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Item number: 8/2/18

18 Infantry Brigade
August - September 1943

17 SEP 1943

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde.

Date and Time.—From 1 Aug 43 To 31 Aug 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
RAVENSHOE	1 Aug		I.O. Capt. P.D. CONNOLLY resumed duties ex hospital. 2/1 Aust Dental Unit came under comd. Location 390835 (MT. GARNET.)	
	2 Aug		Bde HQ carried out a practice pack for impending movement. 18 Aust Inf Bde was placed on 24 hrs notice from 2400 hrs. Lieut D.D. POWER L.O.3 departed with 2/16 Aust Inf Bn to act as disembarkation L.O. at destination. Embarkation L.O. party as follows left for TOWNSVILLE: Chief L.O. Maj. G.R. MEITHKE M.C., Bde HQ Capt N.J.C. SHERWIN, 18 Bde Sig Sec. Lieut R.F. LACK, 2/9 Aust Inf Bn, Lieut S.P. McCREADY, 2/10 Aust Inf Bn. Lieut G.O. FORWARD, 2/12 Aust Inf Bn. Lieut H. GIEZENDANNER	Amendt to Grouping of Units for Embarkation att as Appx 'A'.
	3 Aug		BGS 2 Aust Corps. Brig. H. WELLS lectured to offrs of the Bde on the EL ALAMEIN battle.	
	4 Aug		Maj. C.C.F. BOURNE confirmed in the appt of C.O. 2/12 Aust Inf Bn and promoted to Lt-Col. O.C. 2/47 L.A.D. Lieut. A.G. PATTERSON returned from hospital. It was learned that approx 300 'X' list personnel of the bde were in 2 Aust Corps Reception Camp WONDECLA. It was arranged that they move under arrangements 2 Aust Corps through N.G.A.R.D. and rejoin units at destination.	General Efficiency Questionnaire and Summary of Answers att as Appx 'B'. Original only
	5 Aug		Stores and tentage of Bde Gp sent by rail to TOWNSVILLE. Evidence on reported Japanese atrocities taken from offrs and men of the bde by Lt-Col T. STEPHENS L.S.O. 2 Aust Corps and Mr. BRENNAN, Army Secretariat.	
	6 Aug		Comd Brig F.O. CHILTON D.S.O. had C.O.'s to dinner at AHERTON Offrs Club. B.M. Maj. O.D. JACKSON and I.O. Capt P.D. CONNOLLY left by car for TOWNSVILLE.	Location Statement as at 2400 hrs 6 Aug att as Appx 'J'
	7 Aug		2/9 Aust Inf Bn moved by M.T. to INNISFAIL thence by rail, to	

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			OONOOMBA Staging Camp, TOWNSVILLE. Comd Brig F.O. CHILTON D.S.O. left by car for TOWNSVILLE.	
	8 Aug		Bde HQ Gp and 2/10 Aust Inf Bn less two Coys left for TOWNSVILLE.	See Entraining Instns att as Appx 'C'.
				Original only.
	9 Aug		2/9 Aust Inf Bn and Bde HQ Gp embarked in S.S. KATOOMBA and remainder in S.S. CANBERRA.	
	10 Aug		Convoy sailed at 0300 hrs.	
	11 Aug		Bal 2/10 Aust Inf Bn, 2/4 Fd Coy and 2/125 Aust Ord Fd Pk moved to TOWNSVILLE.	Entraining Lists att as Appx 'D'.
				Original only.
PORT MORESBY.	12 Aug		Units disembarked at PORT MORESBY ex S.S. KATOOMBA and CANBERRA and moved by M.T. to POM POM PARK area. (ref map PORT MORESBY 1 inch 954372.) Comd Brig F.O. CHILTON reported to G.O.C. and received verbal infm on EXCHEQUER Operation. Bal 2/10 Aust Inf Bn sailed from TOWNSVILLE in S.S. TAROONA.	
	14 Aug		Comd Brig. F.O. CHILTON and B.M. Maj. O.D. JACKSON attended demonstration of Ground to Air Conn by 21 Aust Inf Bde in AUSTINS CROSSING area. Bal 2/10 Aust Inf Bn disembarked 1800 hrs and moved by M.T. to camp area. Div tps in this gp reverted to comd parent units on disembarkation. Comd held conference attended by CO's and Bde Staff to discuss (a) L.O.B. Gp; (b) Scale of Carts hand jungle required by this bde. (See report att as Appx 'E'.) Following scale for L.O.B. personnel was decided on:	Location Statement as at 2400 hrs 13 Aug att as Appx 'K'.

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			1. Bde HQ -- Offr and 8. 2. Sigs, L.A.D. and Gd Pl -- NIL. 3. Inf Bn -- Maj - 2 i/c or Maj suitable to command. 5 Offrs - 2 Cpts and 3 Lieuts. (One suitable to replace Adjt.) 5 W.Os or Sgts. - One suitable to replace R.S.M. 9 Cpls - One each rifle coy, 2 sig pl, Tk/A, M.M.G., Mortar, Bn HQ. 39 O.Rs.- 7 each rifle coy, 3 sig pl, 2 Tk/A, 2 Mortars, 2 M.M.G., 1 Pnr Pl, 1 Bn. HQ.	Att as Appx 'L' is a return by states of personnel of this Bde eligible to vote in the Federal Election. Original only.
			Morning staff conference to be instituted. Det 2/1 Aust M.A.C. att this HQ. 2/12 Aust Inf Bn and remainder of Gp 4 commenced move to TOWNSVILLE.	See appx 'H' att. Entraining Instns att as Appx 'G'. Originals only.
	16 Aug		Comd Brig F.O. CHILTON attended a further conference at HQ 7 Aust Div on EXCHEQUER operation.	
	17 Aug		Inf Bn telephones on scale of 7 per unit issued. I.O. Capt P.D.CONNOLLY lectured to Bde HQ on duties of Bde Staff. Supply of engr and accomodation stores for period of settling into this Camp Area was liberal. Owing to the fact that all water carts had NOT been unloaded from M.T. Ships, there was a slight water shortage overcome by 17 Aug. Water was found unsuitable and had to be chlorinated at water points.	18. Bde Trg Instn No 10 att as Appx 'F'.
	18 Aug		Two dets 2/1 Aust Fd Dental Unit att this HQ. All signals equipt of bde sent to 11 Adv Wkshps for tropic proofing.	

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			<p>First line amn brought up to full scale. Posn of Offrs in 2/9 and 2/10 Aust Inf Bns brought into line with W.E. by promotions and postings to R.S.L. and P.S.L. Recommendations submitted for secondments to fill Bde HQ Staff. Comd. Brig F.O.CHILTON D.S.O., B.M. Maj O.D.JACKSON, S.C. Capt R.J. SEDDON, I.O. Capt P.D.CONNOLLY and O.C. 2/47 L.A.D. Lieut A.G. PATTERSON attended 7 Aust Div Dinner Dance.</p>	
	19 Aug		<p>Modifications to war equipt started by 2/125 Aust Bde Wkshops:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Securing of the recoil spring of 3 in Mortars to prevent loss. (ii) Amn box of 2 prs lengthened 1 1/4 in for the H.E. round. (iii) No 2 seat of 2 pr strengthened. (iv) Trailer plate of 2 pr strengthened. <p>All 2 pr barrels to be gauged and records maintained by E.M.E. I.O. Capt P.D.CONNOLLY lectured to bde staff on organization of Int. Office in the field. Comd Brig. F.O.CHILTON D.S.O. and B.M.(L) Maj R.G. SWAN visited HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde at DONEDABU. Det 7 Aust Div Mob. Bath Unit att this HQ.</p>	
	20 Aug		<p>Comd attended demonstration A.A. and 6 pr shoot at BOERA. 2/12 Aust Inf Bn and remainder Gp 4 disembarked and moved by Tpt to camp areas. Div tps reverted to comd of parent units. Lieut. D.W.REA returned to the HQ from L.S.O. School. L.O.(1) Capt N.J.C.SHERWIN and T.O. Lieut. H. McCOLM joined the HQ with Bde HQ rear party. S.C. and Adjts. 2/9 and 2/10 Aust Inf Bn discussed postings of all offrs with D.A.A.G. 7 Aust Div.</p>	
	22 Aug		<p>L.O. 3 Lieut. D.D.POWER rejoined the HQ on completion of his duties as disembarkation L.O.</p>	

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			<p>Comd Brig. F.O.CHILTON D.S.O. and S.C. Capt R.J. SEDDON attended a conference at 7 Aust Div on OUTLOOK operation. The emplaning of the whole Div. becomes the responsibility of Comd. 18 Aust Inf Bde. It was arranged that 7 Aust Div should issue an adm order covering the functions of the Control Staff and the details of the Emplaning. S.C. 18 Aust Inf Bde, Capt R.J. SEDDON was apptd Chief Controller, with authority to draw staff from 7 Aust Div L.O.B Gp. A further conference was held at Div HQ at 1930 hrs to discuss with Capt LONIE (Aerodrome Control Gp N.G.F.) the arrangements for emplaning of the div.</p>	<p>18 Bde Trg Instn No 11 att as Appx 'M'.</p>
	23 Aug		<p>Comd. Brig. F.O.CHILTON D.S.O. held a conference of C.Os and directed that in view of possible future operational areas, more attention be given to trg in open country and particularly night work. At 0830 hrs S.C. Capt R.J. SEDDON, O.C. 2/4 Aust Fd Coy Maj. TAYLOR and D.A.P.M. reced the Marshalling Area and rds to emplaning dromes. Engrs instructed to start immediately the necessary improvements to the roads and bridges and to the internal traffic system of the Marshalling Area. It was decided that two pro secs from N.G.F. be attached to the Control Staff for guiding etc. (Marshalling area PORT MORESBY 932393.) During the afternoon L.O. 1 (Capt N.J.C. SHERWIN) who was att to Control Staff, reced Assembly Area at JACKSON, WARD and DURAND Strips. He then visited 21 and 25 Aust Inf Bdes to inform them of Staffs required to be supplied by them for emplaning.</p>	
	24 Aug		<p>Bde emplaning table completed. Two rifle coys worked on the preparation of a parade ground in the area of Bde HQ for the review by G.O.C. N.G.F. 18 Aust Inf Bde emplaning tables were prepared in the morning. In the afternoon Marshalling Area and Drome Assembly Area staffs were taken over the ground and the entire layout was explained. Details of comns required were given to sigs 7 Aust Div.</p>	

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	26 Aug		The brigade was reviewed by Lt.Gen. Sir Edmund HERRING, G.O.C. N.G.Force. He addressed the bde, speaking very highly of their past work, and reminding them of the great achievements of 5 U.S. Air Force. S.C. saw Maj CROZIER (O.C. 7 Aust Div Tpt Pool) and Maj SINGLETON (A.A.S.C.) and discussed tpt and rations for the emplaning staffs and tps in transit. He arranged with A.A.S.C. for 2000 day rations of tea, milk and sugar, and arranged with Div for an L.A.D. to be att to the Div Tpt Pool and for dumps of amm to be placed at dromes for making up weight in shortweight a/c.	
	28 Aug		S.C. Capt. R.J. SEDDON checked emplaning staffs with 7 Aust Div and had some alterations made to 7 Div Adm Order 5. In the afternoon he visited Maj. McKINNA, O.C. 7 Aust Div L.O.B. Gp and arranged necessary accomadation stores for Marshalling and Assembly Areas.	
	29 Aug		Emplaning instns for 7 Aust Div issued by this HQ in accordance with 7 Aust Div Adm Order 5. Comd. Brig. F.O. CHILTON D.S.O. lectured offrs of the Bde on the 'Night Attack.'	Att as Appx 'N'.
	30 Aug		Marshalling Area Staffs and WARDS and JACKSONS Assembly Area Staffs R.V. at HQ 18 Bde and moved out to set up camp. Phone connected 1100 hrs. Maj. QUINTON and Capt. PARBURY visited Durand and Kila strips which they were to staff in the event of these strips being used as emplaning dromes. They were put on ½ hrs notice.	Scale of staff required is att as Appx 'O'.

Appx A to HQ 183rd W.D. for August 3

FIRST AMMUNITION

GROUPINGS OF UNITS FOR REBARKATION - 18 MUST INF BDE GP

Flight	Unit	Personnel			Stores Cubic Tons
		Offrs	GRs	Total	
K Flight 3	2/9 Aust Inf Bn	48	727	775	348
	Hq 18 Aust Inf Bde	15	130	145	
	7 Div Cash Office 3				
	7 Div Postal	6			
	7 Div Provost	15			
	7 Div Provost	15			
		<u>39</u>			
	6 Pl 2/1 Cd Bn	1	43	44	
	J Sec Sigs	3	46	49	
	2/47 Aust LAD	-	15	15	
	7 Pl 2/3 Aust Sup Dep Coy	3	30	33	
	3cc PA Survey Bty	1	19	20	
	2/5 Aust PA Coy Rear Party	-	40	40	
	2/1 Dental Unit	6	26	32	
	2/5 Aust PA Amb	1	1	2	
	2/18 Aust Inf Bn	6	26	32	
	TOTAL		83	1093	
G Flight 4	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	20	433	453	124
	2/6 Aust PA Amb	10	184	194	69
TOTAL		30	616	646	
F Flight 4	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	18	311	329	124
	2/4 Aust PA Coy	5	250	255	80
	2/5 Aust PA Amb	1	1	2	
	2/125 Cpd PA Pk	1	10	11	10
	A.E.M.E. Drivers		18	18	
TOTAL		25	590	618	
D Flight 5	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	29	715	744	248
	2/5 Aust PA Amb	11	212	223	63
	18 Aust A.M.C.U.	1	7	8	3
	Rear Party 2/125 CPO	3	93	96	19
	7 Div Rec Camp	2	15	17	88
	8 Pl 2/3 Sup Dep Coy		26	26	7
	A.E.M.E. Drivers		20	20	
TOTAL		46	1088	1134	
Next Flight	Rear Party 18 Bde	3	4	7	
	2/125 Bde Workshops	3	148	151	250
	Rear Party Sup Dep Coy 1	1	4	5	
	A.E.M.E. Drivers		19	19	
TOTAL		7	175	169	

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 2 Aust Corps
- 7 Aust Div
- Embarkation Officer
- S.G.
- File (2)

M. L. Seddon
 Capt.
 S.G. 18 Aust Inf Bde.
 2000 hrs 2 Aug 43

Appx B to HQ RBr W.D. for *Alvar Dearing* 3
GENERAL EFFICIENCY QUESTIONNAIRE

Hq 18 Aust Inf Bde
4 Aug 43.

2/9 Aust Inf Bn
2/10 Aust Inf Bn
2/12 Aust Inf Bn
J Sec 7 Aust Div Sigs
6 Pl B Coy Hq Gd Bn
2/47 LAD
Comd
BM (2)

to
Answer/the following questions will reach this Hq by 1800
hrs 4 Aug 43.

1. Percentage of officers } who have NOT been in action.
 } ORS
2. (a) Have all Mot Regt personnel been put through TROST?
 (b) Percentage of those tested who qualified.
3. Have all personnel
 (a) Fired Rifle practice recently?
 (b) " LMG " "
 (c) " SMG " "
 (d) Thrown 35 grenades?
4. Have all personnel been instructed in Anti Malarial precautions incl use of personal equipment?
5. Approx percentage of personnel who have efficiently completed Jungle Assault Course.

J. Swan *Maj*
7a Brig.
Comd 18 Aust Inf Bde.

QUESTIONNAIRE

Question		2/9 Bn	2/10 Bn	2/12 Bn	2/47 LAD	J Sec Sigs	Pl 2/1 Ga B
1	Offrs ORs	25% 25%	51% 67%	51% 56%	- 26%	50% 23%	nil nil
2	(a) (b)	Yes 78%	(2% have not) 88%	(33 have not) 97	Yes 100%	nil nil	- -
3	(a) (b) (c) (d)	Yes Yes No No 40%	Yes No No No	13% 16% 17% 42%	Yes Yes Yes Yes	No No Yes No	Yes Yes Yes Yes
		HQ Coy 50% Rifle Coys 100					
4	(Will be finalised by 1600 hrs 5 Aug)	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
5		52%	23%	75%	100%	Nil	Nil

Ser No of Train	Departs		Units to Entrain	No of Persons	Vehs 3-ton required to lift			R.V.		Convey Departs	Unit to supply trg offr & OC Train
	TIME	DATE			REPORT No	Place	Time	Place	Time		
P.4	1525	8 Aug	2/5 Aust Fd Coy	50	3	2/5 Fd Coy	0730	RAVENSHOE	1045	1100	2/10 Bn
			(Rear Pty)			8 Aug	Oval	8 Aug	8 Aug		
			2/12 Aust Inf Bn	22	2	2/12 Bn	0730	"	1045	1100	
			2/6 Aust Fd Amb	185	11	2/6 Fd Amb	0730	"	1045	1100	
			2/10 Aust Inf Bn	93	6	2/10 Bn	0730	"	1045	1100	
			<u>350</u>								
P.5	1900	8 Aug	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	350	22	2/10 Bn	1100			1430	2 /10 Bn
							8 Aug			8 Aug	

DISTRIBUTION:-

2/9 Aust Inf Bn	Copy No	1
2/10 Aust Inf Bn		2
2/12 Aust Inf Bn		3
2/5 Aust Fd Coy		4
7 Pl 2/2 Aust Sup Dep Coy		5
2/6 Aust Fd Amb		6
HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde		7-8
7 Aust Div		9
2 Aust Corps		10
2 Aust Corps Transport		11
RTO INNISFAIL		12
RTO TOWNSVILLE		13
Camp Staff Offr		14
S.C.		15

B. Seaton
 Capt.
 S.C. 18 Aust Inf Bde.

W.D.

Appx D to HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde W.D. for August 3.

MOST SECRET

Copy No. 5...

10 Aug 43

ENTRAINING INSTRUCTIONS - GP 4 - FLIGHT 14

Issued in conjunction with Grouping of units of Embarkation - 18 Aust Inf Bde Gp

- Notes
- (a) Entraining Station INNESMILL
 - (b) Essential Stores A brake van will be attached to each personnel train for carrying unit stores required to move with personnel.
 - (c) Personnel Will move to INNESMILL by MP and report to RTO INNESMILL 1 hour 30 mins prior to scheduled times of departure.
 - (d) Vehicles 20 x 3 tonners for each train will report 18 Bde HQ at 0600 hrs and 0730 hrs 11 Aug and will be reallocated to units as below.
 - (e) OC Convoy Units supplying MP will supply OC Convoys.

Ser No	Departs		Unit to entrain	No of pers	Vehs 3 ton for lifting personnel to entraining sta				Convoy departs	Units to supply entraining offcr & OC train	
	Date	Time			No	Report Place	Time	R V Place			Time
P 1	11 Aug	1400	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	300	20	2/10 Bn	0605	-	-	0900	2/10 Bn
P 2	11 Aug	1525	2/4 Aust Fd Coy	243	16	2/4 Aust Fd Coy	0740	18 Aust Inf Bde HQ	1015	1025	2/4 Aust Fd Coy
			2/10 " Inf Bn (incl att)	45	3	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	"	"			
			2/5 Aust Fd Amb	2)	1	2/125 Aust Ord Fd Pk	"	"			
			2/125 Aust Ord Fd Pk 10)								
				300	20						

Distribution

- 2/10 Aust Inf Bn	Copy No	1
2/4 Aust Fd Coy	"	2
2/5 Aust Fd Amb	"	3
2/125 Aust Ord Fd Pk	"	4
HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde	"	5 ✓
HQ 2 Aust Corps	"	6
RTO INNESMILL	"	7

W. McHolm Lieut for. Capt.
 SC 18 Aust Inf Bde.

Appx 'E' to HQ 18 Bde Warburton, 11th Office
18 Aug 43

JUNGLE HANDCARTS

SECURITY

H.Q. 18 Aust Inf Bde
18 Aug 1943.

7 AUST DIV.

1. Ref your signal O.900 of 11 Aug. 1943.

2. It is considered that some potential operational areas such as flat grassy river valleys are suitable for the use of handcarts. Frequent river obstacles may preclude the use of jeeps during early stages whereas handcarts may still be used.

3. In the event of jeeps being available handcarts can be trailed behind thus greatly increasing the load capacity.

4. On the other hand many areas are not suitable for handcarts owing to vegetation and climatic conditions, or it may be possible to use MT. Therefore it is not recommended that handcarts be on unit establishment but that a pool be kept under divisional control for use as required.

5. Suggested scale (working weight - 300 lbs).

Inf. Bde H.Q.	4
Bde Sig Sec	12 (see Appx A)
Bde H.Q. Gd Pl	1
Inf Bn	48 (See Appx B)
L. A. D.	1

W. L. Linton

Comd 18 Aust Inf Bde.

Brig

INF BN
LOADING TABLE - HANDCARTS

Serial No	Unit	Stores	Weight Lbs	No re-quired	Remarks
1	Mortar Pl	Mortar 3" complete & 12 rds	290	4	For 4 X 3" mortars
	Amn	24 rds	270	4	do
2	Vickers MMG	Vickers MMG complete 1000 rds in belt 1000 rds stripless (boxed)	310	4	
	Amn	3500 rds stripless	308	4	
3	Sigs v	2 miles cable 2 telephones D5 2 X 108 wireless sets 1 X 10-light s/board 4 boxes spare	300	5	
4	Rifle Pl each	.5" Tk A 40 rds .303" ctn 1248 rds 9mm 1600 rds 2" mortar 18 rds 36 grenades 36 rds	328	12	One per pl similar loads
5	Kitchen Coy	1 hydro burner 8 X 4-gal Aust Dixies 1 X 12-gal container 1 X 8-gal container 4 kettles camp oval 1 X 4-gal drum fuel Ladles, etc to be carried in 8-gal containers	200	6	Load divided equally as required
6	Int Sec & BHQ	BHQ office & Int Sec Office	300	1	
7	Pnr Pl	Tools etc, explosives	300	4	
8	RAP	Medical Stores	300	2	
9	Adm	Miscellaneous Q Stores & amn	300	2	

A BDE SIG SEC
LOADING TABLE - HANDCARTS

The following estimate of handcarts required by this section is based on wireless conn to Bns being carried out with wireless sets no 208

Shelter for sig office	1
Cable	5
Switchboards, telephones, etc	2
No 109 set for rear comms	3
Cooking gear	1
	<hr/>
	12
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W.P. Appx F '16 HQ 18Bn War diary for Aug 43

18 AUST INF BDE TRAINING INSTRUCTION
NO 10

SECRET

Copy No 13

Date 17 AUG 43

GENERAL

1. Apart from any special training outlined below units will concentrate on

- (a) hardening and acclimatisation of troops
- (b) individual training
- (c) sub-unit tactical training

HARDENING AND ACCLIMATISATION

2. Hardening process will commence immediately and be progressive. Troops will be trained to march long distances with battle loads under the humid conditions of coastal areas. Hill climbing will be included. Much of this training can be combined with tactical training.

INDIVIDUAL TRAINING

3. The following are to be stressed:-

- (a) 30 yard range practices, all weapons including snap shooting from hip and shoulder at figure targets
- (b) practices at longer ranges to teach deliberate shooting, aiming off for wind, judging distances, etc
- (c) use of ground cover, movement in grassland and rapid digging in
- (d) malarial precautions

TACTICAL TRAINING

4. This, for the present, will be based on ops in terrain similar to MORESBY, i.e. undulating grassland with scattered timber.

5. The following are to be stressed:-

- (a) the tactical value of high ground
- (b) methods of control when moving deployed
- (c) movement by night - night attack
- (d) the effect of high KUNAI or KANGAROO grass on the conduct of the attack and defence
- (e) cooperation with fa arty - 7 Bty 2/4 Aust Fa Regt
- (f) ground to air comms - T panel, etc.
- (g) use of smoke

HQ COY TRAINING

6. 3" mortar gun is available and crews are to be practiced in normal role of close support of rifle coys.

7. Training of Tk A pls will include the role of use of HE gun in support of rifle coys.

LOADING AND UNLOADING OF AIRCRAFT

8. Will be practiced using C47 A/C in accordance with separate instructions on 21 Aug 43.

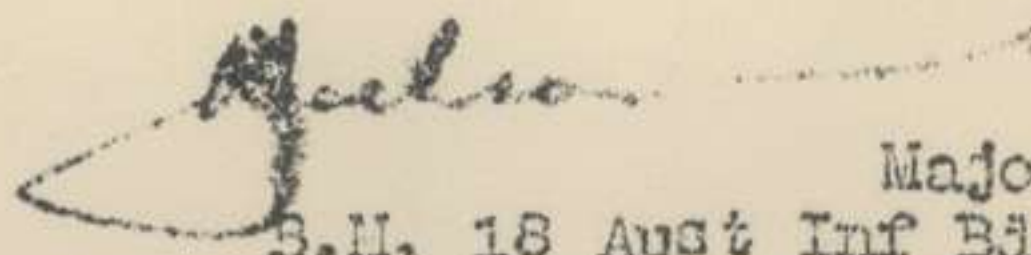
TRAINING SYLLABI

9. Will reach this HQ in duplicate by 1200 hrs 18 Aug 43 (less 2/12 Aust Inf Bn).

(a) outline syllabus for period 16 Aug - 18 Sep

(b) detailed syllabus for week 16-21 Aug

10. 2/12 Aust Inf Bn training periods will be notified.


Major
B.M. 18 Aust Inf Bde.

<u>DISTRIBUTION:-</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Copy No</u>
	2/9 Aust Inf Bn	1
	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	2
	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	3
	18 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	4
	6 Pl B Coy 2/1 Hq Gd Bn	5
	2/47 Aust LAD	6
	Comd	7
	B.M.	8
	S.C.	9
	7 Aust Div	10
	File	11-12
	War Diary	13-14

App 'G' to HQ 183rd Bde War Diary for Report

ENTRAINING INSTRUCTIONS FLIGHT K4 and "NEXT FLIGHT"

MOST SECRET

Copy No. 8.

13 Aug 43

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- Notes:- (a) Entraining Station INNISFAIL
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 (d) O.C. Convoy Units supplying MT will supply OSC Convoys.

Train Ser No	Departs		Unit to Entrain	No of Pers	Mchs 3 ton for lifting personnel to Ent Sta					Unit to supply Ent Offr and OC Train	
	Date	Time			REPORT			R.V.			
					No	Place	Time	Place	Time		Convoy Departs
P1	14 Aug	1400	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	350	22	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	0730	-	-	0900	2/12 Bn
P2	14 Aug	1525	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	350	22	" " "	0900	-	-	1025	2/12 Bn
P3	15 Aug	1400	2/12 Aust Inf Bn 2/5 Aust Fd Amb A.A.M.C.U. 2/153 G.T.C.	32 228) 8) 82 - 350	2) 15) 5) 22)	HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde	0730	HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde	0850	0900	2/5 Aust Fd Amb
P4	15 Aug	1525	2/153 G.T.C. 7 Aust Div Rec Camp 2/2 Aust Sup Dep Coy Rear HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde 2/125 Bde Wkshops 2 Aust Corps Rec Camp	32 15 27) 6) 138 16 - 234 66 284 18	2) 1) 2)) 9) 1) 15)	HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde 2 Aust Corps Rec Camp Wongabel	0900 0900	"	1025	1030	2/125 Bde Wkshops
P5	15 Aug	2100	Personnel from 2 Aust Corps Reception Camp Wongabel	300 - 350	22 19	2 Aust Corps Rec Camp	1430	-	-	1600	2 Aust Corps Rec Camp.

Distribution	Unit	Copy No	No	Unit	Copy No
-	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	"	1	2/125 Bde Wkshops	7
	2/5 Aust Fd Amb	"	2	HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde	8 ✓
	18 Aust A.M.C.U.	"	3	RTO INNISFAIL	9
	2/153 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	"	4	HQ 2 Aust Corps	10
	7 Aust Div Rec Camp	"	5	2 Aust Corps Rec Camp	11
	2/2 Aust Sup Dep Coy	"	6	File	12

*H.M. Colm Lieut For Capt.
SC 18 Aust Inf Bde.

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Appx II to HQ 18 Bde War Diary for August 43.

DUTIES OF BDE HQ OFFICERS

HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde
14 Aug 43

1. There will be a staff conference at 0730 hrs daily in the officers mess for the purpose of

(a) Issuing any necessary orders for the day

(b) Informing officers of any important matters dealt with the previous day

All officers will attend.

2. A series of conferences to be attended by all officers will be held on staff duties of Bde HQ officers and HQ routine. First to take place at 0800 hrs 15 Aug in officers' mess, remainder to be notified.

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For Major.
B.M. 18 Aust Inf Bde.

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- OC LAD

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Appx 'J' to HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde War Diary for August 43

SECRET

18 Aust Inf Bde Location Statement
as at 2400 hrs 6 Aug 43

Ref Map Mt. GARNETT 1" to 1 mile

Serial No	UNIT	Unit Veh Marking	Map Reference	Remarks
1	H.Q. 18 Aust Inf Bde	88	386836	
2	'J' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div	88	386836	
3	Det. Cipher Sect. 7 Aust Div	68	386836	2/42 Aust) Cipher Sect.)
4	6 Pl 2/1 Aust HQ Gd Bn	225	386836	
5	2/47 Aust LAD	88	388834	
6	2/4 Aust Fd Coy	60	340808	
7	Det 2/5 Aust Fd Coy	89	340808	
8	2/9 Aust Inf Bn	50	390835	
9	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	99	386832	
10	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	56	388827	
11	7 & 8 Pls. 2/2 Aust xxxx Sup Dep Coy	64	335814	
12	Det 2/153 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	97	335814	
13	2/5 Aust Fd Amb	52	324813	
14	Det A.R.C.S.	52	324813	att. 2/5 Aust.) Fd. Amb.) " "
15	18 Aust. A.M.C.U.		324813	" "
16	2/6 Aust. Fd. Amb.	70	324813	
17	2/1 Aust. Dental Unit		390835	
18	2/I25 Aust. Bde. Ord. Fd. Pk.	83	388812	
19	2/I25 Aust. Bde. Wkshop	76	388812	
20	2 Secs. 7 Aust. Div. Pro. Coy.	95	386836	
21	Det. 7 Aust. Div. Postal Unit	55	386836	
22	Det. 7 Aust. Div. Cash Office	80	386836	
23	7 Aust. Div. Reception Camp	71	368912	
24	Sec. Fd. Survey Coy.		Reception Camp TOWN SVILLE	

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App K to HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde W.D. for August 43

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HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde
14 Aug 43

LOCATION STATEMENT AS AT 2359 HRS
13 AUG 43

Ref Map PORT MORREBY 1/63360

1	HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde	954372
2	6 Pl B Coy 2/1 Hq Gd Bn	954372
3	18 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	954372
4	Det 2/42 Aust Cipher Sec	954372
5	Det 7 Aust Div Postal Unit	954372
6	Det 7 Aust Div Cash Office	954372
7	One sec 7 Aust Div Pro Coy	954372
8	2/47 Aust LAD	953371
9	2/9 Aust Inf Bn	945368
10	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	953363
11	2/12 Aust Inf Bn (Adv Party)	953366
12	DET 2/1 Aust Mot. Amb. Convoy.	954372

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L. Major.
B.M. 18 Aust Inf Bde.

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Appx 21540 18 Bde W.A. for SA ^{SECRET} August 43.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS

HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde
14 Aug 43

7 Aust Div

1. Ref 7 Aust Div signal A2180 of 3 Aug 43.
2. Herewith returns of personnel eligible to vote from

HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde
18 Bde Sig Sec
2/47 Aust LAD
6 Pl B Coy 2/1 Aust Hq Gd Bn
2/9 Aust Inf Bn
2/10 Aust Inf Bn

W. Leaden
Comd 18 Aust Inf Bde.
Brig.
A.D.S.

FEDERAL ELECTIONS

PERSONNEL ELIGIBLE TO VOTE - HQ 18 AUST INF BDE

STATE OF ENLISTMENT

NUMBER OF PERSONNEL

QUEENSLAND

39

N. S. W.

30

VICTORIA

13

STH AUST

16

TAS

5

W. A.

2

TOTAL

105

FEDERAL ELECTIONS.

HQ 2/9 Aust Inf Bn
Ref 26/
13 Aug 43.

HQ 18 Aust Inf. Bde.

1. Ref 7 Aust Div message A2180 3 Aug 43.
2. Hereunder numbers of personnel of this Unit enlisted under each state.

<u>QLD</u>	<u>N S W</u>	<u>VIC</u>	<u>S A</u>	<u>TAS</u>	<u>N.G.</u>	Total
532	129	38	16	4	1	720.


.....Lt Col
Comd 2/9 Aust Inf Bn

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ELECTORAL RETURN

H Q 2/10 Aust Inf Bn
13 Aug 43.

18 Aust Inf Bde.

The following return is submitted in reply to your signal
A 2180 of 3 Aug 43; -

South Australians	272
Queenslanders	337
New South Welshmen	122
Victorians	36
Tasmanians	9
Western Australians	1

H. Heard
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Comd 2/10 Aust Inf Bn

W.D. Appx M to HQ RBA W.D. for Aug 43

Secret
Copy No 8
Date 22 Aug 43

10 Aust Inf Bde.
Training Instruction No. 11

TRAINING AREAS.

1. The attached trace indicates four suitable Bn areas which may be made available to units on request. The remainder of the MONROE area includes camp areas, ranges, and the crest of other Bdes.

2. Units may also use any suitable areas in the vicinity of their camp lines provided they do not enter the lines of any other units.

10 MORTAR RANGES.

3. Allotment as follows:-

KIRRA BEACH	2/9 Bn	25-27 Aug.
RICO RD	2/10 Bn	28-30 Aug.
RICO RD	2/12 Bn	31 Aug-1 Sept.

10 RANGING NORTHWEST HILL.

4. Allotment as follows:-

2/9 Bn	1-2 Sept
2/10 Bn	3-4 Sept
2/12 Bn	5-6 Sept.

3 pm (10 only) may also be fired on this range.

FIELD FIRING.

5. It is intended to locate areas suitable for pl and Coy rd firing exercises. Details later.

TRAINING HOURS.

6. Subject to the discretion of O.C. in special cases, training will normally be carried out from Monday to Saturday Wednesday afternoon will be allotted to organized sports.

TACTICAL DISCUSSIONS AND TWTG.

7. A series of discussions and TWTG will be held as follows:-

Serial	Subject	Time and Date	Officer Responsible
i.	Lecture Outline of situation in M.G.	1100 hrs 25 Aug.	Bde I.O.
ii	Lecture and discussion Night Attack	1100 hrs 29 Aug.	Bde Comd.
iii	Lecture The Salamaua Front	1500 hrs 1 Sept.	Bde I.O.
iv	TWTG Night Attack	pm 5 Sep.	B.M.
v	Lecture Air support	1500 hrs 8 Sep	Member HGF Air Staff
vi	Lecture & discussions The adv in open country	1100 hrs 12 Sep	Bde Comd.

Serial	Subject	Time & Date	Officer Responsible
vii	TEWT The Attack	PM 15 Sep	B.M.
viii	TEWT The Defence	PM 19 Sep	B.M.

8. COs, 2i/cs, adjts, IOs and coy comds will attend. Lectures and discussions will be held in Bde HQ Officers' Mess. Separate instns will be issued for TEWTs.

9. Tactical Tng of Sub-Units
The following brief notes indicate the Bde Comd's policy in regard to tng in minor tactics.

(a) The Bde is training for an offensive role in the near future. Success in such operations will depend largely on the leadership and training of pls and secs.

(b) The object of sub-units in such operations is to close with the enemy and destroy him. The problem is to get to grips as quickly as practicable and with a minimum of casualties. This is achieved by

- (i) Use of covering fire including where necessary the fire of the pls own weapons (LMGs, 2" mortars, rifle, grenades) and
- (ii) use of ground approaches covered from view and fire from enemy SA weapons, and
- (iii) in suitable cases, use of smoke (normally 2" M) to blind enemy observation.

(c) Therefore tng of rifle pls will concentrate on

- (i) Weapon tng - incl use of 2" M smoke (see Tng Instn No 10)
- (ii) Use of ground
- (iii) Sec and Pl formations and method of control
- (iv) Tactical employment of pl weapons in covering movement
- (v) Conduct of the assault
- (vi) Rapid reorganisation and consolidation of ground won to repel the inevitable counter attack.

(d) The best form of collective exercise to bring out the foregoing principles is the pl fighting patrol or raiding party. In the earlier stages one pl or sec can be posted as umpire to observe and criticise the method of attack. In the later stages, exercise will be carried out with live amm.

(e) The Bde Comd is insistent that during such tng, all ranks must be kept fully in the picture and given an opportunity to discuss the operation, - if possible before the exercise begins as well as afterwards. Only in this way tng will be of interest to the troops and the principles involved understood and remembered.

(f) The value of a sand table for teaching elementary tactics is stressed - it facilitates the bringing out of principles by question and answer and discussion.

10. BN AND COY EXERCISES

Each bn will carry out at least one bn and one directed coy exercise during the period 23 Aug - 6 Sep. Attention is drawn to Tng Instrn No 10 for type of exercise.

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Major.
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Appx 'H' to HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde War Diary
for August 43.

MOST SECRET.

Hq 18 Aust Inf Bde.
29 Aug 43.

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EXPLANING INSTRUCTIONS - ISSUED
IN CONJUNCTION WITH 7 AUST DIV
ADM ORDER NO 5.

1. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS FOR MOVE UNITS 7 AUST DIV. (See Appx 'C'
7 Aust Div ADM Order No 5.)

(a) Initial advice as under will be given by Air Tpt Control
Offr to Controller at Marshalling Park.

- (1) No of planes available at respective Dromes.
- (2) No of planes in each flight.
- (3) Times flights leave and late.

(b) Controller will pass information to Explaining Offr at
Dromes who will liaise with Air Tpt Control to ascertain
Dispersal Bays.

(c) Controller will check Appx 'H' to 7 Div O O No 5 and
advise Units of Ser Nos of loads required at Marshalling
Park and at what time.
Units so advised will then send Unit Liaison Offr to
Marshalling Park, forthwith.

(d) Gen. Tpt. Coy will receive similar info and despatch
necessary trucks to Unit lines for loading.

(e) As loaded trucks arrive at Marshalling Park they will be
drafted into respective flights and Dromes and sent
forward to Drome Assembly Areas in complete convoys.

(f) Explaining Officers will then send trucks to individual
dispersal bays for loading on to aircraft.

(g) Trucks will report back to Drome Assembly Areas and
remain there until flights take off, then report back
to G.T.C. for further allotment.

2. PLANE LOADS + CHECKING.

(a) All stores will be placed in "plane loads" on receipt of
warning order to move and each dump given a Div Ser No.

(b) All trucks will be checked by Offr or M.C.O. in charge
each 'plane load' before leaving unit lines and marked
clearly with chalk on each door with Div Ser No.

(c) A second check will be made by Unit Liaison Offr at
Marshalling Park and any short weights through casualties
made up from same dump.

(d) A third check will be made at Drome Assembly Areas and
again after loading into planes.

- (e) Offr or M.C.O. in charge each plane load will be responsible for all personnel and stores from unit lines to deplaning area. He will remain with truck and report to Controller at Marshalling Park when called for, and Explaining Offr at Drone Assembly Area with correct number of copies of Explaining Table (as per Para 10 7 Div Atn Order 5) and ensure that copy held by Pilot is returned to him at deplaning area.
- (f) At no time will personnel, other than Offr or M.C.O. in charge, leave, or stores be removed from, truck or plane unless ordered to do so. This will be strictly enforced.
- (g) Plane Nos will be put on Explaining Tables at Marshalling Park by Controller.

3. HEAVY LOADS.

- (a) If possible trucks will be loaded with Jeeps, Trailers and Guns in unit lines. (Practice loading of planes direct from trucks to be made.) Where Jeep and Trailers are in one plane load, Trailer will be loaded in truck and Jeep be driven immediately behind.
- (b) Front bumper and offside rear bumper of Jeeps to be removed to facilitate loading.
- (c) Units will be responsible for providing lifting gear and necessary additional personnel for loading heavy gear. Unit Liaison Officer will arrange extra transport with Controller.
- (d) Units will advise this HQ by L.O. forthwith of loads as per Div Ser No. which will take more than 15 minutes to load or unload.
- (e) Loading ramps will be available at Drones.

4. MEALS.

- (a) Units will ensure that wherever possible a meal is given to all personnel before leaving unit lines.
- (b) It is anticipated that tea will be available at Marshalling Park and possibly Drone Assembly Area depending on time allowed for loading.
- (c) Mugs or Dixies will be accessible accordingly in men's gear.

5. TRANSPORT.

- (a) Reserve or spare vehs. in unit convoys will not be used, except in event of breakdowns, under orders of C.C. Convoy.
- (b) Breakdowns will be notified immediately by phone, D/R or Provost to Controller and any local action taken.

- (e) All trucks will be checked through to Drome by Provost and advice sent to Controller by Explaining Offr.
- (d) Under no circumstances will allotment of trucks be altered except by Controller or G.T.C.
- (c) Vchs will move in "plane flights" from Marshalling Area under Provost Guides.

J. M. Nelson
Capt.
Controller.

ACK.

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APPX 'O' TO HQ 18 AUST INF BDE FOR AUG 43.

SCALE OF STAFF REQUIRED FOR EMPLANING 7 AUST DIV.

1. MARSHALLING AREA.

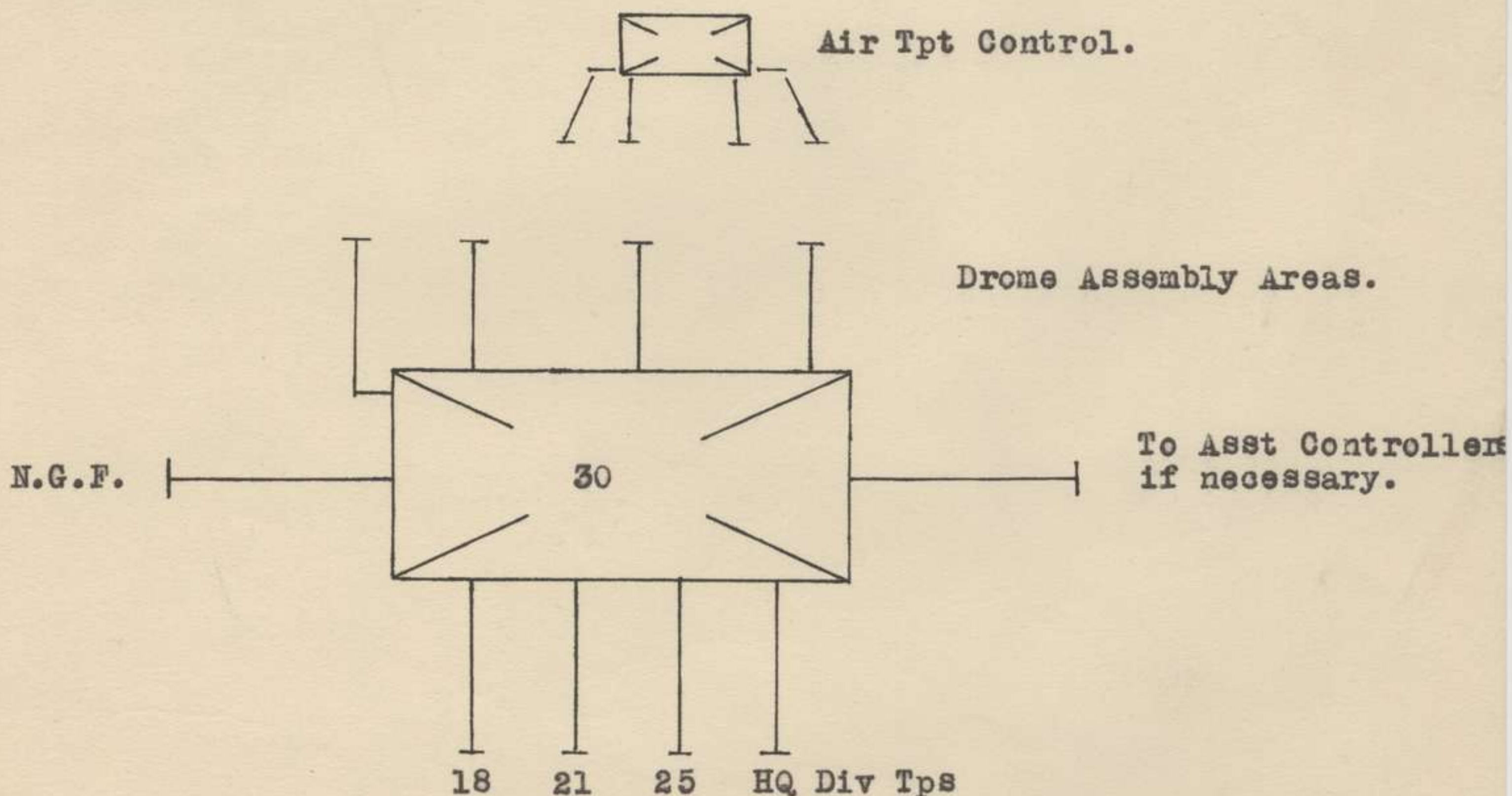
Controller.
L.O. between Controller and Air Tpt Control Staff.
One asst controller per emplaning drome.
Sjt clerk.
Switchboard operators and sig orderlies.
2 DRs.
C.Q.M.S.
Med Orderly.
3 Cooks.
Pro Offr and MPs. (At least 3 per drome.)
L.O. from Tpt Pool unless this is in close proximity to the
Marshalling Area.

2. DROME STAFFS.

Emplaning Offr.
Asst Emplaning Offr.
2 clerks.
2 sig orderlies.
2 cooks.
2 DRs.
Up to 4 MPs.

One veh for each drome and for the marshalling area.
Complete scale normal camp accomodation stores.
One WILDS cooker per drome and marshalling area.
Flood lighting is desirable at the marshalling area.
Tea is provided for tps in transit, but they are given meals
prior to departure from camp lines.

3. COMNS REQUIRED.



APPV P's
 to Bde. W.D. for Aug/43.
 11 AM.

List of Major Gen. stores issued
 during Aug. '43.

UNIS

QTY

Item	Quantity	QTY
Rifle Bags	5. Inc. sigs	1
Over Gun.	2/9	2
	2/10	2
	2/12	2
	CO. BN.	3
Carls G.S.	H.O. 18 Bde.	+
	2/9 Bw	8
	2/10 Bw	8
	2/12 Bw	8
Compasses pris MK VIII & IX	2/9 Bw	6
	2/10 Bw	6
	2/12 Bw	7
Compass pris liquid MK III	2/9 Bw	6
	2/10 Bw	6
	2/12 Bw	4
	2/4 7d. Coy.	1
Compass mag. pocket.	2/9	29
	2/10	29
	2/12	23
	2/4 7d. Coy.	
Stereoscope universal	2/4 7d Coy.	1
" B3.	H.O. 18 Bde	2
	2/9	1
	2/10	1
	2/12	1
Watches G.S./T.P.	H.O. 18 Bde.	10
	2/9	9
	2/10	9
	2/12	9
	2/4 7d Coy.	9
Board Map Com.	H.O. 18 Bde	1
Penscopes No 25	" " "	1
Compasses proportional	" " "	3

(Continued)

ITEM.	UNIT.	QTY.
Magazines Brew.	9d Bw.	35
	1/2 7d. Coy.	350.
Binooculars pris. no 2 Mk 2.	2/9 Bw	13
	2/10 Bw	13
	2/12 Bw	13.
Bones Yuckers Belts.	2/9 Bw	10
	2/10 Bw	10
	2/12 Bw	10.
Rangefinder No 12	2/9 Bw	2
	2/10 Bw	2
	2/12 Bw	2
Hand instrument No 14	2/9 Bw	2
	2/10 Bw	2
	2/12 Bw	2
Hand Instrument No 21	J. Sec. sigs.	2
	2/9 Bw	2
	2/10 Bw	2
	2/12 Bw	2
Telescopes signalling.	T. Sec. sigs	5
	2/9 Bw	55
	2/10 Bw	54
	2/12 Bw	4
Telephones Inf.	2/9 Bw	7
	2/10 Bw	7
	2/12 Bw	8.
Cable electric. mls.	2/9 Bw	1
Pistols rubber	2/12 Bw	1

Issues of :- also
 Capes of Gas.
 Mosquito Nets
 Tents sheets half.
 Gaiters w. el. Am.
 1 - 2

Appx "Q" to H.Q. 18 Bde W.D. for Aug 43

WAR EQUIPMENT TABLE DEFICIENCIES.

2/10 AUST INF BN
3 Sep 43

HQ 18 AUST INF BDE

ARTICLE

EST.

HELD

DEF.

REQ.

SECTION A1

Cases pistol WE patt 37	95	26	69	24
Pouches amm pistol	96	29	67	67
Covers muzzle SA Aust No.1	720	-	720	N11
" " SA Aust No.2	55	-	55	N11
Frogs web pliers sidecutting	37	-	37	37
Pouches rifle grenade discharger	36	-	36	36
Pouches Basic WE patt 37 large	1574	-	1574	440

SECTION B 1

Pullthroughs single Mk IV A	1222	872	350	N11
" SMG "A" NIV	218	105	113	20

SECTION B 2

Rods cleaning pistol No 2 Mk I	95	-	95	95
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SECTION C 1

Guns sub machine Owen magazines	1090	650	440	12
Pegs nightline MG Mk I	2	-	2	2
Plotters MG No 1 Mk I	2	-	2	1
Sights dial MG Mk IIX Aust	4	-	4	-
BRACKETS DIAL SIGHT.	4	-	3	-

SECTION F.

Files smooth flat 6"	50	-	50	-
Axes handaed 2lb 8 ozs handles	54	6	48	24
Brushes stencil $\frac{3}{4}$ " NIV	20	-	20	20
Pliers combination sidecutting 7" Aust prs	5	-	5	-
Pouches tool lineman filled	12	2	10	10
	1	-	1	1

SECTION G 2

Wire steel No 14 SWG galv	cwts	$\frac{1}{2}$	-	$\frac{1}{2}$	-
Lines natural whipcord	fms	1200	-	1200	-
Ropes toggle (Aust) 8'6"		787	-	787	-

SECTION J 1

Boxes stationery waterproof 14"x10"x2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	4	-	4	4
Lamps or lanterns pressure kerosene	9	-	9	5
Panniers GS	6	1	5	-
Sheets waterproof 12' x 12' Aust	5	-	5	-
Saws folding	43	-	43	18

SECTION J 2

Cookers portable No 1 Burner Aust	21	-	21	6
Burners spare	6	-	6	6
Scissors stretcher bearers	22	12	10	10
Stretchers ambulance	12	-	12	7
Slings Mk IV	24	-	24	24
Towels hand huckaback	12	4	8	-
Sheaths machetts	180	150	30	30

WAR EQUIPMENT TABLE DEFICIENCIES
CONTINUED.

ARTICLE	EST	HELD	DEF.	REQ.
<u>SECTION KF.</u>				
Pans stew steel tinned Aust 6 pt	1	-	1	-
Carts hand GS Aust	22	8	14	6
<u>SECTION M3</u>				
Drifts No 18 Mk I	4	-	4	4
Screwdrivers adjusting sights No 1 Mk I	4	-	4	4
<u>SECTION N 3</u>				
No 22 C Sighting telescopes No 2 Mk I	4	-	4	4
<u>SECTION V 5</u>				
Cases clinometers No 4 Mk I	8	2	6	6
Periscopes No 18 Mk I	6	-	6	3
Protectors object glass Mk II	4	2	2	2
(spare)	4	-	4	2
Sights lensatic Mk I	16	-	16	-
<u>SECTION Y</u>				
Apparatus aerial sig				
Flags air recognition	72	-	72	-
Strips Aust	54	24	30	-
cable laying No 2	6	2	4	4
Climbers pole american patt spike type	4	-	4	4
Telephone sets Infantry No 1 Aust	24	7	17	18
Microphones respirator No 2	12	6	6	-
capsule Mk IV	8	5	3	3
Panniers sig	9	6	3	-
Tables telegraph Mk I	2	-	2	-
Telephones sets L	12	-	12	12
Telephone & cable equipment No.1 Aust sets	12	-	12	12
<u>SECTION Z 1</u>				
Wireless sets SCR 536B Complete stations	30	-	30	30
<u>CLOTHING & NECESSARIES</u>				
Lanyards	90	-	90	-

K. H. ... Captain.
Mr. 2/10 Bn., A.I.F.

HQ 2/10 Aust Inf Bn
3 Sep 43.

18 Aust Inf Bde.

CONTROLLED STORES DEFICIENT	EST	HELD	DEF	REQ.
Discharges Grenade Rifle	36	39	plus 3	-
Pistols revolver No.2 Mk lx .38	95	58	37	16
Rifles No.3 Mk lx T	36	No.2 S&W Nil	36	36
Boxes belt Vickers .303 MG No.8	56	27	29	-
sub Machine Guns OWEN	109	107	2	2
Binoculars Prismatic No.2 Mk 1	37	1	36	5
Range Finders No.12	4	2	2	-
Spectacles tinted No.3 Mk 2	44	6	38	-
Stands Instrument No.14 Mk 2 or III	4	1	3	1
Stands Instrument No.21 Mk IV	6	1	5	5
Telescopes Scout or Snipers Spotting	36	Nil	36	36
Telescopes Signalling	6	1	5	3
Compasses Magnetic pocket Mk VI	72	31	41	41
Compasses Prismatic Liquid Mk III	92	32	60	60
Protractors Rectangular Ivorine "A" Mk IV	34	Nil	34	34
Stereoscopes B.3 pocket type Aust	2	1	1	1
Tapes measuring steel 100 ft Mk II and T.P.	2	1	1	-
Watches G.S.	132	39	93	93
connectors 5 pair	4	Nil	4	-
Heliographs 5 in Mk IV	8	2	6	-
Switchboards UC 6-line	2	Nil	2	2
Instruments testing No.1 voltmeter pocket 120 v	2	Nil	2	2
<i>RULES SLIDE MG MK III</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>"</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>-</i>

Keith Conroy Captain.
Op. Mr. 2/10 Bn., A.I.F.

Ref 48/1/24
2/12 Aust Inf Bn.
3 Sep 43.

HQ
18 Aust Inf Bde,

CONTROL STORES

As requested by L.O. set out hereunder is a Shortage list of CONTROL STORES required urgently-

ITEM	ESTAB	HOLD'S	REMARKS
Discharges, grenade, rifle	40	39	1
Pistols, revolver, rifle No 2 .38 - in Est. No 2 Mk 1x	58	57	1 Signal sent A.D.O.S. re casualty
Rifles, No 3 Mk I T	36	--	36
Plotters M.G.	1	--	1
<u>Anti-Gas & Misc. Stores</u>			
Capes, anti-gas	915	840	75 Short of portion Reserve Ent only. Each man outfitted
Binoculars, prismatic No 2 Mk1	37	5	32
" " " No 2 Mk2	19	46	Surplus 27
Rangefinders No 2	4	2	2
Spectacles, tinted No 3 Mk11	44	10	34
Telescopes, signalling	6	1	5 1 only required urgently
Protractors, rectangular, iverine A, Mk 1V	34	-	34
Tapes, measuring steel 100 ft Mk 11 and T.P.	2	1	1
Watches G.S.	50	39	11
Instruments, testing			
Voltmeter pocket-120 volts	1	-	1
Instruments, testing No 1	1	-	1
<u>2 pr TK/A Guns.</u>			
Cans, lubricating No 11 Mk 1	4	-	4
Drifts No 18 Mk 1	4	-	4
Gauges, striker, protrusion No 16 Mk 1	4	1	3
Staples, retaining, firing pin	4	-	4
Ropes, drag, light. G.S. No 2 Mk11. 8	8	4	4
Screwdrivers, adjusting, sights No 1 Mk11	8	-	8
Straps, web "B" "1" x 17"	4	2	2
Wrenches, breech mechanism-			
253 Mk 1	4	-	4
247 Mk 1	4	-	4
761 Mk 1	4	1	3
Adapters, oilfilling 2 pr Mk11 to 111	2	-	2
Bushes, firing hole	4	-	4
Hose delivery pipe No 1	2	-	2
Injectors, lubricant type 3 H	4	-	4
Hipples, lubricating type H 29	8	-	8
" " H 34	4	-	4
Valves, tyre, Schrader assorted components, car size (spare) pkts 1	4	-	1
Outfits, tube repairs	4	-	4
Levers, tyre	8	-	8
Gauges, pressure, tyre	4	-	4

C. L. Bennett
Lieut-Cr
Comd. 2/12 Aust Inf Bn

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS

By

BRIGADIER F.O. CHILTON
COMMANDING 18 AUST INF BDE

No 79

Part 1

4 Aug 43

No 79 DUTIES

Fd Officer of the Day	-	Capt E.W. BARNES, 2/9 Aust Inf Bn
Next for Duty	-	Capt A.G. SUTHERS, 2/12 Aust Inf Bn.
Duty Unit	-	2/12 Aust Inf Bn.
Next for Duty	-	2/10 Aust Inf Bn.

M. J. ...
for Capt.
S.C. 18 Aust Inf Bde.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS
BY
BRIGADIER F.O. CHILTON
COMMANDING 18 AUST INF BDE

Nos 77-78

Part 1

15 AUG 43

77. The following 7 Aust Div ROs are repeated:-

104. SECURITY

(a) Attention of all ranks is drawn to NGF booklet on "Censorship Security" which states that "personnel will NOT give any indication of their having moved to NEW GUINEA until they have been in NEW GUINEA for one month or have been in action." COs will ensure that this instruction is promulgated to all ranks.

(b) Now that the Division is in an active operational area security officers will commence lectures on security to all ranks, paying particular attention to what information may be given if taken PW, and the necessity of passing back all captured documents and equipment as quickly as possible. Field Security Wing personnel are available from this HQ to give lectures to troops whenever COs desire.

105. MALARIA CONTROL MEASURES

(a) The necessity for strict compliance with all orders and instns relating to malaria control will be brought to the attention of all ranks and it is directed that severe disciplinary action be taken in respect to any breach thereof.

(b) Particular attention is directed to clothing to be worn from 1800 hrs each day until 0600 hrs on the succeeding day, which is laid down in NGF Order 110/43, as follows

"From dusk to sunrise all ranks will wear slacks with boots and anklets web, gaiters SD or puttees, and long sleeved shirts buttoned at the wrist. Shirts may be left open at the collar button but will be buttoned up completely in all other respects. The prohibition of wearing shorts, short or open sleeves, or shirts NOT buttoned up in accordance with this order will be enforced rigidly.

(c) All units are placed on suppressive doses of atobrin at the rate of one tablet (one grain) six days per week, SUNDAY being the excepted day.

(d) All ranks will carry 12 tabs atobrin in first aid tins as a reserve

125. WATER POINTS

Water lorries only will be used for drawing water from WPs. Individuals will NOT draw water direct from WPs or from water carts filling at these points.

78. CHIN STRAPS

Chin straps will be removed from hats khaki fur felt.

[Signature]
S.C. 18 Aust Inf

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS
BY
BRIGADIER F.O. CHELTON
COMMANDING 13 AUST INF BDE

Nos 79-

Part 1

16 Aug 43

79. CAMP ROUTINE

0615	Reveille
0700	Breakfast - Tents in inspection order
0745	Parade
1130	Dismiss
1200	Dinner
1230-1330	Siesta
1345	Parade
1630	Dismiss
1700	Tea
1745	Anti-Malaria Parade
2100	Taps
2200	Lights Out

80. SUNBURN

- (a) Strict supervision must be maintained over all ranks not wearing shirts while working.
- (b) In the initial stages shirts should be removed for short periods only, otherwise severe cases of sunburn will result.
- (c) This instruction will be promulgated in unit ROs and attention of all ranks drawn to the fact that cases of sunburn are S.I.W.

81. ARMY EDUCATION SERVICE LIBRARY

A library of new books is available for the use of Bde HQ personnel. Books may be borrowed on the following conditions:-

- (a) No borrower to hold a book longer than one week
- (b) In the event of a borrower losing or damaging a book he must pay the cost of that book

The library is located in the Education Tent.

82. The following NG Force Orders are repeated:-

Q311. USE OF AN FPO OR APO AS POSTAL ADDRESS

1. The use of an FPO as an address for private correspondence is forbidden.
2. The use of an APO address may be permitted as an communication address in special circumstances but only by express authority of the ADAFS or DADAFS.
3. To be repeated in unit ROs.

4315. WATER SUPPLY - MORESBY AREA

Units in the MORESBY AREA are warned that for technical reasons it may be necessary to turn off water passing through the mains at various periods of the day.

Units will make arrangements to conserve in unit containers sufficient water to meet essential services such as cooking during these periods of non-supply.

Unless a state of emergency arises the times during which water will NOT be available from the mains will be restricted to periods between 0800 and 1700 hrs.

4519 - NATIVE VILLAGES

1. Same as provided in para 2 herof the following native villages are out of bounds to all troops except when on duty necessitating entry therein:-

MANU MANU
GOROHU
KID
LEILEI
PUPA
KATRU

West of MOWSEY

TUPULELEI
GAILD
NEW YABULORI
NEW PARI
LAPA KAPA

East of MOWSEY

2. Personnel not on duty necessitating entry desiring to enter any of the above villages will obtain permission to do so in the following manner

Leave pass issued by the members unit will be produced to all the forces who may exercise permission thereon. The leave pass so endorsed will be produced to the District Officer L. H. H. or his representative who may then grant permission to enter the village specified. To be reported in unit NOs.

4517 - MILITARY CRIMES - DISCIPLINATION

1. Dishonouring of buried Japanese by unauthorized persons or other desecration of Japanese graves is forbidden. Severe disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

2. This order will be reported in unit NOs.

W. L. H. H.
Capt.

S.C. 18 Det 1st Bde.

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ROUTINE ORDERS
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COMMANDING 18 AUST INF BDE

Nos 83-86

Part 1

20 Aug 43

83. FIRE PRECAUTIONS

- (a) Fire breaks will be cleared for a distance of 30 feet around all tents, stores and camp buildings.
- (b) Action to be taken immediately and grass so cleared will be burned.

84. MARKING UNIT STORES

- (a) Losses have occurred in recent move through insufficient and illegible markings of stores.
- (b) Stencils are to be cut of unit serials and where possible clearly marked whether inside a case or not.

85. TRAINING AMMUNITION

Some training ammunition is previous first line ammunition condemned for minor faults.

Units will ensure that stocks of first line and training ammunition are stacked separately to avoid unintentional substitution.

86. SECURITY

AAPS detachments cannot accept mail which is marked "F.L.M." "O.A.S." or in any way that gives away the senders location as being a forward area.

Units will ensure that members are warned of this breach of security.

A. Seaton
Capt.
S.C. 18 Aust Inf Bde.

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ROUTINE ORDERS
BY
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COMMANDING 18 AUST INF BDE

Nos 87-88

Part 1

24 Aug 43

87. FELLING OF TREES

Instances have occurred of trees being felled over signal cables with consequent fouling and breakage.

All ranks will be warned to exercise the greatest care in this respect.

88. PHOTOGRAPHY

All officers and other ranks of this HQ having cameras in their possession will register them with Major R.G. SWAIN by 1800 hrs 24 Aug 43.

~~Signature~~ *Print*
for Capt.
P.C. 18 Aust Inf Bde.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3098

(Adapted) (Page 1)
Revised Jan., 1913

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/8/1943 HQ 15th Aust Inf Bde 24 (Unit)
W.E. 11/2/3 OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 plus OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					
1 Rein'fts Required.	2 Deficient W.E.	3 Surplus to W.E.	4 Posted Strength.		6 Arm or Corps.	7 Posted Strength.	8 Surplus to W.E.	9 Deficient W.E.	10 Rein'fts Required.	
			1	Lieut.-Colonels						
			2	Majors						
NR 2	2		3	Captains	AAJC	1				
NR 2	2	2	4	Lieutenants	AAJL	1				
				Quarter-masters						
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.						
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAJH.D.	3				
4	4	2	10			5				

DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	TOTAL.
A.	15								15
E.[1]									
E.[2]									

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E[1] & E[2].

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO _____ (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED _____/194_____.

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	REMARKS [e.g. present whereabouts if known].

110 15 Aust Inf Bde Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/8/1943 (Total to Agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
CO (T/BRIG)	AX 231	CHILTON	F.O.	BRIGAD	YES		
CAPT (T/MAJ)	AX 12242	TRUSON	O.J.	R.M.	YES		
CAPT (T/MAJ)	TX 2017	SWAN	R.G.	BM(B)	YES		
LIEUT (T/CAPT)	SX 1741	SEDDON	R.T.S.	S.C.	YES		
LIEUT (T/CAPT)	AX 7500	CONNOLLY	P.B.	L.O.	YES		
LIEUT (T/CAPT)	OX 2101	SHERWIN	H.T.C.	L.O.(1)	YES		
CAPT	VX 14577	COOMBE	D.K.	SUPD.	YES		
LIEUT	OX 17547	MCCLURE	H.A.	S.C.(4)	YES		
LIEUT	AX 8045	JONES	D.B.	IN.O.	YES		
LIEUT	AX 17566	REA	D.W.	A.C.	NO	LEGAL STAFF SCHOOL	12.7.43
LIEUT	OX 519	ATHEN	S.G.	T.C.	NO	HOSPITAL (ADMITTED 2.4.43)	15.3.43
CHAPLAIN	SX 2744	PHILLIPS	E.B.	CHAPLAIN	NO	1/11 Aust Inf Bn	
CHAPLAIN	VX 71164	HOPKINS	J.E.	"	NO	1/11 Aust Inf Bn	
CHAPLAIN	AX 13494	WATSON	R.W.W.	"	NO	1/12 Aust Inf Bn	
LIEUT	AX 326	POWER	R.D.	L.O.(2)	YES		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
LIEUT	VX 38857	LOWLESS G.G.	1/10 Aust Inf Bn	11.7.43	A/CO (3)
LIEUT	OX 10362	ANDERSON C.B.	1/10 Aust Inf Bn	21.7.43	R/CO
LIEUT	AX 2069	CUTLER T.R.	1/12 Aust Inf Bn	30.7.43	A/CO (4)
LIEUT	AX 27124	QUILTY H.W.	1/12 Aust Inf Bn	21.7.43	A/CO 20 PL
LIEUT	AX 461	MARSHALL R.D.	1/12 Aust Inf Bn	20.7.43	A/CO (6)

14. 8. 43

Date of Despatch

[Signature]
S.P. 15 Aust Inf Bn

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

24 / / (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14 / 5 / 1943 (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 3 OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 13 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED				5 DETAIL		6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY WE				
Reinfts. Required	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength			Arm or Corps	Posted Strength	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required
				W.Os. Class I			1			
1	1		1	W.Os. Class II						
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts						
		1	3	Staff Sergeants			1	1		
		1	4	Sergeants					1	1
		4	10	Corporals						
		7	53	Troopers, Privates, etc			6			2
				Civilians counting as O.R						
1	1	15	70	Totals of cols marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			10	1	3	3

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).	Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL
			Under 19 Years	19 Years and over							
	A	30									30
	B(1)										
	B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which detached	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which detached
15	7 Div Artillery						
4	7 Div Signals						
1	7 Div Engineers						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. / / 194

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

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 14/8/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.F.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen				
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders				
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers				
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers				
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer				
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores				
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters				
Draughtsmen	1	1		Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wiceman								
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners								
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics												
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)												
Fitters				Driver-Operator												
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers												
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians												
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)												
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				PTES	36	45		
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				6	10			
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks				3	4			
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				2	2			
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				2	1	1		
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				PTES	5	6		
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				CPAS	2	2		
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				PTES	1	1		
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				PTES	1	1		
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				PTES	1	1		
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers								
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1		CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	60	30	*	*

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008

(Adapted) (Page 1)
Revised Jan., 1943

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21 / 8 / 3 1943

25 / (Serial No.)
(Unit)

W.E. 11 / 3 / OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 plus OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

1 2 3 4				5	6 7 8 9 10									
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.					
			1	BANDERS.										
				Lieut.-Colonels										
				Majors										
2	2		3	Captains	ARMY	1								
2	2	2	4	Lieutenants	ARMY	1								
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.	ARMY	3								
4	4	2	10			5								
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	15									15
				E.[1]										
				E.[2]										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E[1] & E[2].

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
61104	Capt	R. W. J.	Sgt. School	20. 3. 43	End of course

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED /194.....

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	REMARKS [e.g. present whereabouts if known].

HQ 13 BUST Unit BDE Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 31/8/1943 (Total to Agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit [insert Yes or No]	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
LIEUTENANT	231	CHILTON	F.D.	Bodonia	Yes		
LIEUTENANT	1324	FRICKSON	C.D.	B.M.	Yes		
LIEUTENANT	2017	SMITH	A.G.	B.M.	Yes		
LIEUTENANT	1241	STODOL	A.T.	S.C.	Yes		
LIEUTENANT	1560	SMITH	H.D.	S.C.	Yes		
LIEUTENANT	2101	STODOL	A.T.	B.M.	Yes		
LIEUT	1407	COOPER	B.C.	Sup.C.	Yes		
LIEUT	1754	MCCORMY	H.M.	S.M.	Yes		
LIEUT	2615	TUNNICLIFFE	B.B.	My.P.	Yes		
LIEUT	1416	REID	D.W.	B.M.	Yes		
LIEUT	517	RITCHIE	T.G.	T.O.	No	Hospital (Admitted 25.11.43)	15.12.43
LIEUT	536	POWER	D.D.	B.M.	Yes		
CAPTAIN	1344	MILLER	E.D.	Canada	No	1st Aust Inf Bde	
CAPTAIN	1104	HARRIS	T.P.	"	No	1st Aust Inf Bde	
CAPTAIN	1341	HUTTON	R.A.W.	"	No	1st Aust Inf Bde	

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
LIEUT	3787	DOUGLASS G.S.	1st Bde	11.7.43	12/11/43
LIEUT	1436	AMMAN R.B.	1st Bde	21.7.43	12/11/43
LIEUT	2064	COULSON T.K.	1st Bde	20.7.43	12/11/43
LIEUT	3124	COULTON N.W.	1st Bde	1.7.43	12/11/43
LIEUT	411	MILLER R.A.W.	1st Bde	10.7.43	12/11/43

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander
First Aust Army Mob Print Unit—A72—52M—5/43.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21/1/1942 (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 3 OFFRS 12 O.R's 56 + OFFRS 5 O.R's 12 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED				5		6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY WE				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.		Arm of Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient WE	Reinfts Required.
				W.Os. Class I			1			
				W.Os. Class II.						
				Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts						
				Staff Sergeants						
				Sergeants					1	1
				Corporals						
				Troopers, Privates, etc			46			
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
1 *	1	11	16 *	Totals of cols marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			1 *		3	3 *

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over							
A	73									73
B(1)										
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which detached	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
15	2nd Div						
4	2nd Div						
1	2nd Div						
1	4th Div						
1	4th Div						
1	4th Div						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. / /194

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

Unit

Serial No.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 11 / 1 / 1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.F.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, B.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Filters				Driver-Operator											
Filters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Filters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Filters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Filters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Filters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Filters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Filters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Filters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD		11		CARRIED FORWARD		33		CARRIED FORWARD		77		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively		6875	4

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 28/8/1943 HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde

AIF W.E. 11/2/3 OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10					
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
-	-	-	1	Brigadiers*										
				Lieut.-Colonels										
			2	Majors										
NR 2	2	1	3	Captains	AASC	1	1	-	-					
NR 2	2	1	3	Lieutenants	AAMC	1	-	-	-					
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.	A. A. ChD.	3	-	-	-					
4	4	2	109			5	-	-	-					
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	15									15
				E.(1)	14									
				E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 28 / 8 / 1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Col (T/Brig)	NX 231	CHILTON	F.O.	Brig Comd	Yes		
Capt (T/Maj)	NX 13243	JACKSON	C.D.	Bn	Yes		
Capt (T/Maj)	TX 2017	SWAN	R.G.	Bn(L)	Yes		
Lieut (T/Cpt)	SX 1741	SEDDON	R.J.S.	SG	Yes		
Lieut (T/Capt)	QX 9560	CONNOLLY	P.D.	IO	Yes		
Lieut (T/Cpt)	QX 2101	SHERWIN	H.J.C.	LO(1)	Yes		
Captain	VX 14577	COOMBE	D.C.	Sup O	Yes		
Lieut	QX 17549	MCCOLM	H.A.	SC(L)	Yes		
Lieut	QX 8695	JONES	D.B.	Hyg O	Yes		
Lieut	QX 19346	REA	D.W.	AO	Yes		
Lieut	QX 519	AITKEN	J.G.	TO	No	Hosp (applied for RSL)	15/3/43
Lieut	QX 336	POWER	D.D.	LO(2)	Yes		
Chaplain	SX 8744	PHILLIPS	E.B.	Chapln	No	2/9 Aust Inf Bn	
"	VX 91064	HOPKINS	J.F.	"	No	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	
"	NX15919	WOTTON	R.A.W.	"	No	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lieut	VX 38857	LOVELESS G.G.	2/10 Bn	11/1/43	A/LO(3)
Lieut	QX 10562	ARNARD C.D.	2/10 Bn	21/7/43	A/AO
Lieut	SX 461	MALLYON A.R. SEV.	2/10 Bn	30/7/43	A/SC(L)
Lieut	QX 2069	CUTLER J.R.	2/12 Bn	30/7/43	A/LO(4)

28/8/43

Date of Despatch

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S. C. Signature of Commander

Capt.

Inf. Bde.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

86 / (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 28 / 8 / 1943 HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 3 / 3 OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W E				
Reinf'ts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinf'ts Required.
HR 1	1	-	1	W.Os. Class I	AACG	1	-	-	-
				W.Os. Class II.					
		1	3	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts					
		1	4	Staff Sergeants					
		5	9	Sergeants	ABDE	-	-	1	1
		7	50	Corporals	ABO1, AB11, 2	2	-	-	2
				Troopers, Privates, etc	ABO2, AB11, 6	6	-	3	3
				Civilians counting as O.R	A/CHD 3	3			
1	1	12	67	Totals of cols marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		9		3	3

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A W A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	* *	TOTAL
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over							
A	76									76
B(1)										
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs	Unit to which detached	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
15	7 Div Pro Coy			15			
4	7 Div Postal			1	2/9 Aust Inf Bn		
1	7 Div Cash			1	2/10 Aust Inf Bn		
1	ABO 7 Div			1	3/12 Aust Inf Bn		
1	4 CRD Amn Coy						
1	2/10 Bn						

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. / / 194

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

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 28/8/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, B.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	1	1	-	Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Ptes	36	43	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Cpls	6	9	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	2	2	-	Sgts	3	4	-
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				S/Sgts	3	3	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				WOIs	3	1	1
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	2	2	-	Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks	2	2	-				
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				Ptes	3	6	2
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				Cpls	2	2	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				Sgts	1	-	1
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant				WOIs	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	3	3	-	CARRIED FORWARD	7	7	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	68	76	3

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorized trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

28/8/43

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008

(Adapted) (Page 1)
Revised Jan., 1943

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 31/7/1943 HQ 18 Ant Inf Bde 23 (Serial No.)

W.E. 11/2/3 OFFRS. 12 O.R.'s. 56 plus OFFRS. 5 O.R.'s. 2 ATT. BY W.E. (Unit)

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9	10					
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.					
-	-	-	1	<i>Bnqdir:</i>										
				Lieut.-Colonels										
				Majors										
NR 2	1	1	2	Captains	AASC	1								
NR 3	3	3	4	Lieutenants	AAME	1								
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.	Chaplains	3								
5	5	3	10			5								
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	15									15
				E.[1]										
				E.[2]										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E[1] & E[2].

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
OX 8695	Lieut	JONES J.B.	109 Ant C.C.S.	30.7.43	Returned from hospital
SX 4461	Lieut	MALLONAR	2/10 Ant Inf Bde	30.7.43	Transferred IN from 2/10 Bn
OX 2069	Lieut	CUTLER J.R.	2/12 Ant Inf Bde	30.7.43	Attached from 2/10 Ant Inf Bde
MX 57629	Lieut.	QUILTY H.W.	2/9 Ant Inf Bde	29.7.43	Attached from 2/9 Ant Inf Bde

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
OX 9360	T/Capt	CONNOLLY P.D	109 Ant C.C.S.	26.7.43	Evacuated susp malaria

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO PARTICULARLY REQUESTED _____ (Unit) IS _____ /194_____.

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	REMARKS [e.g. present whereabouts if known].

HD 18 Aust Inf Bde Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 31/7/43 (Total to Agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit [insert Yes or No]	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
COL (T/BRIG)	NX 231	CHILTON F.O.	F.O.	10th Bde	Yes		
CAPT (T/MAT)	NX 13243	JACKSON	O.D.	B.M.	Yes		
CAPT (T/MFR)	TX 2017	SWAN	R.G.	B.M.	Yes		
LIEUT (T/CAPT)	SX 1741	SEDDON	R.F.S.	S.C.	Yes		
LIEUT	SX 461	MALLYON	A.R.	S.V. S.C.	Yes		
LIEUT (T/CAPT)	QX 9560	CONNOLLY	P.D.	I.O.	No	109 Aust C.C.S.	26.7.43
LIEUT (T/CAPT)	QX 2101	SHERWIN	N.T.C.	L.O.	Yes		
LIEUT	QX 17549	MICOLM	H.A.	T.O.	Yes		
CAPTAIN	VX 14877	COOMBE	D.C.	Sup O.	Yes		
LIEUT	QX 8695	JONES	D.B.	1st O.	Yes		
LIEUT	QX 19346	REA	D.W.	1st O.	No	LEGAL STAFF SCHOOL	12.7.43
LIEUT	QX 579	AITKEN	J.G.	T.O.	No	Hospital	
CHAPLAIN	SX 8744	PHILLIPS	E.B.	CHAPL	No	2/9 Aust Inf B	
CHAPLAIN	VX 91064	HOPKINS	J.F.	"	No	2/10 Aust Inf B	
CHAPLAIN	NX 139919	WOTTON	R.A.W.	"	No	2/12 Aust Inf B	

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
LIEUT	VX 38857	LOVELESS G.C.	2/10 Bn	11.1.43	A/LD
LIEUT	QX 336	POWER J.D.	2/9 Bn	8.6.43	A/LD
LIEUT	QX 10362	BENNARD C.B.	2/10 Bn	21.7.43	A/LD
LIEUT	QX 2069	CUTLER J.R.	2/12 Bn	30.7.43	A/LD
LIEUT	NX 37129	QUILTY H.W.	2/9 Bn	29.7.43	A/OC Gen Pl

31.7.43
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander
Capt.
18 Aust. Inf. Bde.
First Aust. Army Mod Print Unit—A72—62M—5/43.

HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde Unit

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PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 3/7/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.F.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	1	1	-	Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Ptes	36	36	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Cpls	6	10	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	2	2	-	Ptes	3	2	1
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Sprts	2	2	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				WO 11s	2	2	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	2	2	-	Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks	2	2	-				
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				Ptes	8	8	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				Cpls	2	2	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				Ptes	1	-	1
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				Sprts	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				WO 7s	1	1	-
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	3	3	-	CARRIED FORWARD	7	7	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	68	71	2

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

31.7.43
Date of Despatch

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Signature of Commandant f. Bde.
S. C. 18 Aust

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Unit 18 Aust Inf Bde

Date and Time.—From 1 Sep 43

To

30 Sep 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
PORT MORESBY	1 Sep		Comd Brig F.O. CHILTON D.S.O. attended a battle practice by units of 25 Aust Inf Bde, taking the form of a set piece brigade attack. He decided that if sufficient 25 pr amm (600-700 rds) were available battle practices should also be carried out by units of 18 Aust Inf Bde in the form, however, of bn attacks leaving the method open to Commanding Offrs. The B.M. Maj O.D. JACKSON directed a night attack by 2/12 Aust Inf Bn, Offrs of Bde Staff acting as umpires. The Comd dined with Gen. Sir Thomas Blamey.	
	2 Sep		L.O.3 Lieut D.D. POWER saw a mortar and Tk/A shoot by 2/9 Bn. Comd held a conference of all offrs of 2/12 Bn to discuss points arising out of the bde directed night attack.	
	3 Sep		The same night attack was carried out by 2/9 Bn. Comd Brig F.O. CHILTON D.S.O. and B.M. Maj. O.D. JACKSON carried out a recce at BOERA arty ranges for the bde battle practice.	
	4 Sep		Gen Douglas MACARTHUR C-in-C S.W.P.A., with Maj-Gen G.A. VASEY C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O. visited the Comd. Gen MACARTHUR announced the landing of 9 Aust Div east of LAE. He praised the past work of the brigade at MILNE BAY and BUNA. He enquired as to the state of recent reinforcements expressing great confidence in the brigade and pleasure at the physical condition of troops.	
	6 Sep		A Dinner Dance was held by 18 Bde Offrs at the Offrs Club, PORT MORESBY, attended by the C-in-C, Gen Sir Thomas BLAMEY, G.O.C. 1 Aust Corps, D.C.G.S., D.A. & Q.M.G. and many offrs of the Seventh Division. Sisters from 2/5 and 2/9 A.G.H. attended.	
	7 Sep		At 1410 hrs a LIBERATOR bomber crashed in 7 Aust Div Marshalling Area	

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			<p>just after taking off from JACKSONS DROME. D Coy 2/33 Aust Inf Bn, who were marshalled in 3-ton lorries for emplaning were directly hit. Casualties totalled approx 130. Great coolness and organizing ability of a high order were displayed by the Staff Captain, Capt. R.J. SEDDON, who quickly arranged rescue work and proceeded without interruption with the emplaning of the remainder. The behaviour of all ranks of 2/33 Bn, especially the wounded, was admirable.</p> <p>2/9 and 2/10 Aust Inf Bns marched out to BOERA arty range for bde battle practice.</p>										
	8 Sep		<p>Bde HQ Gp was assembled complete for a practice plane loading pack.</p> <p>2/12 Bn marched out to BOERA arty range. These marches by the units took place at night to avoid the exhausting heat of day along the dusty rds. Comd. Brig. F.O. CHILTON and members of bde staff went to area to issue initial orders to C.Os and plan safety precautions. To assist in planning and coordination of the exercise large scale air photos of the area were flown by 4 A.C.Sqn.</p>	See Table att as Appx 'A'.									
	9 Sep		<p>2/9 and 2/10 Aust Inf Bns supported by 7 Bty 2/4 Aust Fd Regt carried out the battle practice under direction of Bde Comd. Bde Staff were used as coordinating offrs, using 536B Walkie Talkie Sets, which were found to be very effective. (These sets were also found to be of great assistance in control of the night attack.</p>										
	10 ASep		<p>2/12 Bn carried out the battle practice. Amn expended by each bn in this exercise was -</p> <table style="margin-left: 40px; border: none;"> <tr> <td>25pr</td> <td>-</td> <td>200.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3" mortar</td> <td>-</td> <td>100.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>.303</td> <td>-</td> <td>10000.</td> </tr> </table>	25pr	-	200.	3" mortar	-	100.	.303	-	10000.	
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	11 Sep		2/9 Bn returned to camp from BOERA.	
	12 Sep		2/10 and 2/12 Bns returned to camp.	
	13 Sep		2/9 Bn conducted a night attack exercise, practising 2 i/cs etc in their commands. Offrs of Bde HQ participated as umpires.	
	14 Sep		2/10 Aust Inf Bn carried out bde controlled night attack. The value of 536B sets in the consolidation phases was particularly noticeable.	
	15 Sep		2/9 Bn started at 2000 hrs on a march to DONADABU, halting for the night in the area of 2/9 A.G.H.	
	16 Sep		Maj.-Gen. G.A.VASEY C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., G.O.C. 7 Aust Div arrived in MORESBY from NADZAB. AS a result of the fall of LAE, he ordered the following changes to be made in the div order of landing.-- Essentially, 21 Bde to be completed, limited div tps to be brought forward and priority thereafter to be given to A.A.S.C. Gen. tpt. 2/9 Aust Inf Bn continued the march to DONADABU.	
	17 Sep		After exhaustive tests on the deficiencies of certain first line amn had been carried out, a report, att as Appx 'C', was submitted to 7 Aust Div.	
	19 Sep		Comd. Brig. F.O. CHILTON D.S.O. visited Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde, Brig. J. FIELD D.S.O. at DONADABU. He attended a sports meeting between 2/9 Bn and units of 7 Bde and arranged for units of 18 Bde to spend at least a week in the area to put in some refresher jungle trg. The brigade had been organizing for a campaign in an area with similar vegetation to PORT MORESBY, that is, the MARKHAM and UPPER RAMU valleys. With every appearance of the campaign moving faster	

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			than had been anticipated, the Comd appreciated the possibility of operations in the lower RAMU or in the DUMPU-BOGADJIM area. HQ 7 Bde agreed to allot trg areas, supply topographical infm and generally foster the units of 18 Bde, since HQ 18 Bde, being responsible for the div emplaning could not leave MORESBY.	See Training Instn No 12 att as Appx 'B'.
	20 Sep		2/10 Aust Inf Bn marched out for DONADABU at 0100 hrs.	
	21 Sep		In anticipation of possible operational roles of the bde, topographical infm on the RAMU valley was circulated.	See Appx 'G' att.
	22 Sep		A small cadre of N.C.Os from the brigade was sent to assist 2/1 Aust Pnr Bn in inf trg.	
	23 Sep		Comd. Brig. F.O. CHILTON D.S.O. and I.O. Capt. P.D.CONNOLLY flew to KAIAPIT, when the Comd talked with Brig. I.N. DOUGHERTY D.S.O., Comd. 21 Bde and Maj-Gen. G.A.VASEY C.B., C.B.E., D.S.O., G.O.C. 7 Aust Div. He returned by PIPER CUB to NADZAB spending the night 23/24 at HQ 7 Div. The G.O.C. indicated that while the role of the brigade was quite indefinite, he intended to fly it in to sp a div attack if the enemy proved to be in sufficient strength in the MARAWASA area to require it; or alternatively into MARAWASA or DUMPU, the most probable role being to hold the DUMPU area with active deep patrolling down the RAMU and towards BOGADJIM. (Paragraph continued over.)	
	24 Sep		Bde HQ did a route march to KIRRA BEACH. 2/12 Bn departed at 0200 hrs for DONADABU. In the afternoon Comd. Brig. F.O.CHILTON D.S.O. returned from NADZAB by B25 with G.O.C. 1 Aust Corps, Lt-Gen. Sir Edmund HERRING. I.O. Capt. P.D.CONNOLLY flew from NADZAB to KAIAPIT and back, bringing to HQ 7 Div, disposns of 21 Bde and request for Tac/R	
			25 Sep.	

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	25 Sep		Bde I.O. returned to MORESBY from NADZAB. 2/9 Bn marched in from DONADABU.	
	26 Sep		<p>At 0100 hrs instn was received from N.G.F. that a skeleton HQ, limited to 4 plane loads was to proceed immediately to NADZAB for the purpose of taking over defence of the NADZAB area from HQ 7 Aust Div when that HQ moved forward. The following was the composition decided on for Adv HQ 18 Bde:-</p> <p>Comd, B.M., S.C., I.O., L.O.1, L.O.2, L.O.4, BASCO and 30 ORs. Sig Sec -- 1 and 20.</p> <p>The following sig equipt was taken:- 2 - No 11 sets. (Comm to Div and Bde HQ) 2 - 208 sets. (Spare.) 10 line u.c. switchboard. 10 D V telephones. One charger and 8 - 6V btys were brought by signals for lighting purposes.</p> <p>7 complete tents and 5 flys, also one kitchen were carried. Adv HQ left camp at 0400 hrs for JACKSONS DROME departing by air for NADZAB, arriving 0820 hrs. Adv HQ 18 Bde opened a.m. 26 Sep at 415544 ref map NADZAB 1/25000. On reporting to the G.O.C., Bde Comd learned that the HQ had not been called forward by 7 Aust Div. Lt-Col C.J. CUMMINGS O.B.E. with remainder of bde staff administered local comd of the brigade in the absence of Brig. F.O. CHILTON D.S.O.</p>	
	27 Sep		<p>After a conference between the G.O.C. and Bde Comd and after receipt of advice from 1 Aust Corps, the following points were clarified. HQ 18 Bde to take over comd of 2/2 Aust Pnr Bn when Div HQ moves to KAIAPIT, probably 28 Sep. 24 Bn, at this time concentrating at</p>	

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			<p>NADZAB also to come under comd and relieve Pnr Bn for fwd mvt. HQ 15 Bde, on arrival from SALAMAUA to relieve this HQ. Comd and BM reced CAMP DIDDY area with GSOL Lt-Col. W.T.ROBERTSON M.C. Later in the day 7 Div advised that HQ 15 Bde was to arrive 28 Sep. This HQ, therefore, would NOT take over NADZAB. Also, it was hoped to commence flying in the brigade to NADZAB, commencing 29 Sep. W/T comm was established between Adv HQ and HQ 18 bde by No 11 set. A board for pre-selection of officers was constituted as under at Rear Pty 7 Div:- Lt-Col. C.J.CUMMINGS O.B.E., Lt-Col. GEARD, Lt-Col. BLYTHE (2/4 Aust Fd Regt and Maj. DENT (HQ 7 Div.)</p>	
	28 Sep		<p>Warning order sent to Bde HQ of probable move to NADZAB, order--Bde HQ, 2/9, 2/10, 2/12. Later the S.C. Capt. R.J.SEDDON flew to MORESBY to arrange movement. It was understood that on completion of first priority loads for 5 A.F., the bde would be flown into NADZAB, to be ferried forward as the situation developed. 2/10 Bn returned to camp from DONADABU. BM visited LAE. I.O. Capt. P.D.CONNOLLY went to LAE by jeep thence by barge to HQ 9 Aust Div, where he discussed with div staff points of interest arising from the recent combined ops. A report was subsequently submitted to the Bde Comd.</p>	
	29 Sep		<p>Comd instructed Bde HQ that the trg period at DONADABU would NOT be curtailed on account of possible movement. I.O. returned to NADZAB.</p>	
	30 Sep		<p>Bde Comd. Brig. F.O.CHILTON D.S.O. returned to MORESBY. Adv HQ handed over to HQ 15 Bde infm on topography of NADZAB and dispositions of allied forces. 2/12 Bn returned from DONADABU</p>	

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			<p>The following documents are attached:—</p> <p>A.F.W3008 and 3009 -----Appx. 'D'. R.Os for Sep 43. -----Appx. 'E'. A detailed report on the emplaning of 7 Aust Div by S.C. 18 Bde. -----Appx. 'F'. Day to Day record of serials emplaned.-----Appx. 'H'.</p>	
			<p><u>GENERAL SUMMARY.</u></p> <p>1. Strengths of units for the month of September averaged the following percentages of W.E. 2/9 Aust Inf Bn - 92%; 2/10 Aust Inf Bn - 94%; 2/12 Aust Inf Bn - 97%. Strengths on the last day of September:— 2/9 - 32 and 731; 2/10 - 36 and 735; 2/12 - 32 and 740.</p> <p>2. Trg: Tactical exercises and general hardening were combined in the large numbers of bn exercises with long and arduous approach marches. Most of the trg had been carried out in the open country round PORT MORESBY in anticipation of ops in the open savannah of the RAMU-MARKHAM valleys. As a refresher, however, each unit spent a week in close country training in the DONADABU area.</p> <p>3. Comd now regards the brigade as being capable of undertaking active operations in any type of country. The period of weeks in MORESBY has enabled individual trg to be completed and collective trg carried out. It is felt that the absorption of 5 and 11 Aust Mot Regts has been satisfactorily completed.</p>	

Appx 'A' to HQ 18Bde W.D. for Sept 43

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PLANNING TABLE - IN 10 UNIT INF DIV 18 BDE W.D. 1943

Based on US tropical scale less L&B

DATE 7 SEP 43

Plane Serial No	Sub Unit	Serial Code	Personnel	It	Weg	Van	no	oil	It	Total	Remarks				
			Officer	lb	gal	sq ft	sq ft	sq ft	sq ft	sq ft					
(1)	M1403	04 P1	P1 Comd	1	18	19	4750	55	100	30	70	-	-	4000	P1 Op rations 30 1 tripod stool 30 1 box 303 bar 70 4 picks 2 axes 40 8 mags 100 rds .5 30 2k A rifles 70
(2)	M1404	04 P1 13	10(1)	1	16	17	4050	70	300	35	300	-	-	4000	P1 Op rations 30 "I" office gear 100 3 picks 1 axe 37 1 twin mtg 30 2 k A rifles 70 8 mags 100 rds .5 30 1 box 303 bar 70 1 box 303 bar 70 1 box .38 100 RAP stores 170 tent shelter(1) 30
(3)	M1405	Comd	IM(L)	3	17	19	4750	-	-	30	300	-	-	5000	Comd baggage 50 P1 Op rations 30 2 tent fly sheets 60 "I" office 100
(4)	M1406	IM	IM	4	11	15	3750	-	-	30	300	30A H/O	304	4007	Op P1 rations 30 2k A rifles(2) 70 .5 mm (2000) 60 "I" office 300 water tins 10 full 10 empty 200 anti malarial oint 40 10 picks 2 axes 100
															Total 575

UNIT LIST

Line	Serial	Sub Unit	Serial	Personnel	Wt	Woop	Wm	Wotions	General	Value	Wt	Total	Remarks	
no	no	no	officer	men	lb	lb	lb	lb	lb	no & type	lb	lb		
(5)	11437	SO S'nan W' Sgt (Hagen) W' Sgt	20	1 9	10	2500	-	-	15	100 Jeep no 113733	2315	4000	11 Op rations 1 handcart 2 tent shelters Total	15 100 50 175
(6)	11438	W' Sgt S'nan W' Sgt (Spitzer)	2000	3 3	10	2500	-	-	15	170 Jeep 159033	2315	5000	1 handcart 11 Op rations Lanterns 1 dress lanterns Total	100 15 40 30 185
(7)	11439	SO LO(S) SO S'nan W' Sgt W' Sgt W' Sgt Cook W' Sgt W' Sgt	20	3 12	15	3750	-	-	25	1010	-	4005	Op 11 rations A) Col room "I" Office Tent shelters (3) Tent fly " (1) Kitchen complete Lanterns Total	25 400 130 30 30 500 40 1355
(8)	11440	SO S'nan W' Sgt	20	- 16	16	4000	-	-	25	250 3 1/2" 30 30A 04551003 30-250	732	5000	11 Op rations "Q" stores W' & W' stores Total	25 150 100 275

18 Bde
W.I. Sep 43

Photographer - WOII R.B. IRVING
Date - 14th Sept. 1943.
Place - PORT MORESBY AREA.
Unit - 18 AUST INF BDE AREA.

A Liberator, after taking off from Jackson's Drome Port Moresby, crashed into a knoll in 7 Div. Marshalling Area. The plane hit several trucks lined up nearby, setting them on fire. The bomb load then exploded. More than 50 personnel were killed, 60 odd injured and 14 bodies are still missing.

- 57402 Taken from the end of the take-off strip, showing the ridge over which the Liberator climbed, before crashing into the knoll on the other side.
- 57403 The plane hit the tree shown here in the left foreground and crashed against the trucks in the background. Parts of the plane were showered for about 300 yards in all directions.
- 57404 A burnt out truck which was set alight by burning fragments scattered from the plane.
- 57405 A burnt out truck which was set alight by burning fragments scattered from the plane.
- 57406 Looking towards the drome from which the Liberator took off. It climbed over the ridge in the background, hit the sawn-off tree near the centre of the picture, and also the stump in the centre foreground.
- X. " 15 killed outright and 45 died of injuries plus 90 injured as at . In addition 11 members of U.S.A.A.F. Liberator crew were killed outright.
- Of the 60 dead, 13 were buried unidentified and are therefore classified as missing. It is understood that of the injured several more have since died.
- Trees in photo marked as mentioned in report of Court of Inquiry. "

X. The additional information concerning casualties has been added ^{in pencil} to the caption of the above photographs. Informant not known.

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WAR MEMORIAL
CANBERRA, A.C.T.

Photo No. 57402



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Plano	Serial	Personnel	wt	Response	AM	Actions	General	Value	Total	Remarks					
Serial	Unit	Serial	lb	AM	AM	AM	AM	to & type	wt lb	for place					
11638	Amn Off	L30	8	15	17	4500	-	-	50	730	-	-	5000	Op FA Nations	50
		L30												Water 10 full	
		R Sgt												10 empty	200
		(Creighton)												Kitchen	500
		3 men	2											Total	730
		Water	1												
(9)		AGC D/E	1												
		AGC Dvr	1												
		AGC elct													
		Rgn Sgt													
		Amn Rk Sgt													
		Pte TUCKER													
		Mechanic	1												
		Fitter	1												
		Pl PO	2												
		Cash Off	1												
		Sgt													

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 Capt.
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Appx B'6/Hq 18 Bde. War Diary for Sep 43.

18 AUST INF BDE

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO 12

1. Periods to be spent at DONADABU are as follows; timings refer to departures and arrivals MORESBY camp lines.

2/9 Aust Inf Bn	1200 hrs 26 Sep 43
2/10 Aust Inf Bn	0100 hrs 20 Sep - 1200 hrs 1 Oct
2/12 Aust Inf Bn	0200 hrs 24 Sep - 1200 hrs 5 Oct

2. Above periods will be utilised in resting and carrying out jungle training at CO's discretion. COs will refer to HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde as to available training areas and facilities.

3. Recent collective exercises indicate that further training of Bn HQ staffs is needed to weld them into efficient operational teams. 'Skeleton' exercises are suitable for this purpose.

4. The Comd has noted that, in general, training of 3" mortar pls has NOT reached a sufficiently high standard. In particular dets are often slovenly in passing and acting on fire orders. The technique of giving and acknowledging fire orders requires attention, particularly when using R/T.

5. Training in use of "Walky Talky" sets is necessary. Basic requirements are

- (a) A simple commonsense procedure. The characteristics of the set permit simplification of standard R/T procedure
- (b) The tendency to overdo the use of the sets must be corrected. They are NOT to be regarded as a substitute for other methods of intercomm and control but rather as a valuable alternative means to be used with discretion.
- (c) Personnel using sets must be instructed in wireless security. Whilst complicated codes would defeat the object of the sets, care must be taken NOT to pass information useful to the enemy other than matters concerning the immediate minor tactical situation, e.g. in recent training strength states, identifications of units and coms have been passed.

M. Jackson
Major.
B.M. 18 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION:

2/9 Aust Inf Bn
2/10 Aust Inf Bn
2/12 Aust Inf Bn
Comd
BM
SG
7 Aust Inf Bde for information
File (2)
War Diary (2) ✓

Appx 'C' to HQ 18 Bde War Brigs, for Sp 43.

REPORT ON SAA .303" BALL AMMUNITION
BDE FIRST LINE

HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde
17 Sep 43
Ref

HQ N.G.F. (3)
rptd 7 Aust Div

- (1) Attached please find reports from 2/10 Aust Inf Bn.,
C.C. 2/47 Aust L.A.D. and Bde Amn Examiner, on above amn.
- (2) The problem applies equally to all units in the bde.
- (3) This type of amn is on issue to units of the bde as
first line amn. It is considered that the effect on the
weapons and the limitations imposed on their operational
use are serious matters.

L. Hillon Brig.
Comd 18 Aust Inf Bde.

REPORT ON FOULING OF BARRELS, MUZZLES ATTACHMENTS ETC -M.M.Cs

Hq. 2/10 Aust Inf Bn.
15 Sep 43
185/18/43.

HQ 18 AUST INF BDE

The following report is submitted on experience gained in practices and tests carried out in the presence of Ordnance Inspectors:-

1. AMMUNITION

The ammunition used - SA1 .303" Mk. and MG 1942 Manufacture, both carton packed and stripless belt filled.

2. WEAPONS

Guns, Machine, Vickers .303 Mk. IV, with new barrels and adjusted for firing in accordance with instructions laid down in the handbook for the gun.

Three guns used with identical results.

3. THE TROUBLE

(a) After one belt (250 rds) has been fired, the cup, muzzle attachment commences to foul rapidly with what appears to be a mixture of metal and carbon.

(b) When between 2-3000 rds have been fired, the muzzle cup has collected approx $\frac{1}{2}$ " of this fouling. The front cone has also fouled to a considerable extent. (See diagram)

(c) The barrel, it was found on inspection, was badly pitted, especially the breach end. This pitting could not be removed by ordinary cleaning materials supplied with gun. A unit armourer's clean also gave very poor results.

The barrels have since been sent to workshops, but have not yet been returned.

4. THE CAUSE

The fouling is evidently caused by portions of metal casing of the projectile breaking off in its passage through the barrel, and being cemented by the products of combustion (carbon) on the front cone and muzzle cup. In support of this theory, it was noted that about every second round fired left a heavy trail of smoke behind it on its flight, indicating possibly that the projectile was breaking up.

5. THE EFFECTS

(a) After between 2-3000 rds have been fired, the muzzle cup becomes so badly fouled (see para 3 (b)) that it causes it to bear on the front cone. This will not allow the recoiling portions to come forward, thereby stopping the gun (in a test shoot given for the Ordnance Inspector this occurred on the last belt on 3000 rds).

(b) The barrel fouling it is thought would have an appreciable effect on the accuracy of the weapon, and would seriously effect one of the guns main characteristics, i.e., overhead fire, to apply which, the manuals lay down the barrels must be in good condition.

6. REMARKS AND SUGGESTIONS

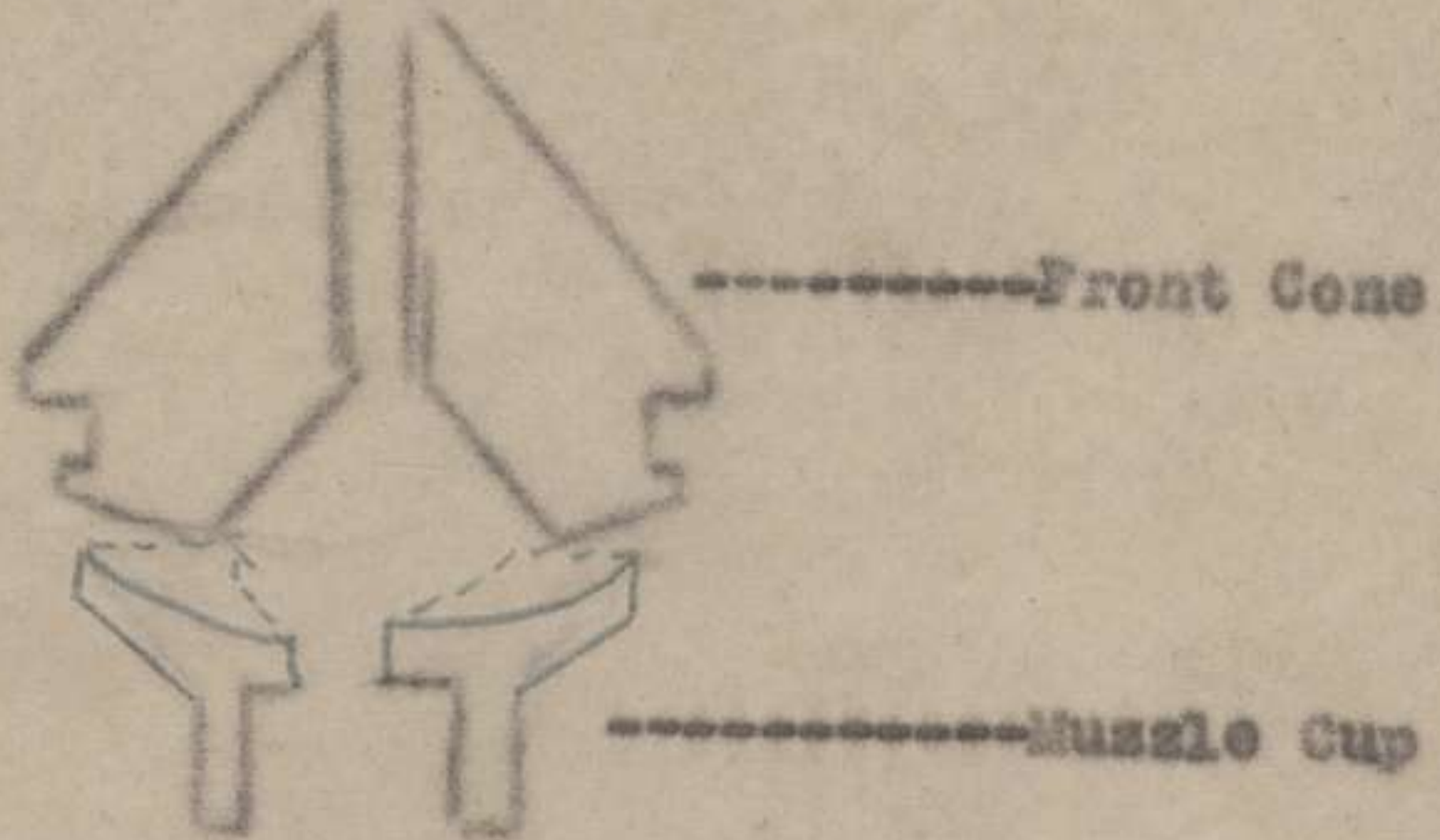
(a) In the event of better quality ammunition being v obtainable, it is suggested that further spare muzzle cups, v attachments and barrels be included in spare parts.

(b) A good thick glove of some heat resisting mat and which allows for free use of all fingers (which the M.G. does not) to be issued to enable No. 2 to change mu attachments while the gun is in action.

(c) The issue of a suitable reamer for the gun, cleaning the fouling in on muzzle cups.

7. DIAGRAM

The following diagram shows the points enumerated in para 3 (b). It is not drawn to scale



NOTE: The dotted lines indicate the extent of the fouling.

b. f. Geard.

Lt-Col.
Comd 2/10 Aust Inf Bn.

REPORT ON THE .303 B.L. VICKERS MACHINE GUN
MUNITION

Hq 18 Aust Inf Bde
Sep 43

SA ammunition with gilding metal envelope has been causing coppering up of the muzzle cup in Vickers MG's. This was tested under the supervision of the I.C.O. and after 1000 rds the muzzle cup was seen to be coppering up. After 3000 rds this caused a stoppage. These tests were carried out by S/18 Aust Inf Bn.

The I.C.O. has taken the matter in hand but a report on this ammunition has not yet been forwarded.

The following is the data concerning this ammunition.

<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Date</u>
M.G.	6-8-42
M.G.	24-7-42
M.G.	23-7-42
M.G.	6-8-42
M.G.	7-7-42
M.G.	11-8-42
M.G.	17-12-40

J. J. Ireland Sgt.
Hq 18 Aust Inf Bde.

REPORT ON FOULING, BARRELS MUZZLE ATTACHMENTS
ETC MMGs, LMGs AND RIFLES

2/47 Aust L.A.D.
13 Sep 43.

HQ 18 AUST INF BDE

The following is report of MMG barrels nos. 26948, 27630, 26949 and muzzle attachments.

1. Ammunition used - SAA .303 Mk and MG 1942 manufacture both carton packed and stripless belt filled.

2. Weapons - guns machine Vickers .303 Mk IV and adjusted for firing in accordance with instructions laid down in handbook for the gun.

After one belt (250 rds) had been fired, the cup, muzzle attachment commences to foul rapidly with what appears to be a mixture of metal and carbon.

3. When between 2 to 3000 rds has been fired the muzzle cup has collected approx 1/2" of this fouling and the barrel badly pitted and breaking up especially at the breech end. The muzzle cup becomes so badly fouled that it is caused to bear on the front cone. This will not allow the recoiling portions to come forward, thereby stopping the gun.

4. The fouling is probably caused by portions of the metal casing of the projectile breaking off in its passage through the barrel and being cemented by the products of combustion (carbon) on the front cone and muzzle cup.

5. To support this theory it was noted that approx every second round fired left a heavy trail of smoke behind it in flight indicating the possibility of the projectile disintegrating.

6. Considerable pitting and fouling has been noticed on .303 LMG Bren and rifle barrels but not to the amount of that occurring in MMGs. In many cases it is impossible to clean the barrels with normal cleaning materials supplied with the weapons, and it is only with considerable work that weapons can be brought up to inspection order.

7. An inspection of 15 LMGs Bren it has been found that considerable eroding of the breech block face is also occurring. It is difficult to state if this is caused by the new type ammunition, but this condition has not occurred on previous types.

8. It has been reported that the nickel covered ammunition has not the effect of damaging the barrels or carbonising on the muzzle cup of MMGs. 2/9 Aust Inf Bn having fired 2400 rds of this type, marked MJ. 1942 manufacture but this ammunition has not been used to the extent of MG and MG.

9. It is suggested that considerable tests be given to both nickel and copper covered ammunition by an authorised Ammunition Inspector.

Patterson Lieut.
O.C. 2/47 Aust L.A.D.

Appx E to HQ 18 Bde War diary for 1-9-43
Sep 43.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
ROUTINE ORDERS
BY
BRIGADIER F.O. CHILTON
COMMANDING 18 AUST INF BDE

Nos 89-

Part 1

1-9-43

89. JEEPS - OVERLOADING

- (a) Overloading of jeeps results in a shortening of their serviceable life and additional maintenance and repairs.
- (b) Except where emergency loadings are necessary (proof of necessity will lie on the driver) no more than three persons in addition to the driver will be carried in any jeep.
- (c) It is directed that severe disciplinary action be taken against any offender.

[Signature]
Capt.
S.C. 18 Aust Inf Bde.

NOTICE

CHURCH SERVICES - FRIDAY 3 SEP 43

RC Mass in Bde HQ lines at 0815 in Mens Mess.

C OF E

Bde HQ

2/9 Bn

2/12 Bn

} 0815 hrs Bde HQ Cricket Ground

2/10 Bn 0630 over lines

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

27 / (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4 / 9 / 1943 HQ 18 BDE (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 3 OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 56 + OFFRS. 5 O.R's. 12 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9	10
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.	
-	-	-	1	Battalion *					
				Lieut.-Colonels					
			2	Majors					
2	2		3	Captains	AHSC	1			
1	1	2	5	Lieutenants	AHMC	1			
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.	A.A.C.D.	3			
3	3	2	11			5			

DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.	16									16
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pers. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
SX461	Lieut	MALLON R.A.S.V.	The Dist 9/1 Bde	14-8-43	Transferred to HQ 18 BDE on 5/12/43 with A.P. List No 42
VX38557	Lieut	LIVELESS G.G.	The Dist 2/1 Bde	1-6-43	Transferred to HQ 18 BDE on 4/10/43 with A.P. List No 42

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
GX514	Lieut	MILLEN J.G.	R.S.L.	14-8-43	Transferred to HQ 18 BDE - remains Regt Bde HQ - Transferred to R.S.L. with A.P. List No 42

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.....

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

HS 18 ... Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 4/4/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
COL (T/1010)	MX 331	CHILTON	F.C.	Barbours	Yes		
MAJOR (T/1017)	MX 1243	TAYLOR	C.D.	RM	Yes		
CAPT (T/1022)	TX 2017	SWAN	K.G.	DM/2	Yes		
LIEUT (T/1010)	SX 1741	SEEDON	R.T.S.	3C	Yes		
LIEUT	SX 461	MORRISON	R.S.V.	SC/2	Yes		
LIEUT (T/1010)	GX 4360	CONNOLLY	P.A.	I.O.	Yes		
LIEUT	GX 17547	MILCOLM	H.A.	T.C.	Yes		
LIEUT (T/1017)	GX 2111	SHERWIN	M.F.C.	L(1)	Yes		
LIEUT	GX 336	POWER	P.D.	L(2)	Yes		
LIEUT	VX 38557	LOVELL	G.C.	L(1)	Yes		
LIEUT	GX 14746	REID	D.W.	A.C.	Yes		
CAPTAIN	VX 14577	SCUMBE	D.C.	Supd.	Yes		
LIEUT	GX 5615	JONES	P.D.	Adj. G.	Yes		
CAPTAIN	SX 2744	PHILLIPS	E.R.	Adj. G.	No	19 1-1-43	
CAPTAIN	VX 11064	HOPKINS	J.F.	Adj. G.	No	110 1-1-43	
CAPTAIN	MX 1111	MORRISON	M.H.	Adj. G.	No	113 1-1-43	

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
LIEUT.	GX 1062	ANDERSON C.D.	1st Lt	21-1-43	4 mo
LIEUT	GX 2069	GUTTEN T.K.	1st Lt	30-7-43	1/2 (4)
CAPT	MX 12675	REINHARDT S.S.	1st Lt	17-1-43	S.C.

4.4.43
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander
Capt.
1st Lt. Bde.

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 4/9/1943.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Reftters			
Draughtsmen	1	1	-	Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks	2	2	1	Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Ptes	36	46	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Cpls	6	9	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	2	2	-	Sgts	3	5	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				S/Sgts	2	3	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				WO II's	2	1	1
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	2	2	-	Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				Ptes	8	6	2
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				Cpls	2	2	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				Sgts	1	-	1
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant				WO I's	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	5	5	6	CARRIED FORWARD	7	8	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	68	81	4

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorized trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

4 9 43
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Signature of Commander
S. O. 18 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Part A of Army Form W.3003 of 11/1943

Part E. Detail of Present Strength and Retention Requirements as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3003 of 11/1943.

WE pte 1 cook Gp II Carried Supplementary

NCO's

Cpls

3 carried supplementary to WE
1 ~~...~~ of III
1 ~~...~~ of II
1 ~~...~~ of I

Sgt

1 carried supplementary to WE.
1 as A/NCO clerk
1 as ~~...~~ of I

S/Lt

1 carried supplementary to WE
as CGMS.

WO II

1 deficient WO II clerk

Attached to WE.

pte

1 pte WO II Med Mt deficient

Cpls

1 ~~...~~ deficient

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

28 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11 / 9 / 1943 Hq 18 Bde (Unit)
 W.E. 11 / 2 / 3 OFFRS. 12 O.R.'s 56 + OFFRS. 5 O.R.'s 12 ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
			1	Brigadier.									
			2	Lieut.-Colonels									
			4	Majors	A/SC	1							
RF 1	1		4	Captains	A/MC	1							
RF 1	1	1	4	Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AA Gb. D	3							
3	2	1	11			5							
		DETAIL		A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.		16									16
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
 * 3 Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.E. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO _____ (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. _____/_____/194_____.

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

HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde Unit

28 / (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 11/9/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Col (T/Brig)	NX 251	CHILTON	F.O.	Comd	Yes		
Capt (T/Maj)	NX 13243	JACKSON	O.D.	BM	Yes		
Capt (T/Maj)	TX 2017	SWAN R.G.	R.G.	EM(L)	Yes		
Lieut (T/Cpt)	SX 1741	SEDDON	R.J.S.	SG	Yes		
Lieut	SX 461	MALLYON	A.R.S.	SC(L)	Yes		
Lieut (T/Cpt)	OX 9560	CONNOLLY	P.D.	IO	Yes		
Lieut (T/Cpt)	OX 17549	MCCLELL	H.A.	TO	Yes		
Lieut (T/Cpt)	OX 2101	SHERWIN	H.J.G.	LO(1)	Yes		
Lieut	OX 336	POWER	D.D.	LO(2)	Yes		
Lieut	VX 38857	LOVELESS	G.G.	LO(3)	Yes		
Lieut	OX 19746	REA	D.W.	AO	Yes		
Captain	VX 14577	GOOMBE	D.G.	Sup O	Yes		
Lieut	OX 8695	JONES	D.B.	Hyg O	Yes		
Chaplain	SX 8744	PHILLIPS	E.B.	Chapl	No	2/9 Aust Inf Bn	
"	VX 91064	HOPKINS	J.F.	"	No	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	
"	NX 139919	WOTTON	R.A.W.	"	No	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lieut	OX 10362	ANNAND C.D.	2/10 Bn	21/7/43	A/AO
Lieut	OX 2069	GUTLER J.R.	2/12 Bn	30/7/43	A/LO(4)
Captain	NX 126275	REICHENBACH G.	AALG	27/7/43	ISO

11-9-43

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

Cpls

1 cpl draughtsman carried supernumerary to WE

Sgts

1 sgt as acting WOII clerk carried super. to WE
1 " as Educ Sgt (E.O.) " " "

S/Sgts

1 carried super. to WE as CQNS

WOIIs 1 deficient WOII clerk

Att by WE

1 pte OpII Mechanic deficient
1 cpl Mechanic carried supernumerary
1 sgt armourer deficient

EM

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 11 / 9 / 1943 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	1	2	-	Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks	3	3	-	Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors					50	50	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	0	0	-		0	0	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	0	0	-		0	0	
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply					0	0	1
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator	0	0	-	Clerks, Technical					0	0	1
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	0	0	-	CARRIED FORWARD	7	7	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	00	00	4

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 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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29 / (Serial No.)

AIF At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18 / 9 / 1943 HQ 18 B10 (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 3 OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 53 + OFFRS. 6 O.R's. 16 ATT. BY W.E.
(Amended)

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
			1	Brigadiers*									
				Lieut.-Colonels									
			2	Majors									
NF 1	1		4	Captains	AASC	1							
NF 1	1	1	4	Lieutenants	AAMC-1, (AAOC-1)	2 1	-	1	1 NF				
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AA Ch D	3							
2	2	1	11			5	-	1	1				
		DETAIL		A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.		16									16
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in pars. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.....

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18/9/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Col(T/Brig)	NX 231	CHILTON	F.O.	Comd	Yes		
Capt(T/Maj)	NX 13243	JACKSON	O.D.	BM	Yes		
Capt(T/Maj)	TX 2017	SWAN	R.G.	BM(L)	Yes		
Lieut(T/Cpt)	SX 1741	SEDDON	R.J.S.	SC	Yes		
Lieut	SX 471	MALLYON	A.R.St	VSC(L)	Yes		
Lieut(T/Cpt)	QX 9560	CONNOLLY	P.D.	IO	Yes		
Lieut(T/Cpt)	QX 17549	MCCOLM	H.A.	TO	Yes		
Lieut(T/Cpt)	QX 2101	SHERWIN	N.J.C.	LO(1)	Yes		
Lieut	QX 336	POWER	D.D.	LO(2)	Yes		
Lieut	VX 38857	LOVELESS	G.G.	LO(3)	Yes		
Lieut	QX 19746	REA	D.W.	AO	Yes		
<u>Att by W.E.</u>							
Captain	VX 14577	COOMBE	D.C.	Sup O.	Yes		
Lieut	QX 8695	JONES	D.B.	Hyg O.	Yes		
Chaplain	SX 8744	PHILLIPS	E.B.	Chapl	No	2/9 Aust Inf Bn	
"	VX 91064	HOPKINS	J.F.	"	No	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	
"	NX139919	WOTTON	R.A.W.	"	No	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Lieut	QX 10362	ANNAND C.D.	2/10 Bn	21/7/43	A/AO
Lieut	QX 2069	CUTLER J.R.	2/12 Bn	30/7/43	A/LO(4)
Captain	NX126375	REICHENBACH G.	AALC	27/7/43	LSO (from HQ 7 Div)

18-9-43

Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Capt.
Signature of Commandant Inf. Bde.

WE excluding attached

WGs Class II - 1 WOII clerk deficient (2/1 Aust Gen Depot)
S/Sgts - 1 COMS superfluous
Sgts - 1 Sgt clerk supernumerary (Acting WOII clerk)
1 Education Sgt supernumerary (to be E.O.)
Cpls - 1 Cpl clerk Int Duties supernumerary
1 Cpl Tpt Section supernumerary

Attached Allowed by WE

WGs Class I - 1 WOI supernumerary (BOWO to be B.O.O.)
Sgts - 1 Sgt Armourer deficient
Cpls - 1 Cpl Armourer supernumerary (Acting Sgt Armourer ANHE)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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~~Amended~~ / OFFRS. 12 O.R's. 53 + OFFRS. 6 O.R's. 16 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1 2 3 4				5		6 7 8 9 10								
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.		ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.			Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
			1	Signaliers *										
			2	Lieut.-Colonels										
1	1	-	4	Majors										
1	1	1	4	Captains		AASC	1							
				Lieutenants		AANC	1		1	1				
				Quarter-masters					(AAOC)	1				
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.		AA Ch D	3							
2	2	1	11				5	-	1	1				
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	16									16
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

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Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25/9/1943 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

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Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
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Lieut(T/Cpt)	QX17549	MCCOLM	H.A.	TO	Yes		
Lieut(T/Capt)	QX 2101	SHERWIN	N.J.C.	LO(1)	Yes		
Lieut	QX 836	POWER	D.D.	LO(2)	Yes		
Lieut	VX38857	LOVELESS	G.G.	LO(3)	Yes		
Lieut	QX19746	REA	D.W.	AO	Yes		
Attached by WE							
Captain	VX14577	COOMBE	D.C.	Sup O	Yes		
Lieut	QX 8695	JONES	D.B.	Ryg O	Yes		
Chaplain	SX 8744	PHILLIPS	E.B.	Chapln	No	2/9 Aust Inf Bn	
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Lieut	QX 2069	CUTLER J.R.	2/12 Bn	30/7/43	A/LO(4)
Captain	NX126375	REICHENBACH G.	AALO	30/7/43	LSO (from Hq 7 Div)

25-9-43

Date of Despatch

S. J. Seddon
Signature of Commander Capt.
S. J. 18 Aust. Inf. Bn

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 25 / 9 / 1943 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.F.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletrce makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Azemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen	1	-	1	Bakers				Telescope Identfn Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks		-	1	Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Ptes	36	43	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Cpls	5	7	6
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	2	2	-	Sgts	3	5	-
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				S/Sgts	2	3	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				WOIs	2	1	1
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	2	2	-	Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	-	1	CARRIED FORWARD	3	3	1	CARRIED FORWARD	5	5	1	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively	69	78	5

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WE excluding Attached

WOS Class II - 1 WOII clerk deficient
S/Sgts - 1 A/S/Sgt (COMS) supernumerary
Sgts - 1 sgt clerk (acting WOII clerk) supernumerary
- 1 Education Sgt supernumerary (to be E.O.)
Cpls - 1 Cpl clerk Int Duties supernumerary
- 1 Cpl Tpt Section supernumerary (det to 107 Veh Pool)

Attached Allowed by WE

WOS Class I - 1 WOI supernumerary (BONO - to be B.O.O.)
Sgts - 1 Sgt Armourer deficient
Cpls - 1 Cpl Armourer supernumerary (to be Sgt Armr ARME)

18 AUST INF BDE TERRAIN SUMMARY NO 1

KAIAPIT - KESAWAI

SOURCES.

1. Infm contained in this Summary is extracted from Allied Geographical Section Terrain Study No 59 and from AF Objective Folder No 67.
To be read in conjunction with Terrain Handbook No 2.

MAPS.

2. 1" TO 1 MILE:-

Available -- ONGA, KAINANTU, FININTEGU, AMARI,
MT KUBARI, BOGADJIM.

Not yet available -- DUMPU, GUSAP, MT OTTO, BAGASIN,
URIGINA.

- 4 MILES TO 1":-

MARKHAM. MADANG.

Aeronautical Svy:- A8. B8.

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Section ii -- River System.
Section iii -- Ramu-Markham Track.
Section iv -- Approaches to the valley.
Section v -- Aerodrome Sites.
Section vi -- Miscellaneous.

SECTION 1 -- GENERAL

4. The area covered by this paper is that portion of the RAMU-MARKHAM depression from KAIAPIT in the upper Markham (70 miles NW of LAE) to KESAWAI in the middle Ramu (approx 50 air miles from MADANG.)
5. It is bounded to the north by the lofty FINISTERRE Ra. (13000ft) which prevents easy access to SAIDOR and the RAI coast for anything larger than patrols. (See tracks 122 and 126.) To the NW of the FINISTERRE RA the mountains drop to elevations of less than 4000 ft and routes for construction of M.T. roads to the coast become possible. (See tracks 100, 100A, 100B.)
6. To the south lies the BISMARCK RA (14500 ft) which makes comms between the RAMU valley and the PURARI, or BENA BENA plateau (5500ft) to the south, extremely difficult. (See tracks 103, 104, 105, 106.) However, from the eastern end of plateau there are practicable routes down on to the RAMU-MARKHAM divide, and the upper MARKHAM. (See tracks 102, 50.)

SECTION 11 - RIVER SYSTEM

7. In the area under review the great intermontane depression forms practically one continuous valley, the divide between the two rivers in the floor of the valley (1250 ft) being so flat that the YATI R, a tributary of the MARKHAM is said to receive overflow waters from the Ramu when it is in flood.
8. The Ramu rises in the eastern end of the PURARI plateau, x flowing east and north through the mountain gorges to enter the Markham Ramu trough 30-40 miles from its source. At this point it is approx 40 yds wide and 3ft 6ins deep, with a fine sandy bottom. The banks are washed to 30ft deep as far as the SURINAM below which they decrease to an average of 6ft. Opposite the GUSAP and SURINAM juncs rocky cliffs rise to 200-300ft and from the GUSAP junc to KESAWAI the river assumes a braided form ½ mile wide. The Ramu is possibly navigable by MLC to KAIGULIN and rafts could be used from PUNANTI downstream, though with considerable danger past the cliff sections. Above KAIGULIN the river can be forded except when in flood. The vegetation of the Ramu valley consists of grass flats to the YOGIA, savannah to KESAWAI, thence rain forest and low swampy ground to the SEPIK area. x
9. The tributaries rising in the FINISLERRE RA to the north have each a branching pattern in the hills, where they flow swiftly down steep gorges. When they suddenly debouch upon the alluvial plains of the valley, the resultant loss of velocity causes a braided stream, and frequent delta formations. The worst crossings are the UMI, GUSAP and SURINAM, but all are fordable except when in flood. The northern tributaries of the RAMU above KESAWAI number eleven, in addition to numerous ill defined non-perennial watercourses. The stream beds are shallow (less than 10ft banks) and gravelly. Many of these rivers are impassable in flood, which is usually sudden, subsiding however, within 24 hrs at most.
10. The soil is of black peaty nature overlying gravel wash. It is hard in dry weather, and greasy, but not sticky in wet. The northern side of the valley floor is covered with open kangaroo grass, except for areas of sparse Leichhardt savannah, with trees rarely closer than 40ft.

SECTION 111 - RAMU-MARKHAM TRACK. Track No 100.

11. The most practicable route and almost the only possible location for a motor rd is that through the MARKHAM and RAMU valleys to KESAWAI. The section of this track KALAPIT-BOGADJIM-MLDANG takes 58 hrs (10 days) travelling. Except for the river crossings it is passable to jeeps to KESAWAI and this part of the track is described below. KALAPIT to KESAWAI -- Between MARAWASA and KESAWAI the track is over a vast kangaroo grass plain with odd Leichhardt and fern trees, and MT could be driven at present between the rivers. These would have to be bridged, or flying foxes used, preferably near the foothills. Vehicles could be landed between most of the rivers by plane (landing strips could be made in many areas by cutting grass and odd trees) and loads handled across the rivers by hand or light flying fox. The portion between KESAWAI and BOGADJIM is through rain forest, covered hills and river banks, but a MT road

could be easily graded and cut through this section. Most of the cutting would be through soft shale or slate and clay. Surfacing material is easily procured from the stream beds.

1st Day -- Kaiapit to Antiragen: (2 hours)

The track goes over flat kunai country through SOWI-village and some cocconut groves and crosses the MANIANG R. The MANIANG R is always fordable for men, but not for MT except in dry weather.

2nd Day -- Antiragen to MARAWASA: (5½ hrs). (Possibly another hour in the UMI R crossing.)

All flat walking, and after crossing UMI R the road follows the left bank of YATI R to ANTIKURAN. From here it passes through RAGIAMPOM, RAGITSUMAN, WANKUN and so to MARAWASA.

The UMI R is a fair crossing for men except when in flood. A branch of the YATI R at RAGIAMPOM is always fordable. At the crossings of the Yati the stream is slow-running and easily fordable.

3rd Day -- MARAWASA to KAIGULIN: (8 hours)

About ½ mile after leaving the village there is nearly a mile of track which is sloppy in wet weather. This part has been semi-formed 4 to 8 feet wide by cutting a drain either side and throwing spoil into the centre. From here is a dry kangaroo grass plain (grades flat to the eye) almost devoid of trees, passing through PUNANTI village after 4½ hours, then another hour to the Gusap R, crossing this near its junction with Ramu, thence through Bumbum village and across the Tungkuat R. After this the route is over a grass plain to Kaigulin Mission and rest-house. It is reported that the track PUNANTI-KAIGULIN is passable to bicycle.

Obstacles: Gusap R is fordable to men except during flood, but never a very good crossing.

Tungkuat R fordable to MT in dry season.

4th Day--KAIGULIN-DUMPU-BEBEI Rest House: (approx 8 miles-- 4½ to 5 hours.)

After leaving KAIGULIN the track passes through OLD KAIGULIN, across the Biwi R, and on to the Suliman R, crossing this not far from the Ramu. It then swings northwards towards Dumpu, passing through the landing ground before reaching the village. Soon after leaving the village, the Uria, river is crossed. Thence to the Faria River is a flat, open, kangaroo grass plain, broken by many shallow dry gullies. Bebei rest-house is just over the Faria River.

Obstacles: Suliman River; fast flowing, but fordable by men, excepting in flood. Not to MT at any time.

Biwi River fordable by men, but only by MT in dry weather.

Uria River fast flowing, but fordable by men except during flood, not to MT.

Faria River fordable by men except during flood.

5th and 6th Days -- Bebei Rest House to Kesawai(1): (14-15 hrs)

This is a two-day section and camp is made either on the Yogia or Evapia Rivers. The country is still an extensive flat kangaroo grass plain with many scattered Leichhardt and fern trees. Soon after leaving Kesawai No. 2 the forested flat is entered, and this is inclined to be damp rather than boggy during the wet season. The rest house is on the bank of a small creek.

Obstacles: Mosia River; fordable by men and MT during dry weather.

Mone River; always fordable by men and generally by MT.

Yogia River; fordable by men except during flood, but only by MT after very dry weather..

Evapia River; very fast flowing, but fordable by men except during flood. Not fordable by MT.

Two small creeks no obstacle to men and only to MT during flood.

An alternative route from Kaigulin to Kosawai (30 1/2 hrs) follows closer to the Ramu and does not go through Dumpu or Boboi rest house. It joins this track again between the Mesia and Mene Rivers, avoids some of the gullies between Dumpu and Kosawai, and has better river crossing for men, but is not so suitable for bridging.

12. The alternative track KALAPIT-KARAWAPUN-WANKUN below, may provide better crossings for MT.
TRACK No 54a: Kalapit-Gantisap-Ofofragon-Narawapun-Waritsian-Atsonas-Maratamoa-Wankun:

1st Day--Kalapit to Karawapun: (2 1/2 hours).

The track goes through Gantisap and Ofofragon, following the Maniang and crossing it where the first kumai ridge comes right down to the river. The Yafats is then crossed, and after another 10 minutes' walk Narawapun is reached.

The Maniang and Yafats are both fordable to MT here except after rain. (Shale bottoms better suited for fording than bridging!)

2nd Day --NARAWAPUN to WANKUN: (5 1/2 hours).

After leaving Narawapun the track crosses a small creek and comes out on to a vast kangaroo grass plain, quite flat, with no villages until the Umi is reached and crossed. The plain continues and is still unbroken until the headwaters of the Yati River is crossed at Waritsian. Then through village and 'drome at Atsonas, through Maratamoa and so to Wankun. Just before reaching Wankun it is slightly swampy.

The Umi is always a difficult crossing and impossible during floods. A flying fox could be constructed further upstream.

SECTION IV - APPROACHES TO THE VALLEY.

13. Access to the valley in the area under review is summarized in this section. It is emphasized that distances are in native carrier times and for small parties. A track map is att as appx 'A'.

SOUTH.

- 14. Track 50 - KALAPIT-KAINANTU (19 hrs). Good going-passable to laden mules.
- Track 102 - KARAWASA-ROWLAND'S CROSSING-KALINANTU (12 hrs) good track-passable to laden mules-possible to develop for M.T.
- Track 103- KAIGULIN-ASAPOI-KAINANTU (20 hrs). Poor foot track.
- Track 104- BUM BUM - KAINANTU (11 1/2 hrs). Rises to 6200 ft-very steep grades-horses have been taken over it, without packs or riders.
- Track 105- BEMA BEMA-KAIGULIN (25 hrs). Rises to 6000ft. Ramu crossing by raft.
- Track 106- BEMA BEMA-WAIMERIBA-KESAWAI (23 hrs). Kanaka pad through heavy rain forest and jungle rises to 8200ft. Ramu crossing at WAIMERIBA armpit deep in dry season.

NORTH.

- 15. Track 122 - BILIAN (10 miles west of SAIBOR) to BUM BUM or KARAWASA (61 hrs). rising to 8700ft.
- Track 126 - DUMPU-SURILAM headwaters-C.RIGNY (40 hrs) rising to 9-10000 ft. There is a possible track (126B) branching off from 126 at SIMBO, across to ASTROLABE BAY. No details.

These tracks are most difficult; nevertheless N.G.F. Sitrep 891 of 17 Sep indicates that the Japanese are using them to move to KALAPIT.

NORTH WEST.

16. Track 100- KESAWAI-BOGADJIM. (13½ hrs). Good going-passable to laden mules. Could be improved for M.T. by grading and bridging.
Track 100A-Alternative to above-not such good going-crossing the watershed between YAULA and MATALOI at 3300ft.
Track 100E-Japanese M.T. rd BOGADJIM-YAULA had reached the point indicated on Appx 'B' on 18 Jul. It is considered that the rd is intended to follow the MINDJIM R to the MINDJIM-FARLA divide, thence down the URLA to DUMPU. This would leave 16-17 mile still uncompleted.

SECTION V - AERODROME SITES.

17. The broad flat grassy plains of these valleys provide excellent sites for air strips. A civil air service operated before the war and most mission stas and important villages had at least E.L.Gs. Of these only KALAPIT is of operational significance in its present condition. SANGAN area, ATSONAS, KAIGULIN and DUMPU can easily be converted to operational standard. Outstanding aerodrome sites are summarized briefly below, and a sketch is att as Appx 'B'.

MIDDLE MARKHAM.

18. SANGAN (200 ft ASL) could never become operational but some of the best aerodrome country in N.G. is immediately adjacent to it on the east. (Site 2) In the large flat kunai region between the LERON and GURAMBAMPOM R several large aerodromes could easily be constructed. Ample gravel is available for surfacing.

UPPER MARKHAM.

19. KALAPIT (800 ft ASL) The strip runs NNW-SSE- dimensions 3600 x 225ft--all weather hard gravel surface. It can be extended to SE to 6000ft and a second 6000ft strip can be constructed. The 3000ft strip at KALAPIT mission can be extended to similar dimensions. There is good water, and cover for dispersal. It is regarded as potentially one of the best dromes in N.G. (Site 3)

ATSONAS (1000 ft ASL) In general, NOT considered a very good drome but the country east towards the UMI, and east again of the UMI (Site 5) affords some of the best drome areas in N.G.

Site 4 between the UMI-MARKHAM R and NARAWAPUN. Approaches clear--there is some cover for dispersal and minimum clg and grading is required.

UPPER R.MU.

20. KAIGULIN (500 ft ASL). 57 miles SSE of MADANG. Strip 1800 ft long-ground soft but unlimited gravel supply is available--better sites are available on the foothills side between the TUNKULT and the BIWI.

DUMPU (400 ft ASL). 60 miles SSE of MADANG--1815 ft long--readily extensible in any direction--ample gravel (Site 8).

Site 6. Flat, clear approaches--black soil well drained--ample surfacing material.

Site 7. An excellent area similar to above 1 1/2 miles north of RAMU and about 1 mile NW of the GUSAP.

Site 9. Similar - between the URIA and FARIA R.

MIDDLE RAMU.

21. OBULU (500 ft ASL) is 50 miles SW of MADANG. 2190 ft long - capable of some extension but hardly likely to assume operational importance.

Site 10. NW of the EVAPIA R. towards KESAWAI. Savannah region - clear approaches. Ample gravel and fair cover for dispersal. It is, the last important aerodrome site in the RAMU.

SECTION VI - MISCELLANEOUS.

22. A ground wind without cross currents blows ^{SE} down the valley till approx 1000 hrs, when it changes about to blow NW.

23. Dry season --- May-Oct.
Wet season --- Nov-Apr.
Average rain days --- Oct - 14.
Nov - 16
Dec - 18.

24. Sunrise and Sunset in G.M.T. MADANG area. (5 deg S 146 deg E.)

1 Sep	2016 - 0816.	3 Nov	1952- 0810.
29 Sep	2002 - 0811	24 Nov	1952- 0814
6 Oct	2000 - 0809	1 Dec	1954- 0817
27 Oct	1953 - 0808	29 Dec	2006- 0831

25. Moonrise and Moonset in G.M.T. MADANG area.

1 Oct	2157 - 0938	14 Nov	1010- 2221
14 Oct	0853 - 2111	2 Dec	0005- 1246
1 Nov	2138 - 1103	14 Dec	1033- 2241

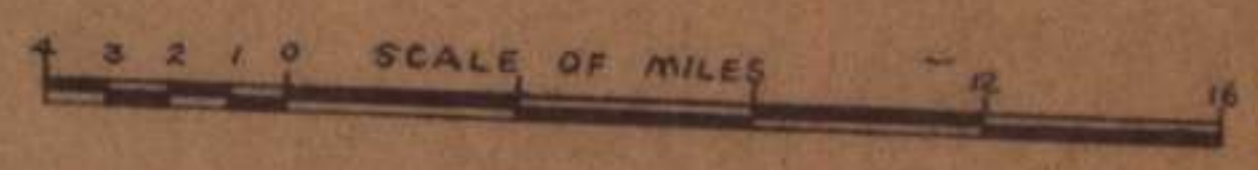
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DISTRIBUTION:

2/9 Aust Inf Bn	Copy No 1.
2/10 Aust Inf Bn	2
2/12 Aust Inf Bn	3
7 Bty 2/4 Fd Regt	4
2/4 Aust Fd Coy	5
8 pl 2/2 Aust Sup Dep Coy	6
2/5 Aust Fd Amb	7
Comd	8
File	9
War Diary	10-11
Spares	12-14

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APPX A TO 18 AUST INF BDE TERRAIN SUMMARY No. 1

LEGEND
Jeep Roads ———
Trks considered capable of improvement for use by Jeeps - - - -
Trails
Probable Tr. - - - -



APPX B TO 18 AUST INF BDE TERRAIN SUMMARY No 1



Appx 'H' to HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde War Diary for Sep 43.

SERIALS EMPLAINED SEP - REF APPX 'H' TO 7 AUST DIV O O NO 5.

- 6 SEP- Serials 1-53, 58-92 comprising Adv HQ 7 Aust Div, Adv Sigs 7 Aust Div, 2/25 Aust Inf Bn, Adv HQ R.A.E. 7 Div, 5 A.F. control personnel, NADZAB Sta Comd, 707 U.S. MG Bty Airborne A.A.
- 7 SEP- Serials 93-106, 109-133, 138, 139, 150-163 comprising 2/4 Fd Amb, 2/33 Bn (less 'D' Coy), 54 Bty 2/4 Aust Fd Regt, HQ 25 Bde. (Adv.)
- 8 SEP- , Serials 57, 135, 136, 168-186, 188-196, comprising 2/5 Fd Coy, part A.A.S.C. 7 Div, det 2/6 Fd Coy.
- 12 SEP- Serials 107, 108, 164, 165, 187, 197-235, 237, 239-244, 247-278 comprising HQ 25 Bde, 2/31 Aust Inf Bn, 11 Bty Aust Lt A.A. (HQ and one bty), det 54 Bty 2/4 Fd Regt.
- 13 SEP- Serials 56, 236, 238, 279-288, 293-317, 321-342, 347-359, 455-459 comprising det 2/6 Fd Coy, B pl 2/153 Aust Gen Tpt Coy, part 2/2 Pnr bn, det 2/4 Fd Amb, NADZAB Sta Comd, det 54 Bty 2/4 Fd Regt.
- 14 SEP- Serials 382-401, 406-417, 444-450, 460-462 comprising part 2/25 bn and 2/33 bn, part 2/31 bn, Sigs 7 Div, NADZAB Sta Comd.
- 15 SEP- Serials 360-366, 726, 789-830, 835-838, 855-874, comprising Adv HQ 21 Bde, 2/14 Aust Inf Bn, part 2/16 Aust Inf Bn, part 'B' pl 2/153 Aust Gen Tpt Coy.
- 16 SEP- Serials 875, 877, 879-882 comprising part 2/16 bn.
- 17 SEP- Serials 428-440, 876, 878, 883-901 comprising 2/6 Ind Coy and part 2/16 Bn.
- 18 SEP- Serials 418-427, 441-443, 451-454, 463-468 comprising 315 L.A.D., part A.A.S.C. 7 Div, 'B' Coy 2/1 HQ Gd Bn (less 3 pls), det 2/117 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk.
- 19 SEP- Serials 469-473, 839-842, 851-854 comprising A.A.S.C. 7 Div.
- 20 SEP- Serials 474, 914-917, 922-933 comprising HQ 21 Bde and det 2/6 Aust Fd Amb, det A.A.S.C. 7 Div.
- 21 SEP- 934, 986-988, 1048-1050, 1122-1124 comprising HQ 21 Bde and rear sigs 7 Div, 7 Div Pro Coy (less dets), det 2/6 Fd Amb, rear HQ RAE 7 Div.
- 23 SEP- Serials 935-969, 972-982 comprising 2/27 Bn.
- 25 SEP- Serials 843-850, 902-905 comprising A.A.S.C. 7 Div.
- 30 SEP- Serials 144-147 comprising part 'D' Coy 2/33 Bn.

AIR MOVEMENT

(Notes prepared by S-C
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INTRODUCTORY

The following notes are in no way official and were made in the case of Divisional aspects, by observation only, and for Brigade and the Emplaning Organisation they are based on personal experience and what actually happened. They are intended to cover some aspects of preparation and the organisation and administration of the actual movement.

PART 1 (1) TRAINING AND PRELIMINARY ORGANISATION FOR MOVEMENT

1. Divisional Aspects

- (a) A Div indoor exercise, involving all commands and staffs was held at RAVENSHOE, Queensland, to consider a tactical air move of a Div. Prior to commencement of exercise Bdes and Div units were required to produce detailed Staff and Emplaning Tables.
- (b) A provisional scale was suggested to include full WE less LOB personnel, essential equipment and stores necessary for the operation, including full first line ammunition.
- (c) AS a result of the exercise, a definite allotment of planes was made for each unit, and the scale as above confirmed.
- (d) Plane loads were worked on basis of C47 aircraft (5000 lbs) and individual man weights including all weapons and equipment carried on the man - 250 lbs - See Appx "A".

2. BRIGADE ASPECTS

- (a) In compliance with above, tables were prepared in two parts
 - (i) Summary of personnel, equipment, stores etc.
 - (ii) Emplaning table showing individual plane loads in tactical order of landing.Appended as Appx "B" and "C" respectively are summary and table as above covering an infantry brigade Hq, guard platoon, signal section, LAD (J type), provest, and an infantry bn.
- (b) General considerations in the preparation of tables were as follows:-
 - (i) Varying tactical requirements - tables should be flexible to allow for alteration of order of planes and NOT individual loading.
 - (ii) Value of tactical coy groups in an infantry bn - e.g. rifle Coy plus det ~~snipers~~ sigs, det SBS, det Mortars, sec MMGs.
 - (iii) Separation of key personnel e.g. comd gp being split over several planes.
 - (iv) Proportion of rations, amn, water, tools etc with each plane load. On the average there were sixteen personnel and 1000 lbs stores on each plane.
 - (v) Plane loads should be prepared on basis of full WE less LOB or

- maximum possible number of personnel to take part in the move where less than WE. Gaps when move commences can be filled with additional amm etc without necessity to recast tables.
- (vi) Amount of amm taken of different types may alter depending on nature of operations.
- (vii) Planes usually take off in flights of nine at 20/30 min intervals.
- (c) In training generally, testing the prepared tables and the organisation for the move, the following were considered :-
- (i) Action of unit on receipt of warning order to move - all loads were collected and placed in plane dumps and marked with plane serial number. Immediately prior to movement personnel had meals in plane.
 - (ii) Practice loading was made into 3 ton vehicles, each vehicle having a complete plane load including personnel and stores, particular practice in loading jeeps, trailers and 2 pr guns.
 - (iii) An exercise was held covering a complete air move (with trucks to represent aircraft) from receipt of warning order to move to arrival at destination and action on landing. This exercise included the following -
 Assembly of plane loads, loading into trucks in unit lines, preparation of individual loading sheets, transit to "aerodrome", off loading into "aircraft", transit to "landing field", and action after deplaning.
 It was found essential to have a unit emplaning officer (preferably QM) to control move from unit, and be responsible for despatch in correct sequence. (The attached Appx "C" was made after this exercise, and incorporates lessons learnt from this and other tests).
 - (iv) The time factor was considered in all practice loading, having in mind that planes will stay on ground not more than 15 mins unless absolutely necessary and may even take off partly loaded if there is any delay and danger from enemy.
 - (v) Arrangements were made to have available certain additional personnel at destinations from within the unit to assist in unloading planes at where the bulk of the load was stores e.g. 2 pr guns and amm.

PART 11 - THE ACTUAL MOVE OF THE DIVISION

1. PREPARATION (Division Arrangements)

- (a) AS an appx to the Div Operation Order, a divisional order of landing was prepared. This set out in numbered serials, all plane loads of all units, reserves of maintenance stores etc all in order of departure, and included spares for any unforeseen item at intervals throughout. This table also showed number of personnel and weight of stores in each plane load, in accordance with unit emplaning tables.
- (b) In addition, a summary showing units and serials was attached to the op. order.

Actual appendices used are appended as Appx "D" and "E" respectively.

2. EMPLANING ORGANISATION

- (a) General responsibility for organisation of emplaning was allotted by Div to a lower formation commander (moving late on list). For purposes of movement units were grouped by Div into three brigade groups and a Div Tps group.
- (b) Outline of Organisation
- (i) Trucks loaded in unit lines and despatched to a marshalling Area were drafted into flight lots to go to different dromes, sent on to a drome assembly area where held and guided to dispersal areas as planes are available. A diagram showing the organisation is appended as Appx "F".
 - (ii) Three dromes were to be used for the move.
 - (iii) The staff employed in key positions is shown in Appx "G" (key personnel, all were drawn from LOB Group with exception of a staff officer who acted as controller for establishing the organisation and controlling the move in its initial stages).
 - (iv) Intercommunications - a plan for a separate system of direct line communication was drawn up. This was implemented by L of C Sigs. The system of relief for units moving was as follows :-
 - (a) Last bn to move to supply switchboard at Bde.
 - (b) When last Bn HQ ready to move the last coy supplied phone at bn which was brought forward in last plane load, or left for LOB gp.
 Line diagram is appended as Appx "H".
- (c) Administration - Units were detailed to supply all necessary accomodation stores and administrative necessities for staff handling move. These to be returned to LOB Gp after completion of move. Provost were obtained from NGF for duration of move to supply guides and traffic control.
- (d) Transport - A gen tpt coy was put under command of controller.
- (e) Plane loading sheets - 6 copies were required as under-
- | | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 to Air Tpt Control |) All 5 taken forward to |
| 1 " Pilot of plane |) marshalling area by OC |
| 1 " Air Force |) plane. 1st, 2nd and 3rd |
| 1 " OC Plane |) copies will be collected |
| 1 " Controller of Marshalling Area) |) at drome assembly area |
| 1 " Unit file |) for distribution. |
- Specimen of emplaning table is appended in Appx "I".
 Separate Div admin instructions concerning all A & Q matters for actual operation were issued, which included staff necessary at destination and action of units on arrival.

2. (a) ORGANISATION OF MARSHALLING AND DROME ASSEMBLY AREAS(i) Recce

etc

etc (See separate sheet Page 4A)

- (b) Detailed explaining instructions were issued to cover all details of move, and responsibilities of units, OSC plane etc. A copy is appended as Appx "L".

PART 111 - COMMENTS AND LESSONS LEARNT FROM MOVE

1. The necessity of flexibility both in preparation of tables and in organisation generally, was proved - due to certain loads or individuals being called forward on priority, suspension of flying through weather, mishap or enemy action, changes in allotment of aircraft etc.
2. Ease on control, and the general smooth running is facilitated by use of Div summary (see Appx "D") which document is the key to the whole move and its importance is stressed. Some valuable factors of its use are as under
 - (a) By daily check with controller units can get a good idea of the day likely to move.
 - (b) Instructions to tpt pool need be only e.g. " Send trucks for serials 1-100".

Under no circumstances was the sequence of this schedule altered unless with authority from its originator.
3. Where possible transport should be sent to units on afternoon prior to move for two reasons -
 - (a) Enable units to load in daylight.
 - (b) Allow drivers to get organised sleep.
4. The following ^{times}/were approx. standard throughout -
 - (a) 24 hours ahead - warning to units by controller.
 - (b) 1900 hrs day before movement - approx. number of planes available next day.
 - (c) 0100 hrs day of movement - full details of times etc(see Appx "L" para 1 (a)).
 - (d) 1½ hrs before take-off - loads to be at dromes.
 - (e) Three hour turn-round - which indicated time next loads were required at marshalling area and dromes.
5. Plane loads must not exceed the maximum laid down viz. 5000 lbs, or pilots may refuse to take off and resultant delay might affect the whole operation.
6. It is important that all MT drivers be briefed and "put in the picture " as far as security allows so that they will " play " and enhance the success of the move. They should have definite instructions to erase previous chalk figures on return to pool after each trip, and to remain at dromes until planes have taken off. The latter to enable loads to be immediately transferred to another plane or returned to units in case of aircraft breakdown etc.

7. The importance of signal personnel observing priorities of messages is emphasised.
8. It is desirable that officers holding key positions have some experience in staff work or administration.
9. The organisation and system outlined above proved satisfactory in all respects, and with the exception of a few upsets, which arose from bad flying conditions and changes in allotment of aircraft (necessitated operationally) the move was smooth throughout. Alterations to sequence of move and the handling of priorities of personnel and stores, was effected without any difficulty.

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PART 11 - PARA 2 (a)ORGANISATION OF MARSHALLING AREA AND DROME ASSEMBLY AREAS1. Recce

In choosing sites the controller kept in mind the following factors :-

- Marshalling Area
- (a) In a position between all units and dromes if possible.
 - (b) On a good road, off main road, and having easy access to units and dromes.
 - (c) Hard standing.
 - (d) Having sufficient room for splitting up into separate areas for each drome, and flight areas within those drome areas.
 - (e) Suitability for laying direct sig communications.
 - (f) The safety element - cover etc.
 - (g) Being well separated from any other unit area, fuel and amm dumps etc.
 - (h) Traffic circuit i.e. in from unit) in same direction
out to dromes)
 - (i) Room nearby for accomodation of tpt pool.

Drome Assembly Area

- (a) A site near strip, but not interfering with runways or dispersal bays where possible.
- (b) Of sufficient room for dispersal of flights leaving particular drome.
- (c) On road most convenient to marshalling area.

2. STAFF

A staff was detailed, being considered sufficient and necessary for move of a division, and to be able to handle up to 150 trucks coming from any number of units in jumbled order, and having to feed a number of dromes. Details of staff is appended as appx "J".

3. ADMINISTRATION

The following were arranged :-

- (a) All camp accomodation stores necessary, with sufficient additional cooking gear and utensils to give tea and hot meals to troops passing through, where possible.
- (b) Spare tentage for staging casual personnel called forward on priority, amm dump for filling short loaded planes, spare loading ramps.
- (c) The following is given as a guide to some essentials. Water tanks, vehicles for collection of rations, movement of controller etc., m/cycles for DRs, YMCA hut, hygiene eqpt, buckets, water cart latrine seats (sufficient for number of troops likely to be passing through at any one time). Tables, forms, lighting, flood-lighting, amplifier apparatus, ambulance.
- (d) The above applies equally to marshalling area and drome assembly areas.
- (e) Placing of signs on all routes from units to dromes and within marshalling areas.
- (f) Setting up staffs was completed 2 clear days before likely time of first movement.
- (g) An aid post with ambulance was established at marshalling area.

(4. Cont)

- (h) A simple flight log to be kept at drome assembly areas, and a summary at marshalling area - the latter to be a daily list of landings at destination, and "shut-outs" through priorities being called forward, or mishap. A specimen flight log is appended as Appx "K".

APPX "A"

DETAILS INCLUDED IN ALLOWANCE OF 250 Lbs PER MAN

Weight of troop
Mosquito net
Ground sheet - optional
Half or full blanket - optional
Gas cape
Half tent individual
Haversack
Half mess tin - knife - fork - spoon.
Half towel
Toilet gear
Spare trousers, shirt, underclothes, socks.
Insect repellent, First Aid Tin, Atebrin, Field dressing, clasp
knife, salt tablets.
Rations - 2 emergency 3 hard (1 operational included in this
weight but carried in bulk).
50 rds SAA in bdr, and two grenades
One sandbag
Individual weapons and eqpt.
One entrenching tool to approx every 3 men

A roll of ground sheet etc. is hung from bottom of haversack
and attached to waist belt.

NOTE - an infantry bn was checked with all of above, and found to
average 248 lbs per man.

Summary of Personnel - Equipment

Date-1 Oct.43

Units-Hqs Aust Inf Bde plus Fl.Aust Gd Bn and Det. Pro Sec.

Serial No.	Details	Individual		Total	Remarks	
		Wt. lbs.	Number taken			Wt lbs
1.	<u>Personnel</u>					
	<u>Hqs Aust Inf Bde</u>					
	Ofirs	250	16	4000		
	ORs	250	60	15000		
	<u>Fl.Gd Bn.</u>					
	Ofirs	250	1	250		
	ORs	250	44	11000		
	<u>Det.Pro Sec.</u>					
	Ofirs	250	-	-		
	ORs	250	15	3750		
		<u>136</u>	<u>34000</u>	<u>34000</u>		
2.	<u>Weapons on Man</u>					
	Bren IMG		Gd Fl. 4, Bde 2, Pro. Sec. -	6		
	O.S.M.G.		1, 20, 1	22		
	Rifles		43, 35, -	78		
	Pistols		1, 18, 15	34		
	<u>NOT on man</u>					
	155 Tk/A rifles	36	3	108		
	1 tripod Bren	27	1	27		
				<u>135</u>	<u>135</u>	
	3.	<u>Ammunition with rifles</u>				
155 Tk/A 300 rds		30	3	90	48 mags each 5 rds- 240 rds 60 reserve <u>300</u>	
9 m m		100	3	300		
.303 Ter		80	1	80		
.303 band.		80	3	240		
Tk/A .55		75	2	150		
No.36 grenades		30	5	150		
				<u>1010</u>	<u>1010</u>	
4.		<u>Technical Stores</u>				
		M.V.Fitter and Mechanic	100 25	1 1	100 25	Tools etc MT Records, Stationery
				<u>125</u>	<u>125</u>	
5.	<u>Transport</u>					
	2 Jeeps	2315	2	4630		
	Motor Cycles	360	3	1080		
			<u>5710</u>	<u>5710</u>		
6.	<u>General Stores</u>					
	Kitchens-Bde Hqs plus Pro Sec. Gd Fl. & LAD	350	2	700	2 kitchens complete with 3 spitfares, two hot boxes but NO Fowler stoves.	
	<u>RAP Stores</u>	120	1	120	Med Pannier	
	Stretchers	52	1	52		
				<u>172</u>		

serial No.	Details	Individual wt lbs	Number taken	Total wt lbs	Remarks
6. (Cont)	<u>Office Gear</u>				
	"G"	-	-	350	Typewriter, files, tables tec.
	"Aq" & Orderly room	-	-	450	Documents, files, tables, chairs etc.
	"I" Office	-	-	330	2 steel boxes, map cannister, table, chair etc.
				1130	
	<u>Shelters</u>				
	Tents	30	7	210	Comd, S.C., Ord Room "I" Office, & Store, 2 kitchens, tpt.
	Flys	30	7	210	
				420	
	<u>Comd Baggage</u>	60	1	60	
	<u>"Q" Store</u>				
	Water Cans full & empty	1 full 3 empty	9 full 27 empty	270	
		totalling 30lbs			
	Axes	9	7	63	
	picks	6	19	114	
shovels	5	11	55		
spades	5	13	65		
Push bykes	30	2	60		
Wash basins	5	12	60		
Canvas buckets	1½	12	15		
Handcarts	100-	2	200		
Anti Mal Eqpt	40	1	40	Mosquito Oil	
Lanterns	40	2	80		
Kerosene	30	2	60		
signs	25	1	25		
Hyg. Eqpt	75	1	75	Hyg. gear, fly spray, phenyle, toilet paper, sand soap	
"Q" Stores	-	3	280	General & stores incl Reserve clothing, mos nets, soap, rifle oil.	
Boots	40	1	40		
			3984	3984	

Serial Nos	1.	34,000
	2.	135
	3.	1,010
	4.	125
	5.	5,710
	6.	3,984
		44,964

NOTE:

Alotted on planes nos 1 to 9 (plane loading table) total weight 44,964 lbs.

SUMMARY OF PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT ETC

UNIT - BDE SEC SIGS

Serial No 1	Details 2	Indiv Weights 3	No taken 4	Total Weights 5	Remarks 6
1	<u>PERSONNEL</u> Offrs ORs. - Sigs Attd Cook Attd Cipher Bde Runner	250 250	2 46 1 2 2 <u>53</u>	13,250	
2	<u>WEAPONS</u> Rifles OSMG Pistols AALMG		* 28) 14) X 10) 1)		* incl 5 rifles of attd pers. X weapon wgt is allowed for in 250 lbs per person
3	<u>AMM ON MAN</u> 303 per rifleman 303 per OSMG gunner " " pistol " " bren mags of 20 .38 in - 18 per pistol 9 mm 200 per OSMG mags of 20 of 20		150 = 100 = 100 = 200 =	4,200 1,400 1,000 200 <u>6,800</u> 180 <u>2,800</u>	15 loaded mags in bulk
4	<u>GENERAL STORES</u> Trenching tools bundles Machettes Stools Chairs Tents Cases cooking gear Water containers Lamps and kero (cases) Sand bags bundles Bulk amm	60 5 5 5 160 200 3 30 8	1 12 2 4 3 2 12 1 1	60 60 10 20 480 400 36 30 8 <u>360</u> <u>1,464</u>	Packed in hot boxes

1	2	3	4	5	6
5	TECHNICAL STORES				
	w/T sets 109	580	1	580	
	w/T sets 208	20	5	100	
	w/T sets 11	600	7	4200	
	Switchboard 10 L U/C & 3 tfr	70	2	140	
	switchboard 6 L U/C & 1 tfr	50	2	100	
	Fullerphone	15	6	90	
	Test set port. No 1	12	1	12	
	Phones D Mark Y	15	10	150	
	L.S.D.S.R.	25	2	50	
	Boxes, terminal	30	2	60	
	Ladders, tele	35	1	35	
	Cable D 3 drums	60	25	1500	
	Strips, Air, sig	1 1/2	24	30	
	Accumulators	60	9	540	
	Cases, tool, electr	60	2	120	
	" " 1 M	60	3	180	
	Jungle Carts	100	3	300	
	Cases, line apt	60	2	120	
	H.Cs.	410	2	820	
	Flags, sig	1	10	10	
	Barrows drum	150	1	150	
	Reels, Cable No 1	20	12	240	
	Remote controls	14	6	84	
	Cable layer No 2A	12	3	36	
	" " No 3	110	1	110	
	Cases "A" cells	100	1	100	
	Climbers pole	10	4	40	
	Boxes tele	70	1	70	
	wavemeter Class C	40	1	40	
	Jars Distilled water	30	2	60	
	w/T Set 3B	50	1	50	
	Bars carrying drum	20	2	40	
	Bundle aerial masts	14	1	14	
	Frames D & P	12 1/2	2	25	
	1260 W Charges	800	2	1600	
	Mech Cable layer	220	1	220	
	TOTAL			12016	

SUMMARY

Totals

TOTAL WEIGHT OF PERSONNEL LBS	13250	
LESS 6 OPS (2 TRAVEL WITH EACH BN)	<u>1500</u>	
	11750	11750
TOTAL WEIGHT OF TECHNICAL STORES LBS	12016	
LESS 3 NO 11 SETS(1 TRAVELS WITH EACH BN)	<u>1800</u>	
	10216	10216
TOTAL WEIGHT OF GENERAL STORES	1464	<u>1464</u>
" " CARRIED		<u>23430</u>

<u>PLANS</u>	<u>PERSONNEL</u>	<u>TECH STORES</u>	<u>GEN STORES</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1	1750	1795	1064	4609
2	2500	1842	400	4742
3	2500	2114	-	4614
4	2500	2500	-	5000
5	2500	1965	-	4465
TOTALS 5	11750	10216	1464	23430

SUMMARY OF PERSONNEL, EQUIPMENT ETC.

SECRET

Appex "B" to Instns for
18 Aust Inf Bde Air Move-
ments.

Unit. 2/47 Aust LAD

Serial No	Details	(lbs) Individual Weights	Number Taken	Total Weight	Remarks
1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	
1.	<u>Personnel</u> Ofirs 1 O. Rs. 16.	250 250	1 16	250 <u>4000</u>	4250
2.	<u>Weapons on men</u> S.M.Gs. Rifles No. 1 Pistol .38		8 8 1		
	<u>Weapons not on men</u> Bren .303 Tripod	22 30	1 1	22 <u>30</u>	52
3.	<u>Ammunition</u> 1500 rds	105		<u>105</u>	105
4.	<u>Technical Stores.</u> <u>Tradesman's Tools</u> etc. Fitters Kits Armourers Kits Welder & Bksmith Inst Fitter Wireless Mech Tinsmith Electrician	69 102 221 44 25 55 42	6 3 1 1 1 1 1	414 306 221 44 25 55 <u>84</u>	1149
5.	<u>Workshop Eapt.</u> Tools Cylinders - Oxy & Acyt Shelters	844 136 137	2 2	844 272 <u>274</u>	1390
6.	<u>Stores</u> Spare Parts etc General Stores Unit Eapt	1026 614 231		1026 614 <u>231</u>	1871
7.	<u>Vehicles</u> Jeep	2315	1	<u>2315</u>	2315
				<u>Total</u>	<u>11132</u>

APPENDIX B

Summary of Personnel, Equipment etc.

Unit - An Inf Bn.

Full W.S. (adjusted for actual move)

Ser. No. (1)	Details (2)	Indiv Weights (3)	No. taken (4)	Total Weights (5)	Remarks
1.	<u>Personnel</u>				
	Offrs	250	37	9250	(adjusted to meet actual move)
	O.Ss	250	687	171750	
				<u>181000</u>	
2.	<u>Weapons (Not in use)</u>				
	Tk.(A) Rifles	36	4	144	
	MMG	132	4	528	
	3" Mortar	160	8	1280	
	2" Mortar	24	12	288	
				<u>2240</u>	
3.	<u>Ammunition (Not on man)</u>				
	.303 Bdr (G/s)	75	39	2925	
	.303 Ctn -	84	7	588	
	.55 -	40	1	40	
	.9 mm -	105	14	1470	
	Stripless -	44	64	2816	
	Belt boxes -	6	18	108	
	2" Mortar -	68	30	2040	
	3" Mortar -	88	135	11880	
	2 pdr H.E. -	142	17	2414	
	36 Gren -	25	30	750	
	63 Gren -	30	1	30	
	69 Gren -	50	3	150	
	75 Gren -	50	2	100	
	Sig Green -	32	1	32	
	Sig Red -	32	1	32	
	Sig Illum. -	32	1	32	
	2" Red -	50	1	50	
	2" Green -	50	2	100	
				<u>25557</u>	
4.	<u>Signal Stores</u>				
	No. 11 Set	621	1	621	
	108 Set	30	6	180	
	Switch 10 line	40	1	40	
	Switch 6 line	27	1	27	
	Phones - boxes	14	8	112	
	Cable - Miles	42	5	210	
	General			1350	
				<u>2540</u>	
5.	<u>Technical Stores</u>				
	Pioneers			200	
	Armourer			200	
	Tech			50	
	Equipment			100	
	Bootmaker			100	
	Tk/A Fitter			20	
				<u>670</u>	

Ser No (1)	Details (2)	Indiv Weights (3)	No. taken (4)	Total Weights (5)	Remarks (6)
6.	<u>General Stores</u>			30	
	Tracing Tape	-	-	200	
	Expense Stores	-	3	60	
	Sprays	10	6	3635	Not included in)
	Blankets	5	727	29 08	indiv man weights)
	Rations Fd Op.	4	727	1848	
	Tins water	22	84	1104	
	Comforts	-	-	1204	
	Picks	7	172	940	
	Shovels	5	188	246	
	Axes	6	41	930	
	Tents	-	6	550	
	Flys	50	11	58	
	Padre	-	58	30	(In addit to 1 per)
	Sand Bags (150)	-	-	2000	man)
	Kitchens	500	4	40	
	Field Service Dress.	40	1		
	<u>Special Rations</u>				
	Coffee	30	1	30	
	Coffee & Milk	54	10	540	
	Milk	-	3	155	
	Tea	165	1	165	
	Sugar	-	8	580	
	Curry	73	1	73	
	Cocoa	70	2	140	
	Rice	-	1	350	
	Fruit	50	5	350	
	Salt	60	2	120	
	Spare Socks	-	8	285	
	Records	-	-	576	Incl coy BH. Adj. & C.O.)
	Red Cross	-	-	200	
	R.A.P.	250	2	500	
	stretchers	30	10	300	
	Lamps	2	30	60	
	wire rope 100 ft.	-	-	100	
	Patrol shoes	-	-	60	
	Jungle Hand Carts	100	8	800	
	Tampaulins	150	1	150	
	Rifle Oil	30	2	60	
	Buffer Oil	15	4	60	
				<u>21437</u>	
7.	<u>Guns</u>				
	2 pdr Tk/A	2128	2	<u>4256</u>	2 only taken
	<u>Total Weights</u>				
	Personnel			181000	
	Weapons			2240	
	Ammunition			25557	
	signals			2540	
	Technical			670	
	General			21437	
	Guns			4256	
	<u>Grand Total</u>			<u>237,700</u>	lbs

Plane Loading Table Has Aust Inf Bde plus Fl Aust Gd Bn and Det Aust Div Pro Sec.

Personnel

Plane Serial No.	Sub-Unit	Serial Comd	Offrs	ORS	Total	Wt lbs	Weapons	Ann	General	Vehs - No. and type	Wt lbs	Total Wt. for plane	Remarks
1.	Gd Fl.	Fl. Comd	1	18	19	4750	36	130	83	-	-	4999	1 full, 3 empty 2 gal water cans- 30 1 tripod Bren 27 3 picks, 1 axe 26 16 mags: 100 rds .5 30 Tk/A rifle 36 1 box 9 m m ann 100 240
2.	Gd Fl. 13	L.O.(1)	1	16	17	4250	72	60	613	-	-	4995	1 full, 3 empty water cans 30 "I" office eqpt. 100 3 picks, 1 axe 26 3 spades 40 2 Tk/A rifles 72 32 mags 200 rds 15 60 RAP stores 172 Tent shelters (3) 96 1 push byke 30 4 wash basins) 25 4 canvas buckets) Handcart (1) 100 745
3.	Comd BM(L)	B.M.(L)	2	17	19	4750	-	-	250	-	-	5000	1 full, 3 empty 2 gal water cans 30 Comd baggage 60 xxxxxyxky 2 tent fly shelters 60 "I" office eqpt 100 250

Plane Ser ^l No.	Sub-Unit	Serial No.	Offs	Eng	Total	lbs	Stations	on	Weight	Vehicle No.	lbs	Total wt for plane	Supplies
4.	B.H. S.C.(1) L.O.(3) Batsmen 3 Cpl draught men "I" Pte Cpl Clerk sig Ord (4) AASC.D/R Dvrs MT (2)	BH	5	13	18	4000	-	-	635	Sea H/cycle No. 33389	360	4996	1 full, 3 empty 2 gal water cans 30 "6" office 300 3 picks, 1 axe 25 3 shovels 15 4 canvas buckets 4 wash basins 25 tent shelter (1) " fly (1) 60 "1" office 130 <u>535</u>
5.	S.C. L.O.(2) I.O. Batsmen (3) WO II Clerk Clerk Pte Cpl Gen. Duties Cpl Cook Pte Cook BMM "I" Sec Pte Amen Sgt Gen. Dutymen Water dutymen	S.C.	3	13	16	4000	-	-	990	-	-	4990	1 full, 3 empty 2 gal water cans 30 sig Ord Room 450 Tent shelter (1) " fly (1) 90 Kitchen complete 350 Lanterns 40 1 drum kerosene 30 <u>990</u>
6.	BASCO Hyg. Ofcr Batsmen (2) MT Sgt Dvrs MT(4) MT fitter	BASCO	2	8	10	2800	-	-	185	Jeep No. 129026	2315	5000	1 full, 3 empty 2 gal water cans 30 Lanterns 40 1 drum kerosene 30 4 wash basins 4 canvas buckets 25 1 bundle 28 signs 25 3 picks, 3 shovels 35 <u>185</u>

Plane Serial No.	Sub-Unit	Serial Cond	offrs	one	Total	lbs	weapons	General	Vehs. - No and Type	St. Total lbs for plane	Remarks
8.8.7.	T.O. Batmen MT Cpl Dvr's MT(6) AASC(dvr)	T.O.	1	9	10	2500	-	183	Jeep No 128768	2315 5000	1 full, 3 empty 2 gal water cans 30 1 fly shelter 30 MV & MT stores 1 case 100 1 box MT stationery 25 100
8.	Amen Offr Batmen 7 Div Pro Sec (15)	Amen offr	1	16	17	4250	-	30	2 M/Cs C4554083 C39429	720 5000	1 full, 3 empty 2 gal water cans 30
9.	L.S.O. Ord Offr Educ. Offr Batmen (3) C-MS Ann. Hk. Sgt AASC Clerk M.V. Mechanic Hyg. Dutyman 7 Div Pro. Sec. (1)	L.S.O.	3	9	12	3000	-	880 1164	-	4984	1 full, 3 empty 2 gal water cans 30 1 handcart 100 1 push byke 30 Kitchen complete 350 2 flyshelters) 90 1 tent shelter) 4 axes, 10 picks, 5 shovels 5 spades 129 1 case ant-mal capt 40 1 - containing Hyg. gear fly spray, phenyle and toilet paper 75 1 bag boots 60 3 cases containing "Q" Stores incl. res. clothing, } 280 mos. nets, soap, rifle oil } 2 cases 9 m.m. amm 200 3 cases .303 Bandolier 240 1 case .303 Tor 80 2 cases .5 Tk/A 150 3 boxes No. 36 Grenades 150 1384

NOTE : 1. 4 sig orderlies on Sde E s plane No. 4. The other 2 sig orderlies travel on a Sde sigs sec plane.

2. L.O.B. group omitted from Plane Loading Table consists of following personnel:-

- 1st Line Reinft offr
- Educ. sgt
- Cook Pte
- Batman
- Clerk, Pte
- Driver MT
- General Dutymn (w Store pte)

Appx. "b" Plane Loading Tables Rde Sec Sq

Plane	Comdr	Offrs	ENR	Total	wt lbs	Tech Stores	Gen stores	Total wt in plane				
Plane 1		1	6	7	1750	1795	1064	4609				
1st Lt												
									<u>Tech stores</u>	<u>Gen stores</u>		
									w/T Sets 109	- 1 - 580	Trench Tools	60
									" " 11	- 1 - 600	Machettes	60
									Sw/bd 10 L U/C	- 1 - 70	Stools	- 2 - 10
									Fullerphones	- 2 - 30	Chairs	- 4 - 20
									Phones D Mk V	- 6 - 90	Tents	- 3 - 480
									Boxes terminal	- 1 - 30	Case lamps & kero	30
									Ladders Tele	- 1 - 35	Water cont	- 12 - 36
									Cable D 3 miles	- 6 - 360	Sand bags	8
										<u>1795</u>	Bulk amn	<u>360</u>
												<u>1064</u>
Plane 2		-	10	10	2500	1842	400	4742				
senr Sgt												
									<u>Tech stores</u>	<u>Gen stores</u>		
									208 sets	- 5 - 100	Cooking gear	400
									11	- 2 - 1200		
									Sw/Bd 6 L U/C	- 1 - 50		
									Test set No 2	- 1 - 12		
									L.S.D.S.R.	- 2 - 50		
									Cable D 3 Miles	- 6 - 360		
									Strips Air sig	- 24 - 30		
									Reels Cable No 1	- 2 - 40		
										<u>1842</u>		
Plane 3		-	10	10	2500	2114	-	4614				
Jnr Sgt												
									<u>Tech stores</u>	<u>Gen stores</u>		
									1260W Chargers	- 1 - 800		
									Mech Layer	- 1 - 220		
									Remote Controls	- 6 - 84		
									M/C	- 1 - 410		
									Accumulators	- 3 - 180		
									Reels, Cable No 1	- 3 - 60		
									Jungle Carts	- 1 - 100		
									Barrows, drum	- 1 - 150		
									Case-"X" cells	- 1 - 100		
									Flags, sig bundle	- 1 - 10		
										<u>2114</u>		

Plane Comdr	Offrs	ORs	Total	Wt lbs	Tech Stores	Gen Stores	Total Wt In plane	REMARKS																																																																												
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Climbers pole	-4-	40																																																																																		
Boxes tele	-1-	70																																																																																		
Wavemeter	-1-	40																																																																																		
Jars distilled water	-2-	60																																																																																		
w/T Set 3B	-1-	50																																																																																		
Bars carrying drum	-2-	40																																																																																		
Bundle aerial masts	-1-	14																																																																																		
Frames D & P	-2-	25																																																																																		
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EXPLANING TABLE 2/47 AUST L.A.D.

Plane No	Serial Detail	Personnel		Gun Stores	Jeeps	Trailers	M/Cy	2.pr. T.At.	Hand Carts	TOTAL WEIGHT
		Offs	ORs.							
1.	Det 2/47 Aust L.A.D.	1	3	1619	1	-	-	-	-	4934
2.	Det. " " "	-	10	2486	-	-	-	-	-	4986
3.	Det. " " "	-	3	462	-	-	-	-	-	1212

Note:- Plane 3 will be part of load of plane in an Inf Bn.

PLANS LOADING TABLE - AN INF BN - W.R. LESS LOB UP

Co	Sub unit	Goods	Offr	ORS	Total	Weight	Response	SM	Sign	Tech	General	Comm	SI	
1	C.O.	Adjc	1						No 11 set	621	Jungle Cart	100		
	Adjc		1						switch	27	16 Blankets	80		
	Port Offr		1						2 phones	28	16 7d Op			
	MSG Offr		1						1 mile		ratione	64		
										cable	42			
	Tr.A Offr		1							108 set	30			
	Batmen				5									
				1										
				5										
				2	16	4900				748		244	1502	
2	Sig Offr		1						3 stripless	132	108 set	30	Cart hand	100
	Sigs			6					10 cc 3"	220	2 phones	28	1 tent & fly	150
	Pioneers			6					1 case 62grgs	30	2 miles		11 op rations	44
											cable	84		
											1 10 2		11 blankets	55
											switch	40	Padre	18
											General	200		
											1 cc sigrod	32		
											1 cc siggreen	50		
											1 cc R" red	50		
					11	2750				1300		317	4000	
3	A Coy CO													
	Batman	Coy Comd 1						Tr/A	40 rds .55	10	108 set	30	pick 5	25
	orderlies			1				Rifle 24			Telephone	14	5 shovels	25
	CSM			2							1 mile		2 axes	12
	ORS			1							cable	21	2 tins water	44
	Sigs			7							General		1 tent	150
	"I" Sec			3							stores	450	16 blankets	80
				1								16 rations	64	
												Comforts	43	
					16	4000	36			10	510	433	6524	

No	Sub-Unit	Comd	Pl	Men	Total Weight	Weapons	App	Sign	Tech	General	Guns Total	
4.	OMTS - A Coy	Pl. Comd	1	9	4500	Vickers 132	4 stripless	176		3 picks 3 shovels 1 axe 18 blankets 18 rations	81 15 6 90 72	5013
5.	A Coy OMS Mortars OMS	Sgt		11	4000	3" Mortar 160 2" " 24	8 CS 3"	440		1 handcart 1 tent 16 rations 16 blankets Comforts	100 180 64 80 86	5124
6	A Coy MG	Pl Comd	1	10	4000	Vickers 132	4 stripless 1 x 36 gra 6 belt boxes	176 25 36		3 picks 3 shovels 2 carts hand 17 rations 17 blankets	81 15 200 68 66	4750
7	A Coy	Pl Comd	1	10	3750	2" Mortar 24	7 Stripless 4 x 2 " Mortars 5 x 3 " "	308 72 440		2 shovels 2 picks 1 axe 15 blankets 15 rations	10 14 6 75 60	4939
8	A Coy	Pl Comd	1	15	4850					3 shovels 3 picks 1 axe 2 carts hand Rice 17 Blankets 17 rations	15 81 6 200 350 85 60	4995

Ser No	Co	Officer	Org	Total	Weight	Weapons	amm	Sig Tech	General	Special
9	A Coy	Sgt	10			3" Mortar	100	4x3" Mortar 350	2 cases cocoa 2 drums sugar 16 rations 16 blankets	140 160 64 80
	Mortars		6	16	4000		100	350		4250
10	A Coy	2 1/c	1			2" Mortar	24	3x2" Mortar 204	3 tins water 7 picks 7 shovels 2 drums sugar 16 rations 16 blankets	123 63 53 400 64 80
	Grd Recon Spt Storeman Cns Sigs SBS		1 1 9 2 2	16	5200		24	204		780
11	Wk A	Sgt	1					7x2 1/2" HB 3x3" mortar	2 tins water 2 picks 2 shovels 1 axe 6 blankets 6 rations	64 14 10 6 80 24
	Cns		5	6	1500			204		130
12	OO B Coy	OO Coy	1					100 set Phone 2 W. cables	2 axes 10 blankets 10 rations	12 80 70
	CMI Sigs I Sec B Coy Cns		1 3 1 13	18	4700			65		160
13	B Coy	11 Comd	1			Vickers	13	4 stripless 1x36 gra 6 bolt boxes	3 picks 3 shovels 1 axe 1 tarpaulin 100 ft wire rope 5 tins socks 16 blankets 16 rations	41 15 6 100 100 100 80 64
	MIGs		9	16	4000		13	237		500

ser No	sub unit	cond	offr	nos	Total	weight	weapons	amm	sign	Tech	General	Gas	Weight	
14	B Coy Mortars			11 4			3" mortar 2" mortar	100 24	3x3" Mort -	440	8 cs Coffeesmilk 15 blankets 15 rations Comforts	440 75 60 26	601	4975
					15	3750		104		440				
15	B Coy Mts	Pl Cond 1		9 6			Vickers	132	4 stripless 1x33 Gren 3 Mal boxes	176 80 75	8 picks 8 shovels 4 flys 2 coffee & Milk 2 tins water 15 blankets 15 rations Comforts	56 40 200 100 40 60 60 43	287	4125
					16	4000		132		157				
16	B Coy	Sgt Rosed		14			1x M A Rifle 1x3" Mort	33 24	40 rds .05 10 4 CS 2" M 272 3x3" Mort 440 7 stripless	10 872 440 368	2 shovels 2 picks 1 axe 2 flys 4 stretchers sub 15 blankets 15 rations Comforts	10 14 6 100 180 70 60 23	423	4995
					14	3500		30		1030				
17	B Coy	Pl Cond 1		13					1 Bar	75	1 axe 15 blankets 15 rations	6 95 70	177	5300
					14	4750				75				
18	B Coy Mortars			12 8			1x3" mortar	100	4x3" Mort	350	3 picks 3 shovels 1 fly 17 blankets 17 rations	21 15 50 60 60	239	5100
					17	4250		100		350				

ser No	sub-Unit	cond	off	GRS	Total	Weight	Weapons	Armo	Sigs	Tech	General	Guns	Total	
19	B Coy 2/1/c	2 1/c	1				2" Mortar	24	3x2 Mor	204	6 tins water			
	OMS			1							7 picks		49	
	Ord Room Cpl			1							7 shovels		35	
	Storeman			1							Coy records		16	
	GRS			6							1 chest tea		165	
	Sigs			2							3 cs milk		155	
	S.Bs			2							5 cs fruit		350	
												1 tent		130
												1 cart hand		100
												14 rations		56
											14 blankets		70	
			1	13	14	3500		24		204			4986	
20	TR/A Pl.	sgt		6					7x2 pdr	994	2 tins water			
									3x3" Mortar	204	2 picks		14	
											2 shovels		10	
											1 axe		6	
											6 blankets		30	
											6 rations		24	
					6	1500				1258			5014	
21	"I" Cdr	L.O.	1						2x9 M.M.	210	Sigs	Intell. Rec.	50	
	"I" Sec.			4					1x36 Gren	25	General BH.		100	
	Sig Sgt			1					1x1" Green	32	350	Blankets (16)	80	
	Sigs			2								Rations (16)	64	
	Mortar Sgt			1										
	Vickers Sgt			1										
	TR/A Sgt			1										
	Sgt Clerk			1										
	Runners A.B.				16									
	C & D.			4		4000				267	350		294	
22	C Coy O.C.	Coy Cond	1								Sigs	2 axes	12	
	OMS			1							185 set	30 19 Blankets	95	
	GRS			14							Phone	14 19 rations	76	
	Sigs			2							M Cable	21		
	"I" Sec			1										
					19	4750					65	183	4998	

Ser No.	Sub-unit	Grade	Offrs	GRS	Total	Weight	Weapons	ammo	sig	Tech	General	Guns	Total	
23	C Coy	P1. Comd	1	14	15	3750	2" Mort 24	2x2" Mort 136 2 stripless 88 2 bandolier 150 4x36 gren 100 1x9 m m 105 4x3" Mort 302			3 picks 35 3 shovels 25 2 tins water 44 2 axes 12 15 blankets 75 15 rations 60 Comforts 45		876	5001
24	C Coy	Sgt	10	5	15	3750	3" Mort 160	1000	3" Mort 880		3 picks 35 3 shovels 15 1 axe 6 15 blankets 75 15 rations 60		212	5008
25	C Coy	P1. Comd	1	17	18	4500	2" Mort 24	2x2" Mort 136 2 stripless 88 3 grenades 75			3 shovels 15 1 axe 6 Comforts 17 Blankets (16) 80 16 Rations 64		182	5005
26	C Coy	Sgt	14		14	3500	Tk/A Rifle 36	40 rds .55 10 2 cs 2" Mort 136 2 bandolier 150 3x9 m m 315 4x36 gren 100 2x69 gren 100			6 picks 42 8 shovels 40 2 cs salt 120 1 cs curry 73 1 cs coffee 30 2 ctn lamps 60 Comforts 43 14 blankets 70 14 rations 56		531	4991
27	C Coy	P1. Comd	1	17	18	4500	2" Mortar 24	2x2" Mortar 136 2 bandolier 150 1 stripless 44			18 blankets 90 18 rations 72		162	5016

Ser No	sub unit	Comdr	Offr	Grp	Total	Weight	Weapons	AMN	Sigs	Tech	General	Gas weight
28	C Coy	Sgt		17			4 bdr 300 1x9 mm 105 2x36 Gren 50 2 stripless 88				3 picks 21 6 shovels 30 1 axe 6 17 blankets 65 17 rations 68	
29	C Coy & 1/c Coy	2/c	1		17	4250	3" Mort 160 14 cs 3" 1232 1 bdr 75				Coy records 20 4 tins water 88 Comforts 40 13 blankets 65 13 rations 52	5603
	COMS & Storeman			2								
	Ord Room clerk			1								
	Batman			1								
	Sigs			2								
	SB			2								
	Mortars			4								
30	H. Coy	LO	2	11	13	3250	160	1307				
	(LOS)											
	(this being the first bn to move takes an offr from each of other two.)						4 stripless 176 5 bdr 375 1 ctn 84 1x9 mm 105 4x3" M 352				10 picks 70 7 shovels 35 2 tins water 44 1 tent & fly 180 2 comforts 83 14 blankets 70 14 rations 56	4982
31	D Coy	O.C.	Coy Comd	1	13	3250		1022				
	CSM			1					108 set 30	2 axes 12		
	I Sec			1					Phone 14	19 blankets 95		
	Sigs			4					† M. Cable 21	19 rations 76		
	OR			22								
32	Don Coy	Pl. Comd.	1	12	19	4750	2" Mortar 24 2 stripless 88 2 bdr 150 6 gren 150 2x9 mm 210 4x3" M 352			Y 65		
											5 picks 35 5 shovels 25 2 axes 12 4 tins water 88 2 flys 100 4 stretchers 120 Comforts 45 13 blankets 65 13 rations 52	4298
					13	3250		24	1086			4902

Ser No	Sub-unit	Comd	Offrs	GRs	Total	Weight	Weapons	ammo	sign	Tech	General	Guns	Total	
33	D Coy Mortars	Sgt		10 5	15	3750	3" Mort 160	10 ea 3" Mort 880			3 picks 3 shovels 1 axe 15 blankets 15 rations	21 15 6 75 60	177	4967
34	D Coy	Pl. Comd	1	16	17	4250	2" Mort 24	3x2" Mort 204 2 stripless 88 5x36 gren 125			3 picks 3 shovels 1 axe comforts 2 stretchers 17 blankets 17 rations	21 15 6 17 60 85 68	272	4963
35	D Coy	Pl. Comd	1	15	16	4000	1 Tk/A Rifle 36	40 rds. 55 1x2" Mort 68 2 bdr 150 2 9 m m 210 2x3" Mort 176	10		3 picks 3 shovels 1 tent & fly 16 blankets 16 rations	21 15 180 80 64	350	5010
36	D Coy BH, Clerk	Pl. Comd	1	15 1	16	4000	1x2" Mort 24	2x2" Mort 136 2 bdr 150 1 stripless 44 1 ctn 84			3 picks Comforts 17 blankets 17 rations	21 40 85 68	214	4902
37	D Coy	Sgt		17	17	4250		4 bdr 300 1x9 m m 105 2x36 gren 50 2 stripless 88			3 picks 6 shovels 1 axe 17 blankets 17 rations	21 30 6 85 68	210	5003

Ser No	Sub Unit	Comd	Offr	Grds	Total weight	Salvage	Gen	lbs	Tech	General	Total
38	D Coy 2 1/c	Coy 2 1/c	1			3" Mortar 160	14x3" Mort. 1232			Coy Records 20	
	Batman		1				1 bdr 75			4 tins water 38	
	Comd & storeman		2							comforts 40	
	O.R. Cpl		1							13 Blankets 65	
	Sigs		2							15 rations 52	
	SB		2								
	Mortars		4								
					13	3250	160	1307			265 4982
39	Tk.A	sgt	8				3x2 pr HE 426		Tk.A. Vitter		
	Armourer		1				4 stripless 176		Chest 20	2 picks 14	
	Cooks		3				5 bdr 375			2 shovels 10	
										2 tins water 44	
										Kitchens 500	
										2 rifle oil 60	
										4 buffer oil 60	
										12 blankets 60	
										12 rations 48	
					12	3000		977	20		756 4793
40	2 1/c	Bn 2 1/c	1				4 stripless 176		General	4 picks 20	
	Batman		1				4x3" Mort 352		250	4 shovels 20	
	Hq Coy Hq		6				4 ctn 336			2 axes 12	
	Sigs		1							7 water 154	
	MHC		5							Comforts 70	
										14 blankets 70	
										14 rations 56	
					14	3500		864	250		410 5024
41	MO	RMO	1							HAP 250	
	Batman		1							RMA 250	
	Med Ord.		2							I Sec 50	
	SB		5							10 water 220	
	RP		3							17 blankets 85	
	Pay Sgt		1							17 rations 68	
	I Cpl		1								
	Sgt Clerk		1								
					15	3750					753 4473

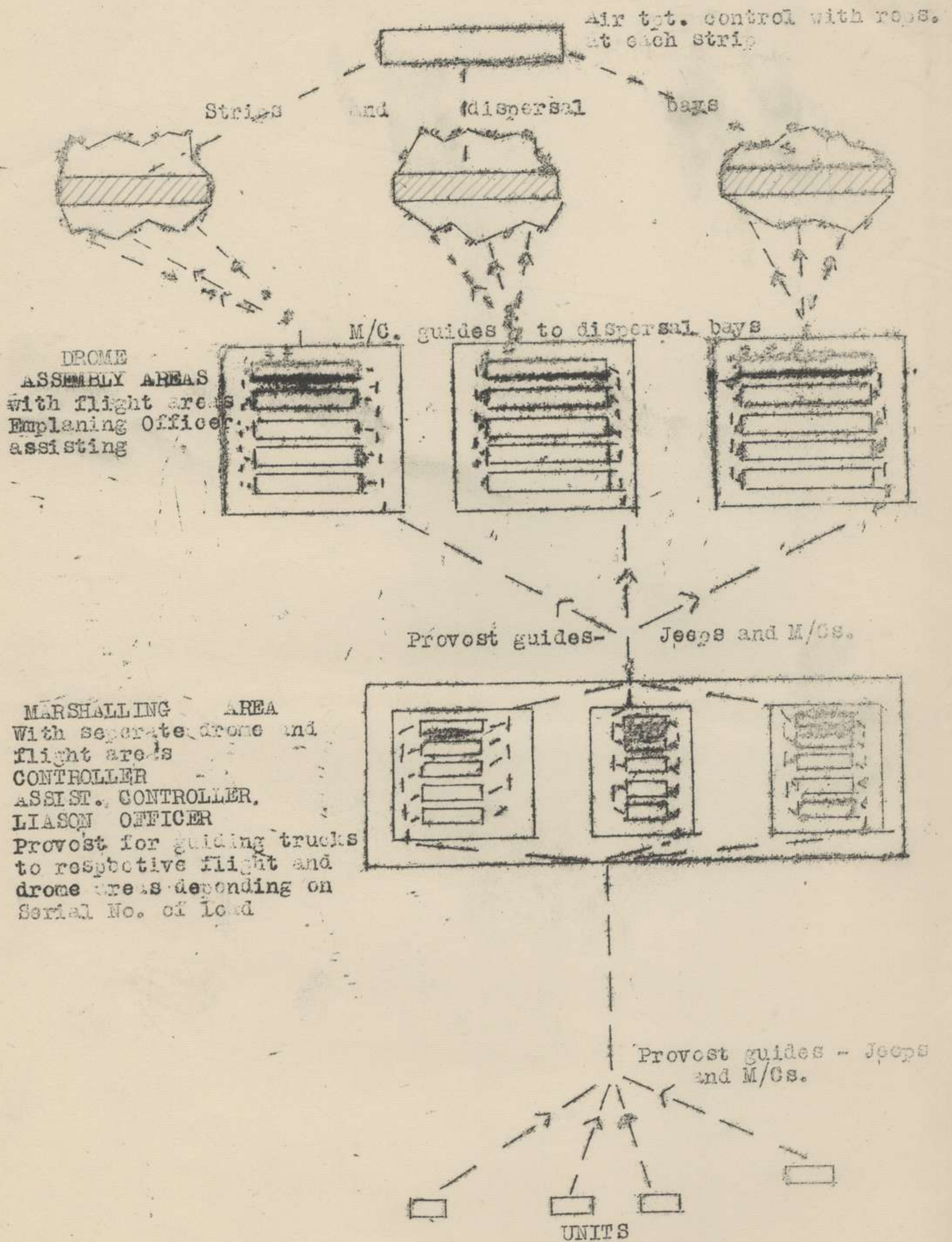
ser	sub unit	cmd	offr	nos	Total	Weight	Weapons	App	Sigs	Tech	General	Total	
42	RSM	RSM		1					General	50	RAP.	250	
	Batman			1							7 water	154	
	Clerk BMA			1							Comforts	52	
	S.B.s			4							Pay records	100	
	"I" Sec			1							Patrol shoes	60	
	RAP Sgt			1							Comforts	130	
	R. Ps.			3							16 blankets	80	
	S.B. Sgt			1							16 rations	64	
	Pay Cpl			1									
	Pioneer Sgt			1									
	Hq Coy			1									
					16	4000				50		820	4940
43	Pioneer Cdr		1				2 stripless	35		Pioneer	16 picks	112	
	& Batman	Pioneer		1			1x9 m m	105		Stores	16 shovels	80	
	Chaplain	Lieut	1	1			3x3" Mort	264		200	3 axes	18	
	Batman						1 bdr	75			Red Cross	200	
	Pion sers			11							Padre	40	
											15 blankets	75	
											15 rations	60	
					15	3750		532		200		585	5067
44	Pioneers	Sgt		16			4x3" Mort.	352			16 picks	112	
							1x69 gren	50			16 shovels	80	
											3 axes	18	
											6 water	132	
											comforts	66	
											16 blankets	80	
											16 rations	64	
					16	4000		402				582	4954
45													

Ser No.	Sub-Unit	Condr	Offsr	Ons	Total Weight	Weapons	Ammo	Sigs	Tech	General	Guns	Total
45	M & Bat.	M	1	1			6x3" Mort. 528		Armourer	Records		
	MMG			3			1x2" Green	50	200	16 picks		50
	Admin			9					Tech. Store 50	16 shovels		112
										3 axes		80
										6 water		16
										1 fly		132
										comforts		50
										Field Dress.		60
										Socks		40
										14 blankets		10
										14 rations		70
					14	3500		578	250			56
												678
46	RMS	RMS		1			2x3" Mort.	176	SIGS	TECH	150 sand bags	30
	Admin			9			2 stripless	88	Gen. 50	Eapt 100	16 shovels	30
	Cooks			5			2 bdr	150		Boot Rep 100	1 axe	6
											6 water	132
											comforts	70
											Boxes 60	40
											Adj	30
					15	3750		414	50	200	15 blankets	75
											15 rations	60
												573
47	S. A. Welfare	Welfare					10x3" mort.	880			Kitchens	500
	Offr & Bat	Offr	1	1			1 ctn	84			1 fly	50
	Cpl Storeman			1			2 bdr	150			6 sprays	50
	Cooks			8			1 stripless	44			2x socks	70
											3 ex. stores	200
											1 trac. tape	30
											11 blankets	55
											11 rations	44
					11	2750		1158				1509
												4917

ser No	sub-Unit	Comdr Officer	U.S.	TOT L	weight	weapons	mmo	Digs	Tech	General	Guns	Total	
48	Admn Cooks Welfare Spis	Sgt	6 3 3	12	3000		1 bdr 75						
										Kitchens 1000 16 picks 112 16 shovels 80 3 axes 18 6 Water 132 Comforts 74 13 Blankets 65 13 Rations 53 1533		4608	
<u>GRAND TOTALS</u>			37	637	724	161000	2240	25,557	2540	670	21,437	4256	23770 0

APPEX. "F"

LINE DIAGRAM ORGANIZATION



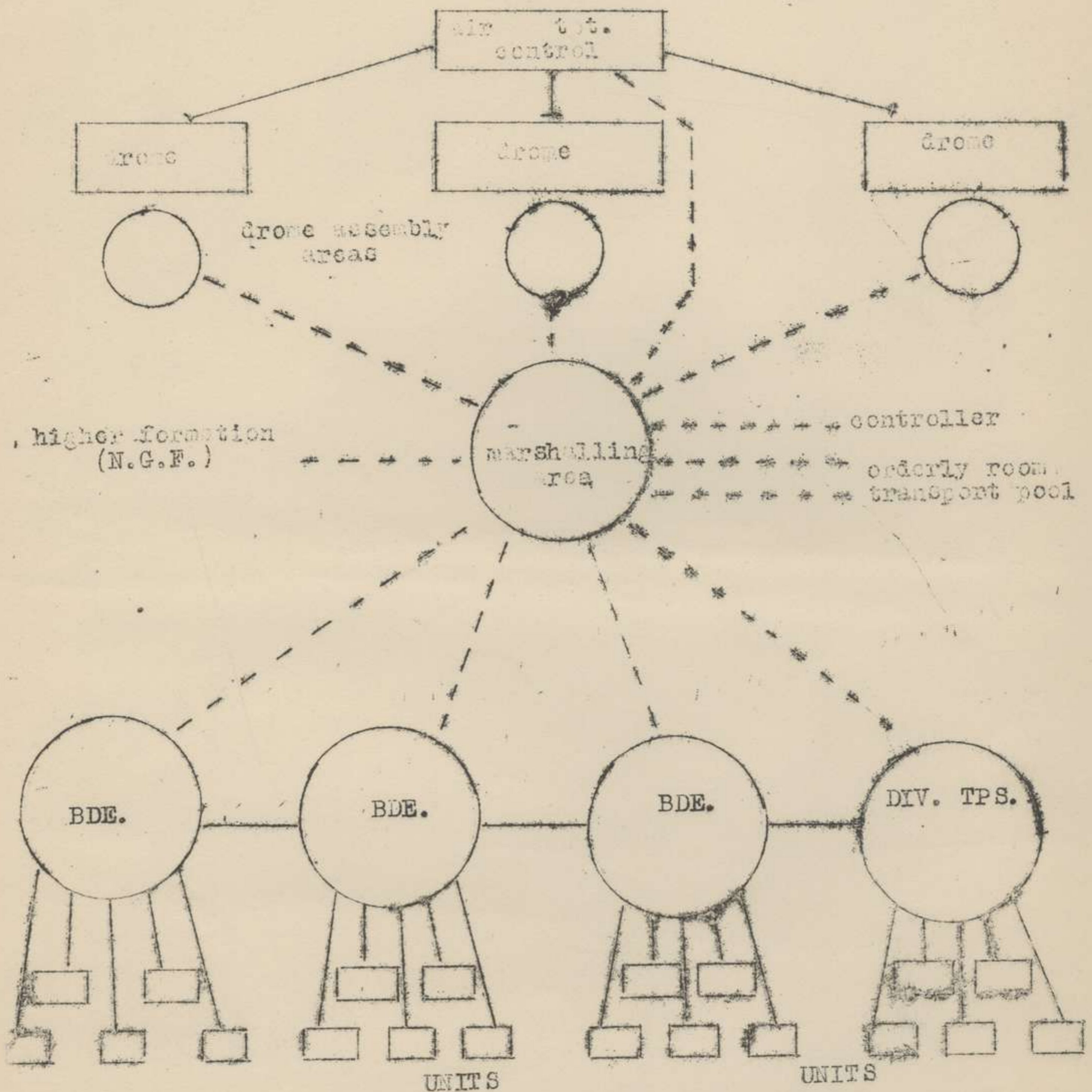
APPX "G"

ALLOTMENT OF PERSONNEL TO KEY POSITIONS

<u>Duty</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
Controller	Marshalling Park	In charge of all matters dealing with emplaning and responsible for issuing all orders to other members of emplaning staff.
Assist Controllers	Do	To assist controller at Marshalling Park on basis of one officer for each Drome likely to be used.
Liason Offr.	Do	For liason between Air Transport Control, Comd, and Controller.
Emplaning Officers	Drome Assembly Areas.	One per drome. To handle all emplaning in conjunction with Air Tpt Control on drome.
Assistant Emplaning Officers	Do	To assist emplaning officer and be responsible for admin arrangements at Assembly Areas.
Unit Liason Officer	Marshalling Park	One per unit to check unit plane loads before leaving unit lines and to come forward to Marshalling Park at commencement of unit move. To be responsible for making immediate changes in order of unit emplaning if caused through tactical or other reasons.
Unit Checking Officers	Units	Responsible for correct loads leaving unit lines.

APPEX. "H" (PARA 4 PART(E))

LINE DIAGRAM SIGNAL COMMUNICATION



Legend

- existing lines
- - - - - new direct lines for move

N.B. Air Tpt Control HQ have lines to reps at each Strip from switchboard. E. Liaison officers can ring these reps by going through marshalling area. Normally they would only be a short distance apart and personal liason is more suitable.

Emplaning Table (Weight Sheet)

UNIT.....

Plane Ser. No.....

Date.....

Plane

PERSONNEL (NOT TO EXCEED 20)

Serial No.	Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Weight (lbs)
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				
6				
7				
8				
9				
10				
11				
12				
13				
14				
15				
16				
17				
18				
19				
20				
TOTAL				

STORES AND EQUIPMENT (NOT CARRIED ON THE MAN)

Serial No.	Description	Weight (lbs)
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		
7		
8		
9		
10		
11		
12		
13		
14		
15		
16		
17		
18		
19		
20		
TOTAL		

GRAND TOTAL

APPX "J"

- DETAILS OF STAFF - Some additions may be necessary if round the clock flying is used.
- Marshalling Park. - Controller, Assistants and Liason Officer, Provost Officer and section for guides and and traffic control.
NCOs to assist Assistant Controllers on basis one per flight from each drome.
3 switchboard operators.
3 Sig orderlies for Controllers Orderly Room.
2 DRs. (Reserve against communications failing)
CSM to run camp.
CQMS - rations marshalling area and drome assembly areas.
Medical Orderly.
Cooks and offsidiers.
Batmen and drivers (domestic vehicles)
If available - engineer for flood-lighting and YMCA Rep.
- Drome Assembly Areas - Emplaning Officer and Assistant.
NCO guides to plane dispersal areas.
Cooks and offsidiers.
3 Sig orderlies.
Provost guides.
Batmen and drivers (domestic vehicles)

FLIGHT LOG

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UNIT	TOTAL PLANES	LOAD SERIAL NO		TIME RE- PORTED DROME CONTROL POINT	ALLOTTED TO		TIME OF DEPART- URE	TIME OF RE- TURN	LOAD COMPLETE		LOAD NOT CARRIED		LOAD RE- ALLOTTED TO		REMARK
		DIV	UNIT		PLANE NO	FLIGHT			YES	NO	PERS NO	STORES LBS	PLANE NO	FLIGHT	
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17

APPX "K"

EMPLANING INSTRUCTIONS - ISSUED
IN CONJUNCTION WITH INSTRUCTIONS FOR
MOVE TO EMLANING DROMES

1. SEQUENCE OF EVENTS FOR MOVE UNITS DIV

- (a) Initial advice as under will be given by Higher formation or Air Tpt Control Offr to Controller at Marshalling Park.
 - (1) No of planes available at respective Dromes.
 - (2) No of planes in each flight.
 - (3) Times flights leave and date.
- (b) Controller will pass information to Emplaning Offr at Dromes who will liaise with Air Tpt Control to ascertain Dispersal Bays.
- (c) Controller will check Appx (See Appx 'D') to Div O O No. _____ and advise Units of Ser Nos. of loads required at Marshalling Park and at what time. Units so advised will then send Unit Liaison Offr to Marshalling Park, forthwith.
- (d) Gen. Tpt. Coy will receive similar infm and despatch necessary trucks to Unit lines for loading.
- (e) As loaded trucks arrive at Marshalling Park they will be drafted into respective flights and Dromes and sent forward to Drome Assembly Areas in complete convoys.
- (f) Emplaning Officers will then send trucks to individual Dispersal bays for loading on to aircraft.
- (g) Trucks will report back to Drome Assembly Areas and remain there until flights take off, then report back to G.T.C. for further allotment.

2. PLANE LOADS - CHECKING

- (a) All stores will be placed in "plane loads" on receipt of warning order to move and each dump given a Div ser No. (As per Appex 'D')
- (b) All trucks will be checked by Offr or N.C.O. in charge each 'plane load before leaving unit lines and marked clearly with chalk on each door with Div Ser No.

- (c) A second check will be made by Unit Liaison Offr at Marshalling Park and any short weights through casualties made up from ammo dump.
- (d) A third check will be made at Drome Assembly Areas and again after loading into planes.
- (e) Offr or N.C.O. in charge each plane load will be responsible for all personnel and stores from Unit lines to deplaning area. He will remain with truck and report to Controller at Marshalling Park when called for, and Emplaning Offr at Drome Assembly Area with correct number of copies of Emplaning Table (see Part II, para 1, (b) (7)) and ensure that copy held by pilot is returned to him at deplaning area.
- (f) At no time will personnel, other than Offr or N.C.O. in charge, leave, or stores be removed from, truck or Plane unless ordered to do so. This will be strictly enforced.
- (g) Plane Nos. will be put on Emplaning Tables at Marshalling Park by Controller.

3. HEAVY LOADS

- (a) If possible trucks will be loaded with Jeeps, Trailers and Guns in Unit lines. (practice loading of planes direct from trucks to be made.) Where Jeep and Trailers are in one plane load, Trailer will be loaded in truck and Jeep be driven immediately behind. (This because some trucks are 6/9" longer than plane floor and Jeep cannot be driven on direct)
- (b) Front bumper and offside rear "D" of Jeeps to be removed to facilitate loading.
- (c) Units will be responsible for providing lifting gear and necessary additional personnel for loading heavy gear. Unit Liaison Officer will arrange extra transport with Controller.
- (d) Units will advise this H. by L.O. forthwith of loads as per Div Ser. No. which will take more than 15 minutes to load or unload.
- (e) Loading ramps will be available at dromes.

4. MEALS

- (a) Units will ensure that wherever possible a meal is given to all personnel before leaving unit lines.
- (b) It is anticipated that tea will be available at Marshalling Park and possibly Drome Assembly Area depending on time allowed for loading.

- (c) Mugs and Dixies will be accessible accordingly in men's gear.

5. TRANSPORT

- (a) Reserve or spare vehs. in unit convoys will not be used, except in event of breakdowns, under orders O.C. Convoy.
- (b) Breakdowns will be notified immediately by 'phone, D/R or Provost to Controller and any local action taken.
- (c) All trucks will be checked through to Drome by Provost and advice sent to Controller by Emplaning Offr.
- (d) Under no circumstances will allotment of trucks be altered except by Controller or G.T.C.
- (e) Vehs will move in "plane flights" from Marshalling Area under Provost Guides.

[Handwritten Signature]
Capt.
Controller.

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