after which tents will be placed in inspection order as laid down in Bn Routine Orders.

- (a) Tent Orderlies will be detailed for each tent, and will be responsible for the general cleanliness of their respective tents.
- (b) An N.C.O. will be allotted to each tent as Tent Commander.
- (c) Each tent will be provided with a Nominal Roll of occupants, and an inventory of articles on charge. This will be attached to tent poles in such a position that it can be easily read from outside the tent.
- (d) The MARKING or BRANDING of tents in any way will be viewed as an offence, i.e. "Wilfully Damaging Government Property". The use of nails, tacks or binding wire is forbidden.
- (e) AIRING OF TENTS. The floor-boards are to be lifted clear of the tent, and the tent flaps rolled up all round for several hours once per week.
- (f) Tent Comds will keep a bath roll in conjunction with (d).

#### 7. CLEANLINESS OF LINES.

O.C. Coys will be responsible for the cleanliness of the area of ground occupied by their command.

#### 8. NOTICE BOARDS

Each Coy will provide a Notice Board for the display of Bn R.Os. and any notices affecting the men.

#### 9. UNIFORMS.

Attention is directed to the regulations governing wearing of uniform and equipment. Great care must be exercised to see that equipment is properly fitted. Unless otherwise ordered, "DRILL ORDER" will be worn at all parades.

#### 10. DISCIPLINE

Officers and men returning from Night Duty or for any other reason are to proceed to their tents with the least possible noise, and will take every precaution to avoid disturbing their comrades. Any breach of this observation will be severely dealt with.

- (a) VISITORS are to be informed that it is against orders for them to enter the camp lines unless on urgent business or on occasions when the lines are thrown open. Such occasions will be notified in Bn R.Os.
- (b) The sale of ALCOHOLIC LIQUOR in Camp or within the precincts of the Camp is NOT PERMITTED, nor is any such liquor to be brought into the Tent Lines.
- (c) NO HAWKERS or itinerant vehicles will be permitted to ENTER the Camp.
- (d) Training will be confined to those areas for which boundaries have been laid down.

#### II. PRIVATE PROPERTY

Tps will only enter such private property as has been made available for training purposes.

- (a) Care is to be taken that stock is disturbed as little as possible.
- (b) Fences are on no account to be interfered with, without authority from Bn H.Q.



II. PRIVATE PROPERTY (Contd)

- (c) Gates when used are to be properly CLOSED.
- (d) Except as stated above, tps are NOT permitted to enter private property.

I2. DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.

Every Officer is responsible for reporting as soon as possible any damage done by his order or by the men under his command, and any cases of tps entering paddocks which are OUT OF BOUNDS.

- (a) Coy Comds are responsible for collecting reports of damage and forwarding them to Bn H.Q. at the earliest possible moment, so that claims can be checked as they come to hand.
- (b) Every endeavour must be made to ensure that the individuals responsible pay for any wilful or unnecessary damage, such as cutting gaps in close proximity to Gates, or loss caused by leaving gates open.

I3. COMPANY ORDERLY OFFICER.

During duration of Camp Coy Comds will detail Coy Orderly Officer.

- (a) His tour of duty will commence at "REVEILLE".
- (b) He will be responsible to O.C. Coy that all Coy Duties and Bn Standing Orders are carried out.
- (c) He will be present at all Coy Parades.
- (d) He will attend the Coy Mess Hut at meal times and report the condition of the meal to the Bn Orderly Offr.

I4. STORES.

Equipment etc. will be issued to Coy Comds by the Q.M. Coy Comds will give a receipt for all articles issued, and be given a receipt on returning same. By this means responsibility for losses can be readily traced.

(a) Coys etc. will issue to individuals in a similar manner, the A.M.F.I2 being prepared prior to Camp. All that should be necessary in camp is the actual issue of necessary articles and individual's signature. Particular care will be exercised to ensure that all issues of working dress, suits etc. are properly accounted for and definite responsibility placed.

(b) On return of stores, all articles so returned will be struck off from the man's charge in his presence. Any deficiencies will be noted, the man advised, and the value charged against him on a Stoppage Sheet (AAF B IO)

(c) All stores, equipment etc. must be returned clean and in good order. Details of damage and deficiencies will be reported by Coy Comds to Bn H.Q.

(d) All stores are to be checked daily during Camp and a report showing discrepancies will be rendered to Bn H.Q.

I5. KIT INSPECTION

In order to reduce the loss of Greatcoats etc. to a minimum, Coy Comds will arrange to have a KIT INSPECTION from time to time.

- (a) In cases of losses which cannot be cleared up within the Coy a report will be made to Bn H.Q.
- (b) All members will be warned of the danger of leaving any articles lying about, and that unless satisfactory evidence is produced any loss which may occur will be charged to the individual.

I6. MEDICAL.

R.A.P will be established in Camp.

- (a) In all cases of sickness AAF A46 (Sick Report) must be prepared in DUPLICATE and signed by the Orderly Sgt and R.M.O. attending the case.
- (b) It is of the utmost importance that cases of sickness or injury are properly recorded in the R.M.Os Diary, and in the book of disability and disposal should be entered in all cases, irrespective of how trivial the disability may seem at the time.
- (c) All cases involving despatch to Hospital must be reported to Bn H.Q. immediately they occur.
- (d) A letter stating reasons for admission to Hospital etc will be despatched at once to the members parents by Bn H.Q.

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- (e) Blankets and Bedding are NOT to be taken by patients to Hospital but will be collected by C.Q.M.S. and returned to Store.

17. INJURIES

Full particulars as to any injury MUST be communicated to Bn H.Q. as soon as possible, or within 24 hrs after its occurrence together with a Medical Report.

- (a) AAF O.II will be prepared in all cases, a COURT OF INQUIRY will be assembled to inquire into the circumstances of each case, and submit its recommendation to Bn H.Q. where required by AMR & O.
- (b) Officers, W & N.C.Os or any other ranks, being on the scene of any accident involving injury to any member of the Unit, will in the interest of both the individual and the Department, make a written summary, in a note book, of the occurrence. Any evidence that is available and can be committed to writing will be used in compiling a report of the occurrence, which should include Names and Addresses of witnesses.

18. HYGIENE

The R.M.O. will perform the duties of HYGIENE Officer. He will exercise general supervision over the hygiene conditions of the Camp as regards cleanliness, removal of nuisance, water supply, state of latrines and all other matters affecting the health of the tps.

- (a) He will report on any matter claiming attention.
- (b) Immediately on arrival in Camp a Medical Inspection of personnel will be carried out by the R.M.O. Coy Comds will report to Bn H.Q. immediately this has been completed, care being taken that men on special duties (Advance Parties etc.) are not overlooked.

19. INCINERATION

An incinerator will be provided for the destruction of Garbage; refuse should be burned daily and not allowed to accumulate in the incinerator.

20. GREASE TRAPS AND SUMPS

Particular care is to be taken of the cleanliness of grease traps and sumps. No solids are to be placed therein and they are to be thoroughly cleaned once per day.

21. SANITARY DUTIES

The following duties will be carried out:-

- (a) The Patrol of latrines and washing areas and the prevention of nuisances.
- (b) Lamps are kept lit during the night in Latrines.
- (c) Supervision of burning of refuse at incinerator.
- (d) Supervision of general cleanliness outside Kitchens.
- (e) Disinfectants will be supplied by the Quartermaster and must be used freely in Latrines and Urinals.

22. LATRINES

For the health of all concerned the necessary using of the proper places set aside as Latrines and Urinals cannot be too strongly impressed on All Ranks.

23. KITCHENS

The Caterer will be responsible for the sanitation and general cleanliness of the Kitchens and Men's Messes.

- (a) Men, other than Cooks, are NOT to be permitted in the immediate vicinity of the Kitchens.
- (b) Kitchen refuse is to be disposed of as directed; the ground is not to be polluted by kitchen water; Orderlies are not to be permitted to wash utensils at, or in the vicinity of the kitchens.
- (c) Smoking will not be permitted in the kitchens when food is being prepared or served.

24. CLEANLINESS OF LINES

Before leaving Camp the Second-in-Command will see that the Camp lines are left clean and in good order. Any holes which it was found necessary to dig for use during the camp are to be filled in.

25. RETURNS AND STATES

Coy Comds will ensure that all returns are promptly rendered in duplicate and percentages etc carefully worked out. The following States will be furnished in duplicate to Bn H.Q.:-

- (a) MARCHING IN State: within 30 MINS of the unit reporting in Camp, in manuscript to show total Offrs and O.Rs.
- (b) DAILY STRENGTH States: to be rendered to R.S.M. before 0700 hrs daily.
- (c) SICK REPORTS: to be rendered to the R.S.M. by 0800 hrs daily.
- (d) FIELD PARADE STATE: On morning parade C.S.Ms will hand to R.S.M. Field Parade State showing:-
  - (i) Number of Offrs and O.Rs on Camp Duty.
  - (ii) Number of Offrs and O.Rs Sick.
  - (iii) Number of Offrs and O.Rs on Parade.

REPORTS

26. Coy Comds will report fully on training, organisation and administration in Camp to Unit H.Qs.

27. SNAKE BITE

Units will take precautions and ensure that where possible sub-units carry snake bite outfits. (On issue R.A.P.)

28. P.A.D.

Comd H.Q. Coy will be Bn P.A.D. Officer. Plan for P.A.D. will be drawn up for each Camp occupied.

29. FIRE.

Adequate precautions will be taken against fire. Extinguishers, hoses, buckets, will be examined on the first day of each month by Bn Q.M.

# 7th BATTALION

## APPENDIX III

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### DUTIES OF BATTALION ORDERLY OFFICER.

- I. His tour of duty will be from RETREAT to RETREAT.
2. His dress will be Field Service Dress.
3. He will accompany the Field Officer of the Day on his tour of inspection.
4. He will be present when company meals are being served and will see that the proper meal hours are observed. He will ascertain if there are any complaints regarding the meals and in conjunction with the Messing Officer will attend to any that may be made.
5. He will accompany the Medical Officer on a tour of inspection of the lines at 0845 hrs daily to ensure that the lines are clean and that all bedding, equipment etc is arranged in proper order. He will give particulars in his Orderly Officer's report AAF A20 of any matters arising from the inspection that require attention.
6. He will visit every part of the Battalion Camp including Kitchens, washing places, Latrines, Mess Tents, Horse Lines, Transport Lines etc. to ensure that they are being kept in a tidy and sanitary condition. Cooking utensils are also to be inspected.
7. He will inspect rations store and see that rations are properly stored and that everything there is kept clean. He will also inspect Coy Q.Ms. Stores during morning and afternoon parade each day to ensure that tng stores not in use are serviceable and kept neatly stacked.
8. When LIGHTS OUT is sounded he will visit the Coy Lines to ensure that all lights are extinguished and that there is no undue noise.
9. He will be accompanied by the Bn Orderly Sgt when performing the duties set out in paras 4,5,6,7 and 8.
10. He will keep in touch with Bn H.Qs. to receive any orders regarding special duties that may be required.
- II. He will be in charge of the Bn Orderly Duties and will see that all duties allotted to them are properly carried out.
12. He will be present on the Bn DUTY MOUNTING PARADE and will inspect all duties before they move off.
13. He will not quit camp during his tour of duty.
14. In the event of FIRE he will proceed immediately to the seat of the fire and will take charge pending the arrival of a Senior Officer.
15. His further duties are set out on Form AAF A20, which he will complete and hand to Bn H.Qs. by 2030 hrs on the date he is relieved from duty. He will also set out therein particulars of any irregularities that may have come to his notice during his tour of duty.
16. He will hand over these instructions to the Orderly Officer who takes over from him.

# 7th BATTALION

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## APPENDIX IV.

### DUTIES OF BATTALION ORDERLY SERGEANT.

- I. His tour of duty will be from RETREAT to RETREAT.
2. His dress will be belt and side arms.
3. He will be under the command of the Bn Orderly Officer and will assist him in carrying out his duties.
4. He will report to the Orderly Officer at REVEILLE.
5. Half an hour after REVEILLE he will go round the lines and see that that curtains of all tents are rolled up.
6. He will accompany the Bn Orderly Officer and Camp Field Officer during inspections of the camp.
7. He will show the Brigade and Battalion Orders to the Staff and Field Officers of the Bn, receiving from each Officer his signature for same.
8. He will see that all Orders are issued out to Coys and that a copy of same is placed on the Bn Notice Board, in the Offrs Mess and in the Sgts Mess.
9. He will parade the DUTIES at the times laid down in Camp Orders.
10. He will be present at all meals and assist the Orderly Officer in seeing that they are served at the correct times.
11. He will see that the men on Guard receive their meals from the Kitchen.
12. He will warn the N.C.Os and men for duty the next day, as detailed in Camp Orders.
13. He will keep in touch with the Orderly Officer to receive orders regarding any special duties that may be required.
14. When LIGHTS OUT is sounded he will accompany the Orderly Officer round the lines to see that all lights are extinguished and that there is no undue noise.
15. He must not quit camp during his tour of duty.
16. He will report any irregularities to the Orderly Officer.
17. He will fill in Orderly Sgts Report and hand it in to R.S.M. immediately after dismounting duty.
18. He will hand over these instructions to the Orderly Sgt taking over from him.

# 7th BATTALION

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## APPENDIX V.

### DUTIES OF BATTALION ORDERLY CORPORAL.

1. His tour of duty will be from RETREAT to RETREAT.
2. His dress will be Review Order with side arms.
3. He will parade the sick to the R.M.O. at 0650 hrs with sick reports properly made out in duplicate. One copy will be left with the R.M.O. and one he will retain, showing it to the Coy Comds and finally handing it to the R.S.M.
4. He will accompany the Bn Orderly Officer during his inspection of the Camp.
5. When not otherwise employed he will remain at Bn H.Qs. and carry out any other duties required of him.
6. He will not quit Camp during his tour of duty.
7. He will report any irregularities to the Orderly Sgt.
8. He will fill in Orderly Corporal's Report and hand it to the R.S.M. immediately after he dismounts.
9. He will hand over these instructions and any other verbal instructions to the Orderly Corporal taking over from him.

### DUTIES OF COMPANY ORDERLY CORPORALS.

1. His tour of duty will be from RETREAT to RETREAT.
2. He will complete all training with his Company.
3. He will collect all sick at Roll Call at 0640 hrs and with the help of the Coy Clerk will make out A 46s in duplicate.
4. At 0645 hrs he will hand the Coy sick parade together with completed A 46 over to the Bn Orderly Cpl at 7 Bn R.A.P.
5. He will see that his Coy Lines are spotlessly clean.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No. 16.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

TO

FEBE all coys.

FROM

FEBE

Originator's Number

L.I.

Date

A

In Reply to Number.

coy	cmds	will	ensure	that	every
man	receives	15	minutes	WEAPON.	TRAINING.
daily	consisting	of	loading	unloading	fung
from	standing	position	and	quenching	exercises
o	ack.				

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

1808'

SIGNED

SIGNED

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T.H.I.

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T.O.R.

## 7th BATTALION

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
DARWIN 1 Mar 42.SECURITYJAPANESE TACTICS AND EQUIPMENT

The following observations are by an Allied observer on the tactics best calculated to combat JAPANESE army methods.

- (1) Endurance to withstand the hardships associated with constant operations in jungle warfare.
- (2) Highly specialised training in scouting and patrolling methods.
- (3) Ability to operate independently in squad groups or as individuals.
- (4) Officers and soldiers alike should be armed with automatic rifles.
- (5) They should be capable of sustained marches of 25 miles per day over rough country.
- (6) They should be imbued with aggressive spirit when operating on either the offensive or defensive.
- (7) They should be adaptable to simple rations.
- (8) Uniforms and personnel equipment ~~should include Prismatic Compass and light rubber shoes.~~ <sup>must be</sup> It is considered that going into battle with present equipment would be suicidal.
- (9) Each Officers and man's equipment should include Prismatic Compass and light rubber shoes.
- (10) Each man should carry knife and grenades.
- (11) All ranks should wear the same type uniforms and carry the weapons as near as possible.
- (12) Artillery and Motor Transport must be of an easily moved type capable of being detoured off the hard roads without breakdown or stalling before being returned to the good roads.
- (13) Both officers and other ranks must be able to operate tactically, irrespective of roads as the JAPANESE practice of cutting in behind roads and creating blocks results in loss of guns and motor transport as BRITISH in MALAYA have learned.
- (14) Troops should actually be trained in the field to operate against JAPANESE infiltration tactics prior to being sent into action against them.
- (15) Training of Allied Troops. It must be recognised that JAPANESE troops have reached a high standard of warfare or training in the MALAYAN type of warfare. This training combined with their recently gained experience makes them formidable foes.
- (16) Allied success must be based on ability to provide and maintain equipment such as artillery, tanks and automatic weapons which are adapted to the type of country in which they oppose the enemy.
- (17) Snipers. It should be noted that JAPANESE snipers who find their way behind our lines are most difficult to locate. Para 4 of "Japanese Tactics and Equipment No 5" should be amended accordingly.

The observation made concerning Prismatic Compasses, Automatic Rifles and other equipment are interesting, but it is not possible to fulfil such requirements at the present time. When possible, however, Compasses, Thompson Guns, and Grenades should be distributed down to the smallest sub-unit, in order to comply, at least in part with the requirements stated.



## 7th BATTALION

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESCAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 4H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
4 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

- War Diary  
Lut.*
1. DUTIES

Duty Coy	E Coy
Next for Duty	A Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut R.W.H. STRONG
Orderly Sgt	Sgt TREMBATH J.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl REID G.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte SALLMANN J.
  2. DARWIN

Tps on duty or otherwise entering DARWIN must be in possession of a pass, otherwise they will NOT be allowed in.
  3. LOOTING

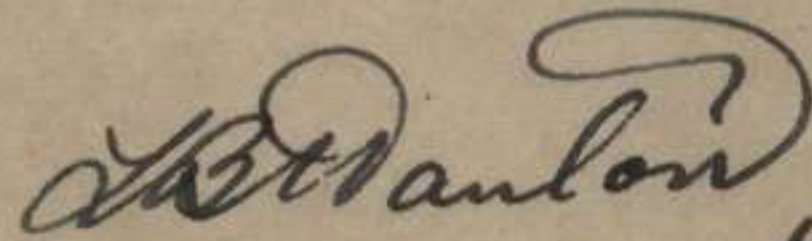
Action is to be taken to bring under notice of ALL RANKS the seriousness of looting. This is a crime and will be dealt with speedily and severely.
  4. AMMUNITION

Coy CQMS's will be responsible to the R.S.M. for condition and quantity of ammunition held in the Coy Dumps.
  5. UNIT CENSORSHIP

Information has been received from A.H.Q. that unit censorship is NOT being adequately carried out. Coy Comds will immediately take steps to see that all ranks are again instructed as to the need for Security of Information. Officers on whom the responsibility of censorship rests will closely scrutinise mail and make deletions where necessary.
  6. BUILDING MATERIALS

NO building materials i.e. galvanised iron, timber etc. are to be used for any purpose unless permission is obtained from Capt J.A. THOMSON or Lieut P. SCHOLES.
  7. COY DUMPS

Coy Comds are to arrange Coy Dumps of all Engineers Stores, i.e. nails, screws, iron etc. Coy areas will be salvaged with a view to collecting all available material for these dumps.



Lieut.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

NOTICESLOST

I Hat, khaki fur.  
I Fountain Pen in Camp area.  
Finder please return to 7 Bn H.Q.

FOUND

I Money Belt containing a sum of money.  
May be collected from 7 Bn H.Q. on identification.

7th BATTALION

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
4 MAR 42

All Coy Comds.

7 BN CANTEEN.

The following instructions are promulgated in reference to the sale of articles from 7 Bn Canteen:-

1. Each Coy will receive a proportionate allotment of Tobacco, papers and matches, to be divided equally among Coy personnel. (The approx. basis is 5 to each 2 oz tin.) Coy Comds will be responsible to O.C. Canteen for the amount shown on account.
2. Where possible, cash will be paid for all goods purchased. This is of great importance as the cash received will be used to replenish stocks.
3. Where cash payments are impossible, a Chit will be used. These will be marked in the top left hand corner with the Coy, (use coloured pencil), also completed with No., Rank and Name, before moving to Bn Canteen.
4. Articles, other than tobacco etc., will be purchased from Bn Canteen. An equitable allotment of each article has been made to each Coy.
5. The amount allowable for purchases at the Bn Canteen is approx 2/- per head.
6. On completion of purchases the Officer in Charge will enter the amount of goods purchased on the Chit and the recipient will initial same in the appropriate square to certify the correctness of amount shown.
7. A Canteen parade for each Coy will be arranged. Parade times will be notified by phone from Bn H.Q.

8. Following is the price list of articles:-

Tobacco	2/9	per tin
Papers	3/11	" pkt
Matches	1/	" box
Sheeps Tongues	1/8	" tin
Persil	6/11	" pkt
Palmolive Soap	4/11	" tab.
Protex "	4/11	" "
Cordial	2/1	" Bot.
Tomato Juice	7/11	" "
Tooth Paste	1/4	" tube
J.B. Powder	1/5	" tin
Sardines	11/	" "
Grayfish	1/8	" tin
Asparagus	1/11	" "
Turf Cigarettes (20)	1/4	" pkt
Craven A " (10)	10/11	" "
Peanuts	1/4	" "

The co-operation of all ranks is required to assist in the smooth functioning of this venture.

The need for cash purchases is to be strongly stressed to assist in the continuance of the Canteen.

*W. B. Hanlon*

for Lieut.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

# MESSAGE FORM

**APPENDIX 19.**

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

**7th BATTALION**

OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

**TO** MUMU. Septa 5011

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

**FROM**

7 Bn.

28

5

Intelligence	TELEGRAM	(a)	Coy	Orders	Shown
over	defensive	area	(P)	N.H.	(c)
N.H.					

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

0900

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

4 Mar 42

SECRET

## 7th BATTALION

147 Fd Arty US Army  
 19 MG regt  
 2/14 Fd Regt  
 M A/Tk Bty  
 14 A/Tk Bty  
 2/11 Fd Coy  
 23 Fd Coy  
 F Sec Sigs  
 K Sec Sigs  
 7 Bn  
 8 Bn  
 27 Bn  
 43 Bn  
 23 Bde Coy AASC  
 2/12 Fd Amb  
 23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Wkshops  
 23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk  
 83 L A D  
 108 L A D  
236 L A D

USE OF S A A FOR PRACTICE PURPOSES

Hereunder for information is copy of 7 MD message 0135 of 3 Mar 42.

"UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE SAA IS NOT REPEAT NOT  
TO BE EXPENDED FOR PRACTICE PURPOSES STOP ACK"

2. Above cancels all previous instructions issued from this HQ.
3. Ack.

Major.  
B.M. 23 Aust Inf Bde.

APPENDIX No 21

Army Form C.2128  
(Pads of 100)  
Reprinted May, 1941.

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO *FEBE*

FROM *FEBE*

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

*A2*

*Until further notice*  
*Repeat NOT*  
*practice purposes*

*NOT*  
*purpose*

*notice*  
*To*  
*Q*

*SAA*  
*be*  
*ack*

*is*  
*expanded*

*NOT*  
*for*

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

*1225*

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T.H.I.

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.O.R.

**MESSAGE FORM**

*APPENDIX NO 22.*

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

OUT

**7th BATTALION**

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

TO

*ABE*

FROM

*PAY SGT GAKI.*

Originator's Number

*R.S.W. 1*

Date

*2*

In Reply to Number.

<i>Able</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>obtain</i>	<i>£1500</i>	<i>could</i>	<i>you</i>
<i>send</i>	<i>officer</i>	<i>by</i>	<i>first</i>	<i>available</i>	<i>means</i>
<i>of</i>	<i>transport.</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>reply</i>	<i>waited</i>	

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*1000*

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**T.H.I.**

*1010*

**T.O.R.**

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# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN  
**7th BATTALION**  
OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO **LT. L. HANLON**

FROM **FEBE**

Originator's Number  
**1159**

Date  
**5**

In Reply to Number.

<b>Transport arrived</b>	<b>NOONAMAH</b>	<b>1530</b>	<b>As</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Proceed</b>	<b>KATHERINE</b>	<b>and</b>	<b>as</b>	<b>sent</b>
<b>to</b>	<b>PAY</b>	<b>SPT</b>	<b>to</b>	<b>NOONAMAH</b>
<b>with</b>	<b>pay</b>			

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TIME OF ORIGIN  
**1540**

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**T.H.I.**  
**T.O.R.**

# MESSAGE FORM

**APPENDIX 24**

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

**7th BATTALION**

OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

TO

*FEBE*

FROM

*FEBE*

Originator's Number

*19*

Date

*5*

In Reply to Number.

<i>Password</i>	<i>for</i>	<i>insuring</i>	<i>24 hrs</i>	<i>commencing</i>	<i>1900</i>
<i>for</i>	<i>5 Mar.</i>	<i>is.</i>	<i>TALL TREES</i>		

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

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War diary  
(cont.)

## 7th BATTALION

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E SCAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 5

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
5 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M.SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT  
on 5 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut J.A. DUNCAN
Orderly Sgt	Sgt OLIVER W.M.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl WILTON F.T.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte DICKSON H.E.

Duty Coy	"A" Coy
Next for Duty	"B" Coy

(Signed) C. JONES

Lieut.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

23 AUST INF BDE OPERATION INSTRUCTION No. 8.Copy No. 4.  
4 Mar 42.

Ref Map DARWIN SKETCH 1 inch to 1 mile

1. This instruction will supersede Opn Inst No 7 as from 1400 hrs 6 Mar 42.
2. Units in & M.D. are to defend DARWIN in order to secure Naval and Air Operation Bases.
3. ROLES  
Forces in & MD will be divided into:-
- (a) FORTRESS COVERING FORCE To defend DARWIN PENINSULA from Incl the line of the NARROWS right 832125b left 795147.
- (b) COVERING FORCE To delay the enemy on the beaches from incl HOWARD RIVER 0320 to excl LUDMILLA CREEK 795147.
- (c) DISTRICT RESERVE to remain in reserve and to attack enemy when direction of his attack is disclosed.
- (d) MAINTENANCE UNITS
- (e) DETACHMENTS To defend BATCHELOR AERODROME (one coy 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp), WEST BTY, SLATE CLIFFS and ADELAIDE RIVER.
- (f) 3 Inf Bde is to take the role of COVERING FORCE, and 23 Aust Inf Bde that of the District RESERVE.

4. DISTRIBUTION OF TROOPS

The following units are to comprise the DISTRICT RESERVE :-

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
 23 Aust Inf BDE Defence Pl.  
 "K" Sec Sigs 8 Aust Div  
 "M" A Tk Bty  
 147 Fd Arty U S Army  
 2/11 Fd Coy less two secs  
 7 Bn  
 8 Bn  
 43 Bn (less one coy - detachment BATCHELOR Aerodrome)  
 23 Bde Coy AASC  
 2/12 Fd Amb less one coy.  
 268 Dental Unit  
 108 LAD  
 23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Wksop  
 23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk

Remaining tps at present under command of 23 Aust Inf Bde are to come under comd of 3 Inf Bde as from 1400 hrs 6 Mar 42.

5. INTENTION 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp will remain in reserve in the area HOWARD SPRINGS RD - ELIZABETH RIVER and will be prepared to move at short notice to attack enemy, when the direction of his attack is disclosed.
6. The most probable line of attack is forward towards DARWIN PENINSULA LEE PT or SHOAL BAY areas, but preparations will be made for counter attack against an enemy landing and approach from BYNOE BAY and other directions.
7. CAMP SITES Units will occupy new camp sites as follows,

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde	}	037018
23 Aust Inf Bde Defence Pl		
"K" Sec Sigs 8 Div Aust		
"M" A Tk Bty		044999
2/11 Fd Coy less two secs		028019
7 Bn	}	065985
268 Dental Unit		
108 LAD		
147 Fd Arty U S Army		as at present (011045)
8 Bn		085932
43 Bn		060005
2/12 Fd Amb		0162042

7. CAMP SITES Continued

## 7th BATTALION

23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Wksop	048 007
23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk	048005
23 Bde Coy AASC	
HQ & Wksop	086949
Amn Sec	as at present (019055)
Pet Sec	" " (083947)
Sup Sec	" " (083927)

Camp sites will be constructed to give the maximum dispersion of personnel, equipment and vehicles possible, whilst retaining administrative control. Concealment and track discipline will be observed, and slit trenches for all personnel constructed as a priority ~~attack~~ task.

New camp sites will be occupied as soon as possible on and after 6 Mar 42, but this HQ will be notified previously of the intention to occupy.

8. GUARDS AND WORKING PARTIES

The present detachments at MANTON DAM and ADELAIDE RIVER will be maintained for the time being. Other detachments will be withdrawn on receipt of orders from this HQ.

9. DETACHMENTS

43 Bn will provide one coy for the defence of BATCHELOR AERODROME.

10. ANTI-PARATP PLS.

Inf Bns will each maintain one pl, motorized, on 5 minutes' notice, for action against paratps. 147 Fd Arty U S Army will maintain present anti-paratp force. All Units will remain organised to counter paratp landing in immediate areas. New Areas of general responsibility and particular tasks will be issued separately.

11. ADMServices

(a) HQ 23 Bde Coy AASC	086949
(b) <u>Amn</u>	
A R P McMinns	065992

(c) Supplies

S R H NOONAMAH Siding	
S R P	083927

Supply system will continue to function as at date of issue.

(d) Petrol

P R H NOONAMAH Siding	
P P	083947

(e) Medical

Amb R H NOONAMAH	
H Q Fd Amb	016042

INTERCOMN

12. Bde HQ will be established at 037018.

13. Line communication between Unit sites and Bde HQ will be established.

14. Present wireless frequencies will be maintained.

15. Units will notify posns of H Qs when occupied.

15. ACK.

Major

B.M. 23 Aust Inf Bde .

Signed at 1348 Hrs

Issued to sigs at 1430 hrs

DISTRIBUTION

Copy No	Unit		
1	"M" A Tk Bty	11	23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk
2	2/11 Fd Coy.	12	108 LAD
3	Bde Sig Sec.	13	147 Fd Arty U S Army
4	7 Bn	14	Bde Command
5	8 Bn	15	B.M.
6	43 Bn	16	S.G.
7	23 Bde Coy AASC	17	T.O.
8	2/12 Fd Amb	18	Bde AASC Offr
9	268 Dental Unit	19	3 Inf Bde
10	23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Wkshop.	20	HQ 7 MD 22/23 War Diary
		21	File 24/30 Spare.

ALL UNITS**7th BATTALION**AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESPOSTAL ARRANGEMENTS 7 M.D.

Further to 7 M.D., ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No.1, Para 3 of 25 Feb., 42:-

1. Field Post Offices have been established at present at WINNELLIE, NOONAMAH and LARRAKEYAH.
2. Stamps will be available at Field P.O.s for purchase by troops.
3. Mail should be stamped for posting, but, should stamps be unavailable, letters should be endorsed "ON ACTIVE SERVICE" and posted; mail so treated being carried by surface mail free.

Letters for Air Mail must carry necessary stamps.

4. Units stationed in Areas where access to Field P.O.s by troops is difficult should make bulk purchases of stamps for sale to troops under unit arrangements.
5. Units should contact nearest Field P.O., and make necessary arrangements for collection and posting of mail.

Col. I/C Administration 7 M.D.

26 February 1942.



WD APPENDIX N° 28

SECRET

7th BATTALION

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY. 30th September, 1941.

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ARMY FIELD CENSORSHIP INSTRUCTION NO. 7 (REVISED)

1. GENERAL.

(i) These instructions which cancel Army Field Censorship Instruction No. 7 of 27th February 1940, apply to all Australian Military Forces irrespective of the theatre of operations including the Australian Imperial Forces from the time of embarkation.

The instructions will not apply to the Australian Military Forces in Australia until they are engaged in active operations against an enemy within the Commonwealth, or earlier if authorised generally or in particular places.

(ii) They embody and amplify instructions contained in the Manual of Military Intelligence in the Field (Pamphlet No. 2 - 1938). The Field Service Pocket Book (Pamphlet No. 3 - 1939) also contains references to the subject.

(iii) The types of postal traffic with which Field Censorship is concerned are Field Service Post Cards (para. 3), Green Envelope letters (para. 4), ordinary letters other postal articles and Telegrams (para. 5) and Diaries (para. 6). The scope of Censorship includes all communications to and from all ranks.

(iv) Private correspondence will be scrutinised, generally speaking, by one or more of the following:- Franking Officers, Unit and Base Censors and also by Home Censorship.

(v) Infringement of Censorship instructions detected by Home Censorship will be referred back to Units for consideration and action.

2. PROCEDURE FOR FRANKING AND CENSORSHIP OF CORRESPONDENCE AND PARCELS.

(i) All outgoing written communications, newspapers, packets, and parcels, except official correspondence, Field Service Post Cards, and Green Envelope letters, must be franked by a Commissioned officer and subsequently stamped with the Unit Censor's stamp. Otherwise, they will not be accepted by the Postal Service.

- (ii) Franking will be carried out within units and formations to which the writers or senders of parcels belong or are attached.
- (iii) With regard to letters, all ranks will put their correspondence in addressed envelopes, to be left open, and will hand them to the appropriate officers.
- (iv) An officer on franking a letter will sign his name, but NOT his rank or unit, at the end of the text of the letter. He will then seal it and again sign his name only, at the left hand bottom corner of the envelope, clear of the address. Initials are not sufficient "frank". The use of rubber signature stamps for franking letters is prohibited. He will then hand it direct to the Unit Censor and never through any other person including the writer.
- (v) A similar procedure will be followed in regard to newspapers, packets and parcels with the exception that the franking officer will sign his name only on the outside of the wrapper, in a similar position to that indicated above for an envelope.
- (vi) It is the duty of the Unit Censor to see that the mail is sealed and correctly franked by an Officer authorised to do so, before stamping it and to ensure its delivery to the Postal Service.
- (vii) Correspondence by Officers. Officers are permitted to frank their own correspondence. They must, however, realize that this is a privilege which if abused, will be withdrawn.

Where it is found necessary to withdraw the above privilege in the case of any officer, the Senior Officer of the Unit to which the offending Officer belongs, shall indicate to the Unit Censor the officer who is to frank letters and parcels sent by such offending officer.

- (viii) Correspondence by other ranks. All officers are permitted to frank letters for other ranks under their immediate control.

The G.O.C. may from time to time, if he considers it necessary, vary authorities of officers to frank letters and parcels.

3. THE FIELD SERVICE POST CARDS, will not be franked or otherwise delayed in transit, provided that, in the case of:-

- (i) F.S. P/C Army Form A. 2042, nothing has been added except the address, name of the sender, date of despatch and of the last communication received and lines erasing sentences not required.
- (ii) F.S. P/C Army Forms A . 2042 A.B. and C. They have been used for the appropriate purpose.

4. (i) THE GREEN ENVELOPE Army Form W. 3078, is issued to the troops for the transmission of letters relating to private and family matters solely. They are sealed by the writer.

Letters contained in Green Envelopes will not be franked within the Unit but are subject to Censorship

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4 (i) contd.

at the Base. Their issue is a privilege and the scale of issue is determined by the G.O.C.

(ii) Troops using Green Envelopes will conform to the following regulations governing their use:-

- (a) The certificate, regarding the contents, printed on the front of the envelope, must be signed by the writer of the letter contained in it.
  - (b) The Green Envelope cannot be registered and should not be used for the transmission of valuables.
  - (c) A soldier may enclose up to three of his letters, each in its addressed ordinary envelope, in one Green Envelope. When used for more than one letter, the Green Envelope will be addressed to the Deputy Chief Censor in the Field and sealed by the writer. The covers of enclosed letters will be left open by the sender.
- (iii) Any misuse of the Green Envelope will be regarded as a serious offence. They are not to be used as a means of relieving officers of Censorship duties, and consequently pressure must not be exerted on soldiers to use them. Base Censors will report the apparent excessive use of green envelopes by any particular unit, and any important disclosure of information.

5. (i) Ordinary Letters are placed in addressed envelopes which must be left open to enable them to be franked.

(ii) Parcels or packets will be left open for franking and a declaration of the contents must be placed on the outside wrapper.

(iii) Ordinary letters or other articles to be forwarded by registered post, will be franked and sealed in the presence of the sender or his representative, who will be responsible that the contents are complete except for censored matter.

(iv) Telegrams (where there are facilities for despatch) after being approved, will be routed through the Army Post Office nearest from the place of origin to ensure that Security considerations are being followed.

6. DIARIES.

The despatch of Diaries through the post is forbidden and they will be collected:-

- (a) before contact with the enemy or battle,
- (b) if an attack by the enemy is threatened.
- (c) at all other times, fortnightly.

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and transmitted through the nearest Censor's Office either to the Office in Charge, 2nd Echelon at A.I.F. Overseas Base, or in the case of Australian Military Forces engaged in operations in the Commonwealth to the District Records Office for storing.

Diaries must be clearly marked:-

"Private diary of ..... (Reg. No., Rank, Name and unit)..... date ....."

Diaries may be recovered by their owners on application, but in the case of the A.I.F., no diaries may be released except under instructions from the War Office or such other Military Authority as the War Office may determine. In Australia, the release of diaries will be authorised by A.H.Q.

Present and Past Notebooks and/or Diaries of officers are to be disposed of similarly.

7. INSTRUCTIONS FOR FRANKING OFFICERS.

- (i) It is the duty of officers who frank correspondence to open, delay, and if necessary destroy any private communications or to suppress by excision any statement therein, which contravenes the Censorship Regulations.
- (ii) Censorable matter is set out in F.S. Pocket Book (Pamphlet No. 3 1939) in para. 19 on pages 24 and 25 and should be explained to all ranks. The writer must not, in any circumstances, be informed of any action taken in regard to the Censoring or franking of his correspondence.
- (iii) Particular care is required in censoring and franking correspondence addressed to men in other parts of the theatre of War, owing to the danger of such communications falling into the hands of the enemy.
- (iv) Franking officers will respect the secrecy of, and treat as confidential all information which comes into their possession in the performance of their duties, and will, on no account, divulge any such information either publicly or privately except when public interest or the interests of the service requires them to make a report thereon to a superior authority. These principles of Censorship are to be thoroughly and constantly brought to the notice of all Officers by C.Os.
- (v) No remarks or comments will be written on censored or franked correspondence and, if it is necessary for military reasons that remarks should be made, they must be written on a separate sheet of paper.
- (vi) Franking officers will not pass letters that do not bear at the head the sender's full postal address. The correct postal address is:-

Army No.  
 Rank, Name  
 Unit  
 A.I.F. ABROAD (or location of A.I.F. or A.N.F. camp or area in Australia).



- (vii) The use of headed or embossed stationery is prohibited, if the location of the writer of the unit is thereby disclosed. The use of hotel, ship or similar stationery is forbidden. No address whatever is permitted on postcards.

8. UNIT CENSOR STAMP.

- (i) This stamp is to be used only by the Officer commanding the unit to which it has been issued, or by a commissioned officer to whom he has deputed the duty of Unit Censor.
- (ii) The Censor's stamp is not to leave the personal custody of that officer. When not in use, it will be kept under lock and key or on the person of the officer responsible for it. The Censor's stamp is never to be used
- (a) on unfranked correspondence or unfranked parcels or
- (b) until the holder is satisfied as to the authenticity of the signature of the writer or as to the contents of the parcel.
- Open or empty envelopes and spare sheets of paper must not be stamped with the Unit Censor's Stamp under any circumstances.
- (iii) The Censor's Stamp is to be impressed on the top left hand corner of the envelope, or of the wrapper, clear of the address.
- (iv) Each Censor's Stamp is distinguished by a number and is not transferable, but the holder of a Unit Censor's stamp is obliged to stamp the correspondence of a neighbouring unit or units not in possession of a Unit Censor's stamp.
- (v) When it is impracticable to get it stamped, the correspondence should be tied in bundles, labelled:- "Franked correspondence from .....(unit) ..... and forwarded to the Base for stamping. Official correspondence must not be included in such bundles.
- (vi) Every precaution shall be taken to prevent a Censor's stamp from being lost or falling into improper hands. Should there be imminent danger of its falling into the hands of the enemy, it should be destroyed. This can be done by stripping off and burning the rubber face..
- (vii) The loss of a Censor's Stamp will be reported by telegram to the Chief Field Censor, as well as to H.Q., A.I.F., and a report will be sent without delay explaining the circumstances. Pending the arrival of a new Censor's Stamp, correspondence will be stamped by a neighbouring unit as outlined above, or if that is impracticable, will be forwarded to the Base for stamping.

/Disbanded ....

(viii) Disbanded units or those leaving the theatre of operations will return the Unit Censor Stamp to the Chief Field Censor, G.H.Q.

*James A. Chapman,*  
Colonel,  
Director of Military Intelligence.

1. Reference H.Q. 7 M.D, S.M.2600, 9 Feb 42. It is advised that the allotment of CODE NAMES contained therein is hereby cancelled and the "Block List" from which these CODE NAMES originated is no longer in operation.
2. CODE NAMES to be utilised are as per attached list.
3. These CODE NAMES will become operative at 0001 hrs on the night 6/7 March 1942.
4. Please acknowledge receipt on attached A.57 and return IMMEDIATELY.

Signed J.F.Rooney Capt for Lt.Col.  
G.S.O. (INT) 7 M.D.

MOST SECRET

ALPHABETICAL

BALU	1/54 A.A.S.L. SWIRES BLUFF	RATO	1/54 A.A.S.L. MIDDLE POINT
BILI	23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Fd W/shp	RETI	7 M.D. Provost Coy.
BOLA	9 Army Troop	RITA	147 U.S. Fd Arty Regt
BUKU	119 A.G.H. BERRIMAH.	ROKO	106 Inf Bde Ord Fd W/shp.
DIMO	19 Inf Bn.	RORU	Bulk Issue Pet & Oil Depot.
DOMI	7 M.D. Sigs Mobile No.1.	RURO	7 M.D. Sigs W/shp.
DUMA	H.Q. rear 7 M.D.	SANI	7 M.D. Survey Sec.
FARI	1/54 A.A.S.L. Coy EAST ARM	SENE	1/54 A.A.S.L. "B" Sec.
PERA	9 Works & Parks	SINA	2nd U.S. Bn.
FINU	18 Fd Bty	SOMU	Bde Sec 8 Div Amn Sub Pk.
FONO	H.Q. 7 M.D. Sigs	SUMO	7 M.D. Intelligence.
FUNI	7 M.D. Sigs KATHERINE	TABA	106 Inf Bde Ord Fd Pk.
GATO	7 M.D. Sigs 22 MILE	TIZO	14 A.A. Bty.
GITA	2 A.A. Bty.	TOZI	Emery Point Bty.
GORU	H.Q. U.S. Army,	TUZA	7 Inf Bn.
GURO	H.Q. Adv 7 M.D.	VADI	7 M.D. Sigs COOMALIE.
HAXU	7 M.D. Sigs WEST POINT	VEDA	1/54 A.A.S.L. CHANNEL Is.
HEXO	1/54 A.A.S.L. WEST ARM Is.	VIBU	"M" Bty 11 A/Tk Regt.
HIXI	23 Inf Bde Gp Ord Fd Park.	VOBO	7 M.D. H.Q. A.A.O.C.
HOXA	C.R.A. H.Q. 7 M.D.	VUBI	23 Bde A.A.S.C.
HUTU	23 Aust Inf Bde Rear.	WAFO	7 M.D. H.Q. A.A.O.C. Sigs ADELAIDE RIVER
<del>HOXA</del>			
JEZU	1/54 A.A.S.L. H.Q. AG STAFF	WIFA	23 Fd Coy.
JIZO	28th Bty	WODU	7 M.D. D.A.D.O.S.
JOZI	2/4 Pioneer Bn.	WUDO	124 Res M.T. Coy.
JUZA	H.Q. Fortress Command	YETA	S.I.O. R.A.A.F. H.Q.
KADI	1/54 A.A.S.L. FLAGSTAFF	YIFI	1 U.S. Bn.
KEDA	7 M.D. Ordnance Depot.	YITI	111 Conv Depot.
KIBU	7 M.D. W/Shp & Rec Sec	YOFA	H.Q. 7 M.D. A.A.S.C.
KOBO	East Point Bty	YOTI	19 M.G. Regt.
KUBI	27 Inf Bn.	YUDU	23 Aust Inf Bde Adv.
LAXA	Darwin Fortress Coy.	ZAJA	7 M.D. H.Q. R.A.E. C.E.
LEFI	Adelaide River Camp.	ZEGU	17 Fd Amb.
LIFA	2/14 Fd Regt.	ZIGO	H.Q. R.A.A. & Fire Command.
LITU	119 A.G.M. BAGOT Wing	ZOGI	3 Aust Inf Bde.
LODU	H.Q. A.A.M.C.	ZUGA	D.A.Q.M.G.
LORU	C. F. D.		
LJDO	7 M.D. Sigs BATCHELOR.		
LURA	43 Inf Bn.		
LURI	Movement Control Officer.		
MAFU	1/54 A.A.S.L. PICNIC COVE.		
MIFI	7 M.D. Works Office.		
MOFA	14 A/Tk Bty.		
MUDU	H.Q. A.A. Defences.		
NAJA	S.O.I. Naval H. Q.		
NEGU	27 Fd Bty.		
NIGO	2/12 Fd Amb.		
NOGI	7 M.D. Sigs Mobile No.2.		
NUGA	8 INF BN		
PERA	1/54 A.A.S.L. TALC HEAD		
PINU	2/11 Fd Coy.		
PUNI	West Point Bty.		

AUSTRALIA IMPERIAL FORCE

BM/KR

**7th BATTALION**

HQ 23 AUST INF BDE

6 MAR 42

SECRET

S/7/47

ANTI-PARATROOP AREAS

1. The following are the areas of responsibility of units when located in the new Camp sites out in Operation Instruction No 8:-

147 Fd Arty US Army Area between incl HOWARD SPRINGS RD to excl WEST BRANCH HOWARD RIVER, and including area bounded by continuation of these lines S.W. of MAIN RD.

HQ 23 AUST INF BDE, 23 IND BDE GP ORD WKSHOP, 23 IND BDE GP ORD FDPK Camp areas, incl MAIN RD and RY.

2/11 Fd Company Camp area incl MAIN RD.

43 Bn Area N.E. of RY from incl WEST BRANCH HOWARD RIVER to incl TRACK 097007 - 067990.

M A/Tk Bty Area S.W. of and incl MAIN RD from continuation incl WEST BRANCH HOWARD RIVER to excl MCMINNS AMN DUMP.

7 Bn Area N.E. and S.W. of MAIN RD from excl TRACK 097007 - 067990 and continuation, to incl EAST - WEST line through Ck Xing 083955. Area to incl MCMINNS STA and Amn DUMP.

8 Bn Area EAST and WEST of incl MAIN RD from excl EAST - WEST line through Ck Crossing 083955 in incl ELIZABETH RIVER.

2. All units will be responsible for respective Camp areas and immediate vicinity.

3. Inf Bns and 147 Fd Arty will continue to maintain anti-paratp pls on 5 minutes notice for action in respective areas and also for action in other directions if necessary.

4. If these special anti-paratp forces are sent out for action, either in areas specified or elsewhere, then a separate force will be immediately organised and held ready in camp areas so that it can be despatched under Bde instruction to reinforce 3 Inf Bde Areas.

5. Carrier pls will remain organised for anti-paratp measures and will, as far as possible, carry out training in areas of Unit responsibility.

6. Units will arrange for recce of areas so as to find the best approaches, likely landing spots, and best places to counter any attempts to land paratps.

Major.  
B.M. 23 Aust Inf Bde

INFORMATION FROM 7 MD INT SUMMARIES 65& 66.BURMA

SOUTHERN FRONT. Our forces in the MOKPAGIN area are at present reorganising and are being reequipped. Up to 25 Feb NO attempt had been made by enemy to cross SITTANG R., but appear to be moving from the vicinity of DONYAYIT on EAST bank of SITTANG R. Reports of 25 Feb indicate No developments in the area MYAUNGLEBIN (?) situated in ry 45 miles NORTH of PEGU where a force of our troops is situated. Enemy's strength 25 Feb in MOGHAGIN area estimated at 5,000. During our withdrawal across SITTANG R. enemy casualties estimated 2,000.

NORTHERN FRONT NO report

RANGOON. Civil population except for small staff of key personnel now completely evacuated.

Enemy airraid pm/25 Feb on MINGALADON. Enemy loss 30 planes; our loss 1 fighter.

N.E.I.

SUMATRA Our planes attacked 30 enemy bombers in PALEMBANG area. Results unobserved.

JAVA Our planes attacked convoy of 4 cruisers, 2 destroyers, 30 Merchant vessels 150 miles NORTH OF BATAVIA on 28 Feb. One near miss observed on one large merchant vessel.

Enemy force of 15 destroyers and 43 tpts located 100 miles NORTH of MADURA attacked by our planes. 1 tpt sunk several near misses.

Recce aircraft reported three enemy force approaching centre of N. JAVA coast. Our planes attacked Naval screen first force, badly damaged one cruiser. 3rd force also attacked without result.

TIMOR

Recce 28 Feb reports 12 enemy tpts, 2 destroyers and 3 small vessels in vicinity +KOEPPANG. Presence enemy planes at KOEPANG on 28 Feb indicate areodrome is now serviceable. 1 aircraft carrier, 1 cruiser and 1 destroyer sighted at DILLI 27 Feb. Air recce 1 Mar reported apparent concentrations of rd tpt WEST of DILLI. Recce of KOEPANG hampered by low cloud 1 Mar.

NEW BRITIAN

11 enemy bombers and 5 fighters or dive bombers attacked GASMATA. Two CATALINAS destroyed on the water, 1 damaged beyond repair and a fourth slightly damaged.

AUSTRALIA

4 enemy bombers escorted by 5 fighters raided 7 mile areodrome at PORT MORESBY at 1415/28. Bombs fell on unoccupied dwellings; none on runaways. We lost 2 planes, 2 other damaged. 7 army personnel wounded, 1 RAAF badly wounded. 1 enemy bomber over SALAMAUA on 1 Mar and 9 others seen proceeding towards PORT MORESBY. NO further details.

Vessel sighted at PORT KEATS believed to be "South SEAMAN". Our aircraft sent to investigate. "ADMIRAL HALSTEAD" departed 27 Feb for DERBY, BROOME and FREMANTLE partially manned by U S Naval ratings.

"TULAGI" is expected to sail for SYDNEY via T.I. as soon as crew can be induced to join her.

KUNMUNYA Mission Sta situated approx 100 miles NE of DERBY reported unidentified aircraft overhead at 1415/Z/27. Course and height unknown. Graded O3.

WYNDHAM Atnl107/3 FORREST RIVER mission reported 6 aircraft flying very high in SE direction. Too high to indentify. At 1120 DARWIN radio reported that WYNDHAM was being bombed. Raid lasted 23 minutes. Direct hit on hangar destroying it and 1 DRAGON RAPIDE aircraft. U S and RAAF petrol dump damaged. M G attacks made on foodstores - NO serious damage. NO report yet concerning casualties.

DARWIN Casualties 19 Feb raid :- RAN approx 5 killed 15 wounded; U S Navy 82 killed 10 injured; Merchant ships 25 killed 31 believed killed 36 injured; Civilians (ARP estimate) 40 killed 250 wounded, missing believed en route to KATHERINE 4 EUROPEANS 16 ASIATICS. All above casualties are approximate only. It will be some time before accurate figures can be given.

ALLIED / JAPANESE NAVAL ENGAGEMENT JAVA SEA

The following information is reported 28 Feb. Naval engagement in JAVA SEA resulted in following losses:-

Enemy - 1 heavy cruiser, 2 destroyers sunk, 1 heavy cruiser damaged.

Reports indicate that enemy cruiser gunnery was extremely accurate at 28,000 yds. Enemy aircraft worked in co-operation with Naval Units.

Several JAP convoys reported in JAVA SEA approaching JAVA 27/28 Feb.

Enemy is reported to have landed from 3 tpts at near KEMBANG situated 95 miles NW of SOURABAYA.

7th BATTALION

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 63

SECURITY

Issued by HQ 23 AUST INF BDE

REVIEW OF SITUATION UP TO 0900 hrs 5 MAR 42

INFORMATION from 7 M.D. INT SUMMARY no 67.BURMA Nothing to report.N. E. I.

JAVA First enemy landing took place 27 Feb at RELBANG, 150 miles WEST of SOURABAYA. On 28 Feb further landings were made at TUILAMAJA 55 miles EAST of BATAVIA, INDRAMAJOE 110 miles EAST of BATAVIA, KRAGAN 20 miles EAST OF RELBANG, BANTENNY 50 miles WEST of BATAVIA, and at a point NORTH of KALIDJATI.

On the night 28 Feb/1 Mar further landings were made at a point 15 miles WEST of INDRAMAJOE, and at MAOEK 18 miles WEST of BATAVIA. Actual enemy strength unknown, but has considerable forces in East JAVA. The main force appears to be at KRAGAN. KALIDJATI and SOEBANG 30 miles distant and BANDEONG were in enemy hands on 1 Mar.

The enemy is using light tanks in JAVA.

Counter attacks were made by the DUTCH forces to regain KALIDJATI and SOEBANG. On 1 Mar our planes inflicted heavy casualties on enemy on the road PALANOELAN - KANDANCHAOER respectively situated 35 miles and 15 miles WEST of SUDRAMAJOE.

The enemy is reported to have reached SERANG, 50 miles WEST of BATAVIA by midday 1 Mar.

TIMOR Nothing to report.AUSTRALIA

NEW GUINEA One enemy plane dropped 10 bombs on BULOLO aerodrome 1 Mar. No casualties and NO damage to runways.

WAU was bombed by 9 enemy planes on 1 Mar. Buildings damaged but NO casualties.

RABAUL Our recce 2 Mar reported 24 ships in harbour, incl 6 destroyers.

PORT MORESBY Air Raid was reported to be in progress at 0435 G.M.T. 3 Mar.

SOLOMON IS One enemy plane bombed TULAGI on 2 Mar. One Army hut was partially destroyed and other damaged. NO casualties.

WEST AUSTRALIAN 7 enemy planes believed to be Type "O" fighters.

attacked BROOME at 0940/3 Mar. Casualties are reported as follows:-

RAAF 22; RAF 18; approx total of 140 incl AMERICAN and DUTCH. Damage was done to Hangar and aerodrome. 5 of our aircraft destroyed on ground also 7 F/Bts in NICKOL BAY were machine gunned and destroyed.

No casualties reported.

DARWIN Six (possibly eight) JAP Type "O" Fighters were over DARWIN from 0430/Z to 0450/Z/4 Mar. NO bombs dropped. RAAF station was subjected to M G fire. One HUDSON destroyed by incendiary bullets when about to leave the ground. NO casualties reported. The enemy aircraft disappeared to seaward flying NW.

7th BATTALION

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES  
SEVENTH BATTALION CAMP  
STANDING ORDERS

NOONAMAH  
1 MAR 42

1. ROUTINE

The following Routine will apply

	Hours	Hours
Reveille	0700	Hours
Coy. Parade	0730	"
Breakfast	0800	"
Sick Parade	0830	"
Parade	0900	"
Break Off	1300	"
Midday Meal	1315	"
Parade	1430	"
Dismiss	1800	"
Evening Meal	1900	"
Sick Parade	1945	"
Retreat	1900	"
Lights Out	2245	"

2. DUTIES IN THE BATTALION

(a) The following duties are to be mounted by DUTY COMPANY which will be promulgated in R.O. 1

1. Orderly Officer
2. " Sergeant
3. " Corporal
4. " Runner

5. Gate Guard- 1 Corporal & 6 C.Rs.

(To be posted at Camp entrance and exit when required.)

5. Sentries will be posted at:-
- (i) Ammunition Dump
  - (ii) Battalion Headquarters
  - (iii) Q.M. Store
  - (iv) Canteen (when required)

(b) Each Company will detail an orderly for duty as runner. He will report to the Signal Office and his tour of duty will be from 0800 hrs to 2100 hrs.

The Duty Coy will appoint also a bicycle orderly whose tour of duty will be from 1900 hrs to 1900 hrs

(c) All Duties will report to their Coy HQ on completion of Duty

(d) Coys will ensure that all Duties are fed.

(e) Battalion Orderly Officer will report to R.A.P. at 1100 hrs on each day and together with S.M.O. will inspect the Camp Site.

3. ROLL CALLS

Rolls will be called at REVEILLE and LIGHTS OUT. W 3006 and TATTOO report will be submitted to Bn H.Q. by 0730 hrs and 2255 hrs. LIGHTS OUT Roll Call will be carried out on irregular nights. Roll Books will be initialled by Coy Co. daily.

4. BOUNDS

(a) Personnel will not leave Camp area without a Leave Pass except when on duty

(b) No civilian is to enter the Camp without an escort.

(c) The portions of the Camp Site occupied by other units are strictly out of bounds

(d) Bn H.Q. area is out of bounds

(e) All Camps of Aborigines are out of Bounds.

5. MESS PARADES

Coy Orderly Officer will be responsible for the conduct of Mess Parades.

- (1) All mail matter is to be censored.
- (2) Coy Comds will instruct all personnel to advise their correspondents of the correct method of addressing mail, viz.:  
Army Number  
Rank, Initials, Surname  
Company  
7 Bn A.I.F.  
7 M.D.
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All negatives must be censored and delivered on demand to the censoring Officer, if required. No photograph of military, naval or Air Force equipment, stores, and/or encampments are to be taken.

**OBJECTS which must NOT be taken.**

A person shall not, except under the authority of a written permit granted under this Order make any photograph, sketch plan or representation of any object of the description following that is to say:-

- (a) Any fortifications, battery, search light or other work of defence
- (b) Any aerodrome or seaplane station
- (c) Any assembly of the military, naval or Air Force of the Commonwealth and His Majesty's other forces.
- (d) Any barracks, encampment or building, occupied or in the course of preparation for occupation by any Defence Force of the Commonwealth.
- (e) Any arsenal, factory, magazine, or store for munitions of war, arms, equipment or supplies for any of the military, naval or Air Forces of the Commonwealth whether completed or in the course of completion.
- (f) Any wireless, telegraph, telephone, signal or battle station.
- (g) Any wharf, dock, caisson, dockyard, harbour, ship building works or loading pier.
- (h) Any vessel of war whether completed or under construction or any vessel or vehicle engaged in the transport of supplies or personnel.
- (i) Any aircraft or the wreckage of any aircraft.
- (j) Any building, structure, or other object damaged by enemy action as a result of steps taken to repel enemy action.
- (k) Any hospital or station at which casualties whether civil or otherwise are treated, any ambulance or conveyance of injured persons or any injured person.



## 7. POSTAL

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- (1) All mail matter is to be censored
- (2) Coy Comds will instruct all personnel to advise their correspondents of the correct method of addressing mail, viz.:  
Army Number  
Rank, Initials, Surname  
Company  
7 Bn A.M.F.  
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## 8. SECURITY (Continued)

- (l) Any electricity, gas, or water works, or any gasometer or reservoir or any oil store.
- (m) Any assembly of persons for the purpose of transport or evacuation, or any temporary camp or other accommodation or transport vehicles used for the purpose of evacuation.
- (n) Any riotous or disorderly assembly, or premises or other objects damaged in the course of such assembly.
- (o) Any road, railway or bridges exclusively connected with works of Defence.
- (p) Any area declared to be a protected area.
- (q) If it is desired to have films developed in DARWIN they can be left with Danite Studios or P. Mendis only.

## 9. MEDICAL

All personnel who parade to the R.M.O. must be accompanied by an A.46. In cases of accident, extreme urgency, the M.O's orderly will make out the A 46. Should the R.M.O. deem a D.11 necessary, the Coy will be responsible for the prompt submitting of D 11 to Bn immediately. All personnel evacuated to Hospital will take with them:

Steel Helmet, Respirator, Personal Gear and Paybook.

All other gear is to be handed to CQMS for safe keeping.

R.M.O. will advise Bn and Coy of any personnel being evacuated to Hospital.

## 10. LIGHTING RESTRICTIONS IN MILITARY AREAS

(1) With reference to General Staff Circular No. 28 of 22 DEC 41 on restricted lighting, it has now been decided to restrict the amount of light even more than before.

(2) As from 19/30 DEC 41, one of the following have to be adhered to:

- (i) Lights may only be left unshaded if they are in a building where complete blackout coverings are over all the windows and cracks.
  - (ii) In buildings which do not conform with para (i) all lights must be shaded so they do not throw a circle of light more than 8 ft in diameter on the floor.
  - (iii) No light which throws a direct beam of light outwards or reflects beam of light from internal walls will be turned on under any circumstances.
  - (iv) All external lights, e.g. lights outside sentry boxes and houses etc., will be painted blue or completely covered in blue paper.
- (3) C.Os and O.Cs units will be personally responsible to see these orders are carried out forthwith.
- (4) It is suggested that the nightly checking of the restricted lighting be added to the duties of the Orderly Officer in each camp area.

## 11. TRANSPORT

- (a) No transport will leave the camp area unless G 1 is approved by either C.O. or Adjt.
- (b) All M.T. will report to Signals Office before leaving Camp Area to collect any despatches for delivery en route or their destination.
- (c) Speed limit within the Camp Area is 3 m.p.h.
- (d) Only in cases of ABSOLUTE NECESSITY will any person above the rank of Sergeant drive M.T. vehicles.
- (e) Transport Officer will be responsible for the submission of returns as per schedule.
- (f) Vehicle lights will be painted over leaving only a 2" strip of clear glass at the bottom of lens. Hoods will be fitted.

### M.T. RETURNS

As required	G.52 M.T. Casualty Returns	23 A.I.Bde.
Weekly	Pro Forma M.T. Weekly Return	" " "
Monthly	55A Indent for petrol	" " "
	F.78 Petrol, Oil and Grease Return	" " "
	G.32 Vehicle strength Return	" " "
	G.6 Monthly Veh. Log Sheet Sum.	" " "
	F.115 Stock of Pet., Oils & Grease	" " "
	Pro-forma Monthly Certificate	" " "

## 7th BATTALION

### 13. ALARMS - GAS AND AIR RAIDS

- (1) In order to ensure that all systems of air raid alarms in this district are the same **Air Alarm Signals** as the **Civilian A.R.P. Organisation** and **7 H.D. H.Q.**, the following system of Alarm will be used by all formations, Camps and units.
- (2) ACTION TO BE TAKEN ON VARIOUS ALARMS
  - (a) Alert
    - (i) Complete blackout at night time.
    - (ii) All P.A.D. personnel take up their posts.
    - (iii) A.A. L.H.G. Posts will be manned and guns loaded.
    - (iv) Other Personnel not detailed to specific jobs will carry on with their work or remain in bed if at night.
  - (b) General Alarm
    - (i) If ALERT has already been sounded, take cover and shelter as previously instructed in P.A.D. exercises.
    - (ii) If ALERT has NOT already been sounded, the actions of the ALERT and GENERAL ALARM will be carried out together and IMMEDIATELY.
  - (c) Gas Alarm
    - (i) Respirator will be adjusted and as much overhead cover as possible will be obtained.
    - (ii) Capes, A /G or Capes W/P will be adjusted.
  - (d) All Clear
    - (i) Personnel will proceed to their work (or to bed if at night).
    - (ii) P.A.D. officers will inspect their areas and see that all their duties and those of their squads are completed before they return to their normal work.
    - (iii) If gas has been used the ALL CLEAR will NOT be sounded until decontamination and marking of gas areas have been carried out.
- (3) SIRENS will NOT be used for any other type of alarm other than above without special approval of 23 Aust Inf Bde.

### 14. PAY

- (i) Pay will be at the rates prescribed.
- (ii) Personnel may accumulate a credit in their paybooks, but must draw at least one shilling per day, plus Tax, if applicable.
- (iii) Personnel may raise credits in their paybooks, by paying in cash similar to banking procedure.
- (iv) Any queries in reference to pay will be brought to the notice of the Coy P.S. or Cpl who in turn will contact Battalion Pay Sgt.

### 15. DRESS

- (i) Personnel will be clean shaven.
- (ii) Dress will be clean and tidy. (It is in the interest of the man's health for him to wear clean clothing every day, and of the utmost importance that clean socks be worn.)
- (iii) Portion of SUNDAYS will be set aside for "Make and Mend"
- (iv) Hair is to be cut short, but the head must NOT be close clipped or shaven.
- (v) All clothing and uniform is to be aired during "Make & Mend" parades, whenever weather permits.
- (vi) Boots must NOT be worn beyond repair, but will be handed to CQMS for repair as soon as repair becomes necessary.

### 16. HUTMENTS AND BARRACKS

- (i) All hutments and tents must be in inspection order by 0830 and will remain thus until 1700 hrs daily.

- (ii) Blankets will be folded and placed at the head of the stretcher.

### 17. NATURAL GROWTH ETC.

- (i) No standing timber is to be felled without C.Os authority.
- (ii) Personnel in movement about Camp Area will keep to existing roads or tracks.
- (iii) Ammunition will NOT be used for shooting game etc.

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## 18. INTERCOMMUNICATION.

All messages to and from Coys are to pass through Signal Office. Coys will detail an Orderly each day to report to Sig Office. (This duty will replace the Coy Runner. As these Orderlies will be required to carry verbal messages, they are advised to detail an intelligent man for this duty.

## 19. SCHEDULE.

Returns Daily 0700 A.14  
W 3006 (To be submitted by wire when Coy is detached.)  
Weekly 1800 W 3009 THURSDAY.  
W 3008 SUNDAY  
As required W 3010  
W 3011  
W 3012

*C. Jones*  
Lieut.  
Adj't 7 Bn.

## DISTRIBUTION

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War Diary	2
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T.O.	1
File	2
R.S.H.	1

HEADQUARTERS,  
7 M.D.  
11 MAR. 42.

ALL UNITS.

CENSORSHIP - SECURITY OF INFORMATION.

The following brief extracts from Manual of Military Intelligence relative to Censorship are published for general information.

1. Allusions to any of the following matters are forbidden at all times in private correspondence during a war, whether relating to Naval, Military or Air Forces or operations:-
  - i. Strength, efficiency, morale or organisation of our forces, or those of our allies, including any comment on the absence or presence in the theatre of war of any unit or formation, or disclosure regarding the formation to which any unit is attached or belongs.
  - ii. Location or movement of any naval, military or air force units or detachments; arrival or lack of re-inforcements.
  - iii. Armament or equipment of any kind.
  - iv. Distinguishing marks or signs used for the identification of formations and units, and their transport.
  - v. Plans or forecasts or orders for future operations, whether known or merely rumoured or surmised.
  - vi. Communications - such as the use, condition or probable extensions of roads, railways or other transportation facilities, bridging operations etc.
  - vii. State of the maintenance services, including any reference to reserves.
  - viii. Position or description of billets, bivouacs or camps.
  - ix. Casualties before official publication.
  - x. Effect of any action by the enemy. Any remark that might tend, if published, to encourage the enemy, to cause despondency in our own forces or people, or to incite a feeling of hostility among the people in a theatre of war or in neutral countries.
  - xi. Criticisms and statements calculated to bring into disrepute our own forces or those of our allies.

2. It is strictly forbidden to communicate to the Press except through the duly authorised channel.

3. It is forbidden to send through the post photographs or films except those taken under proper authority. In this connection the following extract from the NATIONAL Security Regulations (General) are quoted:-

"Subject to any exemptions for which provision is made by order of the Minister, a person shall not, except under the authority of a written permit granted by or on behalf of the Minister -

- (a.) have a camera with him -
  - i. in any vessel or in any aircraft within the Territorial limits of AUSTRALIA;
  - ii. in a prohibited place; or
  - iii. in any place specified in any order made by the Minister

( b ) make any photograph, sketch or plan or other representation of or of any part of or object in any area specified by order of the Minister, being an area in relation to which the restriction of photography appears to the Minister to be expedient in the interests of the

defence of the Commonwealth.

There will shortly be an issue of GREEN ENVELOPES and FIELD SERVICE POSTCARDS to all Units in this District, and the following brief information is to be made known to all concerned.

The GREEN ENVELOPE may be used in two ways:-

- i. One letter may be enclosed in the GREEN ENVELOPE addressed to the person to whom the letter is directed. Such letter will be sealed by the writer and the certificate on the outside of the envelope signed. Such letter is N O T subject to censorship within the Unit, but may be censored at the base.
- ii. Up to three letters may be enclosed in one GREEN ENVELOPE. Such letters will be addressed and left OPEN. They will then be enclosed in the GREEN ENVELOPE which will be sealed and addressed to

BASE CENSOR,  
7th. MILITARY DISTRICT.

who will censor the letters enclosed and attend to their despatch.

NO POSTAGE is required on a GREEN ENVELOPE addressed to the Base Censor, or on a GREEN ENVELOPE addressed to an individual except when the writer desires such letter to be forwarded by AIR. If to be despatched BY AIR, ad. postage must be affixed. The same postage must be affixed to letters enclosed in a GREEN ENVELOPE if the writer desires they be forwarded BY AIR from the Base Censor's Office.

Field Service Postcards. NOTHING WHATSOEVER may be written on a Field Service Postcard except the address, name of sender and date of despatch. Sentences not required may be erased. Any Field Service Postcard on which anything is written or on which erasure is not properly carried out WILL BE DESTROYED. No postage is required on a Field Service Postcard except here it is desired such card shall be despatched by Air. It is not thought that such cases will be frequent, as personnel would normally send a letter rather than a Field Service Card if Air Mail fee is payable.

Units will take steps to see that all concerned are acquainted with the contents of this circular memo.

A serious view will be taken of any case brought under notice of breaches of CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS and misuse of GREEN ENVELOPES or FIELD SERVICE POSTCARDS.

*J.B. Johnson*  
Lieut. Col.  
General Staff (Int) 7 M.D.

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War Diary  
(Int.)

7th BATTALION

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 6

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
6 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on  
6 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut J.W. TURVEY
Orderly Sgt	Sgt REEVES E.
Orderly Cpl	L/Cpl SMITH C.G.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte CHESSUM K.J.

Duty Coy	"B" Coy
Next for Duty	"C" Coy

2. BLOOD  
GROUPING

All H.Q. Coy personnel who have NOT been blood  
grouped will parade at 0900 hrs on 7 MAR 42 at  
R.A.P. with nominal roll and 3 clerks.

Remaining Coys will attend in the following  
order on the same day :-

Bn H.Q.  
A Coy  
B "  
C "  
D "  
E "

Coys will be notified by sigs of time for parade.  
Return will be submitted by Coys to reach Bn  
H.Qs. NOT later than 1900 hrs FRIDAY 6 MAR 42,  
showing number of personnel to be blood grouped.

*Lt. Turvey* Lieut.  
for Adjt 7 Bn.

NOTICES

R.C. CHURCH SERVICE

R.C. Church Parade will be held at Picture  
Theatre on SATURDAY 7 MAR 42 at 0730 hrs.  
Confession at 1930 hrs tonight.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 35

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

TO

TUZA

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM

HUTU

Originator's Number

L387

Date

27

In Reply to Number.

13

for	T.O. <sup>15</sup>	Q	conference	of	T.O.
will	be	held	at	SUMO	1430
be	9 Mar 42	Q	ack		

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

2137

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.



MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 36

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

SUMU and YUDU

FROM

TUZA

Originator's Number

113

Date

7

In Reply to Number.

INTELLIGENCE TELEGRAM

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(a) area

copy (b)

carry out with

(c)

rece nil

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

B Tellyphon

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

S.D.R

TIME OF ORIGIN

0900

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 37

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

TUZA

FROM

TUZA

Originator's Number

A5

Date

7

In Reply to Number.

all	Coys	will	submit	To	TUZA
by 1800 hrs		7 Mar 42	names	of	any
A.M.F. personnel		who	have	passed	medical
test	for	AIF	or	RAAF	⊙
N/H	returns	where	applicable	⊙	ack.

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IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

1700

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

7th BATTALION

GREEN ENVELOPES AND FIELD SERVICE POSTCARDS

THE FIELD SERVICE POSTCARD will NOT be franked or otherwise delayed in Transit, provided that, in the case of :-

- (1) F.S.P/C Army Form A 2042, nothing has been added except the address, name of the sender, date of despatch and of the last communication received, and lines erasing sentences NOT required.
- (11) F.S.P/C Army Forms A 2042 A, B & C. They have been used for the appropriate purpose.

THE GREEN ENVELOPE Army Form W 3078, is issued to the troops for the transmission of letters relating to private and family matters solely. They are sealed by the writer. Letters contained in GREEN ENVELOPES will NOT be franked within the unit, but are subject to Censorship at the Base. Their issue is a privilege, and the scale of issue is determined by the G.O.C.

Troops using GREEN ENVELOPES will conform to the following regulations governing their use :-

- (a) The certificate regarding the contents, printed on the front of the envelope must be signed by the writer of the letter contained therein.
- (b) The Green Envelope cannot be registered, and should NOT be used for the transmission of valuables.
- (c) A soldier may enclose up to three of his letters, each in its addressed envelope in one GREEN ENVELOPE. When used for more than one letter, the Green Envelope will be addressed to the Deputy Chief Censor in the Field and sealed by the writer. The flaps of enclosed envelopes will be left open by the sender.

Any misuse of the GREEN ENVELOPE will be regarded as a serious offence. They are NOT to be used as a means of relieving officers of Censorship Duties, and consequently pressure must NOT be exerted on soldiers to use them. Base Censors will report immediately the apparent excessive use of Green Envelopes by any particular unit, and any important disclosure of information.

Ordinary letters are placed in addressed envelopes which must be left open to enable them to be franked.

Parcels or packets will be left open for franking and a declaration of the contents must be placed on the outside wrapper.

Ordinary letters or other articles to be forwarded by registered post will be franked and sealed in the presence of the sender or his representative, who will be responsible that the contents are complete except for censored matter.

Telegrams (where there are facilities for despatch) after being approved, will be routed through the Army Post Office nearest from the place of origin to ensure that security considerations are being followed.

*J. J. J. J.*  
Adjutant 7th. Battalion

ALL UNITS.

## 7th BATTALION

HEADQUARTERS

7. M. D.  
6 MAR. 42GREEN ENVELOPE AND FIELD SERVICE POST CARDS.

It is notified for general information that supplies of the above are now available for distribution.

Units will submit requisitions through the appropriate channels to stationery Depot 7 M.D. for supplies of each on the following basis :-

- 1 GREEN ENVELOPE per man per week.
- 2 FIELD SERVICE POST CARDS per man per week.

Attention is directed to ARMY FIELD CENSORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS No.7 (revised) relative paras of which are quoted hereunder :-

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Lieut Col.  
General Staff (Int) 7 M.D.

### FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

7 BN (Unit) 16 4 43 1943 (te).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

#### Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). EST.	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1	1	
W.Os. Class II.	9	4	5
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	6	6	
Staff Serjeants	1	1	
Serjeants	49	54	
Corporals	94	94	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	877	877	3
TOTALS	1037	1037	5

\*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

#### Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
SQT. WOLANDER	A.A.P.C.		
SQT. BRENNAN	A.A.O.C.		
PR. CUBISH	A.A.O.C.		
CP. LIVINGSTON	POSTAL UNIT		

#### Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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



H.Q. K Sec Sigs & Div.  
Att 23 Aust Inf Bde.  
5 Mar 42.

# 7th BATTALION

SECRET

## W/T FREQUENCIES

The following frequencies will come into operation as from  
0001 hrs. 7 Mar 42.

HQ 32 Aust Inf Bde (K Sec)	(101) sets	HJ 5205 BO 5465 CM 5825 FX 5925
7 Bn	(108 sets)	8510 8580 8720 8800
8 Bn		8540 8650 8760 8840
43 Bn	(108 sets)	8550 8660 8770 8880

O.C.  
KSec Sigs & Div.

War diary  
(Lt)

## 7th BATTALION

### A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 7

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
7 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

#### 1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 7 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut L.C. NORMAN
Orderly Sgt	Sgt HARDING R.S.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl HUBBLE H.G.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte PYLE G.T.

Duty Coy	"C" Coy
Next for Duty	"D" Coy

#### 2. SECURITY

Attention is again drawn to Camp Standing Orders, Para 10, viz. :- Lighting Restrictions in Military Areas.

Disciplinary action will be taken in the event of any breaches of these instructions.

Officers and N.C.Os are particularly instructed to co-operate in this matter.

  
Lieut.  
for Adjt 7 Bn.

#### NOTICES

#### COMMUNION

Communion will be celebrated to 0900 hrs in the Recreational Area tomorrow SUNDAY 8 MAR 42.



7th BATTALION

APPENDIX No 41

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY No. 64  
ISSUED BY HQ 23 AUST INF BDE.

SECURITY.

REVIEW OF THE SITUATION UP TO 1400 HRS 6 MAR 42.

INFORMATION from 7 M.D. INT. SUMMARY No.68.

BURMA.

NORTHERN FRONT. There is nothing to report.

SOUTHERN FRONT, Our aircraft raided WAW on 2MAR. The town was left burning fiercely. It is believed that the enemy strength in WAW area is one Bn with mortars. Damage was done to 3 of our tanks operating against the enemy in this area by mortar fire. Reports are still coming in of BURMANS murdering INDIANS and burning and destroyed their homes.

RANGOON. No air activity is reported from this area.

N.E.I.

SUMATRA It is reported that about 550 all ranks escaped from SINGAPORE and have joined our forces in SUMATRA.

JAVA. 50 enemy bombers escorted by fighters carried out an extensive raid on ANDIR.

Paratps have been dropped at BAJOIGBONG 30 miles S.E. of BANDEONG. They were dealt with by armoured cars. Our AA batteries claim 5 enemy planes shot down in these operations.

DUTCH bombers scored direct hits on two large enemy tpts off ERETAN 18 miles WEST of INDRAMALOR. They also raided the aerodrome at KALIDJATI occupied by the enemy.

Enemy forces have reached TANGERAIG 15 miles WEST of BATAVIA. The bridge at leuniliang 12 miles WEST of BUITENZORG has been demolished by our troops. DUTCH forces are in contact with the enemy at KALIDJATI and SOEBANG also at ERETAN. Infiltrations have been made by enemy cyclists at SOEKAMANTRI 22 miles N.E. of BANDEONG. No enemy forces are reported EAST of BABAD 33 miles WEST of SOURABAYA. The enemy's main thrust appears to be on BATAVIA and WEST of SOURABAYA.

AUSTRALIA.

PORT MORESEY was raided twice on 5 MAR. First raid was carried out on the 7 mile aerodrome. Some bombs were dropped causing minor damage but no casualties.

COCOS ISLAND was subjected to shelling by an enemy raider on the night of 3 MAR. Direct hits were scored on the cable offices. NO casualties among the staff have been reported.

DARWIN At 1505/5 HMAS " DELORAINNE" was attacked by one Jap serial 43 aircraft at posn 12 10' S 129 55' E. The plane was unheard and unseen the attack being carried out "out of the sun" from an altitude of 6/8000 ft. One bomb fell 50 ft. from the ship in the first attack at 1514 hrs.

At 1515 hrs the second attack was made 2 sticks of bombs fell 50 ft from the ship on the starboard quarter. Serial 43 then carried out recce of CAPE FOURCROY and BATHURST IS. Serial 43 then returned at 1545 hrs and made a 3rd attack from 6500 ft. One bomb was dropped. Altogether 6 bombs were dropped, each believed to 100lb. It was observed that the water was blackened after each explosion. The enemy proceeded on course 200. after action.

DISTRIBUTION.

- 'M' A Tk Bty.
- 2/11 Fd Coy
- 7 Bn
- 8 Bn
- 43 Bn
- 23 Bde Coy AASC
- 2/12 Fd Amb.
- 23 Ind Bde Gp Ord Wkshop
- 23 Ind Bde Gp Ord Fd Pk.
- 147 Fd Arty U.S. Army

7th BATTALION

APPENDIX No 43A

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 8

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
8 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 8 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut F.R. LONGMORE
Orderly Sgt	Sgt A.D. McMAHON
Orderly Cpl	Cpl J.A. NICHOLLS
Bicycle Orderly	Pte R. ARCHER
Duty Coy	"D" Coy
Next for Duty	"E" Coy

2. POSTAL FACILITIES

CIVIL :- Civil Post Office now operating at Half-way Store, DARWIN. Postage stamps and Postal notes available. Money Order and Savings Bank business NOT available. Telegrams accepted, but are sent by air mail to ADELAIDE, thence by telegraph to destination.

MILITARY :- Field Post Offices established at LARRAKEYAH, WINNELLIE and NOONAMAH. Stamps available. Money Order and Savings Bank business NOT available. Registered air mail letters accepted, but registered packets and small parcels overland only. Postal Notes should be available in a few days.

3. BANKING FACILITIES

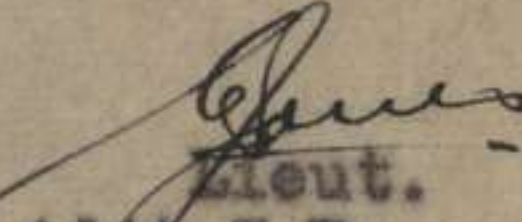
At present, NIL.  
(It is believed that the Commonwealth Bank is opening a Branch at ALICE SPRINGS, and a Mobile Unit for conduct of ordinary and Savings Bank business will operate throughout this district.)

4. COURT OF INQUIRY

Court of Inquiry re Fire in "E" Coy Area will be held on TUESDAY 10 MAR 42 at 1000 hrs.  
President, Capt V.C. ELLIS. Member, Lieut L.B. HANLON.

5. SIG MESSAGES

~~All written messages taken from Coys to Sig Office by Runner or Bicycle Orderly will be made out in triplicate, and THREE copies taken to Sig Office.~~

  
Lieut.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

NOTICES

LOST

Kangaroo Hide Wallet inside pair of shorts, containing 2 calendars, 6 photographs, watch guarantee etc. Also 36" pullover. Lost on SATURDAY last. Finder please return to 7 Bn H.Q.

Tobacco pouch, keepsa ke, lost at Showers. Finder please return to 7 Bn H.Q. REWARD - 2 TINS TOBACCO.

# MESSAGE FORM

*APPENDIX. No 44*

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

**7th BATTALION**

OUT

No. of Groups

**GR.**

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

**TO**

*SUMO MYUDU*

**FROM**

*TAZU*

Originator's Number

*I 17*

Date

*9*

In Reply to Number

*INTELLIGENCE TELEGRAM*

*area containing parties*

*containing several*

*(b) to*

*(a) unit new*

*will (c) camp*

*of advance site.*

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT **IN CYPHER.**

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

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(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

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MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 45

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO TUZA

FROM TUZA

Originator's Number

A. 7

Date

9

In Reply to Number

all	leaves	will	submit	to	TUZA
by	1100 hrs	10 men	no	of	men
who	have	found	service	rifle	and
stage	reached	0	to	of	men
who	have	thrown	live	grenades	also
to	who	have	not	been	and
no	who	have	not	thrown	

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*[Signature]*

SIGNED

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				DR	1612		<i>[Signature]</i>				

T.H.I.

1611

T.O.R.

SM 2781

7th BATTALION

511-62

All Units 7 M.D.

A.A. DEFENCE OF TROOP TRAINS.

PROTECTIVE ARRANGEMENTS.

1. During movement by rail the C.C. Train is responsible for the A.A. protection of his train. To ensure that all troop trains moving in areas liable to air attack are provided with this protection, staffs issuing orders for a rail move will arrange for the inclusion of at least two motor vehicles with A.A.L.M.G's. mounted on them in each such train. The guns will be mounted in motor vehicles on flats with suitable protection for the gun detachments. Protection will be provided by constructing sandbag emplacements or steel shields in the vehicles to be used for this purpose. Sufficient space must be provided in the vehicle to enable guns to have an all round traverse. The canopies of vehicles on which the A.A.L.M.G's. are mounted and of those immediately in front and rear will be lowered. These preparations will be made prior to entrainment.

TYPES OF TRAINS.

2. Standard troop trains generally will be of two types:-

(a) Trains conveying mechanised Units.-consisting of:-

- Brakevan
- 4 or 5 passenger cars for troops
- 14 to 19 flat wagons or bogie goods trucks (for M.V., guns etc.)

(b) Trains conveying mounted Units - consisting of:-

- Brakevan
- 3 or 4 passenger cars for troops
- 8 bogie to 21 4-wheel cattle wagons (horses)
- 5 to 7 flat or bogie goods wagons (for M.V.gunsetc.)

The number of passenger cars, flat wagons or bogie goods trucks and cattle wagons will vary according to the personnel, motor vehicles etc., and horses, to be entrained.

Motor vehicles with A.A.L.M.G's. mounted on them will be spaced equidistant from the front and rear of the train.

ALLOCATION OF A.A.L.M.G's. TO TRAINS.

3. In the case of a formation moving by rail A.A. protection can best be ensured by pooling all L.M.G's. and distributing them among the trains conveying the formation. This will result in a modification of the principle that units should not be split up between trains more than is absolutely essential, as those with a large complement of L.M.G's. (e.g. infantry battalions) will have to find A.A. detachments for trains containing units of other arms, (e.g. R.A.A., R.A.E., SIGS., A.A.S.C., A.A.M.C., etc.) which are not so well provided with such weapons.

18/10/41

SAFETY MEASURES - PERSONNEL.

- 4. (a) A.A.L.M.G. detachments on trains will post sentries to keep continuous watch for hostile aircraft. In addition, one man will be posted to give warning when a train is approaching a tunnel, bridge or other overhead structure to ensure that the detachment will not be injured or the gun damaged by the structure, and when engaging the enemy, that bullets from the L.M.G. will not ricochet into the train.
- (b) Sentries and gun detachments must be warned against riding on the roofs of railway carriages, cabs of motor vehicles, etc., or in positions in which they are likely to be struck by overhead railway structures.
- (c) Officers and other key personnel should not be concentrated in one portion of the train, but should travel distributed along its length.

SAFETY MEASURES - VEHICLES.

5. To ensure quick dispersion from detraining points, which are favourable targets for air attack, motor vehicles will normally entrain with tanks full to enable them to be driven away quickly to dispersed areas. After entraining the petrol tap will be turned off and the engine started and run until the carburettor is dry. To reduce the danger of fire, extinguishers and tins of sand will be provided by the O.C. train and placed on all railway trucks loaded with motor vehicles.

*W. H. Miller* — *M. J.*  
 Lt. Col.,  
 General Staff, 7 M.D.

7th BATTALION

Ref Map DARWIN 1" - 1 Mile.

SECRET  
6 MAR 42.

2/12 Fd Ambulance Operation Instruction No.1.

Aerial Warfare.

After an attack from the air.

- (1) An ambulance waggon will proceed from CENTRAL SECTOR R.A.P. to the A.A. Bty Mc MILLIAN'S.
- (2) An ambulance waggon will proceed from A.D.S. via QUARATINE Rd - LEE POINT Rd to CENTRAL SECTOR R.A.P. and return.
- (3) Casualties may be placed anywhere along ambulance routes.
- (4) All other demands for ambulance waggons from area of COVERING FORCE less HOWARD R. PENNINSULA will be made by telephone to A.D.S. through Adv Bde H.Q. switch.

Signed at 0900 hrs and issued by M.C. D/R.

N.D. BARTON Lt. Col.  
Comdg 2/12 Fd Amb.

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- 3 Inf Bde . (10)
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- 7 M.D. Hqs. (7)
- War Diary
- A Coy
- B Coy
- FILE.

## 7th BATTALION

SECRET

ADV. 7 M.D.

17 MAR. 42.

ALL UNITSRECOGNITION OF AIRCRAFT

1. It is advised that S. M. 2780, of 5 Mar. 42. is cancelled and this S.M. issued in lieu thereof.
  2. The information received via JAVA should have read:-  
"LOCKHEED HUDSON AND BRISTOL BLEMHEIM bombers have been captured by JAPANESE in JAVA AND IT IS POSSIBLE that they will be used against us."
  3. The text of this message is self explanatory and Units are advised to instruct personnel, where applicable in the means by which these types of aircraft are identified. Such identification will be assisted by close study of the silhouettes appearing in:-
    - (a) Australian Military Forces - SILHOUETTES BRITISH and FOREIGN AIRCRAFT.
    - (b) R. A. A. F. Publication No. -142- SILHOUETTES BRITISH and FOREIGN AIRCRAFT.
  4. It may be impossible to determine whether aircraft of these types are being used by Allied or Enemy personnel, therefore it is advised that, until further notice NO ground action will be taken against LOCKHEED HUDSON and BRISTOL BLEMHEIM aircraft unless such aircraft directly attack any Unit or Sub-unit.
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7th BATTALION

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

C A M P R O U T I N E O R D E R N O . 9

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
9 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col; R.M. SADLER DSO MC VM Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 9 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut L.N. MCKINNON
Orderly Sgt	Sgt ARNOLD V.L.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl TAYLOR R.A.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte BESON F.L.

Duty Coy	"E" Coy
Next for Duty	"A" Coy

2. RUBBISH TINS

All refuse must be covered at all times, and incinerated as soon as possible. Lids must be provided for all garbage tins.

3. BICYCLES

Coy Comds will ensure that the Coy Orderly carries out daily maintenance on Coy bicycles. Bicycles must be maintained in a clean, well oiled condition.

4. CANTEEN

7 Bn Canteen will be open at the following hours daily :-

1330 - 1415  
1800 - 1845  
1930 - 2030

These times are to be observed.  
All Canteen sales are now STRICTLY CASH.

*Jones*  
Lieut.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

APPENDIX No 50

Army Form C.2128  
(Pads of 100)  
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# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN **7th BATTALION**  
OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO **SUMO M YUDU**

FROM **TUZA**

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

**I 19**

**10**

INTELLIGENCE	TELEGRAM	(a)	rece	of
area continuing		(b)	and	preparing
and moving		to	new	camp site

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**0930**

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

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APPENDIX No 51

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S


CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 10

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
10 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 10 MAR 42 :-  
Orderly Officer           Lieut  
Orderly Sgt                Sgt  
Orderly Cpl                Cpl  
Bicycle Orderly           Pte  
Duty Coy  
Next for Duty
2. DIARIES Attention is drawn to para 6 of S.O. for War.
3. CRASHED AIRCRAFT Souveniring of parts of crashed aircraft is absolutely forbidden. If any aircraft crashes in vicinity of 7 Bn personnel, a guard will immediately be posted, and information forwarded to nearest higher authority.
4. AIR MAIL Air mail must be stamped with 4' stamp before it can be sent. Air mail NOT stamped will go surface mail.
5. MISSING BAYONET Coy Comds will check bayonets in respective Coys to locate bayonet No. 1 Mk 111. This bayonet is off a special rifle and will NOT fit the S.M.L.E. rifle on issue to troops.
6. SECURITY Coy Comds will arrange to visit the Int Office at 1930 hrs daily to peruse documents of importance.
7. TRAFFIC CONTROL Strict traffic discipline MUST be observed in Camp Areas.  
All ranks are again reminded that the fullest co-operation is needed in regard to the observance of traffic discipline, which is of vital importance.
8. INFORMATION All officers moving away from the area to which they are allotted are reminded that information as to their whereabouts and period of absence must be left at the nearest phone, so that they are in continual contact with the unit.

  
Lieut.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

NOTICES

- LOST Magazine of rifle, containing 10 rounds. Finder please return to 7 Bn H.Q.  
1 Hat, khaki fur, left in latrines. Finder please return to 7 Bn H.Q.
- FOUND Pocket watch and note book. Can be collected from "B" Coy Office on identification.

7th BATTALION

APPENDIX. No 52.

Lt.

10 MARCH.

APP. 52

RE PLATOON GARDENS

As an endeavour to obtain a supply of fresh vegetables for members of the Battalion, each Pl will, in the new area, prepare a plot for this purpose. Suggested size 30' X 30'. Where possible water from showers can be used for watering purposes. Owing to number of Kangaroos etc. in area, plots should be fenced off. It will be a matter of honour among members of the Bn that Pl plots are NOT raided.

A limited number of seeds are now available at Bn H.Q. and further supplies have been promised from gardens at ADELAIDE RIVER. In the meantime it may be possible for pls to privately have sent from the South seeds of suitable vegetables such as tomatoes, spinach, french beans, scarlet runners, silver beet, cucumbers, melons, pumpkins, marrows, rockmelons.

A SUCCESSFUL EFFORT IN THIS REGARD WILL BE OF GREAT BENEFIT TO THE TROOPS.

*M. P. Hall*

Lt-Col.  
V64336  
Commanding 7 Bn.

RE FIRES (TENTS)

N.C.Os or Senior soldiers in charge of tents will be personally instructed that cigarette bumper and match tins will be provided in each tent. Fires have occurred here and at DANDENONG which may possibly have been caused by careless disposal of cigarette ends. In platoon areas adequate fire buckets will be kept ready for immediate use.

*M. P. Hall*

Lt-Col.  
V64336  
Commanding 7 Bn.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 53

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

TO

All Coys, Lieut Selvey, T.O.

FROM

Rajk

Originator's Number

2168

Date

11

In Reply to Number.

All Coys	1 Coy	Counts	report	Ben	H.Q.
2000	has	11	MAR	⊙	discuss
work	programme				

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1800

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*[Signature]*

SIGNED

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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(Lt.)

7th BATTALION

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 11

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
11 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT  
on 11 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut THOMPSON
Orderly Sgt8	Sgt ELLIS
Orderly Cpl	Cpl MCGOWAN
Bicycle Orderly	Pte

Duty Coy	"B" Coy
Next for Duty	"C" Coy

2. TRAFFIC

As from 0001 hrs on 12 MAR 42, traffic will  
move in the NORTH gate and out the SOUTH  
gate.  
Speed within Camp area - 5 m.p.h.

(Signed) C. JONES

Lieut.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

APPENDIX - No 575

MESSAGE FORM

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN  
OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

SUMO YUDD YUDU

FROM

TUZA

Originator's Number

I 21

Date

12

In Reply to Number

INTELLIGENCE	TELEGRAM	0	(2)	run	
area	continuing	(4)	(A)	(C)	of
to	new camp		side		embowed

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SIGNED

A. J. Horne Sgt

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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APPENDIX No 56.

DISTRIBUTION OF AMM IN BN

WEAPON	No.	Rds with Gun	Total with Gun	Rds per Gun in Reserve	Total in Coy Reserve	Total in Bn Reserve	Total with Bn
Rifles	1020	50	51000	97	49000	49940	149940
MMG (H)	12	3500	42000	4500	27000	27000	96000
" Carriers	11	3500	38500	4500	24750	24750	88000
Lewis	40	947	37880	500	10000	10000	57880
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>169380</b>		<b>110750</b>	<b>111690</b>	<b>391820</b>

Pistol 455	25	12	300	6	75	75	450
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TSMG	23	200	4600	400	4600	4600	13800
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3" Mortar H.E.	6	90	540	27		162	702
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" Smoke	6	30	180	9		54	234
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x Grenades H.E.	144				72	72	144
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" Smoke	144				72	72	144
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x To be distributed on basis of 9 H.E. and 9 Smoke per Rifle Coy.

DISTRIBUTION

C O	1	
2 i/c	2	
Adjt	3	
Q M	4	
R S M	5	
Coy Comds	6 - 11	
Mortar Pl Comd	12	
War Diary	13	
File	14 - 15	
Spare	16 - 17	

7th BATTALION



G/DRR/AEO.

SECRET.

Copy No. 59

7th BATTALION

S.M. 2798

10 Mar. 42.

ALL UNITS.CODE NAMES.

1. The correct use of code names in this District has not been observed; attention of all formations, units and staffs is drawn to F.S.P.B. Pam. No. 2, Sec. 9 (10):-

"10. Code Names - Formations and units are allotted code names by the General Staff. Within divisions, mobile divisions and corps medium artillery, code names will be used in the addresses and sent on all written messages, except in messages originated at those headquarters and addressed only to units and formations in rear, or to other divisional or corps medium artillery headquarters. In these cases and at headquarters of corps and higher formations, the authorized abbreviations will be used.

In radio telephony code names will always be used.

In line telephony, when a danger zone has been notified, code names will be used when either speaker is in front of divisional headquarters."

2. In this District, code names will be used for all telephonic communication in front of District Headquarters. O.C. 7 M.D. Signals and Regimental Signal Officers will see that all signals personnel are instructed in the correct procedure for dealing with telephonic call when code names are used.

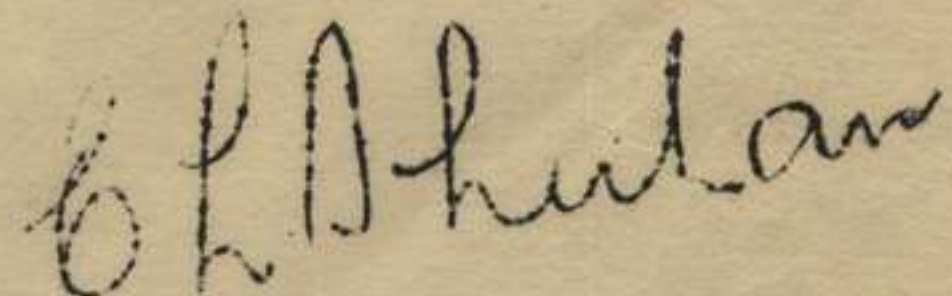
3. Particular care must be taken to see that after having called up a formation or unit by a code name that no indication is given in the conversation as to what unit that is.

e.g. Don't call up a Bde. H.Q. by asking for BUXO and then ask for Bde. Maj., that immediately indicates not only where the Bde. is located but also the code name of that Bde.

4. To overcome the leakage of security in para 3, the method of giving various appointments on a headquarters numbers will be adopted. Their number and the method of use are described in Appendix "A".

5. On no account will the numbering system as laid down in Appendix "A" be altered without permission of this headquarters, nor will the number after a code word be used in normal written messages.

6. Messages must not be addressed to a specific officer or by using a number after a code name such as "PIXO 1". If it is required to send the message to a specific officer, the beginning of the text will state the officer to be the addressee e.g. "For Capt. Smith".



Lt. Col.,  
General Staff, 7 M.D.

APPENDIX "A"

USE OF NUMBER in conjunction with Code Names.

The numbers to be placed after the Code Names of H.Qs. as indicated in para 5, are shown in the following table:-

NO.	Adv. 7 M.D.	Rear 7 M.D.	Formation or Bde.	Unit	Remarks
1	G.O.C.	-	Bde. Comdr.	C.O.	
2	General Staff	-	Bde. Maj.	Second in Command	
3	A.A. & Q.M.G.	D.A.A.G.	Staff Capt	Adj.	
4	A.D.S. & T.	D.A.Q.M.G.	A.A.S.C. Officer	Q.M.	
5	A.D.M.S.	R.M.O.	R.M.O.	R.M.O.	
6	Staff Officer of Signals	Sigs. Offr.	Sigs. Offr.	Sigs. Offr.	
7	Intelligence Section	-	I.O.	I.O.	
8					
9					
10					

e.g. (I) To call a Bde. Maj. of 100 Bde. (Code Word SOSO)

- a. call "SOSO" exchange.
- b. then ask for "SOSO 2"

(II) To call General Staff of 10 Div. (Code Word BIXO)

- a. call "BIXO" exchange.
- b. then ask for "BIXO 2"

SECRET

## 7th BATTALION

S. M. 2801

Headquarters,  
7th Military District.

11 Mar. 42.

ALL UNITSGAS INTELLIGENCE INSTRUCTION NO. 1.

1. In the event of gas being used by the enemy in area of operations the following instructions will come into operation. Units are to make preparatory arrangements so this instructions can be put into operation when gas is used in their area.
2. On gas being used or detected Adv. 7M.D. will be informed by the quickest possible means. Units may inform Adv. 7M. D. direct and report to their own formation Headquarters for information.
 

The message will contain as much as possible of the following information;-

  - (a) type of gas and in what form.
  - (b) estimated casualties.
  - (c) area contaminated.
  - (d) probable military object of attack.
  - (e) if gas cannot be identified, as many details of description of gas are to be given instead.

An example of the message is shown in Appendix "a".
4. As soon as the gas attack is over a full report of the incident will be submitted to Adv. 7 M. D. The report will contain the following:-
  - (a) a detailed description of the attack including a more elaborate report on the information already sent in the gas message.
  - (b) a report by R.M.O., if possible, describing the effects of the gas and the number of casualties.
  - (c) 1. Samples of steel, or bomb fragment, earth, clothing, contaminated with poison gas are to be securely packed in tins with well fitting lids which are to be made secure against liquid or vapour leaks by means of adhesive tapes, covered with paraffin wax; or preferably bottles with glass stoppers or screw top lids similarly secured.  
2. If bottles are used particular care must be taken to ensure that no breakages can occur in transit by packing in sawdust, chaff, cotton wool or similar packing material.  
3. Whenever possible, enough material will be sent so they can be repacked at 7 M.D. Headquarters into two sets of samples.
  - (d) H. Q., R.A.E. will be contacted re unexploded gas shells or bombs. If necessary, the Bomb Disposal Squad will deal with the bombs or shells so that they are rendered harmless and then forwarded to Adv. 7 M.D.
5. The samples will be packed and clearly marked "DANGER POISON GAS" and forwarded as directed in para 4(d).
6. Units will take all the necessary steps for marking and placing sentries around the contaminated area.

Lt. Col.,  
General Staff, 7 M.D.APPENDIX "A".To Adv. 7 M.D.  
From BUXO.MIXTURE MUSTARD AND LEWISITE GAS USED IN AREA 065242(.) CASUALTIES HEAVY (.)  
ABOUT 400SQ. YARDS CONTAMINATED (.) TO DESTROY MACHINE GUN POSTS (.)

0830/10/APR/42.

## 7th BATTALION

HEADQUARTERS

7 MD

11 MAR 42.

ALL UNITS.CENSORSHIP - SECURITY OF INFORMATION.

The following brief extracts from Manual of Military Intelligence relative to Censorship are published for general information.

1. Allusions to any of the following matters are forbidden at all times in private correspondence during a war, whether relating to Naval, Military or Air Forces or operations.
  - i. Strength, efficiency, morale or organisation of our forces, or those of our allies, including any comment on the absence or presence in the theatre of war of any unit or formation, or disclosure regarding the formation to which any unit is attached or belongs.
  - ii. Location or movement of any naval, military or air force units or detachments, arrival or lack of reinforcements.
  - iii. Armament or equipment of any kind.
  - iv. Distinguishing marks or signs used for the identification of formation and units, and their transport.
  - v. Plans or forecasts or orders for future operations, whether known or merely rumoured or surmised.
  - vi. Communications - such as the use, condition or probable extensions of roads, railways or other transportation facilities, bridging operations etc.
  - vii. State of the maintenance services, including any reference to reserves.
  - viii. Position or description of billets, bivouacs or camps.
  - ix. Casualties before official publication.
  - x. Effect of any action by the enemy. Any remark that might tend, if published, to encourage the enemy, to cause despondency in our forces or people, or to incite a feeling of hostility among the people in a theatre of war or in neutral countries.
  - xi. Criticisms and statements calculated to bring into disrepute our own forces or those of our allies.

2. It is strictly forbidden to communicate to the Press except through the duly authorised channel.

3. It is forbidden to send through the post photographs or films except those taken under proper authority. In this connection the following extract from the National Security Regulations (General) are quoted:-

" Subject to any exemption for which provision is made by order of the Minister, a person shall not, except under the authority of a written permit granted by or on behalf of the Minister,

- (a) Have a camera with him
  - i in any vessel or in any aircraft within Territorial limits of AUSTRALIA
  - ii in a prohibited place;
  - iii in any place specified in any order made by the Minister.

- (b) make any photograph, sketch or plan or other representation of or of any part of or object in any area specified by order of the Minister, being an area in relation to which the restriction of photography appears to the Minister to be expedient in the interests of the defence of the Commonwealth.

There will shortly be an issue of GREEN ENVELOPES ~~addressed to the person to whom~~ and FIELD SERVICE POSTCARDS to all Units in this District, and the following brief information is to be made known to all concerned.

The GREEN ENVELOPE may be used in two ways:-

- i. One letter may be enclosed in the GREEN ENVELOPE addressed to the person to whom the letter is addressed. Such letter will be sealed by the writer and the certificate of the outside of the envelope signed, such letter is not subject to Censorship within the Unit, but may be censored at base.
- ii. Up to three letters may be enclosed in one GREEN ENVELOPE. Such letters will be addressed and left open. They will then be enclosed in the GREEN ENVELOPE which will be sealed and addressed to

BASE CENSOR

7th MILITARY DISTRICT

who will censor the letters enclosed and attend to their despatch. NO postage is required on a GREEN ENVELOPE addressed to the Base Censor, or on a GREEN ENVELOPE addressed to an individual except when the writer desires such letters to be forwarded by AIR. If to be despatched BY AIR, 4d postage must be affixed. The same postage must be affixed to letter enclosed in a GREEN ENVELOPE if the writer desires they be forwarded BY AIR from the Base Censor's Office.

## 2. 7th BATTALION

Field Service Postcards. NOTHING WHATSOEVER may be written on a Field Service Postcard except the address, name of sender and date of despatch. Sentences not required may be erased. Any Field Service Postcard on which anything is written or on which erasure is not properly carried out WILL BE DESTROYED. No postage is required on a Field Service Postcard except where it is desired such card shall be despatched by air. It is not thought that such cases will be frequent, as personnel would normally send a letter rather than a Field service Card if Air Mail fee is payable.

Units will take steps to see that all concerned are acquainted with the contents of this circular memo.

A serious view will be taken of any case brought under notice of breaches of CENSORSHIP REGULATIONS and misuse of GREEN ENVELOPES or FIELD SERVICE POSTCARDS.

Lt. Col.  
General Staff (Int) 7 M.D.

## 7th BATTALION

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E SCAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 12H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
12 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 12 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut KNIGHTS A.
Orderly Sgt	Sgt RADFORD A.A.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl BLABY J.J.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte McWHIRTER A.A.

Duty Coy	"C" Coy
Next for Duty	"D" Coy

2. DUTIES

30 cwt Trucks, 4 men with picks and shovels will be supplied by "A", "B", "C" and "E" Coys. ("D" Coy will provide working party of 4 men with picks and shovels, to report to T.O. at 0850 hrs. T.O. will make 1 3-ton Truck available.)

Vehicles will report to Sgt HERAUD at gravel pit at 0900 hrs and will gravel perimeter Rd from IN Gate, progressively, reporting to L/Cpl C.G. SMITH of "B" Coy, who will direct dumping of gravel and spreading on perimeter Rd.

3. NAMES OF UNITS  
23/88

Privately addressed envelopes and other private mail matter likely to divulge the name of a unit to the enemy will NOT be carried on the person.

4. TOWN OF DARWIN  
23/88The Town of DARWIN is out of bounds to all personnel other than those resident. Personnel required to enter the town on duty MUST carry an authority from Bn H.Q.5. EXEMPTIONS ETC.  
23/88

NO approval can be given for exemption, leave or transfer on compassionate grounds from this District under existing circumstances.

6. BN H.Q. AREA

Bn H.Q. Area is strictly out of bounds to all personnel excepting those requiring to enter that area on business.

7. STATIONERYOwing to the scarcity of stationery and the difficulty of replenishing existing stocks, strict economy will be observed. All stationery required by Coys etc. MUST be obtained from Pte J.J. KELLY at Bn H.Q.8. UNIT BUGLER

As from and including RETREAT tonight 12 MAR 42, the unit Bugler will be VX34984 Pte FOLETTA A.C. NO other bugle calls will be sounded withing Bn Area.

*where cleaning  
(L.H.)*

7th BATTALION

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9. POSTAL  
ARRANGEMENT

Inward ordinary mail will be delivered under Coy arrangements. Personnel MUST NOT collect mail from Postal Office. Inward Registered mail will be collected from Postal Office between 1800 and 1845 hrs daily. Personnel will be notified through Coy Office of the arrival of Registered mail.

10. PAY

Pay matters and queries regarding Pay will be finalised by the Pay Sgt between 1800 and 1845 hrs unless otherwise instructed. Personnel requiring this service will arrange with Pl Comds before leaving Coy Area.

11. RIFLES,  
HELMETS,  
RESPIRATORS

Rifles, Helmets steel and Respirators will always be within reach. Offrs and NCOs in charge of working parties will ensure that personnel in their party carry these articles.

12. WATER  
RESTRICTIONS

It has become necessary to restrict the hours during which water may be drawn from the main pipe line owing to the fact that the pumping plant is unable to cope with the quantities being withdrawn. Water will be used only between the hours 0700 to 1400 and 1800 to 2100 daily until further orders, commencing at 0700 hrs 12 MAR 42. Coy Comds will give this matter their personal attention and will take steps to see that the prescribed hours are rigidly adhered to.

The practice of bathing and of washing clothes under down pipes and air vents on the main pipe line is to cease forthwith and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

13. AIR RAID  
WARNINGS

The following signals will be used when notifying air raids :-

"ALERT"	Blasts 30 seconds, repeated four times with intervals of five seconds.
"GENERAL ALARM"	Series of short blasts for two minutes.
"ALL CLEAR"	Continuous blast for two minutes.
GAS ALARM	Short and long blasts in succession.

*L. B. Dawson*  
for Lieut.  
Adj. 7 Bn.

APPENDIX No 62.

Army Form C.2128  
(Pads of 100)  
Reprinted July, 1941 — a.w. 25,000

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN  
**7th BATTALION**  
OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO *SUMO rftd YUDU*

FROM *TUZR*

Originator's Number  
*1-24*

Date  
*13*

In Reply to Number

<i>INTELLIGENCE</i>	<i>TELEGRAM</i>	<i>(a)</i>	<i>(2)</i>	<i>rece</i>	<i>of</i>
<i>areas</i>	<i>are</i>	<i>being</i>	<i>carried</i>	<i>out</i>	<i>(b)</i>
<i>NIL</i>	<i>(c)</i>	<i>NIL</i>			

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT **IN CYPHER.**

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN  
*1020*

SIGNED *A J Berne Sgt*

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

**T.H.I.**  
**T.O.R.**

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER



APPENDIX No 63

MESSAGE FORM

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN  
OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

YUDU

FROM

TUZA

Originator's Number

A. 10

Date

13

In Reply to Number

To	Capt	POLEGLAISE	0	AMN	DEMANDI
36 M. GREN	SMALLS	RDR	PRACTISE	1850	0
	HAND	PRACTISE	70	0	

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

*[Signature]*

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

SIGNED

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1000

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

104V

T.O.R.

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER
				4/7	1058	A	A.D. George				

## AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

## ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

Major-General D. V. J. BLAKE,  
G.O.C. 7 M.D.

7th BATTALION

No. 8

6th March, 1942

1. APPOINTMENT  
Matron E. McQuade White, 119 G.H., is appointed Matron 7 M.D., to control all A.A.N.S. in 7 M.D. in addition to her other duties.
2. POSTAL  
Mail matter for units will be handled by the Army Postal Services. The form of address for correspondence shall exclude all mention of place names and shall consist of:—  
(1) Army number.  
(2) Rank.  
(3) Name.  
(4) Squadron, Battery, Company or other Sub-unit.  
(5) Unit, i.e., Regiment, Battalion, etc.  
(6) The indicator "HOME FORCES" in the case of A.M.F. Units, or "A.I.F., AUSTRALIA" in respect of A.I.F. Units.  
All personnel will advise their correspondents of their new address.
3. TRANSFER—  
PERSONAL PAPERS  
Personal papers, particularly A.A.F. F.200's and A.A.F. F.6's, of personnel transferred from 7 M.D. must be forwarded immediately to the command to which they are proceeding.
4. MAIL BAGS  
Officers commanding units are responsible for the return of all mail bags to the Postal Service without delay, and for ensuring that mail bags are not utilised for purposes other than the conveyance of mails.
5. CARRIERS, M.G.  
Cases have occurred where extensive damage has been done to crown wheel, pinion and other back axle components of the above vehicles, due to towing this type of vehicle with rear axle drive shafts in position after failure of the differential side gear.  
If differential failure is suspected the rear axle shafts must be withdrawn before attempting to tow the vehicle.
6. OFFICERS TO FLY—  
PERMISSION FOR  
Chap. 1, Sec. 6, para. 5, sub-para. 2, of "Instructions for Training, 1933," is amended to read as follows:—  
"However, flying on duty will only be under the definite orders of members of the Military Board, Formation Commanders, Chief Instructors of Army Schools and the Senior Military Instructor of the School of Army Co-operation, R.A.A.F.  
"In the case of members of the Australian Military Forces, who are undergoing training abroad, the orders for flying on duty will be issued by the Commanding Officer under whom the member is serving."
7. PAPER—  
CONSERVATION OF  
In view of the shortage of paper, all possible steps must be taken to utilise stationery to the fullest extent. Where Routine Orders, Instructions, S.O.'s, etc., will extend beyond one page, both sides of the sheet must be used. Envelopes must be used as often as possible, and use of other stationery must be rigorously controlled.

*D. C. Peters* Lt.-Col.,  
A.A. & Q.M.G., 7th Military District.

## NOTICE

At Parap Hotel, Helmet, steel, Respirator with Pay Book in pocket. Helmet and Respirator marked "SX10696." A Helmet and Respirator, indistinctly marked "BURKE" and number 40/426, left in place of above. Any information concerning above to be notified. NUGO.

One shirt, KD (unmarked), containing a small red note-wallet (unmarked), holding £2 in notes, and A.A.F. G.11 (M.T. Drivers' Licence), in the name of NX40661 Dr. S. J. Iahz, was lost from CVT 30 cwt. lorry, G.S. No. L9489, on 3 Feb., 42, whilst driver and vehicle were engaged in delivering bread to units of Bde. Gp. Communications to be addressed 23 Bde. Coy., A.A.S.C.

LOST

APPENDIX  
No  
657

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

7th BATTALION

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO 13

H.Q. 7 Bn.  
In the Field  
13 MAR 42.

by

Lt-Col R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 13 MAR 42:-

Orderly Officer	Lieut McCARTHY T.S.
Orderly Sgt	Sgt DOWNEY R.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl WESCOMBE M.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte DUNLOP L.M.
Duty Coy	"D" Coy.
Next for Duty	"E" Coy.

Lieut  
Adjt 7 Bn.

# MESSAGE FORM

*APPENDIX No 66*

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

OUT

**7th BATTALION**

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

To

*SUMO 17th YUDU*

FROM

*TUZA 7*

Originator's Number

*125*

Date

*14*

In Reply to Number.

<i>INTELLIGENCE TELEGRAM</i>	<i>TELEGRAM</i>	<i>mark</i>	<i>(a)</i>	<i>recce</i>	<i>being</i>
<i>carried</i>	<i>on</i>		<i>(b)</i>	<i>Nil</i>	<i>(c)</i>
<i>Nil</i>					

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** BY ANY MEANS.

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT **IN CYPHER.**

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

*0945*

SIGNED

*W J Kennedy*

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

DM.

APPENDIX No 67

13  
Incl.

# 7th BATTALION

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
13 MAR 42

## ALTERATION IN TRAINING HOURS.

In an attempt to thoroughly acclimatise the troops in this area, the following hours will be observed as from and including 14 MAR 42 :-

REVEILLE	0700
BREAKFAST	0730
PARADE	0830, -1300
DINNER	1315
REST PERIOD	1400-1600
PARADE	1600-1800
TEA	1900

It is required that the rest period be strictly observed.

Personnel, other than those employed on essential duties, will spend the Rest Period resting in their tents.

It is desired that there be NO unnecessary movement during Rest Period.

In view of the need for training, these hours are to be strictly observed, as by so doing there will be NO curtailment of actual training hours.

Coy Comds will observe the result of the change of hours, and a report of the efficiency of the scheme is required to be at Bn H.Q. by 1200 hrs on 20 MAR 42.

*W. D. Aulou* Lieut.  
A/Adjt 7 Bn.

## DISTRIBUTION

C.O.	1
2 i/e	2
Adjt	3
Q M	4
Coy Comds	5 - 10
RSM	11
War Diary	12-13
File	14-15

A.3.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 14

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
14 MAR 42

Lt-Col R.M. BADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 14 MAR 42.

Orderly Officer	Lieut	ADAMS	G.A.G.
Orderly Sergeant	Sgt.	BILL	F.H.
Orderly Corporal	Cpl.	PEFFIGREW	W.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte	WESLEY	S.R.

Duty Coy	"E" Coy
Next for Duty	"A" Coy

2. POSTAL

All personnel will advise their correspondents of the following Address

- Army Number
- Rank
- Name
- Coy
- Unit
- HOME FORCES

3. CARRIERS

Cases have occurred where extensive damage has been done to crown wheel, pinion and other back axle components of Carriers due to towing this type of vehicle with rear axle shafts in position after failure of differential side gear. If differential failure is suspected the rear axle shafts must be withdrawn before attempting to tow the vehicle.

4. CONSERVATION OF PAPER

In view of the shortage of paper, all possible steps must be taken to utilise stationery to the fullest extent, both sides of the paper must be used where possible. The use of stationery must be rigorously controlled.

4. DUTIES.

The Ammunition Dump Guard of 1 N.C.O. and 5 men is now increased to 1 N.C.O. and 6 men. This guard will now patrol both Ammunition Dump and Q.M. Store.

*W. J. Todd*  
V57268.  
Lieut Adjutant.

NOTICES.

LOST-

1 Aluminium Soap Box at showers it had the owners name W. SEAYTE on it. Finder please return to Bn H.Qs.

R.C. CHURCH PARADE

will be held at 0900 hrs in 8 Bn lines 15 MAR 42 Personnel attending will fall in under Capt HUGHES in D. Coy area at 0845 hrs.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 69

Serial No. 69

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

Z (D)

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

TO TUZA

FROM HUDU

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

14297 June 16

WORKING	PARTIES	0	One		unloading
ONE	NCO	fourteen	OR	to	VESTEYS
Ditto	to	BAGOT	0	One	wharf
gang	ONE	NCO	seventeen	OR	BOOM
DEFENCE	JETTY	0	One	officer	supervision
check	party	to	report	1800	hrs
0	repeat	at	0030	hrs	and

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 70

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

TO

TUZA

FROM

TUZA

Originator's Number

R 4

Date

15

In Reply to Number.

return	required	to	reach	TUZA	1400 hrs
today	showing	number	of	japanese	Interpreters
of	return	in	three	sub headings	INTERPRETERS
TRANSLATORS	and	persons	qualified	both	0
NIL	returns	where	applicable		

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

1150

SIGNED

*W. D. Danton*

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.



# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL  
AND  
INSTRUC-  
TIONS.**

IN  
  
OUT

**7th BATTALION**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP  
No. of Groups  
**GR.**

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

<i>continue</i>	<i>both</i>	<i>shfts</i>	<i>all</i>	<i>further</i>	<i>notice</i>

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

*1120*

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**T.H.I.** *1122*

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<i>48</i>	<i>1125</i>	<i>H. Kimmel</i>	<i>Sgt</i>								

**T.O.R.**

A.H.  
War diary  
(Int.)

APPENDIX No  
7!

7th BATTALION

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 15

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
15 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on  
15 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer  
Orderly Sgt  
Orderly Cpl  
Bicycle Orderly

Lieut M.E. McGLYNN  
Sgt SCHURR C.H.  
Cpl CLIFFORD E.C.  
Pte CROSSLEY K.C.

Duty Coy  
Next for Duty

"A" Coy  
"B" Coy.

V57357  
E. Adams  
Lieut.  
for Adjt 7 Bn.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 72.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN  
OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO SUMO repts 9000

FROM TUZA

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

T 29

16

INTELLIGENCE TELEGRAM					
area	from	MAIN	a road	to	ELIZABETH
RNER	by	2 1/2	called	out	by
using	carriers	(6)	NIL	(C)	NIL

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 73

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN  
OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

TUZA

FROM

HUDU

Originator's Number

A 297

Date

16

In Reply to Number.

Working	parties	0	one	Aruck	one
N.C.O	fourteen	O.R.'s	to	VESTY'S	ditto
As	BAGOT	0	one	wharf	gang
one	N.C.O	seventeen	O.R	Boon	DEFENCE
LETTY	0	one	officer	supervisor	each
party	As	report	at	0300	hrs

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

**7th BATTALION**

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**TO**

**FROM**

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

<i>and notice</i>	<i>continue both</i>	<i>shifts</i>	<i>all</i>	<i>further</i>

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TIME OF ORIGIN

*1145*

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

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MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX. No 74.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

TO

TUZA.

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM

HUTU.

Originator's Number

A 298

Date

16

In Reply to Number.

one	carrier	M. G.	will	report	To
SANI.	camp	22½	mile	at.	0600
hrs.	17	MAR.	42	for	duty
with	CAPT.	LOCKWOOD	0	distance	To
be	travelled	approx	20.	miles.	0
water	and	rations	will	be	required

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

OUT

**7th BATTALION**

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

**TO**

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**FROM**

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

<i>hes.</i>	<i>Time</i> <i>17.</i>	<i>of</i> <i>MAR.</i>	<i>return</i> <i>42</i>	<i>approx</i> <i>10</i>	<i>1800</i> <i>ack.</i>

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

*1720.*

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

CAMP ADMIN. ORDER

No. 01

OUT OF BOUNDS

-- The R.Q. Store and area are out of bounds to all ranks except on duty.

ISSUES

*Label*

-- Personnel requiring issues must not parade at R.Q. Store, but attend their Coy. Store for all requirements.  
F 200's will be brought to forward area shortly.

STORES CHECK

-- A PHYSICAL CHECK will be made of all stores in the Battalion area on Mar. 16. Coy Commanders will ascertain any surpluses or deficiencies of arms or equipment of personnel in their Coy.

RATIONS

-- C.Q.M.S.'S will be responsible to check all rations drawn from ration store. Coy. vehicles calling at R.Q. Store for rations will observe dispersal regulations in accordance with Camp Standing Orders.

-- C.Q.M.S.'S will meet Q.M. at R.Q. Store at 1600 hrs daily.

7th BATTALION

*James Hunt*  
Adjutant 7th. Battalion

*A.S.*

14-12  
13-12

reproduction :-

C.Q.M.S. I/C  
S.I.C.

Coy. Qmndg 2-10  
B 2 M  
Mr. Diera

1 2 3 4

14-12  
13-12



A.6

W. J. ...  
(Int.)

7th BATTALION

APPENDIX No 76

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

C A M P R O U T I N E O R D E R N O. 16

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
16 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER BSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 16 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut C. McLEOD
Orderly Sgt	Sgt McCLEARY K.L.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl ALLEN T.R.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte GREEN E.K.
Duty Coy	"B" Coy
Next for Duty	"C" Coy

2. COURT OF INQUIRY

The undermentioned Officers will constitute a Court of Inquiry to inquire into Accidents to Vehicles.  
This Court is convened for 19 MAR 42 at 1000 hrs.

Major W.F. CSMOND  
Capt J.A. THOMSON  
Lieut L.C. NORMAN

3. MOVEMENT OF TROOPS

Coy Comds will ensure that NO troops leave Camp Area without the consent of an Officer.  
Also, troops are to be warned NOT to move through bush unaccompanied, or without their Pl Comd's knowledge of the route to be taken.

4. HYGIENE

Coys will prepare and instruct troops in the use of catelain bottles. These are prepared by suspending a bottle stoppered by crown seal with a small hole, by string. Bottle contains a mixture of disinfectant (proportions for mixing from M.O.) and a few drops will be tipped into cupped hands and hands rinsed, after each defecation. Two bottles are to be used in each latrine.

*[Signature]*  
Lieut.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX. No 77.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

PAY. SGT.

FROM

D.F.O. FUNI.

Originator's Number

F.104.

Date

17.

In Reply to Number.

imperative	you	contact	LIEUT.	TOFFITT	forward
pay	master	near	H.Q.		

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

2050.

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 78

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.	IN	7th BATTALION	No. of Groups GR.	Serial No.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT				

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO TUZA

FROM TUZA

Originator's Number R. 6	Date 17	In Reply to Number.
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each	pl	will	carry	the	ingredients
40	manufacture	24	moleto	cocktail	vis
bottles	petrol	simp	oil	(bar)	cotton
waste					

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN  
1705

SIGNED (BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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T.H.I.  
T.O.R.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 79

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO TUZA A. B. C. D. E

FROM TUZA

Originator's Number  
R. 7.

Date  
17.

In Reply to Number.

Boys	will	check	equipment	and	rifles
also	personal	gear	held	by	coy
personnel	to	ascertain	any	NOT	belonging
to	them	and	report	results	to
TUZA	⊙	This	return	is	required.
as	some	issues	etc	have	NOT
yet	been	located	since	move ⊙	ack

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

1834

SIGNED

SIGNED

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX. No. 80

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

TO

TUZA

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

FROM

TUZA

Originator's Number

R-8

Date

17

In Reply to Number.

withdraw	all	amm	to	plus	with
exception	of	GATE	GUARDS.	ANTIPARA	TROOP.
PL	⊙	coy	comds	will	furnish
a	certificate	AdA	all	equipment	has
been	inspected	and	all	amm	has
been	returned	to	pl.	stores	by
1200	his.	18 MAR 42	⊙	ack	

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

2155

SIGNED

SIGNED

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No. 81

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

TO

TUZA Regt<sup>l</sup> Office INT. Sec. SIGS.

FROM

TUZA

Originator's Number

R9

Date

17

In Reply to Number.

all	official	mail	whether	SECRET	SECURITY
or	only	other	matter	will	be
forwarded	As	adpts.	office	UNOPENED	immediately
ack	arrives	in	this	area	⊙

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

2158

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

Wardle A 7  
(Int)

CAMP APPENDIX No 82.

# 7th BATTALION

## A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 17

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
17 MAR 42

ISSUED by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 17 MAR 42:-

Orderly Officer	Lieut B. BENTON
Orderly Sgt	Sgt SINCLAIR R.C.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl HUBBLE H.G.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte HARVEY A.D.
Duty Coy	"C" Coy
Next for Duty	"D" Coy

2. DUTIES From 17 MAR 42 the Amn Dump Guard will be 1 NCO and 3 men, and will NOT include the "Q" Store.

3. ROUTINE Camp Standing Orders 1 MAR 42 are amended as follows:-

<u>Para 1</u>	Reveille	0700 hrs
	Coy Pde States	0730 "
	Breakfast	0745 "
	Sick Parade	0815 "
	Parade	0830 "
	Break Off	1300 "
	Midday Meal	1315 "
	Rest Period	1400-1600 hrs
	Parade	1600-1830 "
	Retreat	1900 hrs
	Evening Meal	1900 "
	Sick Parade	1945 "
	Lights Out	2245 "

4. TELEPHONES Unit telephones are to be used strictly for official unit business. The use of phones unnecessarily often delays important calls, and generally impedes the efficient carrying out of unit administration.

5. TRANSFERS The following procedure is to be adopted when transferring personnel from one Coy to another:-

- Bn H.Q. to be notified of the proposed transfer.
- After approval has been given by Bn H.Q., the two Coys concerned will complete transfer.
- Bn H.Q. will be immediately notified when the transfer is completed.

6. RETURNS The following instruction is to be carried out with ALL returns asking for Coy strengths :-  
The strength required is the actual present Coy strength, any attachments or detachments being shown as a footnote.  
E.g. "F" Coy 5 Offrs 119 0 Rs.  
Note: 2 Sigs attached from "Y" Coy

"Y" Coy 6 Offrs 121 0 Rs.  
Note: 2 Sigs detached to "F" Coy.

In each case the number shows the present strength at the Coy, i.e. the Coy actual strength would be:

"F" Coy 5 Offrs 117 0 Rs.  
"Y" Coy 6 Offrs 123 0 Rs.

at the same time it denotes how the Coy is operating and a correct allotment of issues and rations can be made.

In the case of Army Form W3006 total Coy personnel present will be shown under C, followed by a note of attachments and detachments, e.g. .... C 5 and 119

Note: 2 Sigs attached from "Y" Coy

All returns will be rendered in this way so that the division of personnel is known to Bn H.Q.

*W B Wardle*

Lieut  
A/Adjt 7 Bn

(over)

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 83

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

~~YUDU~~ TUZA

FROM

1 YUDU

Originator's Number

A 313

Date

18

In Reply to Number.

all	officers	trunks	are	to	be
devoid	of	Sgt.	Newell	WINNELLIE	at
railway	riding	between	1100	his	and
1400	his	19 MAR 42	0	units	to
prepare	receipt	for	trunks devoid	showing	of
officers	name	and	short description		
truck	for	signature	by	Sgt	NEWELL

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.



**MESSAGE FORM**

*H.P.M.*

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

OUT

**7th BATTALION**

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

*TVZA*

FROM

*YUOU.*

Originator's Number

*H313*

Date

*18*

In Reply to Number.

*in delivery*


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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

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APPENDIX No 84

Army Form C.2128  
(Pads of 100)  
Reprinted July, 1941 — a.w. 25,000

MESSAGE FORM

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IN  
OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO TUZA

FROM TUZA.

Originator's Number  
R.10.

Date  
18

In Reply to Number

C.O	will	inspect	training	plans	this
morning	⊙	all	personnel	NOT	on
essential	Duties	are	to	be	training

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

0829

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 85.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

Sumo repta HUTU

FROM

TUZA

Originator's Number

T34

Date

18

In Reply to Number.

INTELLIGENCE TELEGRAM			(a)	reccc	Carried
out	by	Int	Section	of	Centre
(D)	M/L	(e)	N/L		

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

2008

SIGNED

SIGNED

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

BURMA

Large forces of our troops have made attacks on the enemy positions at NYAUNGLEBIN, NHWEGYIN, and DALKU. NO complete details of these actions are yet to hand, but our reconnaissance reports favourable progress.

TIMOR

We made attacks on KOEPANG from air on afternoon 14 Mar. Bombs were dropped on the aerodrome, but results were not observed. It is believed considerable damage was done. An unconfirmed report states that about 500 prisoners are being used to build a wharf by the enemy at KOEPANG. Further details are being ascertained.

AUSTRALIA

PORT MORESBY was raided by 9 enemy planes on 14 Mar 0142 G.M.T. Slight damage was done to runways at 7 mile aerodrome. NO casualties.

HORNE IS Raided by 8 enemy bombers escorted by 9 fighters. Bombs were dropped on drome, but NO damage was done to runways. Quarters and planes on ground were machinegunned, resulting in destruction of one of our planes and damage to two others. Enemy lost one bomber and two fighters. We lost one fighter in this raid.

DARWIN 14 Twin engined heavy type bombers were over DARWIN on 16 Mar. The alarm was sounded at 0401/Z, all clear at 0507/Z. Main attack was directed against RAAAF drome where it is estimated 84 bombs were dropped. About 75% of bombs were antipersonnel. One HUDSON aircraft was slightly damaged. A direct hit was scored on Officer's Mess and one cottage. Several near misses exploded in vicinity of Headquarters. One bomb hit a runway causing some damage. Known casualties among RAAF personnel are 2 killed and 9 injured, 3 military personnel were injured, one civilian and one U S soldier were injured. The enemy planes were engaged by our A.A. 44 rds were expended, but NIL results. Aircraft departed in a southerly direction.

DARWIN (later) At 1250 hrs 17 Mar 8 planes were sighted from the OIL TANKS at about 16,000 ft flying SSE over MIDDLE POINT. At 1300 hrs one plane sighted at between 15,000 and 16,000 ft flying south over LEANYER. At 1310 hrs two planes sighted by LEANYER A.A.S.L. silver in colour. Alarm sounded at RAAF<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>. A message received from A.C.H. at 1422 hrs reported 8 aircraft sighted proceeding in direction of DAIRY WATERS. Further particulars follow, This message was received from KATHERINE.

(INFORMATION FROM 7 MD INT SUMMARY No 70A.)

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A-8

War diary  
(cont)

APPENDIX No 87

7th BATTALION

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 18

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
18 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT  
on 18 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut H.R. PATON
Orderly Sgt	Sgt JOHNSTON W.D.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl DAVEY J.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte FALL W.J.

Duty Coy	"D" Coy
Next for Duty	"E" Coy

*Goues*  
 Capt.  
 Adjnt 7 Bn.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX. No 88

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

No. of Groups  
GR.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

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TO

SUMO repl HUTO

FROM

TUZA

Originator's Number

236

Date

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In Reply to Number.

INTELLIGENCE	TELEGRAM	by	(a) TNT Sec.	recci	called
m	with			(b)	NH
(c)	NH				

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

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7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
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TO TUZA

FROM TUZA

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

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19 Mar 42

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APPENDIX No 90.

7th BATTALION

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO 19 H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
19 MAR 42

Lt. Col R.M. SADLER, DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn

1. DUTIES. The following duties will mount at RETREAT on  
19 MAR 42.

Orderly Officer	Lieut	R.W.H. STRONG.
Orderly Sergeant	Sgt.	HORNSBY L.C.
Orderly Corporal	Cpl.	HOBBS A.E.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte.	HARRISON G.

2. COURT OF INQUIRY. The following officers will constitute a Court of Inquiry to inquire into the accident, to Truck No C19854  
Major W.F. Osmond, President  
Capt. K. Blaby, Member  
Lieut L.C. Norman, Member

3. COMFORTS. MORTLAKE Branch (Vic) A.C.F., donated £50., towards cigarettes recently issued to members  
7 Bn

*[Signature]*  
Capt.  
Adjt 7 Bn



SECRET

## 7th BATTALION

PROTECTION OF AMMUNITION AGAINST BOMBING, SHELLING  
OR MACHINE GUN FIRE

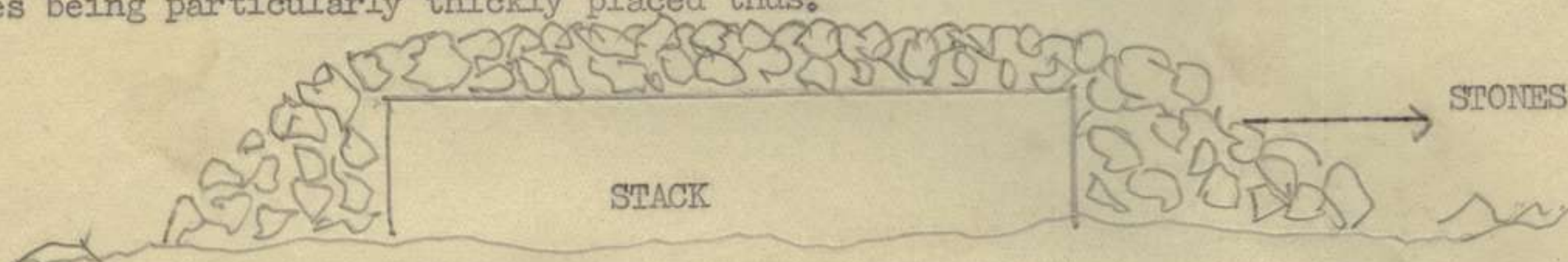
Experience has shown that ammunition explosions are often caused by hot splinters or even Small Arms fire, tests have been carried out which have proved that a single bullet .303" ball will, under certain circumstances, ignite a stack of 25 pdr cartridges. The reason for this is that the heat from the bullet ignites the cordite.

2. Protective Camouflage for Ammunition Dumps

The following extract from a report by C.O.O. of the Advanced Ammunition Depot TOBRUK, based on experience of recent months and which has really already been circulated, is repeated.

"Stacks of ammunition are kept to a maximum height of two feet. They are irregular in shape and disposition, a minimum of 80 yards between each stack of ammunition being maintained. In the rush to get all the ammunition out of range of enemy guns, and at the same time prevent his aircraft spotting where it is being put down, it was impossible to put our dunnage down first, the rule being to put the ammunition down and cover it with stones immediately. Each stack is now being lifted in turn and placed on dunnage, and it is hoped to complete this work in the near future.

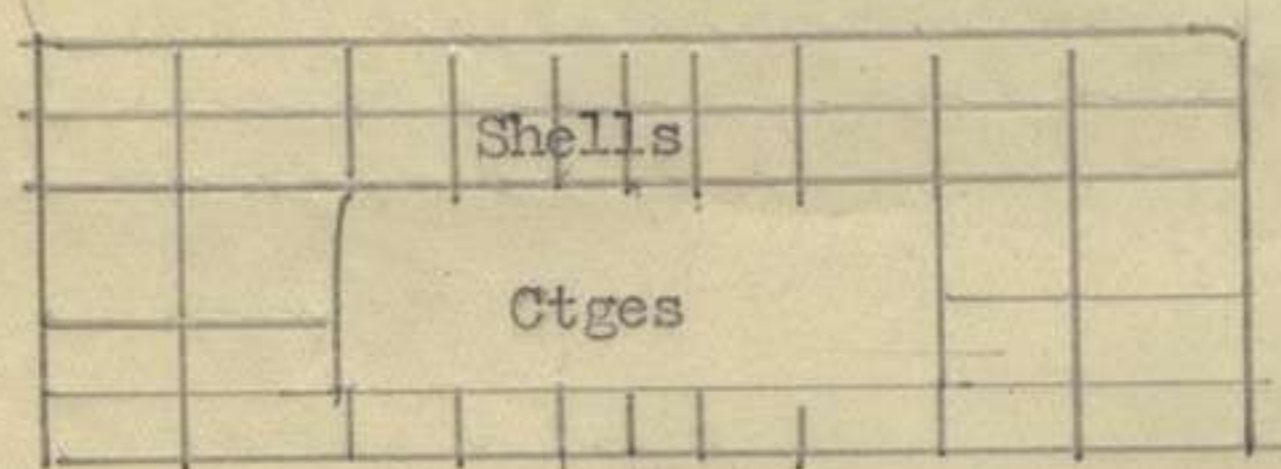
Stones are placed all round on top of the stacks of ammunition, the side stones being particularly thickly placed thus.



It has been found that:-

- (a) The stones absorb about 90% of the heat, leaving the boxes comparatively cool.
- (b) Owing to their open nature, a free passage is left for air to circulate.
- (c) The stacks are splinter proof.
- (d) The stones render the stacks quite inconspicuous.

In the areas where sufficient stones are not available, another method used is to fill Italian wood ammunition boxes with sand, and place them around the stack of ammunition, and on top. The top boxes should be without lids for preference, and should be placed on light battens to allow passage of air. Added protection of certain vulnerable types (e.g. 25 pdr cartridges) can be obtained by stacking thus:-



(Viewed from above)

This method enables complete rows of separate loading ammunition to be stored with comparative safety. SAA can be safely enclosed by 2" and 3" Mortars.

2. Protection of Ammunition in Semi-Permanent Storage

An equally effective alternative, and one which is more suitable for semi-permanent storage, is the use of 4 gallon petrol tins filled with sand. In the last War the Ordnance Ammunition Depot at SALONIKA sustained during one bombing attack some 70 hits on amm storehouses.

No explosion or detonation of the ammunition resulted, owing to the fact that all stacks of ammunition inside the storehouses had been traversed with walls consisting of double 4 gallon petrol tins filled with sand; similarly all stacks had been covered by a double layer of 4 gallon petrol tins filled with sand. We can learn much from this experience. Ammunition stored in the open with good head cover can be protected by the use of sand covering, or sandbagging or petrol tin traverses. The latter, provided they are not visible from the air, have obvious advantages such as speedier and easy removal. By building up a ridge of 4 gallon tins filled with sand, and air space between tarpaulin or other cover, and the top of the ammunition stack can be provided. This method is worth adopting whenever time permits."

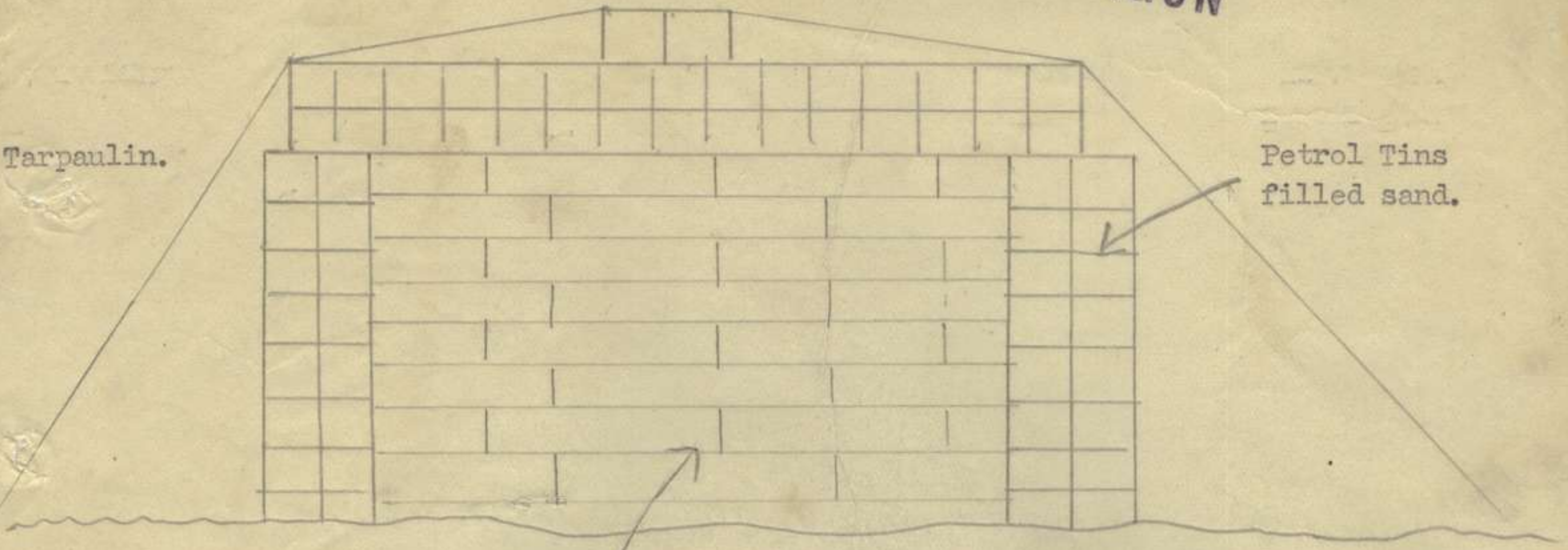
7th BATTALION

Tarpaulin.

Petrol Tins  
filled sand.

Ammunition

SECTION



A 10

7th BATTALION

L.S.  
APPENDIX 9/No 94

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 20

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
20 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on  
20 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut M.E. McGLYNN
Orderly Sgt	Sgt KENNEDY H.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl WHEELER A.B.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte WOOD H.L.

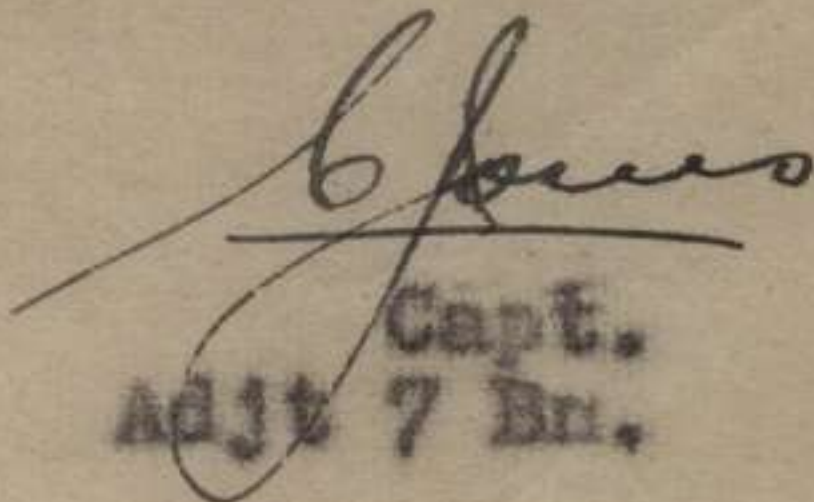
Duty Coy	"A" Coy
Next for Duty	"B" Coy

2. R Q STORE

Attention is directed to Camp Admin Order No.  
Q 1. Personnel will NOT be issued from the R Q  
Store but must parade for issues to their CQMS.  
The R Q Store and Area is OUT OF BOUNDS to ALL  
RANKS except those on duty.

3. VEHICLES

Attention is drawn to the regulation governing  
parking of vehicles. NO vehicle is to park, or  
stop, within 50 yds of any other vehicle.

  
Capt.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

# MESSAGE FORM

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IN

OUT

**7th BATTALION**

APPENDIX 95

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

TUZA ABCDE HQ

FROM

TUZA

Originator's Number

R 16

Date

20

In Reply to Number.

Coys	will	submit	a	return	showing
number	rank	name	and	experience	if
any	trained	light	horse	personnel	by
returns	to	be	at	Bn HQ	by
0900	his	24 MAR 42	0	NIL	returns
where	applicable				

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# MESSAGE FORM

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APPENDIX 96

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**GR.**

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OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

TAZA

FROM

HUTU

Originator's Number

0146

Date

20

In Reply to Number.

RITA	will	carry	out	practice	shoot
between	0900	his	and	1600	his
25 MAR 42	⊙	danger	zone	coast	line
from	excl	RARID	CREEK	to	incl
KING'S CREEK and	⊙	area	quarter	mile	in land
⊙	CRA	responsible	for	all	safety
precautions					

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**T.O.R.**

**MESSAGE FORM**

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN **7th BATTALION**

APPENDIX 97

OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.

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TO **TUZA**

FROM **HU7U**

Originator's Number  
**A 310**

Date  
**20**

In Reply to Number.

can	you	supply	if	required	urgently
up	to	seven	trained	light	horse
personnel including		NCO	o	returns	required
1600	his	22 MAR 42			

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

AH  
War Diary  
(Sub.)

APPENDIX No 98

## 7th BATTALION

### AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 21

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
21 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

#### 1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 21 MAR 42:-

Orderly Officer	Lieut SMITH H.W.
Orderly Sgt	Sgt CLOHESEY L.J.B.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl MCGOWAN J.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte WALKER J.T.
Duty Coy	"B" Coy
Next for Duty	"C" Coy

#### 2. CONCEALMENT

Cases have occurred of troops leaving white bush (mosquito) nets rigged in the open during the hours of daylight.

This practice is dangerous from a concealment point of view and must cease.

#### 3. TRANSPORT REPAIRS

Personnel of 7 Bn are reporting to 108 L A D without permission of T O and without log books and D V Rs.

NO vehicle will be taken to L A D without first contacting T O.

  
Capt.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

#### NOTICES

##### CHURCH SERVICE

HQ and E Coys at 0930 hrs on SUNDAY 22 MAR 42.

A, B, C, D Coys at 1945 hrs.

Holy Communion at 1100 hrs at Padre's Tent.

An exclusive Anglican Communion will be held at 1130 hrs at Padre's Tent, conducted by Padre PIDD of 8 Bn.

##### O's C. Church Parades:

HQ and E Coys - Capt THOMSON.

A, B, C, D Coys - Capt ELLIS.

*A 14*

"Exercises Instructions", were engaged in action with an enemy of  
equivalent strength. At 1400 hours whilst still engaged messages  
as per sealed envelopes commenced to be received at various Pl.  
Hqs of the Bn.

*War Diary*

**7th BATTALION** OPENING SITUATION.

At 1100 hours 22 MAR 42 the 7 Bn, who were disposed as stated in  
"Exercises Instructions" were engaged in action with an enemy of



7 BN A.M.F.

T E W T - Ammn supply in the Field.

Tps to take part: All Officers 7 Bn, RSM, all CSMs and Pl Sgts.

- Exercise commences 1400 hrs 22 MAR 42.  
Exercise ends 1600 hrs 22 MAR 42.  
Conference for all taking part 1945 hrs at Bn H.Q.

- Umpires:
 

Bn H.Q.	C O
HQ Coy	Lieut SCHOLZ
E Coy	Major OHMOND
A "	Capt JONES
B "	Lieut HANLON
C "	Lieut CROTHERS
D "	Capt McILHES

7th BATTALION

- Representation of Ammn:

Ammn going fwd will be represented by

- Coys to fwd tps - Runner
- Bn H.Q. to Coys - D.R.

Runners and D R must deliver a chit stating amount of ammn they represent (i.e. the amount which would normally be sent fwd.)

- Records:

Records of times of all messages, verbal or written, sent or received, will be kept for examination at Bn conference following exercise.

- 23 Bde AASC Ammn Sec will participate in exercise and demand requisitions will be sent to their Camp location by D.R.

- Tactical Setting:

For the purpose of the exercise it is assumed that Bn has four Coys "up" with 3 Pl and 19 and 20 Pls giving supporting fire under own control.

Fwd tps:

A Coy	7 and 8 Pls
B "	10 and 11 "
C "	14 " 15 "
D "	17 "
HQ "	3 "
E "	19 " 20 "

For the purpose of the exercise dispositions of Bn, Coy and Pl HQ will be their present Camp locations.

- Accompanying these instructions are envelopes bearing instructions for opening, together with "opening situation". Supplementing opening situation envelopes will be opened at times stated thereon and appropriate action taken.

*[Signature]*  
for Capt.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

DISTRIBUTION DOWN TO PL SGTs.

Bn H.Q.	6 copies	23 Bde AASC	
HQ Coy	15 "	Ammn Sec	2 copies
A "	10 "	23 Bde	1 "
B "	10 "	War Diary	2 "
C "	10 "	File	1 "
D "	10 "		
E "	10 "		

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7th BATTALION

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 22

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
22 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 22 MAR 42:-

Orderly Officer	Lieut HARVEY A.K.
Orderly Sgt	Sgt CARROLL J.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl STIRRAT
Bicycle Orderly	Pte MARTIN J.H.
Duty Coy	"C" Coy
Next for Duty	"D" Coy

2. DUTIES

Duty Coy will in future supply following duties to Bn H.Q:  
3 O.Rs for hygiene duties, to report to Orderly Corporal at 0830 hrs.

3. RESPIRATORS  
ANTI-GAS

Information has come to hand that face pieces are being wired incorrectly or NOT wired at all, to containers. Many instances have been brought to notice of containers with inlet slots towards the edge of the haversack instead of towards the middle. Defective assembly of Respirators may be the direct cause of much loss of life and the indirect cause of the loss of a battle. Coy Comds will ensure that frequent inspections are made of all respirators of personnel under their command.

4. RETURNS

Care must be exercised in the rendering of returns, so that once a return is rendered it is complete in every detail. Also, returns must arrive at Bn H.Q. on or before the time required. It is pointed out that much unnecessary work and time are wasted by late and incorrect returns.

5. BN BOXING  
CHAMPION-  
SHIP

Entries will be taken for the Bn Boxing Championship by Lieut T.S. McCARTHY. Personnel wishing to compete will hand their No, Rank and Name in to Coy Office. Entries will close at 1800 hrs on TUESDAY 24 MAR 42. This competition will be conducted under Australian Army Rules and weights. Competitors will be weighed before contesting.

(Signed) C. JONES

Capt.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

A. 16

DE.

War Diary  
(Lt.)

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7th BATTALION

H Q 7 Bn A.H.F.  
Home Forces  
23 MAR 42

Coy Comds will submit weekly by 1200 hrs each MONDAY a concise report in duplicate of Coy activities under the following headings :-

- 1. SYLLABUS Brief report on the past week's training.
- 2. COY STRENGTH Summary of Coy Strength for the past week, personnel allotted for duties.
- 3. OTHERS NOT AVAILABLE Brief summary of personnel sick or absent for any other reason.
- 4. PROGRESS Report on progress made during past week with suggestions for future training.
- 5. STORES Brief report on Stores, and Transport.
- 6. MORALE
- 7. GENERAL Any remarks of a general nature that might assist in more efficient working of Coy.

*W. B. Pantler* Lieut.  
for Capt.  
Adj. 7 Bn.

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Coy Comds	4 - 9
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7th BATTALION

APPENDIX 102

A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S

H.Q 7 Bn.  
In The Field  
25 rd. Mar. 1942.

Amn .  
EXPENDITURE.

The indiscriminate firing of Rifles in this Area MUST  
cease.

Offenders will be arrested and placed in the Guard House.  
After investigating by the Company Commanders ,offenders  
will be remanded to the C.O. for punishment.

This order will be promulgated to all ranks on 3 successive  
parades, and Company Commanders will render a certificate  
to this effect by 1800 hrs. 24th. March 1942.

DISTRIBUTION.

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- ADJT. 3
- COYS. 449
- R. S. M. 10
- W. DIARY. 11-12
- FILE 15

  
Capt.  
Adj. 7 Bn.

War Diary  
(Int)  
A 18

7th BATTALION

APPENDIX 103

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 23

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
23 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT  
on 23 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer  
Orderly Sgt  
Orderly Cpl  
Bicycle Orderly

Lieut R.L. KEENE  
Sgt McMAHON A.D.  
Cpl NICHOLS J.A.  
Pte BRAKEY L.A.

Duty Coy  
Next for Duty

"D" Coy  
"E" Coy

*G Jones*  
Capt.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX NO 104

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO ALL Coy's

FROM 7 BN

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

J187

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warning	order	①	ALL	offrs	required
at	BN	HQ	1945	hrs	24
MAR	42				

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MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX - NO 105

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

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7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

7. BN.

FROM

23 AUST INF Bde

Originator's Number

A 323.

Date

24

In Reply to Number.

one	officer	potential	O. C.	of	a
months	working	party	As	report	for
instructions	As	STAFF	CAPTAIN	⊙	hear
H. Q	7.	M D	1430	his	today
⊙	full	details	follow	this	afternoon
D. R	⊙	party	will	be	26
all	ranks	⊙	ack.		

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 106

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

TO

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7 BN

FROM

23 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number

0-142

Date

24

In Reply to Number.

all	units	commander	to	be	at
conference	at	A	mess	adv	7 M.D.
at	1630	his	today	at	if
at	6	office	7 M.D.	at	1620
can	direct	commander	to	A	mess
nearly	if	location	is	not	known

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(but) A. 19

APPENDIX

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# 7th BATTALION

## AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 24

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
24 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.

### 1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 24 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut L.N. MACKINNON
Orderly Sgt	Sgt HERAUD N.J.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl SYLVIA W.J.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte WILLIAMS M.D.

Duty Coy	"E" Coy
Next for Duty	"A" Coy

### 2. LOST RIFLE

Rifle No. 53124 has been lost. Coy Comds are requested to check rifles in their Coys. Returns to Bn H.Q. by 1800 hrs 24 MAR 42.

*[Signature]*  
Capt.  
Adj 7 Bn.

A 20

APPENDIX No 108

# 7th BATTALION

## A U S T R A L I A N M I L I T A R Y F O R C E S .

CAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 25

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
25 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn

1. DUTIES The following duties will mount at RETREAT on 25 MAR 42:--  

Orderly Officer	Lieut WESTWOOD L.V.
Orderly Sgt	Sgt RUSH G.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl DREW H.R.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte MANDUCIT L.A.
Duty Coy	"A" Coy
Next for Duty	"B" Coy
  
2. OUT OF BOUNDS All ranks are warned that the area known as McMINNS is strictly OUT OF POUNDS. This instruction is to be promulgated at frequent intervals.
  
3. OUT OF BOUNDS Town of DARWIN is out of bounds to ALL ranks except on duty.
  
4. PILFERING & LOOTING Cases of pilfering and looting in the town of DARWIN have occurred. Any soldier detected looting, pilfering, or in the possession of stolen goods is liable to action by civil and/or Military police. Military action that can be taken is a Court Martial with up to 14 years penal servitude for anyone guilty of any of these offences.
  
5. INFORMATION Attention is again directed to para 8 of 7 Bn R.O. No. 10 of 10 MAR 42. This instruction MUST be strictly observed at all times.

*L. B. Hanton* Lieut  
for  
Capt.  
Adjt 7 Bn.

A 22

7th BATTALION

H Q 7 Bn A.M.F.  
Home Forces  
25 MAR 42

TRAINING INSTRUCTION

1. It has been noticed that in some cases Pl Comds are NOT in attendance with their Pls during the whole of Tng periods.
2. Pl Comds, except when detailed for special Bn duty, will attend all tng Ples with their Pls for the whole of the tng period.
3. When Coy Comds desire to detail a Pl Comd for Coy Duty, the spare Officers in the particular Coy will take charge of the Pl during the time the Pl Comd is on Coy Duty.
4. The general slovenly behavior and slackness of personnel on the whole is very noticeable. In connection with this, Coys will immediately take drastic steps to remedy this matter by short periods of Squad Drill daily, including saluting, standing to attention, etc.
5. Coy Comds are responsible that the above instructions are carried out forthwith.

*(Signature)*  
Major  
for Capt.  
Commanding

DISTRIBUTION

CO	1
2 i/c	2
Adjt	3
Coy Comds	4 - 9
War Diary	10 - 11
File	12- 13

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX - No. III

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.	IN	7th BATTALION	No. of Groups	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		GR.	

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO *Advanced HQ 7MD, rptd 23 AWS INF BDE*

FROM *7 BN*

Originator's Number *I 50*      Date *25*      In Reply to Number.

INTELLIGENCE TELEGRAM		0	(a)	rece	of
<i>proposed</i>	<i>new</i>	<i>road</i>	<i>continuing</i>	<i>(b)</i>	<i>NIL</i>
<i>(c)</i>	<i>NIL</i>				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

*0850*

SIGNED

SIGNED

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SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX No 112

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

Advanced HQ 7MD rptd 23 AUS INF BDE

FROM

7 BN

Originator's Number

I 52

Date

26

In Reply to Number.

INTELLIGENCE TELEGRAM

proposed  
TINT.  
straightening

new  
SEC  
(de)

road  
with  
NIL

(a)  
was  
the  
(c)

rece  
continued  
view  
NIL

of  
by  
of

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

0820.

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

Lt.  
A.21

## 7th BATTALION

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCESCAMP ROUTINE ORDER NO. 26

H Q 7 Bn  
In the Field  
26 MAR 42

by

Lt-Col. R.M. SADLER DSO MC VD Commanding 7 Bn.1. DUTIES

The following duties will mount at RETREAT on  
26 MAR 42 :-

Orderly Officer	Lieut A.R. THOMPSON
Orderly Sgt	Sgt ELLIS H.K.
Orderly Cpl	Cpl McGOWAN H.
Bicycle Orderly	Pte ELLIS F.P.
Duty Coy	"B" Coy
Next for Duty	"C" Coy

2. LOST  
PAY BOOK

The following Pay Books have been lost :-

VX66232 Pte RAWSON	S.K.	No. unknown
VX65608 Pte HAZELDENE	J.	No. 473234

*R. W. Warton*  
Lt. Col.  
Adj. 7 Bn.

NOTICESFOUND

1 Wristlet Watch with cover. Owner may collect  
at 7 Bn H.Q. on identification.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX - No 144

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

TO 7 BN

FROM 23 AUS INF BDE

Originator's Number  
A 338

Date  
27

In Reply to Number.

on	completion	of	present	moves	all
unit	transport	will	be	grounded	with
exception	of	CO's	Car	and	vehicles
required	for	essential	maintenance		

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

7/4

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

1740

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX NO 115

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY:)

TO

7 BN ALL Loys

FROM

7 BN

Originator's Number

J 204

Date

28

In Reply to Number.

ALL	men	NOT	actually	digging	will
clear	fields	of	fire	and	then
extend	grass	clearings	as	much	as
possible					

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

0840

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.



MESSAGE FORM

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

ALL Coys

FROM

7 BN

Originator's Number

R 22

Date

29

In Reply to Number.

NO	mosquito	nets	will	be	erected
before	1930	hrs	⊙	mosquito	nets
will	be	taken	down	and	be
put	under	cover	by	STAND	TO
⊙	ack				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

1345

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

MESSAGE FORM

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO 23 AUS INF BDE

FROM 7 BN

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

J 120

29

1000	coils	barbed	wire	2000	long
star	pickets	8000	short	star	pickets
immediate	requirements				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

1925

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(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX NO 118

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

7 BN

FROM

23 AVS. INF BDE

Originator's Number

I 146

Date

29

In Reply to Number.

as	at	0230	hrs	29	MAR
NAVY	ARMY	RAAF	clocks	will	be
retarded	one	hour	repeat	one	hour
0	message	received	from	adv.	H.Q.
7 <del>MD</del> MD	at	0435	hrs	old	time

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

0355

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX NO 119

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

A B C D Coys

FROM

7 BN

Originator's Number

I 56

Date

30

In Reply to Number.

allied	aircraft	markings	○	to	avoid
U. S	aircraft	being	mistaken	for	enemy
aircraft	the	red	circle	in	the
AMERICAN	insignia	is	being	painted	white
on	U. S	army	planes	○	inform
all	rank	○	ack		

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER.

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

0946.

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

# MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX NO 120.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

7 BN

FROM

23 AUS INF BDE

Originator's Number

A 359

Date

30

In Reply to Number.

ADMS	advises	one	NCO	and	four
other	ranks	AMC	will	be	attached
each	RAP	for	assistance	to	RMO
0	medical	supplies	obtained	from	MDS
8/10	miles	SOUTH	of	SOUTH PORT	farm
off	ambulance	should	take	requisitions	and
pick	up	next	day		

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN** BY ANY MEANS:

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT **IN CYPHER.**

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

1153

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(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

7th BATTALION

H.Q. 7 Bn.  
IN THE FIELD.  
31 MARCH 42.

ALLEGED THEFT OF WEAPONS.

Following is an extract from 23 Aust. Inf. Bde.  
of 31 MARCH 42.

"Complaint has been received of the apparent theft in  
this Bde Area, of pistols Colt automatic .45 Cal Nos :-

{ 353211 on night 28/29 MAR 42  
544257

535399  
588188 on previous dates.  
23550  
352108

The Bde Comd directs that diligent and effective search  
is to be made forthwith for any of the above and I am to  
express his extreme annoyance at such unwarranted  
happenings.

Officers are enjoined to be constantly upon the the alert  
for any signs of attempts to trade or sell such weapons  
or the illicit attempting to obtain T S M G amm which  
fits these pistols. "

For report please.

- Distribution.
- Coy Comdrs. 1-5.
  - S.O. 6.
  - I.O. 7.
  - T.O. 8.
  - R.S.M. 9.
  - CO & ADJT. 10.
  - War DIARY 11.12.
  - FILE 13.

*W. D. Manton* Lieut  
Capt.  
for Adj. 7 Bn.

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX NO 122

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

7th BATTALION

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

7 BN

FROM

23 AVSINF BDE

Originator's Number

A 364

Date

31

In Reply to Number.

two	and	half	tons	barb	wire
available	for	collection	from	this	H Q
this	afternoon	0	to	be	used
as	trip	wires			

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

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SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

1511

APPENDIX 123

Army Form C.2128  
(Pads of 100)  
Reprinted May, 1941.

# MESSAGE FORM

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

7 BN

FROM

23 AVS INF BDE

Originator's Number

I 163

Date

31

In Reply to Number.

instances	reported	from	other	districts	of
troops	souveniring	portions	of	crashed	enemy
aircraft	also	equipment	and	personal	effects
from	JAPANESE	P. W.	0	inform	ALL
banks	of	great	value	to	INTELLIGENCE
of	all	captured	material	and	of
necessity	of	passing	such	items	low

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT BY ANY MEANS: **AS WRITTEN**

IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT **IN CYPHER.**

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

SIGNED

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.



# MESSAGE FORM

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

IN  
  
OUT

*7th BATTALION*

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

**TO**

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

**FROM**

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number.

<i>to</i>	<i>next</i>	<i>senior</i>	<i>H.Q.</i>	<i>as</i>	<i>quickly</i>
<i>as</i>	<i>possible</i>	<i>⓪</i>	<i>disciplinary</i>	<i>action</i>	<i>will</i>
<i>be</i>	<i>taken</i>	<i>against</i>	<i>any</i>	<i>offenders</i>	<i>⓪</i>
<i>ack</i>					

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

*1800.*

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX NO 124

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN

OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

7 BN

FROM

23 AUS INF BDE

Originator's Number

0157

Date

31

In Reply to Number.

OC	D	Coy	7 BN	and	PI
Comdros	will	contact	C.O.	43 BN	for
rece	of	alternative	positions	in	43 BN
area	contact	to	be	made	31 MAR

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY ANY MEANS:

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.

1554

MESSAGE FORM

APPENDIX NO 125.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.

IN  
OUT

7th BATTALION

No. of Groups  
GR.

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO 7 BN

FROM 23 AVS INF BDE

Originator's Number  
0161

Date  
31

In Reply to Number.

7 BN	will	detach	D Coy	for	protection
of	adv.	7 MD	0	rece	by
OIC	0930	1 APR	as	arranged	0
Coy	to	move	to	posns	commencing
1400	hrs	1 APR	to	be	in
posn	by	1800	hrs	0	will
come	under	cond	43 BN	0	ack

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY.

TIME OF ORIGIN

SIGNED

SIGNED

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN.	TIME IN.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.	SYSTEM OUT.	TIME OUT.	READER.	SENDER.

T.H.I.

T.O.R.  
2248