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February-March 1943



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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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H. 10029 2/43

Unit Ops Sec GS Branch, Adv LHQ Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 43 To 28 Feb 43

1.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	1 Feb		Staff Table of GS(Ops) Offrs for Jan 43.	Appx (1)
			MVTS OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 8	Appx (2)
			for 24 hrs ending 1600L/31 Jan.	
			ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 293: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces	Appx (3)
			South West Pacific Area WITH MAP ATTACHED.	
			MVTS OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 8	Appx (4)
			for 24 hrs ending 1600L/1 Feb.	
	2 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 294: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces	Appx (5)
			South West Pacific Area with map attached.	
			MVTS OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 8	Appx (6)
			for 24 hrs ending 1600L/2 Feb.	
	3 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 295: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces	Appx (7)
			South West Pacific Area with map attached.	
			MVTS OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 8 for Appx (8)	

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BRISBANE			24 hrs ending 1600L/3 Feb.	
	4 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 296: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces	Appx (9)
			South West Pacific Area with map attached.	
			MVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 8	Appx (10)
			for 24 hrs ending 1600L/4 Feb.	
	5 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 297: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces	Appx (11)
			South West Pacific Area, with map attached.	
			MVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 8	Appx (12)
			for the 24 hours ending 1600L/5 Feb.	
	6 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT NO 298: From Adv HQ Allied Land	Appx (13)
			Forces, South West Pacific Area.	
	7 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 299: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces	Appx (14)
			South West Pacific Area.	
			MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 8	Appx (15)

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Unit Ops Sec GS Branch, ADV LHQ. Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 43 To 28 Feb 43.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE			for the 24 hours ending 1600L/6 Feb.	
	8 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 300: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces South West Pacific Area.	Appx (16)
			MOV'T OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 8	Appx (17)
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/7 Feb.	
	9 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT NO. 301: From Adv HQ, Allied Land Forces South West Pacific Area.	Appx (18)
			MOV'T OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: There has been no change to Basic Schedule No 8 for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/8 Feb.	Appx (19)
	10 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 302: From Adv HQ, Allied Land Forces South West Pacific Area with map attached.	Appx (20)
			MOV'T OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 8 for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/9 Feb.	Appx (21)
	11 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 303: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces	Appx (22)

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Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 43 To 28 Feb 43.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE			South West Pacific Area.	
			<u>MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA:</u> There has been no change to	Appx (23)
			Basic Schedule No 8 for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/10 Feb.	
	12 Feb		<u>ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT NO. 304:</u> From Adv HQ Allied Land	Appx (24)
			Forces South West Pacific Area with map attached.	
			<u>MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA:</u> Changes to Basic Schedule No 8	Appx (25)
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/11 Feb.	
			<u>LOCATION OF FORMATIONS:</u> A statement showing the location of	Appx (26)
			formations as at 31 Jan 43 is appended.	
	13 Feb		<u>ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 305:</u> From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces	Appx (27)
			South West Pacific Area.	
			<u>MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA:</u> Basic Schedule No 9, showing the	Appx (28)
			position as at 1600L/12 Feb, is appended.	
	14 Feb		<u>MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA:</u> Changes to Basic Schedule No 9	Appx (29)

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE			for 24 hrs ending 1600L/13.	
	14 Feb		ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 306: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces	Appx (30)
			South West Pacific Area.	
	15 Feb		MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 9	Appx (31)
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/14.	
			ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 307: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces	Appx (32)
			South West Pacific Area.	
	16 Feb		MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 9	Appx (33)
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/14.	
			ADV LHQ DAILY OPS REPORT 308: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces,	Appx (34)
			South West Pacific Area.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	17 Feb		Adv LHQ OPERATIONS REPORT NO 309: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces South West Pacific Area, with Situation Map attached.	Appx 35
			Movt of Units to New Guinea: Changes to Basic Schedule No 9 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/16 Feb.	Annex 36
	18 Feb		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 310: From Adv HQ, Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 37
			Movt of Units to New Guinea: Changes to Basic Schedule No 9 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/17 Feb.	Appx 38
	19 Feb		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 311: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 39
			Movt of Units to New Guinea: Changes to Basic Schedule No 9 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/18 Feb.	Appx 40
			LOCATION OF FORMATIONS: A statement showing the Location of Formations for the South West Pacific Area, as at 16 Feb 43,	Appx 41

is appended.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	19 Feb		Sixth US ARMY: Distribution Lists will be amended by inserting Sixth US Army, the formation of which has been announced.	Appx 42
	20 Feb		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 312: From Adv HQ, Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 43
			Movt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 9 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/19 Feb.	Appx 44
	21 Feb		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 313: From Adv HQ, Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 45
			Movt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 9 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/20 Feb.	Appx 46
			LHQ OP INSTN 44: Operation Instruction No 44, issued by Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area gives in detail organisation and command of Sixth US Army.	Appx 47

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	22 Feb		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 314: From Adv HQ, Allied	Appx 48
			Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	
			Movt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 9	Appx 49
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/21 Feb.	
	23 Feb		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 315: From Adv HQ Allied	Appx 50
			Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	
			Movt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 9	Appx 51
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/22 Feb.	
	24 Feb		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 316: From Adv HQ, Allied	Appx 52
			Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	
			Movt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Basic Schedule No 10, giving the	Appx 53
			position as at 1600 L/23 is appended. Basic Schedule No 9 is	
			now cancelled.	
	25 Feb		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 317; From Adv HQ Allied	Appx 54
			Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	

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Unit Ops Sec GS Branch, Adv LHQ

Date and Time.—From 1 Feb 43 To 28 Feb 43 9.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	25 Feb		<u>Movt of Units to NEW GUINEA:</u> Changes to Basic Schedule No 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/24.	Appx 55
	26 Feb		<u>Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 318:</u> From Adv HQ, Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 56
			<u>Movt of Units to NEW GUINEA:</u> Changes to Basic Schedule No 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/25.	Appx 57
	27 Feb		<u>Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 319:</u> From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 58
			<u>Movt of Units to NEW GUINEA:</u> Changes to Basic Schedule No 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/26.	Appx 59
	28 Feb		<u>Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 320:</u> From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 60
			<u>Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO 321:</u> From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 61

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G (OPS) PERSONNEL - ADV LHQ

Strength as at 1 Feb 43.

	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>NAME</u>
Brig GS (Ops)	VX20316	Col	T W WHITE
GSO I	VX61	Lt-Col	A E BAMFORD
M02 (a) GII	QX18602	Major	W KIDSTON
GIII	QX6307	Capt	R F MOODIE
GIII Air	VP3871	Lieut	E D WHITTAKERS
M02 (b) GII	QX6168	Major	D VINCENT
GIII	SX3995	Lieut	F S BURR

Temporarily attached

From	To	NUMBER	RANK	NAME
13 Jan 43	27 Jan 43	VP7417	Col	R G BOOKER

Temporarily detached to LHQ

VX61	Lt-Col	A E BAMFORD
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Departures during Jan

31 Jan 43 To L H Q	VX20316	Col	T W WHITE
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Visiting Officers

CGS	Lt-Gen	J NORTHCOTT	Arrived Adv LHQ 26 Jan 43
			Departed LHQ 30 Jan 43
GIII Air	Capt	TRAYNER	Arrived Adv LHQ 20 Jan 43
			Departed LHQ 22 Jan 43

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

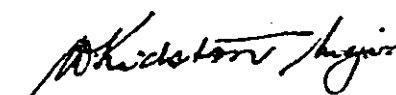
APPX 2

MOST SECRETChanges to Basic Schedule No. 8 for 24 hrs ending 1800L/31Copy No. 7..
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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarka	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
1	<u>FORT MORESBY</u> Reinforcements			Montoro Melbourne	38			
	<u>MILNE BAY</u> NO CHANGE							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> NO CHANGE							

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Major-General
 Deputy Chief of the General Staff

1 Feb 43.

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 293.

Reference maps: WAU 4 miles Strategic
MARKHAM 4 miles Strategic
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/31.

1. Area MILNE BAY

5 Aust Div to 1200 L/31.

Situation normal.

2. Area GOHA.

41 US Div to 1700 L/31.

- (a) The total number of Japanese casualties in the area SANANANDA - GOHA - JUNEORA - SCPUTA on 31 Jan was 12 killed and 5 Prisoners of War.
- (b) On 28 Jan a PIB patrol from SANGARA contacted 200 Japanese at DIVINIKARI - the report suggests the enemy will endeavour to get away down the KUHUSI River.
- (c) A patrol inflicted heavy casualties on the enemy in the SAGARI - DEUNIA Area forcing them into the trackless swamp area between the KUHUSI and OPI Rivers. American patrols and PIB are expected to cut the enemy off at the coast.
- (d) The role of the detachment at IONA is to force Japanese on to the river outposts already covered by our patrols.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY

KANGA FORCE to 2200 L/31.

- (a) Reports to 2000 L/30 stated that our artillery and direct air support were most effective in the WAU area. Enemy casualties on the days fighting are now estimated to be at least 300 including the regimental commander and four of his staff officers. There were indications that the Japanese were working along the BULOLO VALLEY in a north westerly direction.
- (b) Stragglers' reports indicate that on night 28 Jan, A Coy 2/8 Aust Inf Bn at WANDUNI was attacked and suffered heavy casualties. A composite Coy which was sent from WAU to counter enemy infiltration to the BULOLO River through the re-entrant 1 mile north west of our WANDUNI position, contacted our WANDUNI troops, but was subsequently overwhelmed by the enemy between WANDUNI and BULOLO Rivers.

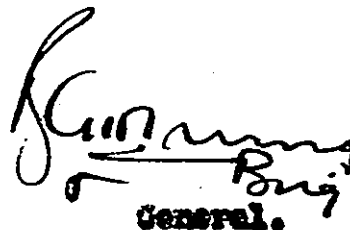
There are only two survivors to date.

(c) The dispositions of our troops at 2000 L/30 were:-

- (i) 2/5 Aust Inf Bn 2/7 Aust Inf Bn less two Coys - defence WAU aerodrome.
 - (ii) Two coys 2/7 Aust Inf Bn one mile north west of CRYSTAL CREEK.
 - (iii) Two coys 2/5 Aust Inf Bn in BLACKCAT Area.
 - (iv) Two platoons DULWA aerodrome - one platoon BULGLO.
 - (v) One coy 2/5 Aust Inf Bn at SKINDEWAI with one platoon at BALLANS which they re-occupied on night 30/31 Jan.
 - (vi) 2/7 Aust Indep Coy at WAIPALI.
 - (vii) Detachment of 2/5 Aust Indep Coy at SOCS.
- (d) The air transport situation for the 24 hours ending 2200 L/31 was:-
- (i) 400 troops and 172623 lbs of stores landed.
 - (ii) Ammunition, amount unstated, was landed at WAU in 67 plane loads.
 - (iii) Troops landed consisted of the balance of the troop, 2/1 Aust Pd Regt, one troop 156 Lt AA Regt, Detachment Air Support Control, ground personnel of a flight of 4 AC Sqn, 2/3 Aust Indep Coy, small detachment of a Coy 7 Aust MG Bn.

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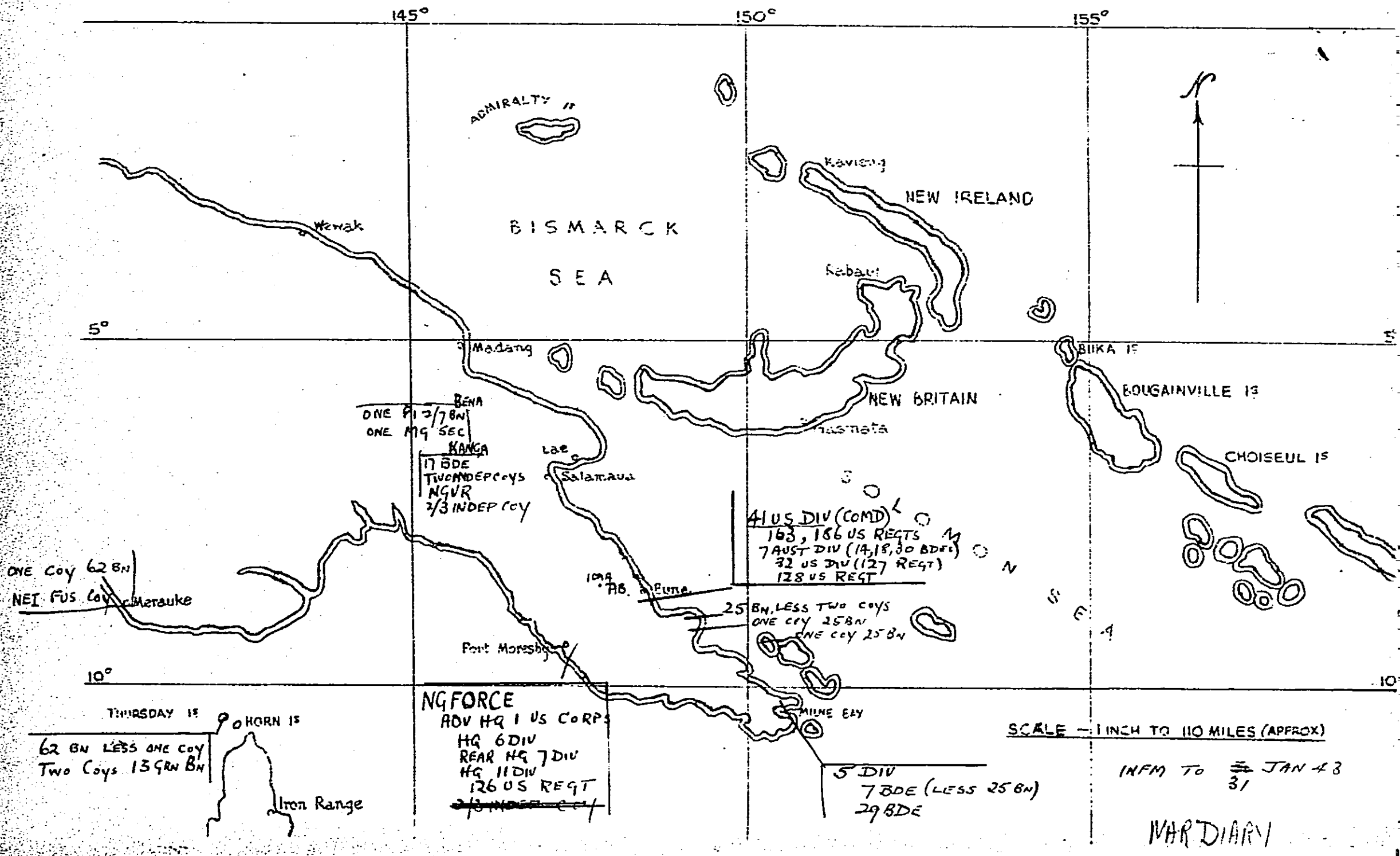
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General.

Commander, Allied Land Forces.

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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 88.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 8 for 24 hrs ending 1800L/1.

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ADV LHQ.
2 Feb 43.

Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		On Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr GRS Vehs	Offr GRS Vehs	Vessel Place of Embark	Offr GRS Vehs	Offr GRS Vehs	Date	
	<u>PORT MURPHY</u> No change							
	<u>WILHELM DAVID</u> No change							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> No change							

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Major-General.
Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

2 Feb 43.

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 284

Reference maps: WAO WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile.
HARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC.
HUON GULF special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/1 Feb.

1. Area MILNE BAY

5 Aust Div to 1200 L/1.

Situation normal.

2. Area GOHA.

41 US Div to 0800 L/1.

- (a) A detachment of PIB has moved to SAGARI and 39 Japanese have been killed on the SAGARI-DEUNIA track.
- (b) The GOHA WRECK has been investigated and definitely identified as the AYATOSON MARU. Six 3 inch AA Guns less sights and breach blocks were found on board, but there is no evidence that the wreck was used as an CP. The wreck has been gutted by fire and is breaking up.
- (c) 200 Japanese are reported as being still south of the HARIA RIVER mouth in the vicinity of KOSO with some enemy located at ZAKA north of the River mouth. Reinforcements are reported to be arriving nightly by barge.
- (d) A party of approximately 60 enemy led by an officer are hiding at NAMBATUTU village 1 mile west of DUVIRA MISSION.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY.

KANJA FORCE to 2200 L/1.

- (a) Enemy concentrations have been located in the areas of 387715 and 399700. 800 enemy were reported in the latter area.
- (b) A patrol to the BULOLO RIVER was ambushed by 30 to 40 Japanese; our only casualty was one wounded. The area was later attacked by mortars. On the night 31 Jan/1 Feb our artillery carried out harassing tasks in the BULOLO RIVER area. At 0715 L/1 a fighting patrol moved in a north easterly direction toward the BULOLO RIVER in search of enemy concentrations in that area.

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(c) WANDUNI village was shelled by our artillery during 31 Jan. A further 27 survivors (including the Brigade Major 17 Aust Inf Bde) from the Coy's overwhelmed at WANDUNI reached HAU on the afternoon of 31 Jan.

(d) AIR TRANSPORT for 1 Feb 45.

53 Aircraft landed at HAU carrying a total of 200512 lbs including one Coy 7 AUST MG BN and 80 reinforcements for 17 AUST INF BDE.

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d. No report received.

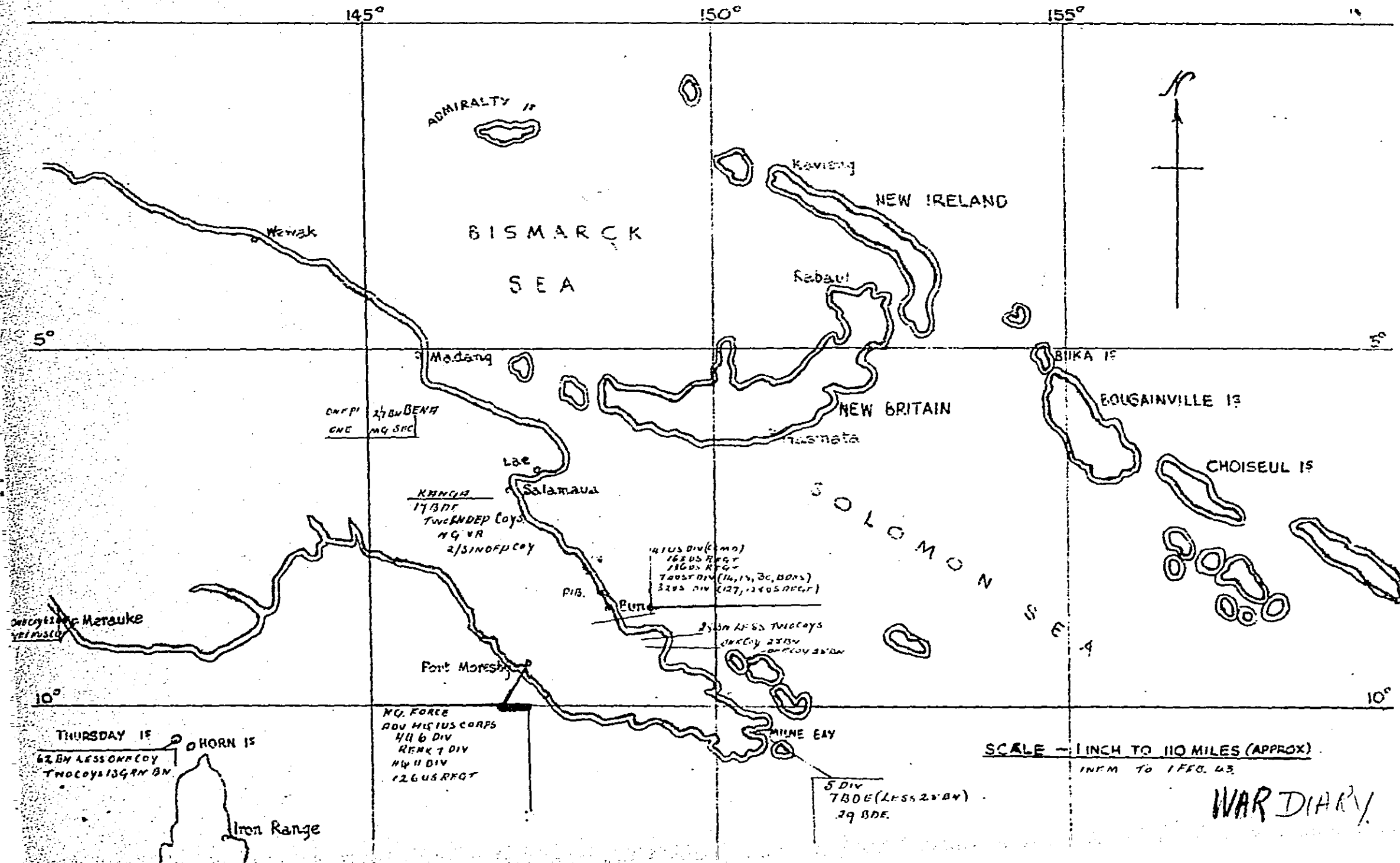
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General

Commander, Allied Land Forces.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

MOVEMENT REPORT No. 100

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3 Feb 43

Serial	Order Orders to Move		Allocation - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		REMARKS
	Units	Offr Cdr Vels	Offr Cdr Vels	Vessel Class of Unit	Offr Cdr Vels	Offr Cdr Vels	Date	
	<u>PORT MURRAY</u>							
1	Reinforcements		780	(Canberra Cairns 110 Gorgan Townsville Taroom 14 Three Livings Brisbane)		13 02 4 171 1 4 54	1/2/43	
2	5 Aust Pz Coy							
3	First Aust Army							
4	School Sign							
5	RM 14 AA Coy			(Taroom 14 Townsville Taroom 14 Three Livings Brisbane)		6 20 1 17		
6	75 AML Coy			Three Livings Brisbane				
7	428 Bty AA Gun Bde			" " Sydney		3 16		
8	429 " " "			" " "		1 1		
9	6 Aust Div Bty Bty			" " "		1 1		
10	21 Aust Div Bty 2			" " "		18		
11	2nd Depts Unit			" " Brisbane		3 8		
12	3 Army Tpn Coy			" " "		4 31		
13	6 Sec NO 1 of C BIFCD			Gorgan Sydney		27 1		
14	Head Disposal Sec					2 21		
15	3 Adv Assn Depot Ldt			Taroom 14 Townsville		25		
	<u>MILNE BAY</u>							
16	47 Inf Bn			Cherch Townsville		3 20	1/2/43	
17	25 Crg Store Coy			" Sydney		1 20		
18	21 4 A.O.D.			" "		1 20		
	<u>LILLIPUT</u>							
	NO CHANGE							

W. K. L. L. L.
Major - General
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3 Feb 43.

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 226

Ref maps: WAU West (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile.
MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 1000L/2 Feb.

1. Area MILNE BAY

3 Aust Div to 2200L/1

Situation normal.

2. Area GONA

41 US Div to 1700L/1

(a) One Coy 183 US Regt is moving to the mouth of the KUMUSI River to secure that position.

(b) A patrol consisting of one platoon from 183 US Regt is also moving to the mouth of the KUMUSI River and DAHANATUTU.

(c) P.I.B. killed 19 Japanese in the vicinity of SAGARI on 30 Jan.

(d) A count of Japanese casualties throughout the entire BUNA-GONA, KOKODA, IORIHAIWA operations indicate at least 6350 killed and 342 captured. These figures include 169 stragglers killed and 21 captured since 41 US Div took over the forward area.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY

Kanga Force to 1800L/1

(a) The day was generally quiet with our patrols active. Our patrol reported approximately 50 Japanese dug in and with an OP in area 401719.

(b) (i) A report from BENA FORCE states that 3 different lines of Japanese passed through HAHANASA. At KAIAPIT Japanese told the natives that they intend to stay at KAIAPIT pending the arrival of reinforcements and then to move to WAU.

(ii) A report that 50 Japanese passed through URIGINA (approximately 35 miles North of BENA BENA) on 14 Jan is confirmed by visible signs and native talk. Large enemy patrols also passed through YADLA (17 miles East of URIGINA) and joined the URIGINA patrol at KARIPU (12 miles SE of URIGINA).

(iii) It is confirmed that LUTHERAN DOTT is guiding the Japanese under compulsion.

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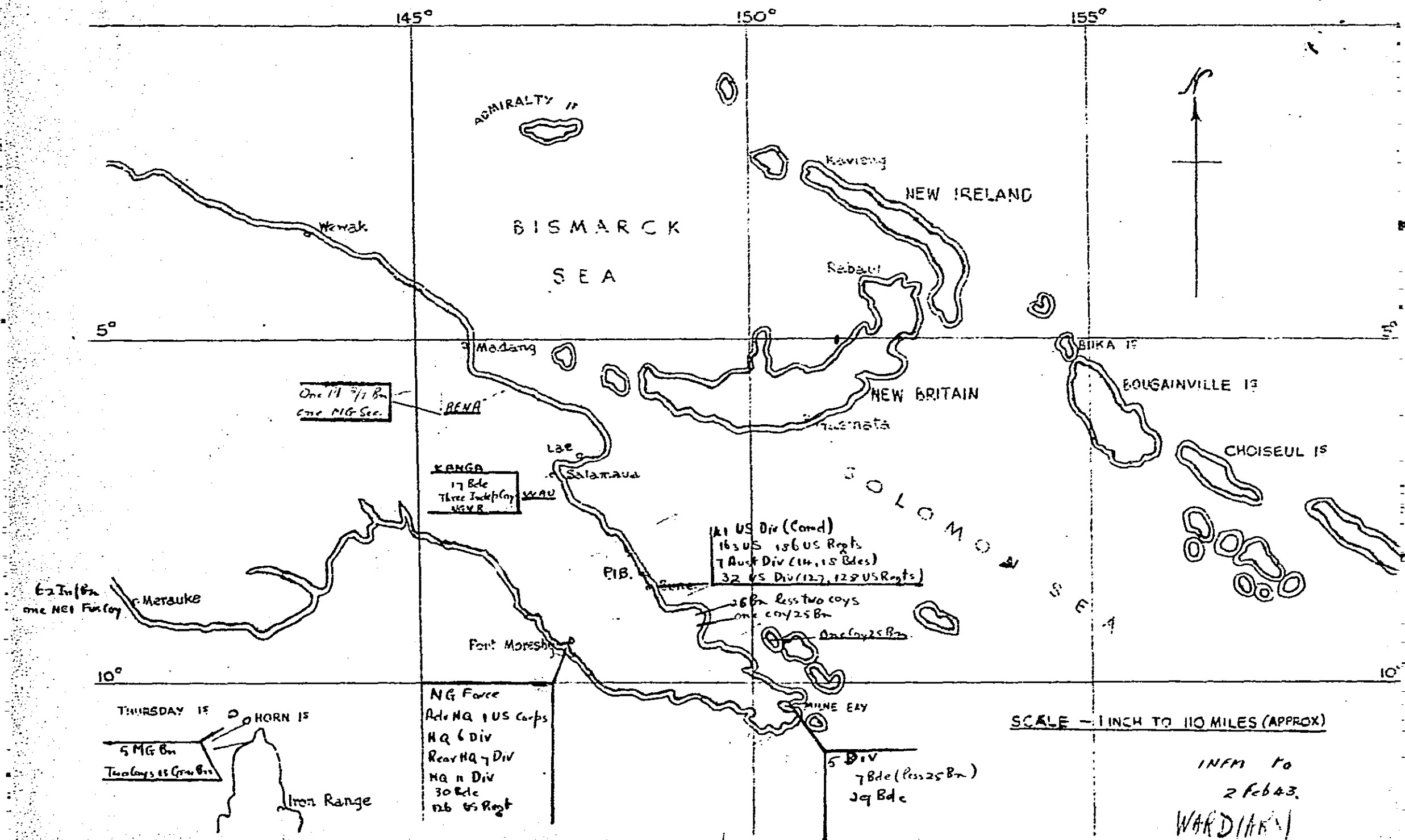
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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 101.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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4 Feb 43.

Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route		Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date		
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General Headquarters,
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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 296.

Reference Maps: HAU WEST (PROVISIONAL) 1 inch to 1 mile.
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NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/3 Feb.

1. Area MILNE BAY

5 Aust Div to 1200 L/3

Situation Normal.

2. Area GOKA

41 US Div to 1700 L/3

(a) "G" Coy 163 US Regt having encountered an enemy post of unknown strength 100 yards south of BAKUMARI are attempting to establish a bridgehead over the River. Native patrols are moving down the coast to contact this party.

(b) Patrols from PIB near the KANARE Delta killed 8 Japanese and destroyed one motor powered punt. A large body of enemy were encountered at DEUNIA having come from SABANI.

(c) 537 personnel of 186 US Regt arrived at BUNA by air 3 Feb.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY

KANGA FORCE to 1400 L/3

(a) At 1630 L/2 after artillery shelling for half an hour 1 Platoon 2/3 Indep Coy occupied the area 402724 but withdrew at 1930 L/2, the withdrawal also being covered by successful artillery fire. At 1015 L/3 the area was reoccupied, the attack being supported by artillery and MG fire.

(b) At 0700 L/2 a detachment of 2/5 Indep Coy moved to reinforce our patrols at Japanese track junction 487733. Our troops launched two attacks killing 50 to 60 Japanese.

(c) At 1245 L/2, 42 enemy were observed to enter WANDUNI village.

(d) At 0750 L/3 LEAYS Farm in area 402693 was neutralized by artillery fire. At 0800 hrs B Coy 2/7 Bn attacked and occupied the area by 0802 hrs.

(e) At 1120 hrs D Coy 2/7 Bn moved to 387710, B Coy to 404696.

(f) At 0630 L/2 our patrols moved to the Saddle area at GUADAGUASAL.

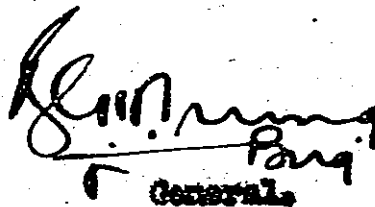
(a) At 1000 L/S 1 Sec 2/7 Indep Coy moved to
BURNHAM as reinforcements making our patrol
strength now 30.

(b) Two Coys 2/8 Bn are operating along the
WANDURY - BLACKOAT track attacking enemy forces
at 1500 L/S.

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No report received.



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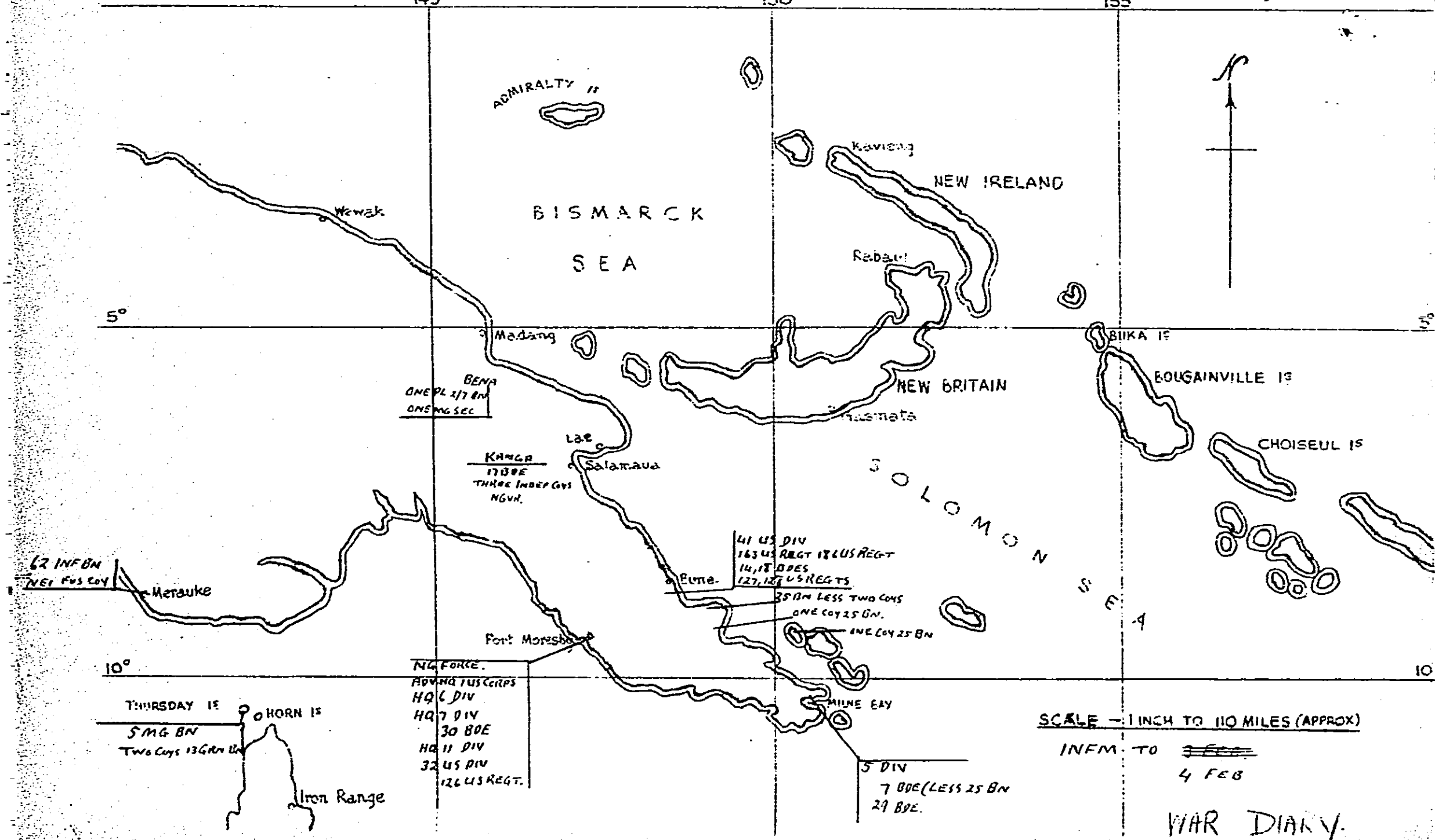
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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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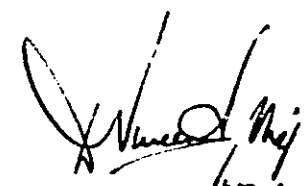
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5 Feb 43.

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 297

Reference Maps: HAU WEST (PROVISIONAL) 1 inch to 1 mile.
MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC.
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/4 Feb.

1. Area MILNE BAY.

5 Aust Div to 1200 L/4.

Situation Normal.

2. Area GONA.

41 US Div to 1700 L/4.

(a) Patrol activity continues.

(b) Some enemy have been located at ANOA LX2935 and in area ZAKA - DOXA - HAU in square LX41.

(c) One platoon "G" Coy 163 US Regt moving north has crossed the creek at BUKAMBARI.

(d) The move by air of 166 US Regt to the BUNA area has been completed.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY.

KANOA FORCE to 1600 L/4.

(a) Patrol activity continues. On the afternoon 3 Feb enemy estimated strength 120/130 attacked our patrol in the BULAINING area.

(b) Two Coys 2/6 Aust Inf Bn reached the track junction 487733 in the BLACK CAT area during the afternoon 3 Feb.

(c) During night 3/4 Feb the enemy made several determined but unsuccessful attempts to break through the forward elements of "C" Coy 2/7 Aust Inf Bn in the area 394606.

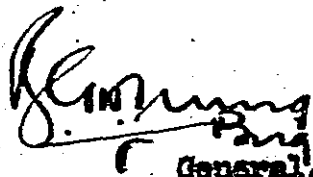
(d) At 1500 L/4 2/3 Indep Coy supported by artillery, mortar and MG fire, attacked the remaining enemy at KAPSE 399725. The objective was reached and by 1600 hrs only intermittent fire was coming from this area.

(e) 260 miscellaneous personnel were moved to HAU by air during 4 Feb, including 6 officers 171 ORs

21/25 Bde Carrier Coy, a special force for aerodrome defense formed from the carrier platoons 21 and 25 Aust Inf Bdes.

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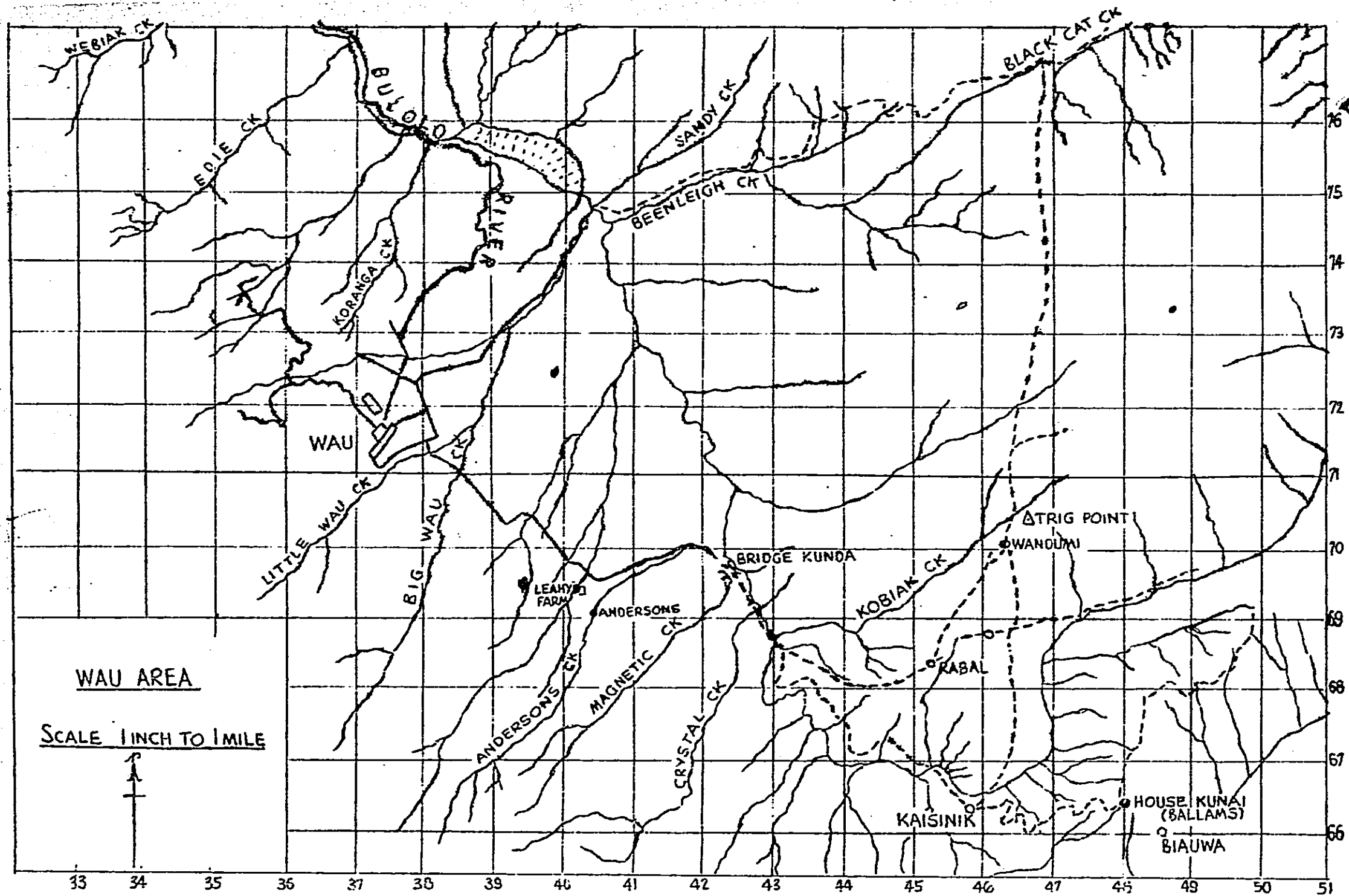
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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 103.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route		Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
1 Add 23	<u>PORT MORREBY</u>								
	Reinforcements			CAMBERRA	CAIRNS	38	694		
	14 Aust Ord Store Coy			MONTCRO	SYDNEY	4	100		
	<u>MILNE BAY</u>								
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	<u>LILLIPUT II</u>								
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6 Feb 43

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area

DAILY OPERATION REPORT 296

Reference Maps: HAU WEST (PROVISIONAL) 1 inch to 1 mile
BARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 2000L/3

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 Aust Div to 2200L/4
Situation normal.
2. Area GOHA
41 US Div to 0700L/5
The move by air to MORESBY of 14 Aust Inf Bde and 128 US Regt has been completed.
3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KARCA FORCE to 2100L/4
 - (a) Small scale fighting continued in the LEAHYE PARR area 402693.
 - (b) 2/5 Indep Coy was in area COPSE 399725 and was to seize the next copse at 401716.
 - (c) At 2100L/4 31/25 Carrier Coy with under command coy 7 Aust IG Bn took over the defence of HAU aerodrome from 2/5 Aust Inf Bn.
 - (d) One Coy of 2/6 Aust Inf Bn was ambushed at track junction 457733. The enemy were reported to be armed with automatics and machine guns. Our casualties, 1 killed 2 wounded 4 missing.
 - (e) The 200 personnel of 2/6 Aust Inf Bn at BLACKCAT are being reinforced by one coy 2/6 Aust Inf Bn, detachment 2/5 Indep Coy, and an arty OP.
 - (f) The force commanders intention for 6 Feb was:-
 - (i) 2/5 Indep Coy to seize next copse at 401716.
 - (ii) 2/6 Aust Inf Bn to clear the area all inclusive HAU CREEK - BULOLO River - Creek junction 425705.

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7 Feb 43.

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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 299.

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (PROVISIONAL) 1 inch to 1 mile
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HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 1000 L/5.

1. Area MILNE BAY

5 Aust Div to 2200 L/5

Situation normal.

2. Area GOHA.

41 US Div to 0700 L/5.

(a) Patrolling continues in the area.

(b) Two 25 prs were moving from GOHA to the mouth of the AMBOGA River with infantry protection to give support to G Coy 163 US Regt at BAKUHARI. This Coy attacked the enemy rearguard and is now 500 yards North of BAKUHARI Creek. Patrols of 163 US Regt were operating in the area of villages north and north west of JUMBORA.

(c) A PIB patrol killed 17 enemy on the OPI track.

(d) In the HOROBE area the enemy were occupying the GOHA landing strip. This strip is 400 yards long, is unobstructed but is overgrown.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY.

KANCA FORCE to 1800L/5

(a) During 5 Feb 2/7 Aust Inf Bn was patrolling the re-entrant east of LEAHYS farm.

(b) The 2/5 Aust Inf Bn commenced clearing the area west of the BULOLO River. B Coy moved to the junction WAU Creek - BULOLO River at 1145 L/5 via BIG WAU Creek. The Coy then moved Southeast with its left flank on the west bank of the BULOLO River. D Coy 2/5 Aust Inf Bn occupied COPSE 397728 during the morning 5 Feb and then advanced East to the wood at 403725 and reached the Creek at 402725 by 1449L/5. The dispositions at 1600L/5 were:-

- (i) B Coy 403725 - 416728
- (ii) D Coy 405728 - 403725

with both Coys moving in a South Easterly direction with no opposition.

- (c) 2/3 Indep Coy was patrolling the BULOLO River.
- (d) 2/7 Aust Inf Bn was patrolling the WAU - WABDURI track.
- (e) 2/8 Aust Inf Bn was making a track towards an enemy camp at 480710.
- (f) 2/7 Indep Coy operating in the BUIBAINING - QUADAGIASEL area killed 17 Japanese.
- (g) 18 Aust Inf Bde Carrier Coy and one troop less one section of 2/1 Pz Bde were moved by air to WAU. There was to be a test landing at BULOLO aerodrome on 6 Feb.

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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 104.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 8 for 24 hrs ending 1800L/8.

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping			En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Org Vehs	Offr Org Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embarkation		Offr Org Vehs	Date	
1	<u>PORT KEMPSHAY</u>								
	Reinforcements		750	KATOCHIA	TOWNSVILLE				
			308	KATOCHIA	SYDNEY				
2	9 Aust Fd Coy Dets		1	10	KATOCHIA	TOWNSVILLE			
23 A44	18 Aust Fd Coy Dets			23	KATOCHIA	TOWNSVILLE			
24	Reinf'ts "Boothed Bty"			20	KATOCHIA	SYDNEY			
25	78 AASH Ord Workshop								
	Ssg.		1	24	KATOCHIA	SYDNEY			
26	Anti-Malarial Cmt.								
	Dets.			21	KATOCHIA	SYDNEY			
	<u>MYLNE BAY</u>								
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	<u>LILLYPOT II</u>								
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Whistler Major
Major-General.
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8 Feb 43

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 300

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile.
WAU EAST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile.
MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 1000 L/7 Feb

1. Area WILHELM BAY
5 AUSTR DIV to 1200 L/6

Situation normal.

2. Area GONA
41 US DIV to 0700 L/7

- (a) 127 US Inf Regt was relieved by 2 Bn 186 US Inf Regt.
- (b) "G" Coy 163 US Inf Regt after being reinforced occupied BAKUMARI at 1430 L/6 after encountering heavy enemy automatic and sniper fire from vicinity north of DANAWATU. Patrols are continuing towards the KUMUSI River.
- (c) On 5 Feb one section of 25 pounders and some additional sections of Infantry moved north of the AMBOGA River to support the advance to the KUMUSI River.
- (d) P.I.B. patrol at GAIARI reports an enemy party moving down the OPI River.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 1400 L/7

- (a) At 0700 L/7 Bn HQ 2/7 Aust Inf Bn was at the farm 388710. Coys were disposed in the area of LEAHYS Farm, all being north of main Road.
- (b) On night 6/7 Feb 2/5 Aust Inf Bn dispositions were as follows:-

"C" Coy remnants and HQ Coy in WAU drome area.
Remaining 3 Coys in general area south of the main Road and in the vicinity of the junction of CRYSTAL CREEK - BULOLO RIVER.
- (c) 2/3 Aust Indep Coy is now responsible for the security of the area west of the BULOLO RIVER from the Creek junction at 421711 to the junction of the BIGWAU Creek - BULOLO River at 405748 with small standing patrols on the BULOLO River and a reserve in the area of the COPSE 388713 to 403721.
- (d) At 1520 L/5 the reinforcements for our troops in the BLACKCAT area arrived in that area. No enemy were encountered. On the afternoon of 5 Feb the camp at 470705 was reported as deserted but tents were still standing.

- (e) A patrol from 2/7 Aust Indep Coy from BALLANS reported that WARDUNI is now clear of enemy, but much activity has been observed north of WARDUNI. A check shows that the junction of WARDUNI and JAPANESE tracks is at 455715 and NOT at 457735 as previously reported.
- (f) HQ Force originally considered that the enemy force which attacked WAB town consisted of one Inf Bn and one Engineer Coy. A captured enemy operation order indicated that the force consisted of Two Bns 102 Regt together with One Coy Engineers, one detachment of mortars and one Battery of Regt. Artillery presumably without guns.

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No report received.

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General
Commander, Allied Land Forces

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9 Feb 43

General Headquarters,
Southwest Pacific Area.

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Reference Maps: HAU WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
HAU EAST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 1000L/3

1. Area MILNE BAY
3 Aust Div to 2000L/7

Situation normal.

2. Area GONA
41 US Div to 1000L/3

No report received.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANJA FORCE to 1400L/7

(a) Two patrols from 2/8 Aust Inf Bn reached the junction of the HANDBURY and JAPANESE TRACKS (482715). Intermittent firing was heard but NO opposition encountered.

(b) Our patrol at KATHANTU reports that the LUTHERAN missionary DOET has escaped from the Japanese and a patrol has been sent to contact him.

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4. No report received.

W. K. Johnston
General
Commander, Allied Land Force

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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 102.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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Serial	Units Officers to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Ohs Vels	Offr Ohs Vels	Vessel	Place of Departure	Offr Ohs Vels	Offr Ohs Vels Date	
1	<u>FORT MERRITT</u> Reinforcements			GAMBETTA	CAIRNS		88 854 7/2	
	<u>MILNE BAY</u> No change.							
4	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> 21 Aust 74 Coy			STANTON	BRISBANE		7 124 13 6/2	

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10 Feb 43

General Headquarters,
Southwest Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 302

Reference Maps : WAG WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
WAG EAST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
BARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/9

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 Aust Div to 1200L/9

Situation normal.

2. Area GONA
41 US Div to 1700L/9

(a) The move of 127 US Regt into Div reserve in the vicinity of DOBOYURA from BUHA area has been completed.

(b) In 186 US Regt area patrolling continues.

(c) G Coy 183 US Regt crossed the inlet two miles north of BAKUMABARI at 1430 L/9. Patrolling continues. 12 JAPANESE were killed in the SENARI area. G Coy was last reported 4 miles north of KURENADA.

(d) 2/6 Aust Pz Regt arrived by air and relief of 2/1 Aust Pz Regt commenced.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/9

(a) Patrolling by 2/7 Aust Inf Bn continues. Area 303634 was effectively shelled and mortared on 8 Feb.

(b) B Coy 2/5 Aust Inf Bn overcame enemy resistance at 427693 and moved to 427694. During 8 Feb D Coy struck opposition and were forced to return to 426695.

(c) In the BLACKCAT area 2/6 Aust Inf Bn reports a new JAPANESE Camp 650 yards south of the Trunk Junction. The Camp is lightly held. A patrol from 2/5 Indep Coy was to move at first light 9 Feb HK along JAPANESE track for six hours to establish an OP.

(d) On 7 Feb 2/16 Pz Coy was moving to BULOLO for aerodrome construction and defense. On relief the platoon 2/6 Aust Inf Bn is to rejoin its Coy at BULNA.

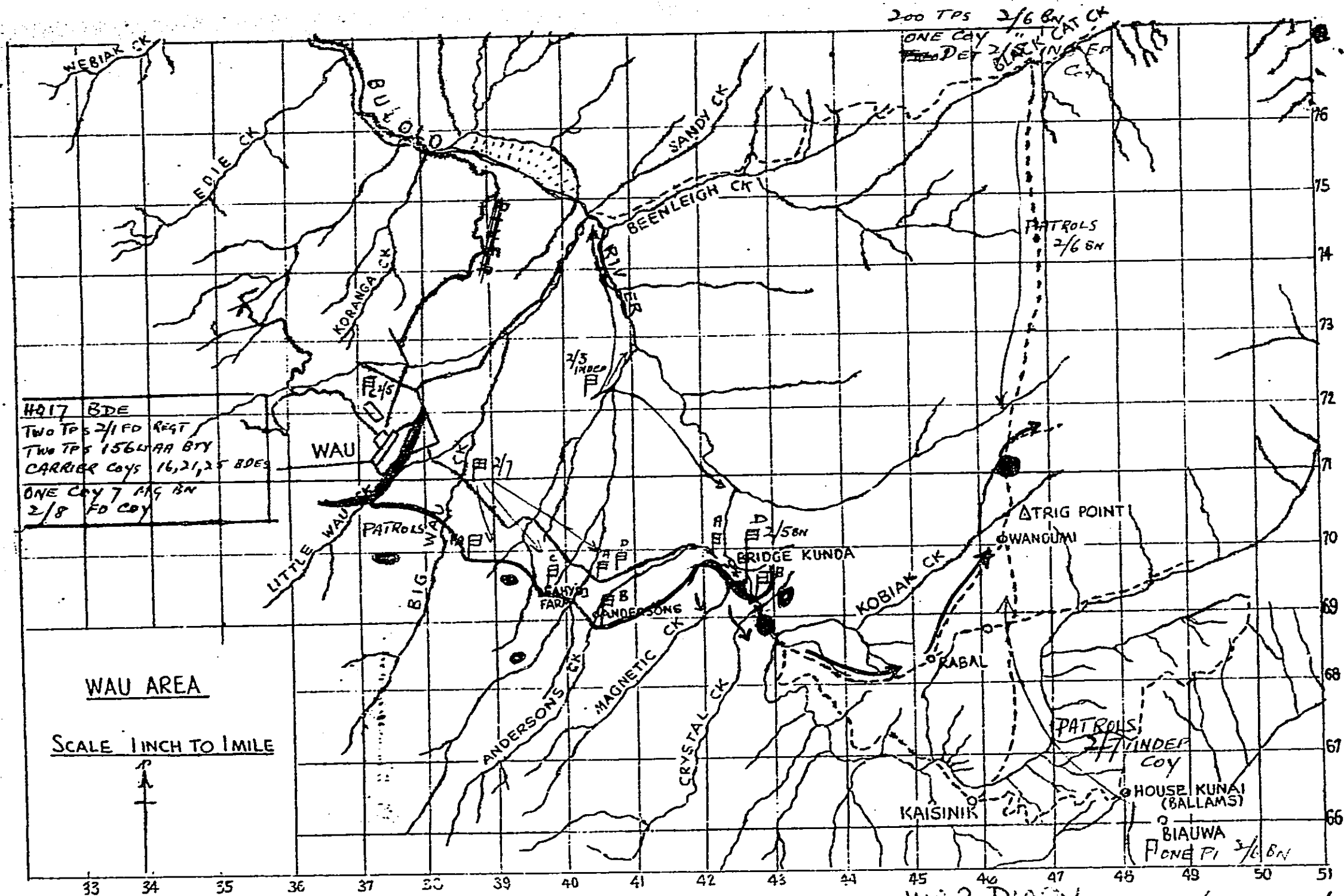
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William A. Bingham
General.

Commander, Allied Land Forces

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 8 for 24 hrs ending 1800L/9.

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2	<u>PORT MORREY</u> 3 Ans & Fd Coy			6 DAVID BUSHNELL	BRISBANE			
	<u>MILNE BAY</u> No change							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> No change							

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A. K. Keston Major

Major General.
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11 Feb 43

General Headquarters
Southwest Pacific Area

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 303

Reference Maps: HAU WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
HAU EAST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
BUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch

NEW GUINEA to 22 00L/10

1. Area MILNE RAY

No report received.

2. Area GOHA

41 US Div to 0700L/10

- (a) 187 and 186 US Regts - no change.
"a" Coy 186 US Regt is digging in on the south bank of the south delta of the KUMUSI River.
- (b) The PIB killed 30 enemy at the KUMUSI mouth.
- (c) B Sqn 2/6 Aust Armd Regt is to move from vicinity SOPUTA to POPONDETTA on 11 Feb and assume responsibility for defense of air fields in that area.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY

FARCA Force to 2200L/10

- (a) Patrolling by 2/7 Aust Inf Bn was continuing.
- (b) In the CRYSTAL CREEK area the 2/5 Aust Inf Bn reported that the enemy had withdrawn on the morning 9 Feb and was attempting to move along the JAPANESE track to HOUSE COPPER. The track CRYSTAL CREEK - WANDURI was harassed by artillery fire. One coy on the afternoon of 9 Feb over ran a probable JAPANESE HQ locality in the area of junction CRYSTAL CREEK - BULOLO River. Mopping up in the CRYSTAL CREEK area continued. It is conservatively estimated that 290 enemy have been killed in the CRYSTAL CREEK area and on the CRYSTAL CREEK - WANDURI track by 2/5 Aust Inf Bn and artillery fire during 7-9 Feb. This Bn is to clear areas up to inclusive KAISINIK and dispose one coy in the KAISINIK area, one coy at CRYSTAL CREEK and two coys at HAU.
- (c) 2/3 Aust Indep Coy is to concentrate at BLACKCAT and relieve 2/6 Aust Inf Bn in that area.

J. C. M. Young
General
Commander, Allied Land Forces

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 105

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 5 for 24 hrs ending 1500/10

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	Unit	Offr Org Vehs	Offr Org Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embark	Offr Org Vehs	Offr Org Vehs Date	
	<u>PORT MOUTHWAY</u>							
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	<u>BILLET BAY</u>							
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 Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

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South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 304

NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/11

1. Area KILNE BAY
5 AUS DIV to 1200 L/11

Situation normal.

2. Area COCA
41 US DIV to 0700 L/11

No change.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 1400 L/11

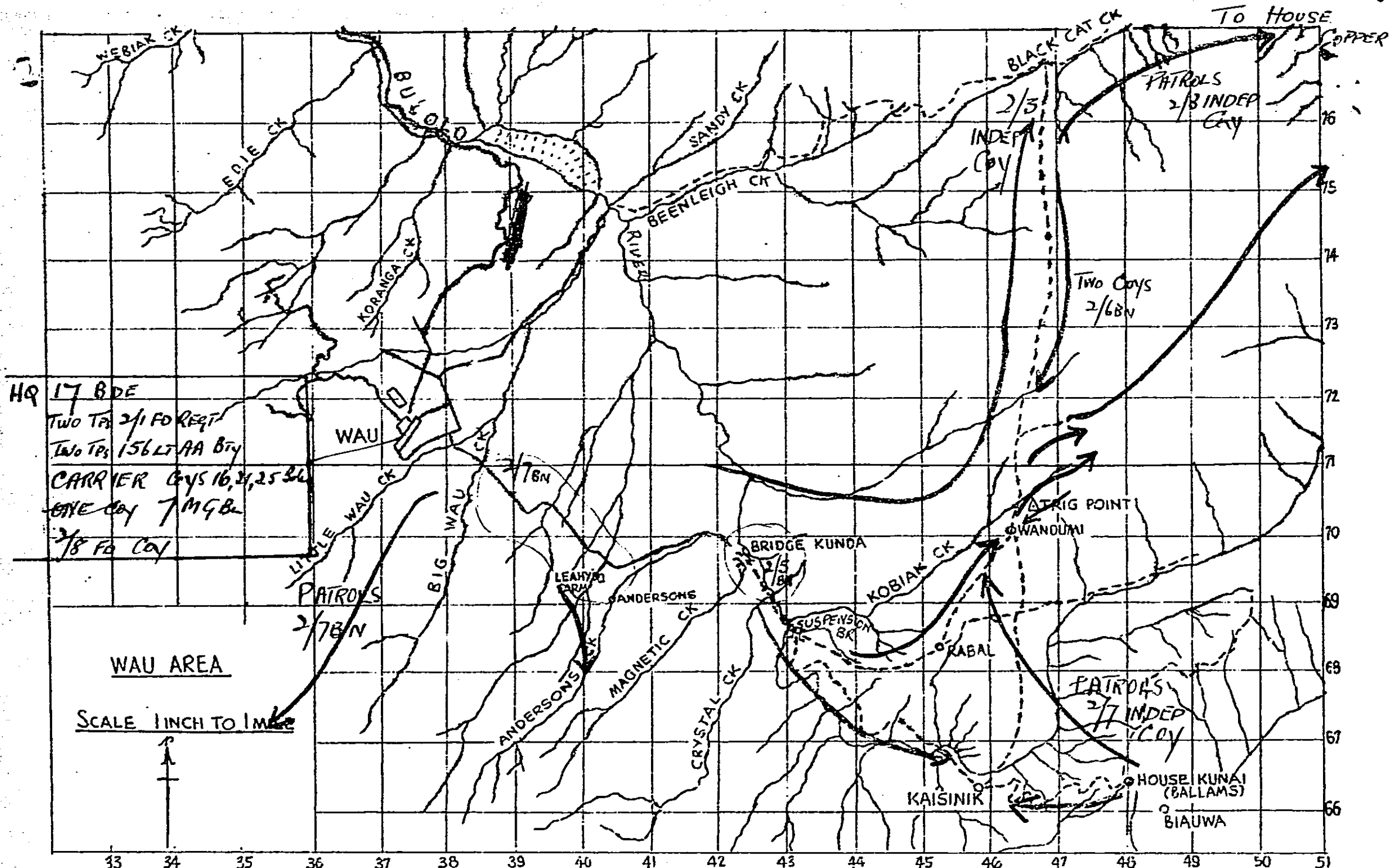
- (a) Patrolling in the CRYSTAL CREEK area was continued by 2/5 Aust Inf Bn.
- (b) 2/3 Indep Coy less two platoons arrived at BLACKCAT at 1730 L/10 and established its HQ. Patrolling was continued towards HOUSE COPPER and JAPANESE Trunk Junction area. Two depleted Coys of 2/5 Aust Inf Bn are to remain in the BLACKCAT area until the situation clarifies.
One platoon 2/3 Indep Coy moving from WANDURI to WAU contacted the enemy in strength north of WANDURI.
- (c) The 2/7 Indep Coy in the WAIPAINING area reported approximately 100 unidentified troops moving across TRIO POINT 457704 at 1140 L/11 in the direction of WANDURI.

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Commander, Allied Land Forces

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WAR DIARY 1 NFM TO 2200 L/11

MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 108

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 8 for 24 hrs ending 1801/11.

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En route.	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Org Vehs	Offr Org Vehs	Vessel		Place of Embarka	Offr Org Vehs	
<u>PORT MURRAY</u>								
1	Reinforcements		40	MONTORO	TOWNSVILLE			
444 87	HQ 4 Aust Inf Bde 2 Sig Bde 1st Flight 87/82 Aust Inf Bde		84 490 8	DUNTRON	BRISBANE			
<u>MILNE BAY</u>								
13	61 Pz Pk Coy & 216 LAD.		8 165	DUNTRON	BRISBANE			
14	No. 1 Pz Comdship		1 21	DUNTRON	TOWNSVILLE			
15	Reinforcements		887	DUNTRON	TOWNSVILLE			
			887	DUNTRON	SYDNEY			
16	8 Aust Lvs Comd Op							
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17	1 Aust Water Tn Op							
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LOCATIONS OF FORMATIONS AS AT 31 JAN 43

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Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of Hq (c)	Remarks (d)
1	<u>FIRST AUST ARMY</u>	TOOWOOMBA	
2	<u>2 AUST CORPS</u>	BARRINE	
	Adv 6 AUST DIV	ATHERTON AREA	
	Rear 7 AUST DIV	"	
	16 Aust Inf Bde	ATHERTON AREA	) Carrier Coys in NG.
	21 Aust Inf Bde	"	
	25 Aust Inf Bde	"	
3	<u>3 Aust Armd Div</u>	MURGON	
	2 Aust Armd Bde	MANUMBAR	
	1 Aust Motor Bde	GOOMERI	
4	<u>3 Aust Div</u>	MAPLETON	
	4 Aust Inf Bde	FOREST GLEN	To move NG.
	15 Aust Inf Bde	COOROY	
5	<u>YORK FORCE</u>	DICK CREEK (near TOWNSVILLE)	
	11 Aust Inf Bde	CAIRNS	
6	<u>TORRES STRAIT FORCE</u>	THURSDAY ISLAND	
	<u>MERAUKE FORCE</u>	MERAUKE	
7	<u>1 US CORPS</u>	ROCKHAMPTON	
	32 US Div	LOGAN VILLAGE	
	Rear HQ 41 US Div	PARKHURST	
	162 US Inf Regt	PARKHURST	To move NG.
8	<u>SECOND AUST ARMY</u>	PARRAMATTA NSW	
9	3 Aust Army Tank Bde	SINGLETON NSW	
10	<u>1 Aust Div</u>	BURWOOD NSW	
	1 Aust Inf Bde	WAHROONGA NSW	
	9 Aust Inf Bde	NARELLAN NSW	
	28 Aust Inf Bde	RUTHERFORD NSW	
11	<u>Tasmania Force</u>	HOBART TAS	
	12 Aust Inf Bde	BRIGHTON TAS	
12	<u>3 AUST CORPS</u>	MT LAWLEY WA	

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Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of HQ (c)	Remarks (d)
13	<u>1 Aust Armd Div</u>	MORAWA WA	
	1 Aust Armd Bde 3 Aust Motor Bde	GUNNEDAH NSW MULLENBA WA	Moving 3 Aust Corps
14	<u>2 Aust Div</u>	MOONYOONOOKA	
	5 Aust Inf Bde 8 Aust Inf Bde	STRAWBERRY GERALDTON	
15	<u>4 Aust Div</u>	GUILDFORD	
	2 Aust Inf Bde 6 Aust Inf Bde	GIN GIN MIDDLESWAN	Moving MANGALORE Vic L of C Area.
	13 Aust Inf Bde	CHIDLOWS	Moving to relieve 3 Aust Inf Bde N.T.
16	<u>NEW GUINEA FORCE</u>	PORT MORESBY	
17	<u>5 Aust Div</u>	MILNE BAY AREA	
	7 Aust Inf Bde 29 Aust Inf Bde	" " " " " "	
18	<u>6 Aust Div</u>	PORT MORESBY	
	2/6 Aust Armd Regt .	PORT MORESBY	One Sqn in BUNA Area - One Sqn MILNE BAY.
19	<u>Adv HQ 41 US Div</u>	BUNA AREA	
	163 US Inf Regt 186 US Inf Regt	" " " "	
20	<u>7 Aust Div</u>	BUNA AREA	To move MORESBY
	14 Aust Inf Bde 18 Aust Inf Bde 30 Aust Inf Bde	" " " " " "	To move MORESBY To move MORESBY
21	<u>HQ 11 Aust Div</u>	MORESBY AREA	
22	<u>(det) 32 US Div</u>	BUNA AREA	To move MORESBY
	126 US Inf Regt 127 US Inf Regt 128 US Inf Regt	PORT MORESBY BUNA AREA " "	To move AUSTRALIA To move MORESBY
23	<u>KANGA FORCE</u>		
	17 Aust Inf Bde	WAU AREA	
24	<u>NT FORCE</u>	DARWIN AREA	(57 mile post)
25	<u>12 Aust Div</u>	DARWIN AREA	
	3 Aust Inf Bde	" "	(51½ mile post) to be relieved by 13 Bde.

Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of HQ (c)	Remarks (d)
25	12 Aust Div (Cont'd)	DARWIN AREA	
	19 Aust Inf Bde	" "	(66½ mile post)
	23 Aust Inf Bde	" "	(39 mile post)
25	LHQ RESERVE		
27	2 Aust Motor Div	ROKEBY VIC	To become 2 Aust Armcd Div.
	6 Aust Armcd Bde	PUCKAPUNYAL VIC	
	2 Aust Motor Bde	WALLGROVE NSW	To move GHERANG.

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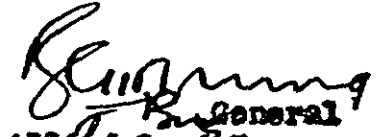
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NEW GUINEA: to 2200 L/12

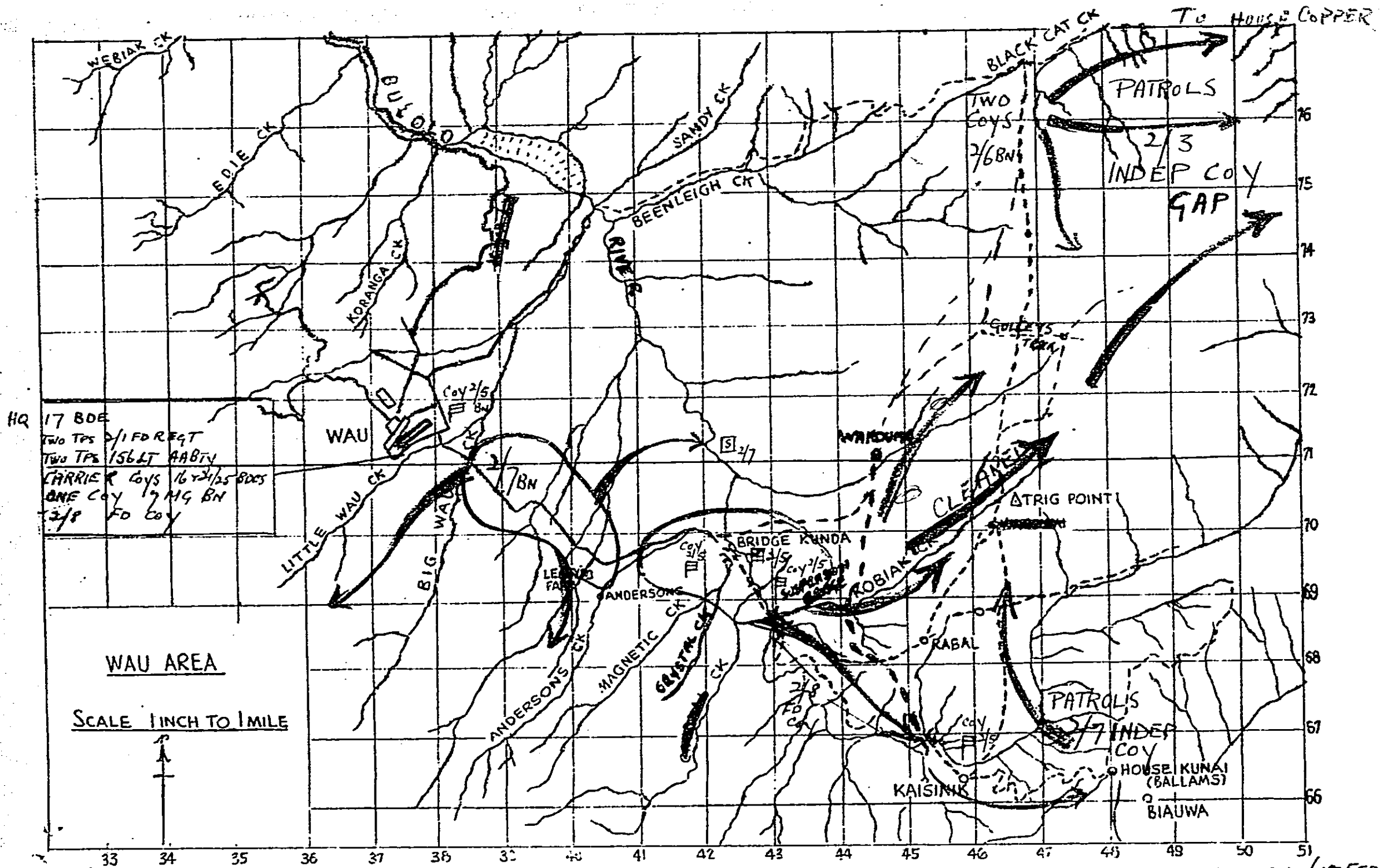
1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUSF DIV to 1200 L/12
Situation normal.
2. Area GONA
21 US DIV to 1700 L/12
 - (a) G Coy 163 US Regt now holds the KUNUSI River mouth.
 - (b) A patrol from 186 US Regt reports having killed 45 JAPANESE in the area GONA-SAGARI-DEUNIA.
 - (c) Sub-units of 13 Aust Pd Regt having been relieved are now awaiting air transport to MORESBY.
 - (d) Three 18 pr beach defence guns have been placed as follows:-
one GIROPA
two SANAHANDA
3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KARDA FORCE to 1400 L/12
 - (a) Dispositions of 2/5 Aust Inf Bn at 1800 L/11 were:-
Adv B1 plus part of B2 Coy at 426596
One Coy 416594
One Coy 436566
One Coy 430633
One Coy HAU Aerodrome
One Sec B2 Coy on CRYSTAL CREEK area

At 1400 L/12 one Coy with artillery support moved to KOBIAK CREEK area to clear it of the withdrawing enemy.
 - (b) Patrolling was continued in 2/7 Aust Inf Bn and BLACKCAT areas.
 - (c) The 2/8 Pd Coy started work on the CRYSTAL CREEK-KAISIRIK track.


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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

BASIC SCHEDULE NO. 8.

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POSITION AS AT 1800H/12.

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Cms Vchs	Offr Cms Vchs	Vessel Place Of Dis	Offr Cms Vchs	Offr Cms Vchs Date		
	<u>PORT MERRIST</u>							
1	Reinforcements		780	KATOOMBA TOWNSVILLE " SYDNEY MONTOMO MELBOURNE " TOWNSVILLE	305 55 40			
2	9 Aust Pd Coy	57 17		DAVID BUSHNELL BRISBANE KATOOMBA TOWNSVILLE	6			
3	Reg Coy	7 458						
4	Reg Coy	7 458						
5	73 AAAL Coy	2 65 19						
6	428 Hy AA Gun Sqn	3 89						
7	429 Hy AA Gun Sqn	3 49						
8	11 Aust Mob Laundry & Fuel Depot Unit	2 5						
9	3 A Tps Coy	36						
10	Bal 3 Aust Pd Svy Coy	7 180 7						
11	2/1 Aust Tps Svy Coy less Dets	1 64 15	2 30	KATOOMBA TOWNSVILLE				
12	"B" Hy Bty	5 95 2						
13	33 Special W/T Sec	1 41 4						
14	14 Aust Ord Store Coy			MONTOMO SYDNEY	4 97			
15	18 Aust Pd Coy Dets		20	KATOOMBA TOWNSVILLE				
16	Reinfte "Boatless Bty"			KATOOMBA SYDNEY	20			
17	73 AAAL Ord W/ship Sec			KATOOMBA SYDNEY	1 24			
18	Artillery Cont Det.			KATOOMBA SYDNEY	21			
19	B3 4 Aust Inf Bde & Sig Sec 1st Flight 37/52 Aust Inf Bn.		26 440 3	DUNTERCOON BRISBANE				

Serial	Under Orders to Move		Assignment - Shipping			No Bunks	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr GRs Vols	Offr GRs Vols	Tonnal	Place of Embarka.	Offr GRs Vols	Offr GRs Vols Date		
<u>PHASE IAY</u>									
1	20 Asst Inf Bde x List	17 813							
2	Reinforcements		227 227		DUNEDIN "				
3	20 Reg Coy	7 483							
4	78 AML Coy	4 113							
5	81 PM PT Coy & 213 LAD.	24	5 133		DUNEDIN "				
6	No 1 PM Censorship Sec		1 11		" "				
7	2 Asst Mrt Cont Cp Det.		3 7		" "				
8	1 Asst Water Tn Cp Det.		2 23		" "				
<u>LILLIPUT II.</u>									
1	5 Base Supply Depot Type "C"	7 81 3							
2	Det Asst Asst Base Depot Medical Stores	1 5 1							
3	One sec 2/3 PM Bakery	34 1							
4	81 Asst PM Coy	43							
5	4 Asst Div Det Bn Unit	1 19 2							
6	ADCS Personnel	10							

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14 Feb 43.

Serial	Under Orders to Move			Allotment - Shipping		En route.	Arrived Destination			Remarks
	Unit	Offr	Ons	Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embark	Offr	Ons	Vehs	Date
1.	<u>PORT Moresby</u>									
	Reinforcements				MONTRO	MELBOURNE TOKELVILLE		85 40		12/2 12/2
14.	14 Aug Ord Store Coy				MONTRO	STONY		4	87	12/2
	<u>WILHELM BAY</u>									
	No change									
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u>									
	No change									

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NEW GUINEA: to 2200 L/13

1. Area HILES BAY
8 AUST DIV to 1200 L/13

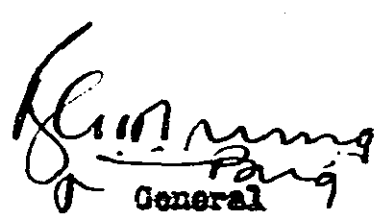
Situation normal.

2. Area GOMA
41 US DIV to 1700 L/13

Patrol activity continues. 1 Coy is to relieve 3 Coy
163 US Regt.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 1400 L/13

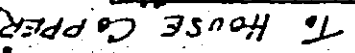
- (a) At 1515 L/12 2/5 Aust Inf Bn reported KOBIAK CREEK
clear of the enemy. One Coy 2/5 Aust Inf Bn was to
move to BAILANS on 13 Feb leaving its carrier platoon
at KAISINIK.
- (b) 50/60 JAPANESE thought to be marines were ambushed by
part of 2/6 Aust Inf Bn at the junction of the JAPANESE
and GULLETS Track at 475728. 25 were killed and the
remainder scattered; our casualties 2 OR's wounded,
3 OR's missing.
- (c) 2/3 Aust Indep Coy is patrolling all tracks in the
BLACCAT Area and is to clear the HOUSE COPPER Area
and then send a fighting patrol to WAIPALI.
- (d) The flash of at least 6 heavy guns was seen in the
area MACDONALDS JUNCTION and along the beach 200
yards towards LOGUI. The guns were apparently
ranging towards KOKIATUN.


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Serial	Under Orders to Leave	Aircraft - Shipping				En Route		Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr	Ons	Vols	Passes	Place of Refueling	Offr	Ons	Vols	
<u>UNIT 1</u>										
3	3 A Coy			1	63	CHINA				
10	Det 3 Asst Fd Coy			2	63	"				
19	65 Special H/S. Soc			1	63	"				
19	Cancelled									
201										
20	Det 1 of 0 Accounts Office			2	12	"				
22	62 Fd Coy	12	107	11						
22	62 Special Wireless Soc	1	23	4						
23	67 ASZ Workshop			2						
<u>UNIT 2</u>										
9	12 Asst Hq AA Regt Sig Soc			1	11					
10	2/4 Coy AAC			7						
11	Det 4 Asst Inf Soc			7	72	1	CHINA			
12	7/8 Soc Sigs 3 Asst Div			2	44		"			
13	37/52 Asst Inf Bn (less data)			23	632		"			
<u>UNIT 3</u>										
No change										

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NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/14

1. Area MILNE BAY

5 AUSTR DIV to 1200 L/14

Situation normal.

2. Area GONA

41 US DIV to 1300 L/14

(a) At 1000 L/14 "L" Coy 163 US Regt relieved "Q" Coy 163 US Regt which returned to SARAHANDA POINT.

(b) P I B reports that the coast from the KUMUSI RIVER to IWAIA is clear of enemy.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY

KANGA FORCE to 1400 L/14

(a) 2/5 Aust Inf Bn.

(i) The Coy which has been at KAISINIK arrived at BALLANS at 1500 L/13.

(ii) A considerable quantity of enemy gear, twelve dead Japanese and many graves were found in the area 445704-450707.

(iii) The Commanding Officer assumes command of all troops in the area CRYSTAL CREEK - SKINDINAI TRACK including the force at WAIPALI from 2359 L/14.

(iv) Intention for 14 Feb 43 :
Forward HQ to move to BALLANS and one Coy to move to SKINDINAI.

(b) 2/6 Aust Inf Bn.

An enemy position has been located on the knoll 100 yds South of Japanese track junction.

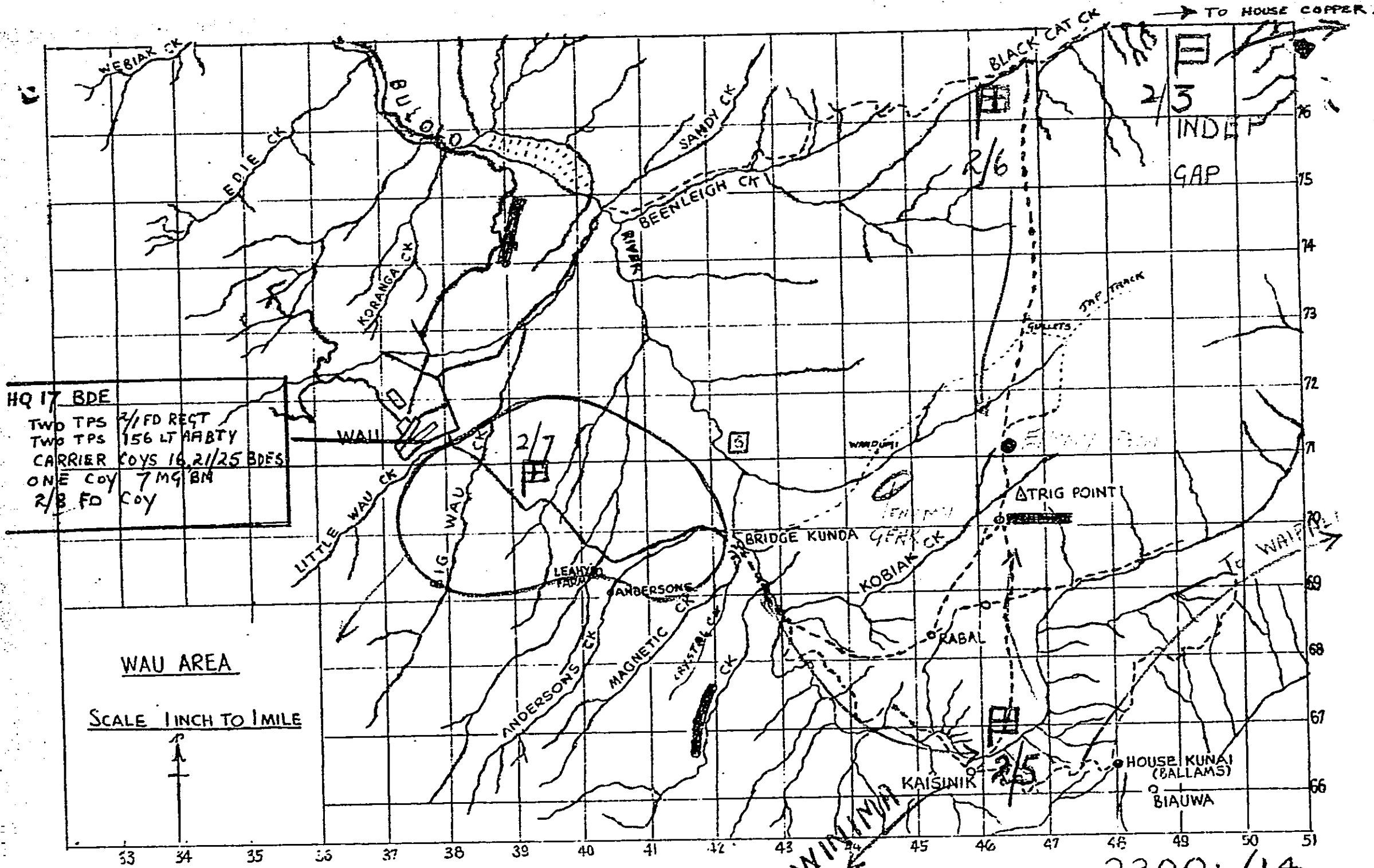
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16 Feb 43.

Serial	Under Orders to Move.		Allocation - Shipping.			En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Org Vels	Offr Org Vels	Vessel	Place of Embark.	Offr Org Vels	Offr Org Vels	Date	
10	<u>PORT MORTENBY</u> Det 3 Amph Bn Cig Coy.		3 24 3	CHARGE	BRISBANE				This cancels allocation shown Report No. 112.
	<u>WILHELM BAY</u> No change								
	<u>LILLIPUT II.</u> No change								

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HUGH GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/15

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUST DIV to 1000 L/15
No report received.

2. Area GOHA
41 GS DIV to 1700 L/15

Two 18 pounder guns for beach defence were landed at WAITUTO POINT from ORO BAY. Two 25 pounder guns were moved from north of ANBOGA River to GOHA to take up a position on the GOHA Track.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 1400 L/15

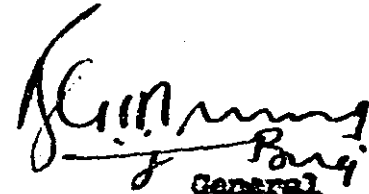
(a) Adv HQ 2/5 Aust Inf Bn arrived at KAISINIK at 1115 L/15 and was to move to BALLAES on afternoon 15 Feb.

(b) HQ 2/5 Aust Inf Bn arrived at WILDES at 1400 L/15.

(c) The enemy position on the knoll near the JAPANESE Track Junction was successfully attacked on afternoon of 14 Feb by 2/5 Aust Inf Bn from the north and one platoon of 2/5 Aust Indep Coy from the south.

(d) (1) A patrol from 2/5 Aust Indep Coy was ambushed near the junction of BLACKCAT - JAPANESE Track by enemy party estimated to be 40 strong. Five of the enemy were killed, our casualties being nil.

(11) Other patrols are moving along BLACKCAT Track towards HOUSE COPPER.


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BUCK GOLF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/16

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/16

Situation normal.

2. Area GOMA
41 US DIV to 0700 L/16.

(a) 163 US Inf Regt and 186 US Regt report no change.

(b) PIB report that on 15 Feb 50 armed enemy left
BINIANDI with a native guide and stated they were
going to GOMA. A further 50 enemy are in the swamps
in the vicinity of DEUNIA.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANOA FORCE to 1400 L/16

(a) Adv HQ 2/5 Aust Inf Bn arrived at BULLANS at 1800
L/16. Enemy parties were observed moving from BLACKCAT
to WAIPALI. The parties had a strong covering force
from WAIPALI. The covering force position was to be
attacked on 15 Feb, but a report has NOT yet been
received.

(b) The portion of 2/5 Aust Inf Bn which was at
BLACKCAT moved to WAG Area on 16 Feb. One Coy moved
from WAG to BULMA.

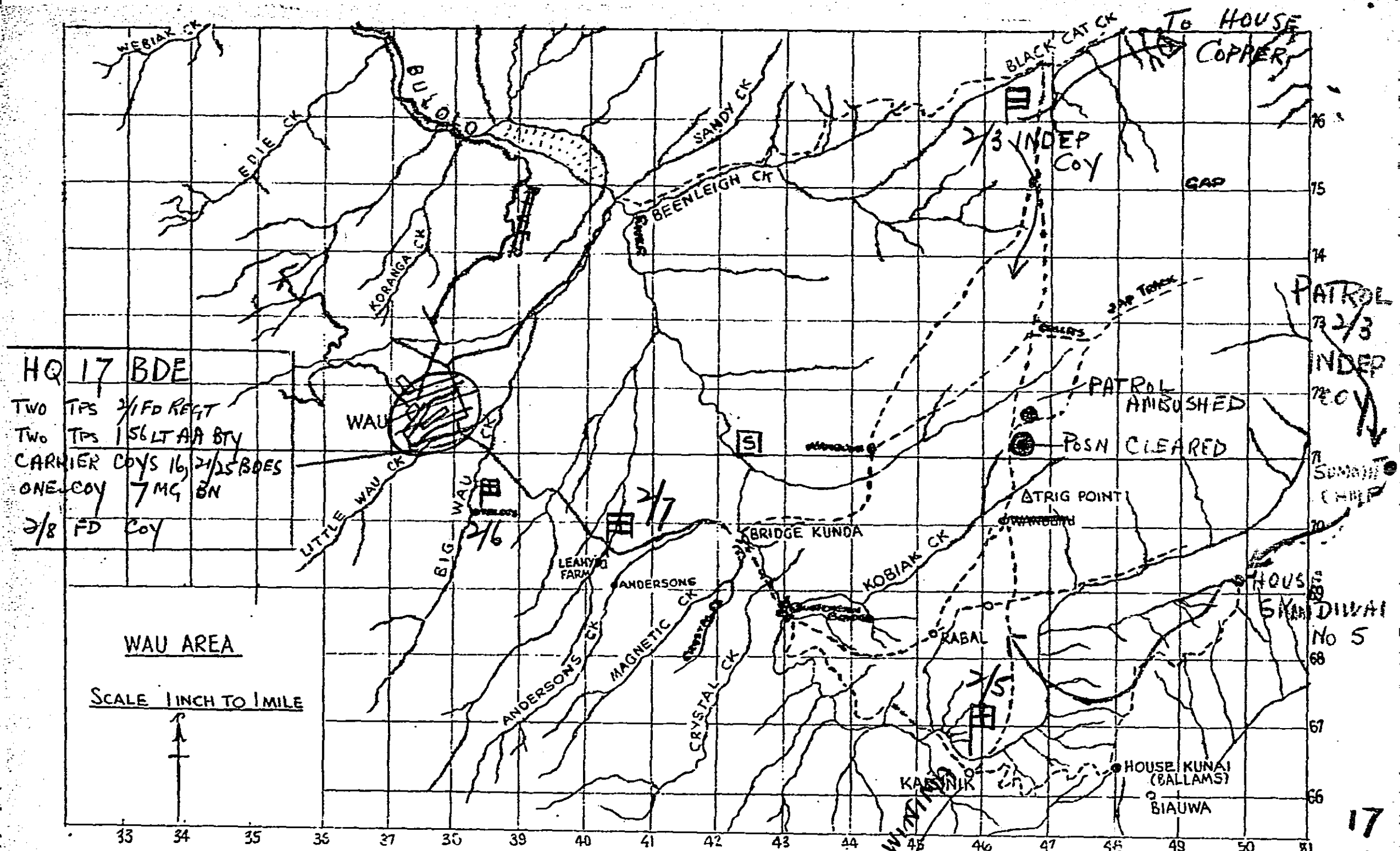
(c) At 1500 L/14 a patrol from 2/3 Aust Indep Coy
at HOUSE COPPER engaged an enemy patrol of 40 men
which was moving towards WAG. 8 enemy were killed.
Our casualties were 1 killed and 1 missing.
Active patrolling continues on the triangle BLACKCAT -
WANDUNI - HOUSE COPPER.

(d) An artillery reconnaissance party moved to the
vicinity of NADZAB.

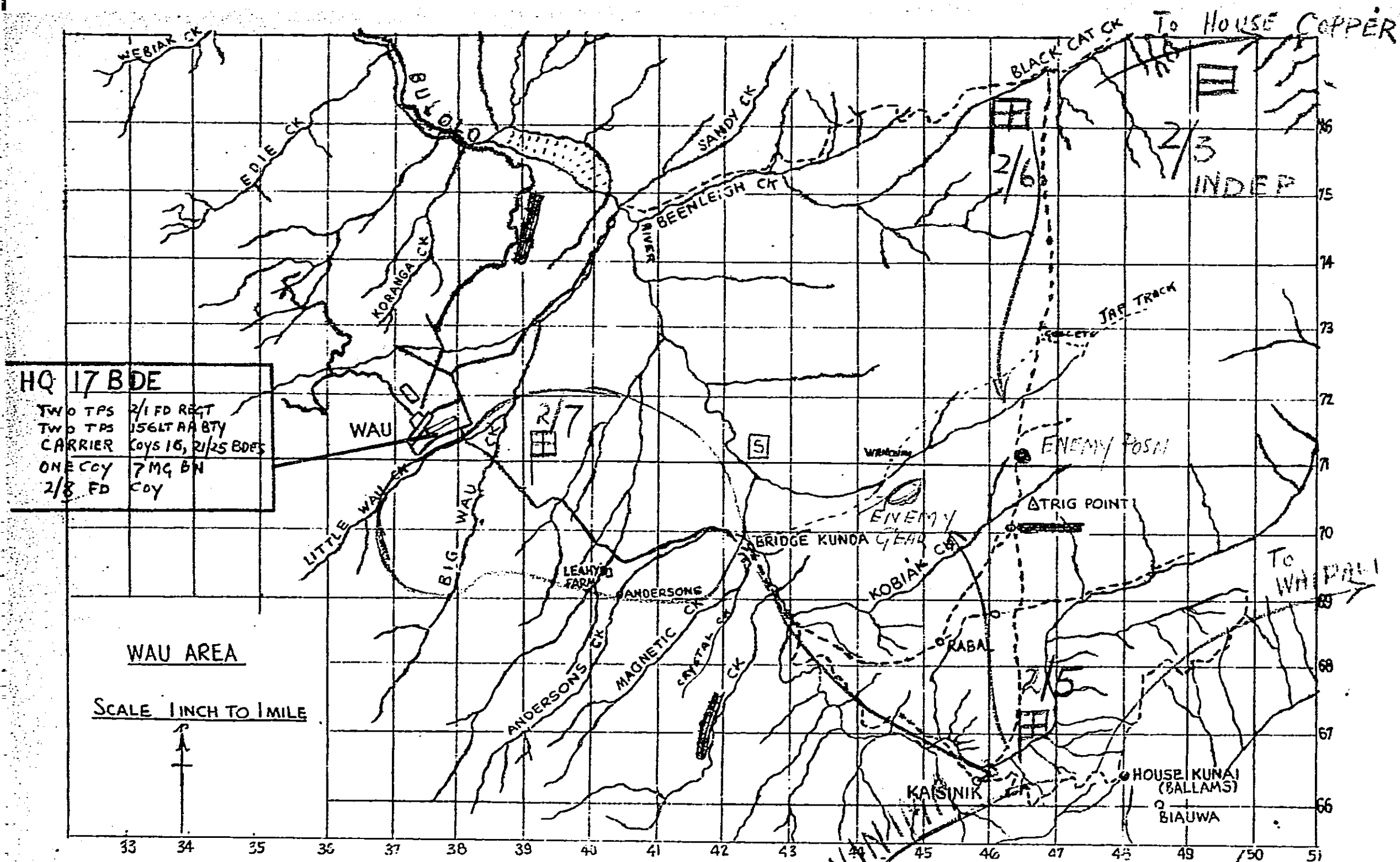
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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 9 for 24 hrs ending 1600L/16

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17 Feb 43

Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment -Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarka	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
	<u>PORT MCDONNELL</u>							
	NO CHANGE							
	<u>MILNE BAY</u>							Serials 2, 5, 6, 7 & 8 allotment cancelled. Return to "Under Orders to Move"
2	Reinforcements	237	)					
		237	)					
5	51 Fd Pk & 216 LAD	5 165 24	)					
6	No.1 Fd Censorship Sec	1 11	)					
7	9 Aust Mvt Cent Gp Dets	3 7	)					
8	1 Aust Water Tpn Gp Det	2 28	)					
11	HQ 4 Aust Inf Bde			Beth Brisbane	18 69 1			
12	"J" Sec Sigs 3 Aust Div			" "	2 36			
13	57/52 Aust Inf Bn (less Dets)			" "	19 625			
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u>							
	NO CHANGE							

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NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/17

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUS DIV to 1200 L/17

Situation normal.

2. Area GOHA
41 US DIV to 1700 L/17

Patrolling was continued.

3. Area BELOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/17

(a) In the WAT and BLACKCAT areas patrolling was continued.

(b) 2/7 Indep Coy estimate that there are 150 JAPANESE on the BLACKCAT Track, between WAIPALI and HOUSE COPPER.

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MOVEMENT REPORT No. 116

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 2 for 54 hrs ending 2602Z/17

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Serial	Under Orders to Move	Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr On Vels	Offr On Vels	Vessel Place of Embark	Offr On Vels	Offr On Vels Date	
	<u>PORT MERRITT</u> NO CHANGES						
	<u>WILHELM BAY</u>						
11	22 & Asst Inf Bn	8	80	W.V.Deventer Brisbane			
12	57/58 Asst Inf Bn (less Bn)	18	188	" "			
13	22/23 Asst Inf Bn	22	700	Jama Lee "			
14	4 Asst PG Coy	8	188	" " "			
15	4 Asst PG Amb	11	200	" " "			
17	22 Asst Inf Bn	21	708	W.V.Deventer "			
18	22 LAD	1	18	" " "			
19	Two Reg Depot Platoons AASG	4	80	" " "			
20	Sec 3 Asst Div Pz Coy		18	" " "			
	<u>WILLIAMS PT</u> NO CHANGES						

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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 311

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NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/18

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUSTR DIV to 1200 L/18

Situation normal.

2. Area GOYA
41 US DIV to 1700 L/18

Situation normal.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/18

(a) Patrolling was continued.

(b) 36 JAPANESE were killed in the vicinity of HOUSE
COPPER by 2/3 Aust Indep Coy. Our casualties were NIL.

John M. King
General
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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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Inl	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping			En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks.
	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embarka	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
	<u>PORT MORESBY</u>								
3	9 Aust Fd Coy			DAVID BUSHNELL	BRISBANE			6 17/2	
100									
25	HQ 3 Aust Div		17 64	OUTERMOON	BRISBANE				
26	" " " " RAR		6 29	"	"				
28	" " " " SIGS		8 139	"	"				
27	" " " " AASG		2 8	"	"				
28	24 Aust Inf Bn		54 784	"	"				
29	HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde		2 6 30	"	"				
	<u>WILHELM BAY</u>								
	No change								
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u>								
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LOCATIONS OF FORMATIONS AS AT 16 FEB 43.

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19 Feb 43.

Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of HQ (c)	Remarks (d)
1	<u>FIRST AUST ARMY</u>	TOOWOOMBA	
2	<u>2 AUST CORPS</u>	BARRINE	
	6 AUST DIV	ATHERTON AREA	
	7 AUST DIV	" "	
	16 Aust Inf Bde	" "	Carrier Coys in NG
	21 Aust Inf Bde	" "	
	25 Aust Inf Bde	" "	
3	<u>3 Aust Armd Div</u>	MURGON	
	2 Aust Armd Bde	MANUMBAR	
	1 Aust Motor Bde	GOOMERI	
4	<u>3 Aust Div</u>	MAPLETON	To move NG
	4 Aust Inf Bde	FOREST GLEN	To move MILNE BAY
	15 Aust Inf Bde	COOROY	To move MORESBY
5	<u>YORKFORCE</u>	DICK CREEK (near TOWNSVILLE)	
	11 Aust Inf Bde	CAIRNS	
6	<u>TORRES STRAIT FORCE</u>	THURSDAY ISLAND	
	<u>MERAUKE FORCE</u>	MERAUKE	
7	<u>SECOND AUST ARMY</u>	PARRAMATTA NSW	
8	<u>1 Aust Div</u>	BURWOOD NSW	
	1 Aust Inf Bde	WAHROONGA NSW	
	9 Aust Inf Bde	WOLLONGONG NSW	
	28 Aust Inf Bde	RUTHERFORD NSW	
9	<u>3 Aust Army Tank Bde</u>	GRETA NSW	
10	<u>TASMANIA FORCE</u>	HOBART TAS	
	12 Aust Inf Bde	BRIGHTON TAS	

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Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of HQ (c)	Remarks (d)
11	<u>3 AUST CORPS</u>	MT LAWLEY WA	
12	<u>1 Aust Armd Div</u>	MORAWA WA	
	1 Aust Armd Bde	GUNNEDAH NSW	Moving 3 Corps
	3 Aust Motor Bde	MULLEWA WA	
13	<u>2 Aust Div</u>	MOONYOONOOKA	
	5 Aust Inf Bde	STRAWBERRY	
	8 Aust Inf Bde	GERALDTON	
14	<u>4 Aust Div</u>	GUILDFORD	
	2 Aust Inf Bde	GIN GIN	
	6 Aust Inf Bde	MIDDLESWAN	Moving MANGALORE Vic L of C Area
	13 Aust Inf Bde	CHIDLOWS	Moving to relieve 3 Aust Inf Bde NT
15	<u>NEW GUINEA FORCE</u>	PORT MORESBY	
16	<u>5 Aust Div</u>	MILNE BAY AREA	
	7 Aust Inf Bde	" " "	
	29 Aust Inf Bde	" " "	
17	<u>11 Aust Div</u>	MORESBY AREA	
	2/6 Aust Armd Regt	" "	One Sqd BUNA AREA
			" " MILNE BAY
	14 Aust Inf Bde	" "	
	18 Aust Inf Bde	" "	
	30 Aust Inf Bde	" "	
18	<u>41 US DIV</u>	BUNA AREA	
	162 US Inf Regt	en route MORESBY	
	163 US Inf Regt	BUNA AREA	
	186 US Inf Regt	" "	
	127 US Inf Regt	" "	To move MORESBY
	128 US Inf Regt	MORESBY AREA	To move AUST
19	<u>KANGA FORCE</u>		
	17 Aust Inf Bde	WAU AREA	
20	<u>NT FORCE</u>	DARWIN AREA	(57 mile post)
21	<u>12 Aust Div</u>	DARWIN AREA	
	3 Aust Inf Bde	" "	(51½ mile post) to be relieved by 13 Bde
	19 Aust Inf Bde	" "	(66½ mile post)
	23 Aust Inf Bde	" "	(39 mile post)

Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of HQ (c)	Remarks (d)
22	<u>SIXTH US ARMY</u>	CAMP COLOMBIA (BRISBANE)	
23	<u>1 US CORPS</u>	ROCKHAMPTON	
24	<u>32 US DIV</u>	LOGAN VILLAGE	
	126 US Inf Regt	" "	
	153 US Inf Regt	" "	
25	<u>1 US MARINE DIV</u>	CAMP ROBINSON (VIC)	
26	<u>503 US PARACHUTE INF REGT</u>	GORDON VALE (Q'LD)	
27	<u>LHQ RESERVE</u>		
28	<u>2 Aust Motor Div</u>	ROKEBY (VIC)	To become 2 Aust Armd Div
	6 Aust Armd Bde	PUCKAPUNYAL (VIC)	
	2 Aust Motor Bde	WALLGROVE (NSW)	To move GHERANG VIC
29	<u>4 Aust Armd Bde</u>	Forming at SINGIETON	

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19 Feb 43.

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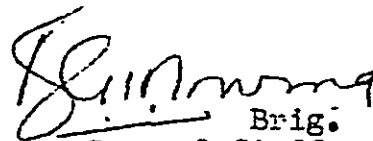
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NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/19

1. Area MILKE BAY

3 Aust Div to 1200 L/19

Situation normal.

2. Area COKA

41 US Div to 1700 L/19

Situation normal.

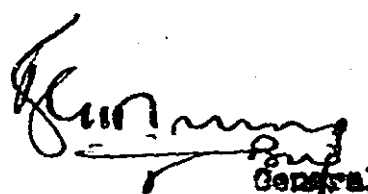
3. Area BULOLO VALLEY

KANGA FORCE to 0200 L/19

(a) One Section of 2/5 Aust Survey Battery arrived at
SUNSHINE on 13 Feb to survey the BOB-ZEMAO track.

(b) A reconnaissance patrol from 2/3 Aust Indep Coy
at the junction of BLACKCAT - JAPANESE Track observed 48
well armed, heavily laden JAPANESE moving towards WARDUNI.
50 JAPANESE were later seen returning towards KUBO.

(c) Enemy movement was seen in the Area BUIBAIHING -
WAIPIALI, and 100 well equipped JAPANESE were observed
in camp at WAIPIALI.


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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 2 for 24 hrs ending 1800L/12

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route		Arrived Destination	Remarks
	Unit	Offr Org Vehn	Offr Org Vehn	Vessel Place of Embark	Offr Org Vehn	Offr Org Vehn	Date	
1 2 11	<u>PORT MURRAY</u> Reinforcements 9 Aust Pz Coy 2/1 Aust Tago Bty Coy Less Bnls	8	20	Entombe Townsville	45	735		Personnel did not embark. Return "under orders to move".
						8		
	18 Aust Pz Coy Bnls			Entombe Townsville		18		
	<u>WILHELM BAY</u> NO CHANGE							
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South East Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 313.

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile.
WAU EAST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile.
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NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/20

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUSTR DIV to 1200L/20
Situation normal.

2. Area GORA
41 US DIV to 0700 L/20
Situation normal.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/20
(a) At 1230 L/19 Feb, 156 enemy moved up the BLACKCAT Track from WIPAINING towards HOUSE COPPER.
(b) The balance of 2/3 Aust Independent Coy moved along the BLACKCAT - WAIPALI Track to join the platoon at the junction of BLACKCAT - Japanese Tracks, but found the enemy holding positions immediately SW of the junction. The main trend of enemy movement in this area is now towards WAIPALI.
(c) 2/15 Aust Field Coy left BULOLO on 19 Feb for EDIE Creek.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allignment - Shipping		En Route		Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offy Cds Vels	Offy Cds Vels	Vessel Place of Embark	Offy Cds Vels	Offy Cds Vels	Date		
<u>PORT MORESBY</u>									
19	8 Aust Bt Bty Coy		1 4	A. Hamilton Brisbane					Serial 80 now allotted "Dunroon" in lieu of "Chavon".
20	2/4 Aust Bty Bty Coy		1 7	" "					
20	HQ GSA 1 of C A/co Office		2 12	Dunroon "					
21	48 PG Bty		1 11	A. Hamilton Brisbane					
22	42 Spec W/Land Sec.		1 4	" "					
23	HQ 15 Aust Inf Bn		54	" Sydney					
24	1 Aust Bn Bty Bty Store		1 6	" "					
25	12 Aust CDE Works		14	" Brisbane					
<u>WILHELM BAY</u>									
4	78 Aust AACL Coy		1 14	A. Hamilton Brisbane					
8	41 PG Pz Coy & 418 LAD	1	1 19	" "					
10	2/3 Coy AACL		7	" "					
<u>ELLINGHAM IS</u>									
<u>NO CHANGE</u>									

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Allied Land Forces in South West Pacific Area

Adv LHQ

21 Feb 43

LHQ Operation Instruction 44

Establishment of Sixth US Army in South West Pacific Area

1. The Sixth US Army, Commanded by Lieut-General W KRUEGER, US Army, has been established in the South West Pacific Area.

Organization.

2. (a) The following formations have been placed under Command Sixth US Army as from 16 Feb 43:-

Formations	Remarks
HQ 1 US Corps 1 US Corps Tps	Including US Units attached to 1 US Corps.
32 US Div	
41 US Div	Under operational control of NG Force
158 US Inf Regt	Under orders to move NEW GUINEA, and come under operational control of NG Force on arrival.
40 Coast Arty Bde (AA) 41 Coast Arty Bde (AA) 2 Engr Bde, Special 503 Parachute Inf Regt	

- (b) 1 US Marine Division has been placed under operational control of Sixth US Army from the same date.

Command.

3. (a) Sixth US Army, less 40 and 41 Coast Artillery Brigades (AA), comes under the operational control of Allied Land Forces as from 16 Feb 43.

- (b) 40 and 41 Coast Artillery Brigades (AA) are placed under the operational control of Allied Air Forces from the same date.

4. Intercommunication.

The Sixth US Army is located at CAMP COLOMBIA, near BRISBANE:

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5. Acknowledge.

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22 Feb 43

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 314

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MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
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NEW GUINEA to 1000 L/21

1. Area HILLES BAY

5 AUST DIV to 2200 L/20

Situation normal.

2. Area GONA

41 US DIV to 1700 L/20

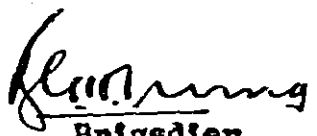
50 JAPANESE located to the north of the KUMUSI Delta were engaged by artillery with unknown results.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY

KARUA FORCE to 1800 L/20

(a) It is reported that the enemy camp on the JAPANESE Track near its junction with the BLACKCAT Track was held in strength. The Commander in this area considers that the activities of 2/3 Aust Indep Coy have forced large numbers of enemy to withdraw through HOUSE COPPER to WIPAINING - WAIPALI area.

(b) The enemy are now reported to be holding the GUADAGASAL area and Saddle in strength.


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MOVEMENT REPORT No.119

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offrs ORs Vehs	Offrs ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarkn	Offrs ORs Vehs	Offrs ORs Vehs	Date	
	<u>PORT MORESBY</u>							
1	Reinforcements			Katcoomba Townsville		45 733	20/2	
2	9 Aust Fd Coy			" Sydney		308	"	
15	18 Aust Fd Coy			" Townsville		8	"	
16	Reinfts "Bodless Bty"			" "		18	"	
17	73 AA Ord Wkshop Sec			" Sydney		20	"	
18	Anti Malarial Cont Det			" "		1 24	"	
						21	"	
	<u>MILNE BAY</u>							
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23 Feb 43.

General Headquarters,
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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 315.

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HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 2200L/22

1. Area MILNE BAY

5 AUST DIV to 0800L/22

Situation normal.

2. Area GOHA

41 US DIV to 0700L/22

163 US Regt report that eight JAPS were killed in the KUMUSI River mouth area. Our casualties were one killed.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY

KANGA FORCE to 0800L/22

(a) An artillery reconnaissance party reports that guns can be moved forward in pieces to SKINDINAI. Improvement of the existing foot tracks will be necessary.

1 Sub Sec 1 Aust Hq Bty was moved to WAU by air on 22 Feb.

(b) In the BLACKCAT area patrolling continues.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No.9 for 24 hrs ending 1800L/22

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23 Feb 43.

Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping			En Route		Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs		Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
<u>PORT MORESBY</u>										
2	9 Aust Fd Coy			Jason Lee	Brisbane		11			
3	73 AASH Coy		80	Dunrobin 8	"					
4	73 AASH Coy			Jason Lee	"		10			
5	11 Aust Mob Laundry & Pwd Dean Unit			"	"	2	8			
<u>MILNE BAY</u>										
11	HQ 4 Aust Inf Bde			W.V.Devanter	Brisbane	8	50			
12	87/83 Aust Inf Bn			"	"	12	123			
13	29/46 Aust Inf Bn			Jason Lee	"	25	700			
14	4 Aust Fd Coy			"	"	5	183			
15	4 Aust Fd Amb			"	"	11	200			
16	83 Aust Inf Bn			W.V.Devanter	"	81	788			
17	364 LAD			"	"	1	18			
18	Two Sup Depot Fls AASC			"	"	4	60			
19	Sec 3 Aust Div Pro Coy			"	"		16			
<u>LILLIPUT II</u>										
NO CHANGE										

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General Headquarters,
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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 316

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NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/23

1. Area MILNE BAY

5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/23

Situation normal.

2. Area GONA

41 US DIV to 0700 L/23

(a) Patrol activity continues. 30 to 50 JAPANESE west of the north arm of the KUMUSI River were engaged by artillery fire.

The area bounded by the north and south arms of the KUMUSI is reported clear of the enemy.

(b) The PIB report the area KUMUSI to CAPE WARD HUNT as clear of the enemy.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY

KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/23

(a) After an air attack on 21 Feb a force of approximately 300 JAPANESE withdrew from GUADAGASAL RIDGE to the HUBO side of the SADDLE. Between 0900-1615 L/22 338 JAPANESE with 165 rifles and 6 MG's moved in to the area WIPAINING - WAIPALI - SADDLE area (ref HUON GULF 6884).

(b) The HQ of 2/7 Indep Coy is at SKINDIWAI. The remainder of the Coy is in the area WIPAINING-WAIPALI-HOUSE WAMBU.

(c) In the BLACKCAT area the junction of BLACKCAT TRACK and JAPANESE track is now called MENZIES JUNCTION. The junction of GULIKITS TRACK - JAPANESE TRACK AT 473728 is now called GULLETS JUNCTION.

4. Area MARKHAM VALLEY

Patrols report the area ONGO-KAIAPIT-MARAWASA clear of the enemy since 31 Jan.

W. K. H. H. H. H. H.
Brigadier.
for General

Commander, Allied Land Forces

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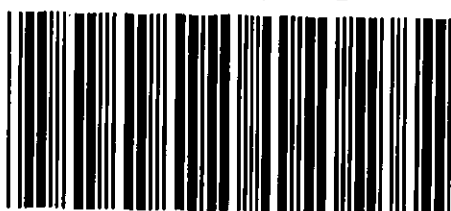
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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA
 BATSCH SCHEDULE No. 10
 (Batsch Schedule No. 9 is cancelled)
 POSITION AS AT 1000/25

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Gns Vehs	Offr Gns Vehs	Vessel Place of Embark		Offr Gns Vehs	Date	
	PORT MORESBY							
1	Reinforcements							
2	9 Aust Pz Coy		11	Jason Lee Brisbane	11			
3	Reg Coy	7 400						
4	" "	7 400						
5	75 AAML Coy	1 10	50	Duntroon S Jason Lee Brisbane	10			
6	430 Hy AA Gun Bn	3 80						
7	430 " " " "	3 80						
8	11 Aust Mob Laundry & Pwd Decon Unit			Jason Lee Brisbane	2 5			
9	3 A Tps Coy		1 35	Charon Townsville				
10	Bal 3 Aust Pz Coy Coy	5 135	2 24 3	Charon Townsville				
			1 4	A. Housheer Brisbane				
11	2/1 Aust Tps Coy Coy	3 85 6	1 7	A. Housheer Brisbane				
12	"3" Hy Bty	5 95 2						
13	35 Spec W/Z Sec		1 41 4	Charon Townsville				
14	HQ HQ L of C A/qs Office		2 12	Duntroon S Brisbane				
15	40 Pz Bty	15 100	1 11	A. Housheer Brisbane				
16	41 Spec W/less Sec	1 25	1 4	A. Housheer Brisbane				
17	67 AAML Workshop		2					
18	1 Aust Bulk Pz Store	3 60	1 6	A. Housheer Sydney				
19	12 Aust CRE Wks		14	A. Housheer Brisbane				
20	HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde	12 80	2 6 20 25	Duntroon S A. Housheer Brisbane				
21	Hq Sec	2 45						
22	200 LAD	1 10						
23	15 Aust Pz Coy	7 240						
24	24 Aust Inf Bn		24 700	Duntroon S Brisbane				
25	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	34 700						
26	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	34 700						
27	15 Pz Amb	15 234						
28	Sec Div Pro Coy	10						
29	One Gen Tpt Coy HQ & 3 Pls	7 227						
30	HQ Sup Depot Coy	3 15						
31	2 Sup Depot Pls	4 60						
32	HQ 3 Aust Div	20 114	17 64	Duntroon S Brisbane				
33	HQ 3 Aust Div RAE		6 20	Duntroon S Brisbane				

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MOVEMENT REPORT No. 151

DATE COMPLETED No. 10

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MILNE BAY

Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route		Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Gns Vols	Offr Gns Vols	Vessel Place of Embarkation	Offr Gns Vols	Offr Gns Vols	Offr Gns Vols	Date	
1	19 Aust Inf Bde Op X List	17 515							
2	Reinforcements								
3	20 Sup Coy	7 456							
4	70 AAML Coy	4 118	1 14	A. Heston Brisbane					
5	61 Pk Pk Coy & 216 LAD	4 164	1 1 18	A. Heston Brisbane					
6	No. 1 Pk Generalship Sqn	1 11							
7	8 Aust Mvt Cont Op Dets	3 7							
8	1 Aust Water Tptn Op Det	2 28							
9	2/8 Coy AASU		7	A. Heston Brisbane					
10	23 & 4 Aust Inf Bde			Beth Brisbane	13 49				* Figures shown are numbers actually embarked.
				W.V. Devanter	4 18				
11	" " Sec Sigs			Beth Brisbane	2 56				
12	27/28 Aust Inf Bn			Beth Brisbane	19 625				
				W.V. Devanter	6 94				
13	29/45 Aust Inf Bn			Jason Lee Brisbane	27 694				
14	23 Aust Inf Bn			W.V. Devanter Brisbane	23 619				
15	4 Aust Pk Coy			Jason Lee Brisbane	2 87				
				W.V. Devanter	2 98				
16	4 Aust Pk Amb			Jason Lee Brisbane	7 141				
				W.V. Devanter	3 48				
17	244 LAD			W.V. Devanter Brisbane	1 16				
18	2 Sup Depot Pk AASU			W.V. Devanter Brisbane	4 60				
19	Sec 3 Aust Div Pk Coy			W.V. Devanter Brisbane	16				

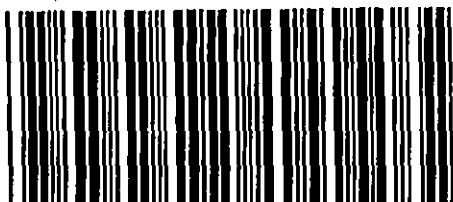
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W. V. Devanter
 Major-General,
 Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

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25 Feb 43

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 517

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
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MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch

NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/24

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/24
Situation normal.

2. Area GORA
41 US DIV to 0700 L/24
Situation normal.

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Patrols in KUNHUSI - OPI Area continue to contact small parties of the enemy.

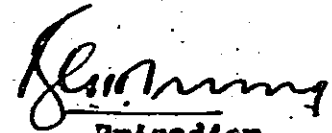
3. Area BULOLO VALLEY

KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/24

(a) One Coy 2/8 Aust Inf Bn was relieving 2/5 Aust Indep Coy in the BOB's Camp - MARKHAM Valley Area. Its Company headquarters is at WAMPIT.

(b) Patrols operating in vicinity of new JAPANESE Track between HENZIES Junction and GULLETT'S Junction report no contact with the enemy. The distance from GULLETT'S Junction to HENZIES Junction is considered to be 24 hours march.

(c) At 1800 L/22 a further party of 182 JAPANESE was reported to have moved into the area WIPAINING - WAIPALI - SADDLE Area.



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Commander, Allied Land Forces

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10 for 24 hrs ending 1800L/24

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
<u>PORT MORESBY</u>								
5	73 AASH Coy			Duntroon 8 Brisbane	50			
14	HQ HQ L of C A/cs Office			" "	2 12			
18	1 Aust Bulk Petroleum Coy		3 68	Taroona Sydney				
20	HQ 15 Inf Bde			Duntroon 8 Brisbane	2 6 20			
21	Sig Sec		12 51	Taroona "				
21	Sig Sec		2 45	" "				
24	24 Aust Inf Bn			Duntroon 8 "	34 753			
26	58/59 Aust Inf Bn		18 423	Taroona "				
32	HQ 3 Aust Div			Duntroon 8 "	17 64			
35	" " " RAB			" "	6 29			
36	" " " Sigs			" "	8 169			
38	HQ Comd AASC			" "	2 8			
<u>LILLIPUT II</u>								
NO CHANGE								
<u>MILNE BAY</u>								
NO CHANGE								

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W. Kedston Major
Major-General,
Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

26 Feb 43

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 318

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
WAU EAST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch

NEW GUINEA to 2200 L/25

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/25
Situation normal.
2. Area GORA
 - (a) 41 US DIV to 0700 L/25
Situation normal
 - (b) PAPUAN INFANTRY BATTALION to 2200 L/23
 - (i) Patrols contacted an enemy force of unknown strength in the NIHLANDA Area.
 - (ii) Some enemy were sighted on DELTA Island and in the brush West of KATUNA.
 - (iii) The coast from GPI to OURE is clear of enemy.
3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/25
 - (a) Several groups of burnt JAPANESE bodies and equipment were found at 412720.
 - (b) One Sub-Section 1 Aust Mtn Bty arrived at KALISINIK on 24 Feb.
 - (c) Reconnaissance patrols from 2/3 Aust Indep Coy are now forward of HOUSE COPPER and also on the BITOI Track, north of HOUSE COPPER.
 - (d) The enemy garrison at ULAMBA (vicinity BOGIA) is reported to be 80 to 100 strong.

Glenn
General

Commander, Allied Land Forces

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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 123.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10 For 24 hrs ending 26 FEB /43.

NOTE: REMARKS

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26 Feb 43.

Serial	Order Orders to Move.		Allotment - Shipping			En Route.		Arrived Destination.		Remarks	
	Unit	Offr Org Vets	Offr Org Vets	Vessel	Place of Embarkation	Offr Org Vets	Offr Org Vets	Date			
PORT MORTBY											
30	HQ 15 Inf Bde.				DUNTHOON S BRISBANE	8	14	17		Ref Report No. 123 numbers are actual numbers entered. Ref Report No. 123 part of embarkation should read Sydney in lieu of Ref Report actual numbers entered.	
			34		ASPENIA HOMEROS SYDNEY						
34	26 Aust Inf Bn.				DUNTHOON S BRISBANE	27	27				
35	HQ 3 Aust Div.			"	"	14	23				
36	HQ 3 Aust Div. RAN.			"	"	4	13				
37	HQ 3 Aust Div. Sign.			"	"	3	23				
38	HQ 3rd AAS.			"	"	3	6				
39	3 Div Pte. Coy.			"	"	1	24				
40	3 Sec Pte.			"	"	1	9				
44	3 Div. HQ. D & E. Platoon.			"	"	1	23				
LULLIPUT II.											
No change.											
MILNE BAY											
No change.											

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Major-General.
Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

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27 Feb 43

General Headquarters,
Southwest Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 319

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
WAU EAST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/26

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/26
Situation normal.
2. Area GOHA.
41 U.S. DIV to 0700 L/26
It is reported that there were NO enemy in MOROBE Harbour.
All enemy in this area were thought to be in the vicinity
of KOBO-BAU and upstream to the mountains opposite DONA.
3. BULOLO VALLEY.
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/26
(a) The artillery reconnaissance party to the MARKHAM
Valley returned to WAU on 24 Feb.
(b) No enemy movement from HOUSE COPPER was observed on
24 Feb.
(c) A reconnaissance patrol from 2/5 Aust Inf Bn reported
enemy at HOUSE KIAP (800 yards SW of WAIPALI).
(d) No enemy movement was observed in the WAIPALI area.

W. Berryman Maj-Gen for
General.
Commander, Allied Land Forces.

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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 124.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10 for 24 hrs ending 1800L/24.

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27 Feb 42.

Serial	Under Orders to Move.		Allocation - Shipping		En Route.	Arrived Destination.		Remarks.
	Unit	Offr Cms Vols	Offr Cms Vols	Vessel		Offr Cms Vols	Offr Cms Vols Date	
	<u>PORT MERRITT</u> No change.							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> No change.							
	<u>WILHELM BAY</u> No change.							

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28 Feb 43

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 320

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
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NARKAH 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/27

1. Area HILNE BAY

5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/27

Situation normal.

2. Area GOKA

41 US DIV to 1700 L/27

(a) It was reported on 25 Feb that the enemy had evacuated DELTA ISLAND in the NABARE mouth. Approximately 80 enemy were reported as occupying the upper DUVINA CREEK area.

(b) The PAPUAN INFANTRY BATTALION report that the beach area GAURA - KATONA was clear of the enemy. A few enemy were reported in the vicinity of the KUKUSI Delta.

(c) Enemy killed and Prisoners of War captured during period 25 Jan to 24 Feb 43 were as follows:-

	<u>Killed</u>	<u>PW</u>
US Buna Force	<u>434</u>	<u>70</u>
P I B	<u>228</u>	<u>3</u>
TOTAL:	<u>660</u>	<u>73</u>

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/27

(a) 2/7 Indep Coy report that on 25 Feb 150 JAPANESE moved from the camp on BITOI RIVER towards WAIPALI. 21 enemy were killed.

(b) On 26 Feb 2/7 Indep Coy, with under command one Coy 2/5 Aust Inf Bn, carried out patrolling into WIPAINING - WAIPALI area after the Air Force had bombed and strafed the area from 1100 to 1135 hrs. Three patrols were sent out. A large number of well camouflaged huts were seen in the area South of the BITOI RIVER between WAIPALI and WIPAINING. The huts, many of which were in course of erection, showed signs of recent occupation. There was also an uncounted number of enemy dead, the majority having been dead for several days.

(c) In the BLACKCAT Area 2/3 Aust Indep Coy killed 9 JAPANESE on BLACKCAT - WIPAINING track. Elements of 2/5 Aust Inf Bn were contacted. One platoon 2/3 Aust Indep Coy was moving to BALDI CREEK.

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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 125

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA 1600L/27.
Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10 for 36 hrs ending 1600L/27.

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Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
Serial	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs Date	
PORT MORESBY.							
25	87/88 Aust Inf Bn		11 127	DUNEDON 9 TOWNSVILLE			Unit allocations will be shown on embarkation.
26	88/89 Aust Inf Bn		16 332	" "			
27	One Gen Ypt Coy & HQ 3 Fla		8 155 17	" "			
28	HQ Sup Depot Coy			" "			
29	3 Supply Depot Fls			" "			
30	HQ 3 Aust Div		23 123	" "			
31	HQ 3 Aust Div R.A.S.		2 14	" "			
32	HQ 3 Aust Div Sigs		4 141	" "			
33	HQ Comd AAAG		6 32	" "			
34	3 Div Postal Unit		1 15	" "			
35	3 Div Pro Coy		2 49	" "			
36	HQ & 3 Sea Div Salvage Unit		1 23	" "			
37	Div Sea Reception Camp		1 9	" "			
38	"3" Sea Fls		1 5	" "			
39	Fl Cash Office		1 5	" "			
40	Cipher Sec.		1 13	" "			
LILLIPUT II							
No change.							
WILHELMSTADT							
	HQ 4 Aust Inf Bn			Both Brisbane		13 69 26/2	
	"3" Pro Sigs			" "		2 38 26/2	
	87/88 Aust Inf Bn			" "		19 625 26/2	

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W. Kidston Major
Major-General.
Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

LIST OF STAFF AS AT 28 Feb 43

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GS (OPS) SEC Adv LHQ

GSO I	Lt-Col A E BAMFORD (detached to LHQ)
GSO II (a)	Maj W KIDSTON
(b)	Maj D VINCENT
GSO III (a)	Capt R F MOODIE
(AIR)	Lieut E D WHITTAKERS
(b)	Lieut F S BURR
Attached -	Lt-Col M W HOPE

Movements of Principal Staff Officers during Feb:

C-in-C Gen Sir T A BLAMEY	Arr 13 Feb from NG Dep 15 Feb for LHQ Arr 25 Feb from LHQ Dep 1 Mar for LHQ
DCGS Gen Berryman	Arr 26 Feb from NG Dep 1 Mar on leave

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Date and Time.—From 1 Mar 43 To 15 Mar 43

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	1 Mar		Adv LHQ OPERATIONS REPORT 321: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces South West Pacific Area.	Appx 1
			MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10 for the 24 hours ending 1600 L/28 Feb	Appx 2
	2 Mar		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO. 322: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 3
			MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/1 Mar.	Appx 4
			OPERATIONAL AND INTELLIGENCE REPORTS: Instructions detailing the procedure to be followed in the compilation and forwarding of Operational and Intelligence reports, are appended.	Appx 5
	3 Mar		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO. 323: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces South West Pacific Area	Appx 6
			MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10	Appx 7

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	3 Mar		for the 24 hours ending 1600 L/2 Mar	
	4 Mar		ADV LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO. 324: From Adv LHQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 8
			MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No.10	Appx 9
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/3 Mar.	
	5 Mar		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO. 325. From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces South West Pacific Area.	Appx 10
			MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10	Appx 11
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/4 Mar.	
			ADV LHQ STAFF OFFICERS COURSE NO. 2: Details of the syllabus	Appx 12
			for a Staff Officers Course which will be held at Adv LHQ, commencing 12 Mar 43, are here appended.	
	6 Mar		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT NO. 326 From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 13

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	6 Mar		MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/5 Mar.	Appx 14
	7 Mar		ADV LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 327: From Adv HQ, Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx 15
			MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/6 Mar.	Appx 16
	8 Mar		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 328: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces South West Pacific Area.	Appx 17
			MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/7 Mar.	Appx 18
	8 Mar		FORMATION LOCATION STATEMENT: A statement showing the location of formations of Allied Land Forces South West Pacific Area, as at 28 Feb 43 is appended.	Appx 19
	9 Mar		ADV LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 329: From Adv HQ Allied Land	Appx 20

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, etc.
BRISBANE	9 Mar		Land forces South West Pacific Area.	
			MOV'T OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: There has been no change to	Appx 21
			Basic Schedule No. 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/8 Mar	
	10 Mar		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 330 : From Adv HQ Allied	Appx 22
			Land Forces South West Pacific Area.	
			MOV'T OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule	Appx 23
	11 Mar		No 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/10 Mar	
			Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 331: From Adv HQ, Allied	Appx 24
			Land Forces South West Pacific Area.	
	12		MOV'T OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No 10	Appx 25
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/10 Mar	
			Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 332: From Adv HQ, Allied	Appx 26
			Land Forces South West Pacific Area.	
			MOV'T OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule	Appx 27

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	12 Mar		No 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/11	
	13 Mar		Adv LHQ DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 333: From Adv HQ Allied	Appx 28
			Land Forces South West Pacific Area	
			MOVT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA: Change to Basic Schedule	Appx 29
			No 10 for the 24 hrs ending 1600 L/12	
			LHQ OPERATION INSTRUCTION 45: Operation Instruction 45,	Appx 30
			issued by Adv LHQ, details the composition and command of	
			"GINGER", "SALT" and "PEPPER". The meaning of the above	
			code words will be notified in a later message.	
			MEANING OF CODE WORDS: With reference to LHQ Op Instrn 45	Appx 31
			of 13 Mar 43, the meanings of the code words, in the same	
			order in Para 14 of the above, are: (1) GOODENOUGH ISLAND	
			(2) KIRIWINA ISLAND (3) WOODLARK ISLAND.	

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Unit Ops Sec GS Branch Adv LHQ

Date and Time.—From 16 Mar 43 To 31 Mar 43 1

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	16 Mar		Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 336: From Adv HQ Allied	Appx (1)
			Land Forces, South West Pacific Area	
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10	Appx (2)
			for the 24 Hrs. ending 1600L/15 Mar	
	17 Mar		Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 337: From Adv HQ Allied	Appx (3)
			Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA. Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10	Appx (4)
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/16 Mar	
	18 Mar		Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 338: From Adv HQ Allied	Appx (5)
			Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA : Changes to Basic Schedule No.10	Appx (6)
			for the 24 hrs. ending 1600L/17 Mar	
	19 Mar		FORMATION LOCATION STATEMENT: This statement shows the	Appx (7)
			location of formations under the command of Allied Land Forces,	

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South West Pacific Area, as at 15 Mar. 43.

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BRISBANE	19 Mar		Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 339: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area	Appx (8)
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Basic Schedule No. 11 giving the position as at 1600L/18 Mar is appended. Basic Schedule No. 10 is now cancelled.	Appx (9)
			Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 340: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx (10)
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Changes to basic Schedule No. 11 for the 24 Hrs. ending 1600L/19 Mar.	Appx (11)
	20 Mar		Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 341: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx (12)
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No. 11 for the 24 hrs. ending 1600L/20 Mar.	Appx (13)
			Adv LHQ Operations Report 342: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx (14)
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	22 Mar			

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	22 Mar		<u>Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA:</u> Changes to Basic Schedule No.11 for the 24 hrs ending 1606L/21 Mar	Appx (15)
	23 Mar		<u>Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 343:</u> From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area	Appx(16)
			<u>Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA:</u> Changes to Basic Schedule No.11 for the 24 hrs. ending 1600L/22 Mar	Appx(17)
			<u>Map Grids for Combined Operations:</u> Standard operational Procedure instruction 2 details the designation, description and use of the joint army and Navy, or JAN grid. This grid will be used by all units in the SW Pacific area for com- bined operations.	Appx(18)
	24 Mar		<u>Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 344:</u> From Adv HQ, Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx (19)

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	24 Mar		Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA. Changes to Basic Schedule No. II for the 24 hrs. ending 1600L/25 Mar	Appx (20)
	25 Mar		Adv LEO Daily Operations Report 545: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx (21)
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Change to basic Schedule No. II for the 24 hrs. ending 1600L/24 Mar	Appx (22)
	26 Mar		Adv LEO Daily Operations Report 546: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx (23)
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No. II for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/24 Mar	Appx (24)
	27 Mar		Adv LEO Daily Operations Report 547: From Adv HQ Allied Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	Appx (25)
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA. Changes to Basic Schedule No. II for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/25 Mar.	Appx (26)

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BRISBANE	28 Mar		Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 348: From Adv HQ Allied	Appx (27)
			Land Forces, South West Pacific Area.	
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Change to basic Schedule	Appx (28)
			No. 11 for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/27 Mar	
	29 Mar		Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 349: From Adv HQ Allied	Appx (30)
			Land Forces South West Pacific Area	
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No. 11	Appx (31)
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/28 Mar.	
	30 Mar		Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report 350: From Adv HQ Allied	Appx (32)
			Land Forces South West Pacific Area.	
			Mvt of Units to NEW GUINEA: Changes to Basic Schedule No. 11	Appx (33)
			for the 24 hrs ending 1600L/29 Mar	
	31 Mar		Adv LHQ Daily Operations Report: From Adv HQ Allied Land	Appx (34)
			Forces South West Pacific Area.	

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General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 321

Reference Maps: WAO WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
WAO EAST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/28

1. Area MILNE BAY
8 AUST DIV to 0800 L/28
No report of operations.

2. Area GOHA
41 US DIV to 0700 L/28
Situation normal.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/28

(a) A reconnaissance patrol left KIRKLANDS at 0530 L/27 to proceed to HADZAB.

(b) One Section 1 Aust Mountain Battery less Stores arrived at KAISINIK on 27 Feb.

(c) The WIPAINING area south of the BITOI River was reported clear of enemy except for the GUADAGASAL Ridge and Saddle. Our forward troops are established on the WIPAINING and WAIPALI Spurs and on the track between HOUSE BAEBU and HOUSE BAEANA.

(d) One of our patrols reported that the BITOI River was in flood and could not be crossed in the WIPAINING area.

Glenn
Brigadier

for General
Commander, Allied Land Forces

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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 124.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10 for 24 hrs ending 1800L/22.

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MOVEMENT REPORT

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ADP LHM.

1 Mar 42.

Serial	Under Orders to Move.		Allocation - Shipping.			In Route.		Arrived Destination.		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Org Vehs	Offr Org Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embark	Offr Org Vehs	Offr Org Vehs	Date		
	<u>PORT MERRITT</u>									
8	3 A Tpt Coy.			CHARON	TOWNSVILLE	1	61			
10	8 Amst FC Svy Coy			"	"	2	24	3		
22	US Special W/T. Sec.			"	"	1	40	6		
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u>									
	No change.									
	<u>MILNE BAY</u>									
	No change.									

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Major-General.
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General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 322

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
WAU East (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/11. Area MILEZ BAY5 AUSTR DIV to 0800 L/1

Situation normal.

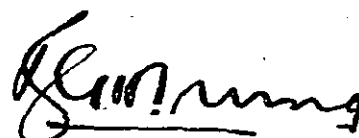
2. Area GOMA41 US DIV to 0800 L/1

A Coy 162 US Regt was moving from SANANANDA to the
KUHUSI area.

3. Area WAU-SALAFUA-LAEKANGA FORCE to 0800 L/1

(a) During 28 Feb a detachment of 2/3 Aust Indep
Coy in the BUIBAINING area was relieved by 2/7 Aust
Indep Coy. The 2/3 Aust Indep Coy is returning to
the BLACKCAT GAP, but is leaving strong standing
patrols at MEEZIES JUNCTION and BLACKCAT MINE.

(b) Patrols reported that at 2100 L/28 there were
no enemy in the area WAIPALI-GUADAGASAL-GUADAGASAL
SADDLE or on the ridge running south of the SADDLE.



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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 127.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10 for 24hrs ending 1600Z/1.

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ADV LRG.

2 Nov 42.

Serial.	Under Orders to Move.		Allotment - Shipping.			En Route.	Arrived Destination.		Remarks.
	Unit	Offr Org Vehs	Offr Org Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embarka	Offr Org Vehs	Offr Org Vehs	Date	
	<u>PORT MORESBY</u> No change.								
	<u>LILLIPUT II.</u> No change.								
	<u>WILHE BAY</u> No change.								

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OPERATIONAL AND INTELLIGENCE
REPORTS

1. LHQ SM9415 dated 29 May 42, and all amendments pertaining to this subject issued since that date, are CANCELLED.

INTELLIGENCE REPORTS:

2. Intelligence Reports (as distinct from Intelligence Summaries) will be forwarded to Adv LHQ by Headquarters of Arlies and Independent Formations as occasion demands.

3. Such information will be grouped under headings as set out in Appendix "A".

4. Information of immediate value will at all times be sent by priority signal.

In the case of formations engaged in operations, such information may often be included in Situation Reports (see para 11 below).

All other items of Intelligence will be forwarded in an Intelligence Report.

5. Normally Intelligence Reports will be forwarded by means of the fastest available letter service.

6. The text of the Reports will be headed as follows:-

"(Name of Formation) Intelligence Report No.....
Based on information to hours/Z (date)"

Each item of information in the Report will be preceded by the paragraph number and one of the headings set out in Appendix "A".

7. Where any doubt exists, an indication of the reliability of information must be stated.

8. If deductions are included, they will immediately follow the information to which they refer, and will be preceded by:-
"Deductions".

OPERATIONAL REPORTS:

9. Combat Efficiency Reports

The term "Operations Reports" will cease to be used, and the term "Combat Efficiency Reports" will be used instead. "Combat Efficiency Reports" will be compiled as at the 20th day of each month by Headquarters of Armies and Independent Formations, in accordance with the form of Appendix "B" attached, and despatched to Adv LHQ by the last day of the month for which it is compiled.

Reports need NOT be submitted on formations or units which are engaged in active operations.

10. (a) Location Statements

Location Statements will be compiled by Field Force and Lines of Communication Area Commanders as at 2359 hours on 15th and last day of each month, copies of which will be distributed as follows:-

GHQ, SWPA	1
LHQ	6
ADV LHQ	5
2nd Echelon (Aust)	1
Movement Control Groups:-	
TOWNSVILLE	1
BRISBANE	1
SYDNEY	1
MELBOURNE	1
HOBART	1
ADELAIDE	1
PERTH	1
DARWIN	1

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Statements are to be set out as indicated in the pro forma in Appendix "C" attached, showing locations of all units under command.

(b) Location Reports

Changes in locations of Headquarters of Formations and of units down to Battalions and equivalent, will be notified as they occur by signal message to the addressees mentioned in paragraph 10 (a).

Temporary changes in the location of units (excluding Headquarters of Formations) due to training involving an absence of less than seven days from the permanent station, need NOT be reported.

Location Report messages will be numbered consecutively and set out in the following form:-

"Location Report 73 (.) 170 Fd Regt
LAIDLEY to BOONAH (Map Reference)".

Changes in command will be shown where necessary.

11. Situation Reports.

Situation Reports will be submitted by signal to reach Adv LHQ at 0900 hours/K daily. Situation Reports will contain information under the following headings:-

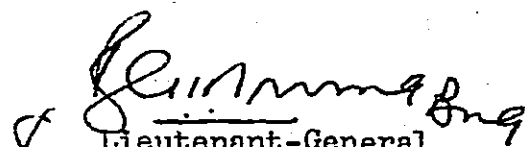
- (a) Enemy ground activity
- (b) Enemy air activity
- (c) Operations of own troops
- (d) Other information including remarks and deductions.
- (e) Abnormal weather conditions.

The submission of the daily Situation Report (SITREP) does NOT absolve Commanders from sending back important information immediately it is received. The principle to be observed is that Commanders in rear must be kept fully informed at all times of the situation. Anything likely to affect the plans of the higher formation, or of neighbouring formations must be immediately reported.

Situation Reports are NOT required until necessitated by enemy action. Once commenced they will be regularly continued, NIL reports being forwarded when necessary.

Should enemy action cease to such an extent that regular situation reports are not considered necessary, LHQ will be informed.

12. ACKNOWLEDGE.


Lieutenant-General
Chief of the General Staff

HEADINGS FOR "INTELLIGENCE REPORTS"1. Operational Intelligence.
(a) Enemy Operations.

(Accounts of operations of our own troops should be confined to facts sufficient to explain the intelligence matter in the report. Full information regarding our own operations will be supplied in Situation Reports.)

(b) Enemy Order of Battle:

- (i) Identification
- (ii) Distribution of enemy formations etc.
- (iii) Enemy Organisation.

- (c) Enemy Tactics, methods and habits.
- (d) Enemy fighting qualities.
- (e) Enemy armament and equipment.
- (f) Enemy air activity.
- (g) Enemy sea activity (e.g. convoys).
- (h) Enemy artillery.
- (i) Enemy signal activity.
- (j) Enemy engineer activity.
- (k) Enemy chemical warfare.
- (l) Enemy transport and communications.
- (m) Enemy services and administrative arrangements.
- (n) Enemy combined operations.

2. Topography:

- (a) Affecting our own operations.
- (b) Affecting enemy operations.

(Information under these headings should be confined to that having an immediate bearing on operations. Examples are - Condition of roads affecting operations in progress or projected - topographical features facilitating movement of A.F.Vs.)

3. Climatic Conditions:

- (a) Affecting our own operations.
- (b) Affecting enemy operations.

(Such information should be limited to those conditions affecting operations. Examples are - Effect of river flooding on movement, or wet weather on use of A.F.Vs. in certain areas - Actual or probable effect of meteorological conditions on effective use of aircraft).

4. Military Security:

- (a) Security of military information.
- (b) " " " personnel.
- (c) " " " material.
- (d) " " " operations.

5. Economic Intelligence:

- (a) Sabotage.
- (b) Air bombardment.
- (c) Industrial disputes.
- (d) Other relevant matters.

(Matters reported under the heading of Economic Intelligence should be those directly affecting operations. Care should be taken to exclude matters affecting national security in its broad sense).

6. Appreciation:

When the information available is sufficient the report will be completed by a brief appreciation of courses open to the enemy which may affect our operations.

SHEET (I)

COMBAT EFFICIENCY REPORT OF
for month ended 20 - 42

Serial No (a)	Formation etc (down to Division Headquarters, and Brigades or Regiments) (b)	Approx percentages available with units													Role or Task (q)	Present employment (e.g. assembly, training, preparations for operations). (r)
		Weapons										Transport		Pers- onnel		
		Rifles (c)	LMGs (d)	MMGs (e)	SMGs (f)	2" Mortars (g)	3" Mortars (h)	2 prs (i)	6 prs (j)	25 prs (k)	40 mm weapons (l)	MT (m)	Carriers (n)	Tanks (o)		

Serial No	SHEET (2) Formation etc.	General standard of officers and NCOs.	Phase of training covered during the month	Type of warfare formation considered capable of	Remarks
(a)	(b)	(s)	(t)	(u)	(v)

Explanation of Symbols in Column (u)

- A Efficient and experienced in mobile offensive operations.
- B Efficient as a formation for mobile offensive operations, but not experienced.
- C Individual brigades or regiments are efficient for mobile offensive operations but higher training has NOT been completed.
- D Individual brigades or regiments are efficient in a static role; additional brigade or regimental and higher training is required.
- E Units have completed training. A considerable amount of brigade or regimental and higher training is required.
- F Unit training is NOT yet complete. (Where this applies, state when it is expected to be completed).

Note: For US formations types of weapons & MT will be altered accordingly. (all major weapons & vehicles to be included).

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APPENDIX "C"

Location Statement of.....(Formation etc.)

as at 2359 hours (local time).....(Date)

Reference Map

SERIAL NO

UNIT

LOCATION

MOVES PROJECTED

(Place Name or Reference)

APPX (6)

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3 Mar 43

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 323

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
WAU EAST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile
MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
MOON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/2

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 Aust Div to 0800 L/2

4 Aust Inf Bde Gp arrived on 1 Mar 43.

2. Area GOMA
41 US Div to 0700 L/2

(a) A coy 162 US Regt with anti tank platoon has arrived at the MUMUSI. HQ Coy and B Coy have arrived at KATUNA.

(b) Patrolling by the PID was continued.

3. Area WAU - SALAMUA - LAE
AMER FORCE to 0800 L/2

(a) Patrolling in the BUIBAINING - WAIPALI area was continued.

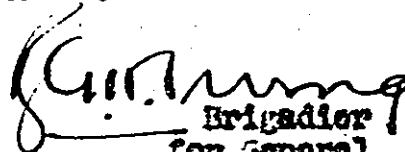
(b) The dispositions of our troops were as follows:-

(i) 2/2 Aust Inf Bn less one coy at BALLAUS. One Coy in the BUIBAINING area with one platoon near BUIBAINING with an Observation Post covering the BLACKCAT TRACK, one platoon in HOUSEKIP area with an Observation Post covering LALISU - WAIPALI and the main BLACKCAT TRACK, and the third platoon at the junction of the WAIPALI - BUIBAINING Tracks.

(ii) 2/7 Aust Indep Coy less one platoon was at SKINDIWAI. One platoon was in the area HOUSE KANANA - HOUSE NABBU.

4. Area MCGESBY

One Bn 15 Aust Inf Bde, portions of Bde HQ and HQ 3 Aust Div and Div troops arrived 1 Mar 43.


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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 129.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 10 for 24 hours ending 1400 G.

Appx ⑦ MOVEMENT REPORT

Copy No. 8.
ADV LHQ.
3 Mar 47.

Serial	Units Orders to Move.		Allotment - Shipping.		En Route.	Arrived Destination.			Remarks
	Unit	Order Date Value	Order Date Value	Vessel	Place of Embarkation	Order Date Value	Order Date Value	Date	
	PORT MORESBY								
2	5 Amst M Coy.			JACOB LEE	BRISBANE			11	2/3
3	75 Amst. Coy.			DUNTEROCH S	"		50	"	"
				JACOB LEE	"		10	"	"
8	21 Amst Mch. Laundry & Post Equip Bn.			"	"		2	"	"
9	5 A Tps Coy.			CHARON	TONGAREVA		3	"	"
10	21st 5 Amst M Coy.			"	"		3	"	"
11	21st Special W/T. Sec.			"	"		1	"	"
12	HQ HQ L of C & on Office.			DUNTEROCH S	BRISBANE		3	"	"
13	5 Amst Bulk Pch. Stores			TAROMA	STONEY	5 00	18	"	"
14	21st 5 Amst Inf Bn.			DUNTEROCH S	BRISBANE		2	14	17
	21st Inf Bn.			"	"		37	672	"
	Amst Div.			"	"		16	55	"
	" " " " " " " " " " " "			"	"		4	15	"
	" " " " " " " " " " " "			"	"		3	22	"
	HQ Comd AAC.			"	"		3	6	"
	5 Div Pch Coy.			"	"		1	32	"
	" " " " " " " " " " " "			"	"		1	8	"
	D & B Pl. 5 Div HQ.			"	"		1	20	"

Serial	Under Orders to Move.		Attachment - Shipping.		In Route.	Arrived Destination.		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Onr Vals	Offr Onr Vals	Person		Place of Attachment	Offr Onr Vals	
<u>LILLIPUT II</u>								
1	3 Supp Supply Depot Type C.		7 62 8	JANSEN	BRISBANE			
2	1 Sec S&F Pk Bakery		1 35 2	"	YONGEVILLE			
3	AACM Pk.		10	"	BRISBANE			
<u>HELEN BAY</u>								
10	21 & Asst Inf Bn.			W. VAN DE VANTER	BRISBANE	4 15	1/3.	
11	57/58 Asst Inf Bn.			"	"	6 03	"	
12	22/48 Asst Inf Bn.			JASON LEE	"	27 00	"	
13	23 Asst Inf Bn.			W. VAN DE VANTER	"	28 00	"	
14	4 Asst Pk Coy.			JASON LEE	"	2 07	"	
15	4 Asst Pk Coy.			W. VAN DE VANTER	"	3 35	"	
16	4 Asst Pk Coy.			JASON LEE	"	7 10	"	
17	200 LAD.			W. VAN DE VANTER	"	9 00	"	
18	2 Sup Depot Pk. AACM.			"	"	2 10	"	
19	200 LAD.			"	"	4 00	"	
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Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

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4 Mar 43.

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 324.

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HAU EAST (Provisional) 1 inch to 1 mile.
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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/3.

1. Area MILNE BAY.

5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/3

Situation normal.

2. Area GONA.

41 US DIV to 0700 L/3

Situation normal.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY.

KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/3

(a) Contact was made with the enemy at WAIPALI.

(b) A Chinese escapee reports that at the middle of February there were 6000 enemy in the area MADANG-ALEXISHAPPEN, and that the coconut factory at ALEXISHAPPEN contained ammunition and stores.

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<u>PORT MORGAN</u>										
20	22 14 Aust Inf Bde			TAROGUA	BRISBANE	20	51			
21	812 Sqn.			"	"	8	38			
22	22/29 Aust Inf Bn.			"	"	20	418			
<u>LILLIPUT II</u>										
	No change.									
<u>MILNE BAY</u>										
	No change.									

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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/4

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 Aust Div to 1200 L/4

Situation normal.

2. Area COHA
41 US Div to 1700 L/4

(a) 3 Coy 168 US Inf Regt has arrived KATUNA.

(b) A forward patrol of 1 Bn 168 US Regt has arrived OPI.

3. Area BULOLO VALLEY
KAROA FORCE to 0900 L/4

(a) On 3 Mar 2/7 Aust Inf Bn sent out a reconnaissance patrol from WAV to cover route BALLANG - SKINDINAI - WAIPALI - HOUSE COPPER - BLACKCAT - WAV.

(b) A reconnaissance patrol from 2/5 Aust Inf Bn crossed BIROI River en route LALIBU and report no recent enemy occupation.

(c) A fighting patrol is investigating reports of enemy in WAIPALI area.

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<u>PORT MORESBY</u>								
8	78 AAEL Coy		1 19	Katumba 8 Brisbane				
10	Bal 3 Aust Fd Svy Coy		3 111	" "				
18	61 Spec W/E Sec		1 22	" "				
18	1 Aust Ball Fd Store			A. Homikos Sydney	1 6			
18	12 Aust CRE Wks			" Brisbane				
20	HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde			W.V.Devanter			6 1/3	
22	266 LAD		3 8	Katumba 8				
22	15 Aust Fd Coy		1 18	" "				
24	24 Aust Inf Bn		6 217	" "				
25	87/80 Aust Inf Bn		2 30	" "				
25	88/89 Aust Inf Bn		18 409	" "				
29	One Gen Tpt Coy & 3 Pls)		12	" "				
30	HQ Sup Depot Coy		7 236	" "				Actual unit figures
31	2 Sup Depot Pls							will be shown upon
<u>LILLIPUT II</u>								
NO CHANGE								
<u>MILNE BAY</u>								
4	78 AAEL Coy		1 26	A. Homikos Brisbane				
5	51 Fd Fk Coy & 216 LAD		1 26	" "				
7	6 Aust Mrt Cont Gp		7	" "				
Add 20	12 Aust CRE Wks		3	" "				

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1. A Staff Officers' Course will be held at Adv LHQ commencing Fri 12 Mar 43.
2. Lectures will be from 0800 - 0830 hrs on the days shown on Syllabus. Inspections of wkshops, depots etc will be from 1330 - 1730 hrs on the days indicated.
3. Periods will be attended by officers holding appointments G11 or equivalent, and under, and other officers as directed by Heads of Branches and Services.
4. Syllabus of Course is attached showing subject matter of periods, officers selected as lecturers and dates on which lectures will be delivered.
5. Officers selected as lecturers will submit three copies type-script precis of lectures to reach G1 (TRG) three days before date of lecture together with stencil of precis to be issued to students covering subject matter not included in Military textbooks.
6. All officers will bring pencils and notebooks.
7. Branches, Services and Sections will submit a nominal roll of officers selected to attend the course to G1 (TRG) before 1200 hrs, 10 Mar 43.

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12 MAR 43 - 28 APR 43

HRS 0800 - 0830

LOCATION: MEN'S RECREATION ROOM C116.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>	<u>LECTURER</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
12 Mar	Opening Address	DCGS	
15 ..	Org of GHQ USAFFE USASOS and relationship between each	Maj STON	
17 ..	Org of LHQ Melbourne showing branches and services and duties of Adv LHQ in relation to LHQ.	Col BENNETT	
19 ..	The relationship of the Staff and the Services - correct Channels	Lt-col OXLEY	
22 ..	Message writing	Maj LAMBERT	
24 ..	Reorganisation of Armies and L of C Areas	Lt-col PARSONS	
26 ..	Org of AASC in a normal div Jungle div Armd div	Col EASTERBROOK	
29 ..	Visit D.I.D.		} From 1530 hrs } to 1730 hrs
X 30 ..	Visit D.I.D.		
31 ..	Org of a Jungle div	Lt-col OXLEY	
2 Apr	Org of Trg Depots, units and schools for Aust. Role function, and responsibility of each.	Lt-col BUNDEY	
5 ..	Visit Ord Depot	Lt-col MATHESON)	..
X 6 ..	Visit Ord Depot	)	..
7 ..	Org of Ord Services		..
9 ..	Visit Ord Fd Pk		} ..
X 10 ..	Visit Ord Fd Pk		
12 ..	Org of A.E.M.E. Services	Col SPECKMAN	..
14 ..	Visit A.E.M.E. Wkshop	Maj LYDON	} ..
X 15 ..	Visit A.E.M.E. Wkshop		
16 ..	New Weapons	Lt-col OXLEY	
19 ..	Types of Wireless Sets in use and new characteristics	Maj LAMBERT	
21 ..	 - Part 2		
23 ..	Use of R/T		
26 ..	Org of American Forces in Aust and the chain of cmd	Lt-col J.B.F. DICE	
28 ..	Finance - Relation of Treasury through its CFO, DFO to the Army in general	To be allotted.	

X Tentative date for visit of remainder of class.

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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/S.

1. Area HILSE BAY.
5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/S.

Situation normal.

2. Area GOMA.

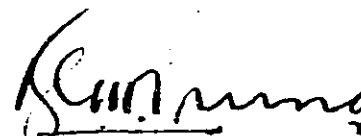
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3. Area HAU - SALAHUA - IAR.
KANCA FORCE to 0200 L/S.

(a) 2/7 Aust Indep Coy moved to a position to reconnoitre NAT NAT and suspected enemy Observation Posts.

(b) A patrol from 2/5 Aust Inf Bn contacted enemy, estimated strength 40-50, on the high ground between GUADAGASAL and the SADDLE. The enemy used IM's and mortars.

(c) On 4 Mar, 31 ZEXES were observed on the IAR aerodrome. More aircraft were seen at MALAHANG.



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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs Date	
	<u>PORT MORESBY</u>						
11 27	2/1 Anst Tpo Svy Coy 15 Fd Amb		8 13 185	Montoro Manunda Sydney Brisbane			
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u>						
	NO CHANGE						
	<u>MILNE BAY</u>						
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NEW GUINEA to 2000L/6

1. Area MILNE BAY

5 AUST DIV to 1200L/6

Situation normal.

2. Area GOHA

162 US REGT to 1700L/6

(a) 2 Bn 162 US REGT had arrived at HORAKDA en route from ORIO BAY and moving to new defensive position in the vicinity of GOHA.

(b) C Coy and one Platoon of A Coy 1 Bn 162 US REGT had secured DOUGLAS HARBOUR beachhead and was patrolling the area round the mouth of the LAIBANE RIVER.

(c) B Coy 1 Bn 162 US REGT was patrolling from OPI to TODINASI, North to East of SIANE, and to the vicinity of CAUTION POINT.

(d) These patrols are in contact with the regular PIB patrols in these areas.

163 US REGT.

Situation normal.

166 US REGT.

Nine Bofors Guns manned by one troop of 2/17 AUST LIGHT AA BTY and one troop of 162 AUST LIGHT AA BTY are now in position on the DOBODURA STRIP.

3. Area WAU - SALAMUA - LAE

KANGA FORCE to 0800L/6

(a) One Coy 2/5 AUST INF BN was located at SKIEDIMAI.

(b) One Platoon 2/7 AUST INDEF COY was in position at the junction WIPAINING-WAIPALI tracks with an outpost in the WAIPALI Area.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
18	<u>PORT MORESBY</u>							
	1 Aust Bulk Pet Store			Asphasia Homikos Sydney	2			
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u>							
	NO CHANGE							
2 7 Add 21 22 23 24	<u>MILNE BAY</u>							
	Reinforcements		519	Taroona 16 Townsville				
	9 Aust Mvt Cont Gp			A. Homikos Sydney	7			
	"A" Hy Bty Reinfts		20	Taroona 16 Townsville				
	"B" " " "		20	" "				
	Dets 2 Aust Water Tpt Ssg		50	" "				
	AEME Dets		2	" "				

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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/7

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUS DIV to 0800 L/7

No report of operations.

2. Area GONA
41 US DIV to 0800 L/7

(a) 163 and 185 US Regts - no change.

(b) A Coy less one platoon 162 US Regt with a battery of 2/7 Aust Fd Regt were at KUKUSI. B D and HQ Coys 162 US Regt and one Section of the Regimental Anti Tank Coy were at OPI.

3. Area HAU - SALAMUA - LAE
KAHGA FORCE to 0800 L/7

(a) HQ 2/3 Aust Indep Coy with "A" and "C" Platoons has moved to the BELLA Area. "B" Platoon was at KENZ REJUNCTION.

(b) HQ 2/5 Aust Inf Bn with "B" Coy was at SKIEDIVAL.

(c) HQ 2/7 Aust Indep Coy and "A" Platoon less one Section was at SKIEDIVAL. One Section of "A" Platoon was at HOUSE REDDISH 595752. "B" Platoon 2/7 Aust Indep Coy less two Sections was at the junction of the WIPAINING - WALPALI Tracks. One Section "B" Platoon was at HOUSE DOCTOR BOY 624721. One Section "B" Platoon was at WIPAINING. "C" Platoon 2/7 Aust Indep Coy was in the area HOUSES RAMCO - BANANA and HOUSE STAIRS 623759. Patrolling continues.

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	Unit	Offr Org Vehn	Offr Org Vehn	Vessel	Place of Embarka	Offr Org Vehn	Offr Org Vehn Date	
<u>PORT MURPHY</u>								
18	1 Asst Bulk Petrol Store.			TAROMA	SYDNEY	3	68	7/3.
20	HQ 18 Asst Inf Bde.			"	BRISBANE	10	61	
22	Sig. Bde.			"	"	2	38	
28	28/28 Asst Inf Bde.			"	"	20	415	
<u>LILLIPUT II</u>								
2	1 Sec 2 1/2 Pz Bakery.		1 38 1	VAN OUTBOGEN	TOWNSVILLE			Previously allotted to "JANSCENS".
<u>MILNE BAY</u>								
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LOCATION OF FORMATIONS AS AT 28 FEB 43.

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Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of HQ (c)	Remarks (d)
1	<u>FIRST AUST ARMY</u>	TOOWOOMBA	
2	<u>2 AUST CORPS</u>	BARRINE	
	6 AUST DIV	ATHERTON AREA	
	7 AUST DIV	" "	
	16 Aust Inf Bde	" "	Carrier Coys in NG
	21 Aust Inf Bde	" "	
	25 Aust Inf Bde	" "	
3	<u>3 Aust Armd Div</u>	MURGOON	
	2 Aust Armd Bde	MANUMBAR	2/8 Aust Armd Regt to move HG
	1 Aust Motor Bde	GOOMERI	
4	<u>3 Aust Div rear HQ</u>	MAPLETON	Adv HQ en route NG
	15 Aust Inf Bde	COCROY	Moving MORESBY Part due 1 Mar 43
5	<u>YORKFORCE</u>	DICK CREEK (near TOWNSVILLE)	
	11 Aust Inf Bde	CAIRNS	
6	<u>TORRES STRAIT FORCE</u>	THURSDAY ISLAND	
	<u>MERAUKE FORCE</u>	MERAUKE	
7	<u>SECOND AUST ARMY</u>	PARRAMATTA NSW	
8	<u>1 Aust Div</u>	BURWOOD NSW	
	1 Aust Inf Bde	WAHROONGA NSW	
	9 Aust Inf Bde	WOLLONGONG NSW	
	28 Aust Inf Bde	RUTHERFORD NSW	
9	<u>3 Aust Army Tank Bde</u>	GRETA NSW	1 Aust Army Tk Bn to move 4 Aust Armd Bde
10	<u>TASMANIA FORCE</u>	HOBART TAS	
	12 Aust Inf Bde	BRIGHTON TAS	

Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of HQ (c)	Remarks (d)
11	<u>SIXTH US ARMY</u>	CAMP COLOMBIA (BRISBANE)	
12	<u>1 US CORPS</u>	ROCKHAMPTON	
13	<u>32 US DIV</u>	LOGAN VILLAGE	
	126 US Inf Regt	" "	
	127 US Inf Regt	" "	
	128 US Inf Regt	" "	
	158 US Inf Regt	" "	To move MORESBY
14	<u>1 US MARINE DIV</u>	CAMP ROBINSON (V.I.)	
15	<u>503 US PARACHUTE INF REGT</u>	GORDONVALE (Q'LD)	
16	2 US Engr Bde Special	ROCKHAMPTON	
17	<u>3 AUST CORPS</u>	MT LAWLEY WA	
18	<u>1 Aust Armd Div</u>	MORAWA WA	
	1 Aust Armd Bde	GUNNEDAH NSW	Moving 3 Corps
	3 Aust Motor Bde	MULLEWA WA	
19	<u>2 Aust Div</u>	MOONBYONOOKA	
	5 Aust Inf Bde	GERALDTON	
	8 Aust Inf Bde	MOORA	
20	<u>4 Aust Div</u>	GUILDFORD	
	2 Aust Inf Bde	GIN GIN	
	6 Aust Inf Bde	MANGALORE	Vic L of C Area
	13 Aust Inf Bde	SANDY CREEK SA	Moving to relieve 3 Aust Inf Bde NT
21	<u>NEW GUINEA FORCE</u>	PORT MORESBY	
22	<u>5 Aust Div</u>	MILNE BAY AREA	
	4 Aust Inf Bde	" " "	
	29 Aust Inf Bde	" " "	
23	<u>11 Aust Div</u> <u>2/6 Aust Armd Regt</u>	MORESBY AREA " "	To move AUST One Sqn BUNA AREA " " MILNE BAY
	7 Aust Inf Bde	MORESBY AREA	
	14 Aust Inf Bde	MORESBY AREA	To move AUST on 2 Mar
	18 Aust Inf Bde	" "	To move AUST
	30 Aust Inf Bde	" "	To move AUST
24	<u>41 US DIV</u>	BUNA AREA	
	162 US Inf Regt	MORESBY	1 Bn BUNA AREA
	163 US Inf Regt	BUNA AREA	
	186 US Inf Regt	BUNA AREA	

Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of HQ (c)	Remarks (d)
25	<u>KANGA FORCE</u> 17 Aust Inf Bde	WAU AREA	
26	<u>NT FORCE</u>	DARWIN AREA	(57 mile post)
27	<u>12 Aust Div</u> 3 Aust Inf Bde	DARWIN AREA " "	(51½ mile post to be relieved by 13 Bde)
	19 Aust Inf Bde 23 Aust Inf Bde	" " " "	(66½ mile post) (39 mile post)
28	<u>LHQ RESERVE</u>		
29	<u>2 Aust Motor Div</u> 6 Aust Armd Bde 2 Aust Motor Bde	ROKEBY (VIC) PUCKAPUNYAL (VIC) GELRANG	to be disbanded " " " " " "
30	4 Aust Armd Bde	Forming at SINGLETON	

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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/8

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUSTR DIV to 1545 L/8

At 1921 L/7 natives reported that a party of enemy were in WAIRULA VILLAGE on the coast six miles due west of WATAJURUP. This was confirmed by our patrol from Cape LAHAYE. Of the 42 JAPANESE in occupation 34 were killed, 3 were captured and 5 escaped. Our casualties were nil.

2. Area GOHA
41 US DIV to 1700 L/8

(a) 2 Bn 162 US Regt was at SOPUT. Two Coys 3 Bn were at HORANDA.

(b) A native report that 15 to 20 JAPANESE landed from a barge in the vicinity of FORLOCK HARBOUR late on 6 Mar was investigated by a patrol from ORO BAY which arrived in the area at 0730 L/7, but the enemy had left the area. The patrol was continuing the search.

(c) At 0815 L/8 14 JAPANESE landed in the vicinity of TUPI from small boats. 8 were killed and 6 captured.

3. Area WAU - SALAMUA - LAE
KANGA FORCE to 0500 L/8

(a) Active patrolling was continued and contact was being maintained.

(b) In the WAIPALI area at 1500 L/7 100 fully equipped enemy were observed moving across the SADDLE towards GUADAGASAL. Our patrols report no enemy at LALIBU or KAT KAT. No enemy movement was seen on OBSERVATION HILL or GARRISON HILL.

(c) One Sub-Section 1 Aust Etn Bty was at SUMMIT.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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	<u>PORT MORESBY</u> NO CHANGE							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> NO CHANGE							
	<u>MILNE BAY</u> NO CHANGE							

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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/9

1. Area MILNE BAY

5 Aust Div to 1200 L/9

(a) On GOODENOUGH ISLAND patrolling was continued. Our forces have one coy in the WAIRULA area with its HQ at KWAIKAGA. It is now established that 8 JAPANESE escaped from WAIRULA and not 5 as previously reported. At 0915L/9 a further 25 JAPANESE were sighted on a raft about to land between KWAIKAGA and WATALUZA.

2. Area GONA - MANHARE

41 US Div to 0300 L/9

(a) Patrols from 162 US Regt reported no enemy along tracks ROBINSON BAY - TSIA - GANA CROSSING - GAUORA. An unstated number of JAPANESE were found in the vicinity of DUVIRA preparing barges in the creek. 2 Bn 162 US Regt has moved from SOPUTA to JUMBORA.

(b) Patrols captured 3 JAPANESE near AENASARI HARBOUR NE of PORLOCK.

3. Area HAU - SALAMUA - LAE

KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/9

Patrolling was continued. 2/7 Aust Indep Coy was still in contact with the enemy at GUADAGASAL RIDGE.

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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarka	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date		
	PORT MORESBY								
10	3 Aust PA Svy Coy		1 22	Charon Brisbane				Details units not shown.	
11	2/1 Aust Tpe Svy Coy		1 43	" "					
				Dunkroon 9 Townsville	1 21				
25	57/60 Aust Inf Bn			" "	17 293				
26	58/59 " " "			" "	10 181				
29	One Gen Tpt Coy HQ & 3 Pls	)		" "	7 133				
30	HQ Sup Depot Coy		)		" "				
31	2 Sup Depot Pls		)		" "	13 97			
32	HQ 3 Aust Div		)		" "	5			
33	" " " RAB			" "	6 120				
34	" " " Sigs			" "	1 12				
35	251 LAD			" "	2 31				
36	HQ Command AASC			" "	1 16				
37	3 Div Postal Unit			" "	20				
38	3 " Pro Coy			" "	23				
39	HQ & 2 Secs Div Salv Unit			" "	1 8				
40	Div Sec Reception Camp			" "	1 6				
42	PA Cash Office			" "	5				
43	Cipher Sec								
Add 43	3 Aust Line Maint Sec		1 26 2	Charon Brisbane					
45	35 Aust Telephone S/B Op Sec		22 1	" "					
	LILLIPUT II - NO CHANGE								
	MILER BAY - NO CHANGE								

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General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 331

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile
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MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/10

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/10

(a) A report timed 1330 L/9 states that 17 JAPANESE who had landed at KIRIPIHA ISLAND were then at OMARAHANA. We have sent patrols, one by air and one by sea, which will be known as HUNT FORCE.

(b) On GOODENOUGH ISLAND patrols are investigating further reported JAPANESE landings at approximately three miles west of WAIRULA and two miles north of VIVIGANI.

(c) All 7 JAPANESE who landed from a raft between KHAIRAGA and WATALUNA have been killed.

2. Area GONA - MANBARE
41 US DIV to 0700 L/10

(a) 3 Bn 162 US Regt less two coys was at KORANDA; two coys were at SOPUTA.

(b) On night 2/9 Mar PT boat engaged JAPANESE boat off WANIGELA. 43 were killed and 3 taken prisoner.

(c) The PAPUAN INFANTRY BATTALION report that the area MANAU AINCI - GIRA RIVER was clear of the enemy.

3. Area WAU - SALAMUA - LAE
RAMPA FORCE to 0800 L/10

The enemy were occupying LABABIA RIDGE. Our troops were in contact at QUADAGASAL RIDGE. One of our patrols reports many dead JAPANESE in the area MAT RAT - GARRISON HILL - KUBO GARDENS.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
1	<u>PORT MORESBY</u> Reinforcements		1100	Dunkroon 10 Townsville				
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> NO CHANGE							
	<u>MILNE BAY</u> NO CHANGE							

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12 Mar 43.

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 332

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HAU EAST (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile.
HARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC.
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/11.

1. Area HILES BAY to 1800 L/11

(a) Of the enemy that landed two miles west of WAIKULA, six were killed and nine escaped. 22 JAPANESE landed two miles north of VIVIGANI ANCHORAGE; nine were killed and the remainder captured.

(b) In the TROBRIAND ISLANDS 18 JAPANESE have been captured. Our patrol was still searching.

2. Area GOEA - HAMBARE.

41 US DIV to 0700 L/11

1 Bn 162 US Regt is now at DOUGLAS HARBOUR and is patrolling the area HAMBARE RIVER mouth - TAUTUTU.

3. Area HAU - SALAMUA - IAK.

KANCA FORCE to 0300 L/11

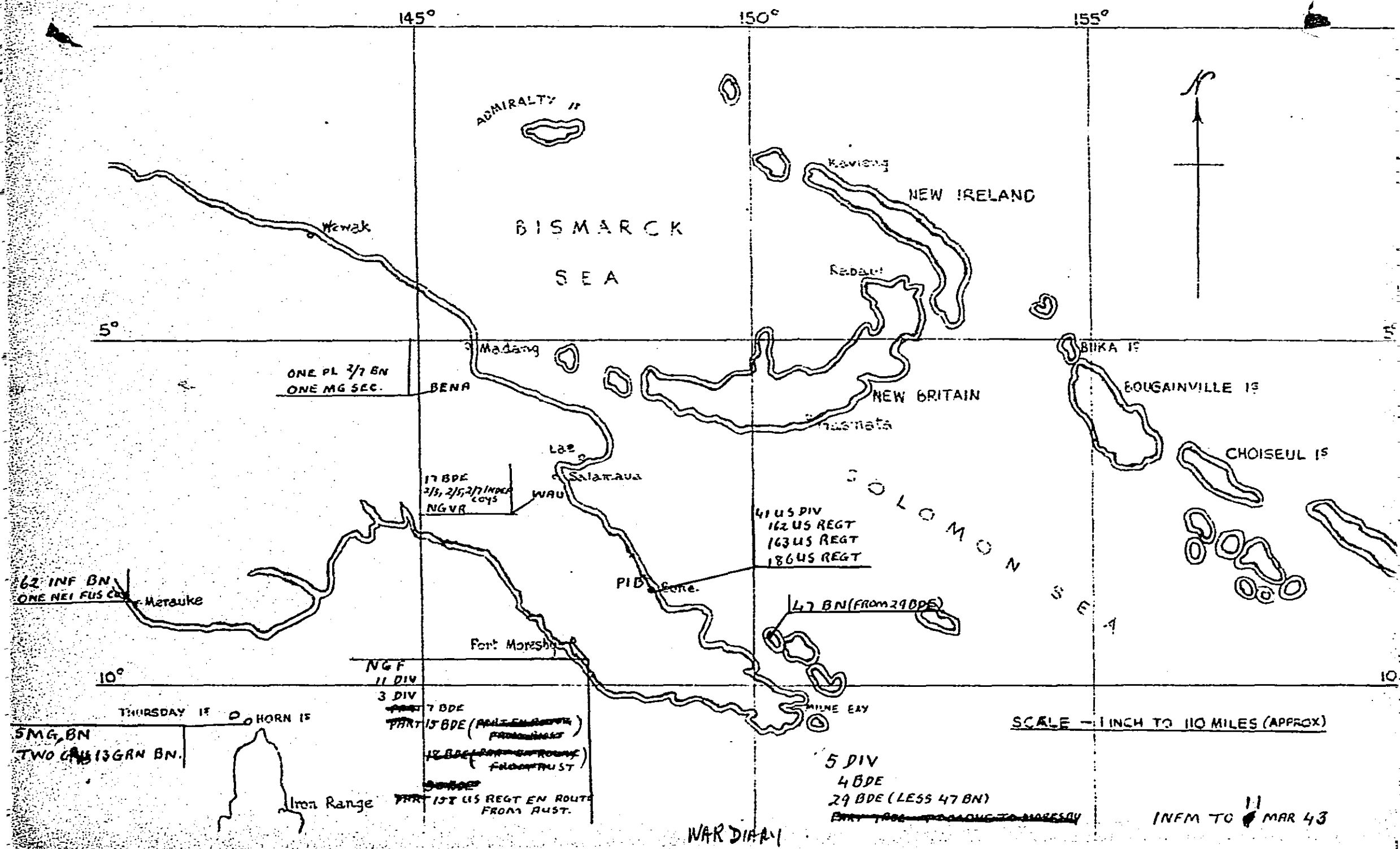
One platoon 2/7 Aust Indep Coy arrived LALIBU at 1800 L/9.

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping			En Route		Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date		
PORT MORESBY										
8	73 AAEL Coy			Katoomba 8	Brisbane	1 21				
10	3 Aust Fd Svy Coy			"	"	6 129				
11	3/1 Aust Topo Svy Coy			Montoro	Sydney	7 6				
12	48 Fd Bty		1 11	Duntroon 9	T'ville		1 21	11/3		Allotment changed from "A. Hozikos"
13				Charon	Brisbane					
14	61 Spec Wireless Sec			Katoomba 8	"	1 20				
20	HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde			"	"	3 9				" " " "
				H.D. Thoreau	Sydney		34			
22	296 LAD			Katoomba 8	Brisbane	1 16				
23	15 Aust Fd Coy		1 25	Charon	"	1 25				
				Katoomba 8	"	6 135				
24	24 Aust Inf Bn			"	"	2 38				
25	57/60 Aust Inf Bn			"	"	21 408				
				Duntroon 9	T'ville		17 293	11/3		
26	58/59 Aust Inf Bn			"	"		10 181	11/3		
				Katoomba 8	Brisbane	1 32				
27	15 Fd Amb			Mamunda	"	12 172				
29	One Gen Tpt Coy HQ & 3 Pls	}		Katoomba 8	"	7 229	34			
30	HQ Sup Depot Coy			Duntroon 9	T'ville		7 133	11/3		
31	2 Sup Depot Pls									
32	HQ 3 Aust Div			Duntroon 9	T'ville		13 97	11/3		
				Katoomba 8	Brisbane	2 3				
33	HQ 3 Aust Div RAB			Duntroon 9	T'ville		6	11/3		
34	HQ 3 Div Sigs			"	"		6 130	11/3		
35	251 LAD			"	"		1 12	11/3		
36	HQ Comd AASC			"	"		2 31	11/3		
37	3 Aust Div Postal Unit			"	"		1 16	11/3		
38	3 Aust Div Pro Coy			"	"		20	11/3		
39	HQ & 2 Spec Div Salv Unit			"	"		23	11/3		
40	Div Reception Camp			"	"		1 8	11/3		
42	Fd Cash Office			"	"		1 6	11/3		
43	Cipher Sec			"	"		8	11/3		

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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LILLIPUT II - NO CHANGE

MILNE BAY - NO CHANGE

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13 Mar 43.

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 333

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MARKHAM 4 miles STRATEGIC.
HUON GULF Special 4 miles to 1 inch.

NEW GUINEA to 1000 L/12

1. Area HILNE BAY to 2200 L/11

(a) Two small parties of JAPANESE landed on GOODENUGH ISLAND on 11 March. One of these was killed and the remainder captured.

(b) A patrol has been sent to search KAWA ISLAND, in the TROBRIAND Group, as three life-boats have been observed on the beach.

2. Area GONA - MANABARE

41 US DIV to 1700 L/11

(a) 162 US Regt.

- (i) 1 Bn. Patrolling was continued in the area around DOUGLAS HARBOUR and the MANABARE RIVER mouth.
- (ii) 2 Bn. Patrols were active in the GONA area.
- (iii) 3 Bn. less two Coys was near HORANDA; 2 Coys were at KILLBERTON.

(b) 163 and 166 US Regts - situation normal.

3. Area WAU - SAIAJAU - LAE

KANGA FORCE to 2300 L/11

(a) No report of land operations.

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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
	<u>PORT MORESBY</u> - NO CHANGE							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> - NO CHANGE							
	<u>MILNE BAY</u> - NO CHANGE							

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ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SW PACIFIC AREA

Adv LHQ

13 Mar 43

NG Force

LHQ Operation Instruction 45

Information.

1. "GINGER" is now occupied by one Aust Inf Bn Gp and two RADAR Stations.

Intention.

2. "GINGER" will be reinforced and prepared as an airforce operating base.

Tasks for NG Force.

3. Protection of the airforce operating base at "GINGER" as laid down in LHQ Operation Instruction 30 para 12 (b). The additional troops listed in Appendix "A" will be made available for reinforcement of the present garrison.

4. Co-ordinate the planning of the representatives of USAFFE and AAF in the construction of the following landing strips and aerodrome facilities:

Priority 1 - One fighter landing strip suitable for air transports.

Priority 2 - Dispersal and blast bay facilities for one fighter squadron with alert parking facilities for one additional fighter squadron.

Priority 3 - One additional strip for heavy bombardment units. The construction of blast bays for one fighter squadron and alert parking space for a second fighter squadron, followed by the construction of blast bays for twenty-four heavy bombardment aircraft and twenty-four medium bombardment aircraft.

Priority 4 - Completion of first strip to same specifications as the second strip.

5. Provide, from own resources, suitable ground garrisons for RADAR Stations at "SALT" and "PEPPER".

These RADAR Stations will be located by Allied Air Forces and installed by USAFFE. One SCR 270 set will be placed on "SALT", and a portable AW Set on "PEPPER".

Command.

6. Comd NG Force will exercise operational control over all forces at present at, or hereafter assigned to "GINGER", "SALT" and "PEPPER", as prescribed in LHQ Operation Instruction 30, paras 2 - 9 and will designate a Detachment Commander for each of these three Areas.

Movement.

7. NG Force will advise this HQ by signal which units in Appendix "A" can be provided from their own resources, and also the suggested order and dates the remaining units and equipment are required afloat at MILNE BAY. On receipt of this information, and after consultation with AAF and ANF, Adv LHQ and USAFFE will issue the necessary Orders for movement from the mainland to MILNE BAY.

8. NG Force is responsible for their onward movement and for arranging the necessary air and naval cover, from MILNE BAY to "GINGER".

As far as practicable, ships of suitable draft to cover the entire journey without trans-shipping will be provided.

Administration.

9. One unit of fire for small arms and anti-aircraft weapons will be readily available to the US troops during the voyage and upon arrival.

First-line ammunition will accompany Australian troops.

10. Initial supply shipment will be:

(a) Australian (arranged by Adv LHQ)

All classes of supply, including ammunition
.....30 days

(b) US (USA sources)

* Classes I - IV inclusive.....30 days

Class V (except Air Corps)..... 5 Units of Fire.

* Air Force.....30 days

NOTE: Air Force supplies based on two fighter squadrons (any type) and two bomber squadrons (any type) for full operational capacity.

11. The supply will be increased later to sixty days, except Air Corps, which will be thirty days. Ground Force ammunition at 5 Units of Fire.

All supplies and ammunition will be maintained at this level.

12. Anti-malarial precautions will be enforced.

Intercommunication.

13. The Code Word for the move of units in Appendix "A" is EXPLODER.

14. The meaning of the Code Words "GINGER", "SALT" and "PEPPER" will be notified by signal message.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

8417mng Bng
Lieutenant-General
Chief of the General Staff

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Appendix "A"

Issued with LHQ Operation Instruction 45

Serial	Priority	U N I T	Approx Personnel	To be furnished by
1	1	One Aust Fd Bty (less one Tp)	100	See para 7
2	1	One Pl Aust Gen Tpt Coy	63	" " "
3	1	One Aust Fd Amb	244	" " "
4	1	Aust Supply Personnel Sec	25	" " "
5	1	$\frac{1}{2}$ Aust Employment Coy	225	" " "
6	1	Aust Signal Comms Unit	50	" " "
7	1	Det . Aust Fd Bakery	20	" " "
8	1	No 5 Mobile Works Sqn (RAAF) (100 now at GINGER)	450	USAFPE
9	1	No 7 Mobile Works Sqn (RAAF)	450	"
10	1	1 Surgical Hosp (US) (28 Surg)	270	"
11	1	Port Det (US) "B"	180	"
12	1	1 Pl, Truck Coy (US)	50	"
13	3	1 Fighter Gp (less 1 Sqn) (Incl 1 Fighter Control Sqn) (US)	1100	AAF
14	2	Air Force Ground Personnel (US)	150	"
15	2	1 Service Sqn (attached QM, Ord and Chemical Units) (US)	475	"
16	1	HQ and HQ Bty, 2 Bn, "A" Bty 94 CA (AA) (US)	257	"
17	2	"A" and "B" Btys 104 CA (AA) (US)	310	"
18	2	"K" Bty, 94CA (S/LO (US) (less 1 Pl)	115	"
19	1	Mobile Comms Sec (RAAF)	35	"
20	1	1 Rpt Pl (SCR) 270 (US) (For "SALT")	52	"
21	1	Radio Station (Portable RADAR) (RAAF) For "PEPPER"	20	"

APPX (31)

US FORCE rptd FIRST AUST ARMY SECOND AUST ARMY SIXTH US ARMY
MILBASS BRISBANE MILBASS SYDNEY LANDFORCES MELBOURNE

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CODECO	(.)	Ref	LEQ	Op	Instn
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Meanings	of	three	code	words	in
same	order	as	in	para	14
(.)	First	(.)	GOODENOUGH	ISLAND	(.)
Second	(.)	KIRIWINA	ISLAND	(.)	Third
(.)	WOODLARK	ISLAND	Ack		

W. K. Seddon

Major

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14 Mar 45

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 534.

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile
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HUON GULF Special 4 inches to 1 mile.

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/15

1. Area MILNE BAY to 1200 L/15
 - (a) KIRIWINA ISLAND - A party of five JAPANESE landed three miles north of CAPE VARSNEYA, but were mopped up by our patrol.
 - (b) A party of eleven JAPANESE landed at NUAMA ISLAND; three were killed and eight captured.
2. Area GOHA - HAMBARE.
41 US DIV to 0700 L/15
 - (a) 152 US Regt - Patrol activity continues.
 - (b) 153 US Regt: "L" and "H" Coys relieved "G" and "H" Coys on KILLERTON POINT. 111 personnel of 3 Bn moved from GOHA to KILLERTON.
 - (c) 186 US Regt - situation normal.
 - (d) A PAPUAN INFANTRY BATTALION patrol reported contact with the enemy at MANAU - HAMBATUTU and DUVIRA.
3. Area WAU - SALAMUA - LAE
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/15
 - (a) Enemy activity was reported between GUADAGASEL and the SADDLE. New earthworks were reported on LABABIA RIDGE.
 - (b) A total of 237 enemy dead (majority due to air strafing) were counted in the area of WIPAINING - KAT KAT - GARRISON HILL.
 - (c) Patrols in the BULMA area report that there was no enemy activity west of BOEDUBI. BUGASI Village was reported clear of enemy.

[Signature]
General

Commander, Allied Land Forces

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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embarka	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date		
	<u>PORT MORESBY</u>									
10	3 Aust Fd Svy Coy ²			A. Homikos	Brisbane	1	4			
11	2/1 Aust Topo Svy Coy			"	"	1	7			
16	61 Special Wireless Ssg			"	"	1	4			
19	12 Aust CRE Wks			"	"		7			
27	15 Fd Amb			Manunda	"			17 122	11/3	
29	One Gen Tpt Coy HQ & 3 Pls)									
30	HQ Sup Depot Pls			A. Homikos	"		14			
31	2 Sup Depot Pls									
	<u>LILLIPUT II - NO CHANGE</u>									
	<u>MILNE BAY</u>									
1	Reinforcements		435	Taroona 17	Townsville					
4	78 AAEL Coy			A. Homikos	Brisbane	1	20			
5	51 Fd Pk Coy & 216 LAD			"	"	1	1	29		
			4 172	Taroona 17	Townsville					
9	2/6 Coy AASC			A. Homikos	Brisbane		5			
20	12 Aust CRE Wks			"	"		3			

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15 Dec 43

General Headquarters,
Southwest Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 338.

Reference Maps: WAU WEST (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile
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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/14

1. Area MILNE BAY to 1200 L/14

Situation normal.

2. Area GONA - HAMBARE
41 US DIV to 0700 L/14

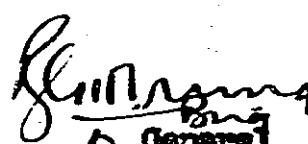
(a) A Coy and B Coy 1 Bn 162 US Regt with one Section 25 pounders moved to GAUCHA. The remainder of the Bn was at DOUGLAS HARBOUR. 2 Bn 162 US Regt relieved 3 Bn 163 US Regt in the GONA area. 3 Bn 163 US Regt (less one Coy) was at KILLERTON. A Coy 163 US Regt moved from ARBOGA CROSSING to SORUTA.

(b) The Japanese Infantry Battalion killed 10 JAPANESE at the mouth of the KUMUSI. It was stated that the enemy were in a weak condition.

3. Area WAU - SALAMANA - IAE

KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/14 situation normal.

The 2/7 Indep Coy was in the area of SKINDENAI, with one platoon at each of HOUSE BANANA, NAIPALI and NAT NAT.


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Commander, Allied Land Forces

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15 Mar 43.

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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embark		Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
1	<u>PORT MURSEBY</u>							
23	Reinforcements 15 Aust Pz Coy		1065 35	Duntroon 11 Townsville				
	<u>LILLIPUT II - NO CHANGE</u>							
2	<u>MILNE BAY</u>							
21	Reinforcements			Taromua 16 Townsville	25	464		
22	"A" Bty Bty Reinf'ts			" "		18		
23	"B" " " "			" "		18		
24	Dets 2 Aust Water Tpt Bco			" "	2	47		

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Major-General.
Deputy Chief of the General Staff.

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16 Mar 45

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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 338

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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/15

1. Area MILNE BAY to 1200 L/15.

LUSANCAY, KANAFU and GWADARAB ISLANDS were searched - no enemy were found. An unstated number of enemy were encountered at GABVIRA ISLAND and one JAPANESE was taken prisoner of war. Our casualties were two.

2. Area GORA - HAHBARE
41 US DIV to 0700 L/15

(a) 162 US Regt: Elements of 1 Bn consisting of HQ Coy, A Coy less one Platoon, B Coy and a detachment 81 mm mortars were at DUVIRA. C and D Coys less one LMG platoon and one section of mortars were at HANAU. One 25 pr was near AMBUSH POINT.

(b) The relief of 2 Bn 163 US Regt by 3 Bn 162 US Regt at KILLERTON has been completed.

3. Area LAE - SALANAU - WAU.
KAHA FORCE to 0800 L/15

A patrol from 2/7 Aust Indep Coy engaged enemy near 697852. The results are not known.

William H. Arnold
General

Commander, Allied Land Forces

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs Date			
<u>PORT MORESBY</u>									
1	Reinforcements		53	Montoro Townsville					
11	2/1 Aust Tpe Svy Coy			Charon Brisbane	1 43				
15	48 Fd Bty			" "	1 11				
23	18 Aust Fd Coy			" "	21				
45	8 Aust Line Maint Sec			" "	1 26	1			
46	55 Aust Telephone 3/2 Op Sec			" "	21	1			
Add 47	22 Aust W/T Sec LHQ Sigs		1 14	Montoro Townsville					
<u>LILLIPUT II</u>									
1	5 Base Sup Depot Type "C"			Janssens Brisbane	7 50	8			
3	ADSS Personnel			" "	5				
<u>MILNE BAY</u>									
2	Reinforcements			Tarooma 16 Townsville			25 464	15/3	
21	"A" Ry Bty Reinftr			" " "			18	15/3	
22	"B" " " "			" " "			18	15/3	
23	Dets 2 Aust Water Tpt Sec			" " "			2 47	15/3	

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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/16

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUSTR DIV to 1200 L/16

Nothing to report.

2. Area GONA - MANDARE
41 US DIV to 0700 L/16

The relief of 3 Bn 163 US Inf Regt by 2 Bn 162 US Inf Regt in the GONA area has been completed.

3. Area LAE - SALAMAU - WAU
KANGA FORCE to 0300 L/16

- (a) A patrol from 2/7 Aust Indep Coy moved along the main track through the SADDLE area towards KUBO reaching KUNDA Bridge 684834, and reported the area clear of enemy.
- (b) Active patrolling of the forward area was continued.
- (c) The dispositions of forward troops were as follows:-
- (i) HQ 2/5 Aust Inf Bn at SKINDIWAI.
A Coy 2/5 Aust Inf Bn at HOUSE KIAP with two platoons forward at BUIBAINING and WAIPALI.
B Coy 2/5 Aust Inf Bn at GUADAGASAL area.
C Coy 2/5 Aust Inf Bn at BALLARS
D Coy 2/5 Aust Inf Bn at KAISINIK.
Carrier Platoon 2/5 Aust Inf Bn at junction WIPAINING-WAIPALI Tracks.
- (ii) HQ 2/7 Aust Indep Coy SKINDIWAI with forward secs on LABASIA RIDGE and NAT NAT features.
- (iii) Adv HQ and A and C Platoons 2/3 Aust Indep Coy in MESSIE area.
- (iv) One Sub-Section 1 Aust Mtn Bty at KAMBU.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarkn		Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs Date	
	<u>FORT MORESBY</u> → NO CHANGE							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> - NO CHANGE							
	<u>MILNE BAY</u> - NO CHANGE							

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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/17

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/17

In the TOBRIAND Group the following Islands were searched for enemy with NIL results: SIMSIN - WAGALASA - DEIA - KUANIAGA and SIMLINDON. Of 18 JAPANESE encountered on KIRIWIHA Island, one was killed and 17 taken prisoner.

2. Area GONA - HAMBANE
41 US DIV to 1700 L/17

(1) At 1700 L/16 dispositions of 1 Bn 162 US Inf Regt were as follows:-
HQ Coy, "A" Coy less one Platoon, "C" Coy less one Platoon, 31 mm Mortar Detachments and HMG Section at DUVIRA. One Platoon "A" Coy at GUAORA. One 25 pr HMG Section, A/Tk Section at AMBUSH POINT. Remainder of 1 Bn was at DOUGLAS HARBOUR.

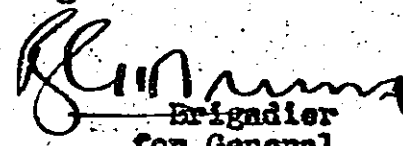
(2) The area DUVIRA CREEK Mouth - HAMBUTUTU was patrolled, but NO enemy were encountered.

(3) 163 US Inf Regt and 186 US Inf Regt - no change.

3. Area LAE - SALAZAGA - WAU
KANGA FORCE to 1800 L/17

(1) A small group of enemy were observed 200 yds north east of MUBO.

(2) Our standing patrols are now at BABADU - BUGASU and on the MISSIN - BOBDUBI track overlooking BOBDUBI.



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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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	Units	Offr Cms Vch	Offr Cms Vch	Vessel	Place of Embarkation	Offr Cms Vch	Offr Cms Vch Date	
PORT MORTSBY								
5	75 AAB. Coy			KATONGBA 8	BRISBANE	1 21	16/3	includes 1 Offr 22 Cms allotted "CHARCH" vide report No. 125.
10	1st 3 Amst Pk Coy.			"	"	6 129	16/3	
14	41 Special W/less Sec			"	"	1 20	16/3	
20	21 15 Amst Inf Bde			"	"	3 9	16/3	
22	206 L.A.D.			H.D. THORNTON	SEBASTIA	24	16/3	
23	15 Amst Pk Coy.			KATONGBA 8	BRISBANE	1 18	16/3	
24	26 Amst Inf Bde			"	"	6 129	16/3	
25	57/50 Amst Inf Bn.			"	"	2 29	16/3	
26	50/53 " "			"	"	21 409	16/3	
27	One Gen Cpg Coy HQ & 3 Pks.			"	"	1 22	16/3	
28	22 Reg Depot Coy			"	"	7 229 24	16/3	
31	2 Reg Depot Pk			"	"	3 3	16/3	
33	21 3 Amst Div.			"	"			
44	3/105 Amst Gen Sp4 Coy	1	2 37	SLACKLOO	BRISBANE			
45	2/105 " " " "		1 3	"	"			
46	W/ship Sec.							
LULLIPUT II								
1	1 Reg 2/2 Pk Bakery			YOSCH	TORREVILLE	1		
ELDER BAY								
	No change.							

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ALLIED LAND FORCES SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

LOCATION OF FORMATIONS AS AT 15 Mar 43

Adv LHQ.

19 Mar 43.

Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of HQ (c)	Remarks (d)
1	<u>FIRST AUST ARMY</u>	TOOWOOMBA	
2	<u>2 AUST CORPS</u>	BARRINE	
	6 Aust Div	WONDECLA	
	16 Aust Inf Bde	RAVENSHOE	
	30 Aust Inf Bde	ATHERTON AREA	
	7 Aust Div	RAVENSHOE	
	18 Aust Inf Bde	RAVENSHOE	
	21 Aust Inf Bde	RAVENSHOE	
	25 Aust Inf Bde	RAVENSHOE	
	9 Aust Div		
	20 Aust Inf Bde		To concentrate
	24 Aust Inf Bde		KAIRI, North
	26 Aust Inf Bde		Queensland,
			after leave
	14 Aust Inf Bde	RAVENSHOE	HQ may be dis-
			banded later.
3	<u>3 Aust Armd Div</u>	MURGON	
	2 Aust Armd Bde	MANUMBAR	2/8 Aust Armd
	1 Aust Motor Bde	GOOMERI	Regt to move NG.
4	<u>YORKFORCE</u>	DICK CREEK (near TOWNSVILLE)	
	11 Aust Inf Bde	CAIRNS	To be transferred
			to 3 Aust Div
			later.
5	<u>TORRES STRAIT FORCE</u>	THURSDAY ISLAND	
	<u>MERAUKE FORCE</u>	MERAUKE	
6	<u>SECOND AUST ARMY</u>	PARRAMATTA, NSW	
7	<u>1 Aust Div</u>	BURWOOD, NSW	
	1 Aust Inf Bde	WAHROONGA, NSW	
	9 Aust Inf Bde	WOLLONGONG, NSW	
	28 Aust Inf Bde	RUTHERFORD, NSW	

Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of H) (c)	Remarks (d)
8	<u>3 Aust Army Tank Bde</u>	GRETA, NSW	
9	<u>TASMANIA FORCE</u> 12 Aust Inf Bde	HOBART, TAS BRIGHTON, TAS	To be trans- ferred to 3 Aust Div later
10	<u>6 Aust Inf Bde</u>	MANGALORE, VIC	Temp under Command Vic L of C; to form part of 11 Aust Div later
11	<u>13 Aust Inf Bde</u>	SANDY CREEK, SA	Temp under command S Aust L of C; to form part of 12 Aust Div later
12	<u>SIXTH US ARMY</u>	CAMP COLUMBIA (Near BRISBANE)	
13	<u>1 US CORPS</u>	ROCKHAMPTON	
14	<u>32 US Div</u> 126 US Inf Regt 127 US Inf Regt 128 US Inf Regt	CAMP CABLE CAMP CABLE CCOLANGATTA CAMP CABLE	
15	<u>1 US MARINE DIV</u> 1 Marine Inf Regt 5 Marine Inf Regt 7 Marine Inf Regt	MELBOURNE MELBOURNE MELBOURNE MELBOURNE	
16	<u>2 US ENGR AMPHIBIAN BDE</u> 532 US Engr Amphibian Regt 542 US Engr Amphibian Regt 592 US Engr Amphibian Regt	ROCKHAMPTON CAIRNS ROCKHAMPTON BRISBANE	En route ROCKHAMPTON
17	<u>503 US PARACHUTE INF REGT</u>	GORDONVALE, QLD	
18	<u>3 AUST CORPS</u>	MT LAWLEY, WA	
19	<u>1 Aust Armd Div</u> 1 Aust Armd Bde 3 Aust Motor Bde	MINGENEW, WA MINGENEW, WA MULLEWA	
20	<u>2 Aust Div</u> 5 Aust Inf Bde 8 Aust Inf Bde	MOONYOONCOOKA MT FAIRFAX MOORA	

Serial No (a)	Formation (b)	Location of HQ (c)	Remarks (c)
21	<u>4 Aust Div</u> 2 Aust Inf Bde	GUILDFORD WA CHIDLOWS WA	To be reallocated or disbanded To be transferred to 2 Aust Div later
22	<u>NEW GUINEA FORCE</u>	PORT MORESBY	
23	<u>5 Aust Div</u> 4 Aust Inf Bde 29 Aust Inf Bde	MILNE BAY AREA MILNE BAY AREA MILNE BAY AREA	
24	<u>11 Aust Div</u> 7 Aust Inf Bde 15 Aust Inf Bde 3 Aust Div	MORESBY AREA MORESBY AREA MORESBY AREA MORESBY AREA	To move WAU
25	<u>41 US DIV</u> 162 US Inf Regt 163 US Inf Regt 186 US Inf Regt	BUNA AREA BUNA AREA BUNA AREA BUNA AREA	
26	<u>158 US Regimental Combat Team</u>	Enroute MORESBY	
27	<u>KANGA FORCE</u> 17 Aust Inf Bde	WAU AREA	To form part of 6 Aust Div later
28	<u>NT FORCE</u>	DARWIN AREA	(57 mile post)
29	<u>12 Aust Div</u> 3 Aust Inf Bde 19 Aust Inf Bde 23 Aust Inf Bde	DARWIN AREA DARWIN AREA DARWIN AREA DARWIN AREA	(51½ mile post) To be relieved by 13 Aust Inf Bde and transferred to 3 Aust Div later (66½ mile post) (39 mile post)
30	<u>LHQ RESERVE</u>		
31	<u>2 Aust Motor Div</u> 6 Aust Armd Bde 2 Aust Motor Bde	ROKEBY VIC PUCKAPUNYAL VIC GHERANG VIC	To be disbanded Being disbanded To be disbanded
32	<u>4 Aust Armd Bde</u>	SINGLETON NSW	

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19 Mar 43.

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 339.

Reference Maps: SALAMUA (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile.
EAST KAMBAHE DELTA (SPECIAL) 1 inch to 1 mile.

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/18.

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUSTR DIV to 1200 L/18

No report of operations.

2. Area GOHA - MAMBARE
41 US DIV to 0700 L/18

(a) The remainder of 1 Bn 162 US Inf Regt moved from DOUGLAS HARBOUR to DUVIRA on 18 March.

(b) A patrol consisting of one Section A/Tk Platoon, "L" Platoon "A" Coy and a detail from 116 US Medical Bn report no indication of enemy in the GIRA River South area. The Patrol is continuing activities and organising defensive positions around the DELTA. Examination of old JAPANESE positions indicate the presence of a small enemy party up to 5 March and previous occupation by at least 500-600. It is suspected that there was a disease epidemic and it is believed that 200 enemy are buried in the area.

(c) 163 US Inf Regt and 166 US Inf Regt - situation normal.

3. Area LAE - SALAMUA - NAU
KANGA FORCE to 1600 L/17

(a) Patrols from 2/7 Aust Indep Coy moving to the dry creek at 6925 and to OBSERVATION HILL encountered heavy enemy fire.

(b) During the past week "B" Platoon 2/7 Aust Indep Coy have constantly engaged two strong enemy positions on the track which leads North to OBSERVATION HILL. A patrol which was attempting to cross BULAPAL Creek was heavily mortared from these positions.

(c) At 1600 L/17 it was reported that VICKERS Ridge was clear of enemy and that an OP had been established in this area.

(d) Patrols from 2/3 Aust Indep Coy report that there were no JAPANESE at BOEDUBI but that there were some natives in the village.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA
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POSITION AS AT 1800H/18

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	Unit	Offr Obs Vehs	Offr Obs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embark	Offr Obs Vehs	Offr Obs Vehs	Date		
	<u>PORT MORESBY</u>								
1	Reinforcements		1065	Duntroon 10 Townsville " 11 " Montoro "	76 974 1 82				
2	Reg Coy	7 456							
3	Reg Coy	7 456							
4	458 Hy AA Gun Sta	3 89							
5	459 Hy AA Gun Sta	3 89							
6	Bal 3 Aust Pk Svy Coy			A. Hemikos Brisbane	1 4				
7	2/1 Aust Tago Svy Coy			Montoro Sydney Charon Brisbane A. Hemikos "	7 6 1 45 1 7				
8	48 Pk Bty	15 196		Charon Brisbane	1 11				
9	61 Special W/less Sec			A. Hemikos Brisbane	1 4				
10	67 AML Workshop	2							
11	1 Aust Bulk Pet Store			A. Hemikos Sydney	2 7				
12	12 Aust CRE Works			A. Hemikos Sydney	7				
13	15 Aust Pk Coy		35	Charon Brisbane Duntroon 11 Townsville	21				
14	One Gen Tpt Coy HQ & 3 Pls			A. Hemikos Brisbane	14				
15	3 Aust Line Maint Sec	1		Charon Brisbane	1 26 1				
16	35 Aust Telephone S/S Op Sec			Charon Brisbane	21 1				
17	22 Aust W/T Sec LHQ Sigs			Duntroon 10 Townsville	1 14				Embarked "Duntroon" in lieu of "Montoro"
18	2/103 Aust Gen Tpt Coy		1 2 37	Ulooloo Brisbane					
19	2/103 Aust Gen Tpt Coy Workshop Sec		1 2	Ulooloo Brisbane					

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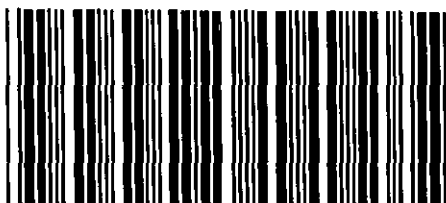
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	Unit	Offr Oms Vehs	Offr Oms Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embark	Offr Oms Vehs	Offr Oms Vehs Date		
<u>LILLIPUT II</u>									
1	5 Base Supply Depot Type "C"	1	8	Janssens	Brisbane	7	20		
2	1 Sec 2 1/2 Pk Bakery		1. 36	Van Outhorn	Townsville			1 17/3	
3	ADCS Personnel			Janssens	Brisbane	5			
<u>MILNE BAY</u>									
1	Reinforcements		435	Taroona 17	Townsville				
2	"B" Ry Bty	5	95 3						
3	20 Exp Coy	7	453						
4	78 AASL Coy	4	118 5	A. Nomikos	Brisbane	1	20		
5	51 Pk Pk Coy & 216 LAD		4 172	Taroona 17	Townsville				
				A. Nomikos	Brisbane	1	1 29		
6	No.1 Pk Censorship Sec	1	11						
7	1 Aust Water Tpt Op Det	2	28						
8	9 Aust Mvt Cont Op Det			A. Nomikos	Sydney	7			
9	2/8 Coy AASC		2	A. Nomikos	Brisbane		5		
10	12 Aust CRE Works			A. Nomikos	Brisbane		3		

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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 340

Reference Maps: SALAMAU (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile
EAST HAMBRE DELTA (SPECIAL) 1 inch to 1 mile.

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/19

1. Area MILES BAY
8 AMST DIV to 1200 L/19

Natives report that a large party of well armed JAPANESE were at HAIKULA in GOODENOUGH ISLAND.

2. Area GONA - HAMBRE.
21 US DIV to 0700 L/19

(a) One platoon "A" Coy 1 Bn 162 US Inf Regt with one section 25 pounders and one section Anti-tank platoon were at A-BUSH Point. The remainder of 1 Bn 162 US Inf Regt was at DUVIRA.

(b) "C" Coy 2 Bn 162 US Inf Regt, one section Anti-tank Platoon, one section HMG and one section 81 mm mortars were at the KURUSI RIVER mouth.

3. Area LAE - SALAMAU - HAU
LAKE FORCE to 0800 L/19

(a) Enemy on the track GARRISON HILL - OBSERVATION HILL were engaged by our forces.

(b) Enemy seen moving in the bed of DRY CREEK were mortared.

(c) The enemy changed their positions on OBSERVATION HILL and in DRY CREEK area after our Mountain Gun on GUADAGASAL SADDLE had registered the positions.

(d) Active patrolling continues.

H. Berryman
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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs Date	
1 17	<u>PORT MORESBY</u> Reinforcements 22 Aust W/T Sec LEQ Bigs			Duntroon 10	Townsville	74 974 1 14	19/3 19/3	
	<u>LILLIPUT II - NO CHANGE</u>							
	<u>MILNE BAY - NO CHANGE</u>							

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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 341

Reference Map: SALAMUA (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile.

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/20

1. Area MILNE BAY

5 ACST DIV to 1800 L/20

A party of JAPANESE was reported as having landed on GOODENOUGH ISLAND five miles south east of CAPE VARIETA on 14 Sep.

2. Area GONA - BAKWANE

41 US DIV to 0700 L/20

No change.

3. Area LAE-SALAMUA-WAU

KARGA FORCE to 0800 L/20

(a) Smoke has been observed down the MITOI Valley and in the vicinity of BULGAP CREEK.

(b) Our patrols were in positions on OBSERVATION HILL, DEY CREEK bed, and the lower LABABIA RIDGE.

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22 Mar 43

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Southwest Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 342

Reference Maps: TROBRIAND ISLAND 4 miles STRATEGIC
SALAMAU (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile
HUON GULF Special.

NEW GUINEA to 2000L/21

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUST DIV to 1200L/21

(a) GOODENOUGH ISLAND: 22 JAPANESE were killed and one taken prisoner from the parties which were reported as landing at WAIBULA on 18 Mar and near CAPE VARIETA on 14 Mar.

(b) TROBRIAND GROUP: JAPANESE parties were reported at GIRIBA, RB2512, and at KISU, RA8527.

2. Area GONA - SANBARE
41 US DIV to 0700L/21

No change.

3. Area LAE-SALAMAU-WAU
KANGA FORCE to 0800L/21

(a) MUBO Area:

(i) On 19 Mar a patrol moving in the LALIBU RIDGE - OBSERVATION HILL Area was ambushed by the enemy and forced to withdraw.

(ii) There was considerable movement of small enemy groups, apparently carrying out reliefs, between KOKIATUM and DRY CREEK.

(b) MISSIM Area:

The dispositions of the 2/3 Indep Coy in the MISSIM Area were as follows:

(i) "A" Platoon less one Section in the MISSIM Area. One Section was at LW 6998.

(ii) "B" Platoon was at the POWER HOUSE.

(iii) "C" Platoon less One Section was at SELEBOB. One Section was in the MISSIM Area.

(iv) Standing patrols were at BUGASU and BOBADU.

(c) MARKHAM Area:

(1) On the 19 Mar there was evidence of enemy patrols in the BWARIP Area, LR 4553.

(11) At 0200L/20 a reconnaissance party of 16 JAPANESE was moving along the track at LR 4546 from the direction of LAKE WAHUM.

H. Benjamin Major-General.
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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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22 Mar 45.

Secret	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel	Place of Embarkn	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs Date	
	<u>PORT MORESBY</u> - NO CHANGE							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> - NO CHANGE							
1 3	<u>MILNE BAY</u> Reinforcements 20 Exp Coy		148 7 456	Taroona 18 "	Townsville "			

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23 Mar 43

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 343

Reference Maps: TROBRIAND ISLAND 4 miles STRATEGIC
SALAMAU (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile
BUCH GULF Special.

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/22

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUSTR DIV to 1200 L/22

TROBRIAND GROUP: Three JAPANESE were killed at GIRIDA
on BAKUTE ISLAND. The area was reported clear of enemy.

HUATA and KIBU ISLANDS: 16 JAPANESE were captured. There
were still some armed JAPANESE in the area, but they were
under observation of our troops.

GABWINE ISLAND: Three JAPANESE were killed and one
captured.

2. Area GOHA - MANBARE
41 US DIV to 0700 L/22

No change.

3. Area LAE - SALAMAU - WAU
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/22

WUBO Area.

(a) On the evening of 20 Mar, 22 enemy moved along the
KOMIATUN Track to DRY CREEK. At 0130 L/21 firing was
heard in the DRY CREEK area.

(b) Enemy positions were located in depth along the
KOMIATUN Track from approx 687250 to 684850.

(c) A big enemy camp was located at KITCHEN CREEK which
runs into the BITOI River from the west at approx 686352.

It was reported that:

- (i) The camp extended for some distance west from 691852.
- (ii) A Signal Office was at approximately 682961.
- (iii) A large kitchen was at approximately 688662.
- (iv) All lights in the camp area were covered by defensive positions.
- (v) A worn road runs from the BITOI River through the Signal Office towards the top of OBSERVATION HILL.
- (vi) A conservative estimate of the number of troops in the camp was 500 to 700.
- (vii) All the enemy were big men and some were wearing white shirts and light coloured trousers.
- (viii) No movement was seen in the area south of the junction of the BITOI and BUIGAP Rivers.
- (ix) The enemy were progressing with timber and earthworks in DRY CREEK.
- (x) The enemy were still occupying OBSERVATION HILL and have new ambush positions on the forward slopes covering BUIFAL CREEK.

(d) An additional allied Mountain Gun was at HOUSE BAHANA.
MISSIN Area.

(a) Natives report that no JAPANESE were seen in the HOYE area.

(b) No movement was seen in the FRANCISCO Area from MISSIN to BOBUBI or by the BOBUBI - KONIATUN track to within 3000 yds of KONIATUN.

SALAMANA Area.

(a) The area was definitely occupied in strength. A fortress has apparently been constructed with the perimeter including the aerodrome, KERA Hill and KELA villages.

MARKHAE Area.

No enemy movement was seen from our Observation Post at LA4545 and reliable natives report that the enemy have returned to LABU.

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MOVEMENT REPORT NO. 148.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 11 for 24 hrs ending 1902/22.

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Old Vels	Offr New Vels	Vessel	Place of Embark	Offr Old Vels	Offr New Vels	Date
	<u>PORT MURSEY</u>							
	No change							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u>							
	No change							
	<u>MILNE BAY</u>							
	No change							

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23 Mar 43

STANDARD OPERATIONAL PROCEDURE INSTRUCTION 2

Map Grids for Combined Operations.

Introduction:

1. The joint Army and Navy grid, or JAN grid, will be used by all units in the SW Pacific Area, for combined operations.
2. It is desired that all officers understand the method of employing both the Master JAN grid and the Special JAN grid.
3. The description and use of the JAN grid has been divided into five parts, namely:-

PART I	DESIGNATION OF GRID
PART II	DESCRIPTION AND USE OF MASTER JAN GRID
PART III	DESCRIPTION AND USE OF SPECIAL JAN GRID
PART IV	DESIGNATING LINES AND AREAS
PART V	GENERAL RULES FOR THE USE OF JAN GRIDS

PART I: DESIGNATION OF GRID

4. Letter Designation of Master Grid	Origin	<u>Sides of Unit Grids in Minutes of Lat or Long</u>	
		<u>Latitude</u>	<u>Longitude</u>
A	63N 144W	540	1080
B	63N 54W	540	1080
C	63N 36E	540	1080
D	63N 126E	540	1080
E	9S 144W	1080	1080
F	9S 54W	1080	1080
G	9S 36E	1080	1080
H	9S 126E	1080	1080
I	72S 144W	540	1080
J	72S 54W	540	1080
K	72S 36E	540	1080
L	72S 126E	540	1080

PART II: DESCRIPTION AND USE OF MASTER JAN GRID

5. The JAN grid is a convenient and easily transmitted letter and numeral reference system for designating the position of a point, line or area on the earth's surface. The grid is adaptable to any scale or projection and can be constructed on any maps or charts showing only latitudes or longitudes.
6. The JAN grid is not a mapping grid. It is universal in its application. Its use in combined operations is particularly adapted for reporting locations where speed and accuracy of transmission is essential, whenever the nature of the information is transient and for prescribed boundaries and zones of action.

7. The Master JAN Grid involves the division of the earth's surface into twelve Master Grids, the boundaries of which are the 0° , 90° and 180° meridians of longitude and the 45° north and south parallels of latitude (See Sketch No 1). These Master Grids are lettered consecutively from A to L, as indicated.

8. Each Master Grid is further subdivided into 25 unit grids as illustrated in the sketch for Master Grids C and H. Note that for the four Master Grids adjacent to the north pole (A, B, C, D) and the four adjacent to the south pole (I, J, K, L), the horizontal dimension of each unit grid is 18° of longitude and the vertical dimension is 9° of latitude. For the four Master Grids girdling the centre of the earth (E, F, G, H) the horizontal and vertical dimensions of the unit grids are each 18° .

9. The origin of each Master Grid is taken as the southwest corner of the central unit grid. The central or basic grid (as seen from sketch No 1) is denoted by the letter M. Thus, in Master Grid H (see sketch No 1), the origin of this Master Grid is at 9°S 126°E . Similarly, the origin of Master Grid C is at 63°N , 36°E .

10. The Unit Grids in each Master Grid are lettered from left to right beginning at the bottom left hand corner as illustrated in Sketch No 3.

Note that all letters of the alphabet except Z are employed in designating the unit grids. Co-ordinates of any point on the earth's surface are given by stating first the letter denoting the Master grid in which the point is located; second, the letter denoting the unit grid (within the Master grid) in which the point is located; third, the Easting (or X) co-ordinate of the point from the origin in the lower left hand corner of the unit grid, and fourth, the Northing (or Y) co-ordinate of the point.

The Easting and Northing co-ordinates may be expressed in tenths of the length of the sides of the unit grids. If greater precision is required, the co-ordinates may be expressed in hundredths or even thousandths of the unit grid lengths.

EXAMPLE 1: Assume that a certain point "M" is in unit grid D of master grid C (Shaded area in Sketch No 1 and enlarged in Sketch No 2). Dividing the sides of the unit grid into ten equal parts (see Sketch No 2), it is seen that the "X" or Easting co-ordinate of the point is 4, and the "Y" or Northing is 7. This point would be represented as: JAN POINT CD47.

EXAMPLE 2: If it is desirable to express a location more exactly, its co-ordinates may be expressed in hundredths. Thus point N would be represented as: JAN POINT CD6432, in which the first two digits (64) represent the hundredths of the Easting from the origin, and the last two digits (32) represent the Northing in the same terms. Similarly, the location could be expressed in thousandths by adding to each co-ordinate an extra decimal, thus: JAN POINT CD640322. NOTE, however, that both Eastings and Northings must be expressed with the same number of digits.

EXAMPLE 3: Referring to Sketch No 1, the location of TOWNSVILLE ($19^{\circ}16'\text{S}$, $146^{\circ}46'\text{E}$) may be expressed by one of the following terms depending on the degree of accuracy desired:

MASTER GRID	UNIT GRID	X CO-ORDINATE (EASTING)	Y CO-ORDINATE (NORTHING)	METHOD OF EXPRESSION
H	I	2	4	JAN POINT HI24
H	I	15	43	JAN POINT HI1543
H	I	154	430	JAN POINT HI154430

PART III: DESCRIPTION AND USE OF SPECIAL JAN GRID

11. Besides the Master JAN Grid described above, there is also the Special JAN Grid. This is similar in all respects to the Master JAN grid but covers a limited area only, and is established for a specific operation or operational phase. When a Special JAN grid is required it will be established by GHQ. The location of a Special grid and the length of its sides will be dependent on the locality under consideration and the extent of the area it is desired to cover. Where practicable, the grids employed will be "square" (i.e. of an equal number of minutes of latitude and longitude) so as to simplify construction and to facilitate description. Thus a signal establishing a Special JAN grid will read:

"Establish Special JAN Grid origin 150 E 10 S sides 50 minutes". The foregoing gives all the information necessary, and a Special grid may then be established as indicated in the following paragraphs.

12. The given origin, as explained in paragraph 9, is the location of the southwest corner of the central or basic grid (M). The given length of sides furnishes the dimensions of this grid. As the other unit grids are of the same dimension, the entire Special grid may then be built up on the information given in the message quoted in paragraph 11, as indicated in Sketch No 3.

13. A special Grid is distinguished from a Master Grid by using the letter "S" as the first symbol in the designation, in place of the Master Grid letter. Thus, the point "a" in Sketch No 3 would be designated as JAN POINT SL4764.

PART IV: DESIGNATING LINES AND AREAS

14. In addition to the methods described above for designating POINTS, it is also possible to designate LINES and AREAS:

a. A line is indicated by the term JAN LINE followed by the symbols for the two points which determine the line. Thus, in Sketch No 3, a line "bc" joining JAN POINT SC05 with JAN POINT ST60 would be designated: JAN LINE SC05ST60.

b. An area may be designated in two ways:

(i) By indicating the origin of a square whose dimensions are one tenth the dimensions of the unit grid. Thus in Sketch No 3 area "d" would be designated: JAN AREA SX47. Note that the point SX47 is at the south-west corner or origin of the small area indicated.

(ii) By indicating the area enclosed by lines joining three or more points. Thus, in Sketch No 3, the area outlined by the points e,f,g,h, would be designated: AREA JAN POINTS SA77SC00SH06SG06.

PART V: GENERAL RULES FOR USE OF JAN GRIDS

15. In the use of the foregoing grids, the following general instructions will be observed:

a. The Master JAN Grid may be used at any time.

b. When a Special Grid is employed, only one such grid will be established at any one time and will be for that area which is then considered to be of the greatest strategical importance.

c. The designation of a Special grid will automatically cancel any previously established Special grid.

d. A Special JAN grid having been established, it should always be used in preference to the Master JAN grid, provided the Special JAN grid covers the area in question.

e. Staff officers of all Formation Headquarters, and survey units must be thoroughly trained in the method of employing both the Master JAN grid and the Special JAN grid.

f. All messages containing point, line or area references in the JAN grid may be sent in clear, in cypher or in code, depending on the classification the message would otherwise have.

g. The JAN grid cannot be regarded as a secret means in itself for the transmission of data. The secrecy that will be secured will depend on the means employed for transmission, although some added security is obtained by the use of these grids.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

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General Headquarters,
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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 344.

Reference Maps: SALAMAU (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile.
HUON GULF Special

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/23

1. Area MILNE BAY

3 AUS DIV to 1200 L/23

One JAPANESE was captured in a boat 2 1/2 miles south of GOODENOUGH ISLAND.

2. Area COEA - EANEARE
41 US DIV to 1200 L/23

It is reported that there was no recent sign of movement of enemy troops or barges in the area of the SARIA River mouth.

3. Area LAE - SALAMAU - HAU
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/23

MIRO area.

(a) The usual enemy activity was observed on tracks in the area.

(b) The second Mountain Gun is now in the GUADAGASAL SADDLE area.

MISSIE area.

A patrol followed the JAPANESE track from LR4545 to BEARIP (LR4554) and COMSIS (LR4647) without sighting any enemy in the area or in the area south of COMSIS. Active patrolling continues throughout the whole area.

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MOVEMENT REPORT No. 148

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 11 for 24 hrs ending 1800L/23

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PORT MORESBY

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24 Mar 43.

Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route		Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Org Vehs	Offr Org Vehs	Vessel Place of Departure	Offr Org Vehs	Offr Org Vehs Date			
PORT MORESBY									
1	Reinforcements		523	Dartoon 18 Townsville					
7	2/1 Aust Tpt Coy			Chorus Brisbane		1 43	23/3		
8	48 Pk Bty		12 101	Dartoon 12 Townsville					
				Chorus Brisbane		1 11	23/3		
13	15 Aust Pk Coy			" "		21	23/3		
15	5 Aust Line Maint Sec			" "		1 28	23/3		
16	55 Aust Telephone 2/3 Op Sec			" "		21	23/3		
add 20	24 Aust Line Sec		1 61	Dartoon 18 Townsville					
21	25 " " "		2 61	" "					
22	26 " " "		2 61	" "					
23	18 IR Sec		1 24	" "					
24	28 Aust Operating Sec		1 27	" "					
25	2/4 Aust Pk Bty		8 240	" "					
LULLIPUT II									
1	2 Base Supply Depot Type C			Van Spilbergen Brisbane	1 7				
2	1 Sec 2/2 Pk Bakery			Van Outhorn Townsville	56				
MILNE BAY									
1	Reinforcements		537	Tarooma 17 Townsville		14 417	22/3		
4	78 AAFL Coy		2 119	" 19 "					
6	52 Pk Pk Coy & 216 LAD			" 18 "					
add 11	24 1 Aust Fire Command		1 6	" 17 "		8 100	22/3		
12	24 Hq. 3 Coy Sigs		2 10	" 19 "					
13	27 Aust Line Sec		2 61	" 19 "					
14	27 Aust Telephone 2/3 Op Sec		2 20	" 19 "					
15	19 Aust IR Sec		1 23	" 19 "					
16	40 Aust Light Wireless Sec		1 23	" 19 "					

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25 Mar 43

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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 348

Reference Maps: SALAMAU (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile
HUON GULF Special
FROELAND ISLAND 4 miles STRATEGIC

NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/24

1. Area MILEE BAY
5 AUST DIV to 1200 L/24

KIRIWINA ISLAND natives report that sixteen JAPANESE vacated MUATA ISLAND by barge at 1800 L/21 and moved North East.

2. Area GOHA - MABARE
41 US DIV to 0700 L/24

PIB: By 1700 L/23 a patrol had moved up the coast in the direction of the WUNU River mouth; an inland patrol moved North between WADI and BOVERA.

162 US INF REGT: The Regt Reconnaissance Platoon arrived at DUVINA.

3. Area LAE - SALAMAU - WAG
KARGA FORCE to 0800 L/24

MARKHAM Area

(a) The patrol mentioned in the OOKSIS Area, reported that an enemy bivouac area has been located at LR 4351. Indications were that approximately 100 JAPANESE and some natives had occupied the site. It was also apparent that the enemy moved up the MARKHAM River to OOKSIS, cut a track to the Bivouac area and then returned by the same route.

(b) A patrol moving North from OOKSIS observed signs that JAPANESE had been on MOUNT MASANTUE (LR 48)

MUBO Area

The enemy was observed resuming their positions on OBSERVATION HILL after the strafing on morning 23 Mar.

AIR OPERATIONS

5 A 20s
4 Beaufighters bombed and strafed MUBO, machine gun positions, tents and structures in 44 passes.

5 B 25s bombed LAEGGOER - direct hits on buildings and installations.

1 B 17 on reconnaissance sighted 5 vessels in WESAK HARBOUR -- 1 destroyer, 3 4000 ton cargo vessels and 1 1000 ton cargo vessel.

1 B 85 attacked shipping in the KAI ISLAND. Nil hits
one near miss observed.

1 B 17 on reconnaissance of BUIH FAISI sighted 1 destroyer
1 large cargo vessel, 3 small cargo vessels.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

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25 Mar 84

Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allocation - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Org Vols	Offr Org Vols	Vessel Place of embark	Offr O/Es Vols	Offr Org Vols	Date	
1 18	<u>PORT MERRITT</u> Reinforcements 18 April 74 Coy			Darwin 11 Townsville	25 1001 27			
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> 8 Base Supply Depot 1 Sec 2/4 1st Battery			Van Spilbergen Brisbane Van Oortswijk Townsville		1 7 20	21/3 21/3	
	<u>WILHELM RAY</u> - NO CHANGE							

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26 Mar 43

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 346.

Reference Maps: SALAMAU (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile
HUON GULF (Special)
TROBRIAND ISLAND 4 miles STRATEGIC

Low Guinea to 2000 L/25

1. Area MILEZ BAY
5 AUS DIV to 1200 L/25
Nothing to report.
2. Area GOHA - KAKANE
41 US DIV to 0700 L/25
PAPUAN INFANTRY BATTALION. By 1700 L/24 patrols reported that the beach area KANAU to EAU, the WARIA RIVER South and the inland area GIRA River to WUNU River were clear of the enemy.

3. Area LAZ - SALAMAU - EAU
KANGA FORCE to 0800 L/25
(a) The Carrier Platoon of 2/5 Aust Inf Bn was at the junction of LALIBU - NATHAT tracks.

(b) It was reported that 1 motor launch, 1 MTB and six schooners arrived LABANIA ISLAND at 1845 L/23.

4. AIR OPERATIONS.

(a) NORTH EASTERN AREA

(i) Photographs of aerodromes in the BUIN-FAISI area revealed 35 fighters, 15 Dive Bombers; 3 Bombers on KAHILI; 13 Fighters on BALLALE; 14 Type "O" Fleet planes at FAISI.

(ii) Sightings BUIN-FAISI area: 1 Destroyer, 5 Cargo vessels.

(iii) Eight B24's attacked RABUL township dropping 24 x 2000 lb bombs. Three small fires, one explosion observed.

(iv) Photographs taken 25 Mar 43 RABUL Harbour reveal:

- 7 Destroyers
- 1 Destroyer tender
- 4 Submarines
- 1 Submarine tender
- 1 Minesweeper
- 3 Tanker type vessels
- 29 Merchant Vessels (approx 145,000 tons)
- 2 Vessels (type unknown).

(v) One B.17 attacked GASMATA dropping 4 x 500 lb bombs. Direct hits on a house and wharf.

(vi) One B.17 on reconnaissance reports sighting in NEWAK Harbour:

- 1 Destroyer
- 3 Cargo Vessels (4,000 tons each)
- 1 Cargo Vessel (1,000 tons)

The same aircraft reported one 6,000 ton cargo vessel in BOGIA Harbour.

(vii) Five A.20's attacked SALAHUA at 0615 L/25, dropping 10 x 500 lb bombs and 10 x 250 lb bombs. Results were unobserved.

(b) NORTH WESTERN AREA

(i) One B.25 attacked DOBO dropping 4 x 300 lb bombs. A near miss was scored on a Radio Station and a possible hit on a Radio Mast.

(ii) Six B.24's attacked ANSON. A preliminary report states direct hits scored on one 1,000 ton and one 6,000 ton merchant vessel.

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Serial	Under Orders to Move		Allotment - Shipping		En Route	Arrived Destination		Remarks
	Unit	Offr Cdr Vehn	Offr Cdr Vehn	Vessel Place of Embarka	Offr Cdr Vehn	Offr Cdr Vehn	Date	
12 ADD 20	<u>PORT MORISBY</u>							
	2/100 Para Tpt Coy 8 A Tpt Coy	801 800						
ADD 17	<u>MILNE BAY</u>							
	Fortress Sigs	70						
	<u>LILLIPUT II - NO CHANGE</u>							

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27 Mar 43

General Headquarters,
South West Pacific Area.

DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 347

Reference Maps: SALAMAU (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile
HUGH GULF (Special)
TROPRIAND ISLAND 4 miles STRATEGIC

HEB GUINEA to 2000 L/26

1. Area MILES BAY
5 AUSF DIV to 1200 L/26

Nothing to report.

2. Area GORA - MOROGU
41 US DIV to 0700 L/26

No change.

3. Area LAE - SALAMAU - WAU
KARIA FORCE to 0800 L/26

MORO Area.

(a) Our patrols observed a small enemy patrol crossing the BITOI RIVER to the LABABIA feature - firing was heard in the area on the afternoon of 25 Mar, but no report of contact has been received.

(b) Our LABABIA patrol returned at 1500 L/25 and reported that enemy of unknown strength were located on the coast from the BITOI River mouth to approximately four miles south of the river.

MISSIN Area.

The disposition of 2/3 Aust Indep Coy were:-

Adv Coy HQ & "A" Platoon at MISSIN
Rear Coy HQ & B & C Platoons at POWER HOUSE.

4. AIR OPERATIONS

(a) NORTH EASTERN AREA

(i) Sightings, BUIN - FAISI area -

3 Cargo Vessels KAHILI area
3 Destroyers off EAST POINT
1 small cargo vessel - west of PAURO ISLAND
on course 280°.
1 Destroyer } south of PAURO ISLAND on course
1 Corvette } East.
2 Cargo Vessels - NE of SEORTLAND ISLAND on
course 60°.

(ii) Sightings, KAVIRIG area.

1 possible small aircraft carrier (approx 8000
tons in KAVIRIG HARBOUR.
1 large destroyer }
1 destroyer } approx 20 miles SW of
1 cargo vessel } NEW HANOVER.
2 small motor boats }

Construction work on KAVINHO aerodrome is in progress. Medium Light AA fire encountered. Several Type "O" SSP's on EW end of runway. One Type "O" SSP airborne.

(iii) 9 B.17's attacked WETAK dropping 14 x 1000 lb bombs and 48 x 500 lb bombs. Two direct hits or very near misses on a 4,000 ton cargo vessel - probably badly damaged. Bombs were dropped on a fuel dump, Runway area, Town and Jetty areas, results being unobserved.

(iv) A P.32 reports the following vessels at WETAK:-

2 Cargo vessels (3/5,000 tons)
1 Cargo vessel (8,000 tons)
1 Cargo vessel (1,000 tons)

A B.17 gave a similar report except a 1,000 ton destroyer instead of 1,000 ton cargo vessel.

(v) A B.17 attacked PINCHAAPEH and dropped 2 x 500 lb bombs near the docks.

(vi) Five A.20's attacked LAE (JACOBSEN's plantation) dropping 10 x 500 lb bombs and 10 x 250 lb bombs. Eight of each type dropped in the target area.

(vii) Eleven Beauforts attacked HELA village (SALAHUA) with 22 x 500 lb bombs, 24 x 250 lb bombs, and 21 x 30 lb incendiaries. All bombs dropped in or near target area.

(viii) Three A.20's attacked KITCHEN CREEK area (MUBO) with 3 x 100 lb bombs. Bombs were observed to fall on the extreme end of KITCHEN CREEK.

(b) NORTH WESTERN AREA.

(i) Six B.24's attacked AMON with 54 x 500 lb bombs on shipping and wharves. Direct hits were observed on two ships in the harbour and on the main wharf. Heavy intense AA fire was encountered and four to six Type "O" SSP and one type 97 T/B intercepted. One Type "O" was destroyed and other enemy planes damaged.

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MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO NEW GUINEA

Changes to Basic Schedule No. 11 for 21 Nov ending 1807/25

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1 15	<u>PORT MERRITT</u> Reinforcements 15 Amph PB Coy				Portmou 11 Townsville			25 1021 27	27/5	
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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 349

Reference Maps: MADANG 4 inches to 1 mile
LAE 4 inches to 1 mile
SALAMUA 4 inches to 1 mile
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NEW GUINEA to 2000 L/27

1. Area MILNE BAY to 1200 L/27
5 AUS DIV to 1200 L/27

No change.

2. Area GOHA - MOROBE
41 US DIV to 1700 L/27

Papuan Infantry Battalion.

- (a) MOROBE area was reported clear of enemy on 25 Mar.
- (b) The ADESI - DONA Landing Strip, DONA Village and ZAKA Mission were reported to be clear of enemy on 26 Mar.
- (c) On 27 Mar the WARIA River was patrolled from POPORI to ZAKA.
- (d) The MOROBE area was reconnoitered on 27 Mar.
- (e) Two parties of JAPANESE survivors were reported off FORLOCK Harbour.

3. Area LAE - SALAMUA - HAU
KARDA FORCE to 0800 L/27

- (a) An enemy party of 12 was contacted on the north slope of LAEABIA Ridge in the vicinity of the junction of the BITOI River and BUIGAP Creek. One was killed and the remainder dispersed.
- (b) Our Observation Post on LAEABIA reported that the top of OBSERVATION HILL and the DRY CREEK bed were clear of enemy.
- (c) The enemy are reported to have occupied MOR, WILMILAN and SAVETI (all near SAIDOR).
- (d) It is reported that enemy from PINSCHAAFEN area frequently visit HELDSBACH for food.

4. AIR OPERATIONS.

(a) NORTH EASTERN AREA.

- (1) Sightings, BUIH - PAISI area:

4 Cargo Vessels.

4. AIR OPERATIONS

NORTH EASTERN AREA (Cont'd)

(ii) A B.17 on reconnaissance reported that the MADANG strip was serviceable, but no activity was noticed.

(iii) A B.24 attacked BOGIA HARBOUR dropping 5 x 500 lb bombs on an 8,000 ton camouflaged cargo vessel. One possible hit, two near misses.

(iv) Six A.20's with P.38's as fighter escort searched for shipping in the HUON GULF area and from FINSCHAFEN to UESOI and along the south coast of NEW BRITAIN. No sightings. Aircraft then carried out individual tasks.

(v) Four A.20's attacked JACOBINE'S Plantation (LAE) dropping 8 x 500 lb and 8 x 250 lb bombs in target area with unobserved results.

(vi) Reconnaissance plane reports SALAWA strip now serviceable.

(b) NORTH WESTERN AREA

Two B.24's dropped 12 x 500 lb bombs at SAUMLAZI on town and jetty.

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29 Mar 43

General Headquarters,
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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 349

Reference Maps: DWA 6 inches to 1 mile
HUGH GULF Special

NEW GUINEA to 2200 K/23

1. Area HILNE BAY
8 AUST DIV to 1200 K/23

No change.

2. Area GOMA - HORONE
41 US DIV to 0700 K/23

4 - 25 pounders were at the HAMBARR RIVER mouth.

3. Area LAE - SALAMUA - HAU
PANZA FORCE to 0800 K/23

(a) A patrol from 2/7 Aust Indep Coy encountered some enemy in the DRY CREEK bed area. One JAPANESE was killed.

(b) Our snipers on VICKERS RIDGE killed two JAPANESE.

(c) The Carrier Platoon of 2/5 Aust Inf Bn during occupation of OBSERVATION HILL, was held up when moving east, by enemy of unknown strength on the eastern slopes of the hill.

(d) Patrolling was continuing.

4 AIR OPERATIONS

- (a) NORTH EASTERN AREA.

(i) Sightings BOIN - PAISI area.

3 destroyers
4 cargo ships
10 to 15 float planes were also sighted at PAISI.

(ii) Sightings KUSBAU ISLAND area.

1 cargo vessel (2/4000 tons) approximately
6 miles south of KUSBAU ISLAND.
2 destroyers) approximately
3 tankers (5000 tons each)) 33 miles N by 8
1 cargo ship (4000 tons)) of
1 cargo ship (10/12000 tons)) KUSBAU ISLAND
1 small Gun boat)

(iii) One B.17 on armed reconnaissance dropped 4 x 500 lb bombs on GASEATA aerodrome, scoring hits on the runway.

(iv) Sighting WENAR HARBOR:-

2 cargo vessels - 2/3000 tons each

(v) One B.17 attacked MADAG dropping 4 x 500 lb bombs on a building on an island just north of the MADAG Town area. No registered hits or near misses.

(vi) One Catalina attacked FIESCHAPEN dropping 6 x 250 lb, 8 x 50 lb incendiaries and 10 x 20 lb fragmentation bombs. Four 250 lb bombs fell on the south end of the runway. Fragmentation bombs fell on the wharf area.

(vii) Fifteen P.40's and sixteen P.56's intercepted twenty five enemy medium bombers, ten to fifteen dive bombers, and an escort of enemy fighters over CHO BAY. Five Type "O" 357's were destroyed. Six Type "O" Mark 2 357's were destroyed. Probably destroyed six Type "O" 357's, five dive bombers, and two Type "O" Mark 2 357's.

(b) NORTH WESTERN AREA.

(i) Two HUDSON's attacked DOBO dropping 4 x 250 lb bombs. Two bombs fell north west of the Jetty near buildings, causing fires.

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	Unit	Offr and Vess	Offr and Vess	Vessel Place of Embarkation	Offr and Vess	Offr and Vess	Offr and Vess	Date	
	<u>PORT MORGAN</u>								
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	<u>ALLIANCE II</u>								
	No Change								
	<u>WILHELM BAY</u>								
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30 Mar 43.

General Headquarters,
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DAILY OPERATIONS REPORT 350

Reference Maps: SALAMAU 4 inches to 1 mile
SALAMAU (Revised) 1 inch to 1 mile.

NEW GUINEA to 2000K/29

1. Area WILHELM BAY
5 Aust Div to 1200L/29

No changes.

2. Area GOHA - MOROBE
41 US Div to 0700K/29

The PAPUAN INFANTRY BATTALION reported that the WARIA River and also SAPPA village (2 miles north of WARIA River mouth) were clear of enemy.

3. Area LAE - SALAMAU - WAU
KARIA Force to 0600K/29

MUGO Area:

(a) On 28 Mar our patrols observed enemy activity in the area North East of OBSERVATION HILL, KOMIATUM Track and the Junction of the HUIGAR Creek and the BITOI River. The patrols were engaged by light MG's, rifles and mortars.

(b) OBSERVATION HILL and DRY CREEK BED areas are now considered to be No Man's Land.

(c) The enemy mortared MAT MAT at 1430/29 but ceased fire when engaged by our mortars.

MISSIN Area

At 1700K/29 several fires were seen on the KOMIATUM Track from 713970 to 713953. No movement was seen around the fires or on the track up to 1900K/29.

4. AIR OPERATIONS

(a) NORTH EASTERN AREA

- (i) Sightings CHOISEUL ISLAND area -

2 destroyers 10 miles East on a Course of 220°

- (ii) Sightings BUIN - PAISI area -

1 destroyer - 8 miles SE ALU ISLAND

4 cargo vessels - (one very large) -

between BUIN and TONOLEI

2 cargo vessels - just north of OVAU ISLAND on a Course of 250°

- (iii) Sightings NEW HANOVER ISLAND -

1/6000 ton transport, 5 miles SW on a Course of 330°

2 destroyers

2 transports (6000 tons)

) approx 30 miles

) S by E Course 300°

(iii) continued

3 cargo vessels (6/5000 tons) } approx 30 miles
1 auxiliary vessel (5000 ") } S by E Course 300

(iv) A B.17 on reconnaissance reported a new 100 foot wharf at DAGUR (WENAK) with several barges approaching the wharf. The aerodrome appeared unserviceable.

(v) Sightings WENAK area -

1 cargo vessel (500 tons), heavily loaded, 30 miles
ENE of WENAK on a Course of 235°
1 cargo vessel (2/5000 tons) anchored off WENAK.
1 cargo vessel (500/1000 ")

LAE - SALAMAU area

(vi) 4x B.25's dropped 9 x 500 lb bombs. Three bombs dropped in LAE township - three near the LAE wreck - three in SALAMAU town area. Shore installations at LAE were strafed - one searchlight was extinguished at LAE, but otherwise results were unobserved.

(vii) DOBODURA area

One enemy medium bomber was intercepted and destroyed by two P.39's.

(b) NORTH WESTERN AREA

(1) Six Hudsons attacked TCEL - LANGGOER - WABSEK. Results were unobserved.

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	Unit	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Vessel Place of Embarka	Offr ORs Vehs	Offr ORs Vehs	Date	
	<u>PORT MORREY</u> No change							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> No change							
1 3	<u>MILNE BAY</u> Reinforcements 20 Employment Coy			Tarooma 18 TONNESVILLE "	12 178 6 408			

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31 Mar 43

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Reference Maps: SALAMAU (revised) 1 inch to 1 mile.
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NEW GUINEA to 2000 K/30

1. Area MILNE BAY
5 AUST DIV to 1200 K/30

No change.

2. Area GONA - MCHOBIE
41 US DIV to 0700 K/30

During 29 Mar a small party of the enemy in a barge (presumably ex LAE CONVOY) were reported in the area FONGANI - ENO MISSION - GRO BAY. The area was patrolled without result.

The Papuan Infantry Battalion report 16 JAPANESE killed and 2 captured at the mouth of the KUMUSI RIVER during the period 22/24 Mar.

3. Area LAE - SALAMAU - HAU
KANGA FORCE to 0800 K/30

HUBO Area

On 29 Mar

- (a) One of our patrols moving from GARRISON HILL to OBSERVATION HILL was ambushed. Our casualties were one officer and 8 other ranks wounded.
- (b) Carrier Platoon 2/5 Aust Inf Bn operating from the top of OBSERVATION HILL contacted and located new enemy positions.
- (c) 2/7 Aust Indep Coy engaged an enemy position at the junction of the BUIDAP CREEK and the BITOI RIVER.

On 29 Mar

- (a) Carrier Platoon 2/5 Aust Inf Bn encountered accurate mortar and small arms fire from trees on OBSERVATION HILL. Our casualties were one killed and one wounded. Enemy casualties are unknown.
- (b) Our patrols killed 5 enemy on the KOMIATUM TRACK.
- (c) Enemy are still occupying area KITCHEN CREEK and maintaining ambush positions daily in Ho Wan's Land.

4. AIR OPERATIONS

(a) NORTH EASTERN AREA

(i) Five B.24's attacked GASHATA airfield dropping six bombs on the centre of the runway, twelve along the North East edge of the runway causing fires, and twelve on buildings along the road running North East from the runway causing fires.

Blast pens are reported as being under construction on the GASHATA airfield.

(ii) One B.24 bombed a schooner anchored offshore at KAKASSI (CAPE GLOUCESTER) scoring near misses which left the boat in a sinking condition. The airfield at CAPE GLOUCESTER is reported as being serviceable.

(iii) Sightings VITIAZ STRAITS area (BISMARCK SEA) -

(a) 4 unidentified vessels approximately 50 miles South West of KAVIENG on a South Westerly course.

4 destroyers approximately 67 miles North by West of CAPE GLOUCESTER on a course of 80°.

The convoy had fighter cover varying from 6 to 9 Zeros.

(b) A B.24 shadowing the convoy was attacked on three separate occasions by eight, nine and four enemy fighter aircraft, and destroyed two enemy aircraft, and probably destroyed two.

(c) One B.17 attacked a large destroyer in the convoy off PINSCHAAFEN, scoring a direct hit on the stern. The vessel was reported sunk or badly damaged.

(iv) One B.24 reports newly well-built bridges over streams and rivers along the track running from WENAK to KADANG parallel to the coastline.

(v) (a) Nine Beaufighters, attacked barges at PINSCHAAFEN and strafed and bombed the town and wharf areas. The runway was reported as serviceable.

(b) Two B.17's attacked PINSCHAAFEN dock area setting buildings on fire.

(c) B.24's on armed reconnaissance individually attacked the warehouse and town area at PINSCHAAFEN with unobserved results.

(d) The above attacks were given fighter cover by 12 P.38's.

(b) NORTH WESTERN AREA

(1) Sightings KAINANA BAY - Six small vessels.

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	<u>PORT MORESBY</u> No Change							
	<u>LILLIPUT II</u> No Change							
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GSOI	Lt-Col G.A.Bertram
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GSOIII	Capt. R. F. Moodie Capt. N. Traynor (Air) Lieut. E. D. Whittakers (Air) Lieut. F. S. Burr

Attached:

GSOI(G.Ops) Lt-Col M. W. Hope R.A.

ARRIVALS AT ADV LHQ DURING MAR

Lt-Col G. A. Bertram	-	arr. 25 Mar from HQ Force.
Maj. M. Austin	-	arr. 28 Mar from R.M.C.S.S.(Duntroon)
Maj. J. W. London	-	arr. 3 Mar from GS(INT)
Capt. N. Traynor	-	arr. 27 Mar from LHQ

DEPARTURES FROM ADV LHQ DURING MAR

Maj. D. Vincent	-	dep. 31 Apr for R.M.C.S.S.(Duntroon)
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MOVEMENTS OF PRINCIPAL STAFF OFFICERS DURING MAR

C-in-C Gen. Sir T. A. Blamey	-	arr. 12 Mar from LHQ dep. 16 Mar for " arr. 25 Mar from " dep. 30 " for "
D.C.G.S. Gen. F. H. Berryman	-	arr. 18 Mar from Leam.

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