

**AWM52**  
**2nd Australian Imperial Force and Citizen  
Military Forces unit war diaries, 1939-45 War**

Item number: 8/2/8

8 Infantry Brigade  
January - February 1943

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY  
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Unit H.Q., 8 Aust Inf Bde. A. I. F. Date and Time.--From 1. Jan 43.....To 14. Jan 43.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GERALDTON, W. A.	1. 1. 43		Attached appreciation of the situation at GERALDTON by Brig. Cameron, M. C. E. D., as at 10 Dec 42.	Appx 1
"	"		Attached copy of communications chart	Appx 2
"	"		Message despatched re all clear signal	Appx 3
"	5. 1. 43		Administrative Instruction re A.R.P., also diagram of parking areas for units	Appx 4
"	"		Message originated instructing 4 Aust Inf Bn to relieve 35 Aust Inf Bn of duties	Appx 5
"	"		Airborne exercise commenced by 4 Aust Inf Bn	
"	6. 1. 43		Attached advice from 2 Aust Div H. Q. re role of 4" U.S.N. Guns - GERALDTON Anti-Invasion Bty.	Appx 6
"	8. 1. 43		Message despatched to 2 Aust Div re relief of duties by 4 Aust Inf Bn	Appx 7
"	10. 1. 43		Notification received re gazettal of unit as A. I. F. (G.R.O. 143 of 1 Jan 43)	
"	"		Message received from 2 Aust Div H. Q. re conversion of carriers	Appx 8
"	13. 1. 43		Message received from 2 Aust Div H. Q. re examination of roads Lieut Flower H. Q. 3 Aust Corps	Appx 9
"	14. 1. 43		Major C. H. Norville attached to Unit as A/B.M.	

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Unit H.Q. 8 Aust Inf Bde A.I.F. Date and Time.--From 16 Jan 43.....To 26 Jan 43.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GERALDTON, W. A.	16.1.43		Instruction issued by 2 Aust Div for Major <sup>E.W.</sup> Gregory (B.M) to report to Perth, in connection with flight to New Guinea	Appx 10
	18.1.43		Instruction from H.Q. 2 Aust Div re increase of Bde. area	
	"		Message originated re instruction of Bde and Unit Intelligence personnel in Japanese language	Appx 11
	23.1.43		Message sent to H.Q. 2 Aust Div re relief of Bde duties 4 Aust Inf Bn	Appx 12
	"		Message originated advising Units of firing on A/Tk range by 3 Aust Mot Bde	Appx 13
	"		Message received from 2 Aust Div re C.C.T.S., PORT WALTER	Appx 14
	24.1.43		Change of Officers	
			1. Capt. Myers of 4 Aust Inf Bn marched in and taken on strength as L1	
			2. Lieut. Youden " 30 Aust Inf Bn " " " " " " " " L2	
			3. Lieut. Rigg " 35 " " " " " " " " " " L3	
			Lieut Wright marched out, transferred to 30 Aust Inf Bn	
			" Snelling " " " " " " " " " "	
	26.1.43		Message originated for 4, 30, 35 Aust Inf Bns re JAPANESE instruction	appx 15
	"		Combat efficiency report for Bde Gp issued for month ended 18 Jan 43	Appx 16

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY  
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Unit H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde. A.I.F. Date and Time.--From. 27 Jan 43.....To. 31 Jan 43.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GERALDTON, W.A.	27.1.43		Message received from 2 Aust Div H.Q. re exclusion of Troop Fd Arty in first weeks training C.Q.T.S.	Appx 17
	28.1.43		Notification of Units re use of A/Tk firing range GREENOUGH RIVER by 19 Grn Bn	Appx 18
	"		Report by residents re explosions SOUTH PORT GREGORY at 0400 hours 28 Jan checked with 3 Aust Mot Bde .	Appx 19
	"		Units notified of report by V.A.O.C. regarding shots heard 18 miles NORTH NORTHHAMPTON during early morning 28 Jan	Appx 19b
	"		Message originated re report No 3 C.W.P arrival of vessels GERALDTON HARBOUR	Appx 19c
	30.1.43		Message received from H.Q. 2 Aust Div granting authority use GREENOUGH A/Tk range.	Appx 20
	"		Message received from H.Q. 2 Aust Div re visit of Corps Comd. Tuesday 2 Feb 43	Appx 21
	31.1.43		Flight over GERALDTON 2100 hours 1 Feb for Bde Comd and B.M. approved	Appx 22
			W3008's and W3009's .	Appxs 23-27

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APPX. I

MOST SECRET

APPRECIATION OF THE SITUATION

BY

BRIG. C.E. CAMERON MC ED.

COMD. 8 AUST. INF. BDE. GROUP

AT GERALDTON, 10 DECEMBER, 42

REF. MAP. GERALDTON - 4 Miles to 1 Inch.  
DONGARRA - 4 Miles to 1 Inch.

OBJECT.

1. (a) Defence of GERALDTON area by vigorously opposing invading enemy forces.
- (b) Destroy any enemy forces moving from the NORTH against PERTH.

FACTORS.

2. FORCES AVAILABLE.

H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde. A.I.F.  
"K" Sec. 2 Aust. Div. Sigs.  
251 L.A.D.  
7 Aust. Fd. Regt. A.I.F.  
"E" Sec. 2 Aust. Div. Sigs.  
206 L.A.D.  
13 Bty. 104 Aust. A/Tk. Regt.  
4 Aust. Inf. Bn.  
30 Aust. Inf. Bn.  
35 Aust. Inf. Bn. A.I.F.  
8 Aust. Fd. Coy.  
19 Grn. Bn. (less one Coy)  
Geraldton V.D.C. Anti-Invasion Bty.  
One Coy 7 Bn. V.D.C.  
18 Coy. A.A.S.C.  
Bde. Gp. Sec. Div. Ord. W/Shops.  
Bde. Gp. Sec. Div. Ord. Fd. Park.  
8 Aust. Fd. Amb.  
One Sec. 2 Aust. Div. Postal Unit.

3. BOUNDARIES.

NORTH: General line BULLER RIVER - WHITE PEAK SIDING -  
WOKATHERRA TRIG - TENINDEWA.  
EAST: TENINDEWA - SOUTH to GRID 40.  
SOUTH: GRID 40.  
WEST: Coast line between the mouth of the BULLER RIVER and  
GRID LINE 40.

4. TOPOGRAPHY.

COASTLINE:

The coastline of the Bde. area consists of narrow sandy beaches running from the mouth of the BULLER RIVER in a general SOUTH EASTERLY direction for approx. thirty five miles. Throughout the greater part of this distance sandhills frequently dotted with low scrub rise from the beaches to heights varying from 25 to 200 feet. At only two points do these sandhills disappear - (a) in the township of GERALDTON itself and (b) about four miles SOUTH of the town (about ref. GERALDTON STRAT 253426). At this latter spot only a strip of gently undulating, scrubby sand dunes a quarter of a mile wide separates the surf from the main PERTH ROAD.

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It is considered that these sandhills present no great obstacle to landing operations.

Although no reefs adjacent to the coastline are shown on maps available, it is known that practically the whole of the coastline of the Bde. area including the entrance to GERALDTON HARBOUR is fringed by submerged rocks at a distance of about one mile from the coast.

It is considered that these reefs would not seriously add to the difficulties of landing by a determined enemy and that landings could be effected anywhere along the coast.

#### COASTAL PLAIN.

East of the sandhills the country opens out on to a narrow coastal plain. At the north of the Bde. area this plain is about  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles wide and gradually increases in width to about 8 miles, SOUTH of the CHAPMAN RIVER. The plain is bounded on the eastern side by a chain of hills running in a SOUTH EASTERLY direction.

GERALDTON and surrounding villages are situated on this plain, from which the railways and main roads head to the NORTH, SOUTH and EAST across flat, open country.

The country is of a very sandy nature and is used for grazing and wheat growing. Large timber is non existent, concealment from air being obtained by effective camouflage assisted by available small growth.

#### FLAT TOP RANGES.

Behind the plain rises the peculiar formation of flat topped ranges known as the MORESBY FLAT TOPPED RANGE. Commencing at the NORTH of the area, this range has a well defined line running in a SOUTH EASTERLY Direction. Of the several chains of hills in the area this range is most formidable, rising steeply to a height of 600 feet, presenting very few passes suitable for M.T. The MORESBY FLAT TOPPED RANGE terminates at MT. FAIRFAX, SOUTH of which flows the CHAPMAN RIVER near MOONYOONOOKA.

SOUTH of the river another range of hills rises and continues in a SOUTH EASTERLY direction. These hills, though in great depth, do not present a formidable obstacle along their seaward face.

Further SOUTH beyond the GREENOUGH RIVER the hills become easier to negotiate. Consisting of a single low spur with long, undulating sand plains to the East.

The character of these hills varies greatly. Whereas the coastal plain is sandy, the hills consist of outcrops of red clay and soil with deposits of stone. This removes the sand hazard with regard to movement of M.T. As mentioned above, the MORESBY FLAT TOPPED RANGE presents few passes for M.T. Not save at isolated points could tracked vehicles traverse it. One of the most prominent passes carries the road from GERALDTON to NABAWA. This is a rift about 150 yards in width at ref GERALDTON STRAT 258442. The road crosses the ridge at an elevation of approx. 450 feet, the top of the spur rising another 150 feet above road level. This formation is known as the "GAP".

A rough track negotiable by tracked vehicles, and probably by FWD vehicles is about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile NORTH of the "GAP". This track crosses the most WESTERN SPUR of the range and emerges in a horseshoe shaped gully at ref. 25854425.

Behind the MORESBY RANGE an extensive valley of flat grazing country covers the CHAPMAN RIVER system EAST of which rises further table topped hills extending almost to the GREENOUGH RIVER.

There is a wide gap in the hill formation near MOONYOONOOKA, where the CHAPMAN RIVER runs to the EASTERN side of MORESBY RANGE. The MULLEWA ROAD and the NORTHERN GERALDTON Railway pass through this gap on an easy grade.

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SAND PLAIN.

South of the GREENOUGH RIVER, and EAST of WICHERINA, the country consists of undulating sand plains covered with low scrub and occasional clumps of blackboy.

RIVERS.

There are three small rivers in the Sector, the BULLER, the CHAPMAN and the GREENOUGH. The BULLER and CHAPMAN Rivers both NORTH of GERALDTON with the GREENOUGH River SOUTH of GERALDTON. During this time of the year the BULLER and CHAPMAN rivers are practically dried up. These rivers are considered to be of little tactical importance.

5. ROADS.

Main roads in the area are as follows-

GERALDTON - NORTHAMPTON.  
WAGGRAKINE - YUNA.  
GERALDTON - MULLEWA - MT. MAGNET.  
GERALDTON - MOORA.  
MOONYOONOOKA - NARRATARRA.  
CAPE BURNEY - NARNGULU.

In addition to the abovementioned there are numerous tracks connecting many of these roads.

6. RAILWAYS.

are  
Through this area/two railway lines from PERTH to GERALDTON. One running through MIDLAND JUNCTION, BULLSBROOK, GINGIN and MOORA to GERALDTON, a privately owned line (Midland Railway Coy. Ltd), is the closer to the coast but cannot be observed from the sea.

The other line, FREMANTLE, PERTH, MIDLAND JUNCTION, MT. HELENA, CLACKLINE, NORTHAM, GERALDTON, is a Government Railway.

7. COMMUNICATIONS.

The chief means of communications in this Sector is telephone. Most of the lines are permanent air lines, both Army and P.M.G. Practically all units are connected by direct lines and little delay would be occasioned on the passing of important messages.

SUPPLIES.

Both railways running from PERTH to GERALDTON provide the main sources of supply, but owing to the close proximity to the sea of the MOORA - GERALDTON Line which would be very vulnerable in the event of enemy action, reliance can only be placed on the railway through MULLEWA.

8. WEATHER.

Rainy season - April, May, June, July and Aug. Very little rain in other months of year. The average rainfall is 21 inches.

9. TIME AND SPACE.

With the present coastal A/C recce to a distance of approx. 600 miles NORTH and WEST, a warning 48 hours in advance of any possible landing anywhere in the area can be expected. With the manning of CWPs, and the units being so disposed in the area, the quick movement of tps. to any particular point in the area well in advance of the arrival of enemy tps., will not present any difficulty.

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COURSES OPEN

10. ENEMY

The enemy could effect a landing in the BULLER RIVER - SMUGGLERS COVE area, endeavour to secure the high ground in rear and force GERALDTON.

An invasion could be made direct on GERALDTON. If successful, this would provide an excellent harbour from which to operate.

With a landing effected anywhere in the section south of SEPARATION POINT an attempt no doubt would be made to secure the GERALDTON - DONGARRA ROAD, encircle deep so as to divide our forces, capture the GERALDTON AERODROME, and cut both railway lines leading to GERALDTON. All or any of these courses could be adopted either separately or simultaneously.

11. OWN FORCES.

Early warning may be expected from A/C recce. Coast watching posts would give information re enemy movements. Units would therefore be prepared for an immediate move in a mobile role.

PLAN.

(a) 4 AUST. INF. BN.

Bn. will remain in present position and be prepared for offensive action against enemy attack in the following areas:-

BULLER RIVER to SMUGGLERS COVE.  
SMUGGLERS COVE to entrance to CHAPMAN RIVER.  
Occupy and form a "firm base" for offensive action -  
On the line BULLER RIVER to WOKATHARRA HILL  
EAST of MORESBY FLAT TOP RANGE on the NABAWA ROAD.

(b) 35 AUST. INF. BN. A.I.F.

Bn. will remain in present position and be prepared for offensive action as follows:-

- (i) Attempted enemy landing from SOUTH of GERALDTON to GREENOUGH RIVER.
- (ii) In the event of an enemy landing SOUTH of GREENOUGH RIVER prevent advance towards GERALDTON along the general line GEORGINA - BROWNS TABLE HILL.
- (iii) In the event of an enemy advance from the NORTH or SOUTH in rear of WALKAWAY or MOONYOONOOKA STATION, deny the high grounds WIZARDS PEAK - BROWNS TABLE HILL.
- (iv) Protect GEORGINA AERODROME.

(c) 30 AUST. INF. BN.

- (i) One Coy. Gp. comprising one Coy, one Sec. of Carriers, two A/Tk. Guns, necessary communications etc., will be available for the defence of GERALDTON AERODROME.
- (ii) Bn. less one Coy. (i) will remain in reserve in present location and prepared to move as follows:-

Oppose enemy landings vicinity of GERALDTON.  
Attack, destroy enemy airborne troops attempting to land at GERALDTON or KOJARENA AERODROMES.  
Attack and destroy enemy troops moving towards GERALDTON and/or KOJARENA AERODROMES.

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(d) 7 AUST. FD. REGT. A.I.F.

Regt. will remain in present position, but will be prepared to act either as a regiment of Btys. under Comd. of:-

4 Aust. Inf. Bn., 30 Aust. Inf. Bn., 35 Aust. Inf. Bn. A.I.F.

(ii) One Tp. will be sited from present position to support 30 Bn. Coy. Gp. in defense of GERALDTON AERODROME.

(iii) Bty. under Command (incl. tp. mentioned in (ii)) will be sited to support GERALDTON Fixed Defenses.

(iv) As at present two guns will be sited during the hours of darkness in defensive fire task of GERALDTON HARBOUR.

(e) 13 BTY., 104 AUST. A/TK. REGT.

Remain in present location prepared place tps. under command each Bn. if required.

(f) 8 AUST. FD. COY. ENGRS.

Demolition plan as already arranged will be completed under supervision of O.C. 8 Aust. Fd. Coy.

Coy. will be prepared to detach Secs. or less as later instructed, to each of these Bn. Gps.

(g) COY. V.D.C.

Within 48 hours of the declaration of first stage of readiness all CWPs. are to be manned by V.D.C. Demolition squads to stand by ready to act on receipt of orders.

(h) 19 GRN. BN.

Garrison Battalion from selected defensive positions, will be prepared to repel any attempted enemy landings:-

Within the area BLUFF PT - PORT GREY.

Prepared to counter attack against any enemy attack from any other direction.

(i) GERALDTON V.D.C. ANTI-INVASION BTY.

Under command 19 Grn. Bn.

GENERAL.

In event of any enemy movement from the NORTH the Bde Gp will move to one of the following localities; -

I. BOWES RIVER

II. MURCHISON RIVER

III. GASCOYNE RIVER

Plans for movement of the Bde Gp to dispersal points in each locality will be prepared.

Owing to the wide range of action open to the enemy should a thrust be made from the NORTH, a preliminary plan of action is impossible. Therefore the dispositions of the Bde Gp cannot be made until the possible intention of the enemy is more certain.

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CHART N°1

APPY. 2.

Chart N°1 illustrates channels to be used for the passing of advance information.

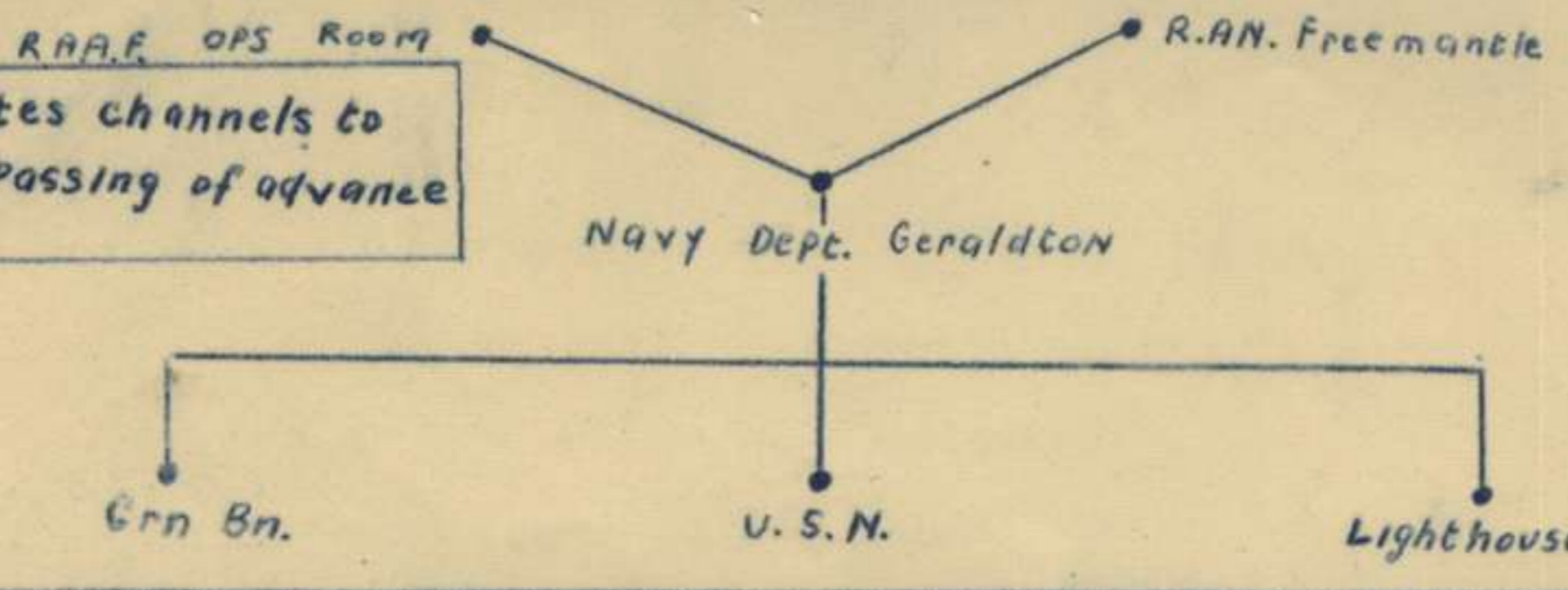
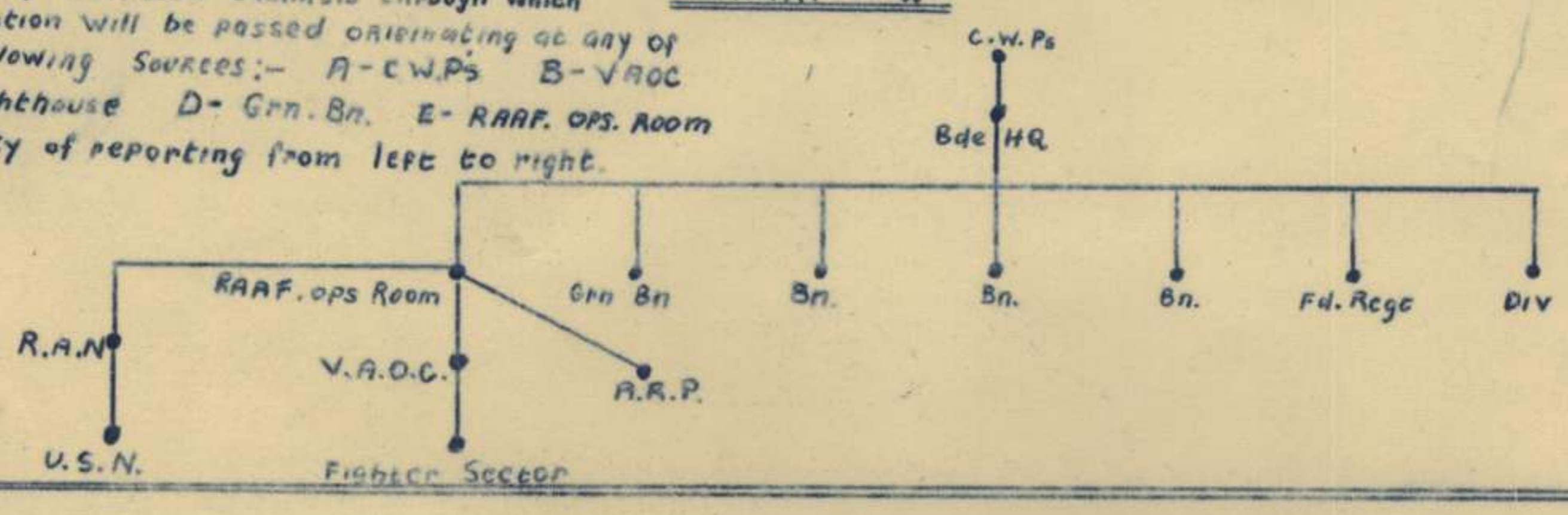


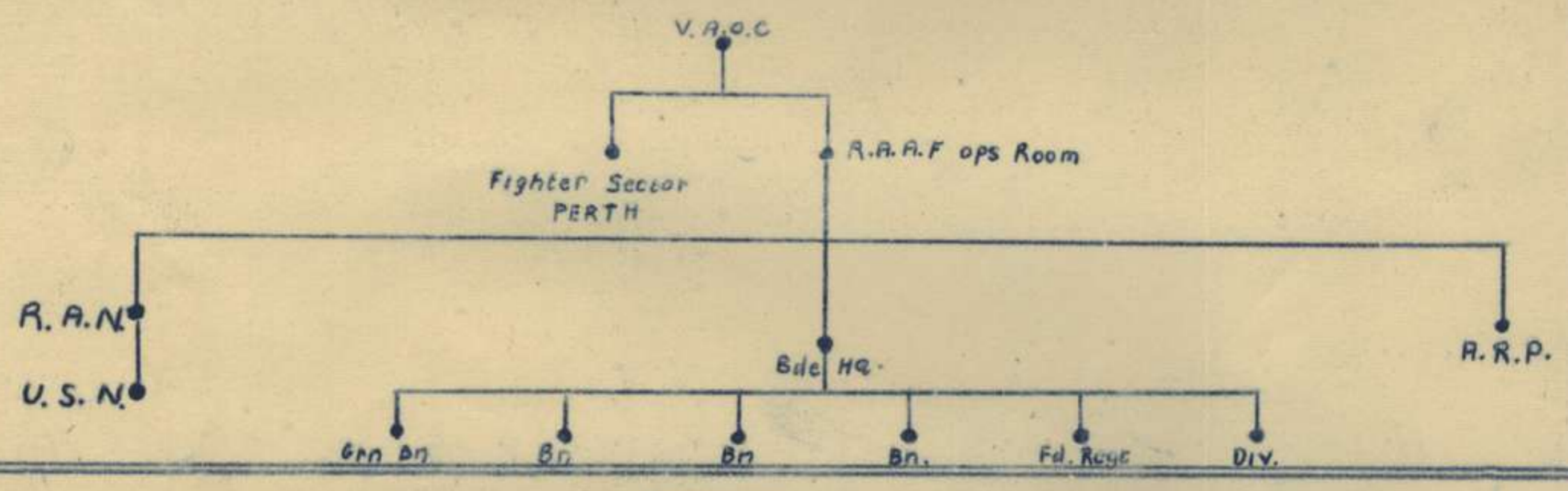
Chart N°2 illustrates channels through which information will be passed originating at any of the following sources:- A-CW.P's B-V.A.O.C C-Lighthouse D-Grn.Bn. E-RAA.F. OPS. ROOM Priority of reporting from left to right.

CHART N°2.

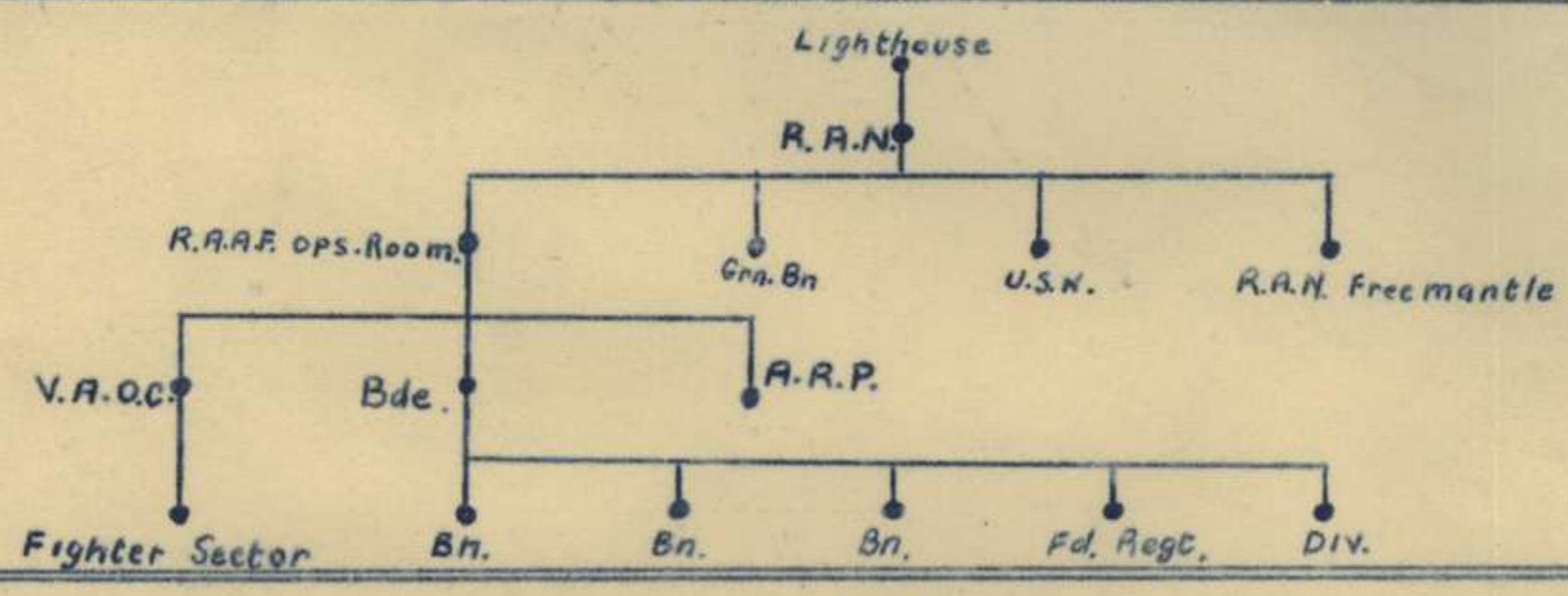
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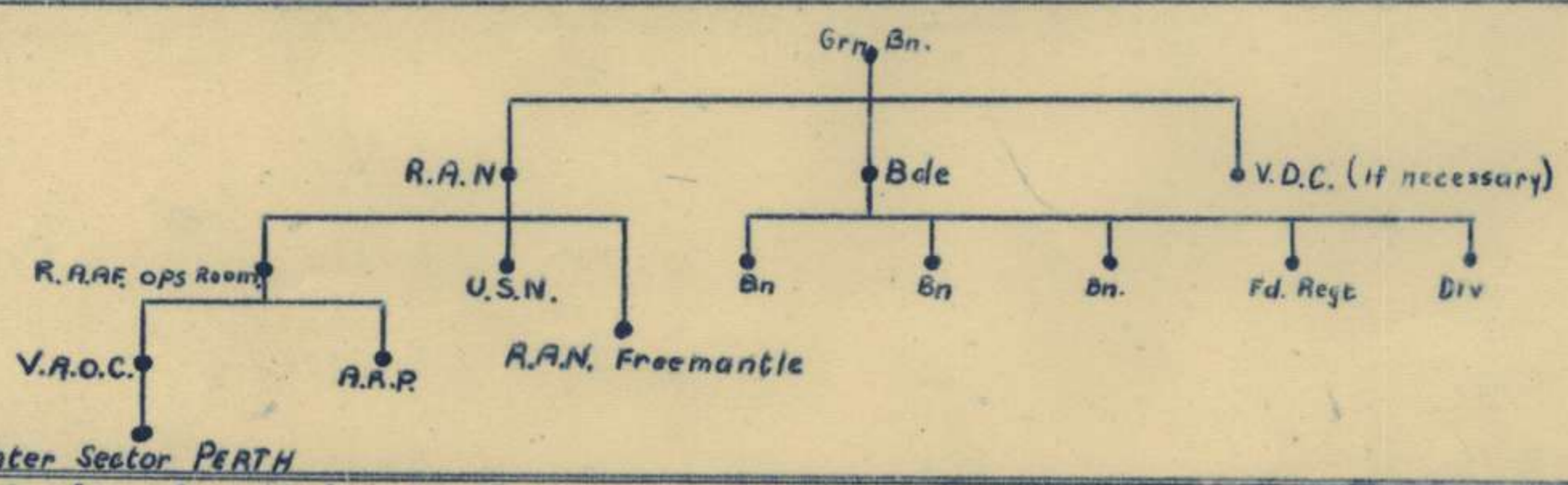
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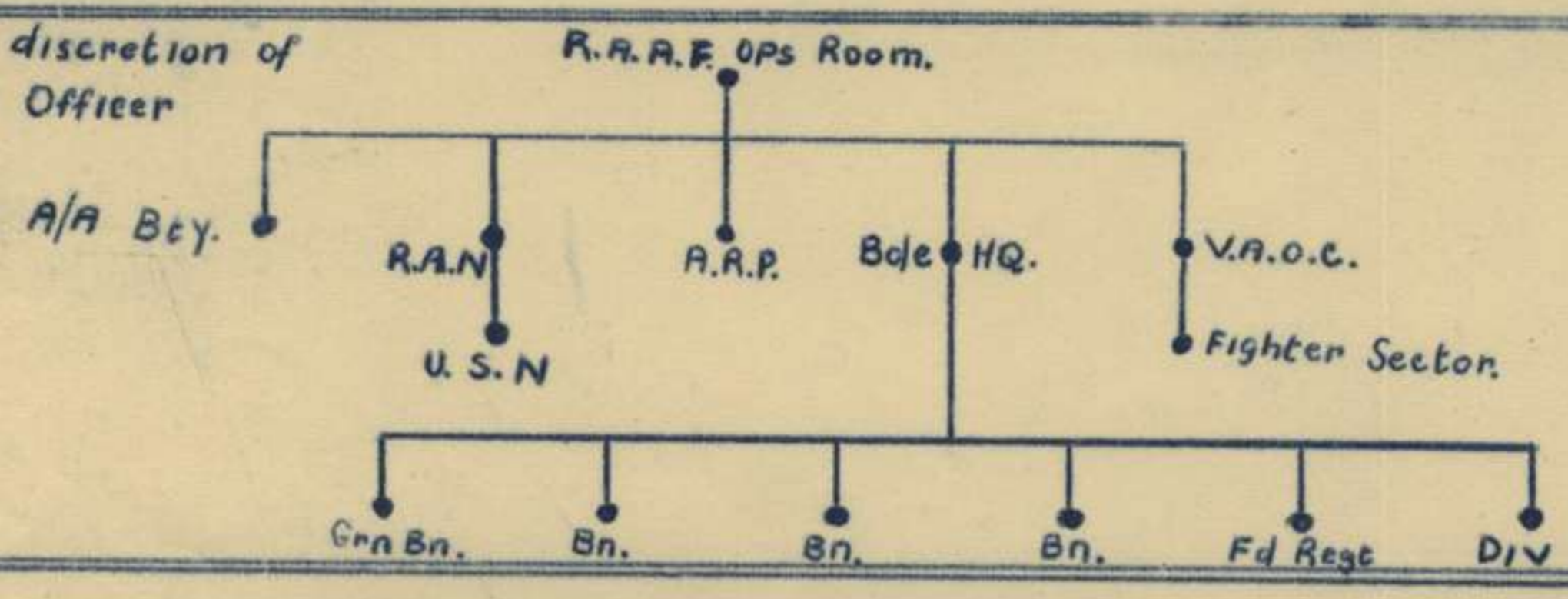
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Fighter Sector PERTH

Priority of reporting at discretion of R.A.A.F. Commanding Officer

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPY. 3

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**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

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**TO** 2 Aust Div, 4 Bn, 30 Bn (ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)  
35 Bn, 19 Grn Bn, 101 Mot Regt, 7 MI Regt, 8 Fd Coy, Bde Gp DOW

**FROM** 8 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number

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Date

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In Reply to Number

all	clear	has	been	given

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.8 AUST. INF. BDE.ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 18.

To be read in conjunction with "8 Aust. Inf. Bde. R.O. 195, amendment dated 3 Dec. 42 and instruction on ARP issued on 8 Dec. 1942.

1. So as to facilitate compliance with above instructions, unit MT carrying leave personnel will, on and after 4 Jan. 43, park in areas as shown in Appendix "A" attached hereto.

2. In the event of an emergency personnel will immediately proceed in an orderly manner, to vehicle areas, where they will disperse and await orders from O.C. Leave Parade. On no account will smoking be allowed. Vehicles will not move until directed. Lights will not be shown. Personnel should avoid roads, using footpaths wherever possible.

3. Each unit will detail 1 OR to report to O.C. Town Picquet each day at 1800 hours. It will be the duty of this soldier to notify all unit officers in cases of emergency.

4. Units will formulate plans for protection of personnel in dispersal areas. Each officer or NCO will be fully acquainted with all such plans and will ensure they are promulgated to troops prior to proceeding on leave.

These orders will provide for all necessary vehicles to be in dispersal areas immediately after sundown.

Copies of these orders will be forwarded to this H.Q. on completion

5. Drivers of vehicles will remain as picquet. They will on no account leave the dispersal area. They will be alert and prepared for emergencies at all times.

6. In all cases of emergency, if vehicles have commenced to move, they will on no account stop but will continue in convoy to unit areas. In such circumstances vehicles will move WITHOUT lights. Speed will not exceed 10 miles p.h.

O.C. Convoy will ensure suitable distances are kept in convoy, which must be carefully supervised to avoid accidents, etc.

7. Discs identity will be worn by all ranks at all times.

Sgd. R. J. LAWRENCE      Lieut.  
(R. J. Lawrence)  
Staff Capt. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS NO. 11

8 AUGUST 1945

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

To be read in conjunction with G.O. Bde. A. 195, amendment dated 5 Dec. 44 and instruction on AFI issued on 8 Dec. 1945.

APPENDIX "A"

Routes from Areas will be in accordance with attached sketch.

As to facilitate compliance with these instructions, personnel will disembark in these areas. Vehicles will not be used in these areas.

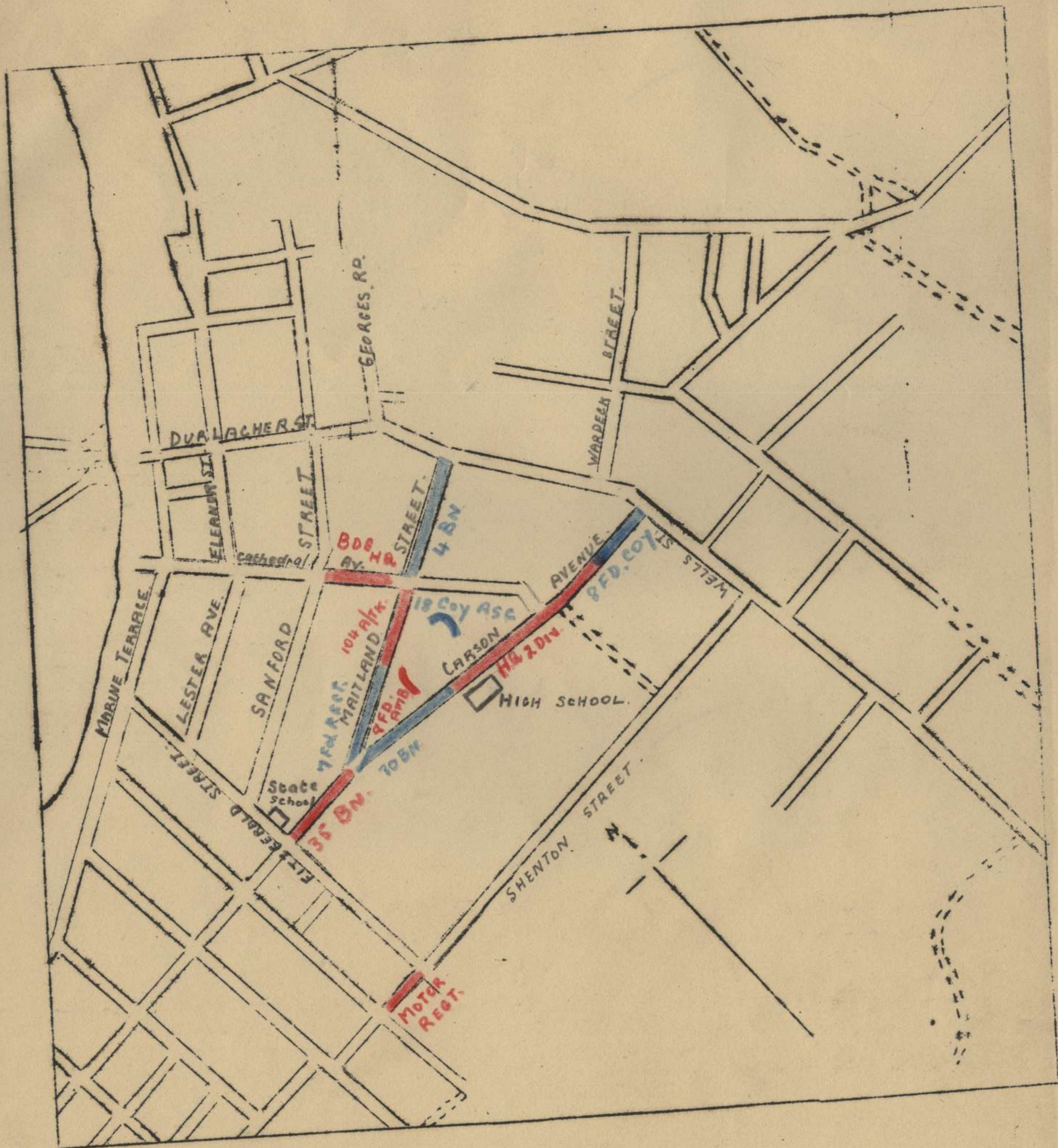
Unit	No. of Vehicles	Dispersal Area
H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.	3	Cathedral Ave. (between Sanford and Maitland Sts.)
4 Aust. Inf. Bn.	9	Maitland Street (between Cathedral Ave and Durlacher Street)
30 Aust Inf Bn	9	Carson Ave (from corner Maitland Street to High School)
35 Aust Inf Bn.	9	Carson Ave (from Fitzgerald St. to corner Maitland St)
7 Aust Fd Regt	8	Maitland Street (between Carson Ave. and Cathedral Av)
13 Bty 104 A/Tk HQ 104 A/Tk Regt.)	9	Maitland Street (between Carson Av and Cathedral Av)
8 Aust Fd Coy	5	Carson Ave (Eastern end)
8 Aust. Fd. Amb.	5	Maitland Park
18 Coy A. A. S. C.	6	Maitland Park
H.Q. 2 Aust Div. and H.Q. of Div. Tps.	10	Carson Ave (between High School and M.T. of 8 Aust. Fd. Coy)
3 Aust. Mot. Bde.	10	Shenton St. (West of Francis Street)

Staff Capt. J. Lawrence  
(Command)

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ENLARGEMENT PORTION GERALDTON TOWNSHIP



Scale: 6 inches = 1 Mile.

# MESSAGE FORM

APPY. 5.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

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**TO** 4 Aust Inf Bn. 35 Aust Inf Bn.

**FROM** 8 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number

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Date

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In Reply to Number

4	Aust	Inf	Bn	will	relieve
35	Aust	Inf	Bn	of	duties
on	Thursday	7 Jan	(.)	Such	relief
to	be	complete	by	1600	hrs
7 Jan					

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**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**



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H.Q. 2 Aust Div  
7 Jan 43ROLE OF 4" USN GUNS - GERALDTON  
ANTI INVASION BTY

1.

Herewith copy of 3 Aust Corps Secret Memo G13/12/4, of 2 Jan 43, for information.

"1. With reference to your inquiry relative to the role of the above equipments, and the status of the Port of GERALDTON as effected by the installation of these guns, you are advised as under:-

- (a) The 4" USN guns located at GERALDTON are NOT sited to defend the Port.
- (b) A site for the installation of a CD Bty for the defence of the Port of GERALDTON has been selected, but under present conditions, there is NO intention of either providing the equipment or establishing such a Bty.
- (c) The 4" USN Guns are, as the name implies, for anti-invasion purposes, and they are, therefore, NOT completely manned by FTD personnel.
- (d) These guns are "infantry guns" placed under command of 19 Grn. Bn, sited to cover the entrance channel and approaches to GERALDTON and the beaches to the NORTH.

2.

Under the above circumstances, the Port of GERALDTON cannot be considered as a "DEFENDED PORT" or even a "MINOR DEFENDED PORT", in the accepted NAVAL and COAST Arty definition of these terms.

Sgd. K.M. GRAHAM  
(K.M. GRAHAM) Col.  
GSO1 2 Aust Div.

Copy to : 8 Aust Inf Bde  
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19 Aust Grn Bn

# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 7

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

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In Reply to Number

SITREP	to	0900	hrs	8 Jan 43	(.)
Relief	of	CWPs	and	all	duties
complete	by	4	Aust	Inf	Bn
1600	hrs	7 Jan. 43			

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TIME OF ORIGIN

0850

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# MESSAGE FORM

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TO 5 Aust Inf Bde 8 Aust Inf Bde

FROM 2 Aust Div

Originator's Number  
G 311

Date

10

In Reply to Number

Ref	2 Aust Div	G311/42	(.)	plans	for
conversion	carriers	M. G.	to	carriers	mortar
now	held	by	bde	sksh ops	sections

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1250

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T.H.I. 1425

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# MESSAGE FORM

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TO 8 Bde, CRE

FROM Aust Div

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

GS 13

13

Lieut	FLOWER	HQ	3	Aust	Corps
has	been	detailed	to	examine	and
classify	bridges	on	main	roads	in
Div.	area	(.)	He	will	commence
13	Jan				

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T.O.R. 1240

# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 10

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TO 8 Aust Inf Bde

FROM 2 Aust Div

Originator's Number  
**GS 19**

Date  
**16**

In Reply to Number

Matn.	GREGORY	will	proceed	to	PERTH
by	MT	and	report	Corps	H.Q.
1700	hrs	17	Jan	(.)	He
is	leaving	by	plane	0530	hrs
18	Jan				

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1740

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T.O.R. 1810

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**TO** 4 Bn, 30 Bn, 35 Bn

**FROM** 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
I 217

Date  
18

In Reply to Number

Instruction in	JAP	language	to	be
given to	Bde	and	unit	Int.
personnel by	3	Aust	Corps	Instr
(.) 8	Bde	class	28 - 30	Jan
(.) Details	to	follow		

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 12.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS.**

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**GR.**

Serial No.

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TO 2 Aust Div

FROM 8 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number  
I 234

Date  
23

In Reply to Number

SITREP	(.)	4	Bn	relieved	by
30	Bn	of	Bde	duties	on
22	Jan				

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0900

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX-13.

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**TO** 4 Bn, 30 Bn, 35 Bn, 19 Grn Bn.

**FROM** 8 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number  
**I. 236**

Date  
**23**

In Reply to Number

<b>3<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Aust</b>	<b>Met</b>	<b>Bde</b>	<b>firing</b>	<b>on</b>
<b>A/Tk</b>	<b>range</b>	<b>GRE ENOUGH</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Jan</b>	<b>(.)</b>
<b>All</b>	<b>informed</b>				

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**0920**

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 14

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GR.

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TO 8 Bde, R. A. A., R. A. E., AA & QMG.

FROM 2 Aust Div

Originator's Number

G21/43

Date

23

In Reply to Number

COTS	PT	WALTER	(.)	Following	personnel
will	attend	(.)	8	Bde	5
officers	5	NCOs	RAA	1	offr
1	NCO	RAE	1	off r	1
NCO	(,)	Students	report	RTO	GERALDTON
1	hour	before	depar ture	train	23
Jam	(.)	Messing	gear	and	bedding

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TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

will	be	taken	(.)	Return	pack
train	30	Jan	(.)	Prepared	to
commence	instn	at	2	Div	course
on	1 Feb	NOTE	course	actually	includes
concludes	9	Feb	but	essential	above
mentioned	students	return	on	30	Jan
(.)	Nominall	rolls	signalled	this	H.Q.

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**T.O.R.**

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TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

23	Jan	one	copy	to	accompany
students	to	school			

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1040

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**T.H.I.**

1125

**T.O.R.**

1140

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# MESSAGE FORM

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TO 4 Bn, 30 Bn, 35 Bn,

FROM 8 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number

I 246

Date

26

In Reply to Number

Further	message	I217	unit	Int	persomel
will	report	0900	hrs	28	29
30	Jan	43	at	YMCA	Hall
MOONY OCN OOKA=	(.)	Personnel	will	bring	cut
lunches	(.)	Ack			

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**T.O.R.**

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Address HQ 2 Aust Div. AUSTRALIA.  
Date 26 Jan 43.

## DISTRIBUTION:

5 Aust Inf Bde  
8 Aust Inf Bde  
RAA 2 Aust Div  
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File  
War Diary (2)

## COMBAT EFFICIENCY REPORT.

Ref 2 Aust Div Secret memo 833/F/42 of 15 Oct 42.

1. Appendix "A" will now be amended by the inclusion of 6 prs (column J), 40 MM weapons (column L). 25 prs will become column K.
2. All subsequent columns will be re-lettered<sup>/d</sup> to the letter 'V' where necessary

Sgd K.M. GRAHAM.

(K. M. GRAHAM.) Col.  
GSOL 2 Aust. Div.

COMBAT EFFICIENCY REPORT OF 8 AUST. INF. BDE. GP.

FOR MONTH ENDED 18 JAN. 43

SHEET 1

PART 1

MOST SECRET.

Approx. percentage available with units

SER NO	UNITS	WEAPONS.							TRANSPORT.		Carriers	Tanks	Strength of Personnel	ROLE	PRESENT EMPLOYMENT.
		RIFLES.	L.M.G.'s.	M.M.G.'s.	T.S.M.G.'s	2" Mortars	3" Mortars	2 Pdrs	25 Pdrs.	M.T.					
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)	(j)	(k)	(l)	(m)	(n)	(o)	(p)
H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde. A.I.F. 4 Bn, 30 Bn, 35 Bn A.I.F.		91.3%	70.5%	95.2%	98.5%	Nil	100%	16.6%	Nil	98%	100%	Nil	87.4%	Operational	In occupation of Fwd areas.
														SGD. CLAUDE E. CAMERON Commanding 8 Aust Inf Bde.  Brigadier	

COMBAT EFFICIENCY OF 8 AUST. INF. BDE. GP

SHEET 2  
Part 2

FOR MONTH ENDED 18 JAN 43.

MOST SECRET.

SERIAL NO.	UNIT	GENERAL STANDARD OF OFFICERS AND N. C. O's.	PHASE OF TRAINING COVERED DURING MONTH	TYPE OF WARFARE CONSIDERED CAPABLE OF.	REMARKS.
	8 Aust Inf Bde	<p><del>EXCELLENT</del>  <del>VERY GOOD</del>                      GOOD  <del>VERY FAIR</del>                      FAIR</p>	<p>Unarmed combat, Weapon tng.                      Bayonet Tng, Concealment &amp;                      Camouflage, Map reading,                      Use of compass, Message                      Writing, Gas Tng, Coy exercises                      involving attack, quick re-organls-                      ation, counter attack,                      Patrolling, Airborne exercise                      Field Tng. exercises, River                      Crossings, Bn Gp exercises,                      Specialists exercises.</p>	"B"	

Sgd. CLAUDE E. CAMERON, Brigadier.  
 Commanding 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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APPX-17.

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TO 8 Aust Inf Bde

FROM 2 Aust Div.

Originator's Number  
GS 34

Date  
27

In Reply to Number

Re	combined	operations	training	school	(.)
Troop	fd	arty	will	NOT	attend
first	weeks	training	(.)	Date	and
time	of	reporting	will	be	advised

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1458  
**T.O.R.**  
1510



# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 18.

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**TO** 4 Bn, 30 Bn, 35 Bn, 7 Fd Regt, 2 Aust Div.

**FROM** 8 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number  
I 259

Date  
28

In Reply to Number

A/Tk	firing	range	GREEN OUGH	RIVER	will
be used	by	19	Grn	Bn	for
3"	mortar	practice	on	the	29
Jan	between	0900	and	1100	hrs

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX-19.

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TO 3 Aust Mot Bde

FROM 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF

Originator's Number  
01

Date  
28

In Reply to Number

Residents	report	several	explosions	south	PCRT
GREGORY	at	0400	hrs	28	Jan
(.)	Flashes	from	explosions	also	seen
(.)	Were	any	of	your	troops
exercising in		this	vicinity		

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**TO** 19 Grn Bn, 4 Bn, 30 Bn, 35 Bn, 7 Fd Regt.

**FROM** 8 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number  
I 257

Date  
28

In Reply to Number

VAOC reports	shots	heard	approx	18
mls north	of	NORTHAMPTON	during	early
hours of	morning	28	Jan	

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**TO** RAAF Ops Room, 2 Div, 4 Bn, 30 Bn, 35 Bn, 7 Fd Regt, 19 Grn Bn

**FROM** 8 Aust Inf Bde

Originator's Number  
I 260

Date  
28

In Reply to Number

Report	from	No. 3	CWP	(.)	Two
ships	entered	GERALDTON	HARBOUR	at	1645
hrs	today (.)	A cargo	sh <sup>3</sup> <sub>8</sub>	and	escort
(.)	Escort	standing	off	GERALDTON	HARBOUR
cargo	ship	probably	CHUNGKING		

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1700

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**T.O.R.**

# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 20

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TO 8 Aust Inf Bde

FROM 2 Aust Div

Originator's Number  
GS 40

Date  
30

In Reply to Number

Authority	granted	use	GREEN OUGH	A/Tk	range
2	3	4	Feb	(.)	8
Bde	to	arrange	necessary	newspaper	advertisement

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**T.H.I.**  
1142  
**T.O.R.**

# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 21

Serial No.

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TO 8 Aust Inf Bde

FROM 2 Aust Div

Originator's Number  
ADC 89

Date  
30

In Reply to Number

Corps	Comd	will	visit	8	Bde
Tuesday	2	Feb	43	0915	hrs
to <sup>3</sup>	1230	hrs	(.)	Will	lunch
Div	HQ				

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1555

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T.H.I.

T.O.R. 1855

# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 22

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OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO 8 Aust Inf Bde

FROM 2 Aust Div

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

087

31

Flight	over	Geraldton	2100	hrs	1
Feb	approved	for	cmd	B.M.	

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NO. 259A

**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

AF 11/2/3 WE  
17X69

8 AVST INF BDE HQ  
(Unit)

Attached  
1X9

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Brigadier	1*		
	*		
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	1		
Captains	4		
Lieutenants	6		
2nd Lieutenants	2		
Quartermasters	3		
Totals	17		

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).



**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.**

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Appointm <sup>t</sup> Corps.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col. T/Col	NX110310	CAMERON C.E. M/Ed	Colo Comd	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX112720	GREGORY E.W.	B.M.	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX112721	WULPERT H.E.	T.O.	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX112699	BUTLER S.F.	Lt	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX112724	NICHOLLS C.H.	T.O.	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX112715	LAWRENCE R.T.	S.T.	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX112713	SMELLINE D.V.	Sgt Quartr	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX123446	WRIGHT T.A.	Lt	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX135097	SIMPSON E.E.	Lt	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX120317	BYRNE E.W.	BASCO	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX131536	WATSON C.F.	Reve Cpt	Yes	
Lt Capt T/pt	NX131081	MARSHALL N.	Hygn Cpt	Yes	
Captain	NX130773	KELLY P.T.	Captain	No	Det 4 BN
Captain	NX112729	PRENTER H.A.	Captain	No	Det 30 BN
Captain	NX113727	PARSONS E.H.	Captain	No	Det 25 BN

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt Capt	NX29260	McKISSOCK	4th HUST INF BN	20th Nov	P.T. OFFICER

4 HUST INF BDE HQ

(Unit.)

2 Jan 43.

(Date of Despatch.)

*(Handwritten Signature)*  
C. CAMERON

(Signature of Commander.)

2 HUST DIV

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)



8th Aust Inf Bde HQ Unit.

**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		

*Certified that the figures in red show the number of specialists and tradesmen actually required in this unit.*

*C. E. Cameron*  
(C.E. Cameron) Brig.  
Comd 8 Aust Inf Bde

Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
<i>Sig Orderly</i>								
<i>Balmer</i>		<i>1/2</i>						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		<i>4</i>						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.

(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

8th Aust Inf Bde HQ

*C. E. Cameron*  
(C.E. CAMERON) BRIG

Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch

*2 Jan 43*

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

*8th Aust Div*



NO 36. 299A

**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

AIF 11/2/43 WE  
17X19

8 AVST INF BDE HQ (AIF) (Unit)

Attached  
NIL X 11

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Brigadier 1*	1		
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	1		
Captains	4		
Lieutenants	6		
2nd Lieutenants	2		
Quartermasters	3		
Totals	17	16	

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	McKISSOCK	8 AVST INF BN	4/1/43	Marched out 17 AVST FD REGT

**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Appointment Corps.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col T/Brig	NX110390	CAMERON CE MCD	Bk. Comd	Yes	
Lt T/Capt T/Brig	NX112720	GREGORY LW	BM	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX112721	WELPERT HE	PO	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX112699	BUTLER JF	L1	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX112724	NICHOLLS GH	IO	Yes	
Lieut	NX120445	LAWRENCE RJ	SC	Yes	
Lieut	NX112713	JNELLING KV	Spc Liaison	Yes	
Lieut	NX120446	WRIGHT JH	L2	Yes	
Lieut	NX135097	SIMPSON RE	L3	Yes	
Lieut	NX120317	BYRNE RL	BASIO	Yes	
Lieut	NX131656	WATSON CF	Educ Offr	Yes	
Lieut	NX120071	MARSHALL N	Hygic Offr	Yes	
Chaplain	NX120174	KELLY PJ	Chaplain	No	Det 4 BN
Chaplain	NX112729	PRENTER HA	Chaplain	No	Det 30 BN
Chaplain	NX112727	PARSONS LH	Chaplain	No	Det 35 BN
Lieut	NX120535	BUDGEN JF	Amen Offr	Yes	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.

HQ 8 AUST INF BDE. IIF

(Unit.)

9 Jan 43

(Date of Despatch.)

*Cameron*  
(Cameron) BRIG

(Signature of Commander.)

2 AUST DIV

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)







HQ 8th INF BDE AIF Unit.

**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farmers			Painters					
<i>Sig Orderly</i>		<i>1</i>						
<i>Balmer</i>		<i>2</i>						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		<i>3</i>						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ 8th INF BDE AIF Unit.

*Charles E. ...*  
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch *9 Jan 43*

*8th INF DIV*  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

No 379A  
AIF 11/12 WE  
17x12

HQ 8 AVST INF BDE AIF (Unit)

Attached  
2x16

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Brigadier 1*	1		
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	1		
Captains	5		
Lieutenants	5		
2nd Lieutenants	2		
Quartermasters	3		
Totals	17	16	

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Major	NORVILLE, C.H.	4 AVST INF BN	12/11/42	Acting Brigade Major
Capt	M. KRIBSOCK	4 AVST INF BN	11/11/42	Pt R.T. Instructor

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Appointment Corps.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col T/Brig	NX110380	CAMERON, C.E. MGED	Bde Comd	Yes	
Lt T/Maj T/Maj	NX113720	GREGORY, E.W.	BM	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX113721	WOLPERT, H.E.	T.O.	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX113699	BUTLER, J.F.	L-1	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX113724	NICHOLLS, G.H.	I.O.	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX123445	LAWRENCE, R.T.	S.C.	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX120317	BYRNE, E.L.	BASCO	Yes	
Lieut	NX113713	SNELLING, K.V.	Sp Learner	Yes	
Lieut	NX123446	WRIGHT, J.A.	L-2	Yes	
Lieut	NX125097	SIMPSON, E.E.	L-2	Yes	
Lieut	NX121156	WATSON, C.F.	Educ Offr	Yes	
Lieut	NX121021	MARSHALL, N.	Hyg Offr	Yes	
Lieut	NX120525	BUDGEN, J.F.	Arch Offr	Yes	
Chaplain	N130772	KELLY, P.J.	Chaplain	No	DET 4 BN
Chaplain	NX112729	PRENTER, H.A.	Chaplain	No	DET 20 BN
Chaplain	NX112727	PARSONS, E.H.	Chaplain	No	DET 25 BN

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lieut T/Major	NX113664	NORVILLE, C.H.	4 HUST INF BN	14/1/43	Acting Brigade Major
Capt	WX29260	M'KISSOCK	44 HUST INF BN	11/1/43	Pi RT Instructor

HQ 8 HUST INF BDE AIF  
(Unit.)

16 Jan '43

(Date of Despatch.)

*Charles Cameron*  
(C.E. CAMERON) BRIG  
(Signature of Commander.)

7 HUST DIV

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

(Adapted)

No 27  
AIF 11/13 WE  
11X73

11th MUST INF BDE (Unit) 16 Jan 1943 (Date)

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

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

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	2		
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		
Staff Serjeants	2		
Serjeants	4		
Corporals	2	1 - DIT 2 DIN	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	54		5
<b>TOTALS</b>	64	1*	*5

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

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

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
	1 Lt to 1 promotion	1 Lt - 11th MUST LN REGT UNIT	
	10 full vacancies WE - Sgt	10 SGT - 11th MUST INF BN	
	1 Sgt from 11th MUST LN	10 CR - 11th MUST CRPS	
	10 vacancies WE - Sgt	1 CR - 11th MUST LN W SHIPS	
	10 vacancies WE - Sgt	1 CR - NA L & C AREA	
	10 vacancies WE - Sgt	2 CR - 2 MUST DIV HQ	
	10 vacancies WE - Sgt	2 CR - 4 MUST INF BN	

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
XXXXXX	1st Lt	Edward R. G.	11th MUST LN	X 1/4 year after...

HQ 7th Aust Inf Bde AIF Unit.

**PART D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W. 3009.**

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		

*Certified that the figures in red show the number of specialists and tradesmen actually required in this unit*

*Claudia Cameron*  
(C.M. Cameron) Brig.  
Comd. 8 Aust, Inf. Bde.

Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Fabrics			Painters					
<i>1 sig Orderly</i>		<i>1</i>						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		<i>1</i>						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ 7th Aust Inf Bde AIF Unit.

*Claudia Cameron*  
(C.M. Cameron) Brig.  
Signature of Commander.  
2nd Aust. Div

Date of Despatch *16 Jan 43*

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.



No 28

**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

AIF 11/2/3 WE  
17x72

HQ 2nd Lt Coy Para AIF (Unit)

Attached  
2x12

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Brigadier 1*	1		
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors 1	1		
Captains 5	5		
Lieutenants 5	5		
2nd Lieutenants 2	1		
Quartermasters 3	3		
Totals 17	16		

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.**

(1) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Appointment Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col 2nd Inf	NX110380	CAMERON C E MED	Bde Comd	Yes	
Lt Capt 2nd Inf	NX112720	GREGORY E W	BM	No	Det 3rd Inf Corps
Lt Capt	NX112721	WOLPERT H E	TO	Yes	
Lt Capt	NX112699	BUTLER J F	L1	Yes	
Lt Capt	NX113724	NICHOLLS G H	I.D	Yes	
Lt Capt	NX123444	LAWRENCE K J	S.C	Yes	
Lt Capt	NX130317	BYRNE E L	BASCO	Yes	
Lieut	NX113713	SNELLING K V	Sr Leanne	Yes	
Lieut	NX123446	WRIGHT J A	L2	Yes	
Lieut	NX135097	SIMPSON E E	L3	Yes	
Lieut	NX131656	WATSON C F	E.D	Yes	
Lieut	NX131021	MARSHALL N	H.D	Yes	
Lieut	NX130535	BUDGEN J F	A.D	Yes	
Captain	NX130772	KELLY P J	Chaplain	No	Det 4 BN
"	NX112729	PRENTER H H	"	No	" 20 BN
"	NX112737	PARSONS E H	"	No	" 25 BN

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt 2nd Inf	NX112666	NORVILLE C H	4th Aust Inf Bn	11/1/43	Adjutant
Capt	NX29262	MCKISSOCK	44th Aust Inf Bn	11/1/43	P.O.R.T Instructor

HQ 8th Aust Inf Bde 11th  
(Unit.)

23 Jan 43  
(Date of Despatch.)

Cand E Cameron

(Signature of Commander.)

2nd Aust Div  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)



**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

No 28

AIF 11/2/3 WE 17X73

HQ 8 AUST INF BDE AIF (Unit)

23 Jan 43 (Date)

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

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

Attached 2x12

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	2		
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2		
Serjeants	4		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	8	1 - Det 2 DIV	
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	55		6
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>1.</b>	<b>.6</b>

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

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

Others attached

Detail	Unit and Corps to which	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
Sgt to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. S/Sgt.			1. POSTAL
S/Sgt from 2 Aust Div filling position Educ Sgt.			
Cpl from 2 Aust Div W/Shops filling position Armourer Sgt.			VF BN
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. Amenities Sgt.			
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. Cpl Cook.			
		1 - OR - 2 AUST CORPS	
		1 - OR - 2 AUST DIV W'SHOPS	
		1 - OR - WA LOFC AREA	
		1 - OR - 2 AUST DIV HQ	

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

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



Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL
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Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ...																				
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Cooks ... ..																				
Despatch Riders ... ..																				
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Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																				
Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
Electricians ... ..																				
Equipment Repairers ...																				
Farriers ... ..																				
Fitters ... ..																				
Machine Gunners ... ..																				
Masons ... ..																				
Motor Mechanics ... ..																				

*Verified that the figures in red show the number of specialists and tradesmen actually required in this unit*

*Cand Cameron.*  
 (C.E. Cameron) Brig.  
 Comd. 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF.

Tailors ... ..																				
Wheelers ... ..																				
<i>Sig Orderly</i>																				
<i>Postman</i>																				
General duty personnel ...																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				

HQ 8 MUST INF BDE AIF Unit.  
 Date of Despatch *23 Jan 43*

*Cand Cameron.*  
 (C.E. CAMERON) BRIG  
 8 MUST DIV  
 Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

HQ 8 MUST INF BDE AIF Unit.

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Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signalers ... ..																				
Soldiers technical ... ..																				
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<i>Battman</i>																				
General duty personnel ...																				
TOTALS (to agree with Col- umns 3 and 4 of Part A)																				

HQ 8 MUST INF BDE AIF Unit.

*Cameron*  
(C.E. CAMERON) BRIG  
2 MUST DIV  
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch *23 Jan 43*

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

No 29  
11/2/43 WE  
17X72

**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

HW 8 MUST INF BDE AIF (Unit)

Attached  
3 X 17

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Brigadier *	1		
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	1		
Captains	5	14	
Lieutenants	5	5	
2nd Lieutenants	2	2	
Quartermasters	3	3	
Totals	17	16	

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	YOUNG, R.A.	30 MUST. INF BN	24-1-43	Marched in, taken on strength.
Lieut	RIGG, J.J.P.	30 MUST. INF BN	24-1-43	Marched in, taken on strength.
Capt	MYERS, T.G.	4 MUST. INF BN	24-1-43	Marched in, attached.

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	WRIGHT, J.A.	HW 8 MUST. INF BDE	24-1-43	Marched out, transferred.
Lieut	SNELLING, K.V.	HW 8 MUST. INF BDE	24-1-43	Marched out, transferred.

**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.**

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Appointment Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col	NX110980	CAMERON CE MCD	Bde Comd	Yes	
Lt Capt	NX112730	GREGORY, EW	BM	No	Det 31st Corps
Lt Capt	NX112731	WOLPERT, HE	TO	Yes	
Lt Capt	NX112699	BUTLER, JF	Warrior BM	Yes	
Lt Capt	NX112734	NICHOLLS, G.H	I.O	Yes	
Lt Capt	NX123445	LAWRENCE, RT	S.C	Yes	
Lt Capt	NX120317	BYRNE, E.H	BASCO	Yes	
Lieut	NX125097	SIMPSON, E.E	Warrior S	Yes	
Lieut	NX113017	YOUNDEN, RA	L.S	Yes	
Lieut	NX125294	KING, J.P	L.S	Yes	
Lieut	NX121626	WATSON, C.F	B.O	Yes	
Lieut	NX121021	MARSHALL, N	H.O	Yes	
Lieut	NX120525	BODDEN, J.F	H.O	Yes	
Chaplain	NBC7713	KELLY, P.F	Chaplain	No	Det 4 BN
"	NX112729	PRENTER, HA	"	No	Det 30 BN
"	NX112727	PARSONS, E.H	"	No	Det 35 BN

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt Capt	NX112664	VORVILLE, C.H		11/1/43	Acting BM
Lt Capt	NX127264	MCKISSOCK, H	4th BN	11/1/43	Pt Pt
Lt Capt	NX127265	MYERS, J.E	4th BN	24/1/43	Attached as Lt

HQ 8 Unit Inf Bde AIF  
(Unit.)  
30 June 43  
(Date of Despatch.)

*Claude Cameron*  
(Signature of Commander.)  
ICE CAMERON BRIG  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)







HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

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*C.E. Cameron*  
 (C.E. Cameron) Brig.  
 Comd. 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF.

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<i>By Order</i>									1											
<i>Baker</i>									1											
General duty personnel ...																				
TOTALS (to agree with Column 3 and 4 of Part A).									2											2

HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF Unit.  
 Date of Despatch *30 Jan 43*

*C.E. Cameron*  
 (C.E. CAMERON) BRIG Signature of Commander.  
 2. Aust Inf Bde  
 Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF Unit.

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General duty personnel ...																					
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HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF Unit.  
Date of Despatch 30 Jan 43

*Charles Cameron*  
(C.S. CAMERON) BRIG Signature of Commander.  
2 Aust Div  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY  
(Erase heading not required.)

Unit. HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF Date and Time. -- From. 1 Feb 43 ..... To. 7 Feb 43 ..... 5  
3  
X3

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Geraldton W.A.	1 Feb 43		Attached notification of Artillery practice 3-5 Feb 43 incl	Appx 1
			Attached list of additional licensed fishing boats as at 1 Feb <sup>43</sup>	" 2
			Message despatched re firing of green and red very lights from aeroplane	" 3
	2 Feb 43		G.O.C. 3 Aust Corps visited 8 Aust Inf Bde area	
			Message despatched 2 Aust Div re movement 4 Aust Inf Bn to combined ops school Port Grey	" 4
			Message originated re arrival Dutch destroyer <del>TJERK</del> HIDDIS	" 5
			Message despatched to units re Mortar shoot	" 6
	3 Feb 43		Message despatched 2 Aust Div re recce of Binu, Ajana, Murchison River area by Bde Comd	" 7
			Message received from 2 Aust Div re reinforcements for 8 Aust Inf Bde	" 8
	5 Feb 43		Message despatched re practice shoot mouth Greenough River	" 9
			Message originated re arrival of ship	" 10
			Message despatched to units re arrival USS WIPPERWELL	" 11
	7 Feb 43		Message to units re expected arrival USS HERON	" 12

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY  
(Erase heading not required.)

Unit. HQ. 8. Aust. Inf. Bde. AIF Date and Time.--From....8. Feb. 43.....To.....17. Feb. 43.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Geraldton W.A.	8 Feb 43		Airborne Exercise commenced by 30 Aust Inf Bn	Appx 13
	9 Feb 43		Report received from RAAF re explosions heard by VAOC Ajana	
			also explosions heard from Murchison House at the same time	" 14
			Report furnished by Brigadier C.E. Cameron re explosions	" 14b
			Message originated informing units expected arrival of 3 ships	" 15
	10 Feb 43		Message originated advising units of practice shoot mouth	
			Greenough River	" 16
			Message received from 19 Grn Bn re arrival Dutch destroyer	
			TJERK HIDDS	" 17
	12 Feb 43		Message originated informing 2 Aust Div of expected arrival	
			USS CHARLES	" 18
			Aerial flight with USN for Bde Comdr approved	" 19
	15 Feb 43		Message despatched 2 Aust Div re replacement of 4 Bn by 30 Bn	
			at Combined Ops camp	" 20
	16 Feb 43		Message originated informing 2 Aust Div re arrival USS ISABEL	
			escorting Kolinda	" 21
	17 Feb 43		Message received from 2 Aust Div re reinforcements 8 Aust Inf Bde <sup>e</sup>	" 22

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY  
(Erase heading not required.)

Unit...HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF Date and Time.--From...18 Feb 43.....To...23 Feb 43.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Geraldton W.A.	18 Feb 43		Message despatched to 2 Aust Div re relief 35 Bn by 4 Aust Inf Bn	Appx 23
	20 Feb 43		USS destroyer Charles arrived Geraldton 0745 hrs	" 24
	21 Feb 43		Air Raid warning RED received 1320 hrs. All units notified within 15 mints of warning. Necessary precautions were well under way within 5 mints.	" 25
			Air Raid warning GREEN received 1400 hrs	" 25b
			Message received from 30 Bn re Combined Ops exercise	" 26
			Operation instructions re relief of CWPs Moora-Jurien Bay area issued.(See appendix )	" 27
			Administrative Instruction No 19 issued re movement 8 Aust Inf Bde group to MOORA- DANDARAGAN area.	" 27b
	22 Feb 43		Instruction issued re handover of maps by units. See appendix	" 28
			All CWPs relieved by 44 Aust Inf Bn	" 29
	23 Feb 43		Message originated notifying 2 Aust Div of movement of advance parties to new area . See appendix	" 30

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY  
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Unit...HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF Date and Time.--From...23 Feb 43.....To....28 Feb 43.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Geraldton W.A.	23 Feb 43		Message received from 2 Aust Div re wooden battens found on beach vicinity 3 mile beach thought to be connected with explosion morning 28 Jan south of Port Gregory.	Appx 31
			Message despatched units re anticipated arrival of 3 Catalinas from North during night	" 32
	24 Feb 43		Message received from 4 Bn re relief of CWP at ref 294257 Hill River 1 <sup>1</sup> = 4 miles	" 33
			Message despatched 2 Aust Div re reopening of 4 Bn HQ at ref 366207 Moora strat	" 34
Moora W.A.	25 Feb 43		Message originated informing all units new location Bde HQ Ref 400208 Moora strat	" 35
			Message received re location 18 Coy AASC	" 36
			Message received re location 8 Bde Sec 2 Aust Div W/skops AEME	" 37
			All units and trains arrived Bde area by 1815 hrs 25 Feb	" 38
	26 Feb 43		Message received from 2 Aust Div recalling sniper rifles and telescopic lens	" 39
	28 Feb 43		Message received from rear HQ Geraldton re arrival Bde Comd 1800 hrs	" 40



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HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF *APPX. I.*  
AUSTRALIA.  
1 Feb 43

4 Aust Inf Bn.  
30 Aust Inf Bn.  
35 Aust Inf Bn.  
19 Garrison Bn.  
R.A.A.F. Geraldton.  
Naval Officer I/C Geraldton.  
V.A.O.C. Geraldton.

ARTILLERY PRACTICE - 3-5 FEB 43. Incl.

Subtended for information is copy of notice of above Arty Practice which will appear in the Geraldton "Guardian" dated 30 Jan and 3 Feb 43.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Artillery Practice Shooting will be carried out from 3 Feb to 5 Feb 43 both dates inclusive within the area defined below. Owners are warned to remove stock from this area:

Northern Boundary. A line drawn east from Mt Hill extending to the 32 easting grid line.  
Eastern Boundary. The 32 easting grid line or a line due north from STRAWBERRY.  
Southern Boundary. An east-west line from 32 easting grid line passing half mile north of WALLCOTT'S SOAK and 1 mile north of LOW HILL to the western boundary.  
Western Boundary. A line running approximately north-west from IRWIN passing through ALLANOOKA to the northern boundary.

Sgd C.H. Norville Major.  
A/B.M. 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF.



ADDITIONAL REGISTRATIONS LICENSED FISHING BOATS  
AS AT 1 FEB. 43.

Port of Registration of boat.	Regd. No.	Name of Boat	Owner	Address
ALBANY	32	Sea Gull	Faulkner Frank	Albany
	14	Paul Jones	Davies E.	"
	28	-	Wheeler John Wm.	"
	38	Mariner	Tranter H. A. C.	"
	8	Wild Flowewr	Mouchemore Bros.	"
	11	-	"	"
BUNBURY	39	Mary	Soulos Nicholas	Rathmines
	42	Poppy	Soulos Manuel	"
	10	-	Soulos Nicholas	"
	34	-	Soulos Manuel	"
	14	Savoia	Soulos Nicholas	"
	6	Blue Peter	" "	"
	21	Nancy Lee	" "	"
	31	Lemnos	Contoratos Mick	"
	30	-	" "	"
	12	-	Algeri Mick	"
	24	Stella	Sofolas Manolas	"
	37	Kalimmos	Sofolas L.	"
	27	-	Staviatis John	Australind
	20	-	Gaglias Jim	"
	19	-	Hough G.M.	Rathmines
	50	-	Busquets J.	Wonnerup
	3	Zoe	Mcreatis Peter	Dunsborough
	12	May Flower	Brown Robert E.	Esperence
	9	Maple-Trotter	Trotter Ernest	"
	8	Ethel	Jones Royal N.V.	"
14	Molly Haek	Hancock Cecil	"	
FREMANTLE	120	-	Hasluck William	Rockingham
	110	-	Webb A.	9 Hubble St. E. Fremantle
	129	-	Cicerello Tony	32 Holdsworth St. "
	2	-	Thompson George)	44 Alexander Rd.
		Invincible	Leo D.	East Fremantle
	136	-	Dixon J.F.	131 Hampton Rd. Fremantle
	111	-	Stantich John	72 Marine Tce. Fremantle
	36	Dante	Ianello J.	12 Suffolk St. Fremantle
80	Duesarello	Miragliotta C.	25 Howard St. Fremantle	
GERALDTON	30	-	Shelton Ronald J.	Geraldton
	20	Cissy	Carr H.	Beach Camp, Geraldton
	F15	Stella	Nicholakis M.	Geraldton
	19	Saga	Palatio N.	"
	7	Violet	Davis C.	"
MANDURAH	51	-	Sorenson P.	Yunderup
	31	-	Dewer D.	Mandurah
	12	-	Cox A.	"
	58	-	"	"
	6	-	Halliday G.	"
	33	Alice	Wells L. A.	"
	23	-	Shean William G.	Yunderup
	5	-	Tatham J.	"
	8	-	Tatham Alf.	"
	10	Mavis	Morfett R.	Mandurah
	55	Myrtle	Ward Ross A	"
	21	-	Sweetman Henry	Pinjarra
	37	-	Sweetman F.J.	"
	14	Reliance	Renfrey Samuel	Mandurah
3	-	Barley E.E.	"	
19	Crescent	Ward Lindley	"	
PERTH	10	-	Squires W.	54 Melville Pde. Cono.
	25	-	Alver J.	Scarborough
	38	-	Mackie A.	60 Canning H, way Vict. Pk.
	12	-	Howard Reg.	100 Brown St. E. Perth
	32	-	Clarke E.	C/- Metro Fish Marts.

PERTH	8	-	McKenzie David	3 Melville Pde. Como
	24	-	Graham W.F.	223 Heytesbury Rd, Subiaco.
	52	Tanawa	Lewis L.C.	12 Nile St. E. Perth
	<del>51</del> 21	-	Bing A.E.	45 Melville Pde. Como.
	77	-	Bentley J.	
PORT HEDLAND	1	Mavis	Ellery Robert	Port Hedland.

# MESSAGE FORM

*APPX. 3.*

Serial No.

**CALL  
AND  
INSTRUC-  
TIONS**

IN

OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO <sup>4</sup> Bn, 30 Bn, 35 Bn, 19 Grn. Bn, V.A.O.C., N.O. *i/c*, V.D.C. U.S.N.

FROM <sup>4</sup> 8 Aust. Inf. Bde,

Originator's Number  
**1273**

Date  
**1**

In Reply to Number

Green	and	Red	verey	lights	will
be	fired	from	aeroplane	over	GERALDTON
tonight					

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN**  
\*(EXCEPT)  
BY ANY MEANS: ( ) WIRELESS

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

ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

**D. R. L. S.**

TIME OF ORIGIN

**1645**

SIGNATURE.....  
\* ORIGINATOR MAY DELETE "EXCEPT" AND  
INSERT "INCLUDING."

SIGNATURE.....

(BELOW THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

**T.H.I.**

**T.O.R.**

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

# MESSAGE FORM

APPX-4

Serial No. 4

**CALL  
AND  
INSTRUC-  
TIONS**

IN

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

2 Aust. Div.

FROM 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
1275

Date  
2

In Reply to Number

SITREP	(.)	4	Aust.	Inf.	Bn.
moved	to	combined	ops.	school	PORT
GREY	1	Feb.	(.)	Bde.	Comd.
Bde.	area				

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN**  
\*(EXCEPT)  
BY ANY MEANS: ( ) WIRELESS

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN  
0830

SIGNATURE.....  
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INSERT "INCLUDING."

SIGNATURE.....

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# MESSAGE FORM

*APPX 5.*

Serial No.

**CALL  
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IN

OUT

No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

2 Aust. Div. 4 Bn. 30 Bn. 35 Bn. 7 Fd. Regt.

FROM

8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number

1276

Date

2

In Reply to Number

Destroyer  
today

TJERK

HIDDS

arriving

1200

hrs.

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

**D.R.L.S.**

TIME OF ORIGIN

1025

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPY. 6

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

IN

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GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

TO 2 Div. 4. 30. 35. Bns. (ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)  
7 Pd. Regt. R.A.A.F. Ops. Room

FROM

8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
I277

Date  
2

In Reply to Number

Mortar -hrs.	shoot to	will 1100	take hrs.	place 4	0830 Feb.
43 TNG.	(.) sheet	Target (.)	area All	537492 informed	GERALDTON

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN  
1615

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

# MESSAGE FORM

*APPX. 7*

Serial No.

**CALL  
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TIONS**

IN

No. of Groups

OFFICE DATE STAMP

OUT

GR.

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TO 2 Aust. Div.

FROM 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
I280

Date  
3

In Reply to Number  
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Bde.	Cond.	Bde.	area	morning	(.)
Rece Afternoon	B IN (.)	AJANA SITNOR	MURCHISON	RIVER	ARITA

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN  
0845

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 8.

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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No. of Groups  
**GR.**

OFFICE DATE STAMP

TO **R A A 8 Bde. A.D.M.S.** (ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM **2 Aust. Div.**

Originator's Number  
**195**

Date  
**3**

In Reply to Number

Rfcts	arrive	GERALDTON	2345	hrs	5
Feb.	7	Fd.	regt.	1	4
Bn.	1	30	Bn.	1	35
Bn.	2	5	Fd.	Amb	3
(.)	8	Bde.	arrange	all	tpt.
(.)	Ack.				

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1545

1622  
T.H.I.

1715  
T.O.R.

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 9.

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO 2 Div. 4 Bn. 30. 35. Bns. 7 Fd. Regt. 19 Grn. Bn., RAAF Ops. Room.

FROM

8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number

1285

Date

5

In Reply to Number

Practice	shoot	with	40mm	equipment	will
take	place	at	mouth	of	GREENOUGH
RIVER	commencing	1300	hrs.	6	Feb.
by	7	Aust.	Light	AA. Bty.	(.)
Drogue	target	towed	by	aircraft	will
be	used	(.)	Approx	300	rounds

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1000

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# MESSAGE FORM

*APPX. 10*

Serial No.

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

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**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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TO 2 Div. 4.30.35. Bns. 7 Fd. Regt. RAAF Ops. Room  
2

FROM 8, Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
~~1286~~

Date  
5

In Reply to Number

Report	(.)	Ship	arriving	GERALDTON	TODAY
(.) informed	No	time	given	(.)	All

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN  
1030

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# MESSAGE FORM

*APPX. 11*

Serial No.

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TO 2 Aust. Div. 4 Bn. <sup>(ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)</sup> 30 Bn. 35 Bn. 7 Fd. Regt.

FROM 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.	Originator's Number <b>1288</b>	Date <b>5</b>	In Reply to Number
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U.S.S.	WIPERWELL	due	GERALDTON	A.M.	6
Jan.	43	(.)	All	informed	

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**T.O.R.**

# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 12

Serial No.  
OFFICE DATE STAMP

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	OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

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TO  
2 Aust. Div. 4 Bn. 30.35. Bns. 7 Fd. Regt.

FROM  
8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
I295

Date  
7

In Reply to Number

U.S.S. hrs.	HERON 8	expected Feb.	arrive	GERALDTON	1800

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN  
1440

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T.O.R.

# MESSAGE FORM

APPR. 13.

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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TO

2 Aust. Div.

FROM

8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number

1295

Date

8

In Reply to Number

30  
exercise

Bn  
0730

moved  
8

out  
Feb.

on  
(.)

**AIRBORNE**  
Bde

Cmd.

Bde.

area

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
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TIME OF ORIGIN

0850

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 14.

Serial No.

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TO 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

FROM <b>RAAF (F.O. LAMB)</b>	Originator's Number	Date 9	In Reply to Number
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Report	(.)	VAOC	at	AJANA	informed
RAAF	they	heard	explosions	at	2330hrs.
8	Feb.	43	WEST	of	the ir
location	(.)	Further	report	to	RAAF
at House	1942 situated	hrs. about	9 Feb/43 35 mls.	from N.W.	MURCHISON of
AJANA	stated	heard	explosions	at	approx

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T.O.R.

# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

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**GR.**

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TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

2330  
explosions

hrs.  
at

8 Feb. 43  
sea

(.)

Reports

indicate

( Information passed to U.S.N., 19 Grn. Bn., 2 Aust. Div. 9/2/43 )

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TIME OF ORIGIN

2005

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T.O.R.

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APPX. 14 B.

8 Aust. Inf. Bde. No. S 1/158/43.

SECRET.

H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde. A.I.F.  
AUSTRALIA.  
10 Feb. 43.

H.Q. 2 AUST. DIV.

REPORTS RE EXPLOSIONS- MURCHISON RIVER AREA.

1. Further to reports from V.A.O.C. AJANA and MURCHISON HOUSE THAT EXPLOSIONS WERE HEARD AT ABOUT 2330 hours, 8 Feb. 43 from the direction of the sea, I.O. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde. contacted O.C. U.S. Naval Detachment Geraldton to ascertain whether he had any knowledge of the cause of the explosions.
2. Information supplied was as follows. At about 1615 hrs. 8 Feb. 43, U.S.S. "Heron", proceeding south in the vicinity of SHARK BAY, was attacked by an enemy submarine which fired one torpedo, causing no damage. The "Heron" replied with depth charges with no known result.
3. The distance from SHARK BAY to the mouth of the MURCHISON RIVER IS approximately 170 miles, and it is considered that no submarine could travel this distance in the time between the attack and the explosions reported.

(Claude E. Cameron.)

Brig.

Comd. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde., A.I.F.



# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 15

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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GR.

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TO 2 Div., 4, 30, 35, Bns. 7 Fd. Regt.

FROM 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
I 300

Date  
9

In Reply to Number

Report	(.)	H. M. A. S.	ADELAIDE	and	T. JERK
HIDDS Feb.	may (.)	arrive There	GERALDTON may	a. m. be	10 third
vessel					

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TIME OF ORIGIN

1815

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T.O.R.

# MESSAGE FORM

APPR. 16

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

IN

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No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

~~2 Div. 4. 30. 35 Bns. 7 Fd. Regt. 19 Grm. Bn. RAAF Ops. Room.~~

FROM

8 Aust. Inf. Bde. A.I.F.

Originator's Number

I 302

Date

10

In Reply to Number

Practice	shoot	will	be	held	with
40mm.	equipment	at	mouth	of	GREENOUGH
River	commencing	1300	hrs.	13	Feb.
(.)	Approx.	200	rounds	will	be
fired	at	Drogue	target	towed	by
aircraft	(.)	Direction	of	firing	will
be	seaward	(.)	All	informed	

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TIME OF ORIGIN

0940

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX 7.17

Serial No.

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**GR.**

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TO

8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

FROM 19 Grn. Bn.

Originator's Number

Date  
10

In Reply to Number

Dutch	destroyer	TJERK	HIDDS	berthed	GER)
ALDTON	1140	hrs.			

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1141

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T.O.R.  
1141

# MESSAGE FORM

APPK 818

Serial No.

**CALL  
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No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO 2 Aust. Div.

FROM 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
1309

Date  
12

In Reply to Number

U.S.S.	CHARLES	EXPECTED	arrive	GERALDTON	1800
hrs.	12	Feb.			

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
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TIME OF ORIGIN

1540

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPR-19

Serial No.

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TO **8 Aust. Inf. Bde.**

FROM **2 Aust. Div**

Originator's Number <b>GS 68</b>	Date <b>12</b>	In Reply to Number
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Confirmation	phone	conversation	of	12 Feb.	Bde/.
I. O.	and	G2.	(L)	(.)	Authority
given	for	8 Bde.	Comd.	accompany	U.S.N.
officer	on	aerial	flight		

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1940

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T.O.R.

2110

# MESSAGE FORM

APX. 20

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO H.Q. 2 Aust. Div.

FROM H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
I315

Date  
15

In Reply to Number

Bde.	Cmd.	Bde.	Gp.	Area	(.)
30	Bn.	replaced	4	Bn.	at
combined	ops.	camp	1630	hrs.	14
Feb.	43				

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
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0925

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 21

Serial No.

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OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO H.Q. 2 Aust. Div.

FROM H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
I 318

Date  
16

In Reply to Number

U.S.S.	ISOBEL	escorting	KOLINDA	expected	to
arrive	GERALDTON	1000	hrs.	16	Feb.

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT **AS WRITTEN**  
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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

0900

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 22

Serial No.

<b>CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS</b>	IN	No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
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(ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO R.A.A., R.A.E., 8 Bde., Slvge unit, Asoc. Adms.

FROM 2 Aust. Div.	Originator's Number A 200	Date 17	In Reply to Number
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Rfots	arrive	GERALDTON	2345	hrs	19
Feb	(.)	7	Fd.	Regt.	3
5 Coy.	Fi. 7	Coy. 4	2 Bn.	8 4	Fd. 30
Bn. all	2 transport	(.) (.)	8 2	Bde. Aus to	arrange Div.
slvge	unit	1	18	Coy.	A. A. S. C.

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T.O.R.



# MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

**CALL  
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IN

OUT

2.

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

OFFICE DATE STAMP

(ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO

FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

1	8	Fd.	Amb.	1	(.)
A. A. S. C.	arrange	all	tpt	(.)	ACK.

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DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1700

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 23

Serial No.

**CALL  
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**GR.**

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TO H.Q. 2 Aust. Div.

FROM H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
I 324

Date  
18

In Reply to Number

Sitrep

to

0800

hrs

18

Feb.

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4

Bn.

relieved

35

Bn.

of

Bde.

duties

by

dawn

18

Feb.

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0900

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX-24

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**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO H.Q. 2 Aust. Div.

FROM H.Q. 8 Aust. -Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
I 331

Date  
20

In Reply to Number

Sitrep	to	0830	hrs.	20	Feb.
(.) 0745	U.S.S. hrs.	destroyer this	CHARLES morning	arrived (.)	GERALDTON Bde.
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TIME OF ORIGIN

0830

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 25.

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

IN

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No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO 2 Div., 4, 30, 35, Bns., 19 Gen. Bn. 7 Fd. Regt.

FROM 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
1334

Date  
21

In Reply to Number

AIR

RAID

WARNING

RED

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 25B

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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TO 2 Div., 4.30.35. Bns. 7 Fd. Regt., 19, Grn. Bn.,

FROM H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf Bde.

Originator's Number  
I335

Date  
21

In Reply to Number

AIR

RAID

GREEN

(,)

ALL

INFORMED

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TIME OF ORIGIN

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 26

Serial No.

**CALL  
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GR.

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TO

8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

FROM

30 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Originator's Number

A 221

Date

21

In Reply to Number

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2200

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Feb.

vicinity

GERALDTON

LIGHTHOUSE

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

SECRET

8 AUST INF BDE GPOPERATION INSTRUCTION NOHQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF.  
21 Feb 43. Australia.

Ref Map:- Hill River 4 miles 1"

Relief of CWPsMoora-Jurien Bay Area

4 Aust Inf Bn will take over CWPs in Moora-Jurien Bay area at present manned by 25 Cav Regt.

Relief will be complete by 2359 hrs 24 Feb 43.

Location of CWPs are as follows:

No 15	Green Head	291275
16	Nth Head	294257
17	Island Pt	296246
18	Thirsty Pt	302224
19	Green Islets	309204
20	Wedge Island	315185

Balance of CWPs not manned at present will be occupied by 2359 hrs 26 Feb 43

One Coy will take over duty on CWPs with PL areas as follows:

1. Incl Green Head to Nth Head inclusive.
2. Excl Nth Head to Thirsty Pt inclusive.
3. Excl Thirsty Pt to Wedge Island inclusive.

This provides for 2 sections forward in occupation of CWPs and 1 sect in reserve at PL HQ in each PL area for duties or relief of CWPs as desired by C.O.

Coy HQ will be established on telephone line vicinity ref map 3024 approx. Arrangements will be made for necessary trench stores for CWPs to be drawn from engs dump 8 Fd Coy.

On arrival at Moora Coy Condr will contact 25 Cav Regt and make a recce of all CWPs in company with an officer from the Regt.

Rations see administrative instructions.

*C.H. Norville*  
Major.

(C.H. NORVILLE)

A/B.M. 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF.

Distribution.

HQ 2 Aust Div	2
4 Aust Inf Bn	1
30 " " "	1
35 " " "	1
7 Aust Fd Regt	1
18 Coy AASC	1
8 Aust Fd Amb	1
Bde Sec W/Shops	1
Bde Sec DOW	1
2 Div Prov Coy	1
HQ 5 Aust Inf Bde	1
Bde Major	1
Staff Captain	1
LOs	3
A/S.C.	1
A/B.M.	1
Sig Officer	1
I.O.	1
File	2
War Diary	2
Spare	5

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

SECRET

8 AUST INF BDE GP

Copy No.

20 Feb 43

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 19

1. 8 Aust Inf Bde Gp comprising HQ 8 Bde, K Sec Sigs, LAD 251, 4 Bn, B Coy 8 Aust Fd Amb, 18 Coy AASC, 8 Bde Sec DOW, 8 Bde Sec OPF, will move to Moora-Dandaragan area on 23/25 Feb 43. Movement will be by road and rail as per appendices "A" and "B" attached. Instructions re movement of remainder of Gp will be issued later.
2. Movement.
  - (a) Advance parties (see appendix "C").
  - (b) Main bodies (see appendices "A" and "B").
3. Tentage accommodation and stores.

Units will move with tentage and accommodation as laid down in scale "A".

Movable amenities (unit property) portable showers etc will be carried.

Thunder boxes will be exchanged with incoming units on a one for one basis (see para 25)

Personnel will move with 3 blankets. One will be carried with man and the remaining 2 rolled in section bundles. Will be carried on M.T. or train as desired.

Units will make inventory of all fixed amenities being left in areas. Such inventory to be in duplicate. Signatures will be obtained from incoming units, and duplicate copy forwarded to this HQ within 24 hrs of movement.
4. Hygiene and cleanliness of areas.

All areas will be left thoroughly clean and tidy. Fouled ground will be clearly indicated by suitable notices. A certificate of cleanliness will be obtained by all units and forwarded to this HQ within 24 hrs of movement. Units will advise this HQ of any salvageable materials being left in unit areas. Arrangements will then be made for 2 Div Salvage Section to collect.
5. Water Tanks.

See para 25.
6. Trench Stores - CWPs.

All trench stores at CWPs will be handed over in situ. Inventories will be made at each post and signatures obtained from incoming units. Copies will be forwarded to this HQ within 24 hrs of the relief.
7. Medical.

8 Aust Fd Amb will make available 3 ambulances to travel with convey on day of 25 Feb.

Unit MOs and orderlies will travel by train.
8. Movement of carriers.

Carriers will be moved by rail as shown on appendix "B" attached. 2 personnel will travel with each carrier. Loading will be completed at least 1 hr prior to time of departure of train. 1 M/G (if necessary) may be loaded in each carrier van.

All loading will be made under supervision of unit carrier officer.
9. Stores and Equipment.

Portion of unit stores and equipment to be carried by rail will be loaded (see appendix "B") at least 1 hr prior to departure of train. Units will furnish to this HQ by 2000 hrs evening prior to movement:-

  - (a) Entraining strength.
  - (b) Complete inventory of stores being carried by rail shown approx weight.

Rail warrants and consignment notes will be completed and furnished by this HQ.



(2)

10. Loading and entraining points.  
Personnel : Geraldton.  
Carriers : Geraldton.  
Equipment and stores: Geraldton.
11. Discipline.  
Strict M.T. and train discipline will be maintained at all times during journey. Special attention is directed to loading of vehicles and seating of personnel.
12. Defence Measures.  
O.Cs trains and convoys will be responsible for A/A protection throughout the journey.
13. Traffic Control.  
TCPs as shown in appendices will be provided by Prov Coy.
14. Water.  
Personnel moving by rail and M.T. will carry water bottles full. Units will ensure that all water carrying facilities are filled prior to departure from present area.
15. F.O.L.  
18 Coy AASC will attach to each unit group (as per appendix "A") one petrol vehicle.  
Vehicles will move with all tanks and drums full. Tanks will be replenished at halts enroute as required.  
Vehicles will report to unit concerned by 2000 hrs 24 Feb 43.
16. Disposal of train personnel on arrival at destination.  
Personnel from trains "D" & "E" on arrival at MOORA will march to showground where they will bivouac until arrival of transport.
17. Dress.  
Working dress or shorts at CO's discretion. Hats KF. Packs (1 blanket) Haversacks ( W/P sheet, mess gear) Helmets steel will be strapped outside packs. Kit bags and remainder of personnel gear will be carried on unit M.T.
18. Rations.  
Train Personnel will carry travelling rations for day 25 Feb 43. Units will ensure sufficient cooking utensils are carried on train so as to provide tea at bivouac area (MOORA).  
M.T. Personnel will carry travelling rations for day 25 Feb 43. Units will arrange for tea to be made at 1Hr halts on route if desired.  
Delivery of rations to coincide with movement will be arranged and supervised by BASCO.  
Basco will ensure that indents for supplies for 26/27/28 Feb reach this HQ, so as to enable them to be forwarded to new area.  
Basco will liaise with Basco of incoming unit so as to ensure rations for units remaining in area are arranged satisfactorily.
19. Duties.  
4 Aust Inf Bn will hand over all area duties to 44 Aust Inf Bn on 22 23 Feb 43, under mutual arrangement with C.O. 44 Bn.
20. Outstanding correspondence and A/cs.  
All outstanding correspondence or a/cs held by units will be finalised before 2000 hrs 24 Feb 43.
21. Equipment loaned by residents.  
Units having borrowed equipment from local residents will return all such before 1800 hrs 24 Feb 43, and obtain a clearance therefor.
22. Broadcast Messages. (Ref corcular 21 Jan 43)  
Endeavours will be made to have these messages broadcast from new area. Should such facilities not be available moneys will be refunded.

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23. Pay.  
Units of group moving on 25 Feb 43 will place reqs for pay with Paymaster 2 Div on 21 Feb 43. Cash will be made available on 22 Feb 43. All monies must be acquitted by 1800 hrs 24 Feb 43.
24. Mobile Canteens.  
Units having mobile canteens in area will obtain receipt for same from ADCS prior to vacating area. Incoming units will take over from ADCS.
25. Camp Amenities.  
Camp amenities will be exchanged with 5 Aust Inf Bde AIF on a one for one basis by mutual arrangement.  
5 Aust Inf Bde AIF will be responsible for railing of such amenities to Moora Railway Station where arrangements will be made for units to pick up and take to areas.
26. Unit Returns.  
All unit returns will be forwarded to reach this HQ on due date.
27. HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde will close down present location at 2400 hrs 24 Feb 43, and reopen at new location at 2400 hrs 24 Feb 43.  
8 Aust Inf Bde rear HQ will be established at Ops Camp at 0900 hrs 25 Feb 43. All unit returns etc for units remaining in area will be forwarded to rear HQ.

*C. A. Simpson*  
Capt.

*for*  
(R. J. Lawrence)  
Staff Capt. 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF.  
A.O.D.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

8 AUSTRALIAN INF BDE GP

MARCH TABLE

MAIN GROUP

SECRET

SER NO	DATE	UNIT	NO OF VEHs	PLACE		SP	CHECK PT	TIME PAST CHECK PT	TIME PAST SP	ROUTE	SPEED TO SP	SPEED DENSITY MARCH MPH	R.O. PTS	HALFS	DES PER S AL PLS	REMARKS		
				FROM	TO													
1	25 Feb	HQ 8Bde ) KSecSigs ) LAD251 ) AASC Petrol )  4 Bn ) AASC Petrol )  18Coy ) AASC ) BdeSecW/shps ) Bde Sec OFP ) AASC Petrol )  X 8Fd Amb )	33 1  60 1  97 30 1 11	4 bks 7 bks 10 bks 3 bks	Geraldton	Moora-Dandaragan area	Ref Geraldton strat 256424	Ref Geraldton strat 252433	2336	0001	As per route card attached	18MPH	0001hrs-0600hrs 44x between vehs 220x between blocks. 0600-destin. 88x bet vehs, 440x between blocks	20 MPH . to 0600hrs thence 25 MPH.	See below	0200 20mts 0420 20mts 0640 20mts 0810 1hr 1110 20mts 1230 1 hr 1530 20mts	Destination	

X Coy 8 Aust Fd Amb will join convoy at Strawberry.  
 TCPs Road Junction Ref Geraldton strat 256434, Dongarra Ref Dongarra strat 286376  
 Checking Point " " 252433, Strawberry ref Dongarra strat 322379  
 Start Point " " 256424, Coorong ref Dongarra strat 403288  
 Coorow ref Perenjori strat 403299

APPENDIX "C"

SECRET

to 8 AUST INF BDE GP

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 19

20 Feb 43.

ADVANCE PARTIES.

1. Advance parties constituted as under will move to Moora-Dandaragan area on 23 Feb 43.

HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF.	up to 10% of unit strength.
18 Coy AASC	"
5 Aust Fd Amb	"
8 Bde Sec DOW	"
8 Bde Sec OFP	"
4 Aust Inf Bn	1 Coy and up to 10% of unit strength.

2. Movement will be by road in accordance with appendix "D" attached.
3. Tentage, accommodation, equipment and stores sufficient for such parties will be taken.
4. O.Cs Advance parties will be responsible for layout of unit areas.
5. O.C. each unit advance party will detail 1/DR or representative to report to Brigade Staff Officer at ref. Moora strat 400208 at 1600 hrs 25 Feb 43 for purpose of directing unit convoys to areas allotted.
6. Unit areas have been allotted as under:-

HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF	}	Ref Moora strat	401207
K Sec Sigs			
251 LAD			
4 Aust Inf Bn		" " "	366207
30 Aust Inf Bn		" " "	368200
35 Aust Inf Bn AIF		" " "	365202
7 Aust Fd Regt AIF		" " "	366203 ?
Fd Coy <del>APB</del> RAE		" " "	368205
18 Coy AASC		" " "	
8 Aust Fd Amb		" " "	369207
8 Bde Sec DOW	}	" " "	
8 Bde Sec OFP			

7. Rations.  
 Travelling rations sufficient for one day will be carried by advance parties. Fresh rations for 25 Feb 43 will be drawn by O.C. Party at DID Moora.

*R. J. Lawrence*  
 Capt.

for Staff Capt 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF.  
 A. O. D.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES  
8 INF BDE GROUP  
MARCH TABLE  
ADVANCE PARTY

APPENDIX "D"

SECRET

Serial No	Date	Unit	No of vehs	PLACE		S.P.	TIME Past S.P.	Route	Speed to S.P.	SPEED =Density During March		Halts	Dispersal Points	Remarks
				From	To					VTM	MPH			
	23rd	HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde	2	Geraldton	Moora-Dandaragan area	Ref Geraldton strat 256424	0001 hrs	as per route card attached	18 MPH	0001-0600 44X between vehs, 220X between bks 0600-destination 88X between vehs, 440X between bks	20mph until 0600 thence 25mph	0200	Destination	18 Coy AASC will provide 1 petrol vehicle to travel with column. Drums will be exchanged at halt 1230hrs
	4 Aust Inf Bn	25	0003 hrs				0420							
	18 Coy AASC	10	0007 hrs				0640							
	Bde Sec W/shops & Ord Fd Pk	2	0010 hrs				0810							
												1hr		
												20mts		
												1230		
												1hr		
												1530		
												20mts		

ROAD FROM BERTON UP

NO. MILEAGE TIME

7 145 0958

6 130 0915

5 113 0726

4 99 0626

3 90 0600

2 71 0452

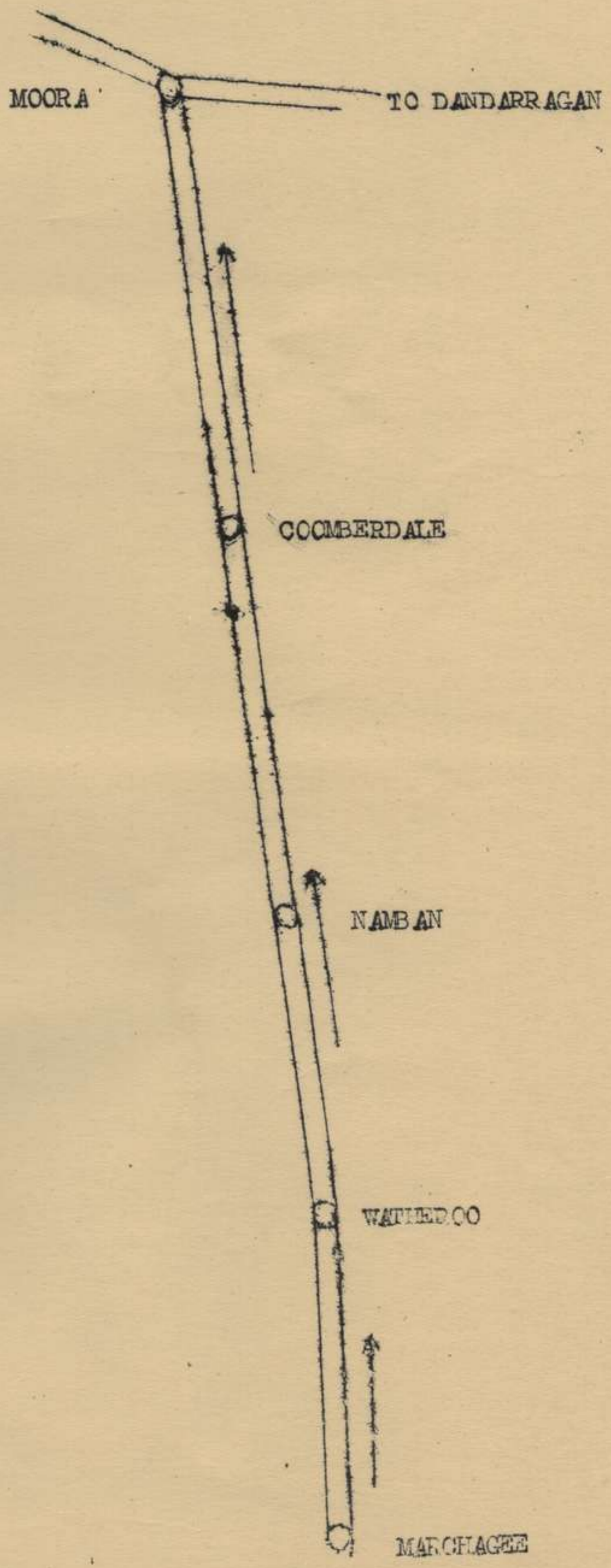
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READ FROM BOTTOM UP

NO.	MILEAGE	TIMINGS
11	137	1218 TO WALEBING
10	179	1155
9	169	1106
8	163	1049
7	145	0958



# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 28.

Serial No.

<b>CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS</b>	IN	No. of Groups <b>GR.</b>	OFFICE DATE STAMP
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~~8 Bde. Gp/ D. C. W.~~

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TO 4. 30. 35 Bns., 7 Fd. Regt. 8 Fd. Amb. 18 Coy. A. A. S. C., 13 A/Tk/Bty. 8 Fd. Coy.

FROM H. Q. 8 Aust. Inf Bde.	Originator's Number <b>I 339</b>	Date <b>22</b>	In Reply to Number
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Units	will	hand	over	maps	GERALDTON
AREA	to	relieving	units	on	change
over	(.)	List	of	maps	handed
over	(.)	maps	held	(.)	maps
received	to	be	submitted	this	H. Q./.
By	1200	hrs.	10	March	with out
fail					

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 29.

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**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO 2 Div. H.Q.  
2

FROM 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
1341

Date  
22

In Reply to Number

All	C.W.P.s	relieved	by	44	Bn.
1600	hrs.	22	Feb.		

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 30

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**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

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GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

H.Q. 2 Aust. In Div.

FROM

H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number

I 342

Date

23

In Reply to Number

Sitrep

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23

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# MESSAGE FORM

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<b>CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS</b>	IN	No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		

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TO 8 Aust. Inf. Bde. A.I.F.

FROM 2 Aust. Div.

Originator's Number I 650

Date 23

In Reply to Number

Flare	attached	to	battens	wood	found
on	beach	vic.	3	Mile	Beach
was	handed	to	Naval	authorities	GERALDTON
(.)	may	have	connection	with	explosion
morning	28	Jan	(.)	no	further
information	flare	left	with	Navy	

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T.O.R. 1550

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 32

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<b>CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS</b>	IN	No. of Groups <b>GR.</b>	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		

(ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO 2 Aust. Div., 4.30.35. Bns. 19 Grn. Bn. & 7 Fd., Regt.

2	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
FROM 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.	I 344	23	

Three	CATALINAS	passing	over	Bde.	Gp.
area	from	NORTH	at	various	intervals
between	2130	and	2400	hrs	tonight

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# MESSAGE FORM

*APPX. 33*

Serial No.

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TO 8 Aust. Inf. Bde. (advanced)

FROM 4 Aust. Inf. Bn. (advanced)

Originator's Number <b>1</b>	Date <b>24</b>	In Reply to Number
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Relief <b>23</b>	of <b>Feb.</b>	C. W. PS <b>(.)</b>	ref. 294257 <b>Communications</b>	completed <b>not</b>	<b>2330hrs.</b> <b>sat isfactory</b>
No.	<b>11</b>	sets	require d		

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# MESSAGE FORM

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Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

IN

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No. of Groups  
**GR.**

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TO

*2 Aust. Div.*

FROM *8 Aust. Inf. Bde.*

Originator's Number  
*I345*

Date  
*24*

In Reply to Number

<i>4</i>	<i>Bn.</i>	<i>H.Q.</i>	<i>closed</i>	<i>old</i>	<i>ref</i>
<i>and</i>	<i>re opened</i>	<i>ref</i>	<i>MOORA</i>	<i>1"</i>	<i>equals</i>
<i>4</i>	<i>miles=</i>	<i>366207</i>	<i>at</i>	<i>1600</i>	<i>hrs.</i>

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX-35.

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TO 8 Bde. Gp. D. O. W.  
2 Div., Rear H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde., 4 30. 35. Bns. 8 fd. Amb 8 Hd. Coy., 18 Coy. A. AS. C

FROM H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.      Originator's Number I 346      Date 25      In Reply to Number

Bde.	H.Q.	esta	ref	40008400208	MOORA
strat	1230 hrs.	(.)	4	Bn.	convoy
passing	through	MOCRA	1125	hrs.	

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TIME OF ORIGIN

1300

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX-36.

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

IN

OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

H.Q.

FROM 18 Aust. Coy. A.A.S.C.

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

VM 3

25

Occupied

new

location

1430

ref

372209

MOORA

strat

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DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1435

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T.O.R.  
1608



# MESSAGE FORM

APX.37.

Serial No.

<b>CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS</b>	IN	No. of Groups <b>GR.</b>	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		

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TO H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf Bde.

FROM 8 Bde. Sec. 2 Aust. Div. <sup>1</sup>/<sub>W/Shop</sub> A.E.M.E.

Originator's Number: W 34  
Date: 25  
In Reply to Number: -----

Unit	closed	previous	location	262433	-----
GERALDTON	strat	2330	hrs	(.)	re opened
at	new	location	373209	MOORA	strat
1530	hours				

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN  
**1600**

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T.H.I. 1820

T.O.R. 1935

# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 38

Serial No.

No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

**CALL  
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INSTRUC-  
TIONS**

IN

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TO Rear H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

FROM H.Q. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Originator's Number  
1349

Date  
25

In Reply to Number

All	units	and	trains	arrive d	Bde.
area	1815	hours			

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1825

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T.O.R.

# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 39.

Serial No.

**CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS**

IN

CIPHER-SECRET

No. of Groups  
GR.

OFFICE DATE STAMP

OUT

8 Bde. No. S7/205/43

SECRET

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TO

5 Bde., 8 Bde..

FROM

2 Aust. Div.

Originator's Number

GS 82

Date

26

In Reply to Number

SECRET	(.)	All	Serial	511	Snipers
Rifles	complete	with	telescopic	sights	held
by	units	will	be	returned	to
ADOS	2	DIV	immediately	(.)	Treat
as	urgent				

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1240

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T.H.I. 1320

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T.O.R. 1425

# MESSAGE FORM

APPR-40

Serial No.

<b>CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS</b>	IN	No. of Groups <b>GR.</b>	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		

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TO 8 Aust. Inf. Bde. H.Q.

FROM 8 Aust. Inf. Bde. REAR H.Q.	Originator's Number CHN 32	Date 28	In Reply to Number
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Bde. 1800	Comd. hrs	will 28	arrive Feb.	MOCRA	approx

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN  
0910

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T.H.I.  
0935

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T.O.R.  
1025

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# MESSAGE FORM

APPX. 41

Serial No.

**CALL  
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TIONS**

IN

OUT

No. of Groups  
**GR.**

OFFICE DATE STAMP

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TO

~~8 Aust. Inf. Bde.~~

FROM

4 Aust. Inf. Bn.

Originator's Number  
I 750

Date  
28

In Reply to Number

Posts	17	18	and	19	manned
2000	hrs.	27	Feb	(.) <sup>z</sup>	Coy.
H.Q.	est.	315249	ref	map	HILL RIVER
strat	at	1700	hrs.	27	Feb

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS  
DEGREE OF PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN

1250

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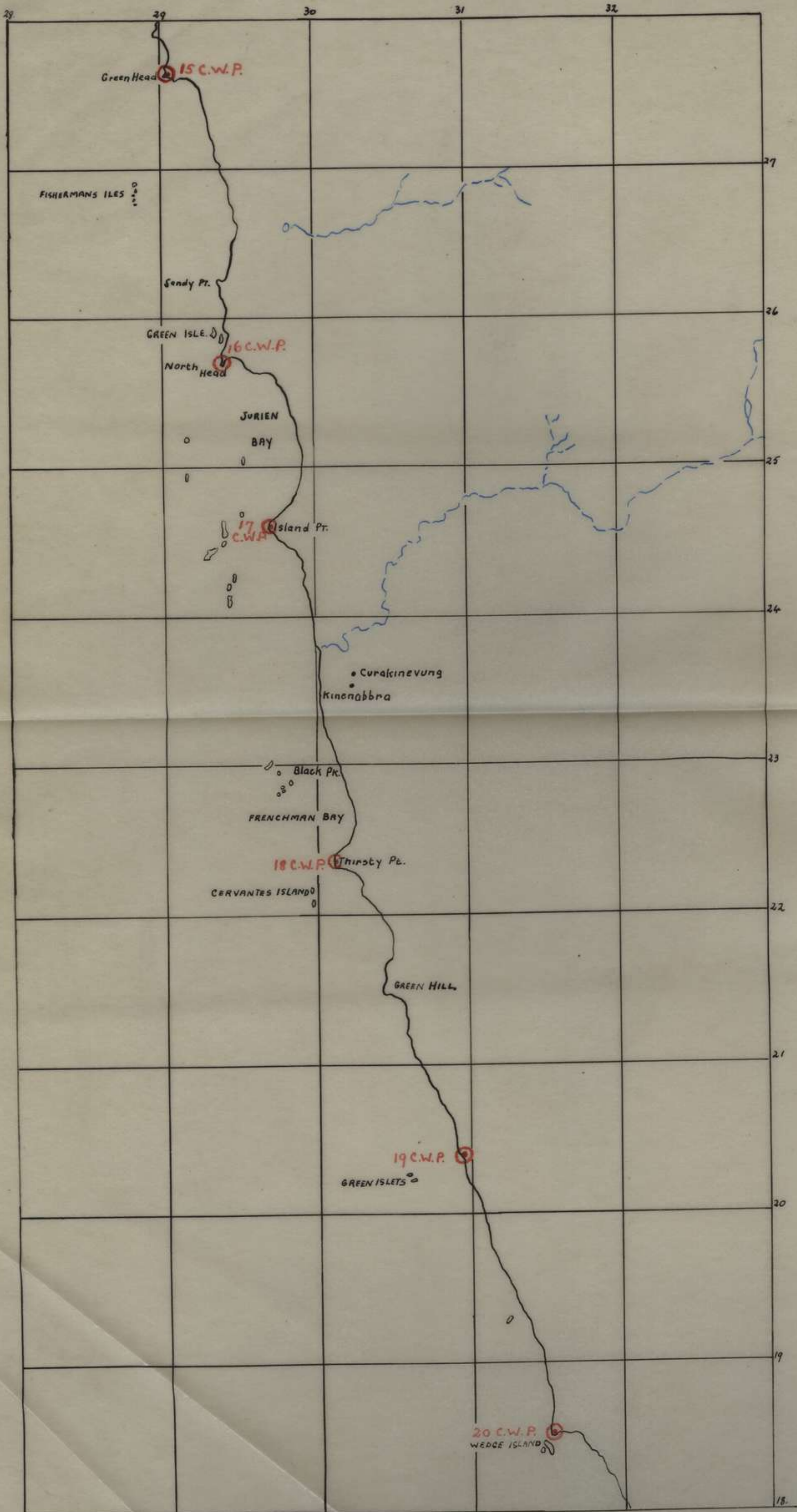
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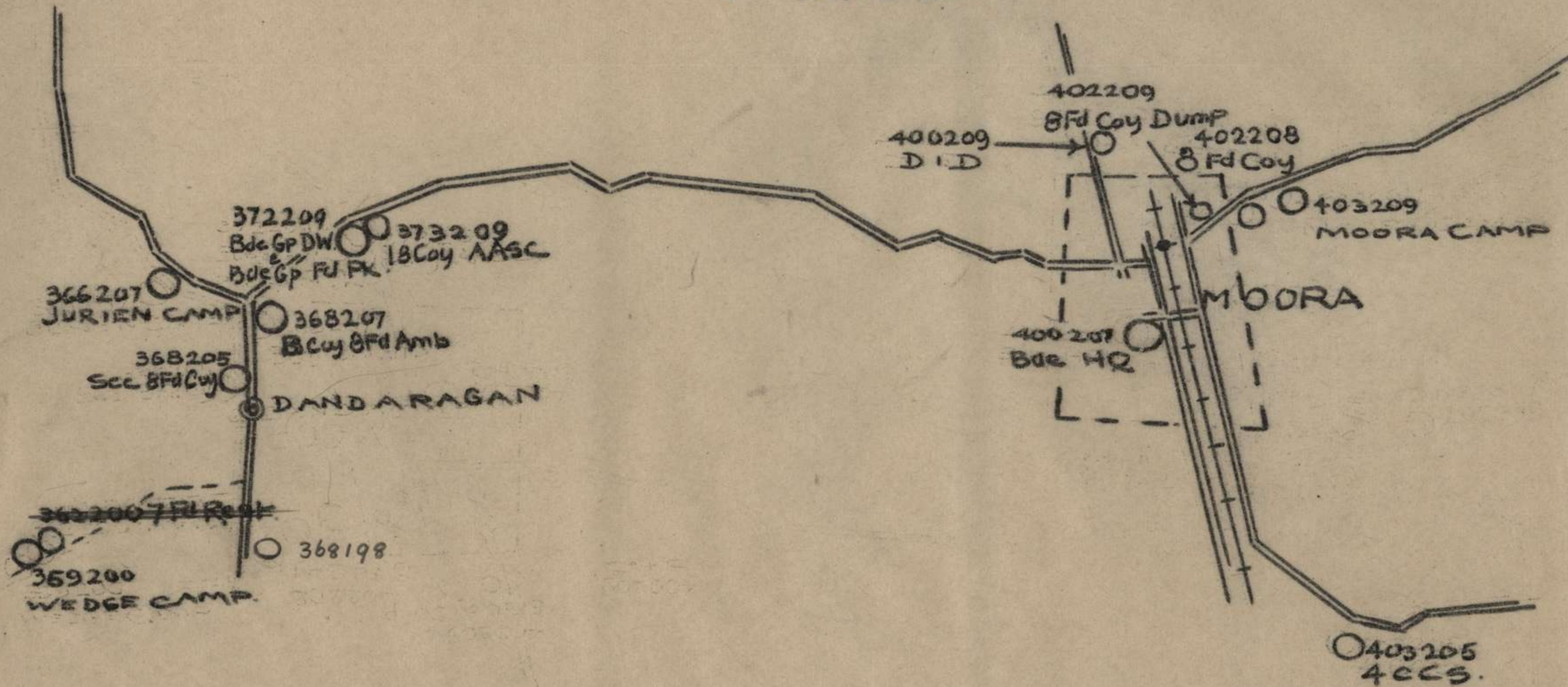
T.O.R. 1412

OVERLAY HILL RIVER 1"=4 MILES - SHOWING DISPOSITIONS of C.W.P.'s



APPX. 43.

# Dispositions of Camp Sites MOORA DANDARAGAN - Area -



Note Not to Scale  
Location Sketch only

No 30

**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

AIF 11/2/3 WE 14X72  
HQ 8 AUST INF BDE (AIF) (Unit)

Attached 2X15

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Brigadier 1*	1		
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	1		
Captains	5	4	
Lieutenants	5	5	
2nd Lieutenants	2	2	
Quartermasters	3	3	
Totals	17	16	

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	McKISSOCK	44 BN	31-1-43	Marched out. see Attachment.

**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).



**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.**

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Appointment Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col. T/Brig	NX 110380	CHAMERON C.E. M.C.E.D.	Bde Comd	Yes	
Lt T/Capt T/Maj	NX 112420	GREGORY E.W.	B.M.	No	Det 3 MUST CORPS
Lt T/Capt	NX 112421	WOLPERT H.E.	T.O.	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX 112699	BUTLER J.F.	Learned BM	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX 112734	NICHOLLS G.H.	T.O.	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX 123442	LAWRENCE R.T.	S.C.	Yes	
Lt T/Capt	NX 120317	BYRNE E.L.	BASCO	Yes	
Lieut	NX 135097	SIMPSON E.K.	Learned Sr	Yes	
Lieut	NX 112017	YODDEN R.A.	L2	Yes	
Lieut	NX 125298	RIGG J.P.	L3	Yes	
Lieut	NX 131656	WATSON C.F.	E.O.	Yes	
Lieut	NX 131081	MARSHALL N.	H.O.	Yes	
Lieut	NX 120525	BUDGEN J.F.	A.O.	Yes	
Captain	N 30772	KELLY P.J.	Captain	No	Det 4 BN
"	NX 112729	PRENTER H.A.	"	No	Det 30 BN
"	NX 112727	PARSONS B.H.	"	No	Det 35 BN

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt T/Capt T/Maj	NX 112664	NORVILLE C.H.	H.P.W.	14-7-43	Acting BM
Lt T/Capt	NX 112665	MYERS	H.P.W.	24-7-43	Attached as Lt

HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

6 Feb 43.

(Date of Despatch.)

to nominate Maj

(C.E. CHAMERON)

(Signature of Commander.)

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

*W. 112 1/2*  
*1st Aust Inf Bde* (Unit) 19 *11* (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

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

*Attached*

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants			
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.			
<b>TOTALS</b>			

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

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

*Others Attached*

Detail	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
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Sgt to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. S/Sgt.  
S/Sgt from 2 Aust Div filling position Educ Sgt.  
Cpl from 2 Aust Div W/shops filling position Armourer Sgt.  
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. Amenities Sgt.  
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. Cpl Cook.

*1st Aust Div HQ  
1st Aust Div W'SHOPS  
2nd Aust Div HQ*

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

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

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

*W. 115 4/1/72  
RAF 11/1/72*

(Unit) *1st Aust Inf Bde HQ* 19 *11* (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

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

*Attached 2x15*

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	<i>1</i>		
W.Os. Class II.	<i>3</i>		
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	<i>3</i>		
Serjeants	<i>2</i>		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	<i>7</i>	<i>7-101 24 IN</i>	
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	<i>55</i>		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<i>74 64</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>6</i>

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

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

*Others Attached*

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S 1011  
ed 03 39d  
ed 03 39d

Detail	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
		<i>5 CR</i>	<i>1st AUSTRALIAN RIFLES UNIT</i>
		<i>2 CR</i>	<i>2nd AUSTRALIAN INF BN</i>
		<i>1 CR</i>	<i>3rd AUSTRALIAN INF BN</i>
		<i>2 CR</i>	<i>4th AUSTRALIAN INF BN</i>
		<i>1 CR</i>	<i>5th AUSTRALIAN INF BN</i>
		<i>1 CR</i>	<i>WH 1st AFPC HQ RA</i>
		<i>1 CR</i>	<i>AUST DIV W' SHOPS</i>
		<i>2 CR</i>	<i>1st AUSTRALIAN INF BN</i>

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

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

MG 8th Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers ... ..																				
Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ...																				
Clerks ... ..									1	1										
Cooks ... ..																				
Despatch Riders ... ..																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ...																				
"  " (Wheeled) ... ..																				
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																				
Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
Electricians ... ..																				
Equipment Repairers ...																				
Farriers ... ..																				
Fitters ... ..																				
Machine Gunners ... ..																				
Masons ... ..																				
Motor Mechanics ... ..																				

Confirmed that the figures in red show the number of specialists and tradesmen actually required in this unit

for *Stonewall Maj*  
(C.E. Cameron) Brig. AOD  
Comd. 8 Aust Inf Bde A.I.F.

Tailors ... ..																				
Wheelers ... ..									1	1										
<i>by Orderly</i>									1	1										
<i>Banner</i>																				
General duty personnel ...																				
TOTALS (to agree with Col- umn 3 and 4 of Part A).									2	2										

MG 8th Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

Unit.

Date of Despatch *6 Feb 43*

*Stonewall Maj*  
Signature of Commander.  
(C.E. Cameron) Brig AOD  
8th Aust Inf Bde

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

MG 2 MUST INF BDE (AIF) Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS. TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.										REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.										REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.		
Bricklayers ... ..																					
Butchers ... ..																					
Carpenters and Joiners ... ..																					
Clerks ... ..									1											1	
Cooks ... ..																					
Despatch Riders ... ..																					
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ... ..																					
"    " (Wheeled) ... ..																					
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																					
Drivers-Operators ... ..																					
Electricians ... ..																					
Equipment Repairers ... ..																					
Farriers ... ..																					
Fitters ... ..																					
Machine Gunners ... ..																					
Masons ... ..																					
Motor Mechanics ... ..																					
s. Infantry (other tradesmen) ... ..																					
rs and Pipefitters ... ..																					
akers ... ..																					
s & Harness Maker																					
ree Makers ... ..																					
and Water Dutie																					
s ... ..																					
technical ... ..																					
Tailors ... ..																					
Wheelers ... ..																					
<i>by Orderly</i>																					
<i>Baker</i>																					
General duty personnel ... ..																					
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).									2											2	

MG 2 MUST INF BDE (AIF) Unit.

Date of Despatch 6 Feb 43

*Stonoville Maj*  
Signature of Commander.  
*(P. E. CAMERON) UNIT NO. 100*  
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

*No 31*  
*28 1998*  
*WE 11/1/3*  
*WE 11/1/3*

*PL 4 AVST INF BDE (INF)* (Unit)

*Attached 2X13*

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>11/1/3</i> *	<i>1</i>		
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	<i>1</i>		
Captains	<i>6</i> <i>included 11/1/3</i>		
Lieutenants	<i>5</i> <i>included 11/1/3</i>		
2nd Lieutenants	<i>3</i>		
Quartermasters	<i>3</i>		
Totals	<i>17</i> <i>16</i>		

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>11/1/3</i>	<i>MYERS, T.G.</i>	<i>4 AVST INF BN</i>	<i>23.1.43</i>	<i>Marched in taken on strength as 1st Lt. 2nd Lt. pending</i>

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.**

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col. 7/19/43	NX110310	CAMERON, C.E. M.C.E.D.	Bd. Gen. Staff	Yes	
Lt Capt. 7/19/43	NX112720	GREENE, E.W.	BM	No	Det 3 Aust Corps
Lt Capt. 7/19/43	NX112731	WOLPERT, H.B.	T.O.	Yes	
Lt Capt. 7/19/43	NX112699	BUTLER, J.P.	Quartermaster	Yes	
Lt Capt. 7/19/43	NX112714	NICHOLS, G.H.	I.O.	Yes	
Lt Capt. 7/19/43	NX112722	LAWRENCE, R.J.	S.I.	Yes	
Lt Capt. 7/19/43	NX112737	BYRNE, E.L.	Pharm.	Yes	
Lt Capt. 7/19/43	NX112746	MYERS, J.G.	L.I.	No	Det 3 Aust Corps School Hurkley
Lieut. 7/19/43	NX112797	SIMPSON, E.E.	Quartermaster	Yes	
Lieut. 7/19/43	NX112017	YOUNG, R.H.	L.I.	Yes	
Lieut. 7/19/43	NX112798	NGG, J.P.	LB	Yes	
A/Lieut. 7/19/43	NX112786	WATSON, C.F.	R.I.	Yes	
A/Lieut. 7/19/43	NX112785	BURGEN, J.F.	R.I.	Yes	
Chaplain 7/19/43	NX112792	KELLY, P.J.	Chaplain	No	Det 2 BN
" 7/19/43	NX112794	PRENTER, H.A.	"	No	Det 3 BN
" 7/19/43	NX112777	PARSONS, E.H.	"	No	Det 3 BN

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt 7/19/43	NX112788	MAYNARD, C.H.	7 BN	21-7-43	Acting BM
A/Lieut. 7/19/43	NX131081	MARSHALL, N.	AMPS.	22-9-42	Hygiene Officer

HQ 8 AUST INF BDE AIF  
(Unit.)  
13 Feb 43  
(Date of Despatch.)

Candice Cameron  
(Signature of Commander.)  
2 AUST DN  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

(Unit) HQ 1st Aust Inf Bde 19 42 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

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

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants			
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.			
<b>TOTALS</b>			

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

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

Detail	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.

Sgt to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. S/Agt.  
S/Sgt from 2 Aust Div filling position Educ Sgt.  
Cpl from 2 Aust Div W/shops filling position Armourer Sgt.  
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. Amenities Sgt.  
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. Cpl Cook.

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
<u>NX 112940</u>	<u>Pte</u>	<u>O'SHEA LW</u>	<u>HQ 8</u> <u>AUST INF</u> <u>BDE IIF</u>	<u>118 AGH.</u>
	<u>Cpl</u>			
	<u>Cook</u>			



**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

(Unit) HQ 118th AIF BDE 19 43 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

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

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	1		
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	1		
Serjeants	1		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	1	1	
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	56		1
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>

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

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

Detail	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
		5003 - 2105th AIF BDE	118th AIF BDE
		1000 - 14th AUST INF BN	118th AIF BDE
		1000 - 20th AUST INF BN	118th AIF BDE
		2000 - 25th AUST INF BN	118th AIF BDE
		1000 - 3rd AUST CORPS	118th AIF BDE
		1000 - 2nd AUST BN W SHOPS	118th AIF BDE
		2000 - 2nd AUST BN HQ	118th AIF BDE

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
NX 112940	Plt CPL CORK	O'SHEA LW	HQ 8 AUST INF BDE AIF	118th AIF BDE

HQ 1 AUSTRALIAN INF BDE AIF Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS. TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.									REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers ... ..																				
Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ...																				
Clerks ... ..																				
Cooks ... ..																				
Despatch Riders ... ..																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ...																				
"  "  (Wheeled) ...																				
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																				
Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
Electricians ... ..																				
Equipment Repairers ...																				
Farriers ... ..																				
Butchers ... ..																				

*Certified that the figures in red show the number of specialists and tradesmen actually required in the unit.*

*C. E. Cameron*  
(C.E.Cameron) Brig.  
Comd 8 Aust Inf Bde AIF.

Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers ... ..																				
Storemen technical ... ..																				
Tailors ... ..																				
Wheelers ... ..																				
General duty personnel ...																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).																				

*Big Orderly  
Barracks*

*33*

HQ 1 AUSTRALIAN INF BDE AIF Unit.

*C. E. Cameron*  
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch *13 Feb 43*

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

416 / MUST INF BDE INF Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.										REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.										REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.		
Bricklayers ... ..																					
Butchers ... ..																					
Carpenters and Joiners ... ..																					
Clerks ... ..									1	1											
Cooks ... ..																					
Despatch Riders ... ..																					
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ... ..																					
"    " (Wheeled) ... ..																					
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																					
Drivers-Operators ... ..																					
Electricians ... ..																					
Equipment Repairers ... ..																					
Farriers ... ..																					
Fitters ... ..																					
Machine Gunners ... ..																					
Masons ... ..																					
Motor Mechanics ... ..																					
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen) ... ..																					
Plumbers and Pipefitters ... ..																					
Range Takers ... ..																					
Saddlers & Harness Makers ... ..																					
Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																					
Sanitary and Water Duties ... ..																					
Signallers ... ..																					
Storemen technical ... ..																					
Tailors ... ..																					
Wheelers ... ..									1	1											
<i>Big Orderly</i>									1	1											
<i>Batteries</i>																					
General duty personnel ... ..																					
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).									3	3											

416 / MUST INF BDE INF Unit.

*Candystamer*  
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch *13 Feb 43*

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

HIF 11/24/43 X 99 A HV 1st INF BDE HIF (Unit)  
WE 17X72

5X63

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Company 1*	1		
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	1		
Captains	6 incl 1 detached		
Lieutenants	5 incl 1 detached		
2nd Lieutenants	2		
Quartermasters	3		
Totals	17	16	

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	DORE HF	4 BN	11-2-43	Battle Practice School
Capt	ROBESON WP	30 BN	11-2-43	"
Lieut	HOLLOWAY RA	30 BN	11-2-43	"

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt	MYERS J G	1st INF BDE HIF	10/2/43	Marched out to 3rd INF BDE HIF SCHOOL HARVEY

**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.**

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Appointed Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
1st Lt	NX111524	CAMERON C.E.	Col Command	Yes	
1st Lt	NX113730	GREGORY E.W.	BM	No	Det 2nd HUST DIV
1st Lt	NX113731	WILBERT H.E.	PC	Yes	
1st Lt	NX113699	BUTLER T.F.	Aviation BN	Yes	
1st Lt	NX113732	NICHOLLS G.H.	E.O.	Yes	
1st Lt	NX113733	LAWRENCE H.J.	SC	Yes	
1st Lt	NX130219	BYRNE E.H.	BRSCO	Yes	
1st Lt	NX130215	MYERS T.G.	L.I.	No	Det 3rd HUST DIV 2nd HUST DIV
Lieut	NX130217	SIMPSON E.R.	Aviation SC	Yes	
Lieut	NX117017	YOU DEN R.A.	L.S.	Yes	
Lieut	NX135217	ROG T.F.P.	L.S.	Yes	
1st Lt	NX131126	WATSON C.F.	E.O.	Yes	
1st Lt	NX130525	BUDGEEN T.F.	A.O.	Yes	
Captain	NX130713	NEELY P.J.	Captain	No	Det 4th BN
"	NX113739	PRENTER R.H.	"	No	Det 3rd BN
"	NX113747	PARSONS R.H.	"	No	Det 3rd BN

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
1st Lt	NX130713	NEVILLE C.H.	7 BN	14/1/43	Acting BM
1st Lt	NX131021	MARSHALL N.	AMCS	22/9/42	Hygiene CTR

HQ 9 HUST INF. BDE AIF  
(Unit.)  
20 Feb 43.  
(Date of Despatch.)

for  
C.E. CAMERON  
(Signature of Commander.)  
2 HUST DIV  
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

(Unit) 20 FEB 1913 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

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

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants			
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.			

Sgt to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. S/Sgt.  
S/Sgt. from 2 Aust Div. filling position Educ Sgt.  
Cpl from 2 Aust Div W/shops filling position Armourer Sgt.  
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. Amenities Sgt.  
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. Cpl Cook.

1001 - 4 AUST INF BN	1002 - 11 BIVE PICTURE UNIT
1002 - 3 AUST INF BN	1003 - 18 COY ANSC
1003 - 5 AUST INF BN	1004 - 3 AUST CORPS GUNNERS SP
1004 - 1 AUST CORPS	
1005 - 4 AUST DIV W/SHOPS	

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
1001	Sgt	BROWN J W	20th INF	at home school
1002	Cpl	LEWIS N W	20th INF	at home school
				1 Pte. Mollawa

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.**

(Unit) 2 Rb 19 43 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

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

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants			
Serjeants			
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals			
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<u>72</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>

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

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

Detail	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
<u>51R1</u>	<u>3 MUSTON RECON UNIT</u>	<u>30R1</u>	<u>3 MUSTON DIV HQ</u>
<u>51R2</u>	<u>4 MUST INF BN</u>	<u>30R2</u>	<u>MOBILE PICTURE UNIT</u>
<u>40R1</u>	<u>3 MUST INF BN</u>	<u>10R2</u>	<u>12 COY MASC</u>
<u>10R1</u>	<u>3 MUST INF BN</u>	<u>10R3</u>	<u>3 MUST CORPS QUARTERS GP</u>
<u>10R</u>	<u>3 MUST CORPS</u>		
<u>1R</u>	<u>3 MUST DIV W SHOPS</u>		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
<u>10007</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>BROWN JW</u>	<u>3 MUST INF</u>	<u>1st Coy 3 MUST</u>
<u>10101</u>	<u>Private</u>	<u>LEWIS NW</u>	<u>3 MUST INF</u>	<u>1st Coy 3 MUST</u>

8th Aust Inf Bde AIF

Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS. TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.									REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.		TOTAL
Bricklayers ... ..																				
Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ...																				
Clerks ... ..									1	1										
Cooks ... ..																				
Despatch Riders ... ..																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ...																				
"  " (Wheeled) ... ..																				
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																				
Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ...																				
Range Takers ... ..																				
Saddlers & Harness Maker																				
Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers ... ..																				
Storemen technical ... ..																				
Tailors ... ..																				
Wheeler									1	1										
General duty personnel ...																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).									3	3										

*Verified that the figures in red show the number of Specialists and tradesmen actually required in this unit*

*for Lt Colonel May*  
 (C.E. Cameron.) B.M.G.  
 Comd. 8 Aust. Inf. Bde. AIF.  
 HOD

*Sup Orderly*  
*Baker*

8th Aust Inf Bde AIF

Unit.

Date of Despatch

21 Feb 43

*for Lt Colonel May*  
 (C.E. Cameron.) B.M.G.  
 2 Aust Div  
 HOD

Signature of Commander.

Bde., Divn, Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

HOD



*HQ 101ST INF BDE AIF*

Unit.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS. TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.			
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
Bricklayers ... ..																				
Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ... ..																				
Clerks ... ..									1	1										
Cooks ... ..																				
Despatch Riders ... ..																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ... ..																				
"    " (Wheeled) ... ..																				
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																				
Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
ans ... ..																				
ent Repairers ... ..																				
... ..																				
... ..																				
Gunners ... ..																				
... ..																				
Mechanics ... ..																				
s, Infantry (other tradesmen) ... ..																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ... ..																				
Range Takers ... ..																				
Saddlers & Harness Maker																				
Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers ... ..																				
Storemen technical ... ..																				
Tailors ... ..																				
Wheelers ... ..																				
<i>Sup Orderly</i>																				
<i>Barman</i>																				
General duty personnel ... ..																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).										2	2									

*[Redacted area]*

*HQ 101ST INF BDE AIF*

Unit.

Date of Despatch

*21 Feb 43*

*[Signature]*

Signature of Commander.

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

*M 000*

*AK 33*  
*AIF 11/2/3*  
*WK 1/2/3*

**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

*HQ 8 AUST INF BDE AIF*  
*(Unit)*

*Attached*  
*2 X 10*

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

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
<i>Engineers</i> * * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants 2nd Lieutenants Quartermasters Totals	<i>1</i> <i>1</i> <i>5</i> <i>5</i> <i>3</i> <i>3</i> <i>16</i>	<i>5</i> <i>MCJ</i> <i>1</i> <i>Warner</i> <i>5</i> <i>MCJ</i> <i>1</i> <i>Shapiro</i>	

\*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

**Officers JOINED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

**Officers QUITTED during week.**

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>DORR AIF</i>	<i>11 BN</i>	<i>25-2-43</i>	<i>Battle Practice School</i>
<i>CAPT</i>	<i>ROBERTSON AIF</i>	<i>20 BN</i>	<i>25-2-43</i>	<i>now attached</i>
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>HOLLOWAY AIF</i>	<i>20 BN</i>	<i>25-2-43</i>	<i>8 AUST INF BDE</i>

**PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.**

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).

**PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.**

(1) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
1st Lt	NX10210	CAMERON, C. M.	Det. Comd	Yes	
1st Lt	NX10211	GREEN, E. W.	BM	No	Det 3rd Aust Corps
1st Lt	NX10212	WILBERT, H. E.	PO	Yes	
1st Lt	NX10213	DUNN, J. F.	Det. Comd	Yes	
1st Lt	NX10214	ANDERSON, G. W.	IA	Yes	
1st Lt	NX10215	LAWRENCE, R. T.	S. P.	Yes	
1st Lt	NX10216	SPARK, E. L.	BASCO	Yes	
1st Lt	NX10217	HYERS, J. B.	LI	No	Det 3rd Aust Corps
1st Lt	NX10218	SIMPSON, E. E.	Det. Comd	Yes	Det 3rd Aust Corps
1st Lt	NX10219	YODER, R. H.	L. 3	Yes	
1st Lt	NX10220	RIGG, J. P.	L. 2	Yes	
1st Lt	NX10221	WATSON, G. F.	K. 1	Yes	
1st Lt	NX10222	EDDEN, T. F.	A. O.	Yes	
Captain	NX10223	KELLY, P. T.	Captain	No	Det 4th BN
	NX10224	PRENTER, H. A.			Det 3rd BN
	NX10225	PARSONS, E. H.			Det 3rd BN

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
1st Lt	NX10226	NEVILLE, C. H.	4th BN	1st Feb 43	Acting BM.
1st Lt	NX10227	MARSHALL, N. H.	1st BN	27 Feb 43	Det. Comd

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*Lawrence* Capt  
(Signature of Commander.)  
HQ 1st Aust Div AOD  
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Sgt to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E.S/Sgt  
S/Sgt 2 Aust Div filling position Educ Sgt  
Cpl from 2 Aust Div W/Shops filling position Armourer Sgt  
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. Amenities Sgt  
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy Cpl Cook  
Pte to be promoted to fill vacancy W.E. Canteen Cpl

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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(To be furnished by all units of Cavalry, Royal Armoured Corps, Infantry, Royal Army Veterinary Corps, Royal Army Pay Corps, Army Educational Corps, Corps of Military Police, and all Headquarters units).

Attached 2x10

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.	2		
W.Os. Class III.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants OR Colour-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2		
Serjeants	4		
Buglers, Trumpeters, etc.			
Corporals	7	1-DET 2	
Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, etc.	55	MUST BN	6
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>1.</b>	<b>.6</b>

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
5 ORV - 2	Unit		
1 ORV - 30	Unit		
1 ORV - 2	Unit		
1 ORV - 2	Unit		
1 ORV - 4	Unit		
1 ORV - 11	Unit		

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known)
NX 367	S/SGT	BROWN J.W.	AIF	Intelligence School, Redcliffe
NX 116125	CPL	LEWIS N.W.	AIF	1 CCS, Mullaiva

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Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.										REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.		Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL
Bricklayers ... ..																				
Butchers ... ..																				
Carpenters and Joiners ...																				
Clerks ... ..									1	1									1	1
Cooks ... ..																				
Despatch Riders ... ..																				
Drivers I.C. (Tracked) ...																				
"    " (Wheeled) ...																				
Drivers-Mechanics ... ..																				
Drivers-Operators ... ..																				
Electricians ... ..																				
Equipment Repairers ...																				
Sanitary and Water Duties																				
Signallers ... ..																				
Storemen technical ... ..																				
Tailors ... ..																				
Wheeler ... ..																			1	1
General duty personnel ...																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).									1	1									2	2

Verified that the figures in red show the number of specialists and tradesmen actually required in this unit.

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DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.										REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	W.Os. Class III.	S.Q.M.S.; C.O.M.S., or Colour-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Buglers, Trumpeters, &c.	Corporals.		Troopers, Privates, Guardsmen, Fusiliers, &c.	TOTAL.
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Butchers ... ..																				
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Clerks ... ..									1	1									1	1
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Electricians ... ..																				
Equipment Repairers ... ..																				
Farriers ... ..																				
Fitters ... ..																				
Machine Gunners ... ..																				
Masons ... ..																				
Motor Mechanics ... ..																				
Pioneers, Infantry (other than tradesmen) ... ..																				
Plumbers and Pipefitters ... ..																				
Range Takers ... ..																				
Saddlers & Harness Makers ... ..																				
Saddle Tree Makers ... ..																				
Sanitary and Water Duties ... ..																				
Signallers ... ..																				
Storemen technical ... ..																				
Tailors ... ..																				
Wheeler ... ..																			1	1
General duty personnel ... ..																				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A).									1	1									2	2

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