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ORDER OF THE DAY

On Completion Of
RECAPTURE OF BUNA-GONA AREA

By

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C.B.E., D.S.O., M.C., E.D

G.O.C., NEW GUINEA FORCE

Headquarters,

New Guinea Force,

22 January, 1943.

THE campaign we have been engaged in for the recapture of the BUNA-GONA area is now virtually at a close. I desire to express to all Australians and Americans alike who have taken part in this long and tedious campaign my heartfelt congratulations and my appreciation of all you have done.

First to the Infantry I would like to pay a special tribute. Seldom have Infantry been called on to endure greater hardships or discomfort than those provided by the mountains, the swamps, the floods, of tropical NEW GUINEA. All this you have endured with cheerfulness and meantime have outfought a dour and determined enemy on ground of his own choosing in well prepared defences. Your achievements have been such as to earn the admiration and appreciation of all your countrymen.

Secondly, I would thank the Air Forces for their magnificent work, for the shattering blows they have delivered to the air forces of the enemy and his ships, which have tried so often and so vainly to reinforce and supply him. To the air transport service which made this campaign a feasible operation, for your untiring efforts in all weathers, I thank you.

Thirdly, there are all those who have supported so splendidly the Infantry in their fighting, the Armoured Regiment, the Artillery, the Engineers and the Army Co-operation Squadron, and the Medical services who have cared for sick and wounded in most difficult circumstances. You have all done magnificently.

Fourthly, I want to thank all those in the Services who have kept supplies of all kinds going to the forward troops, and also COSC and all its personnel and particularly its small boat section that has braved hazardous waters and enemy action in getting supplies up the coast.

And finally my thanks to the Navy for its assistance in protecting sea routes and clearing the waters round the battle area and further NORTH.

We have won a striking victory but a long and hard road lies ahead. All I ask is that all of you maintain the standard you have set. I know you will.

E. F. Herring

Lieutenant-General,
GOC New Guinea Force

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS, etc. (BUNA OPS)

- 18 DEC. Captured diaries, maps, & documents sent in by 2/9 Bn. Forwarded to 32 U.S. Div.
- 19 DEC. Gas masks, two caps, flags, various personal articles, two haversacks, 2 packs sent in by 2/9 Bn.
- 20 DEC. Gas masks, 3 flags, maps, diaries & documents sent in by 2/9 Bn. Forwarded to 32 U.S. Div. One flashlight sent in by 2/9 Bn.
- 21 DEC. Gas masks, A.A. m.g. sight, magnetic tank grenade & small hand mine sent in by 2/9 Bn. also documents and maps.
- 22 DEC. Diaries, maps & documents sent in by 2/9 Bn, also one light. Forwarded to 32 U.S. Div. JAP M.M.G.'s sent in by 2/10 Bn.
- 23 DEC. Three diaries and various documents sent in by 'D' Coy 2/9 Bn. Forwarded to 32 U.S. Div. same day, 1040 hrs. 4 documents sent in by 2/9 Bn. at 1830 hrs.
- 24 DEC. 3 small diaries & miscellaneous documents sent in by 128 U.S. Regt. at 1545 hrs. Miscellaneous document including sketches sent in by F.O.O. with 2/10 Bn, also two JAP shells.
- 25 DEC. Three small diaries, one notebook and miscellaneous documents brought in by 2/9 Bn. sent to 32 U.S. Div. }
Two 75m.m. shells and one fuse brought in by 2/10 Bn. }
- 26 DEC. Two fuses and one empty shell case (3.7) brought in. Sent to 32 U.S. Div.
- 27 DEC. Documents sent in by Capt. KYLE. 128 U.S. Regt. Sent to 32 U.S. Div. per N.G.F. L.O. JAP H.M.G. & amm. sent in by 128 U.S. Regt.
- 28 DEC. 2 books & JAP marine badge sent in by 2/10 Bn. }
1 Lewis gun magazine & various books & documents }
{ from 2/10 Bn. One Lewis gun from 2/10 Bn. }
sent to SALVAGE DUMP

29 DEC.

30 DEC.

JAP files, various documents + diaries from 2/10 Bn.
Sent to 32 U.S. Div.

31 DEC.

1 JAN.

JAP diary sent in by 2/12 Bn. Sent to U.S. Div. (32)

2 JAN.

Two diaries & other documents sent in by 2/12 Bn.
Sent to 32 U.S. Div.

1 Jap identity disc, 1 knife, 1 bottle white pellets,
various photos, documents in oilskin wrapper. (Officer's
leather wallet with documents, 12 letters, gran?)
3 diaries, 2 printed documents
20 JAP postcards, 2 oilskin wrappers, Map of Western Pacific
(agricultural)

Div. A OPS (cont)

30 DEC.

JAP flag, various documents + diaries from 2/10 Bn
Sent to 32 U.S. Div.

1 JAN/43

JAP diary sent in by 2/12 Bn. Sent to 32 U.S. Div.

2 JAN.

3 European documents (ANGAU matters), 2 naval text
books (JAP), 1 naval signal book (JAP), 2 notebooks sent
in by 2/12.
Sent to 32 U.S. Div.

3 JAN.

2/12 report capture of 40 Jap rifles, 2 H.M.G.s, 1 L.M.G., 1 triple
POM-POM, 1 dual POM-POM, 1 motor cycle + side car, 1
mountain gun on wheels, 12 bicycles, 9 other vehicles
(all unserviceable)
6 large + 4 small notebooks, 10 pamphlets, 2 rough maps,
7 text books, 1 book, 2 picture books, 2 colour patches,
stamp. Sent to 32 U.S. Div.

4 JAN.

1 sent JAP light uniform, 2 vests, 2 pairs gloves, various
letters + documents, 3 small tins, 1 lb tin sent in by
128 U.S. Regt.
6 dd (snaps) in KODAK folder with Dutch writing on it,
also one snap of GIBRALTAR, 3 JAP diaries, a notebook,
one postcard of GIBRALTAR, 2 photograph spools, 1 leather
wallet, 1 letter, 1 M.G. sight, 5 diaries, some photographs
& miscellaneous documents, 1 magnetic tank grenade,
photographs + 4 diaries sent in by 2/12 Bn.
Sent to 32 U.S. Div.

~~The following is a list of equipment
equipment found in one of the units
at 209207 (1st map) (see locality)
It has evidently been a few months
since the material~~

13 JAN

Jap. anti-tank grenade (magnetic).

14 JAN.

2/7 CAV. sent in leather wallet, containing notebook, permal photos, odd documents.

4 Jap diaries sent in by 2/9 Bn.

leather lett case 'FRANCISCO S. HORTILLAS. ARCADE'
containing diaries various other documents.

16 JAN.

JAP map sent in by 2/10. Bn, with leather wallet
with documents.

Small diary papers sent in by 2/12 through Sigs.

18 JAN.

3 Jap diaries sent in by 2/10

19 JAN

4 diaries misc. documents from 2/10.
1 diary from 2/10

CAPTURED DOCUMENTS. Egypt etc.

20 JAN.

One gas badge sent in by 2/10., one 20m. m. shell,
2/9 Latin party picked some loose pages of JAP writing, supplied
by party of JAPS 19 JAN.

1 leather wallet with misc. documents from 2/10bn.

21 JAN

3 diaries, odd letters + miscellaneous documents,
also one I.M.G. sent in by 2/10 Bn.

22 JAN.

Miscellaneous documents from 2/12.

25 JAN

1 leather wallet sent in by 2/12., spectacles + case,
Australian + Japanese notes

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SER. NO.	DATE	T.O.R.	T.O.O.	ORIGIN.	Message No. etc.	INFORMATION	ACTION TAKEN.
<u>1.</u>	1 JAN. 1943	0325		2/9	Phone	Everything quiet - no change.	
<u>2.</u>	"	0343		2/10	Phone.	Everything quiet	
<u>3.</u>	"	0345		2/12	Phone.	All quiet.	
<u>4.</u>	"	0355		1/126		all quiet.	
<u>5.</u>	"	0356		128	Ref.	all quiet.	
<u>6.</u>	"		0400	18 Bks.	Phone.	Sites phoned to 32 U.S. Div - sitnor.	
<u>7.</u>	"	0720		Atty	Verbal	Smoke over cocoanuts. 5 tks. seen moving up strip by aircraft.	Bde. Bnd. + B.M. infnd (V.)
<u>8.</u>	"	0715		I.O.	Phone.	TKS. on way up, 2 past 'D' Coy. 2/10 battle H.Q. at 'D' Coy. H.Q.	Bde. Bnd + B.M. infnd (V.) Sit. MAP.
<u>9.</u>	"	0730		2/12	Phone.	One tk. arrived.	Bde. Bnd + B.M. infnd (V.)
<u>10.</u>	"	0735		2/10	Phone.	7 tks. had passed H.Q. 2/10.	Bde. Bnd + B.M. infnd (V.)
<u>11.</u>	"	0755		2/12	Phone.	TKS. arrived, also W. Post. Everything to plan.	Bde. Bnd + B.M. infnd (V.)
<u>12.</u>	"	0805		18 Bds	I 571 (OUT 1)	Ref. on Op. Order NO 2 preliminary shoots as planned. Tanks and inf cover start line 0800.	To 32 U.S. Div. infnd also N&F, 12th Regt, 2/9, 2/10

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13.	JAN. 0808			2/12	Phone.	all well TK on left flank engine trouble. Replacement moving up. TKs. have reached coconuts.	Bds. bnd. & B.M. infund (V.)
14.	" 0809			2/10	Phone.	L.M.G. on 2/10 at 282 255.	Bds. bnd & B.M. SIT.MAP. infund (V.)
15.	" 0810			Arty.	VERBAL	Little opposition to 2/12. Inf. have reached coconuts.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.) SIT.MAP.
16.	" 0812			2/12	Phone.	Fwd. exp. in coconuts. One reported opposition snipers from left front.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.) SIT.MAP.
17.	" 0815			2/12	Phone.	Left flank held up slightly. TK will be in commission in few minutes.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.)
18.	" 0817		18Bds.	IS72 (OUT 2)		Two fwd. exp. in coconuts. Light opposition reported on left flank.	To 32 U.S. Div, 4th Adv N.G.F. 128 Regt, 2/9, 2/10 SIT.MAP.
19.	" 0835			2/12	Phone.	Inf. adv. on whole front. Opposition left flank. Second tank went round to left. Rear exp. in edge of coconuts.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.) SIT.MAP.
20.	" 0836			2/12	Phone.	No 5 tank got to beach, nothing in front, closely followed by infantry.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.) SIT.MAP.
21.	" 0840			Arty	Verbal	TK on beach. A.A. pom. on fire. Amm. exploding. NO JAPS in sight.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.) SIT.MAP.
22.	" 0846			F.L.C. 2/12	Phone.	Rt. hand tank almost through to beach & turned back to help inf. also reported that when TKs. appeared near pillboxes JAPS got into a run.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.)

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23.	JAN. 0850			12B Regt	Phone	TKs I 128, within 50' of coconuts. rest of 2/128 will conform.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.) SIT.MAP.
24.	" 0851			2/12	Phone	Success signal from left flank. left flank exp. on beach. TKs. in sight through to beach.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.) SIT.MAP.
25.	" 0901		0830	2/9	Phone.	6 JAPS now towards GIROPA PT.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.)
26.	" 0905			2/10	Phone.	'A' Coy. in line. 'C' Coy. in action but. Rear. patrol going out.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.) SIT.MAP.
27.	" 0915			TANKS	Phone.	Tank out of action now back in action. No 7 tank (res. TK). coming into rear near Central Tank.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.)
28.	" 0900		18Bds	IS73 (OUT 3)		To 0850. fwd exp reported through to beach. 3/128 moving fwd. to within 50 yds. of coconuts.	To 32 U.S. Div 4th Adv N.G.F. 128 Regt, 2/9, 2/10. SIT.MAP.
29.	" 0935			2/12	Phone.	left flank 'A' & 'D' from beach to coconuts & connected to U.S. Tps on left. 'B' & 'C' connected from beach to coconuts. Mopping up inside. N.W. M.A. opposition. Heavily held poms. on S.E.	Bds. bnd & B.M. infund (V.) SIT.MAP.
30.	" 0945		18Bds	IS74 (OUT 4)		2/12 Bn. reached beach on 400 yd. front and are consolidating as follows. 'A' & 'D' Bys. from beach to edge of coconuts facing N.W. 'B' & 'C' from beach to edge of coconuts facing S.E. Abstract between 'D' Coy 2/12 and 1/128 U.S. ln. Hy. opposition S.E. corner of coconuts.	To 32 U.S. Div, 4th Adv N.G.F. 128 Regt, 2/9, 2/10. SIT.MAP.

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31.	DAN.		0950			GEN. HERRING & GEN. EICHELBERGER came to visit Bdr. Bnd.	
32.	"	0952		2/10	Phns.	Recr. patrol worked up along jingle of SIMEMI CK. bank. 3 M.G.'s in area located 202255. Patrol is remaining in area holding ground that it has taken.	Bdr. Bnd. & B.M. informed (v.). SITMAP.
33.	"	10007		C.O. 2/12	Phns.	First phase proceeding as planned. Need good two hrs. to mop up. Supporting weapons mopping up as opportunity offers. Hopes to make H.Q. to-day as soon as area is cleared. Casualties NOT light.	Bdr. Bnd. & B.M. informed (v.).
34.	"		1015	18 Bds.	Phns.	Dispositions as previously reported. Mopping up continues. 2/12 Bn. by weapons being mopped up.	To 32 U.S. Div, rptd. A.M. N.G.F. 128 Regt, 2/19, 2/10.
35.	"	1050	1030	2/9 Bn.	Phns.	On a bearing of 318° from 2/9 Battle H.Q. (285250 BUNA LOCALITY) reported what they said to be a helio. signalling from ^{from} the ^{the} island ^{island} in ⁱⁿ general direction of 219. I section observed reported this.	32 U.S. Div informed by phns. SITMAP.
36.	"	1115		2/12	Phns.	Major GATEGOOD coming into wounded, also Lt. MACFARLANE. Bombs made up by R.E. very successful. More required. Left flank mop up completed. Tks. up there being ^{being} fired into tree-tops.	B.M. informed (v.) also spoke to Sgt. det 2/4 Fd. Coy. more bombs being made. CO 2/12 informed.

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37.	ITAN.	1140		2/12	Phns.	N.E. corner still holding out. more tps & weapons & 3 tks. in that area. Casualties 7 offst & 64 wounded through R.A.P.	B.M. informed (v.)
38.	"		1125	Adv. N.G.F.	-	For C-in-C. First phase attack WOOTEN successful and consolidation proceeding. mopping up not quite complete but continuing satisfactorily. No tanks moving, unmechanical trouble. Second phase will commence when mopping up first phase completed.	Message to N.G.F.
39.	"		1015	C.O. 2/10	Phns. (OUT 7)	Col. DOBBS requested two tks.	Bdr. Bnd. said plan NOT to be altered.
40.	"		0950	Bdr. Cnd.	Phns. (OUT 7)	Bdr. Bnd. spoke to COL. MARTIN & projected relief. No action except recs. until ordered by this H.Q.	
41.	"		1145	B.M.	Phns. (OUT 7)	Informed Col. DOBBS CO 2/10 of latest position.	
42.	"	1200		3/129	Phns.	Connected with left of 2/10 Bn. M.G. fire from emplacement directly to their front. 2/10 engaged with mortars, without success. 3/128 wish to receive permission to use their own mortars.	B.M. advised (v.) Permission to use mortars on south from would not to put bombs on 2/128 SITMAP.

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43	JAN.	1230		I.O.	Phone	Reported fair amount of L.M.G. fire to their front and from across right flank of Americans. Also some 'airs' from 2/12.	B.M. informed (V.)
44	"	1310		2/12	Phone	Position on right very obscure. H.Q. troops under SUTHERS pushed in. Snipers very bad. MR. LOGAN killed. Casualties very heavy. CAPT. SAMPSON (M.O.) slightly wounded. TKS. working well	B.M. informed (V.) SIT.M.A.P.
45	"	1335		MAJ. MOSS	VERBAL	3 tanks in action, 2 in reserve, 1 tank crew killed out, 1 going back clutch trouble, 2 fuel. of reinforcement also going back, 1 control tank	Bde. Bnd. B.M. informed (V.)
46	"	1340		S.C.	VERBAL	LT. TAYLOR evacuated sick. Capt. WILSON O.C. Reinforcement Coy. at Front. Report better.	B.M. inform (V.)
47	"	1415		2/12	Phone	'B' & 'C' Coy. only remnants.	B.M. advised (V.)
48	"	1235		2/12	Phone (OUT8)	By. less our pl. 2/9 in to war to ^{present} under command but initially in (H.Q.) O.C. directs them to war front. to rd 2/10 in H.Q. where they will be met by 2/12 in guides.	Phone to B.M. SIT.M.A.P.
49	"	1240		B.M.	Phone (OUT8)	LT THOMAS 2/9 in - coy less our pl. to war is about - present 1/128 H.Q. 1400 hrs.	SIT.M.A.P.
50	"			B.M.	Phone (OUT8)	3/128 & 2/10 to put on all possible pressure by fire and by aty.	
51	"	1420		B.M.	Phone (OUT8)	Passed above to COL. MARTINE COL. DOBBS. Bde. Bnd. spoke to COL. DOBBS. - What has been done about M.G.	

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51 (cont)	JAN.					Two TKS. not available. Pressure to be maintained, smoke only after consultation with ARNOLD.	
52	"	1425		2/12	Phone (OUT8)	Present op. is NOT Phase 2, but cleaning up of Phase 1.	Phone to B.M. B.M. told kind of proposed cooperation by 3/128.
53	"	1505		Isgt	Phone	Arranged with 2/12 to put on 3' mines fire.	B.M. advised (V.)
54	"	1455		1886	I 576 (OUT9)	Left flank consolidated 274263-273259. Rt. flank approx. 276259-275257. Heavy fighting inf. and TKS. this flank left full hours. 8 TKS. running, one knocked out, as engine clutch repairs. Known casualties 2/12 Bn. 9 and 80.	To 32 U.S. Div rptd 128 Rpt aty to Bde, 2/9, 2/10 C.O. SIT.M.A.P.
55	"	1435		2/9	Phone	TKs. seem to close to us, opposite point. TKS. not seen, but engine can be heard. Most of the firing seems to be our own.	B.M. inform (V.)
56	"	1545		B.M.	Phone	Lt. Lloyd's pl. ordered to come under command 2/12 and move to rd 2/10 H.Q. where they will find guides from 2/12 in.	B.M. via C.O. 2/12 of this info
57	"	1545				Phase of 2 operation is is officially in progress.	B.M. inform all units.

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58.	JAN. 1548			2/9 ISgt.	Phone.	A fire was started by incendiary bullets in B Coy's lines, only a small one. No damage done, men did not have to vacate any pits.	
59.	" 1619			I.O. 2/12	Phone.	Left flank A Coy 2/12 on inside GIROPA sea and practically harit. They are 50-60' from point. Other boys are round the ck. In SE. advance is continuing steadily, supported by tanks. A Coy 2/9 had just gone up to support, with det. 3" mortar. ONETK. operating in this area has reported having knocked out several pillboxes. JAPS getting out & running away from them, with a number of fires burning.	Bdr. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.
60.	" 1622			I.O. 2/12	Phone.	On left, TKA point at ck. GIROPA, info. close behind. U.S. Tps. on left flank reforming. Enquid estopom. of Tps in URBANA FORCE.	Bdr. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) Informed 2/12 no change in URBANA front.
61.	"			1540 B.M.	Phone (OUTIO)	Reg 3/128 Bn ① necessity for closing gap with 2/12 right flank at or before dark and to maintain contact. ② 1/128 to maintain close watch for any enemy movement round their left flank.	

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62.	JAN.			1535 B.M.	Phone (OUTIO)	Barfirmed above with S 3 128 Regt. COL. MARTIN	
63.	" 1650			1650 MAJOR SIEBEL	Phone	Reported that approx. 200 JAPS had appeared in proximity of A/128.	Bdr. Bnd. B.M. informed (V.)
64.	"			1700 B.M.	Phone	B.M. spoke to COL. MARTIN who is to liaise with COL. ARNOLD either physically or by phone re above inform & handling of concentration near A/128. Also to check up on inform. Tps to engage with mortar, L.M.G. & S.A.A. fire if inform. true. If not true, recon patrols to be sent out. B.M. R.A. contacted to put up D.F. task, if necessary. WIRRAWAY is to go out. Recon tanks to be set up ready to left of 1/128.	
65.	"			1715 Bdr Cnd.	Phone	To C.O. 2/12: - This is forward (S. of [unclear]) line at it. eyes to west at a point 1/2 mile S.W. of SIMEMICK PT.	

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66.	JAN 1719			COL HOWES G3. 320307N	Phone	P.T. had reported that the white lights at the CAPE last night were not lit.	Phoned 1/126. Lights alright all night 3/11. Informed col. HOWES.
67.	"	1740	2/12		Phone	'D' Coy. 2/10 report no more than 40 JAPS seen moving south from GIROPA PT to-day.	B.M. discussed D.F. task with C.O. 2/12. Emergency only.
68.	"		1800	B.M.	Phone (OUT 11)	To C.O. 2/12. (a) res. pl. 'A' Coy. 2/19 to be kept res. on N.W. flank - GIROPA PT. (b) Right flank Coy. to provide on land res to SIMEMI CK. (c) 3/128 US. Inv to provide res. from shored line to res. under direction COL. MARTIN so as to be put in to support either 1/128 or 3/128 with C.O. 2/12 being call on it. Beach must be guarded to prevent infiltration by sea. s.g. swimming. COL. ARNOLD in complete agreement & asked B.M. to report to COL. MARTIN. GIROPA PT will have to be held by five insufficient men to hold state of CK.	SIT. MAP.
69.	"		1805	B.M.	Phone (OUT 12)	To COL MARTIN. (1) Told of above. (2) 3/128 to be extra careful of rotas & of firing high. (3) Report of counter attack probably grossly exaggerated. (4) CLARKSON to maintain most careful watch on left flank.	

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69 cont.	JAN					(5) MENAB left flank to join 2/12 night res.	SIT. MAP.
70.	"		1825	Bde. Cmd.	Phone (OUT 12)	Bde. Cmd. spoke to C.O. 2/19. Warned re JAP attempt to counter attack across CK.	
71.	"		1830	B.M.	Phone (OUT 12)	Warned 1/126. I.O. to warn BEAVERNA - bags to night 2/10 to give precise dispositions to I/O. 1/126, 2/10, Desert Coy, 1/128, 2/12, 128 Regt. all warned to hold ground at all costs.	I.O. phoned 1/126
72.	"		1840		Phone (OUT 12)	2/12 propose to continue at 0800 - TKS. to be held at F.U.P. already instructed by 0745. MAJOR MOSS advised generally. full discussion later C.P. of I Coy 128 Regt. 2/12 advised of latter.	
73.	"		1840	B.M.	Phone (OUT 12)	D.F. O.K.	B.M. advised 2/12, 128 Regt.
74.	"		1850	B.M.	Phone (OUT 12)	Tanks to be down N.W. of bridge. be formed and guarded against infiltration. MOSS to report number of tanks requiring maintenance.	to MAJOR MOSS advised.
75.	"		1910		Phone	'A' Bay clearing up last of GIROPA PT & will consolidate. 'D' Bay not yet back. Contact with 1/128. O'eth. reached a point south of mouth of SIMEMI CK vicinity dispersal bags.	B.M. informed (1/126)

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75	1 JAN.					'B' Coy. almost wiped out. 'C' Coy. 1 and 15.	
76	"	1835		CAPT EMERSON.	Phons.	Only traffic on coast to night returns bringing 4 assault boats to HARKO.	all units informed
77	"	1910	1824	OQA	(OUT 13)	operation continues 0800 2 JAN. Two tps each three tanks and one tank for inter communication will report to F.U.P. already indicated to CAPT. MAY. by C.O. 2/12 hrs. by 0745 hrs. ACK.	To 2/12, 128 Rgt, X Sq 2/16 Amb Rgt, rptd 2/9, 2/10, 32 U.S. Div. adv N.G.F. aty 18 Rde. G.P.
80	"	1915	1820	GEN. ECKEL-BERGER	4806. (IN)	ACK. to I 569.	
81	"	1930			2/12 Phons.	'B' & 'E' on night at of contact. First objected check by 1200 hrs. Dets. from H.Q. sent, committed & in 'B' & 'C' pos. by 1205 hrs. Exploitation to both flanks supported by tanks at 1230 hrs. 3/128 fwd. in contact with 'D' Coy. One enemy pillbox on GIROPA PT. still holding out. 6+15 Killed. 6+100 wounded.	B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.
82	"	1850			2/10 Phons	'D' + 'B' 283253. 'A' 284253. 'C' 289248. Battle H.Q. for night with 'C' Coy.	SIT. MAP.
83	"	2023		CAPT KMAIL	Phons.	Large fire reported on GIROPA PT.	B.M. informed (V.)

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84	1 JAN.		2040	B.M.	Phons	Spoke to BECH 2/12. Informed them that he dozen black bombs were sent up & more would be sent by 1200 hrs 2 JAN.	B.M. spoke to Lt. MACKENSAR re more black bombs.
85	"	2044			2/9 Phons	Searchlight seen at BUNA MISSION. checking will let us know further.	B.M. advised (V)
86	"	2045			2/12 Phons ISgt.	Lt. PEARCE admitted to 2/5 Fd. Amb. Lt. HOSKINS not confirmed killed. all quiet at the moment.	
87	"	2052			I.O. Phons 2/10	Searchlight straight up from BUNA MISSION in the air. Remained for half a minute.	32 U.S. Div. infd. checked with 2/12. 'A' Coy sent up VEREY light at that time.
88	"	2100	2035	I. Sgt	Phons 2/9	Lights seen at to sea 200 off point of BUNA MISSION. Long way out very distinct. Disclosed as small searchlights, flashing on and off. Flash in sky from position BUNA MISSION or GIROPA PT. Fire on GIROPA PT. burning all afternoon. Flat explosion heard across CK, hear like going for some time.	32 U.S. Div. infd. B.M. infd. (V.)
89	"		2015	1824	I 577 (OUT 4)	litrep to 2000 hrs 1 JAN.	To 32 U.S. Div, rptd adv N.G.F. 128 Rgt, aty 18 Rde, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12.

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90.	1 JAN.	2110		2/12	Phone.	Oil pump burning on GIROPA PT.	
91.	"	2120		Beach Party	Phone	Reports lights & engine noise from HARIKO.	Rays advised. Boats unloading at HARIKO next day to CAPE.
92.	"	2130		32 U.S. Div.	Phone	2 P.T. boats operating from GONA week to CAPE ENDAIADERE to prevent small JAP craft cruising about.	T/126 & 2/9 informed.
93.	2 JAN.	0150		32 U.S. Div.	Phone.	Ack. for 094.	
94.	"	0315		2/9	Phone	Sitnor.	
95.	"	0317		2/12	Phone	We are in communication with all Coxs. except 'A', but 'A's' phone is known to be work. otherwise sitnor.	SIT. MAP.
96.	"	0328		2/10	Phone	Pom. uncharged - sitnor.	
97.	"	0330		128 R.S.T.	Phone.	Sitnor.	
98.	"	0335		1/126 C.W.	Phone	Sitnor.	
99.	"	0355	ABAC		Phone.	Sitrep passed to 32 U.S. Div. Sitnor.	

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100.	2 JAN.	0713		I.O. 2/10	Phone.	NO L.M.G. fire in front, sniper very active	B.M. advised (V.)
101.	"	0735		2/12	Phone	Americans report 3 JAPS killed (one half tanked no pants) came from West. 'A' Bay 2/12 can see people rushing about in woods 200' other side of CR. there is a fair bit of S.A. fire, 'also' on 2/12.	B.M. advised (V.) 32 U.S. Div. infnd. SIT. MAP.
102.	"	0810		2/9	Phone.	313° from their Battle H.Q. Possibly two boats of JAPS and JAPS on logs off BUNA MISSION PE	B.M. advised (V.) 32 U.S. Div. infnd.
103.	"	0755		2/12	Phone.	all tanks set up.	B.M. infnd (V.)
104.	"	0815		2/12	Phone.	ZERO 0815: Res. pl. 2/9 still behind 'D' Coy. (at notice to move South)	B.M. infnd (V.) SIT. MAP.
105.	"			0820 I.O. 1086		Spoke to S2. 128 Regt. P.W. to be given quick interrogation fwd. + infnd. passed to 2/12 + 1/128, then back through medical system.	
106.	"	0840		2/10	Phone.	Battle H.Q. back with 'D' Coy.	B.M. infnd (V.) SIT. MAP.
107.	"	0841		2/9	Phone.	at 0600 & 0830 notes fire in 2/9 lines.	B.M. infnd (V.)
108.	"	0842		2/12	Phone	Advised 5 JAPS returning to A.A. from beach.	B.M. infnd (V.)

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109.	2 JAN.	0845		Arty F.O.D. on Coast.	Verbal.	Lefts small boats, which were in water off BUNA MISSION.	Bde. Bnd. infnd (V.) arty. reports fighters to engage.
110.	"	0915		G3. 32 U.S. Div	Plans.	Patrol departed 0730 from eastern edge of GOVT. GARDENS to contact A/128 approx. Gated to link across to our left in that area.	Bde. Bnd. infnd (V.) also 2/12 & 3/128.
111.	"	0935		2/9	Plans.	B' Coy 2/9 can hear tanks. Do not think they hear word fire much.	Bde. Bnd. & B.M. informed (V.).
112.	"	0943		2/12	Phone	H.Q. Coy. advanced 75 yds. Heavy opposition. TKs. 'did see' 2-3 pillboxes.	Bde. Bnd. & B.M. informed (V.). SIT. MAP.
113.	"	0960		2/12	(OUT 15)	Coy. states. 'A' 1/27 - 'D' 3/50 - H.Q. 4/69 - 'B' 10. E' 1/21 - 'A' 2/9. 2/129.	
114.	"	0905		B.M.	Plans. (OUT 15)	Req 2/9 to watch for progress of tanks BREN tanks NOT to go to salvage.	Bde. Bnd. spoke to C.O. 2/9 at 0920 hrs.
115.	"	0910		Bde. Cmd.	Plans. (OUT 15)	To COL. ARNOLD. (a) What about cleaning up GIROPA CK. area - further tank to be made available. (b) Patrols to report on where CK. crossable what ground is like on the other side. Report as soon as possible. TK. off to be used + engt.	
116.	"	0915		B.M.	Verbal. (OUT 15)	To MAJOR MASS. - Sixth tank to be made available, seventh to be fed up for immediate replacement.	

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116 cont.	2 JAN.					Tank off. will be required for recce of bridges.	
117.	"	0950		B.M.	Plans. (OUT 15)	Lieut MACKENSAY named of probable engr. recce of his side GIROPA.	
118.	"	0935		Arty	Plans. (OUT 15)	Arranging for fighters to engage small boats off BUNA MISSION.	
119.	"	0940		B.M.	Plans. (OUT 15)	To 2/10: - W enemy order that 2/10 could be taking on defence of coconuts gear at a later stage. G.M.M.G. will repair them for this purpose from CAPE ENDAIADERE.	
120.	"	0950		F.O.D.	Plans. (OUT 15)	Left flank has advanced 50', right 75'	Phone to B.M.
121.	"	1000		S2 128 Lt.	Plans.	Inform. from P.W. 200 of naval less 100 remnants in Coconuts. Vicinity large bridge 100 mls of 50 mls at BUNA MISSION. Submarine landed 10 days supply of amm. stores 4 days ago. # of URBANA FORCE patrol sunk in our lines.	Bde. Bnd. & B.M. informed (V.) also 2/12, who was instructed to search for possible JAP. H.Q. on GIROPA PT. + fwd. any documents.
122.	"	1035		S2 128 Lt.	Phone.	P.W. says 7 L.M.G. + 10 H.M.G. (amm. store). 5 mms very short in coconut area. Plenty of L.M.G. ammunition.	Bde. Bnd. & B.M. advised (V.) Passed to 2/12.

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133.	2 JAN.	1100		2/90 ISgt	Phone	Reported all quiet. 2 vickers, brought up on left on frd. posn.	
134.	"	1105		2/9 I.Sgt.	Phone.	Cannot see our tps. appear to have swung off to South. 2 WIRRAWAYS, 4 MARAUDERS + 4 AIRCOBRAS staff boats off BUNA MISSION.	Bde. Cmd. informed (V)
135.	"	1110		Lt. SHERWIN L.O.	Phone	JAP. P.W. just died. P.W. said that there were 100 Chinese coolies in area, about 50 left and scattered.	Bde. Cmd + B.M. informed (V.)
136.	"	1140	1125	BECH 2/9	Phone.	Saw a black object 3000 yds. out to sea. on bearing of 60°. Distance taken by rangefinder.	
137.	"	1150		2/12	Phone	2 JAPS just surrendered. Sent radio message to BRIDGE. 2/12 warned to search them thoroughly.	Bde. Cmd + B.M. informed (V.)
138.	"		1145	IS79 (OUT 16) 1860E		Sitrep to 1200 hrs.	To 32 U.S. Div. info Adm. N.G.F. 128 Regt, 183rd Atty, 2/9, 2/10.
139.	"		1100	B.M.	Kibal (OUT 17)	advised S.C. + Sig. offr. of probable relief and necessary alterations in plan. Sig. offr. + atty. sig. offr. going on recce for Bde. H.Q.	
140.	"		1110.	Bde. Cmd	Phone (OUT 17)	To C. 02/12: - Advance 200 yds. on left + 100' on night. Warned 2/12 of possible relief late in day. Asked of recce of GIROPA CK Maj. TYE reporting to CAPT. MAY for purpose of	- SIT MAP.

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141 Cont.	2 JAN.					rec. of routes and ways of crossing for tks. across GIROPA CK. Lt. MCKINSAY will report in 4 hrs. Only one bridge known of - weight carrying capacity unknown. 2/12 to liaise with 4/128 re ground to their front.	
141.	"		1140	B.M.	Phone (OUT 17)	To Lt MCKINSAY. To report to H.Q. 2/12. Major TYE is with offr. during recce.	
142.	"		1125	B.M.	Phone (OUT 17)	To 53 128 Regt: - Recce by 1/128 to their front for passage of inf. and tks. to their front. Information by dark this evening supported by sketch. offrs. report necessary.	
143.	"	1210	1200	32 U.S. DIV	Phone	MIC OREL + 2 interpreters are going to BRIDGE to meet P.W.	B.M. informed (V.)
144.	"	1210		Beach Study (1142)	Kibal	Reported 2 black objects larger?? out to sea beyond CAPE ENOAIADERE	B.M. informed (V.) 32 U.S. Div. info WIRRAWAY intelligence.
145.	"	1218		2/12	Phone.	P.W. who captured at 277 258. They were black + apparently had been there all night. 2/12 + 2 wounded	Bde. Cmd + B.M. informed (V.)
146.	"		1125.	1140E	IS78 (OUT 18)	ACK your correspondence SHIP TO SHORE recognition signals.	To 32 U.S. Div. info Adm. N.G.F.

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147	2 JAN.	1217		2/12	Phone	250 ^x adv. on left, 150 ^x on right 277257 left - can see mouth of CK. 277256. Left flank has cleaned up all pillboxes & can see only slit trenches in front of them. GIROPA PT. is ours. odd spots of resistance being cleaned up now. Big pill-box cleaned out & papers being sent in.	Bde. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.
148	"	1240		Bde. Comd.	Phone	To 2/12 rear to get in touch with 2/12 Fwd. get no reports why & how map up.	
149	"	1325		2/9 Bn.	Phone	'B' Coy. reports TKs. 50 ^x across CK directly opposite Athli H.Q. TKs. blowing stuff in air everywhere. From little H.Q. at least one section of inf. at mouth of CK on back ready to fall down. Bn hear Australians shouting to each other. WIRRAWAY just strafing in water two bags off BUNA MISSION.	Bde. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.

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150	2 JAN.	1330	1320	I.O.	Phone	TKs. reported 150 ^x forward of coconuts coming down SIMEMI CK supported by infantry. Ldn by I. Sgt & F.O. Mr HENORON-SMITH!	Bde. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.)
151	"	1331		2/12	Phone	Tap captured with map. Being sent back to BRIDGE after being pinched throughly.	Bde. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) Lt. CONNOLLY informed through Fwd. Report Brtl.
152	"	1342	1340	2/9	Phone	'B' Coy. say 2 tks. & inf. 279257. appear to be blowing A.K. Tps. appear to be unaccounted. Reported by Lt. JACKSON.	Bde. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.
153	"		1220	B.M.	Phone (IN 2)	To 2/12: 24-69 grenades going to 2/12	
154	"		1240	Bde. Comd.	Phone (IN 2)	To C.O. 2/12: Tld him to report personal contact of S.E. strand.	
155	"		1404	I.O.	Phone	Message to B.M.: 2/10 an S.E. prints of coconuts C.O. 2/10 thinks it would be unwise for him to go fwd. as it would confuse the issue. He is waiting in case the JAPS break this way to use them some with Vickers. awaiting Bde. Bnd's orders.	Bde. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.

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156.	2 JAN.	1414		2/9	Phar	Report L.M.G. giving trouble approx. 28125+	2/12 infmd (V.) B.M. informed (V.)
157.	"	1430		CAPT. KENT S.C.	Verbal	S.C. reports craft at sea abt 2000 yd at bearing 45° from HAKIKO.	
158.	"	1380		2/12	Phone (1142)	GIROPA PT. - fill box on far side still active. Δ 50/100 in GIROPA	SITMAP.
159.	"	1445		Branch Stry	Verbal	Mc-157 aerial. Boat seen signalling moving off in direction of TUFL.	
160.	"	1443		I.O. 2/10	Phone	Sending in Recd. party to stated 2/12. (cut off by PRIORITY call from C.O 2/10 to B.M)	B.M. informed (V.)
161.	"	1447		2/12	Phone	GIROPA PT. now mopped up. Estimated 300 or more enemy dead. (75-100 in pillbox area) 'D' Bay - no casualties until 1545. 'A' Bay - 2 killed? wounded.	Bde. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) SITMAP.
162.	"	1449		LT CONNOLLY	Phone	JAP confirms fact that GIROPA PT. was H.G. area, also that there are about 196 JAPS in S.E. end of account. The 23 P.W.s were KOREANS. Sketches cases to be evacuated through medical channels. Wounded to DOBODURA then out by plane.	Bde. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.)

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163.	2 JAN.	1452		2/12	Phone	17 men on spot collecting materials from JAP H.A. Mr Connolly gave orders that no material was to be destroyed. Some material on way back.	Bde Bnd & B.M. advised (V.)
164.	"	1500		MAJ. TYE.	Verbal (IN 3)	BRIDGE abt 1/2 way near GIROPA PT. quite O.K. for tanks. Beach also O.K. CK abal bridge (NW) possible crossings but will be impaled with timber. Bridgehead good. Beach quite fair.	Bde. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.)
165.	"	1450 1600	1880E		I 570 (OUT 20)	Litch. Bofey filed.	To 32nd S. DN with AdNGF, Art, 16 Bde, 128 Regt, 2/10 & 2/11.
166.	"	1612		1612 16L HOWE	Phone	Reported BUNA MISSION is in our hands. Mopping up to be completed. Sans firing at MISSION from GIROPA PT	SITMAP Bde. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) 2/12 infmd + told to warn fwd. tps. not to fire MISSION.
167.	"	1530	1880E		097 (out 19)	2/10 Aust. Inf. Bn. will take abt foothold from 2/12. Bn area of account goes between line of GIROPA CK and 2/10 Bn. present front. 2/12 Aust. Inf. Bn. will maintain present line on GIROPA CK. It will retain point of junction with 1/128 U.S. Bn. 2/12 Bn. will organize on this line in preparation for ops. 3 JAN. 2/10 Bn. will effect point of junction with 2/9 Bn. at mouth of SIMEMI CK. and will be responsible for mopping up all remaining	To 2/10 & 2/12 Bns. Recd to C.O. 5 2/10, 2/12 Bns. SITMAP.

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167 cont.	25 JAN					points of resistance in this area for protection against infiltration (aggr) by land and for beach defence. 2/12 Br. will NOT report NOT vacate any ground until it is taken over by 2/10 Br. 2/10 and 2/12 Br. will wear remain it short notice. ACK.	
168	"	1420	1650	1860E	ISBI (OUT 21)	32 U.S. Div. advises that the BUNA MISSION area is completely in the hands of URBANA FORCE. a line of outposts is to be established connecting our force and URBANA from 272257 to 268258.	128 J.S. Regt, City 18124, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12. SIT. MAP
169	"	1420			GEN. BERRYMAN (OUT 22)	Req to say G.O.C. desirous of track through to GOVT GARDENS.	
170	"		1440	B.M.	Phone (OUT 22)	To 2/9 Br. - investigate whether any enemy on 2/9 side of SIMEMI CK.	
171	"		1445	B.M.	Phone (OUT 22)	2/10 ordered to move fwd and make contact with 2/12 reporting when contact made.	Passed on to SIT. MAP.
172	"		1450	B.M.	Phone (OUT 22)	3/128 to extricate so ground taken over by 2/10. 3/128 then to slice 1/128, 1/128 to move to 2/9 area. Guides from 2/9 to meet them at bridge.	To COL. MARTIN - Passed on to SIT. MAP.

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173	2 JAN.		1500	B.M.	Phone (OUT 22)	To 2/12 Br. - adjt. advised of above.	
174	"		1505	B.M.	Phone (OUT 22)	To C.O. 2/9. advised of above - guides to bridge.	
175	"				(OUT 23)	2/9 Reinforcements O.K. 2/12 Reinforcements under cmd. 2/12. 2/10 Reinforcements to join 2/10. all reinforcements now available to Br. cmd.	
176	"		1530	B.M.	Phone (OUT 23)	To C.O. 2/10: - ① Reinforcements come under Br. forthwith. ② Read 097. ③ TK available in case of necessity.	
177	"		1545	B.M.	Phone (OUT 23)	above to CAPT WILSON 2/10.	
178	"		1545	B.M.	Phone (OUT 23)	To C.O. 2/12: - ① Read 097. ② Reinforcements come under cmd. ③ 2/9 Coy. to be held off, report when this is possible. ④ Point of resistance on Wmuth SIMEMICK.	
179	"		1600	B.M.	Phone (OUT 23)	M. J. GIARD v Col. ARNOLO informed that 2/12 reinforcements now under cmd. 2/12.	
180	"	1745			COL. BOBBS 2/10 (OUT 23)	① 2/10 has taken over. ② Squad on planes being maintained.	Phone to B.M. SIT. MAP.

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181	2 JAN.		1800	B.M.	Phns. (OUT 23)	Advised C.O. 2/9 Bn. that 'A' Coy. was moving back to BRIDGE and now to come into Bds. res.	Pass on to SITMAP.
182	"		1800	B.M.	Og6 (OUT 24)	3/128 U.S. ln. will relieve 1/128 U.S. ln. in present positions forthwith. When in position 3/128 Bn. comes under comd. (direct) of this H.Q. On completion of relief 1/128 will move to area CAPE ENDAIADERE and will relieve 2/9 of their present positions. 6 M.M.G. 2/10 Aust. Inf. Bn. will also be relieved and will report to comd. 2/10. Bn. will send guide to (M.M.G. det. forthwith. Guides from 2/9 Bn. will meet sub-units of 1/128 U.S. ln. at BRIDGE 294244. On completion this relief 2/9 Aust. Inf. Bn. will move to area 285246 already recd. As each relief is complete ln. taking on position will advise H.Q. 1800 hrs. by immediate signal. 128 U.S. Regt. less 3/128 U.S. ln. will assume responsibility for defence of sea CAPE ENDAIADERE to SIMEMI CK. and for beach defence from south SIMEMI CK. south to incl. HARICO from time of completion of relief of 2/9 ln. by 1/128 U.S. ln. ACK.	Message not sent through signals, but arrangements being cancelled. To 128 U.S. Regt, 1/128 U.S. Bn, 2/9, 2/10. Aust. Inf. Bn, S.C., Sigs, 1st Lt. 2/12 ln. Pass on to SITMAP.
183	"		1800	B.M.	Phns. I.O. 1800 hrs.	Plnsd 1/126 to take P.W. at BRIDGE + guard them, after interpreter has questioned them.	

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184	2 JAN. 1810		2/12	Phns.		Fwd. rps on GIROPA PT. report U.S. rps, 100x Bds. Bnd + B.M. in fact on beach area preceding pillboxes informed (V.) Command Post location reported to B.M. 3/128 have relieved 1/128.	
185	" 1840		2/9	Phns.		One platoon of 'B' Coy. are attacking a position on the island in SIMEMI CK. Has had 2 casualties + killed 2 JAPS.	Bds. Bnd + B.M. informed (V.)
186	" 1854		128	Phns	Regt. Inter-plate	P.W. KOREANS of 15 LABOUR BN. 1/126 have taken on prisoner P.W.	
187	" 1857		2/12	Phns.		American officer contacted fwd. rps. + rpted all pillboxes on other side GIROPA CK. in beach strip cleaned up.	Bds. Bnd + B.M. informed (V.) G3. 32 U.S. Div. infund.
188	"		1900	B.M.	Og8 (OUT 25)	Ops. 3 JAN. 18 Aust. Inf. Bde. gp. will continue advance from GIROPA CK. N.W. along coast. Fwd. 2/12 Aust. Inf. Bn. with its support 4 tanks X Squ 2/6 Aust. Arm. Regt. 3/128 U.S. ln. will advance as left flank guard in conformity with 2/12 ln. Risomr. 2/9 Bn. on arrival area 285295 and 2/10 ln. present location. ZERO NOT report NOT before 0830 hrs. Fwd tanks incl one tk. for intercomm. will report to 2/12 ln. by 0815. 2/12 ln. will report to this H.Q. by 0730 hrs	To 128 Regt, X Squ 2/6 Aust Regt, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12 rptd 32 U.S. Div, adv U.G.F.

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188 cont.	2 JAN.					situation to their front on GIROPA CK Administration & intercomm unchanged. ACK.	
189.	"	1905	1880E.	099 (OUT 26)		128 U.S. Regt. has 3/128 U.S. bn will assume responsibility for defence of area between SIMEMI CK and about south from CAPE ENDAIADERE and beach defence south to incl. HARIKO at 0800 hrs 3 JAN. 3/128 U.S. bn comes under operational comd. of this H. G. at 0800 hrs. 3 JAN but remain under administrative comd. 128 U.S. Regt. ACK	To 128 U.S. Regt. ytd 2/12/44. SIT. MAP.
190.	"	1905		2/9	Phons.	'B' cleared island at mouth of SIMEMI CK. 16 JAPS killed. 4 O.R.s 2/9 + 10 R.2/10 killed.	Bde. bnd & B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.
191.	"	1930		2/12	Phons.	Sitrep to 1800 hrs. L/2. Area of coconuts cleared from SIMEMI CK. to GIROPA PT. Bn. in pos. GIROPA area in contact with 2/10 bn and 3/128. 'D' Coy. CK line near GIROPA PT. excl. road and connecting 3/128 at 273261. H. G. Coy + attached ('B' & 'C') incl. Bridge at 273262 extends to small along coast connecting 2/10 at 274263. Bn. H. G. position platoon from this point on 1950 to 274260. 'A' Coy. connects + joins, extending towards end of CK. 30 yds + swings North to rd. at 273261. Own casualties approx 25 killed + wounded. Enemy casualties very heavy approx 450 killed. P.W. 28.	Bde. bnd & B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.

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192.	2 JAN.	1930		2/12	Phons.	Line along rd. along bridge for approx 250 yds, swings south to jungle. American line.	Bde. bnd & B.M. informed (V.)
193.	"	2015		2/10	Phons. I.O.	Unfinal report in serial NO. 190	
194.	"	2230		MAJOR HAWKINS 32 DIV.	Phons.	After this action, 18 Bde. comes into N.E.F. area.	Bde. bnd & B.M. informed (V.)
195.	"	2030	1880E.	1582 (OUT 27)		Sitrep to 2000 hrs. copy filed.	To 32 U.S. DM. ytd Adv N.E.F. City 18 Bde, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12
196.	3 JAN	0320		128 Regt.	Phons.	all quiet.	
197.	"	0335		2/12	Phons.	all quiet.	
198.	"	0340		1/126	Phons.	2/9 was relieved by 1/126. 2/9 moving to BECH. area.	
199.	"	0340 0346		1880E	Phons.	unable to raise 2/10.	
200.	"	0400	1880E.		Phons.	Regt 32 U.S. Div. reported all quiet. Situation unchanged.	

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201.	3 JAN.		0730	B.M.	Phone (OUT 28)	To 2/12 } 3/128 } - 2/12 + 3/128 to liaison with U.S. 2/10. } URBANA TOS. COL. ARNOLD to assist with tanks, and 3/128 with fighting patrols to clean up area between two forces. 3/128 to carry on cleaning up. 2/10	
202.	"		0735		2/12 Phone	Tank rec. party has arrived.	B.M. informed (V.)
203.	"		0745	B.M.	Phone (OUT 28)	Advised 32 U.S. Div. of facts in serial No 201. asked them to pass to N.G.F.	
204.	"		0812		Sigs. Phone	Sigs. report boat about NORTH of the CAPE. 3530 from 312231 (BUNA LOCALITY) appears to be two masterly with one funnel. about 15 miles out.	Bde. Bndt B.M. inform. (V.) 32 U.S. Div. inform.
205.	"		0845		Phone (OUT 28)	Boat activity at GONA wreck. barge ship on horizon.	Reported to 32 U.S. Div. COL. HOWE.
206.	"		0900	18 hrs	Phone (OUT 29)	Tank position ① Eight running and two possible additional within 48 hrs. All tks. require considerable maintenance. C.O. tks. advise 48 hrs. maintenance will be lost cause.	

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207.	3 JAN 0858			2/9	Phone	Bu in area 27 4256. Will be moving about 1300 hrs. Expect. to be in new area approx. 1400 hrs.	Bde. Bndt B.M. inform. (V.) SIT. MAP.
208.	"		0920	B.M.	Phone (OUT 30)	To 2/9 } Reinforcements to be about B'ECH 2/10 } + H.Q. Coy. personnel to be cut down 2/12 } to minimum and rifle sup. brought up to best possible strength.	
209.	"		0925	COL. BERTMAN N.G.F.	Phone (OUT 30)	Warning note that one tp. would be required to move as soon as possible.	Phone to B.M.
210.	"		1000	L.A.D. off.	VERBAL	Reported finding two bottles, 100 cubic feet in capacity, thought to be OXYGEN. Chinese characters on tag on bottles. Interpreted at 32 U.S. Div. examined characters, checked them twice + pronounced them to translate as NITROGEN. Bottles of high pressure checked with medical authorities + said to be of no medical significance. 15 bottles also found near CONTROL TOWER on OLD STRIP. Not yet tested. Found 2 bottles were found near runway, also near old hospital in accounts at CAPE ENDAIADEKE.	Bde. Bndt B.M. inform. (V.) G3 32 U.S. Div. inform.
211.	"		1015	S2 3/128	Phone	Reported contacted C.O. of unit on left flank (127 U.S. Regt) last night JAPS attempted to infiltrate back through line of outposts, seemed to be trying to break. 1 JAP captured + 8 killed. Captured JAP said that there were 100 JAP in this area + MISSION, some armed with rifles, others unarmed. 6 JAP were killed, and one L.M.G. fired + captured latter senselessly.	B.M. informed (V.)

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212.	3 JAN. 1030			G3 3L U.S. DIA	Phone	Major HAWKINS wished I.O. to send him a periodic intelligence report to reach him this evening. Report to cover operations of 18 Bde as from beginning to end of period. FORM: - <u>PARA 1.</u> Enemy situation at end of period. (A) Front line (B) Units in contact. (C) Artillery. (D) Reserves. (E) Supply & vaccination. <u>PARA 2</u> Enemy ops during period. (A) General summary. (B) Operations of component elements, navy, air force, etc. <u>PARA 3.</u> (A) Enemy casualties & including prisoners. (B) Morale. (C) Supply & eqpt. (D) Probable knowledge of our situation, whether invisibility and any enemy intelligence not covered. No conclusions to be drawn.	Informed G.3. I.O. sent first. Might be back later, which would delay report.
213.	" 1045			Lt COOPER 1126.	Phone	Tk. 6 mt. informs him that Americans had badly wounded JAP sent to BRIDGE near pillboxes. JAP wants to talk. Interpreter watches soon as possible. Please form 128 U.S. Regt.	Unable contact 128 U.S. Regt. at once. Contacted 128 Regt. at 12.05 hrs. Interpreter being sent.
214.	" 1130	0906		GEN. EICHEL- BERGER.	4948 (IN 4)	Message recd. from ADV. NGF at 2346/22. QUOTE: "X Sqn. 6 Armcd. Regt. in conjunction with U.S. BUNA FORCE will conduct early recce for suitable tank units U.S. BUNA FORCE area. Report on possible routes will reach adv. N.G.F. as early as possible."	To Div. engs, 18 Bde, seen by Bdr. B.M. + B.M. Maj. BALDOCK U.S. Engrs. seeing track p.m. 3 JAN.

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215	3 JAN. 1130	1000		GEN. EICHEL- BERGER.	Message (IN 5)	Message received from Adv. N.G.F. Quote "On conclusion BUNA ops. X Sqn. 6 Armcd. Regt. lessons tp. because portion NGF resists and remains under command. 18 Inf. Bde. One tp. X Sqn. 6 Armcd. Regt. will come under command. 7A mt. Div. at same time and will work under arrangement U.S. BUNA FORCE to 7A mt. Div. area as soon as practicable after necessary maintenance".	Seen by Bdr. B.M. + B.M.
216.	"			MAJOR MOSS.	Phone (IN 6)	Spoke to Maj KING at N.G.F. re gear maintenance form. 4 tanks will be prepared to move a.m. 4 JAN.	
217.	"		1700	18 BDE.	0102 (OUT 30)	Patrol from 127 U.S. Regt. has traversed area Government Gardens to coast. No organised resistance. One advance clear of all but enemy stragglers. No change dispositions. Today's activity organisation and combat are for stragglers. (IMMEDIATE.)	To 32 U.S. Div. rptd Adv. N.G.F.
218.	" 1700			2/12	Phone	H. 9. 27+262 - 'D' 272261 to 273262 - 'B' 273262 to Coast 273263 - 'C' 274263 to Rd. 274261 - 'A' 273261 to 273260 Captured: - 40 JAP rifles, 2 H.M.G, 1 L.M.G, 1 triple POM POM, 1 twin POM POM, 1 motorcycle + side car, 1 mountain gun on wheels, 12 bicycles, 19 other vehicles (all unmovable).	SIT. MAP.

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219.	3 JAN.		1730	18BDE.	Phone	S.C. informant that JEEPS would be working with lights all night. There will NOT be any shooting nor is there to be any threatening to shoot at JAP lights.	128 Regt, 3/128, 2/9 1/128, infund. 128 Regt. asked to inform 17 Bde. business & Tank base.
220.	"	1800		2/9	ISS3 Phoned.	2/9 Bn. now 303246. Request inform. regarding censorship regulation. Is it allowable to mention having been in action. Early inform. would be appreciated.	SIT.MAP. Told that personnel may mention having been in action, but NO details, NO mention of casualties.
221.	"	1905	1720	Adv. N.G.F.	SD194 (IN 7)	Det. C Sqn. 2/6 Regt. to move by sea HARIKO to MILNE to rejoin sqn. at earliest. (Message To. 18 Bde. C. O.S. C. ORO BAY, aptd 11 Aust. Div. N.G.F.)	B.M. infund (M). Major MOSS infund. (V.).
222.	"			Adv. N.G.F.	(IN 8)	Further to my 0490 dated 2 JAN. One tp. 4 tks. X Sqn. 6 Amnd Regt. and det. L.A.D. will move from present location to SOPUTA sea commencing 0700 L/A. Route OLD STRIP - DOBODURA - INONDA - POPONDETTA - SOPUTA as previously recd. Estimated time of arrival P.M. 5 JAN. 7 Div. will arrange guides POPONDETTA marks.	Recd. by B.M.
223.	"			COL. HOWE	(IN 8)	Col. HOWE reports COL. CAREW says track is O.K.	

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224.	3 JAN	2100		MAJ. KING. N.G.F.	Phone	Telephoned to say that move had been postponed postponed 24 hrs.	phoned to B.M. MAJ. MOSS advised.
225.	"	2100		2/9	Phone.	Sitrep - sitnos.	
226.	"	2100		BEACH GUARD.	Phone.	Thought he saw rocket straight to sea from 18 Bde. H.Q. Reddish light on horizon, wispy.	checked with 1/128 nothing seen.
227.	"	2105		adv. 2/10	Phone.	Reported Americans on left on 2/12, in N.W. corner of jungle where it meets coasts has been firing lot of grenades & automatic rifles.	32 U.S. Div. infund. checked with 3/128 Tps. thought they saw movement ahead. False alarm. 2 p.m. adv. 2/10.
228.	"	2135		BUNA FORCE	Message Phoned.	Quote: - From: - Adv N.G.F. 0502 To: - 7 Aust. Div. In view of muddy condition of road now of 3 TP. of X Sqn. 6 Amnd. Regt. and det L.A.D. is postponed until 0700Z. 5 JAN.	Major Moss infund. B.M. infund 0730 hrs. 4 JAN.
229.	"	2229		N.G.F. GEN. HENKING'S A.D.C.	Phone.	JEEP will be sent from DOBODURA as far as road is trafficable to meet Bde. Bnd.	Lt. CONNOLLY took call. Bde. Bnd. infund (V.)
230.	"	2230		128 Regt.	Phone.	Message from 32 U.S. Div. Quote: - H.Q. 291 Aust. Fo. Regt. comes under comd. 7 Aust. Div. as from 0900 hrs 4 JAN.	

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231.	3 JAN.		2238	18Bck	Phons.	Planned 2/12 re-firing of guns in distance.	2/12 reported gun fire in distance probably 3-4 miles distant.
232.	"	2245		BEACH SENTRY	Phons.	Reports light & flashes off HARIKO, 3 in fire minutes.	Contacted RZN 4 who reports shipping spotted from ORO BAY. Hence lights.
233.	4 JAN.		0400	18Bck	Phons.	Step-sitrus planned to 32 U.S. Div	
224.	"	0950		COL. BOWEN 32 U.S. DIV	Phons.	Co-ordinating boundary. This boundary will be for the purpose of co-ordinating operations against remaining enemy. From CREEK West of GIROPA PT. 272262 to edge of clearing 271258 to where grid enters clearing 270254 along edge of clearing to 268253 thence through A.A. pom. 265252, thence to point on trail 259249. Boundary is inclusive to URBANA FORCE. C.O. URBANA FORCE will co-ordinate activities along boundary with C.O. 128 Regt.	128 Regt. Message given to 53rd Lt. to be passed as soon as possible. C.O. 53rd Lt. H.Q. a/c 2/12 infd. Rpt 2/10 2/12 try to contact B.M.
225.	"	1045		32 U.S. Div.	Phons	Lt. WINKLER to ring RAMRODI (Lt ANGEL) on his return.	all over 0103 4/1

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226.	4 JAN.	1100		2/10	Phons.	Enemy weapons:- One 3" arty. piece at 282253 287253 One triple POM POM " 280255. Two L.M. G's One LEWIS gun in good order at 282253. One twin POM POM at 282253. Twin barrel BROWNING (A.A. 303) Single barrel H.M. G. (.5 BROWNING). One 2" gap mortar. One grenade discharger.	
227.	"	1205		18Bck	0103 (OUT31)	Following from 32 U.S. Div. for information and necessary action. Begins. Co-ordinating boundary. This boundary will be for the purpose of co-ordinating operations against enemy. From CREEK West of GIROPA PT. 272262 to edge of clearing 271258 to where grid enters clearing 270254 along edge of clearing to 268253 thence through A.A. pom. 262252 thence to point on trail 259249. Boundary is inclusive to URBANA FORCE. C.O. URBANA FORCE will co-ordinate activities along boundary with C.O. 128 Regt. Ends. C.O. 3/128 U.S. Div. will contact C.O. URBANA FORCE to effect above coordination.	To 3/128 U.S. Div. B.M. say 60/128 to insure the message is made with C.O. URBANA FORCE. B.M. explained to Col. BOWEN that 128 Regt not operating in this area at present.

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228	4 JAN.	1215		3/128	Phone.	From operations offrs. Report on patrols. 1) Trunk out 0945. Finish in 1120. Six patrols each of four men. Area patrolled 271258-274252-269248-267252-269254. Three patrols left and did not get through to clearing owing to swamp. Patrol took and P.W. who indicated by sign language that there were mine JAPS scattered in area. (Since 127 has killed eight since p.m. 3 JAN. ops. offrs. think may account for the mine).	B.M. informed (V.)
229	"	1315		2/10	Phone	2 P.W. captured in dugout near sea in 'D' Coy area. Dugouts have been burnt out + mine filled in. Going through them again.	B.M. advised (V). 2/10 told to send P.W. to BRIDGE where sent will take them on. Placed 120 Mgt. to send reports to Bridge & sent from 1/126 Shun to B.M.
230	"	1315		NGF.	By HAND.	N.G.F. Litrep 138 to 1700L/1 JAN - No 139 to 0400L/2 JAN - No 140 to 1700L/2 JAN - No 141 to 0400L/3 JAN - No 142 to 1700L/3 JAN - No 143 to 0400L/4 JAN.	

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231	5 JAN.					Bde. Bnd B.M. + I.O. went to 7 Ant. Div. H.Q. at SOPUTA. 2/9 Bn. + Bde. personnel w/c Capt. Quilty + Lt. McColm. marched to Luvua area near GERUA RIVER.	
232	6 JAN.					2/10 Bn. marched in to join 2/9 Bn. at above Luvua area. Further Bde. personnel w/c Capt. Bonds arrived.	
233	"	1000	0835	30 Bds.	I 84. (IN 1)	Litrep. to 0800 hrs. Exchange of grenade fire from our posns. immediately left of road at 178248. Sound of motor resembling truck labouring heavily heard on bearing 155° from our posn. at 177254 at 2015 hrs. This is the third time over a period of 5 weeks that the sound of a motor has been heard from this side.	2/9 Bn. advised SIT.MAP.
234	"	1200	1445	7 Ant Div.	02133 (IN 2)	Litrep. to 1400 hrs. 103 Rec. P.M. 5 JAN. Patrol of 3 located enemy constructing M.G. posts. 6 small arms and 2 Japs 2 killed, 1 wounded. Perimeter extended. Paid a Jap. posn. to immediate north unsuccessful. One offr 2 E.M. wounded, 3 E.M. missing. Sniper activity 15 Japs killed. AM 6 JAN. Patrol on LofC between rd. block and 30 Bde.	2/9 advised. SIT.MAP.

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234 (cont)	6 JAN.					captured BREN gun from Japs who exploded booby trap set by U.S. troops. 14 Bds 55/53 ln. around GONA area. On AK strafed JAP O.P. at 134305 ref. map. BUNA which. 18 Bds 2/9 ln. now located vicinity SOPUTA BR. on East bank GIRUA riv. 21 Bds. Details H.Q. 21 Bds. moved POPONDETTA a.m.	
235	6 JAN.	1900	1830	7th Aust Div.	02138 (IN 3)	Litrap to 1800 hrs. 163 Regt. Motor starts on from JAP pos. throughout day. 222 all ranks 163 U.S. Regt. arrived DOB to-day. 30 Bds. slight advance made from West on left of SOPUTA-SANANANDA track. 18 Bds. 2/10 ln. now located vicinity SOPUTA BR. 14 Bds. 36 ln. est. at 145297, all informed.	2/9, 2/10 ln. informed by message I 4. SIT. MAP
236	"	2000	1820	30 Bds.	187 (IN 4)	Litrap to 1800 hrs. Pressure on JAPS pocket right of road area 181249 continued. KANO river patch located further Enemy pos. area 176257. See JAPS pos. slight advance by KANO on left of road. Four Japs killed JASO area to-day. all informed.	2/9, 2/10 ln. informed by message I 4. SIT. MAP

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237	7 Jan	0930	2130 6	7th Aust Div.	02140 (IN 7)	location statement as at 1800 hrs 7 Jan. of all units, sub units, and deta under command. will be submitted by 1000 hrs. 8 JAN. all subsequent changes in locations will be advised by IMMEDIATE signal as soon as change received. Map. reference will be given where possible on GONA locality 4 with. Otter's BUNA 1 inch. all informed.	2/9, 2/10 advised
238	"	0930	0845 30	Bds.	I 88 (IN 5)	Litrap to 0800 hrs. Exchange of grenades under fire 2/7 Aust. Bds. area left of rd. Noise of mortar again heard in southern JAP. pos. 0430 hrs. Plane bearing green and red lights and white tail light on 30 Bds H.Q. 2155 hrs. On stry harassing fire throughout night. Otter's no change. all informed.	2/9, 2/10 advised also 2/12 by message I 4.
239	"	0930	0900	7th Aust Div.	I 976 (IN 6)	32 Div. to 1700 H.Q. No change dispositions. Patrols operating southeast from SIWORI and west from GIRUWA R. attempting to locate auxiliary track across to SANANANDA-SOPUTAN. One Jap. killed in swamp West of GIRUWA riv. and Jap killed in jungle to South. G. & F. obs. 127 Regt. held up 500 yds. from TARAKENA by M.G.'s covering tracks. all informed.	2/9, 2/10 advised also 2/12 by message I 4. SIT. MAP.

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240	JAN 7.	0930	0915	7 Aust Div.	02146 (IN 8)	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. (Filed)	2/9, 2/10 infund. Message I3. + 2/12.
241	"	0945	2020	7 Aust Div.	02136 (IN 9)	B. Sgt. 2/6. Aust. Amund. Regt. will use code name name CRACKER. with CRACKER when operating in 7 Aust. Div. area.	2/9, 2/10, 2/12 infund. Message I4.
242	"	1600	1440	7 Aust Div.	02151 (IN 10)	Sitrep to 1400 hrs. (Filed)	2/9, 2/10, 2/12 infund by I5.
243	"	1600	1224	163 Regt.	10 (IN 11)	Sitrep about 1200 hrs. (Filed)	
244	"	1600	0730	163 Regt.	7 (IN 12)	Sitrep about 1800 hrs 6 Dec. (Filed)	
245	"	-	-	-	-	Rece parties 2/9 Am fwd. PM. 7 Jan	
246	"	-	-	-	-	Rece parties 2/12 Am fwd. AM 8 Jan.	
247						COs conference at Ade HQ.	
249	7	2200	1600	7 Aust Div	187 2978	Tac R. AM 7 Dec. (File)	SIT.MAP. 2/9 2/10
250	7	-	1605	7 Aust Div	1979	Infm re enemy convoy. (File)	2/12 infund

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251	7	2200	1900	163 Regt	13.	Sitrep to 1800 hrs. (File)	2/9 2/10 2/12 infund
252	7	2200	1815	30 Bde	I 90	Sitrep to 1600 hrs. (File)	2/9 2/10 2/12 infund
253	7	2200	1950	7 Div	02154	Sitrep to 1800 hrs (File)	2/9 2/10 2/12 infund
254	8	1230	-	7 Div	-	Enemy <u>Intelligence</u> Review No 35	
255	8	1230	-	7 Div	-	Intelligence Review No 1 (Infm 5-7 Jan)	
256	8	1230	-	"	-	Tac/R report filed	SIT.MAP. 2/9 2/10 2/12
257	8	1230	0700	7 Div	-	Sitrep to 0700 L/8	2/9 2/10 2/12
258	8	1230	0845	7 Div	-	Sitrep to 0800 L/8	
259	8					PM. Conference - <u>COs</u>	
260	8		1450	7 Div		Tac/R 0740-0845 L/8	SIT.MAP.
261	8		1900	7 Div.	06	Sitrep to 1800 hrs.	SIT.MAP.
262	8		2045	7 Div.	I 984	32 Div. to 1700 L/8.	SIT.MAP.
263	8		2055	7 Div.	I 983	Tac/R. 1445-1535 L/8.	SIT.MAP.

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264	9 JAN.		0800	7 Div.	O 11	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. Quiet night - no change	
265	"		0910	7 Div	I 985	Ref. enemy convoy. Copy filed.	B.M. informed (M) B.M. informed (M)
266	"		1505	18 Bds.	I 11	moments Following relief completed @ 49 hrs. by 2/9. 39 hrs. by 2/12, except two sub-units. BOEREM fwd. by 2/12. BOEREM rear elements by air coy. 2/10. 30 Bde. closed 18 Bds. opened 1742 42 1500 hrs. 30 Bde. opening at rear from 1500 hrs. (Immediate 4 Div, 2/7 Cav, 14 Bds.)	Message to 7 Aust. Div, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12, 163 Regt, 14 Bds. Sit. map
267	"		1000	18 Bde	I 12	U.S. troops spotted outside KILLERTON TRACK area 1726. No details.	To 2/7 Cav, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12. Phone to 2/9.
268	"	1700	1545	30 Bds	I 97	Ref. BUNA trench short. 30 Bde reopened 184178 at 1540 hrs.	B.M. informed (M)
269	"	1520	1400	7 Div.	I 986	TAC/R 0800-1000 L/9.	Sit. map.
270	"		1915	18 Bde	I 12	Sitrep No 1 to 1900 hrs.	To 7 Aust Div, 14 Bds, 30 Bds, 163 U.S. Regt.
271	"		1845		I 988	TAC/R 1215-1345 L/9.	SIT. MAP.

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272	9 JAN.				(IN 1)	Copy of notes on Bde. binder's conference.	
273	"		1845	18 Bde	(OUT 1) O 111	M.T. rd. SAPUTA-SANANANDA will be used. 2/12.	To 2/7 Aust. Cav, 2/12. Sit. map
274	"	1845		G1 7 Div.	(IN 2) Phone	G1 req to req inform 18 Bde of movements S.E. from area of HUGGINS. 2/9 & 2/12 orders to push out to East lines of listening posts, each may have to look after itself.	Phone to B.M.
275	"	1905		L.O from 2/9.	Verbal. (IN 2)	Bde. cmd. agreed to extension of left flank west to M.T. rd. To liaise with 2/12 so that mutual support will result.	
276	"	1920		B.M.	Phone (IN 2)	2/12 advised of 2/9 proposed movement 10/11.	
277	"	2020		2/12	Phone	50 yds. fwd. red fwd. end of 'A' Coy. 2 killed.	Sit. map.
278	"	2030		7 Div.	O 16	Sitrep to 1800 hrs.	SIT. MAP
279	"	2040		2/9	Phone	2/9 patrols (local) a.m. 10 DEC. F.O.O. with 2/9 will be informed.	B.M. informed (V)
280	"	2105		30 Bde.	I 98	Location statement as at 1800 hrs.	SIT. MAP.

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281.	9 JAN.	2105		14 Bds	I 99.	Sitrep to 1800 hrs.	
282.	"	2105		2/12	Phons.	Sitrep - all quiet.	
283.	"	2125		2/12	Phons.	Re-completed change all of food. tps.	B.M. informed (V.) SITMAP
284.	"	2	2127	18 Bds	Phons.	7 Aust. Div. informed re above.	
285.	"	2130.		2/12	Phons.	Sitrep. 'A' occasional shots H.A, 'B', 'C' & 'D' quiet.	
286.	"	2145		103 ksq	NR 7.	To 1300 hrs. sitrep. U.S. casualties. 1 K. I.W.	
287.	"	2150		2/12	Phons.	Not straight line as planned. Barmy party withdrawn. 1 wounded. Our pos now 35' from enemy.	
288.	"	2200		2/12	Phons.	Sitrep - sitrep.	
289.	"	2230		2/12	Phons.	'A' Coy. occasional rifle fire + grenade throwing from our side. 'B', 'C' + 'D' all quiet.	
290.	"	2255		2/12	Phons.	All coy. report everything quiet.	
291.	"	2259		163 ksq to 7 Div.		Sitrep to 0800 hrs. 8 Jan. + 0800 hrs. 9 Jan.	
292.	"	2330		2/12	Phons.	all coy report everything quiet - no activity.	
293.	"	2345		7 Aust Div.	020.	Ango-SOPOTA rd. is closed to veh. traffic to + with 1300 hrs daily until further notice. Essential veh. traffic will proceed after 1300 hrs	

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293 cont.	9 JAN.					daily but only under strict discipline supervision. attention is drawn to previously issued instructions regarding maximum loading speeds + careful driving. all informed.	
294.	10 JAN	0005		2/12	Phons.	all coy. report everything quiet. No activity.	
295.	"	0200		2/12	Phons.	all quiet.	
296.	"	0408		2/12	Phons.	All quiet.	
297.	"	0645		7 Aust Div.	Phons.	Enquid start activity during night 9/10 JAN.	
298.	"	0845		18 Bds	I 13.	Sitrep No 2 to 0800 hrs	To 7 Aust. Div, 14 Bds, 30 Bds, 16305. Regt.
299.	"	0920		2/12	Phons.	all quiet at moment. Out of contact with 'C' Coy. C.O. gone food.	B.M. informed (V.)
300.	"	0953	0825	14 Bds	I 27.	Sitrep. sitrep. all informed	B.M. informed (M.)
301.	"	1015	0800	7 Aust Div.	023.	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. 14 Bds. Quiet night. 18 Bds relief of 30 Bds. completed at 2105 hrs. 9 JAN. 26305. S. Regt. 2 bn. cut KILLERTON track at 177266 and occupying pos. to North and South.	B.M. informed (M.) shown to Bds. Cnd., I.O. + ops. Sit. map.
302.	"	1100	1020	7 Aust Div.	I 990	32 div. to 1700 hrs. 1 bn 127 regt from SIWORI village to TARAKENA with E Coy. an sand bar strip. 40 enemy killed in TARAKENA to date. Det 126 regt. petrol. by GIRUWA mtr. Patrol. securing tracks from GIRUWA with westwards towards SANANANDA PT. all infd.	B.M. informed (V.) shown to Bds. Cnd., I.O. + ops. Sit. map.

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303.	10 JAN.	1100	0900	30 Bdr.	I 99.	Sites, to 0800 hrs. Relief of fed. by 39 Bdr. by 2/12 completed 2200 hrs. 9 AM. Except for rear parties all 30 Bdr. the remainder also. Quiet night, nothing further to report.	B.M. informed (W) of pos. Sit map.
304.	"	1135	18 Bdr.	I 14		2/10 in posn. aka 175249 at 1050 hrs.	To Aust Div. SIT. MAP.
305.	"	1210				General VASEY came to visit Bdr. bnd.	
306.	"	1100	1000	7 Aust Div.	I 989.	Tac/R. pm/9.	Show to Bdr. Bnd, B.M. I.O. Troops. Sit map.
307.	"	1130	1045	7 Aust Div.	I 991	Enemy shipping. 1850 L/9. 2 units, 3 destroyers, 4 torps, 80 miles S.S.W. GASMATA, course 90°. Movement possible coming from LAE returning to RABAU. 2 craft 7 miles N.W. 1 craft 18 miles East BUNA moving away 0320 L/10. all informed.	Show to Bdr. Bnd, B.M. I.O. Troops.
308.	"	1200	1105	2/10	O 125	2/10 in position as at 1050 L.	Sit. map. I 14 to 7 Aust. Div.
309.	"	1300	1205	14 Bdr.	I 29	Sites to 1200 hrs.	
310.	"	1530	1430	7 Aust Div.	O 27	Sites to 1400 hrs. Nothing to report. all informed.	
311.	"						

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312.	10 JAN	1500	1230	2/9	Phone.	'C' bay reports that sounds of furious enemy chopping, digging and hammering were heard at approx 185254. The sounds ceased at 1400 hrs. New enemy L.M.G. located at 185254.	Bdr. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) Sit. map.
313.	"	1525	1512	I.O. 2/2	Phone.	'A' bay left flash has reached rd. with no casualties at 1512 hrs. Four mortars or rifle grenades landed in area slight opposition. Rest going on according to plan.	Bdr. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) Sit. map.
314.	"	1530	1320	I. Sgt. 2/2	Phone.	0 in casualties. 2/12. 1K. 2W. 39hr 1W. 3 Troops.	
315.	"	1340	B.M.	Phone		Permission given by B.M. for 'I' personnel to erect track bed to Cas, 2/9, 2/12.	
316.	"	1615	1545	I Sgt. 2/9.	Phone.	0 left 'C' Bay. 02/12 has converted it SNIPERS TREE at 185252. at 1545 hrs. Fair amount of mortar seen at approx. 185253. using 2" mortar unit.	Bdr. Bnd & B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.
317.	"	1623		7 AUST. Div.	By D. R. S. 64/1/32	N.G.F.G.S. Section No 7 received with reports on arty, 3" + 81mm. mortar activity of same.	LUNEN ACTION

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318	10 JAN.	1727	1600	2/9.	Phone.	Rr-serial 316. Shopping recommenced at 1600 hrs same position. Light chopping at 185254.	Bdr. bnd r B.M. informed (V.) SIT.MAP.
319	"	"	1145			2/9 has advanced 150' - 2/12 not up. Contacted 2/12 who stated contact made of 2/9 & 2/12 Bn.	Ops. SIT.MAP.
320	"	"	1200	B.M.		Checked with CAV. No L.M.G. fir this morning.	Ops.
321	"	1758	1730	2/7	Hand. Car.	Strip No 21 to 1730 hrs. 10 JAN/43.	
322	"	1840	1815	30 BDE	I.100	Strip to 1800 hrs. Nothing to report.	
323	"	"	1840	B.M.	Phone.	Conferred with C.O. 2/12 for attack on apex of Bdr. bnd. spoke to C.O. 2/10, me say. at immediate notice, remaining caps. at 30 minutes notice.	Ops.

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324	10 JAN			B.M.		Harrassing fire on right flank of 2/9. night 16/11. Major Panfiliou. Advice by. to advise 163 Regt.	Ops.
325	"	"	1845	18 BDE	I.16.	Strip No 3 to 1800 hrs.	To 4 Aust. Div. rptd 163 V.S. Regt. 14 Bde, 30 Bde, 2/10, 2/7 Aust. Cav.
326	"	2008		2/7 Aust. Car.	Phone.	Nothing to report.	
327	"	"	2115	7 Aust. Div.	I.991	TAC/R 1605-1700 4/10.	SIT.MAP
328	"	2215		2/9	Phone.	All quiet. Shells falling opposite 'C' by. O.K.	
329	"	2330		2/12	Phone.	All quiet.	
330	"	2345	18 BDE		Phone.	Req 7 Aust. Div. & requested G duty officer that TAC/R A/C make special report of s.w. quality of ground, amount of water, whether passable to tracked vehicles.	

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331	11 JAN.	0242		18 BDE.	Phone.	Barrage off to commence tomorrow morning at approx 1030 hrs. Signal following.	
332	"	0550		2/12	Phone.	Sitrep - sitnor. Nil return 3" mortar, side adv. N.G.F. G.S. Instan. No 7.	
333	"		0555		Duty off.	Unable to visit 2/9 by phone.	
334	"	0750	0730	2/17	By	Sitrep No 21 to 0730 hrs 11 JAN/43.	
335	"		0610	18 Bde	I 17	To 7 Aust. Div. re - adv N.G.F. G.S. Instan No 7 - Nil return.	
336	"		0808	18 BDE.	I 18	Sitrep No 4 to 0800 hrs.	
337	"		1030			General VASEY visited Bde. bnd.	
338	"	1142		2/7 Aust. Div.	Phone.	C Sq. report NIL as to movement on their right flank.	
339	"	1150		2/12	Phone.	A Coy. reports all quiet, occasional Japs sniffing when our troops were sound.	
340	"	1155	0800	7 Aust. Div.	031	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. No change - all informed.	

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241	11 JAN.	1220		2/12	Phone.	Offs which got across road, 12 out of 24 are wounded. Being fired on from three sides.	Bde. bnd & B.M. informed (V.)
242	"	1215		2/c	Phone.	2/c 2/9 reported that pos. 185255 approx. to be occupied by Japs, found to be occupied by JAPS. Checking up with further recs. patrol.	Bde. bnd & B.M. informed (V.)
243	"					Bde bnd's conference a.m.	
244	"	1420	1030	7 Aust. Div.	I 993	32 Div. to 1700 4/10.	Shown to B.M. SIT. MAP.
245	"	1420	0830	30 BDE.	I 101	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. Nothing to report.	Shown to B.M.
246	"		1730	18 BDE.	0114	Barfurning verbal orders as thk. off. will report to H.Q. 2/9 Aust. Inf. Bn. by 0730 hrs 12 Jan purposes recd. reliability of area which has operated.	To Bde. 2/16 Aust. Div. Recd. ops.
247	"		1730	18 BDE.	0115	You will report to H.Q. 2/12 Aust. Inf. Bn. by 0730 hrs. 12 JAN for purposes Engrs recd during bn. ops.	LT. MCKENSAY 2/4 FD. Coy. ops.
248	"		1800	18 BDE.	I 20.	Ref. adv. N.G.F. G.S. Instan. No 7. Pass 2+3 Nil return. Pass 4 nil return.	To 7 Aust. Div.

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249	11 JAN.		1800	18 BDE	I 19	Strip Nos to 1800 hrs.	To 7 Aust. Div. repl. 1630. S. Reft. 30 BDE, 14 BAS, 2/10.
250	"		1815	30 BDE	I 101	Strip to 1800 hrs.	
251	"		1840	7 Aust. DIV.	O 49	Strip to 1800 hrs.	Shown to B.M. SIT. MAP.
252	"		2000	7 Aust. DIV.	I 996	Tac/R 1530-1630 2/11.	
253	"		2220	7 Aust. DIV.	O 55	Our tps. has established bridgehead. not flank creek at TARAKENA with object of advancing on GIRUWA tomorrow 12 JAN.	Seen by B.M.
254	"		2130	7 Aust. DIV.	O 53	Op. order 3. see copy number 8.	
255	"		2200	14 BDE	I 33	Strip to 1800 hrs.	Seen by Bde. Comd. + B.M.
256	12 JAN	0743	0715	7 Aust. DIV.	O 58.	Unit of communication in support. 12 JAN. TOT 1000 2/12.	
257	"	0755		2/7 CAV.	Phone.	Report discuss aty. fire to B. Sqn.	
258	"						
259	"						

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360	12 JAN.	0740		2/12	Phone.	TKs. up in posn.	
361	"	0801		2/12	Phone.	'B' + 'D' Bys + TKs. in posn.	
362	"	0815		2/12	Phone.	TK. report. TKs. has moved up to his of a left. Inf. advancing this area.	
363	"	0830		2/7 CAV.	Phone.	Units out to 'B' + 'C' Sgns. 'A' Sqn. fire at 0745 hrs. saw quite a lot of return fire.	
364	"	0830		2/12	Phone.	One TK. knocked out. No detail. 'B' Coy. past its first objective.	Bde. Comd. + B.M. infd (V.) SIT. MAP.
365	"	0845		I.O. 2/12	Phone.	Left flank contacted pillbox 25 yds. from at at line 75 yds. off road. This is checked advance slightly. Pill box is being engaged with grenades + Brens. One TK. hit by 2x37 m.m. A.P. Engine from new location of gun.	Bde. Comd. + B.M. infd (V.) SIT. MAP.
366	"	0847		I.O. 2/12	Phone.	'C' Coy. reports very lights on their front indicating pill-box.	Bde. Comd. + B.M. infd (V.)
367	"	0850	18 BDE	I 22.		One TK. reported hit by 37 m.m. A.P. shells. 2/12 2/9, 50 yds. advance. 2/12 engaging pillbox vicinity 179249. Further report that may have been hit by 20 m.m. or captured AITK. infd.	Bde. Comd. + B.M. infd (V.) SIT. MAP.

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368	12 JAN	0855	0815	21/C	Phone	Advanced 80 yds. 'A' Coy. on left held up by M.G. fire from their left. 'A' Coy at present working with this. Boy on right has taken at least two posts. 2/9 understanding to get two ceps. to work fwd. together.	Bdr. buds + B.M. informed (V.). SIT. MAP.
369	"	0855		7 Aust Div.	059	Letter to 0800 hrs. Last night, no sleep. all informed.	Letter to I.O.
370	"	0920		2/12	Phone	Bogged tank knocked out by gun. cannot locate latter.	Bdr. buds + B.M. infnd (V.)
371	"	0915				Comm. tank sent fwd. Tank first hit moving to H.Q. 2/12's comm. tank.	Bdr. buds + B.M. infnd (V.)
372	"	0925		2/12	Phone	Third tank reported out of action, burst into flames.	Bdr. buds + B.M. infnd (V.)
373	"	0925		F.O.O.	Phone	6 sec of bogged tank report gun to be 80' up road.	Bdr. buds + B.M. infnd (V.)
374	"	0927		2/12	Phone	Patch from 'C' Coy. moving out to locate gun.	Bdr. buds + B.M. infnd (V.)
375	"	0930		2/7 Cav.	Phone	Nothing to report. 'A' Sqn. firing intermittently - drawing nothing in return.	Bdr. buds + B.M. infnd (V.)
376	"	0935	0815	30 Bds	I 102	Letter to 0800 hrs. Nothing to report.	Letter to I.O.

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377	12 JAN	0935		16 Bds	I 23.	Message to DIV. re shell fragment which hit first tank. Fragment of shell also sent.	To 7 Aust. Div.
378	"	1015		2/7 Cav.	Phone	'A' Sqn. reports all quiet. 'B' Sqn. killed 1 JAP at 0940 hrs. 'A' Sqn. heard fire at 0730 hrs. from KILLERTON track. Was quiet.	Bdr. buds + B.M. informed (V.).
379	"	1030		C.O.	Phone	Rt. fwd. coy has reached objective ear. consolidated. Lft. fwd. coy. shot of objective by about 50-75 yds. Held up by position near BIRD'S NEST TREE. of other two ceps. are on left has moved fwd. 60 yds. understanding to work on. B.C. at. fwd. coy. Lt. JACKSON killed. G.C. left " Lt. LLOYD. wounded.	Bdr. buds + B.M. infnd (V.). SIT. MAP.
380	"	1030	0925	CSqn.	By Hand. 02.	Enemy M.G. posn. still in front on center tp. Exact location not known. Enemy M.G. posn. in front left flank appears to be in place up. tp. it. plunk reports some 2/12 pinned 15-20 yds. in front. Probably by En M.G. in front center tp.	Bdr. buds + B.M. infnd (V.).
381	"	1030	0950	CSqn.	By Hand. A19.	Enemy M.G. in front on center tp. being surrounded by 2/12 personnel. approx. posn. 30 yds. at. Lft. 2/12 also no reason to believe still blind on center tp. lines. 12 R. 2/12 pinned 20' to front left on st. tp. Inform from 1/12 Pl. posn. enemy M.G. 50' west rd + 50' Fwd.	Bdr. buds + B.M. infnd (V.). SIT. MAP.

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382	12 JAN	1035	0730	2/7 Cav.	By Hand.	Sitrep No 23 to 0730 hrs. 12 JAN.	
383	"	1035	0909	7th Div.	I 997.	32 Div. to 1700 L/II.	Bde. Comd + B.M. informed (M.) SIT. MAP.
384	"	1055	1610	I 24		Sitrep to 1030 hrs.	To 18 Bde updated 163 US Regt, 2/10, 2/7 Cav.
385	"	1040		2/7 Cav.	Phone	B' Coy reports 6 men to get up in front of them at 1035 hrs. 4 men with 100 yds. Engaged by fire, 2 shot, others got away. B' Coy. keeping TAPS under close observation. A' Coy. reports all quiet. C' Coy. reports 2/12 still pinned in front of them.	Bde. Comd + B.M. informed (V.)
386	"	1105		I.O. 2/7 Cav.	Phone	A' Coy reports sporadic firing on both sides. B' Coy. reports slightly increased enemy activity. C' Coy. no change. 2/12 still pinned down.	Bde. Comd + B.M. informed (V.)
387	"	1130				General VASEY came to visit Bde. Comd.	
388	"	1135		2/12	Phone	C' Coy. at flank 60x + left flank 50x advance. Patrols from D' Coy @ 340° toward them with 50x. Nil @ 350° - 200x. M.G. post engaged. @ 350° toward them south to contact A' flank C' Coy. B' Coy. engaging sec. posts, with all round	Bde. Comd + B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.

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388 cont.	12 JAN					deficiency with grenades & rifles, general line T/N HWT to point midway between logpile & bunker out tanks. A' Coy held up. Propose to advance after action taken by B' Coy.	
389	"	1152		2/12	Phone	D' Coy. at flank attempt to conform with advance of 2/9. A', B' & C' Coy. no change.	B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.
390	"	1200	1100	7th Div.	I 1000	TAC/R. 12 JAN. (IMMEDIATE.)	SIT. MAP Advise B.M. (M)
391	"	1220		I.O. 2/7 Cav.	Phone	A' Coy all quiet. B' Coy. nil report. C' Coy. report pl of 2/12 still pinned down 20x in front of them. Left of C' Coy. report seeing fire in distance.	
392	"	1230		I.O. 2/7 Cav.	Phone	A' & B' Sqns. nothing to report. C' Coy. reports posn. unchanged in front.	
393	"	1302		I.O. 2/7 Cav.	Phone	A' & B' Sqns. nothing to report. C' Coy. reports sec. of 2/12 to their front, a left, is withstanding. Rest of pl. still remains.	Range 2/12 reached then to checkup 2/12 unit contact with B' Coy.
394	"	1320		2/12	Phone	Two pls C' Coy. went into get guns in their front, which heavy combat as they got within grenade range. Better pl. but in rd uncontacted 1 off + 1 O.R. from A' pl. and 1 pl. + 6 O.R.'s from other pl.	B.M. informed (V.)
395	"	1325		I.O. 2/7 Cav.	Phone	A' & B' Sqns. Nil report. C' Coy. report 2/12 in front of them all back behind C' Coy. posn.	B.M. informed (V.)

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396.	12 JAN.	1410		2/7 CAV.	Phone.	'A's 'C' Sqns. nothing to report. 'B' sin. has killed 2 Japs + wounded 6 others.	B.M. informed (V.)
397	"	1437		2/7 CAV.	Phone.	Patrol of 3 left in view from 'A' Sq. H.Q. on bearing of 35° - distance 100 yds. Time ant 1435 hrs.	B.M. informed (V.)
398.	"	1445	STAVST. Div. L.O.		Phone.	To Comd 163 Regt. ① General EICHELBERGER is taking over ops. in this area. ② Map ref. of southernmost point on M.T. road. ③ offensive actions southwards on KILLERTON track ④ Inform of possible move of 2/10.	ops.
399.	"	1507		2/7 CAV.	Phone.	'B' sqn. firing from both sides. Patrol back to 'A' sqn. saw nothing but heard TAPS. opened fire in that direction + brought down fair amount of fir. Japs apparently nervous. No change 'C' sqn.	
400.	"	1510	1300	2/9 Bn	By hand.	Sitrep to 1300 hrs.	Bds. Bnd + B.M. informed (M). Sit. map.
401.	"	1515	1405	C.O. 2/12	Phone.	'B' Coy 2/12 back to F.D.L's of 'C' Sq. Cav. Rt. pl. 3. left pl 6. Res. pl. 19. engaging area fwd of 'C' sin. with 3" mortar.	B.M. informed (V) ops.

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402.	12 JAN.	1515		2/12	Phone.	'D' Coy. patrol left 'D' Coy. moved west to rd 40x south came to clearing where there are 12 pillboxes. Further down another pillbox might exist.	Phone to B.M.
403.	"	1520	1445	7 AVST. Div.	062	Step to 1400 hrs.	Shant to Bdr. Bnd + B.M. (M).
404.	"	1545				Bdr. bnd. spoke to C.O. 2/12 - 'D' Coy. to move west so as to have one pl. on road. Bdr. bnd. spoke to C.O. 2/9 to arrange for one pl. 2/10, res. coy. to make across land over gap that would occur between night flank 'D' Coy. 2/12 and left flank 'D' Coy. 2/9. 2/163 to be prepared to cut any attempt to return their positions.	ops.
405.	"	1730	1200	163 U.S. Regt.	23	Step to 1300 hrs. 12 JAN.	Shant to B.M. SIT. MAP.
406.	"	1748	1800	18 Bde	I25	Step No 7 to 1800 hrs.	Shant to 7th Div. DN. by A.D.L.S. nothing to report.
407.	"	1800	1710	14 Bde.	I38	Step to 1700 hrs.	B.M. informed.

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408.	12 JAN 1920			C.O.	Phone	Reports mortar fire north of 'B' + 'A' Coy. posns. No casualties as yet. 2/9 advise further 2" mortar located + being engaged by rifle grenades.	Checked - No allied mortar firing.
409.	"		2045			Lang 2/0 12/12 re - enemy use of our weapons.	
410.	"		2100	14 Bds.	I 40	Sitrep to 2000 L.	Show to B.M.(M).
411.	"		2145	7 Aust. Div.	069	Sitrep to 1800 hrs.	Show to B.M.(M)
412.	"		2030	7 Aust. Div.	I 7	TAC/R 1630 to 1730 L/12.	Show to B.M.(M).
413.	13 JAN.	0620		2/7 Cav.	Phone.	Sitrep.	
414.	"	0700		2/9	Phone	Sitrep.	
415.	"	0830	0800	7 Aust. Div.	073	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. Quiet night all fronts.	
416.	"		0810	18 Bds.	I 20	Sitrep Nos 8 to 0800 hrs.	To 7 Aust. Div, 2/10, 2/7 Cav.
417.	"	1012	0815	30 Bds.	I 103	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. Nothing to report.	
418.	"	1025		2/12	Phone	Reports burnt at tank (fuel tank) being used as snipers post by JAPS. 2/12 as sending up AITK. info.	I.O. informed. B.M.(L) informed.

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419.	13 JAN.		0730	2/7 Cav.	By Hand.	Sitrep NO 24 to 0730 hrs. 13 JAN.	Show by B.M.(M)
420.	"	1053	0955	7 Aust. Div.	I 9.	Report from URBANA Force re-patrol.	
421.	"	1145	1110	2/9 I.O.	I 6.	Party from 'B' Coy. felt ant enemy posn on right flank. Definitely established 4 L.M.G's and one possible M.M.G. 50 yds. from line in edge of timber at 1825 2545 to 1830 2540 firing O.S. troops + 'B' Coy. 3 L.M.G's area 1832 53. Party drew fire from vicinity BIRD'S NEST as well as other posns. given. 1105 hrs enemy patrol reported from left flank of 'D' Coy. No details of strength or direction.	Show to Bde and B.M. SIT.MAP.
422.	"		1200			These pages to be put into ops. File.	
423.	"	1230	1045	7 Aust. Div.	076	Fo. Firing exercise will be conducted by 30 Bde in area East of SOPUTA bridge from 1530-1730 hrs. 13 JAN. Direction of fire northeast from ANGO-SOPUTA rd. 30 Bde. will exercise control of day area. all informed.	Show to Bde. and B.M.(M) 2/12 informed by I 27 also 2/7 Cav, 2/10, 30 Bde.
424.	"		1230	18 Bds.	I 28	Japs using burnt at tank as snipers O.P. 2 pds. engaging 1430 L/13.	To 2/7 Cav, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12.
425.	"	1257		2/9	Phone	Report that 3" mortar will be ranging at approx. 1500 hrs, 13 JAN, using about 8 rounds. Ranging on L.M.G. posns (at) in front of 'B' + 'D' Coy. at 1825 2530.	Bde and B.M. informed (V)

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426	13 JAN.	1356	1225	18BAK	I10	TAC/R.	SIT. MAP.
427	"	1356	1250	14BAK	I43	Sitrep to 1200 L/13	SIT. MAP.
428	"	1523		2/12	Phns.	Tank shoot is ok. 21 direct hits on tank, and uncoordinated off.	B.M. informed (V.) B.M. inform. Aust. Div. by Q116.
429	"	1550	1500	2/9	Phns. ISgt	Report from 'B' Coy. of voices + digging heard from pit just. fwd. + rt. of 'B' Coy's front, last night + this morning. At 1500 hrs, a slight rumble fwd. + threw in grenades. No sound from pit since.	
430	"	1614	1545	7 Aust. Div.	I11	Tac/R. 1310 hrs, 14414 hrs. 13 JAN.	B.M. (L) informed (M) SIT. MAP.
431	"	1700		163	Phns. Rsgt.	Patrol went out from 181264 south for 75 ^x found flock in S.W. + S.E. at 1700 hrs. Flock was on O.P. - S.E. little used SW - enemy positions 60-70 ^x away. Patrol from 184263 went south on M.T. track for 500 ^x . Encountered nothing. Patrol from 184264 on 230° went in triangle 300 ^x , encountered nothing.	Planned to B.M. SIT. MAP. Gps
432	"	1730		2/7	By CN.	Sitrep No 24 to 1730 hrs. 13 JAN.	

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433	13 JAN	1730	F705	2/12	I16	Sitrep to 1700 hrs.	
434	"	1730	1710	2/9	I7	Sitrep + patrol report.	SIT. MAP.
435	"		1708	18BAK	I29	Sitrep No 9 to 1800 hrs.	to 7 Aust. Div, 163 Rsgt, 14 Rsgt 30 Rsgt
436	"		1500			GEN. EICHELBERGER, GEN. VASEY, came to visit B.M. band. also GEN. BERRIMAN.	
437	"		1855	18BAK	I30	Further report to 7 Aust. Div. rptd 'B' Coy. 216 Am. Rsgt. Further to serial 428.	
438	"	1940	1815	163	26	Sitrep to 1800 L. 13 JAN.	Show to B.M.
439	"	1940	1827	30BAK	I104	Sitrep to 1800 hrs.	Show to B.M.
440	"	2005	1820	14BAK	I45	Sitrep to 1800 L/13.	Show to B.M.
441	"	2055	2000	7 AUST. Div.	O82	Sitrep to 1800 L/13.	Show to B.M. } Gps.
442	"	2355		2/12	Phns.	Quiet. Few grenades thrown by 'A' Coy.	B.M. informed (V.).
443	"	2400		2/9	Phns.	Quiet. few grenades thrown.	B.M. informed (V.)
444	14 JAN.	0000	0730	2/7	By Aust CN.	Sitrep No 25 to 0700 hrs. 14 Jan.	Show to B.M. } Gps.

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445	14 JAN.		0800	18 Bks	I 31	Quiet night. Locations unchanged.	To 7 Aust. Div, 163 Regt, 14 Bks, 30 Bks.	
446	"		0910	30 Bks	I 104	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. No change.		
447	"		0905	163 Regt.	27	Sitrep to 0800 hrs.		
448	"		0910	7 Aust Div.	088	Sitrep to 0800 hrs.		
449	"		0908	21/c 219	Plane.	Receipted going out from 0900-1000 hrs. at 185252.	B.M. informed (V).	
450	"		0840	163 Regt.	Plane.	One JAP prisoner picked up during night. From preliminary interrogation it would appear that he was one of a party of 100 moving N.E.	Phone to B.M. ofcs. B.M. say C.O's 2/9, 2/12, 2/17 Cav to report all possible prisoners to take immediate advantage of any redistribution of forces that the above may indicate.	
451	"		0910	2235 T5	7 Aust Div	083	32 U.S. Div. sitrep No 262 to 1700 4/13.	Show to B.M. SIT. MAP.

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452	14 JAN		1050	1015	7 Aust Div.	I 14 Preliminary report P.W. captured between TARAKENAI - SIWORI 12 JAN.	
453	"		1100		7 Aust Div.	I 13 TAC/R. 1630-1845 4/13.	Show to B.M. SIT. MAP.
454	"		1130		2/12	Plane. 'A' + 'C' Coy. are going to push fwd. at 1145.	B.M. informed (V)
455	"		1228		2/12	Plane. 'A' Coy. across west of road. 2 P.W. coming in.	Bdr. bnd + B.M. inform (V) 7 Aust. Div. inform P.W. to be held at 18 Bdr. H.Q.
456	"		1245		2/12	Plane 'C' Coy. on road, shot 1 sniper + 2 others in daylight. 'A' Coy. during night + going up parallel to rd. 'D' Coy. keeping contact with left flank 2/9.	Bdr. bnd. + B.M. informed (V)
457	"		1225	18 Bks	O 117	Confirming verbal orders 2/10 Bn. less two sqs. relieved 2/7 Bn. by 1200 hrs. 15 JAN. 2/10 Bn. also relieved pl. 2/12 Bn. to M.T.Rd. with 'D' Coy 2/10 reports to be made. faith with. Details relief to be made direct between C.O's CAV, 2/10, 2/12 Bns. Adv. parties to be in position by 1300 hrs 14 JAN. On relief 2/17 CAV. units to present 2/10 Bn. as ed ed in Bdr. co. with one sq. immediate, remainder 30 mins notice. 'C' Coy 2/10 Bn. remains present location + responsibilities. ACK.	To 2/17 Aust. Bn., 2/10, 2/12 regt 2/9. ofcs with documents

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458.	14 JAN.	1330		2/10	Plan.	No 7 pl. moved at at 1315 hrs.	
459.	"	1335		2/7 CAV.	Plan.	'C' Sqn. has advanced 200' rear of 2/12.	
460.	"	1409		2/9	Plan.	O.C. 2/9 to Bde. band:- 2/9 holding fire. at Jap track. Comm. say 2/12 to hold our line of original front objective contact 2/9 left flank when 2/9 were fwd. to exploit. 2/12 to contact U.S. tps.	
461	"	1410			Plan.	Bde. band. say 2/9 to exploit west along JAP track to top of 2/7 ant. bar. instead of 2/12. Warned C.O. 2/9 that 2/10, less one Coy + B Ech., moving to top of 2/7 cr from possibly moving east along JAP track. C.O. 2/9 was to contact 2/10. U.S. tps. moving with along rd. to take abt 80 U.S. tps. as present on it, flank of 2/9. Coy 2/10 with 2/9 to come into reserve, reporting to 18 Bde. H.Q.	
462.			1210	163 Rsgt.	Plan.	Coy 1/163 moving to rd. junction Jap track + M.T. Rd. Coy 2/163 " " 26 grid town KILLERTON TR. 2/10 ordered by Bde. band. to contact them.	

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463.	14 JAN	1400		2/7 CAV.	Plan.	'B' Sqn. moved finds scarpied gap pillboxes B.M. infund (V.) in front of their old posns.	
464.	"	1415		2/10 2/9	Plan.	C.O. 2/9 moving up to establish near H.Q. at rd. junction JAP track - M.T. Road. Will contact Bde. H.Q. as soon as possible.	B.M. infund (V.)
465	"	1425		I.O. 2/10	Plan.	'D' Coy. left. bivouac area.	
466.	"	1500		2/10	Plan.	7 pl. reached gap track + mopping up. Many dead dying Japs.	
467	"	1500		2/7 CAV.	Plan.	'A' Sqn. sent patrol 160' due east on north of track, covering earthworks containing JAPS.	
468.	"	1514		2/10	Plan.	all coys. up except 'B'. 2/10 clearing up pillboxes. Some casualties nil.	
469	"	1540		2/10	Plan.	'D' Coy. crossed JAP track to mopup KILLERTON TRACK at 1530 hrs. on O.K. bring stret back from 'D', 'C' Coy, 'A' Coy + Bn. H.Q. will move.	Bde. band B.M. infund (V.) SIT. MAP.
470	"	1548		2/12	Plan.	2/12 Bn. estab 100' south of junction JAP track + M.T. road.	Bde. band B.M. infund (V.) SIT. MAP.
471	"	1550		2/10	Plan.	7 pl. contacted 2/9 who are at JAP KITCHEN. Ambulances patrol doing in on North of perimeter. Found 7 dead, killed 5. 2/9 still firing on JAPS.	

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472	14 JAN	1530	1430	7 Aust. Div.	092	Sitrep to 1400 hrs.	
473	"	1530	1445	7 Aust. Div.	I16	TAC/R to 1000 hrs.	
474	"	1555		2/10	Phone	In a few minutes C.O. 2/9 will confer with C.O. 2/10 + B'Sqn. 2/7 CAV. No word from D' Coy. Things O.K.	SIT.MAP.
475	"	1605		2/10	Phone	C' Coy. moving. H.Q. + 'A' at 1600 hrs.	
476	"	1655		2/10	Phone	Relayd from 2/10. 2/10 H.Q. at just moving fwd. from 'A' Sqn 2/7 CAV.	
477	"	1622		2/10	Phone	D' Coy contacted Americans at 177258 CA' Coy. still behind 'A' Sqn. 2/7 CAV. American H.Q. at 176264. U.S. troops had retreated to 182298. No opposition.	B.M. informed (V) SIT.MAP.
478	"	1730	18 Bde	Q118		2/7 Aust. Cav. Regt and B Sqn 2/6 Aust. Arm. Regt. report to comd. 7 Aust. Div. 0700 hrs 15 JAN. B Sqn 2/6 Aust. Arm. Regt. will not to present site of 'A' Sqn 2/7 Aust. Cav. Regt at 0715 hrs.	To 2/7 Aust CAV, B Sqn 2/6 Aust Regt.

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479	14 JAN	1725		2/7 CAV.	Phone	B.H.Q. opens at 'A' Sqn. 1730 hrs. 14 JAN.	B.M. informed (V)
480	"	1745	1710	2/9	I10	Sitrep up to 1800 hrs. 14 JAN.	B.M. informed (V) SIT.MAP.
481	"		1830	30 Bds	I106	Sitrep to 1800 hrs.	
482	"		2015	7 Aust. Div.	099	Infurm. 32 U.S. Div. (Immediate)	SIT.MAP. B.M. advise (M)
483	"		2200	7 Aust. Div.	0100	Sitrep to 1800 hrs. (Immediate)	SIT.MAP. B.M. advise (M)
484	"		2100	18 Bde	0121	(Immediate) Message filed. also document	To
485	"		1910	18 Bde	0120	Message filed.	To
486	"		1505	18 Bde	0119	'B' by 2/10 has reports to be and observe 15 Jan and will move from present location to rejoin by 0700 hrs 15 Jan.	To 2/10, B Coy 2/10.
487	"		1645	7 Aust. Div.	I18	2 from from 14 Bde. Filed	
488	"		1730	2/12	I17	Sitrep to 1700 1/14	Shan to B.M. (M) SIT.MAP.
489	"		1930	18 Bde	I33	Sitrep No 10 to 1530 hrs.	To 7 Aust. Div. (M) 14 Bds, 30 Bds
490	"		1810	7 Aust. Div.	I19	TAC/R 1400-1630.	Shan to B.M. (M) SIT.MAP.

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491	14 JAN.		1910	18 Bde.	0120	Spa 15 Jan. Copy filed	SITMAP.
492	"		1830	30 Bde.	I106	Strip to 1800 hrs.	Strip to B.M. (M)
493	"		2100	18 Bde.	0122	Message filed	To 2/17 Aust. Div. B.S. on 2/16 and 2/17.
494	"	2230		2/17 Phons		Cichto 0121.	
495	15 JAN	0006		2/10 Phons		No change.	B.M. infnd (V)
496	"	0100		2/10 Phons		No change.	B.M. infnd (V)
497	"	0123		Phons		Ref. on 099. 32 U.S. Div. chise patrol cancelled	B.M. infnd (V)
498	"	0123		7 th Div Phons		TAC/R. 15 JAN. 0700, 1100, 1600.	B.M. infnd (M) SITMAP.
499	"	0238		2/10 Phons		all quiet.	B.M. infnd (V)
500	"	0330		2/10 Phons		No change. all quiet.	B.M. infnd (V)
501	"	0400		2/10 Phons		No change. all quiet.	B.M. infnd (V)
502	"	0500		2/10 Phons		No change. all quiet.	B.M. infnd (V)
503	"	0715				18 Bde. H.Q. moved from present H.Q. to plantation up KILLERTON TR. thence to bivouac area 178303.	SITMAP.

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504	15 JAN			2/10 Phons		D' Coy. patrol batt 173311 reached 160309 by 2950. distance 2 miles. Villay, identity. shot. Saw neck SURIKAI PT. by 3500. D' Coy. left 16 JAN. N.E. to reach track. A' Coy. moved 100' on track from 178307.	SITMAP. B.M. infnd (V)
505	"	2005		2/10 Phons		Patrol to crest ref. 177313 (GANN LOOM)	I. On found.
506	"	2015		2/12 Phons		Re-strip.	
507	"	2055		B.M. Phons		T & B' Coy 2/10 U. seeing sig. with contact B.M.	B.M. infnd (V)
508	"	2203		2/10 Phons		all quiet.	B.M. infnd (V)
509	"	2227				B.M. spoke to Capt. Wilson re his report directed villay.	2/10 17 Aust. Div. infnd.
510	"	2315		BECH 2/12 Phons		strip - quiet. Our troops, one casualty shot accidentally by Amicus at KILLERTON TRACK quiet. One enemy seen making tracks towards HUGGINS - find a result unknown.	B.M. infnd (V)
511	16 JAN	0025		2/10 Phons		all quiet.	B.M. infnd (V)
512	"	0030		B' Coy Phons		all quiet. Sig party returned.	B.M. infnd (V)

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513	16 JAN	0100		2/12	Phone	Sitrep. U.S. Tps at night "D'copy" which will NOT move until ordered by 2/12 H.9. L.O. 2/12 not familiar with 2315 report from BECH. 2/12.	B.M. infnd (V)
514	"	0115		2/9	Phone	Sitrep.	B.M. infnd (V)
515	"	0130		2/10	Phone	2/10 moving two coys. to crest + sand to village. One col. to follow WILSON'S track. 2/10 will beat of comm. as cable will NOT be carried. Told I.O. 2/10 this unsatisfactory.	B.M. discussed & sig. cable with Sig. off. B.M. will refer to my again before making an.
516	"	0242		2/10	Phone	All quiet - nothing to report.	B.M. infnd (V)
517	"	0430		2/10	Phone	All quiet - nothing to report.	B.M. infnd (V)
518	"	0743		2/12	Phone	Very quiet night.	B.M. infnd (V)
519	"	0700	0630 15	C.O. 163 Kgt	30	Sitrep to 0800 hrs.	B.M. infnd (M)
520	"	0900	0800 15	7and DIV.	0104	Sitrep to 0800 hrs	B.M. infnd (M) SIT. MAP.

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521	16 JAN	0900	0815 15	30 Bks	I108	Sitrep to 0800 hrs.	B.M. infnd (M)
522	"	0900	1225 15	163 Kgt	37	Sitrep to 1300 hrs	B.M. infnd (M)
523	"	0900	1237 15	14 Bks	I53	Sitrep to 1200 hrs	B.M. infnd (M)
524	"	0900	1450 15	7and DIV.	0107	Sitrep to 1400 hrs	B.M. infnd (M) SIT. MAP.
525	"	0900	1450 15	7and DIV.	0108	Scall. P.T. ops	B.M. infnd (M)
526	"	0900	1645 15	7and DIV.	I27	TACK/R. 1100-1330 15 Jan	B.M. infnd (V) TACK MAP.
527	"	0900	1820 15	14 Bks	I54	Sitrep to 1800 hrs	B.M. infnd (M)
528	"	0900	1715 15	7and DIV.	I29	TACK/R 1345-1400 hrs	B.M. infnd (M) TACK MAP.
529	"	0900	1820 15	30 Bks	I111	Sitrep to 1800 hrs	B.M. infnd (M)
530	"	0900	1745 15	C.O. 163	32	Sitrep to 1800 15 JAN	B.M. infnd (M) SIT. MAP.

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531	16 JAN	0900	1900	7 Ant Div	0110	Sitrep to 1800 hrs.	Bdr. Bnd + B.M. infnd (M) SIT. MAP.
532	"	0900	1930	18 Bdr	I 34.	Sitrep NO 11 to 1900 hrs	To 7 Ant Div, 163 Regt, 14 Bdr, 30 Bdr, 163 Pgt, 2/12.
533	"	0925	0800	7 Ant Div	0119	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. 16 JAN.	Bdr. Cnd + B.M., S.C. infnd. SIT. MAP.
534	"	0925	0735	30 Bdr	I 112	34 Bdr cloud 765 225 at 0735 hrs. Now moving towards pona plantation area KILLERTON TR.	SIT. MAP.
535	"	0935	18 Bdr	I 35.		Sitrep NO 12 to 0930 hrs.	To 7 Ant Div, 163 Regt, 14 Bdr, 30 Bdr, 2/12, 2/12.
536	"	1000	0920	14 Bdr	I 51.	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. nil report.	B.M. infnd (M)
537	"	1030		I.O. 2/12	Phone	at 1005 hrs. report from 'D' Coy. that they are in occupation of track-junc. at 183286 in place of Americans. Patrol sent out as ordered along track running North. Message back at 0920 hrs. track patterned out + passing through thick jungle and swamp. From track-junc. 'I' personnel sent at an bearing of 70° for 200'. Track patterned out into thick jungle + swamp.	B.M.(L) infnd (V) SIT. MAP.

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528	"	1125		I.O. 2/10	Phone	Find. boy 'C' at 1760 3155. Suspected two Japs in hut + killed them. Pushing along coast. 'D' Coy. with 2/10 C.P. at 175315.	B.M.(L) infnd (V)
529	"	1415		B.M. (L)	Phone	Hand to 931, 7 Ant, Div. 2/10 B. HQ at KILLERTON village. 'C' Coy. moved up coast + struck JAP post. Left one pl. to engage it + remainder moved round to outflank it. 'D' Coy. at moving down to village. Role of 'C' Coy. to move via track to clear up to CAPE KILLERTON area and to CK. 194308, thence return to village. 'B' Coy. role - rigorous advance with offnsr's patrolling along coast from CK. 194308 eastwards to SANANANDA PT. 'A' Coy. at track-junc 193290 role - offnsr's patrolling eastward. 2/12 as before. One pl. 'D' Coy. patrolling N.W. E to KILLERTON village. Heavy going + track non-existent. Patrol change 'D' Coy 2/12 + 'A' Coy 2/10. Heavy going + track non-existent. Brg 230°. distance 400 yds.	SIT. MAP.
530	"	0930				39 Bdr. amrd 2/12 area PLANTATION.	SIT. MAP.
531	"	0945		B.M.	Phone	Spoke to Capt. WILSON - second Coy amrd KILLERTON village. Moving immediately to secure track-junc. to S.E. and to report to 18 Bdr HQ. at present not in communication with C.O. 2/10	
532	"	0900		2/10	Phone	'B' Coy. listening post spotted by J.A.P. Patrol sent out to try & collect him.	B.M. infnd by 2/10 I. Sgt.
533	"	1020				I.O. 18 Bdr. amrd village 193290. where 'B' Coy 2/10 placed to B.M.(L) in occupation.	

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534	16 JAN		1030	2/10	Phone.	Reports nearby track North. positions to be confirmed.	Phoned to B.M.(L)
535	"		1200	D Coy 2/12	Phone.	Capt IVRY reports patrol contacted B' Coy. 2/10. Contacted this pm. rd. junc. 1828 2380. 400x	Phoned to B.M.(L)
536	"		1225	A Coy 2/10	Phone.	Reports arrival patrol ^{2/10} on track 50°. Dist. 400x	Phoned to B.M.(L)
537	"		1300	Bdr. Cnd.	Phone	2/10 ordered to exploit vigorously eastward from KILLERTON area and hold KILLERTON village.	
538	"		1400	B.M. (L)	Phone	above orders passed to B' Coy. at KILLERTON village + A' Coy. at track. junc. 193290 through B.M.	
539	"		1430	2/10		Reported enemy opposition at Bridge 186314.	Phoned to B.M.(L)
540	"		1545			Coy 2/9 put under command 2/10 hrs. to move to VILLAGE area. If possible	2/10, 2/9 hrs. informed.
541	"		1555			B.M. informed Coy. Cnd. of route to VILLAGE.	
542	"		1615	2/10	Phone	B' Coy 2/10 has reached track junc. 194308 + telephoned S.E.	Phoned to B.M.
543	"	1425	1200	14 Bde	I 55	litrep to 1200 hrs.	Shown to B.M.(L)

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544	16 JAN.	1528	1400	7 Aust Div.	O 124	litrep to 1400 hrs. 1630.5. Rgt.	Shown to B.M.
545	"	1655		2/10	Phone.	Over pt. C' Coy across Bridge. met pl. D' Coy. at rd. junc on coast N.E. Village. B' Coy 2/9 arrived at 2/10 H.Q. Mess captured by C' Coy. C' Coy. returned with a sack which had been used to bring in supplies. Two troops North of CAPE KILLERTON.	Phoned to B.M. SIT.MAP.
546	"		1720	Bdr. Cnd.	Phone	Bdr. band. impressed on C.O. 2/10 imperative urgency of pushing fwd.	
547	"	1528	1400	7 Aust Div.	O 124	litrep to 1400 hrs.	Shown to B.M.
548	"	1628	1245	163 Rgt.	34	litrep to 1300 hrs. 16 JAN/43.	Shown to B.M.
549	"					ops. notes put into ops. File from 1730 to 2200 hrs.	
550	"		1915	18 Bde	I 36	litrep No 13 to 1900 hrs.	To 7 Aust Div. report 163 Rgt, 14 Bde, 30 Bde, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12.
551	"		1830	30 Bde	I 113	litrep to 1800 hrs. Nothing to report.	B.M. infnd (M).
552	"			2/10	By hand.	litrep to 1700 hrs.	Shown to B.M. SIT.MAP

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553	16 JAN. 1845			2/10	Phons.	1 Killed 2 Wounded. Enemy 1 off. 9 O.R's 'B' Coy. at WYE PT. Our pl. 'D' Coy. id. June. 'D' less one pl. + H.Q. Village. 'C' - one pl. on BRIDGE. 2 pl. this side BRIDGE. Our pl. upstream.	B.M. informed (V.) SIT. MAP.
554	"	1830		2/12	Phons.	Sitrep.	B.M. informed (V.)
555	"	1830		2/9	Phons	Uncharged - less 'B' Coy. gone up to VILLAGE.	B.M. informed (V.)
556	"		2140	18 Bds	137 I37	Sitrep NO 14 to 2130 hrs.	To 7 Aust. Div. repld 163 Regt, 30 Bds, 14 Bds 2/9, 2/10, 2/12.
557	"	2304		2/10	Phons.	15 pl on beach at end of track leading from VILLAGE sighted two barges 600 yds. out to sea, proceeding in direction of SANANANDA.	Bdr. and B.M. infnd (V) arty. to fire on barges.
558	"	2322		13.M.	Phon	Ray Duty officer 7 Aust. Div. + reported about information. Arty. still firing.	
559	17 JAN 0015			2/10	Phons.	'B' Coy. observed an arty shell to burst in vicinity of barges on beach. Barges put to sea + were blast 600 yds. from shore heading seawards. A further sound was heard of another burst engine being started, also voices yelling. These sounds were on 'B' Coy's right flank.	B.M. informed. 7 Aust. Div. Duty officer informed.
560	"	0210		2/10	Phons.	Nothing since large incident. Few bursts M.G. fire from easterly direction from 'A' Coy. Thought to be from 2/163.	B.M. informed (V.)

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561	17 JAN. 0407			2/10	Phons.	Everything quiet.	B.M. informed (V.)
562	"	0502		2/10	Phons.	all quiet.	B.M. informed (V.)
563	"	0606		2/10	Phons.	all quiet.	B.M. informed. (V)
564	"	0615		Adyt 2/10	Phons.	craft moving N.E. from SANANANDA. Engine had high note.	7 Aust. Div. infnd. B.M. infnd (V).
565	"	0630	1655 16	30 Bds	050	39 Bds. kashes.	Shaw to Bdr. and B.M. + S.C.
566	"	0630	1740 16	163 Regt.	-	Sitrep to 1800 L. 16 JAN	Shaw to B.M. (M) SIT. MAP.
567	"	0630	2040 16	7 Aust Div.	S214	Start P.T. ops. Night 15/16 Jan. Nil. Night 16/17 gen. patrol north to MOROBE.	Bdr. and B.M.
568	"	0630	1828 16	14 Bds.	I56	Sitrep to 1800 hrs. 16 JAN.	B.M. infnd (M).
569	"	0630	2000 16	7 Aust Div.	O127	Sitrep to 1800 hrs. 16 JAN.	Bdr. and B.M. infnd (M) SIT. MAP.
570	"	0710	1930	14 Bds.	I56	Sitrep to 1800 hrs. 16 JAN.	Bdr. and B.M. infnd (V)
570	"	0710				2/12 morning through 'A' Coy 2/10. Fwd. elements 196289	SIT. MAP.
571	"		0835		I38	Sitrep No 15 to 0800.	To 7 Aust. Div. repld. 14 Bds, 30 Bds, 163 Regt, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12.
572	"	0910	0800	18 Bds.	O132	Sitrep to 0800 hrs.	
573	"	0910	15 JAN.		I28	Report on interrogation of S.P.S.W. captured 14 JAN.	Shaw to Bdr. and B.M. + I.O. ofc

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574	17 JAN.	0910	2115 16	7 Aust. Div.	I 39	TAC/R 1420-1600 hrs. 16 JAN.	Bdr. bnd to B.M. inpd (M). TAC/R. MAP.
575	"	0940		2/9	Phone.	2/9 bn. at KILLERTON VILLAGE. patrolling east along 30 grid. If junc. 197301 located. Coy. will be disposed there.	Ops File. Placed to I.O. B. Madrisd (V).
576	"	1015	1005	1630 J Regt.	Phone.	Plumisters. 197272 } 193272 } 183282 } 2/163 } 1/163 } 3/163 } Road blocks:- 183286, 183283. No advance before 1100, then move North to 206282 on M.T. Road.	Placed to B.M. SIT. MAP Ops. File.
577	"	1040		C.O.	2/12 Phone.	Find. Coy. at 203283. approx 300' to rd. 2/9 moving towards COOK is - on this COOK makes find - COOK completely under sand. 2/12 to push Eastward. Probability that 2/12 will hold firm base on road for possible advance of 2/9 on SHANNANDA. JAPS to South on M.T. Rd.	Placed to B.M. Ops. File.
578	"		1045	B.M.	Phone	To 2/9. 2/9 to move to COOK's pos. at track junction 193290 immediately	Ops. File. SIT. MAP
579	"		1045	Bdr. Cnd.	Phone	Bdr. bnd. to C.O. 2/10. ① 2/9 moving. ② 2/10 to maintain advance on coast Anti-ops. not used for that will be best situated in villages Bdr. also.	Ops. File

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579 cont	17 JAN.					③ Coy. M.S. pl moving to VILLAGE. on pl. at Pt. H. A. for local security. ④ Is there any possibility of skirting pillboxes and leaving a small force to prevent movement West?	
580	17 JAN.		1100	Bdr. Cnd.	Phone	Bdr. bnd to G.O.C. ① 2/10 held up east 20 grid. flanking movement in swamp - slow. ② 2/12 behind within 300' of M.T. rd. pushing in to rd. ③ 2/9 moving S.E. down track from KILLERTON VILLAGE, 1000' behind 2/12. Probably push 2/9 through 2/12 up rd. ④ Endless way to move in behind main JAP pos. on rd. ⑤ G.O.C. informed Cnd. 200 JAPS seen west of GONA.	Ops. File.
581	"	1115	1100	2/9	I 12	Move to position vacated by COOK commenced 1100 hrs.	Ops. File.
582	"		1115	Bdr. Cnd.	Phone	Bdr. bnd to C.O. 2/12 Establish one pl. on rd + edge to the left N.E. along M.T. rd. Augment to two sngs. + keep Bdr. bnd. informed. 'A' Coy 2/10 moving up to Shim. Rice area north (west of rd) for possible line of march of 2/9.	Ops. File.
583	"		1120	Bdr. Cnd.	Phone	Bdr. bnd. to G.O.C. 2/12 has reached rd. Ordered to establish pl. on rd. and keep shouldering left up road. just when 2/12 has found rd.	Ops. File. SIT. MAP.
584	"		1200	B.M.	Phone	To C.O. 2/9. 2/9 to send patrol to investigate probable enemy posn. at 203290.	Ops. File. SIT. MAP.

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585	17 JAN.		1200	B.M.	Phone	B.M. to 1630 S. Regt. 2/12 harassed M.T. rd. at 208283.	Ops. File. SIT. MAP.
586	"		1240		2/12 Phone	'D' Coy. Ind. behind 'A' 300' from rd. with feds. Br. H.Q. 'C' & 'A' Coys. 2/10 at clearing. 2 pls. has crossed K. Fire head from it. pl. No Return fir.	Ops. File. SIT. MAP.
587	"		1300		2/12 Phone	Rt. pl. on rd 207283. L.M.G. 3 at rd to fire up & down rd. 3 Japs killed. 1 each on both sides of road. One sec. on dry land. Japs in with. Telephone line cut.	Placed to B.M. Ops. File. SIT. MAP.
588	"		1345	1300	2/9 I 13	2/9 established at 200287 1230 hrs. Formed perimeter defence. Patrol 'D' Coy. to north edge clearing.	Ops. File. SIT. MAP.
589	"		1345	Bde. Comd.	Phone	Bde. brd. to C.O. 2/12. re: - (a) necessity of rebuilding Nathan M.T. rd. (b) area of N-S KUNAI patch 20252629.	Ops. File.
590	"		1345			L. D. LASHERWIN left on road of track for 2/12	Ops. File.
591	"		1350		2/12 Phone	Patrol 20 JAPS moving from M.T. rd - KUNAI. Japs fighting patrols investigating. 'D' Coy. on rd.	Ops. File. SIT. MAP.
592	"		0850			2/12 at approx 200286 + moving East to rd. C.O. 2/12 advised to look out for American Japs N.E. on M.T. rd.	Ops. File. Passed to G.I. Target to pass to 163 Regt. SIT. MAP.
			0905			2/9 moving into VILLAGE.	SIT. MAP.

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592 cont	17 JAN		0910			Sq. offrs. brought up to date: Ray B.M. to see ample sig. in available.	Ops. File	
			0920			'D' Coy 2/10 held up by feds at 203306. Our advance post dealt with. Unopposed entry. MATHIESON'S pls. in CAPE KILLERTON are apparently encountering slight opposition.		
			0930			2/9 to pt. of day track leading East along 30 GRID.		
593	"		1245	18 Bde	I 39	2/12 checked M.T. rd. 208283. 2/9 196289. 2/10 still existing pressure S.E. WYE PT. All informed.	To Target Div. rptd 1630 S. Regt, 2/9, 2/10.	
594	"		1400	B.M.	Phone	Ray C.O. 39 Bn. + warned him of continued possibility of JAP movement towards GONA moving into plantation area.	Ops. File.	
595	"		1410		2/9 Bn. Phone	2/9 was approx on 20 N/3 grid. Liaising with 2/12 re-possible movement to large KUNAI area	Ops. File.	
596	"		1408	1200	14 Bde	I 58	Step to 1200 hrs	Bde brd. B.M. infd (M) Ops. File.
597	"		1420	1200	163 U.S. Regt	-	Step to 1300 hrs. 17 Jan / 43.	SIT. MAP. Show to B.M. (M)

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598	17 JAN			7 th Aust. Div.	By Plat.	1) Enemy inform. Kinds Nos 43+44 2) Investigation of P.W. captured Rd. Block by 1630 J. Sgt 15 JAN/43 3) Translation of documents Found on JAP killed by 1630 J. Rgt 4) Interrogation of captured natives - 11 Jan/43	Ops. File. Searched by 13 th Bde. and B.M. 10
599	"			B.M.	Phone	P.W. brought in stated all fit men ordered to evacuate to beach. 2/9, 2/10, 2/12 - P.W. stated that Japs were had already received orders to evacuate.	T. 2/9, 2/10, 2/12 Ops. File
600	"	1445			2/12 Phone	Report. ① Party 6-7 Japs came with stores over hill and down track into pos. 'D' by. opened fire. ② Party est 40 approaching 'D' by. from East. 'D' by. holding fire & waiting for them.	Ops. File Bde. and A.M. informed (V.)
601	"	1445		Bde. and	Phone	Bde. bnd. to 2/9. Probable intention to move 2/9 to 29 grid in big KUNAI patch then for SHANNANDA. Condition of large KUNAI patch is desired.	Ops. File.
602	"	1453		Bde. and	Phone	Bde. bnd. spoke to G1 - on way and - Lithpath spoke to G1	Ops. File.
603	"	1500		B.M.		2/7 car. came to area 182295 established O.P. without sec. & obscur for JAPS coming from East. Reported to 15 Bde. H.Q. to say sec. going in all. All sec. will report to 15 Bde. H.Q.	Ops. File.
604	"			B.M.		Location of tpt. of 2 pde. referred to G1.	G1 will indicate on map whether route is available

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605	17 JAN.	1616		7 th Aust. Div.	I-42	TACR own tps. in trenches edge clearing 197285. Tps. moving up along track 193270-198287. all informed.	Shown to Bde. and B.M. (M) TACR MAP.
606	"	1710		2/9 L.O. H. SHERWIN		400' edge swamp (by pacing) road o.k. dry, grassy slightly sandy. Present from 2/9 good camp area, dry, fair good water. Width of swamp approx 250'.	
607	"	1740		7th Aust. Div.	I-42	Bde. bnd. to C.O. 2/9.	
608	"	1750		7th Aust. Div.	I-42	Bde. bnd. to C.O. 2/9.	
607	"	1605				Ops. file. to 7 th Aust. Div.	} Ops. File.
		1655				arty report re - Jap posns.	
		1710				Bde. bnd. to C.O. 2/12.	
		1715				Bde. bnd. to C.O. 2/10	
608	"	1740				Bde. bnd. to C.O. 2/9.	} Ops. File.
		1750				Jap. posns at 207285 holding up 2/12.	
		1755				B.M. msg 2/9	
		1800				2/10 3K. 1M. 9W. own results	
609	"	1805		18 Bde	I-40	Site of No 17 to 1800 hrs.	To 7 th Aust. Div, rptd 1630 J. Rgt, 14 Bde, 30 Bde, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12

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610	17 JAN	1520	1400	7 Aust Div.	0134	Sitrep to 1400 hrs.	Show to Bde Comd, B.M.(M), Ops File.
611	"	1715	1605	7 Aust Div.	0137	Confirming verbal instructions.	Show to Bde Comd + B.M.
612	"	1830		7 Aust		Adm. LH9 G.S. Instm. No 21. Sifted mail + ELS	Show to B.M.(M) I.O. to pass to all offcs Bde H.Q. for notes + initials
613	"	2100	1725	MUSKET		SITREP TO 1800 hrs.	Show to BM
614		2100	2020	7 Aust Div		Report @ PT Ops night 17/18 Jan @ Patrol MAMBARE to BONA	Show to BM
614A	"	1900		7 Aust Div.	0139	Sitrep to 1800 hrs.	Bde Comd B.M. informed (M), Ops

FOR NIGHT 17/18 JAN

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615	17/1/44	2300	2340	JABE KAPO		2 Jap LB observed only by lightning at Cape SANANANDA by first Capt. FOO knows of this. Contact with how many occupants	BM informed
616	17	2322		KAPO NANI		Re above.	
617	17	2330		KAPO JABE		Nothing could be observed re above	BM informed
618	17	2330		JABE KAPO		For Coy (B) reports barges now seen out from Beach, travelling away. See only by lightning flashes. Cannot see direction. Do not know direction.	BM informed.
619	18	2358		NANI KAPO		Message 0142 re Jap track	
620	18	2350		NANI KAPO		" I 44 Tac/R Report	
621	18	0050		7/9 Para		Sitrep	
622	18	0355	0355	2/10 Para		all quiet. Nothing to report.	

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623	18 JAN		1725	163 Regt.	38	Letter to 1800 hrs.	Show to B.M.(M) SIT.MAP
624	"		1705	C.O. 2/10		Re-track to be patrolled.	ops. File.
625	"		2020	7and DIV.	0140	Secret. PT ops night 17/18 JAN. Patrol MAMBARA to BUNA.	Show to B.M.(M)
626	"		1945	Bde. Cnd.	Phone	Bde. bnd. to C.O. 2/12:-- 2/12 to continue adv first light NOT waiting for breakfast. To liaise with C.O. 2/11 w/ clearing up oppon. to left front. and start trail on track rd. Bnd. to continue an axis of rd. to SANANANDA PT. Explained aty. situation, D.F. + liaison li Bde. bnd. to C.O. 2/11 - advance parallel to M. Trd. + direct a SANANANDA VILLAGE 2/11 to be left, 2/12 and objective. Bde. bnd. impressed on both C.O.'s necessity for early action a.m. 18 JAN.	
627	"		2216	7and DIV.	I 44	TAC/R 1850 hrs. 17 JAN.	Show to B.M.(M)
628	"			7and DIV.	I 43	TAC/R. GIRUWA etc.	Show to B.M.(M)

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629	17 JAN		2015	B.M.	Phone	B.M. spoke to 2/9 about liaison to be maintained between 2/9 + 2/12. It would seem best for 2/9 to push straight ahead at ZERO.	
630	"		2359	7and DIV.	0142	RE-JEEP track ANGO-SOPOTARA	B.M. infd (M)
631	18 JAN	0700		2/12 2/19	Phone	Find elements to 2/9 and 2/12 had word at first light.	
632	"	0710		2/10	Phone	Too expensive to attack along track. Fourth patrol attempting to outflank. Perhaps in star about 300 yards aty. River patrol being.	Planned to B.M. ops. File
633	"		1720/5			Nothing yet back from find elements - no firing heard.	ops. File.
634	"		0800	B.M.	Phone	Spoke to a/cpt. 2/12 - still unable to tell whether pillars holding up 2/12 last night had been checked.	ops. File.
635	"	0800		2/10	Phone	TREVIVIAN + WILSON both scouting round + keeping up pressure on track. Bandwidths nearest seen a SANANANDA.	ops. File. Planned to B.M.

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636	18 JAN. 0800			2/9	Phone	Report by 0740 they had made 200 yds - 3/400 yds! still to go.	Placed to B.M. o/po SIT. MAP.
637	" 0815			2/12	Phone	C Coy on rt. 250' no opposition - continuing movement - 'B' Coy. on left moving fwd - no firing.	Placed to B.M. o/po SIT. MAP.
638	"		0820	Bde. Comd.	Phone	To G1 advising him of progress made.	Placed to B.M. o/po
639	" 0830			2/9	Phone	Slow progress in thick going for 3/400 yds. no opposition.	Placed to B.M. o/po SIT. MAP.
640	" 0830			2/10	Phone	Advanced 2/300 yds. then up against opposition.	Placed to B.M. o/po B.M. msg 2/9 at latest news of 2/10. SIT. MAP.
641	" 0830			2/9	Phone	2/9 now at LITTLE BOOT	Placed to B.M. o/po SIT. MAP.
642	" 0845	0720	143	ISgt		Step to 0300 L. hrs 18 JAN/43. Sit. map.	Show to B.M. (M)
643	" 0915			2/9	Phone	2/9 continuing advance. Progress slow with up by sage swamp & jungle.	Placed to B.M. o/po. File
644	" 0918			2/12	Phone	Approx. 300' made. Bde. Comd. expressed necessity of pushing fwd. SANANANDA PT is objective. Lagoon may possibly be crossed by bridge. SANANANDA PT. to be got first. 2/12 to sketch East to GIRUWA. 2/12 still continuing	Placed to B.M. o/po. File SIT. MAP.

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644 Cont.	18 JAN.					opposition hit not as heavy. when possible, push on and mop up after. Major WALKER to Bde. Comd - possibility of Bde H.9 assembling on beach.	
645	"		0925	B.M.	Phone	2/10 not to fire M.M.G. on SANANANDA unless it is called for - confine to own front.	
646	" 0930			2/10	Phone	Patrol sent east from 'B' Coy. 2/10 to locate tracks. Feasible to do so, to go 1000 yds. South from Coy. H.9. and then strike east to west. Return at 1600 hrs.	B.M. informed (V) 2/9 informed
647	" 0940			2/9	Phone	contacted JAP post on left. 6 JAPS in post. 1 killed, others escaped. Had going, but still pushing on.	B.M. advised (V) 2/12 infd.
648	"		1000	ISgt 18 Bde.		Spoke to 39 Bde re sounds of firing heard south of H.9 18 Bde. Informed 39 Bde. of our situation. 39 Bde. says that fire apparently came from Americans on their right.	Placed to B.M. B.M. infd (V)
649	" 1010			2/9	Phone	2/9 advance continuing with encountering slight opposition. left at 2940 in heavy rain. B.M. instructed 2/9 to edge to right close to M. Hd.	Placed to B.M. o/po SIT. MAP.
650	" 1012			2/12	Phone	2/12 making a little progress against sniper and LMG opposition. Again wished to be allowed to shoot up track with M.M.G. Again told NOT to shoot because of 2/9 personnel.	Placed to B.M. o/po
651	"		1000			Bde. Comd. arranged with arty for shot on SANANANDA PT. F.O.O's with hrs to check safety.	o/po

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652	18 JAN 10 48	0830	14 Bn.	I 61		Sitrep to 0800 hrs. nitros all informed.	B.M. informed (V)
653	"	1048	0840	30 Bn.	I 125	Sitrep to 0800 hrs. Nothing to report.	B.M. informed (V.)
654	"	1115		2/10 ISgt.	Phone.	One pl 'D' Coy. now at approx 206301. 3 Hldn up by M.G. 50-60' ahead of them. They reckon M.G. is on 30 grid line. Activity along beach 2115 2965. Will open up on that with nitros + M.G. because what appear to be old barges on extreme tip of SANANANDA PT.	B.M. infmd (V.) SIT. MAP. B.M. infmd 2/10 NOT to engage per order 2115 2965 with either nitros or M.G.
655	"	1132		7 Anst Div.	By Hrd.	Enemy information Review No 47 for 24 hrs to 1800 L/16.	
656	"	1048	0800	7 Anst Div.	O 144	Sitrep to 0800 hrs.	B.M. infmd (M.)
657	"	1100	1030	7 Anst Div.	O 147	Start P.T. opns night 17/18 JAN. Barges sighted with DOUGLASHON Engaged with fire, nitros to sub one on off. sub by mortar in hospital ORDBAY	Bdr. lnd + B.M. informed (M)
658	"	1130				2/9 Bn. captured SANANANDA village.	
659	"	1140	18 Bn.	I 42.		2/9 captured SANANANDA. 2/10 reached 206301, 2/12 211 288 still meeting opposition. all informed	To 7 Anst Div. info 163 Regt, 2/10, 2/12 ops
660	"	1126	1045	7 Anst Div.	I 45	TACIR 0805-1910 L/16.	Bdr. Cndt + B.M. infmd (M)
661	"	1045	2/9	Phone		F.O.O. arrived with 2/9. 2/9 out of sig. and F.O.O. landing and left Coy leaving pl to deal with pillbox on left pushing on.	Placed to B.M. ops

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662	18 JAN 1100		2/12	Phone		2/12 long file a by H.M.G. about 400' ahead. engaging with nitros.	Placed to B.M. ops
663	"	1130		B.M.	Phone.	2/10 safety lines 216300 - 200290.	ops
664	"	1135		B.M.	Phone.	2/9 arrival of 2/10 patrol from 2/9 around at SANANANDA village. 2/12 at 210 287. 2/12 orders to push down rd. as far as possible. 2/12 informed 2/9 also in village. Can 2/9 hear two coys. at village + push on for SANANANDA PT. All are looking dead. No pillboxes outstanding. Keep 2/12 informed	ops
665	"	1136		B.M.	Phone.	Informed 2/12 that 2/9 in VILLAGE.	ops
666	"	1150		Bdr. Cndt	Phone	Bdr. lnd to 2/12, 2/9. Two coys. 2/9 to push on + take SANANANDA PT and then to GIRUWA rd. 2/12 when push down M.T rd and take up running to GIRUWA. 2/9 to have two coys. to hold SANANANDA VILLAGE. 2/12 repl. 2/10 safety lines up	ops
667	"	1115		B.M.	Phone.	2/10 wanted to watch all shooting.	ops
668	"	1200				Sig. offrs. to pass to 2/12 nitros already given to 2/9 - also if 2/9 has already taken GIRUWA 2/12 will be prepared to take what are GIRUWA - SANANANDA PT	ops.
669	"	1238		7 Anst Div.	Phone	2/12 291 6000 Sdlt. tip of SANANANDA running along rd. 200' ahead of 2/9. 2/12 291 6000 Sdlt. tip of SANANANDA running along rd. 200' ahead of 2/9. 2/12 291 6000 Sdlt. tip of SANANANDA running along rd. 200' ahead of 2/9. 2/12 291 6000 Sdlt. tip of SANANANDA running along rd. 200' ahead of 2/9.	

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669	18 JAN.	1238		7th Aust Div.	Phone	Correction to inform. given to B.M. by Major WARNFORD. Submarine 200' S + E of rd. and about 6700' S of SANANANDA PT. is WIRRAWAY A/C at 217290. appears to be undamaged. Parachutes still on A/C.	B.M. informed (V)
670	"	1408	1330	7th Aust Div.	ISO	TAC/R to 1130 18 JAN.	B.M. informed (M)
671	"	1430			Phone	G.I. 7th Aust Div. advised of position.	Ops
672	"	1430		2/9 Bn	Phone	Reached GIRUWA. consolidating with boy less pl. at GIRUWA. Pl. at SANANANDA PT. Two boys at SANANANDA VILLAGE. One boy preparing to assist 2/12 by attacking down M.T. rd. Warned 2/9 that U.S. troops advancing from TARAKENA and to avoid any possibility of mistaking them for JAPS.	Ops Placed to B.M.
673	"	1445	1300	163 Regt	Message	Step to 1300 hrs.	B.M. informed (M). SIT. MAP
674	"	1450		2/10	Phone	8 Coy. patrol returned 1430 hrs. S.P. 2015 3075. Est. distance South 1050 yds. No EW tracks. Deepset part of swamp, waist high at high tide. at 1430. a patrol left from a point on coast track between 2015 2075 and 206 301 to move to KUNAI patch 2029 thence to strike East to coast. strength - one pl.	B.M. informed (V). SIT. MAP.
675	"	1450	1830	I 43		Situation to date.	To 7th Aust. Div. ptd 163 Regt, 14 Bn, 30 Bn, 2/12.

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676	18 JAN	1540	1405	7th Aust Div.	0150	Step to 1400 hrs.	B.M. informed (M) Shaw to Bde. Comd. SIT. MAP (U.S. Troops)
677	"	1545		7th Aust Div.	Phone	Bombing mission mission Mangrove to cancelled.	Bde. Comd. & B.M. informed (V)
678	"	1530	2/12		Phone	Bn still attacking. boy on right held up. Further reg. pushing up.	Placed to B.M. Ops
679	"	1535	2/9		Phone	boy ready to attack. both down rd to aid 2/12.	Placed to B.M. Ops B.M. advised 2/9 two C.O. lines considered
680	"	1540		B.M.	Phone	Rory Gids say that as 2/12 move down M.T. rd. could arrange to be made first to be taken all behind them.	Ops
681	"	1643	1555	7th Aust Div.	0153	Repts to 2/7 Aust. Cav. Regt. + new roll as from 0600 hrs. 19 JAN	Shaw to B.M. (M)
682	"	1745	1630	7th Aust Div.	IS2	TAC/R 1910 hrs. NMS at KURENADA of party 100 JAPS and 4 barges reported vicinity KUNAI. all informed	
683	"			7th Aust Div.	By Hand	Enemy Information Review Nos 45 + 46. for 24 hrs to 1800/H + 24 hrs to 1800 2/15 respectively	
684	"	1615				Bde. Comd. unable to allow two pls. 'C Coy 2/10 at CAPE VILBERTON village to be moved through large KUNAI patch unless further movement as this is his ONLY rest at moment. arranged instead for 2/9 to assist from West. arrangements to be made by direct liaison	Ops File

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685	18 JAN.	1700		2/9	Phone	2/9 at GIKWA think Americans can be seen 700' East.	Ops File. Phone to B.M.
686	"	1745		2/9	Phone	'C' Coy. 2/9 400' up rd & facing light opposition. Think they can be used. Ops bit doubtful.	Phone to B.M. Ops File.
687	"	1750		2/9	Phone	(a) 'C' Coy. 2/9 encountered 2 Jap M.M.G's behind rd. after passing Bridge. On arriving majority of target then falling fwd. again.	Phone to B.M. Ops File.
688	"			7 Aust. Div.	By Hand	Prblm. interrogations of PSW. Nos 61+62.	
689	"	1815	1700	2/10	Phone	Sitrep to 1700 hrs. + subseqnt.	
690	"	1815		I.O. 2/10	Phone	F.O.O. with 2/10 reports JAPS launching a mortar case at 209298.	B.M. informed (V)
691	"	1830		2/12	Phone	Ref. Photos of 013. H.Q. 2629. discovers Flank of of resistance at discovers 'D' Coy. moving round. discovers	
692	"	1830		2/12	Phone	Basalters. Own: - 6 killed 24 wounded. Coy 2/10: - 4 wounded. 1 off + 100 R's missing. Enemy: 60 killed.	
693	"	1830		2/9	Phone	Basalters Own: - 1 killed 4 wounded. Enemy: - 30 killed. 24? PSW. 25-30 blinded.	
694	"	1830		2/10	Phone	Basalters. Own: - 1 killed 6 wounded. Enemy 7 killed.	
694A	"	1725	1700	7 Aust. Div.	0154.	WARNING ORDER. re. 163 U.S. Regt taking over responsibility of M.T. rd. from 1st. Tech zone 206283 to 1st. Div. rd. at 214292.	See by B.M. Cont. + B.M.

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695	18 JAN.		1900	2/9		Making final attempt on front before dawn. co maintained pos if it failed. he could occupy high ground for night and attack at first light 19/1.	Letter by B.M.
696	"		1900	2/12		Self co of 2/9 intention - if unsuccessful all ground held to be occupied for night (at least can maintain to high ground) attack at first light.	do
697	"		1900	5. 61		(a) arty shelling MANAWAHO 15 2200 (b) since dark will be taken back for PLANTATION under the arrangement.	Spoke to B.M. on return of more boats to PLANTATION
698	"		1930	2/9		Any moving south took first fill bot - pushing as far ahead as possible then consolidating for night.	
699	"		1930	2/12		Positions being maintained on whole front -	

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700	18 JAN		2000	1/12		Patrol not yet returned - very shy out although. Japs food bins still left. Will test out eventually at dusk light and if there will push two pts in from flank	Taken by B.M.
701			2000	1/9		C Coy destroyed one Jap MB - counterattacking on high ground outside M.T. at - patrol endeavoring to cut into coastal perimeter returned after killing 5 Japs. Will discuss with 2/12 & 2/10 re attack at dusk light. Zoo's arranging for H.F.	Taken by B.M.
702			2000	2/12		Counterattacking from ridge - will discuss with 2/9 re attack at dusk light. Zoo's arranging for P.F.	Taken by B.M.

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703	18 JAN		2030	1/12		Improvement on CO 2/12. Bats under orders that M.T. at night must now be cleared and no posts left to rear	Taken by B.M.
704			2030	1/12		Two PT boats will be operating 7/1 5:00 AM onwards at dusk before 2200	My horizon improved - by is letting Zoo's
705			2055	2/9		Patrol to west to contact 2/10 returned at 2000 hrs & did not contact 2/10 - Patrol found enemy post 400 x outside perimeter on coast. Killed 5 Japs. C Coy has withdrawn to high ground about 400 x from our perimeter	
706			2100	NANI		Two PT boats operating tonight off Panananda not before 2200 hrs. Further information will be passed later	BM - Inj Hassan VARE LOGO advised

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711A
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711C
Return
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18 JAN 2305
WANI 4
1825 163 U.S. Regt. I41
1902 30 Bdr. I116
2005 14 Bdr. I53
2100 7 Aust. Div. I156
2030 7 Aust. Div. I54
1965 18 Bdr. I44
~~18 Bdr. I45~~
2100 18 Bdr. I45

Koty reports that one of their
observation posts
observed a light at 165309
which showed for 4 seconds
Are any of our troops in
that vicinity can Koty
pic on the point observer
Start to 1800 hrs.
Start to 1800 hrs. Nothing to report.
Start to 1800 hrs.
Start to 1800 hrs.
TAC/R 1715-1750 hrs. 18 JAN
Start No 79 to 2030 hrs
~~Start No 20 to 2000 hrs~~
Start No 20 to 2000 hrs

BM
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area.

To 7 Aust Div. pta
163 Regt, 14 Bdr, 20 Bdr
2/9, 2/10, 2/11
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712
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18 JAN.

LOGO

- Maj. Walker advises that MT Road is generally under water - also ground on both sides of road - corduroy now up by shell fire.

Ground from MT Road to where Killerton track is very swampy tracks

BM advised

713
2155
MANI G 3.

Rani to 6 hrs arranged with army. That their firing will be on island & mainland only - PT boats will push off Panananda Pt. after

2000 hrs.

BM Maj. Turner JABE & LOGO advised

714
2200 JABE

Reports unidentified plane passed overhead from NW to SE

BM & NANI G 3 advised

2230 KOTY

Rituk to 1800 hrs.

2230 NANI

TAC/R 1715 to 1750 hrs.

2230 NANI

Rituk to 1800 hrs.

2240

Reported to NANI that unidentified plane passed over travelling from approx SE to NW

Rani advised

715
2205

Advised Logo & Gabe of PT boats & passed on BM's instruction that no firing or movement out to sea unless first reported to BM.

716
2330

Mai Haines up the Foo. to have seen two suspected Jap messengers bay of WYE PT moving east. informed BM + Gabe. - no firing on water to sea (informed JABE & LOGO).
Capt Schiedje - 2000 at patrol, between San + Kil

717
349

May Walker - LOGO.

MT Road generally under water & on
both floors. colding down up
by shell fire - mason for ^{at} Anolis.
Newer

LOGO pitmen to show were along
the ~~at~~ ^{the} morning.
beach

Course generally between MT &
West Hillier track low points
ground all points under water
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477 boys.

Pat.

Patrol points very to find

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718.2400 . JABE Schms No news 12 P1.

719.0156

JABE

all quiet.

720.0400

JABE

Sentries + Russ Corp Report Been Lfwd since
to NW of Kellerton village. All quiet.

~~Wipe BM 630.~~

721.

JABE - 211j

MAFO = patrols gone out - one from each camp

