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7 AUST INF BDE

FROM 0900 Hours 1 Dec 44

TO 0900 Hours 1 Jan 45

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Unit HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

Date and Time.—From 0900 hours 1 Dec 44 To 0900 hours 1 Jan 45

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	1 Dec	1435	Message from 9 Aust Inf Bn - Investigation by this HQ reveals Badges of rank reported by FSS Personnel as Major Capt Sjt should read lt, Sjt, Cpl. No further badges of rank in possession our troops.		
		1730	Message to all units 7 Bde Gp - Ref passwords and codewords - Until further notice 9 Aust Inf Bn Gp only, will use passwords. Copy will be forwarded this HQ designatory and appointments code words suspended all units sub-units excluding 9 Aust Inf Bn Gp. Use will continue in, and in conversation with that Gp only.		
		1730	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 71 to 1730 hours 1 Dec 44	Appx 1	
		1800	Brig J. FIELD returned from 9 Aust Inf Bn forward at 1530 hours.		
		1800	7 Aust Inf Bde accepted responsibility for buildings and shelters in area HQ 145 US Inf Regt.		
	2 Dec		1800	7 Aust Inf Bde Overlay - Dispositions of 25 and 61 Aust Inf Bns.	Appx 2
			2200	Message from 3 Aust Div requesting Brig J. FIELD to attend conference at 3 Aust Div at 0900 hours 2 Dec 44.	
			0820	Phone message from 9 Aust Inf Bn - Report of Jap dead - Clothing well worn - Boots fair - feet Good - Food, Evidence of cannibalism - PW's Medical state not yet permitting interrogation. Visited twice daily by ATIS - Only Information Name ITO Unit 53 Regt.	
			1200	During inspection by BRIG FIELD of Captured feature LITTLE GEORGE on 30 Nov it was noted that enemy to this date had observation of portion of TOROKINA Anchorage. Eight ships were observable from this point at time of inspection.	
			1200	AFW 3008 and 3009	Appx 3.
3 Dec		1200	Letter to All Units 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp ref Correspondence with Friends	Appx 4.	
		1740	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 72 to 1730 hours 2 Dec 44	Appx 5	
		0915	Phone message from Capt PERCIVAL 3 Aust Div - arrangements made with 17 Photo Squadron (US) to fly vertical photos of		

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		(contd)	area commanded by refs as per NUMA NUMA - SISIVIE SPECIAL and TOROKINA 1 inch to 1 mile - 578210 - 648232 - 687110 - 616087 - date to be flown 4 Dec, weather permitting.	
		1040	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 73 to 0930 hours 3 Dec 44.	Appx 6.
		1200	7 Aust Inf Bde Passwords and countersigns	Appx 7
		1200	7 Aust Inf Bde Routine Order Serial 29/44.	Appx 8
		1625	Message to Lt-Col MATTHEWS 9 Aust Inf Bn from BRIG FIELD - Suggest you consider immediate occupation SISIVIE in view nil enemy, importance track junction, suitable patrol base location supply dropping grounds. This action approved if suggestion accepted.	
		1630	Message to 25 and 61 Aust Inf Bns - GOC 2 Aust Corps will be inspecting 7 Aust Inf Bde area morning 4 Dec. - Party includes Lt-Gen SAVAGE and Maj-Gen BRIDGEFORD GOC 3 Aust Div.	
		2240	Battle casualties - Killed in action 1 Died of wounds 1 Wounded 2.	
		1850	Sitrep No 74 to 1730 hours 3 Dec 44.	Appx 9
	4 Dec	1125	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 74 yo 1100 hours 4 Dec 44	Appx 10
		1230	Message from 9 Aust Inf Bn - Request one troop of 25 pounder Mark 2 longs to engage targets SISIVIE area. Shoots now firing at extreme range - Not approved.	
		1630	Location statement 9 Aust Inf Bn Gp as at 1600 hours 4 Dec 44.	Appx 11
		1740	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 75 to 1730 hours 4 Dec 44	Appx 12
		1850	Message to 61 Aust Inf Bn - One Coy 61 Aust Inf Bn comes under command 9 Aust Inf Bn on departure TOROKINA PERIMETER.	
		1900	Phone message from BRIG FIELD to Lt-Col DEXTER 61 Aust Inf Bn - "DEXTER I want you to have your Bn in a state preparedness. There has been much enemy activity today and MATTHEWS may need help".	
		1900	Phone message to Lt-Col MCKINNA 25 Aust Inf Bn - "For reasons that I won't go into now, I want you to have your men in Coy lines".	
		2250	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 76 to 2235 hours 4 Dec 44	Appx 13

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TOROKINA	4 Dec	2345	Message to 9 Aust Inf Bn - 5 Tac R Sqn carrying out Tac R of PIATERAPAIA area between 0530 and 0630 hours 5 Dec. 5 Sqn request Arty listen out for frequency 4885 between 0500 and 0700 hours for possible targets for air shoot - Code names Arty PAT Aircraft MICK. Tac R sightings will be dropped on conclusion of mission on Bn HQ. C Coy 61 Aust Inf Bn under command 9 Aust Inf Bn as from 2345 hours 4 Dec. PIATERAPAIA	
	5 Dec	0900	Over-lay of dispositions of 9 Aust Inf Bn - TOROKINA PERIMETER	area Appx 14
	5 Dec	0900	Overlay of Dispositions of 25 and 61 Aust Inf Bns - TOROKINA PERIMETER area	Appx 14a
		1658	Request for air support 6 Dec 44. Ref map KOWARO 1:25000. Result Tac R morning 5 Dec 9 Aust Inf Bn area following targets suitable warrant air strikes. TARGET 1. 694129 six huts seen good condition various tracks amongst huts. 12 personnel seen huddled one hut. pilot stated not natives. Location our troops. 2 Coys concentrated LITTLE GEORGE HILL 680115. Request support not before 0800 hours not after 1500 hours. Suggest strike be led in by 5 Tac R Sqn Pilots. TARGET BOMBLINE. No bombing strafing south of line extending EAST WEST through ARTY HILL 678120 to 685118. TARGET 2. Enemy defensive positions ARTY HILL located northern slopes in bare patch with few scattered stumps 800 yards long extending EAST WEST from 677120 to 684118. Enemy AA one JUKI heavy MG known to be on ridge exact location not known. Location our troops. As for target 1. Request support not before 0800 hours and not after 1500 hours. TARGET BOMBLINE. No bombing or strafing SOUTH of creek line from 6676115 EAST to 684117. TARGET 3. Enemy troops located DEACON HILL in old American positions at 685110. Location our troops as for target 1 and 2. Request support not before 0800 hours and not after 1500 hours. Additional request this target that area from 685110 SW to 678105 be strafed. TARGET BOMBLINE. No bombing or strafing NORTH of line of creek from 675104 to 683114. For all targets a white cross will be displayed by our troops on LITTLE GEORGE HILL 680115.	

Target 1 approved.

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TOROKINA	5 Dec	1734	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 77 to 1730 hours 5 Dec 44	Appx 15
	6 Dec	1200	Request to 3 Aust Div for Tac R 7 Dec 44 as follows - Tasks in particular - One . Verification of reported enemy L of C extending NW from 682135 . 2 . Information of number of enemy and details of defences at 604164. Task in general. Information of movement or concentration in PIATERAPAIA and SISIVIE areas.	
		1200	Message to 9 Aust Inf Bn - Strike on AKOROPAIA led in by Tac R Aircraft will take place am 7 Dec. Remaining two requests not approved ETOT 0815 hours eight Corsairs led on to target by two Boomerangs. Completion of strike Tac R aircraft will drop results of observations on Bn HQ the continue to recce PIATERAPAIA and SISIVIE areas.	
		1710	Brig FIELD spoke to CRE 3 Aust Div about responsibility of 1 Pl 5 Aust Fd Coy on NUMA NUMA Trail for local defence in that area against small Jap parties. Suggested listening post out on track to right and small protective detachment in vicinity of bivouac area at all times. Requested copy of map showing locations of numbered crossings and was advised that work was being done on this and it would be available in about three days.	
		1738	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 78 to 1730 hours 6 Dec 44.	Appx 16
	7 Dec	0755	Message from 9 Aust Inf Bn - Request for Tac R am pm 8 Dec 44 SISIVIE area. General recce.PIATERAPAIA area enemy standing patrol reported SOUTH slopes BAWABU RIDGE 674118. Then any enemy movement between this point and ARTY RIDGE 685118 otherwise general recce. Map refs KOWARO L:25000.	
		1045	Brig FIELD saw CO 25 Aust Inf Bn at Bde HQ and instructed him to recce a Bn position astride NUMA NUMA Trail in area of squares 131225 132224 Map ref LARUMA RIVER FORKS 1:20000.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	7 Dec	1045	Phone message from 9 Aust Inf Bn - Result air strike on 694129 completed 0820 hours. Results dropped on Bn HQ by Boomerang. Two explosions - Tracers leaving area hit result of explosions and not considered to be AA small arms. 4 huts flattened and one three parts flattened - area well hammered for 150 - 200 yards - lot of devastation - Bamboo hut seen 684118 part built (EAST end ARTY RIDGE) and movement seen that area.	
		1200	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 79 to 1200 hours 7 Dec 44.	Appx 17
		1215	Message from 9 Aust Inf Bn - Location Statement as at 1200 hours 7 Dec 44. 13,14,15 Pls C Coy on GEORGE HILL feature 650114 - 10, 11, 12 Pls B Coy in area 675113 - 17 Pl D Coy at 671109 - 2 Sec 16 Pl 658100 - 1 Sec 16 Pl 657097 - 18 Pl D Coy 659097 - otherwise no change.	
		1730	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 80 to 1730 hours 7 Dec 44	Appx 18
	8 Dec	1235	Message from 9 Aust Inf Bn - Message dropped from Tac R fell during misty rain. Search party has failed to locate same. Please forward information as soon as possible.	
		1645	25 Aust Inf Bn Sitrep to 1630 hours - Bn R Group reced area LARUMA RIVER JAVA CREEK junction for Bn def position.	
		1732	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 81 to 1730 hours 8 Dec 44	Appx 19
		1955	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 82 to 1930 hours 8 Dec 44.	Appx 20
	9 Dec	0900	Overlay showing dispositions of 9 Aust Inf Bn Gp as at 0900 hours.	Appx 21
		1120	Message from 9 Aust Inf Bn - Tac R message dropped from aircraft 1000 hours- one - 0920 - 685108 - clearing on south slopes of ridge down to creek 685107 - two - 0925 - 635109 - three small clearings on NORTH side of slope about 20 feet square - three - 0925 - 686110 - three small clearings on crest - four - 0930 - 684109 small lean-to's not covered. Bamboo framework. Three small square trenches 3 feet by 3 feet. Bushes trampled on crest. No activity seen. Cover for troops reasonably good. Ref Map KOWARO 1:25000.	

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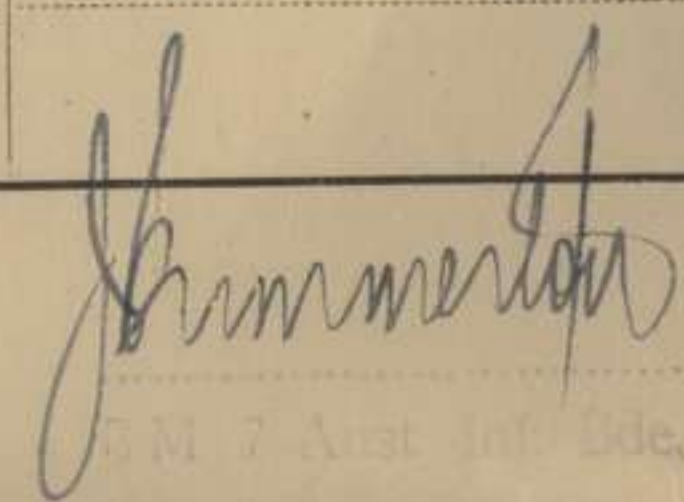
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Unit HQ 7 AUST INF BDE Date and Time.—From 0900 hrs 1 Dec To 0900 hrs 1 Jan.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	8 Dec		<p>Maj SUMMERTON went forward to 9 aust inf bn to discuss situation with Lt col MATTHEWS and to convey the Commander's ideas thereon. Lt col MATTHEWS felt that with at least a company of Japanese on MT DEACON and an undetermined number on BAWABU RIDGE the Japanese were on the offensive and trying to encircle him. Lt col MATTHEWS felt that he had to assume the defensive, mainly because he considered that he had insufficient troops in the area. Maj SUMMERTON indicated that Bde HQ did not consider his fears warranted, as most reports of the enemy were from native sources, unchecked by own troops, white patrols not going on to the actual ground to make observations which could be accepted without reserve. Suggested (a) that C company 61 bn be brought North from DOIABIE River forks to road head to protect administrative installations, and to release D company 9 aust inf bn for offensive action. (b) That Battalion HQ be shifted from river bed to high ground on the track to PIATERAPAIA so that Commander be freed from administration worries, and thus place his HQ where the ground could afford him some defence. (c) That company positions on LITTLE GEORGE and GEORGE features were held in too great strength, and that men could be freed from these positions to add to the numbers already released, if these suggestions were accepted, for offensive action. (d) That a company be sent around the left flank in an endeavour to encircle the enemy and sit astride his Lof C on PEARLE RIDGE and that the CO be prepared to smack ARTY RIDGE.</p>	


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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	9 Dec	1200	AFW 3008 and 3009	Appx 22
		1200	7 Aust Inf Bde TERRAIN MEMORANDUM No 2	Appx 23
		1545	Message to 3 Aust Div - Request Tac R 10 Dec as follows - Task in particular. Ascertain if track leading NORTH from AKORPAIA 695129 as reported by Tac R No 4. Connects with NUMA NUMA Trail at approx 700166. Task in General. Check area 618128 for suitability as air dropping ground. Request remainder flight diverted to ARTY RIDGE-SISIVIE area.	NUMA Trail
		1728	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 83 to 1730 hours 9 Dec 44	Appx 24
		1800	Personalities 11 Aust Inf Bde - Bde Comd Brig J STEPHENSON, BM Maj HASSELL, CO 26 Aust Inf Bn lt-Col ABBOT CO 31/51 Aust Inf Bn lt-Col KELLY, CO 55/53 Aust Inf Bn lt-Col LOVELL. Visit to 9 Aust Inf Bn area by 11 Aust Inf Bde Personnel. Brig STEPHENSON requested facilities for 4 Offrs 8 ORs from this Bde to proceed each week MONDAY for weeks stay with 9 Aust Inf Bn. HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde Not yet established but Bde Comd staying at II Corps HQ for next few days. Has a SO living with HQ 148 Inf Regt. There is also a SO at II Corps Transit area. Party to go forward next monday will be from 26 Aust Inf Bn and will be picked up by transport arranged for by us at 0700 hours. They will be at 2 Bn 148 Inf Regt at that time. Intelligence from this HQ and 25 Aust Inf Bn. All facilities to be afforded and lt-Col ABBOTT will be calling on lt-col MCKINNA. Patrolling. Patrolling on 148 Inf Regt front at present done by 25 Aust Inf Bn will be taken over by 26 Aust Inf Bn on MONDAY 11 Dec.	
	10 Dec	1736	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 84 to 1730 hours 10 Dec 44	Appx 25
		1800	During the day the C - in - C Allied Land Forces Gen Sir Thomas BLAMEY accompanied by lt-Gen S.G. SAVIGE? GOC 2 Aust Corps Maj-Gen BRIDGEFORD GOC 3 Aust Div visited Brig J. FIELD and 7 Aust Inf Bde HQ.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	11 Dec	1920	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 85 to 1730 hours 11 Dec 44.	Appx 26
		2000	WARNING ORDER to 61 Aust Inf Bn	
		2005	WARNING ORDER to 9 Aust Inf Bn 25 Aust Inf Bn 61 Aust Inf Bn	Appx 28
		2048	7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec 11 Aust Fd Amb - Message from 3 Aust Div - Ref Map TOROKINA 1" to 1 mile - Following units will move from present site to areas as follows when vacated by US units. 7 Aust Inf Bde HQ, 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec 20 Pl E Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt 241 Aust LAD to 596967.	
		2055	Message from 3 Aust Div - 7 Aust Inf Bde will be responsible for maintenance of 16 Aust Fd Coy 11 Aust Inf Bde allotted for Engineer maintenance NUMA NUMA TrofIC from 18 Dec 44.	
2210	Message from 9 Aust Inf Bn - Tac Bn HQ at BARGES HILL 663098 at 1530 hours. New location. B Coy less 12 Pl at 672120. 12 Pl at 672117.			
	12 Dec	0900	Overlay showing dispositions of 9 Aust Inf Bn Gp as at 0900 hours	Appx 29
		0900	Overlay showing dispositions of 25 and 61 Aust Inf Bns as at 0900 hours.	Appx 30
		0900	Brig J STEPHENSON visited Brig J. FIELD.	
		1100	Conference Maj BREHNEY DAQMG 3 Aust Div with Capt PRENTICE ref supply problem on HANEMO Track.	
		1100	145 US Regt moved out of camp area PIVA ROAD - Working parties from HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde 61 Aust Inf Bn 25 Aust Inf Bn preparing site as new Bde HQ.	
		1540	Message to 9 Aust Inf Bn - Strike of 8 Corsairs led in by Boomerangs ETOT 0850 hours 13 dec approved.	
		1700	7 Aust Inf Bde Operation Order No 3	Appx 31
		1700	7 Aust Inf Bde Administration Order No 3	Appx 32
		1736	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 86 to 1730 hours	Appx 33
		2058	Message to 3 Aust Div - 11 Aust Inf Bde will take over responsibility for following patrols from 7 Aust Inf Bde. Routine patrols between perimeter and LARUMA RIVER on old 148 US Regt sector (.) 2 (.) Standing patrol mouth of LARUMA RIVER.	

11 Aust Inf Bde also take over responsibility CAPE MOLTKE

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TOROKINA	2058	Contd.	KURAI0 MISSION. (Relief completed 1800 hours 12 Dec 44).	
	13 Dec	0900	Overlay showing dispositions 25 and 61 Aust Inf Bns as at 0900 hours TOROKINA PERIMETER.	Appx 34
		0900	Overlay showing dispositions 9 Aust Inf Bn Gp as at 0900 hours - TOROKINA PERIMETER.	Appx 35
		1200	7 Aust Inf Bde TERRAIN MEMORANDUM No 3	Appx 36
		1220	Battle casualties for 13 Dec 44 1 killed 2 wounded.	
		1640	Overlay showing dispositions 9 Aust Inf Bn Gp as at 1640 hours - TOROKINA PERIMETER.	Appx 37
		1645	Message to 20 Pl E Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt, 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec 241 Aust LAD and Bde HQ. HQ and attached units will move to new area commencing 0800 hours 14 Dec. Transport arrangements as arranged for 10 dec. 20 Pl will provide detail 8 men to report CQMS 0745 hours for loading duty.	
		1745	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 87 to 1730 hours	Appx 38
		1837	Battle casualties for 12 Dec - One killed in action.	
		2020	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 88 to 2000 hours	Appx 39
	14 Dec	1200	Overlay 7 Aust Inf Bde Perimeter dispositions	Appx 39a
	14 Dec	1200	7 Aust Inf Bde TERRAIN MEMORANDUM No 4	Appx 40
		1742	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 89 to 1730 hours.	Appx 41
		1800	Overlay showing dispositions 9 Aust Inf Bn Gp	Appx 42
	15 Dec	0507	Message from 25 Aust Inf Bn - Bn recce party under CO departed 0640 hours for 9 Aust Inf Bn area.	
		0900	field sketch of 7 bde HQ	Appx 43
		1700	7 bde sitrep No 90 to 1730 hrs	Appx 44
				Appx 45
	16 Dec	0700	Overlay showing disposns 9 Bn gp as at 0700 hrs	Appx 46
		0900	Overlay showing disposns 9 bn gp as at 0900	
		1000	Col WHEELER AA and QMG 3 Aust Div in company of Capt PRENTICE visited 25 bn, 61 bn 113 wksp, 113 fd pk. Whilst at 61 Bn Capt PRENTICE discussed sup details HANEMO sector with Bn 21/c & QM.	

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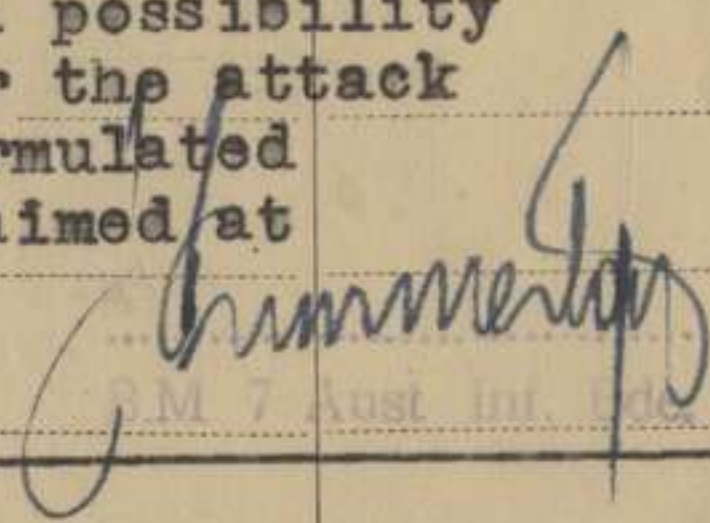
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Unit HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Date and Time.—From 0900 1 Dec 44 To 0900 hrs 1 Jan 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	17 Dec		<p>Maj J SUMMERTON went forward to 9 aust inf bn to discuss the Brigade and Battalion attitude to the appointed task. Lt col MATTHEWS was informed, on the Brigade Commander's authority, that Brigade HQ might not continue to approve the expenditure of large amounts of ammunition, artillery in particular, on worthless targets. It was pointed out that the supply of incremental charges was a certain limiting factor, secondly, that the threat on MT DEACON had proved negligible. It was felt that a force larger than the one of 1 officer and 9 other ranks on to ARTY RIDGE after the bombing and artillery attack, may have taken the objective. It was definitely indicated that, within the limits of incremental charges only, no restriction would be placed on the use of artillery ammunition for offensive action, or for harassing targets when something was being achieved, and when there was a worthwhile target. Lt col MATTHEWS argued that if he put a force around the left flank and sat astride the L of C on PEARL RIDGE, he would have achieved his object. Maj SUMMERTON pointed out that 9 Aust Inf Bn's orders were to secure a line of high ground along the general line of PEARL RIDGE and that if he did go to PEARL RIDGE and leave a body of enemy sitting on ARTY RIDGE astride his own main L of C, the position was not really secured. It was admitted, however, that if a force could sit astride the enemy's L of C there was a possibility that the enemy might evacuate his positions. Plans for the attack on ARTY RIDGE were discussed. These plans had been formulated some days previously, and the above discussions were aimed at clearing up all points at variance.</p>	


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TOROKINA	16 Dec	1200	7 AUST INF BDE INT MEMO No 5	Appx 47
		1200	AFW 3008 and 3009	Appx 48
		1745	7 Aust Inf Bde sitrep No 91 to 1730 hrs	Appx 49
	17 Dec	0900	First of weekly lectures by Lt MILLS Education Offr, to Bde Offrs - discussion of all other fronts	
		1000	Lt Gen STURDEE CB CBE DSO GOC 1 Aust Army accompanied by Lt Gen SAVAGE CB CBE DSO MC ED GOC 2 Aust Corps and Maj Gen BRIDGEFORD CBE MC visited 7 Aust Inf Bde HQ and with Brig FIELD made a tour of the TOROKINA perimeter defs as held by 7 Bde.	
		1730	7 Aust Inf Bde sitrep No 92 to 1730 hrs	Appx 50
		1730		
		18 Dec	0900	Message from 9 Aust Inf Bn. Attack on ARTY HILL successful, objective captured 0830 hrs, exploitation and consolidation now in progress in progress. Cas own and enemy not yet known.
		1400	Capt PRENTICE attended conference with Maj BREHNEY DAQMG and Maj KEINZLE DADNL at HQ 3 Aust Div re HANEMO sector.	
		1400	Overlay showing disposns 9 Aust Inf Bn Gp as at 1400 hrs	Appx 51
		1430	Message from Brig FIELD to Lt Col MATTHEWS "Please convey my hearty congratulations to all who participated in this mornings attack. The hard work and fighting ability of your troops has set a fine standard in 7 Bde. Well done 9 Bn.	
		1530	7 Aust Inf Bde sitrep No 93 to 1530 hrs	Appx 52
		1900	TASMANIACS Concert Party playing in 7 Aust Inf Bde area	
		2000	Message from I.O. 9 Aust Inf Bn. Items of infm resulting from capture ARTY HILL--Broken earth indicates numerous recent burials. Badges of rank among enemy killed were, one first lt, five sjts, three superior ptes and six NCOs baps. Enemy clothing incl boots were old but in good condition. A number of good blankets were found. Captured eqpt was in good condition though oil had been applied to the essential parts only. PW stated that	capture

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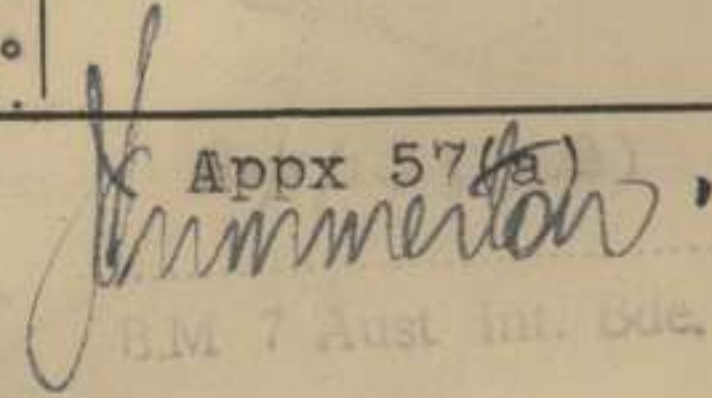
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TOROKINA	18 Dec	2000	(cont.) a mixture of coconut and mineral oil was used in many cases as a lubricant. Enemy showed determination and had plenty of grenades but some of these were not effective. Food found incl packages containing compressed barley, sugar and meat tablets also some rubber bags contained copra. The boots and OSMG from the body of a soldier killed on patrol 12 dec were recovered among the killed. One mag had been used against us.	
	19 Dec	0700	Brig FIELD with Brig STEVENSON Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde went fwd to visit Lt Col MATTHEWS at 9 Bn HQ.	
		1200	7 Aust Inf Bde RO serial 30/44	Appx 53
		1730	7 Aust Inf Bde sitrep No 94 to 1730 hrs	Appx 54
	20 dec	0650	25 Aust Inf Bn convoy departed from TOROKINA perimeter 0630hrs	
		0825	Congratulatory message to CO 9 Bn	Appx 55
		1130	9 Bn HQ and HQ coy entered perimeter 1115 hrs	
		1200	C coy 61 Aust Inf Bn reported into 61 Bn area 1135 hrs.	
		1730	7 Aust Inf Bde sitrep No 95 to 1730 hrs.	Appx 56
	21 dec	0800	Lt col DEXTER CO 61 Aust Inf Bn Maj SUMMERTON Capt PRENTICE left Bde HQ to recce route from TOROKINA to 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn site HANEMO sector prior to take over from B to 2/B Aust Cdo Sqn by A coy 61 Bn	
		1330	Message from 25 Aust Inf Bn relief of 9 Bn by 25 Aust Inf Bn completed 1300 hrs	
		1600	overlay showing perimeter defs as at 1600 hrs	Appx 57
		1635	Message to units 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp. Lt Col FISHER will be at Bde HQ 0900 hrs 22 Dec to address unit reps on maint of eqpt. The following offrs will report to Bde HQ Officers Mess 0850.	
		1630	overlay showing defs 25 Aust Inf Bn as at 1600 hrs	

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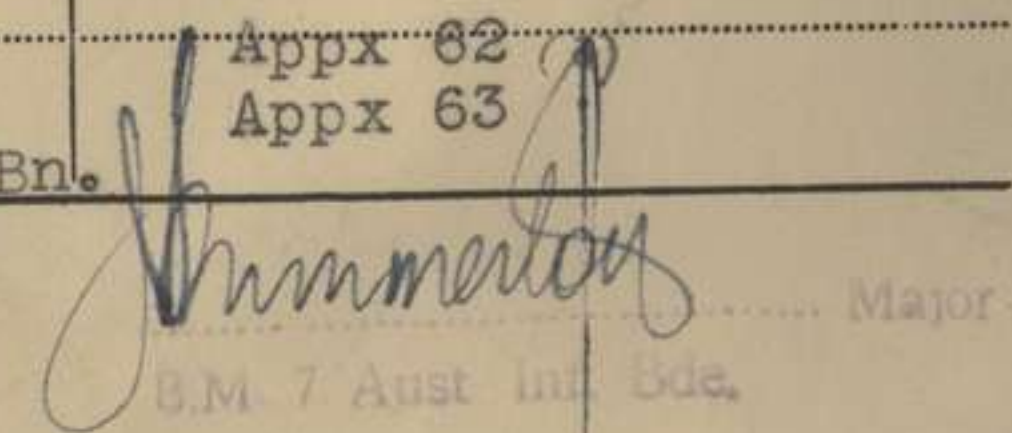
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Unit HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Date and Time.—From..... To.....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	21 dec	1625 cont.	hrs 22 Dec - bn 2 i/c's QMS TOs, Sig Os Bde Sig O Bde TO. Lt Col FISHER will then visit units to inspect eqpt.	Appx 58
		1745	7 Aust Inf Bde sitrep No 96 to 1730 hrs.	
		1800	Message from 9 Aust Inf Bn. 25 Aust Inf Bn assumed comd DOYABIE - SISIVIE area as from 1800 hrs. 9 Aust Inf Bn assumed responsibility of TOROKINA area as detailed from the same time.	
	22 Dec	0730	Message from 25 Bn. Attack on spur PEARL RIDGE, following AIR STRIKE by four WIRRAWAYS, successful.	Appx 59
		0830	25 Aust Inf Bn disposes as at 0830 hrs	
		1120	Message to units 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp. Conference 2 i/cs QMs this HQ 1400 hrs 22 Dec. Object discuss construction and layout bde gp LOB area.	Appx 60
		1400	7 Bde Adm Instr No 4	
		1400	Mrs FISHER special correspondent LONDON DAILY EXPRESS who had spent some time in CHUNGKING and was now touring the SWPA visited comd 7 Bde.	
		1700	Lt Col DEXTER Maj SUMMERTON and party returned from HANEMO recce. While in area a check was made of native carrier line set up and carrier times.	Appx 61
		1825	7 Aust Inf Bde sitrep No 97 to 1730 hrs	
23 Dec	0700	Brig FIELD, Capt ROBSON BM(L), accompanied by party RN offrs from HMS LOTHIAN visited fwd areas incl ARTY RIDGE.	Appx 62	
	1200	3008 and 3009		
	1400	Brig STEPHENSON Comd 11 Aust Inf Bde visited Bde HQ and discussed with Maj SUMMERTON preliminary details for take over from 25 Aust Inf Bn by a bn of 11 Aust Inf Bde.		
	1530	Xmas Greetings to Units 7 Aust Inf Bde Gp	Appx 62 Appx 63	
	1738	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep 98 to 1930 hrs for use		
2000	Message to 3 Aust Div. Pigeons not required, by 25 Aust Inf Bn.			

Major
B.M. 7 Aust Inf Bde.



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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required.)

Army Form C-2118.
(Adapted)

Unit HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Date and Time.—From..... To.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	24 Dec	0720	Message from 25 Aust Inf Bn. 2320 hrs enemy moved up ^{track} and sprung booby trap. later movement was again heard under cover of enemy LMG fire. When fire was returned they withdrew then probed out left flank but withdrew when grenades were thrown. Later the enemy probed right flank and withdrew under fire.		
		1750	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 99 to 1730 hrs.	Appx 64	
	25 Dec	0830	7 Aust Inf Bde OO No 4		Appx 65
		1000	General Xmas service and Holy Communion in 7 Aust Inf Bde Chapel, attended by Maj Gen BRIDGEFORD Col EDGAR GI 3 Aust Div, Brig GARRETT BGS 2 Aust Corps, party entertained after the service at Bde HQ Officers Mess.		
		1130	Message from 3 Aust Div ref arrival 15 Aust Inf Bde in TOROKINA perimeter.		Appx 66
		1230	Bde Comd visited ORs mess at midday meal to convey the seasons greetings.		
		1400	Lt Gen SAVAGE accompanied by Brig PULVER DAQMG 2 Aust Corps visited Bde Comd.		
		1600	25 Aust Inf Bn disposns as at 1600 hrs.		Appx 67
	26 Dec	0700	1734	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 100 to 1730 hrs.	Appx 68
			0700	A Coy 61 Aust Inf Bn left perimeter 0630 hrs to relieve B tp 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn.	
		0800	7 Aust Inf Bde Location statement No 11 as at 2359 hrs 25 Dec		Appx 69
		0800	Maj SUMMERTON went fwd to HQ 25 Aust Inf Bn and discussed situation with Col MCKINNA.		
		0830	Overlay of 25 Aust Inf Bn disposns as at 0830 hrs		Appx 70
		0900	7 Aust Inf Bde disposns TOROKINA perimeter as at 0830 hrs		Appx 71
1000		7 Aust Inf Bde TO, Lt MCKEW, and LO, Lt HAMMOND, visited SC 11 Aust Inf Bde and discussed details of handover PIATERIAPAIA area.			

Summerton Major
7 Aust Inf Bde

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form 18.
(Adapted)

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Unit HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Date and Time.—From..... To.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TOROKINA	26 Dec	cont		
		1200	7 Aust Inf Bde Terrain Memo No 6.	Appx 72
		1200	Overlay of 25 Aust Inf Bn disposns as at 1200 hrs	Appx 73 *
		1200	7 Aust Inf Bde Adm Instr No 5	Appx 74
		1730	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 101 to 1730 hrs	Appx 75
	27 Dec	1000	Warning Order - relief of 25 Aust Inf Bn by 11 Aust Inf Bde	Appx 76
1114		Message to 3 Aust Div. Request bombing mission 28 Dec to destroy enemy posns 688124 to 687127; attack NOT before 1000 hrs NOT after 1200 hrs. Smoke will be placed on target by mortars.		
1715		7 Aust Inf Bde OO No 5	Appx 77	
1730		7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 102 to 1730 hrs		
1935		Message from 61 Aust Inf Bn - relief of 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn by A coy 61 Aust Inf Bn completed 1725 hrs.	Appx 78	
2130		Message from 3 Aust Div - AIR STRIKE approved - 12 corsairs led in by WIRRAWAY will contact ground sta and request para flare indication of posn of fwd tps. WIRRAWAY will indicate target to bombing craft by smoke bomb.		
	2130	Message from 25 Aust Inf Bn. One Jap surrendered to 11 Pl at 1830 hrs		
	28 Dec	1200	7 Aust Inf Bde Terrain memo No 7	Appx 79
		1600	Overlay showing disposns 25 Aust Inf Bn as at 1600 hrs	Appx 80
		1630	Overlay showing disposns A Coy 61 Aust Inf Bn as at 1600 hrs	Appx 81
		1830	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 103 to 1830 hrs	Appx 82 *
	29 Dec	0815	Message to 3 Aust Div. Request for AIR SP for 25 Aust Inf Bn 30 dec; request bombing and strafing mission destroy enemy posns from 687127 to 685126 TARGET INFM pillboxes and foxholes	

J. J. Munn
Major
HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C.2118.
(Adapted)

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Unit HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Date and Time.—From.....To.....

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.	
TOROKINA	29 Dec	0815	(cont) on ridge. 3 inch mortar smoke will be placed in centre of target on approach of aircraft. Time of attack NOT before 0700 hrs NOT after 0730 hrs. Line of approach from SW to NE. Target bomblines ck junc 687118 to BAKERS BROW 680128. Troops will follow in after strike.		
		0925	Message from 3 Aust Div - Air dropping arranged for A coy 61 Aust Inf Bn HANEMO AM 30 Dec. commodities include 70 lb fresh meat and bal capacity of storpedoe fresh bread.		
		1135	Message from 3 Aust Div. Air sp 30 Dec approved. 10 corsairs led by TacR aircraft will strike target. Time over target 0710 hrs.		
		1200	7 Aust Inf Bde RO serial 31/44	Appx 83	
		1600	7 Aust Inf Bde Terrain memo No 8	Appx 84	
		1736	Sitrep No 104 to 1730 hrs	Appx 85	
		1800	25 Aust Inf Bn disposns as at 1630 hrs	Appx 86	
		30 Dec	0830	Message from 25 Aust Inf Bn. Comd post est 684118, air attack commenced at 0710, H hour 0830.	
		1200	AFW 3008 and 3009	Appx 87	
		1430	Message to 3 Aust Div request bombing and straffing mission to destroy enemy 672174. Target infm 2 well concealed huts, one dug into side of feature. Time attack NOT before 1000 hrs NOT after 1500 hrs.		
1530	Maj SUMMERTON returned from 25 Aust Inf Bn where he discussed the situation with Lt Col MCKINNA and watched the progress of the attack.				
1750	7 Aust Inf Bde Sitrep No 105 to 1730 hrs	Appx 88 *			
1935	25 Aust Inf Bn disposns as at 1930 hrs	Appx 89			

Summerton Major
HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A) 7 aust inf bde

01/130 L

For Action

TO

3 aust div

(re) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

29 aust inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 279 CONFIDENTIAL (.) SITREP No 70 to 1730 hours 1 Dec 44 (.) 9 aust inf bn (.) our patrols active all sectors (.) one Jap observed ARTY HILL (.) otherwise nothing to report (.) 25 and 61 aust inf bns (.) sitnor

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except

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Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

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Major

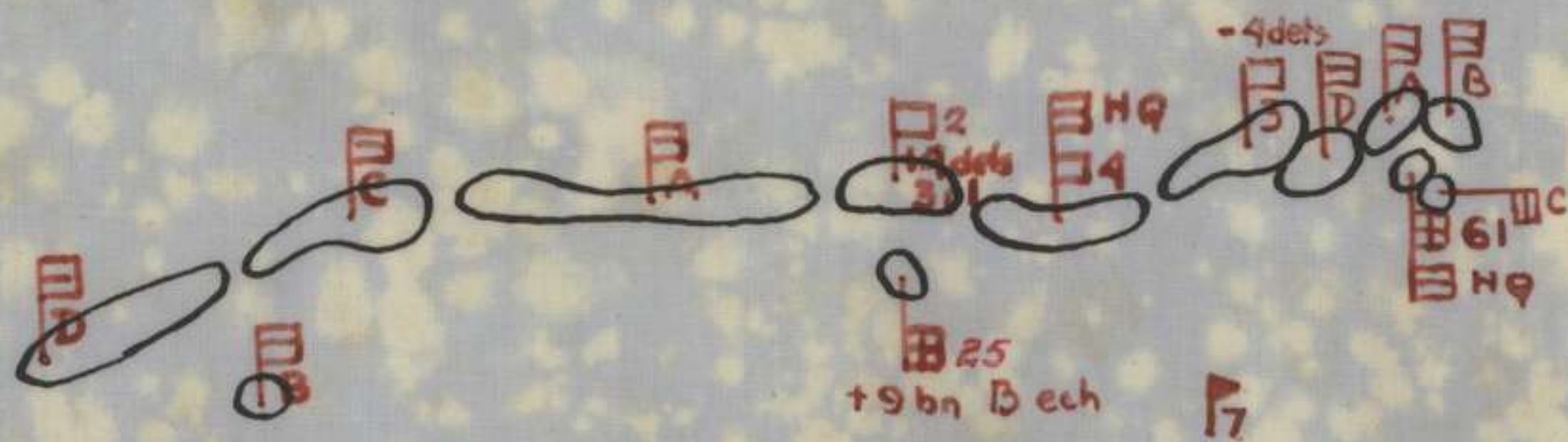
Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

immediate

Time	System	Op
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Time Cleared		

- 7 AUST INF BDE -
TOROKINA PERIMETER DISPOSNS
as at 1 Dec 44

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overlay for TOROKINA. 1:63360.

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Appx 5
FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

49 / 44 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2 / Dec / 194 4 (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R.'s 66 + OFFRS. 0 O.R.'s 0 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 *										
			1	Lieut.-Colonels										
	1		1	Majors										
	1	2	11	Captains										
		3	9	Lieutenants										
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.		NIL								
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
	2	5	22											
		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.	
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for completion of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).		A.	A Class	22									22	
		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.
0X35749	Lt	BROWN A.R.	61 Aust Inf Bn	25/11/44	to be ID I
0X40831	"	HAMMOND E.M.	9 "	25/11/44	to be ID II

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 2 Dec /1944 (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 Brig	VX2002	FIELD	J.	Cond	Yes		
Capt Maj	VX48610	SUMBERTON	J.	BM	"		
Capt	VX6440	ROBSON	H.G.	BM(L)	"		
Lt Capt	NK51088	PRENTICE	W.T.	SC	"		
Lt Capt	QX16830	KREBS	A.A.	SC	"		
Capt	VX21054	TILSON	T.F.	IO	"		
Lt	QX35749	BROWN	A.R.	ID I	"		
Lt	QX20831	HAMMOND	E.M.	ID II	"		
Lt	NK133482	RUDD	L.J.	ID III	"		
Lt	NK134323	HOKIN	G.D.B.	TO	"		
Lt Capt	QX45277	PEAKE	W.A.	BASCO	"		
Lt	NK127324	MORE	K.G.	Hyg O	"		
Lt	QX38334	WOOD	L.A.	Amn O	No	109 Aust COS (X Ilist)	23/11
Lt	VX134539	MILLS	C.E.A.	Educ O	Yes		
Capt	NK66507	ASH	W.P.	Leg O	"		
Lt	QX20921	VOGLER	R.H.	CO	"		
Chaplain	VX114018	GARX	D.A.	9 In	No		
"	QX25695	CAHILL	B.	25 In	"		
"	NK149802	BEATTY	G.A.	61 In	"		
AWAITING PUBLICATION N A & F LIST OF REMOVAL AND POSTINGS							
Lt Capt	QX40880	KREBS	A.A.	SC	No	Staff Sch (Aust) CABARLUM (X Ilist)	1/11
Capt	QX35561	COFFE	J.E.	SC(L)	"	HQ Jun Staff Sch BRISBANE (X Ilist)	28/9
Lt Capt	QX40835	MULGARY	E.R.	ID I	"	Resumed regtl duties (9 Aust Inf Bn)	24/11
Lt	QX35526	HENDERSON	P.W.	ID II	"	Resumed regtl duties (61 Aust Inf Bn)	24/11

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.
Lt Capt	QX36569	COCHRANE G.A.	9 Aust Inf Bn	27/9/44	A/SC(L)

2 Dec 44
Date of Despatch

W. Prentice
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 2 / Dec / 1944 .

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 Ass'ts.				G.P.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				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				Armymen				Signwriters				Textile Refters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)	2	2		Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths	1	1	
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				CO-3	1	1	
Electricians				Cooks	3	3		Woodturners				Tpt	1	2	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Dvr's T	9	12	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Ratman	13	15	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Orderlies	9	9	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Gen duties	3	3	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								ess oil	1	1	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								DETAILS OF NON-COMMEN.	1	1	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				Water duty	1	1	
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Eye duty	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	6	6		SERVICES			
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks				AACD Ratman	3	3	
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				Ave's	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				A SG Clerk	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signal's)				Intelligence Duties	4	4		Coach Trimmers				Ratman	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				M/C Ord	1	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				AA C ord Ord	1	1	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				AACD Clerk	1	1	
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				Ratman	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AACD Ann Exam'r	1	2	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	1	1		Ratman	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant							
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 Ass'ts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	2	2		CARRIED FORWARD	9	9		CARRIED FORWARD	15	16		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A, respectively.	66	72	.73

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.

Dec 44

Date of Despatch

Capt
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde

Signature of Commander

Appx 4

SUBJECT : CENSORSHIP : CORRESPONDENCE WITH PEN FRIENDS

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
2 Dec 44

INT 1/44.

9 Aust Inf Bn	20 Pl E Coy	2/1 Aust Gd Regt	11 Aust Fd Amb
25 Aust Inf Bn	7 Aust Inf Bde	Sig Sec	113 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk
61 Aust Inf Bn	224 Aust Sup Dep	Pl	113 Aust Bde Wksp
			241 Aust LAD

Further to HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde A 25/173 of 22 Nov 44.

1. Instances of correspondence by members of this brigade group with pen friends in Australia and elsewhere continue in their frequency.

2. Units will again draw the attention of all officers engaged in franking letters to the prohibition of this type of correspondence. The franking officer will be held personally responsible for any breach sanctioned by him.

3. The term "pen friend" cannot be exhaustively defined. Clearly, either in pursuance of his private business affairs, or otherwise in the course of duty a soldier sometimes has to write to a person whom he has not met personally; but, if the soldier is writing merely to promote a correspondence with an addressee unknown to him, then that addressee is a pen friend.

This is so notwithstanding the fact that a friend of the writer who is stationed in this area has given him the addressee's name, and has himself written to the addressee introducing the writer.

4. As almost all letters of Australian soldiers in this area to addressees in America are written to pen-friends whose names have been supplied by Allied Servicemen, all correspondence so addressed should be closely scrutinised.

5. There is no set form of words to identify a letter to a pen friend. Franking officers must read the letter as a whole, and if it appears either that the letter is intended to begin a correspondence or that it is written in pursuance of a pen-friend correspondence already began, the whole letter immediately becomes objectionable and will not be franked.

As an example, passages containing a personal description of the writer, or an account of his family or home town, or asking for similar information about the addressee, are frequently indicative of a pen-friend correspondence.

6. If the franking officer is in any doubt as to the status of the addressee, it is his duty to establish it by inquiry of the writer.

John Merton
Maj
BM 7 Aust Inf Bde

Appx 5
MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp
	<i>7. Aust inf Bde</i>	<i>021740L</i>	
	For Action		
TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
	<i>3. Aust div.</i>		
<i>Reesid 116 to 1900L</i>			
<i>To 9 25 61 Bns 117d Ambr 113 Bde w/sep</i>			

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 281 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP NO 72 to 1730 hr
2 dec 44 @ 9 Aust inf Bn @ our patrols active all
sectors @ SISIVIE @ patrol SISIVIE track and
SISIVIE villages 1, 2, and 3 report mid
enemy @ additional patrol to confirm reported
village unoccupied several weeks @ PINTERAPA
@ three day patrol returned from PEARL RIDGE
1045 hrs @ record ridge from 640168 to 673155
@ area NOT occupied but tracks show much
foot and jungle cart traffic @ quantity
rig wire discovered 673155 @ otherwise
nothing to report @ 25 and 61 Aust inf Bns @
sitrep @

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN
by any means { except } Wireless

If liable to be intercepted or fall into
enemy hands, this message must be
sent IN CIPHER

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
THL or TOR		
Time Cleared		

Signed

Signed

Hammeton
10/20/44

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MESSAGE FORM

Army Form C2136 (Large)
(Pa 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

Register No.

<i>Call</i>	<i>Ser. No.</i>	<i>Priority</i>	<i>Transmission Instructions</i>
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) <i>Originator</i> 7 aust inf bde	<i>Date—Time of Origin</i> 031 040L	<i>Office Date Stamp</i>
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<i>For Action</i> 3 aust div	<i>Message Instructions</i> GR
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TO <i>(w) For Information (INFO.)</i> 9 aust inf bn 25 aust inf bn 61 aust inf bn 11 aust fd amb 113 aust bde wksp 113 aust ord fd pk	<i>Message Instructions</i> GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 283 CONFIDENTIAL (.) SITREP No 73 to 030930L (.) 9 aust inf bn (.) further patrol infm (.) SISIVIE RIDGE unoccupied several weeks (.) two skeletons small quantity anti gas stores found dugout (.) two clearings one SISIVIE 1 approx 150 by 100 yds other SISIVIE 2 approx 100 by 50 yds believed good sup dropping areas possible cub strips with some work (.) report sketch following (.) PIATHERAPAIA (.) patrol reports area 635165 to 665166 definitely unoccupied (.) native police accompanying patrol state areas 665166 to 673155 and 665166 to 656145 clear of enemy (.) believed correct (.) native scouts located garden approx 675175 eaten out by enemy (.) they report no signs prepared posns along L of C (.) confirm by foot jungle cart traffic

Comd J.D. 3/12 *LO1 4/12*
BM J.D. 3/12 *LO2 5/12*
SC 031 3/12 *LO3*
10 79

<i>This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except</i> Wireless	<i>If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER</i>	<i>Originator's Instructions</i> Immediate to 3 aust div DRLS other addressees	<i>Time</i> THI or TOR	<i>System</i>	<i>Op</i>
<i>Signed</i>	<i>Signed</i> <i>Chumerton</i>		<i>Time Cleared</i>		

Appx 7

CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT : PASSWORDS & COUNTERSIGN

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Dec 44

INT 2/44

9 Aust Inf Bn
25 Aust Inf Bn
61 Aust Inf Bn
20 Pl E Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt
7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec
224 Aust Sup Dep Pl

11 Aust Fd Amb
113 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk
113 Aust Bde Wksp
241 Aust LAD
Copy:
3 Aust Div.

1. Following is the list of passwords and countersigns which will be effective in 7 Aust Inf Bde area of responsibility outside the perimeter. They apply in particular to 9 Aust Inf Bn but will be required by all other unit and sub-unit personnel hereafter stationed in, or passing through, the area of that unit:-

				<u>password</u>	<u>Countersign</u>		
1200 hrs	3 Dec	-	1200 hrs	4 Dec	SHRILL	WHISTLE	
"	"	4	"	"	5	JOLLY	RODGER
"	"	5	"	"	6	IRISH	LINEN
"	"	6	"	"	7	SILENT	NIGHT
"	"	7	"	"	8	LOVELY	POLLY
"	"	8	"	"	9	LARRY	ADLER
"	"	9	"	"	10	PEARLY	GATES
"	"	10	"	"	11	SILENCE	QUIET
"	"	11	"	"	12	TASTY	BREW
"	"	12	"	"	13	CLEAN	RIFLE
"	"	13	"	"	14	RAZOR	BLADE
"	"	14	"	"	15	SHIRT	SLEEVE
"	"	15	"	"	16	HAIL	SLEET
"	"	16	"	"	17	SWEET	LOLLY
"	"	17	"	"	18	MONKEY	NUTS
"	"	18	"	"	19	CLOSE	GATES
"	"	19	"	"	20	HAIR	OIL
"	"	20	"	"	21	UNCLE	ALBERT
"	"	21	"	"	22	JOHNNIE	JONES
"	"	22	"	"	23	DRUNK	SOBER
"	"	23	"	"	24	YOUNG	BULL
"	"	24	"	"	25	HAPPY	HOLLY
"	"	25	"	"	26	FESTIVE	SEASON
"	"	26	"	"	27	COLD	BEER
"	"	27	"	"	28	SIMPLE	SIMON
"	"	28	"	"	29	CALENDAR	MONTH
"	"	29	"	"	30	PETER	PIPER
"	"	30	"	"	31	SMITH	JONES
"	"	31	"	"	1 Jan	SCOTCH	HAGGIS

2. The sentry will challenge with the password and the person challenged will answer with the countersign eg:-

Sentry "HALT MONKEY."
Person challenged "NUTS"

E. Sumner
Maj
BM 7 Aust Inf Bde

Apr 8

War Diary

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

Serial No 29/44
Nos 264 -
3 Dec 44

by
Brigadier J. FIELD DSO ED Commanding
7th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

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264. MANNING OF TELEPHONES (3 Div RO 459/44)

1. An external subscriber to Div HQ switchboard who leaves his telephone unattended causes delay and inconvenience. Often a fault is suspected and line det is sent out on a false alarm. In extreme circumstances, it is necessary to leave the telephone unattended the subscriber will advise the Sig Supt the duration of the intended absence and will also notify his return.
2. An internal subscriber leaving his telephone unattended will advise the switchboard operator prior to departure and immediately on return.

265. BOOBY TRAPS BLIND AMN AND UNEXPLODED BOMBS. (3 Div RO 466/44)

Booby traps, blind amn and unexploded bombs are being found both inside and outside the perimeter. All troops will be warned of the danger of interfering with any of these types of amn whether Australian, American or Japanese pattern. On discovery, HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde will be notified immediately and arrangements will be made for destruction or removal to be carried out.

(To be repeated in Unit Routine Orders)

266. CENSORSHIP (3 Div RO 467/44)

1. A number of letters have recently been intercepted by the Base Censor addressed to strangers whose names have been obtained by the writers from American personnel or by some other means.
2. Communications with Pen Friends are NOT permitted under Censorship Instructions.
3. The attention of all Franking Officers and OR's will be directed to this order

267. SECURITY AND CENSORSHIP (2 Aust Corps RO G3/44)

Reference GRO G371 of 13 Oct 44.

Until further notice, personnel under command 2 Aust Corps or 4 Aust Base Sub Area are NOT permitted to state that they are in the SOLOMONS, or to mention change of location, or to give any indication of movement either from the mainland or NEW GUINEA.

Further, NO reference is permitted to well known topographical features in the Northern SOLOMONS, such as volcanoes, which indicate the presence of Australian troops in this group of islands.

(To be republished in unit routine orders)

J. Summerton
Maj
BM 7 Aust Inf Bde

'A & Q'

268. LIFE ASSURANCE POLICIES TAKEN OUT BY MEMBERS OF THE FORCES
(GRO F412/44)

1. Life assurance policies taken out by members of the forces on their own lives after September, 1939, usually contain a war clause which imposes upon the member assured, if he wishes to remain covered under his policy for the full sum assured while serving outside the Commonwealth, the obligation of -

- (a) informing the life assurance office concerned of his departure from Australia and of the date thereof; and
 - (b) payment to that office of an extra war loading premium.
2. Certain life assurance offices regard the Territories of Papua and New Guinea as being, for this purpose, outside the Commonwealth, and there are variations in the rate of war loading premiums charged by different offices, while, in some circumstances, an office may not be prepared to cover the additional risk and may, therefore, refuse to quote any extra premium. A member who desires to remain covered while serving outside the Commonwealth should ascertain from the office concerned to what areas the existing cover extends and what rates of war loading premiums are required should he serve outside those areas.
3. If the member subsequently embarks for service outside the Commonwealth, he may arrange through army channels -
- (a) for payment of the amount of extra war loading premium (as previously ascertained by him) to the office concerned, by means of a remittance of undrawn pay; and
 - (b) for notice of the date of embarkation to be given to that office by the DFO when paying the remittance.
- The member will attach to the remittance form a letter requesting the giving of the notice mentioned in sub-para (b) of this paragraph.
4. For security reasons, direct notification by members to life assurance offices of their impending or actual embarkation is strictly prohibited.

(To be republished in unit routine orders)

269. IMPROPER DESTRUCTION OF SIGNALS EQUIPMENT (First Aust Army RO A261/44)

1. No member will, without authority, destroy, remove or otherwise interfere with (whether by cutting, discharging firearms at, or otherwise) any insulators or signal cable.
2. Application will be made for the trial of offenders by Court Martial.

(To be republished in Unit Routine Orders)

270. REMITTANCES OF UNDRAWN PAY AND CASH (First Aust Army RO A263/44)

1. It is anticipated that there will be a heavy demand by members to avail themselves of the opportunity of sending remittances to residents in Australia as Christmas Gifts.
2. It is accordingly desired that personnel make remittances as early as possible.
3. Remittances forwarded through AAPC channels and received by the District Accounts Office, New Guinea, on or before the 10th December, 1944, will be paid by 23 Dec 44.

(To be republished in Unit Routine Orders)

271. AMERICAN POST EXCHANGES (2 Aust Corps RO A14/44)

All Post Exchanges, both unit and bulk warehouses, are out of bounds to Aust Troops unless express authority is obtained from HQ 2 Aust Corps.

272. MEDICAL - EVACUATION OF PERSONNEL (3 Div RO 462/44)

Instances are occurring where casualties evacuated are NOT in possession of their AAB 83s, paybooks and other necessaries. Units will ensure that sick personnel are administratively correct in accordance with First Aust Army ASOs, Chapter 16, paras 17 and 18.

273. PERSONNEL ACCOUNTING (3 Div RO 469/44)

1. (a) AF W3006 - Required at this HQ by 0830 hrs each Wednesday and Saturday. Total losses and gains since previous return will be shown in cols AX, AY, AZ and B.
(7 Aust Inf Bde List of States and Returns dated 23 Nov 44 is amended accordingly)
- (b) Battle Casualties - Will be advised daily by signal message to 3 Aust Adv 2 Ech repeated 3 Div and this HQ. Nil returns not required.

274. ANGAU - APPLICATIONS FOR APPOINTMENT TO THE DISTRICT SERVICES
(GRO A417/44)

Attention is directed to GRO A417 for information and action. Applications may be submitted to this HQ NOT later than 12 Dec 44.

275. OFFICERS - SERVICE WITH BRITISH ARMY IN INDIA (GRO A419/44)

Attention is directed to GRO A419 for information and action. Applications will be forwarded to reach this HQ NOT later than 5 Dec 44.

276. 2 AUST CORPS ROUTINE ORDERS

Attention is directed to 2 Aust Corps ROs A6, A7, A8 for information and action where necessary.

277. FIRST AUST ARMY ROUTINE ORDERS

Attention is directed to First Aust Army RO Q273 for information and necessary action.

278. 3 AUST DIV ROUTINE ORDERS

Attention is directed to 3 Aust Div ROs 461, 470, 471, 474, for information and action where necessary.

Woodman
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde Capt.

NOTICES

DESTRUCTION OF MAIL MATTER

The undermentioned mails despatched by a North bound train ex SYDNEY 1033 hrs on 30 Oct 44, were almost completely destroyed by fire which broke out in the mail van at WYONG, NSW.

<u>Office of Origin</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Type of Mail</u>	<u>Total Bags</u>
AUST BASE PO SYDNEY	LAE	Other Articles & Parcels	369
" " " "	MADANG	"	40

It is advised that 137 bags of mail were salvaged.

SWIMMING

The existing 3 Aust Div Beach will be closed on 2 Dec. Personnel from 3 Aust Div units will swim at No 4 Beach, to which Control Tower has now been moved.

SPEED LIMITS

The maximum speed limits within 4 Aust Base Sub Area are as follows, and a notice setting out the speed limit applicable to the particular vehicle will be displayed on the dashboard:

Cars DS	20 MPH
Jeeps	20 MPH
Trucks	20 MPH
All vehicles in restricted zones	10 MPH

DISTRIBUTION LIST "A"

<u>Serial</u>		<u>Copy No</u>
1.	20 Pl E Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	1
2.	7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	2
3.	241 Aust LAD (AIF)	3
4.	9 Aust Inf Bn	4,5
5.	25 Aust Inf Bn	6,7
6.	61 Aust Inf Bn	8,9
7.	224 Aust Sup Dep Pl (AIF)	10
8.	11 Aust Fd Amb	11
9.	113 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	12
10.	113 Aust Bde Wksp AEME (AIF)	13
11.	Comd	14
12.	SC	15
13.	TO	16
14.	Staff	17
15.	CSM	18
16.	CQMS	19
17.	War Diary	20,21
18.	File	22

Apr 9

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Transmission Instructions

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

Office Date Stamp

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

(A)

7 aust inf bde

031 850 L

For Action

3 aust div

TO

Message Instructions

GR

9 aust inf bn 25 ^{use} ~~aust inf bn~~ ^{For Information (INFO.)} 61 aust inf bn
11 aust fd amb 113 aust bde wksp 113 aust ord fd pk

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 284 CONFIDENTIAL SITREP No ~~704~~⁷⁴ to 1730 hrs (.) patrols active all sectors (.) No further infm (.) fires on ARTY HILL extinguished after mortar fire 2 Dec all infm

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

IMMEDIATE TO
3 aust Div
DRLS
other addressees

Time	System	Op
THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

Signed

Signed

Summerton Bay.

Apr 10

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

7 aust inf bde

04 1125 L

For Action

TO

3 aust div

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

29 aust inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 385 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP NO 74 to 04 1100 L @
 9 bn @ general @ patrols active all sectors @
 PIATERIPAIA @ C coy patrol contacted apparent enemy
 standing patrol BAWABU SPUR 658135 @ fire exchanged
 @ 5 enemy actually sighted jabbering indicated others
 in area @ our patrol withdrew & returned to coy
 posn SISIVIE area @ patrol returned A coy posn
 1130 hrs 3 dec after contact estimated 15 japs
 200 yds NE SISIVIE RIDGE @ further patrol 1 off
 23 OR to attack japs reported above contacted
 enemy approx 300 yds NE SISIVIE 2, at 1645 hrs
 @ in subsequent engagements our cas 1 OR
 killed body NOT recovered 1 off died if wounds
 2 OR wounded @ enemy cas NOT known @
 patrol returned coy posn 2100 hrs @ 25 bn
 61 bn @ routine patrolling

192

by 3 OR

21/4/45

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Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

Time System Op

THI or TOR

Time Cleared

Signed

Signed

See for case Immediate

MESSAGE FORM

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FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp
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7 auct inf bde

04

For Action

TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
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9 auct div

near 9 bn, 25 bn, 61 bn, 11 ft amb
113 ord fd PA, 113 bde whsp

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 290 CONFIDENTIAL @ LOCSTAT 9 bn 9p av at
 CH16006 @ ref map auct survey 1 in 25,000 @
 bn HQ 659092 HQ coy 659094 B coy less 12 pl plus
 17 pl D coy 679115 12 pl plus 13 pl 15 pl C coy
 GEORGE HILL 680114 14 pl C coy LITTLE GEORGE
 680115 D coy less 17 pl 659095 @ 12 bty 4 fd regt
 659096 224 sup dep pl 658091 A coy 11 auct fd
 amb 657093 @ physical features and villages
 @ NIPAHILL 643086 GEORGE HILL 680114 LITTLE GEORGE
 680115 MT DEACON 687110 PUP KNOLL 681117 ARTY
 RIDGE from 678120 to 688118 PEARL RIDGE from
 663138 to 687124 BAWABU RIDGE 672115 to 675128
 MORETON'S REST 663096 BARGES HILL 664098
 WILLIAMSON'S KNOLL 663102 RYAN'S KNOLL 667107
 PIATERIPAIA 670109 MARTIN'S KNOLL 672110
 SISIVIE 1 604175 SISIVIE 2 603170 SISIVIE 3
 617167 @ pmw A coy SISIVIE area and
 MEDICAL STAGING POST DOYABIE will be advised
 later

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			THI or TOR		
Signed	Signed	DRLS	Time Cleared		

Appendix

MESSAGE FORM

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Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator <i>7 aust inf bde</i>	Date—Time of Origin <i>041740L</i>
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Office Date Stamp

TO	For Action <i>3 aust div</i>
	(ie) For Information (INFO.) <i>29 aust inf bde</i>

Message Instructions **GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No. *INT 287 CONFIDENTIAL © SITREP H075 to*
041730L nothing to report

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except }

Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Signed *F TIMSON capt*

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

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Time	System	Op
THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

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MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Scr. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) 7 anst inf bde	Originator	Date—Time of Origin 042250L	Office Date Stamp
For Action		This SITREP commences refs on 1:25,000 map	
TO 3 anst div	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
29 anst inf bde			

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 288 CONFIDENTIAL © SITREP NO 76 to 042235L

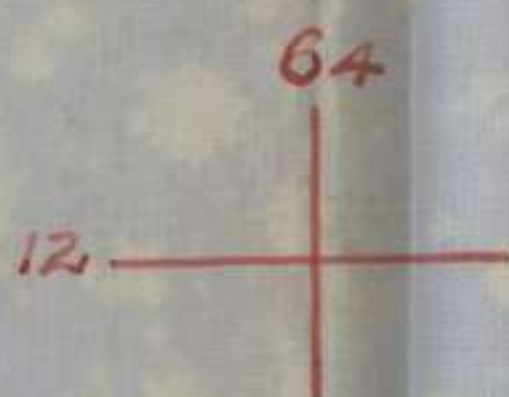
© 9 bw © PIATERIPAIN area © patrol moving to receive PEARL RIDGE from right flank discovered jap footprints 676107 © further fresh footprints discovered up cr from this point © continuing receive up spur police boys and own pers located jap activity at 682105 © estimated one coy enemy holding spur © patrol returned 041600L © further jap posns 400 yds higher up spur at 684108 sighted by B coy © posns engaged by mortars from B coy © probably enemy is occupying old AMERICAN biv pos sites on spur © during morning it dec relief and re adjustment of coys effected in accordance new location statement despatched separately © extensive patrolling throughout area SISIVIE area © a patrol to slopes MOUNT BALOI returned 041455L no enemy sighted © 25 bw routine patrolling © 61 bw © C coy departed to area for road head area X and came under comd 9 bw from time of departure 042030L

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means except COMD BM Signature IO	If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER Signed [Signature] Capt	Originator's Instructions	Time	System	Op
		Degree of Priority	THI or TOR		
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Dispositions 9 Bn Area

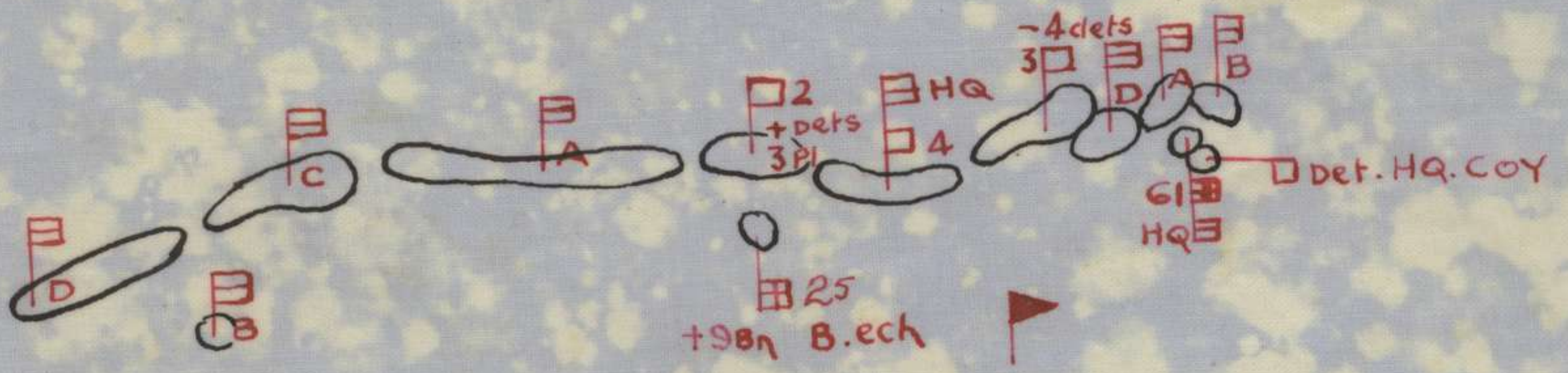
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- 7 AUST INF BDE -
TOROKINA PERIMETER DISPOSNS
as at 0900 6 DEC 44

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overlay for TOROKINA 1:63360

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

7 aust inf bde

051734 L

For Action

TO

3 aust div

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

29 aust inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 291 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP NO 77 to 2519

051730L @ 9 bn @ PIATERIPAIA area @ patrol

toward ARTY HILL contacted enemy standing patrol estimated strength 4 on NORTH side

PUP KNOLL 051100L @ grenades exchanged and our patrol used 05ms @ cas own @

1 or slightly wounded and evas @ enemy cas unknown @ 1 jap sighted ARTY HILL

fired on with MMG @ C coy 61 bn at 649106 ref map TOROKINA one inch @ patrolling

up EAST DOYABIE R to slopes DEACON RIDGE @ SISIVIE @ patrols report no enemy seen

@ 25 bn 61 bn @ routine patrolling

AM

AM(L)

SC

SC(L)

IO

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except 5/12

Wireless

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Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

Time System Op

Time Cleared

Signed

Signed

Immediate

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Army Form C2136 (Large)
(Para 61.100) (Adapted Sept. 1913)

MESSAGE FORM

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FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp
	7 auct inf bde	061738 L	

For Action

TO	Originator	Message Instructions
	3 auct div	GR

(w) For Information (INFO.)

29 auct inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 293 CONFIDENTIAL SITREP 78 to 061730 L

9 bn 3 PIATERIPARIA area 3 extensive patrolling
 no enemy seen 3 arty carried out HE tasks
 throughout night 5/6 and engaged enemy posns
 MT DEACON with harrassing fire 061500 L 3 c
 coy 61 bn reported sounds of 3 enemy ⁶⁴⁹¹⁰³ 669988
 ref map TOROKINA one inch during night 5/6 3
 tracks sighted this morning confirm 3 SISIVIE area
 3 patrols active no enemy seen 3 25 bn 61 bn 3
 routine patrolling

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Army Form C2136 (Large)
(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

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Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp
	7 aust inf bde	071200L	
TO	For Action	Message Instructions	GR
	3 aust div (w) For Information (INFO.)		
29 aust inf bde			

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 295 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 79 to 071200L @
 PIATERIPAIA area @ patrol to BAWABU RIDGE returned
 061515L @ report fresh signs enemy patrol estimated
 strength 15 vicinity 674118 where 3 observation posts
 overlooking B and C coy posns had been occupied
 @ stated enemy patrol had now withdrawn to
 672121 and set up standing patrol @ this posn
 is confirmed by TAC/R morning 5 dec @ C coy
 61 bn patrol from coy posn morning 6 dec
 discovered abandoned AMERICAN posns 669103
 ref map TOROKINA one inch @ within posns
 found food dump estimated sufficient for one
 coy for three days AMERICAN hand grenades
 mortar bombs and amm @ native women removing
 food from dump @ patrol out night 6/7 to destroy
 dump recover amm @ air strike on JAP installations
 694109 concluded 070820L @ results dropped on
 bn HQ @ other areas nothing to report

COMD JF 9/12 BM(L) JGR, SC(L) JF 9/12
 BM JF 9/12 SC JF 9/12 IO

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MESSAGE FORM

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin
	<i>7 aust inf bde</i>	<i>071730L</i>

Office Date Stamp

TO	For Action
	<i>3 aust div</i>
	(re) For Information (INFO.)
	<i>29 aust inf bde</i>

Message Instructions **GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

*INT 297 CONFIDENTIAL © SITREP 80 to 071730L ©
extensive patrolling all areas*

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN
by any means { except

Wireless

Signed

[Signature]
7/12

If liable to be intercepted or fall into
enemy hands, this message must be
sent IN CIPHER

Signed

[Signature]
capt

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

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THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

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Arm Form C2136 (Large)
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MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

7 aust inf bde

081732L

For Action

TO

3 aust div

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

29 aust inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 298 CONFIDENTIAL © SITREP 81 to 081730L

© extensive patrolling © nothing to report

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

Time

System

Op

THI or TOR

Signed

Signed

[Signature]
capt

Immediate

Time Cleared

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM
(A)

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

7 aust inf bde

081955 L

For Action

TO

3 aust div

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

29 aust inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 299 CONFIDENTIAL © SITREP 82 to 081930 L

© 9 bn © new locations © 12 pl B coy
 moved to 673117 at 081530 L © no enemy seen ©
 patrol sighted 3 japs 681119 from 682116 ©
 D coy disposes now 16 pl RYANS KNOLL 668106
 17 pl PIATERIPAIA 671109 18 pl and coy HQ
 669107 © C coy 61 bn © ~~coy HQ 659096~~ as from
 081000 L © coy HQ 659096 13 pl 659099 14 pl
 661092 15 pl 658097 © SISIVIE area © patrol
 to MT BALBI slopes to CHOKO RIDGE no sign
 enemy

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 by any means { except } Wireless

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 enemy hands, this message must be
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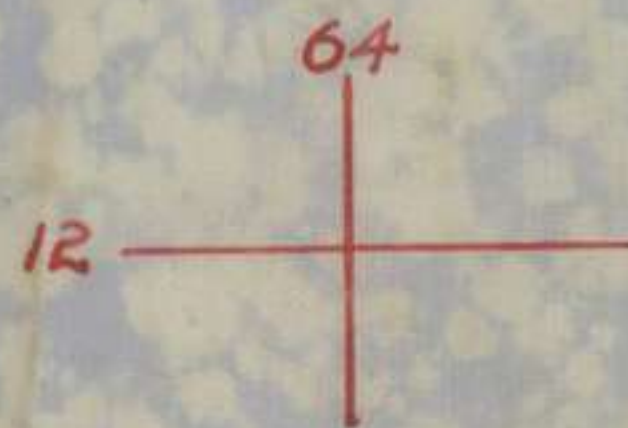
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DISPOSITIONS 9Bn Area
as at
090900L



21/1/44
FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3068
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

50 44 (Serial No.)

HQ 7 ~~ART~~ INF BDE (AIF)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9 ~~Dec~~ /1944 (Unit)

W.E. ~~11~~ / ~~2~~ / ~~4~~ OFFRS. ~~19~~ O.R.'s ~~66~~ + OFFRS. ~~0~~ O.R.'s ~~0~~ ATT. BY W.E.

(Proposed)
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	Brigadiers *									
				Lieut.-Colonels									
	1		1	Majors									
	1		11	Captains									
		2	9	Lieutenants									
		3		Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.		NIL							
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
	2	5	22										
		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.	A class	22									22
		E.(1)											
		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 9 Dec /1944 (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 Brig	TX2002	FIELD	J.	Comd	Yes		
Capt Maj	VX2010	SUMMERTON	J.	SM	"		
Capt	VX2140	ROBINSON	H.G.	SC (L)	"		
Lt Capt	RK91088	FRANTICE	W.T.	SC	"		
Capt	VX21054	TIMSON	T.P.	SC	"		
Lt	OX35749	BROWN	A.R.	SC	"		
Lt	OX20831	HARRISON	B.H.	SC II	"		
Lt	RK153482	BIRD	L.J.	SC III	"		
Lt	RK154323	JOHN	G.D.B.	SC	"		
Lt Capt	OX25277	PEAKE	W.A.	ASCO	"		
Lt	RK127324	JOHN	K.G.	AVG 0	"		
Lt	OX38334	WOOD	L.A.	ASCO 0	No	109 Aust COS (X List)	23/11
Lt	VX15559	HILLS	G.R.A.	ASCO 0	Yes		
Capt	RK66307	ISH	W.P.	Leg 0	"		
Lt	OX40921	VOGLER	R.H.	SC	"		
Chaplain	VX114018	GARREY	D.A.	9 In	No		
"	OX28595	GARREY	B.	25 In	"		
"	RK14902	BEATTY	G.A.	21 In	"		
AWAITING PUBLICATION IN A & P LIST OF REMOVAL FROM FORCE LIST							
Lt Capt	OX40830	KIRBY	A.A.	SC	No	Staff Sch (Aust) CABARLETT (X List)	1/11
Capt	OX35501	COFFEY	J.B.	SC(L)	"	Hq Jun Staff Sch BRISBANE (X List)	28/9
Lt Capt	OX40835	MURPHY	E.R.	SC I	"	Required regimental duties (9 Aust Inf Bn)	21/11
Lt	OX35526	HENDERSON	P.W.	SC II	"	Required regimental duties (61 Aust Inf Bn)	21/11

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.
Lt Capt	OX36539	COCHRANE G.A.	9 Aust Inf Bn	27/9/44	A/SG(L)

Dec 44.

Date of Despatch

W. J. ... Capt
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde

Signature of Commander

Details of NOOs

<u>Trade</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>WE</u>	<u>PS</u>	<u>Subp</u>	<u>Def</u>	<u>Reinfts reqd</u>
Draughtsmen topo	Cpl	1	1			
Int duties	S sjt	1	1			
"	Cpl	1	1			
Clerks	WO II	1	1			
"	Sjt	2	2			
"	Cpl	1	1 (L sjt)			
Cooks	Cpl	1	2	1		
Tpt	Sjt	1	2	1		
Dvrs T	Cpl	1	-		1	
Gen duties	Cpl	1	-		1 (AFW 3011 rendered for pro- motion)	
less Cpl	Cpl	1	-		1	"
CSM	WO II	1	1			
CQ S	S sjt	1	1			
<u>Services</u>						
AASC Clerk	Cpl	1	1			
AA G ed ord	Cpl	1	1			
AAOC Am Examiner	S sjt	-	1	1		
"	Sjt	1	-		1	
"	Cpl	-	1	1		
AAIC Clerk	Cpl	1	1			

18 18 4 4

NOTE:—As in some cases there is a difference between the details as shown in this column and the actual details as shown in the column headed "Actual Details" the latter should be referred to in cases of doubt.

AM x 23

SUBJECT : TERRAIN MEMORANDUM No 2
Ref Map KOWARO 1:25000

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
 9 Dec 44.

Headquarters	12 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt
3 Aust Div	11 Aust Fd Amb
Copies to:-	224 Aust Sup Dep Pl
9 Aust Inf Bn	115 Aust Ord Fd Pk
25 Aust Inf Bn	113 Aust Bde Wksp
61 Aust Inf Bn	File
	War Diary (3)

The following rivers and ridge have been named as indicated:-

1. NOLAN'S CREEK : Creek flowing WEST between GEORGE HILL and BAWABU RIDGE to junction with AUBAUBI RIVER at 658116.
2. MOLE CREEK : Creek flowing SOUTH to junction with DOIABIE RIVER at 642112.
3. LIKLARUMA RIVER :
 (a) On the KOWARO Sheet 1:25000 the river shown leaving sheet at 670090 is named LARUMA.
 (b) On the XIV Corps HASTY TERRAIN MAP 1:20000 this is shown as DOIABIE RIVER and has been referred to locally as the EAST DOIABIE. The DOIABIE RIVER joins the correctly named LARUMA at 13372296. As there cannot be two LARUMA RIVERS the one referred to in para (a) has been named LIKLARUMA.
4. KEENAN'S RIDGE : Ridge at present the site of A Coy 9 Aust Inf Bn in the SISIVIE area. Ref 606147 to 605150.

John Field
 Brig
 Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde

Approved

Army Form C2136 (Large)
(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

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Ser. No.

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Transmission Instructions

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FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

7 aust inf bde

091728L

For Action

TO

3 aust div

(w) For Information (INFO.)

RAA 3 aust div
11 aust inf bde
29 aust inf bde

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 300 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 83 15

091730L @ 9 hr @ PIATERAPAIA area @ patrol
to IPARAKUSUB reports no sign enemy area
679105 683108 682106 682103 @ extensive
patrolling ~~both areas~~ PIATERAPAIA SISIVIE
areas

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log } SR
BMP } SR

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Degree of Priority

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Signed

[Signature]
Capt

[Signature]
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Time Cleared

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(Para 9, 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

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Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

7 aust inf bde

101736 L

For Action

TO

3 aust div

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

RAA 3 aust div
11 aust inf bde
29 aust inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 301 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 84 to 101730 L

@ 9 bn @ PIATERAPAIA area @ active
patrolling @ SISIVIE area @ patrol reached
clearing SISIVIE 2 approx 603170 where
one jap sighted but eluded our patrol @
25 bn 60 bn @ routine patrolling

COMD

BM

BM (L)

SE

SE (L)

I O F J

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Capt

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	7 aust inf bde <i>For Action</i>	111920L	
TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
	3 aust div RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde 29 aust inf bde		

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 303 CONFIDENTIAL ○ SITREP 85 to 111730L
○ nothing to report

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Bmb / 2

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Signed	Signed	Immediate	Time Cleared		

Appendix 7

MESSAGE FORM

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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) 7 aust inf bde <i>Originator</i>	Date—Time of Origin 112000L	Office Date Stamp
For Action		Message Instructions GR
TO 61 aust inf bn <i>(w) For Information (INFO.)</i>		

ORIGINATOR'S No.

01338 ~~SECRET~~ (.) WARNING ORDER (.) 61 aust inf bn will prepare one coy
 relieve 2/8 aust cdo sqn HANEMO area ~~for~~ NOT before 18 dec 44 (.)
 further details later ack

This message may be sent **AS WRITTEN**
 by any means { *except* }
 { } Wireless

If liable to be intercepted or fall into
 enemy hands, this message must be
 sent **IN CIPHER**

Originator's Instructions
 Degree of Priority

Signed

(Sgd) J Summerton Major.
 Signed

Time	System	Op
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Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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FROM (A) 7 aust inf bde <i>For Action</i> 9 aust inf bn 25 aust inf bn 61 aust inf bn 7 aust inf bde sig sec 11 aust fd amb	Originator Date—Time of Origin 11 2005 L	Office Date Stamp
TO (w) For Information (INFO.) war diary (3)	Message Instructions	GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

0 1339 SECRET (.) WARNING ORDER (.) 25 aust inf
 bn will relieve 9 aust inf bn fwd area (.) relief to
 commence 20 dec complete by 23 dec (.) recce parties 15 dec
 adv parties 17 dec (.) 25 aust inf bn will have under
 comd one bty RAA 3 aust div one det 7 aust inf bde sig
 sec one coy 61 aust inf bn A coy 11 aust fd amb and
 for camp adm 224 aust sup dep pl (.) 9 aust inf bn
 will assume perimeter defs 25 aust inf bn on relief (.)
 further details later ack

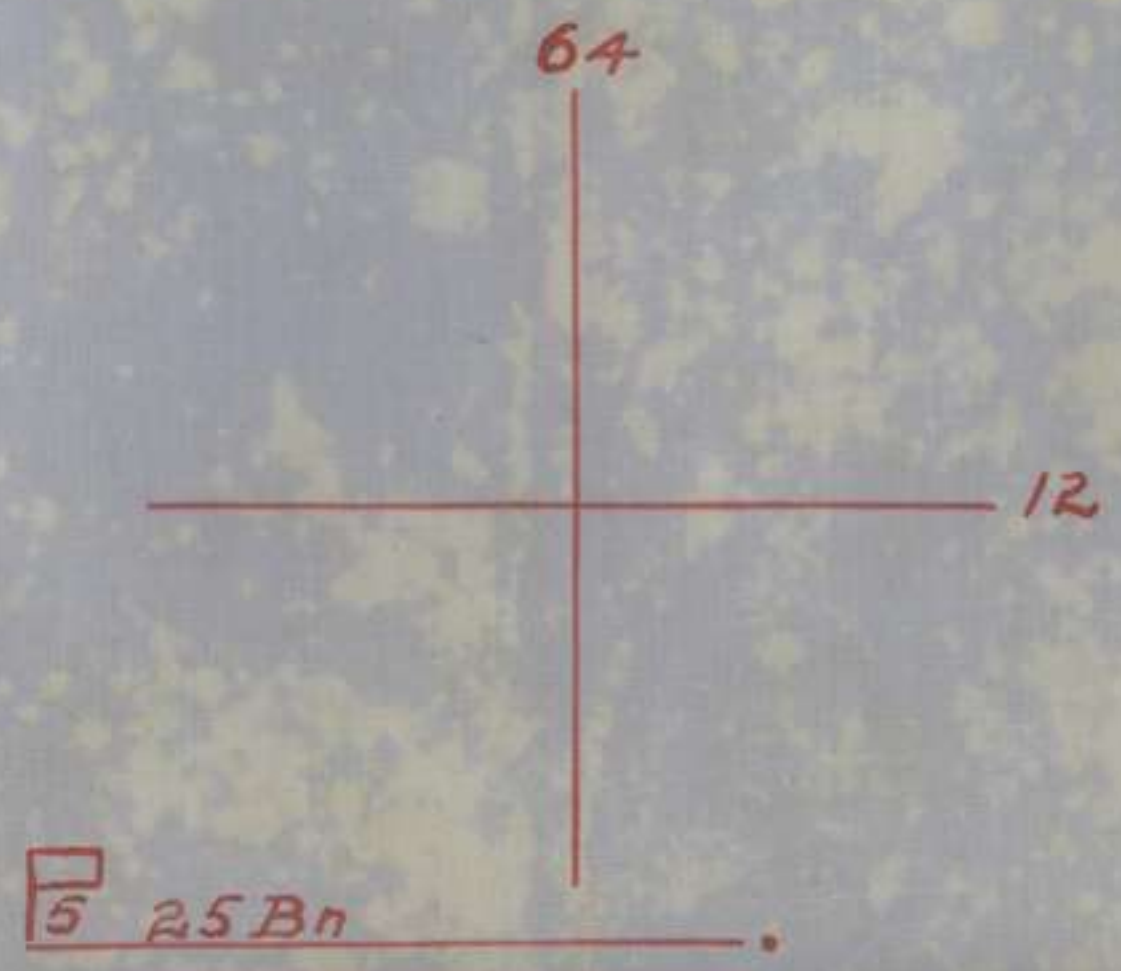
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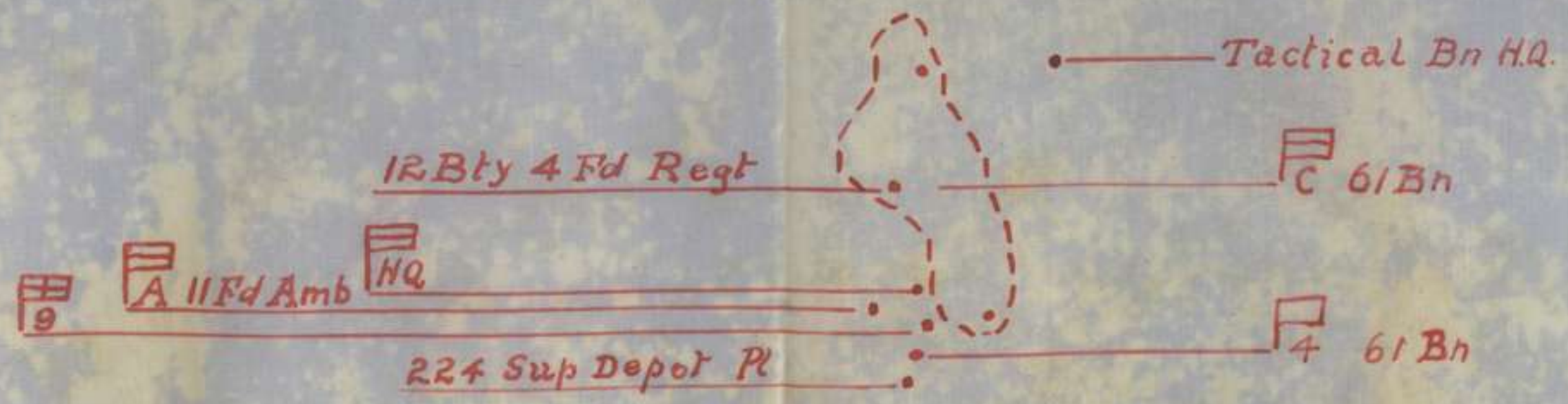
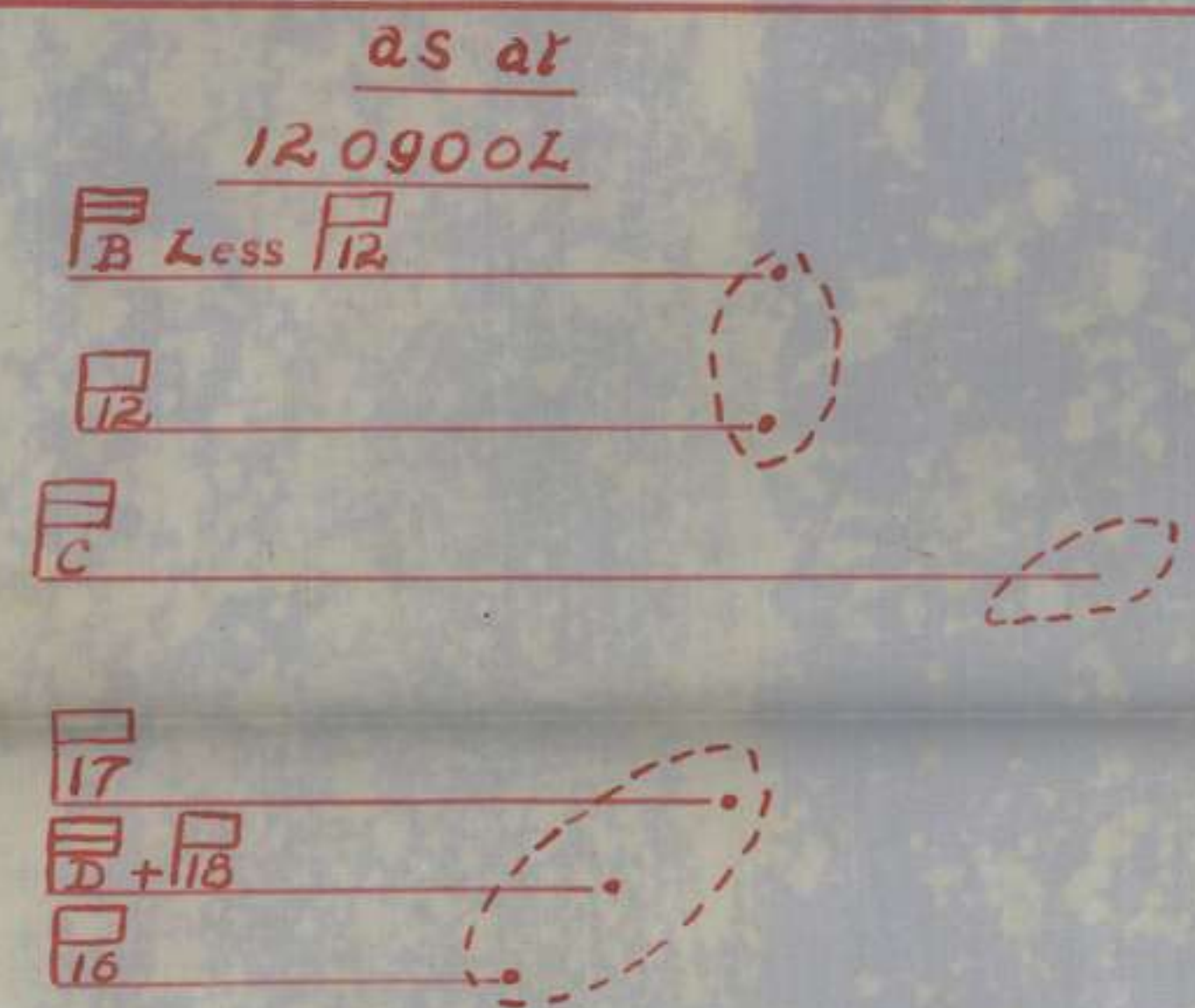
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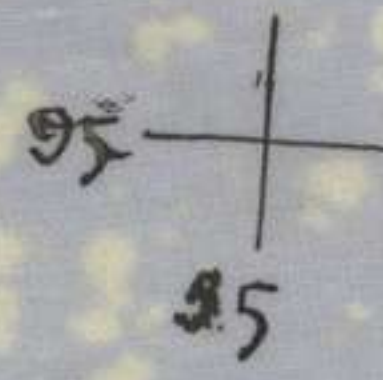
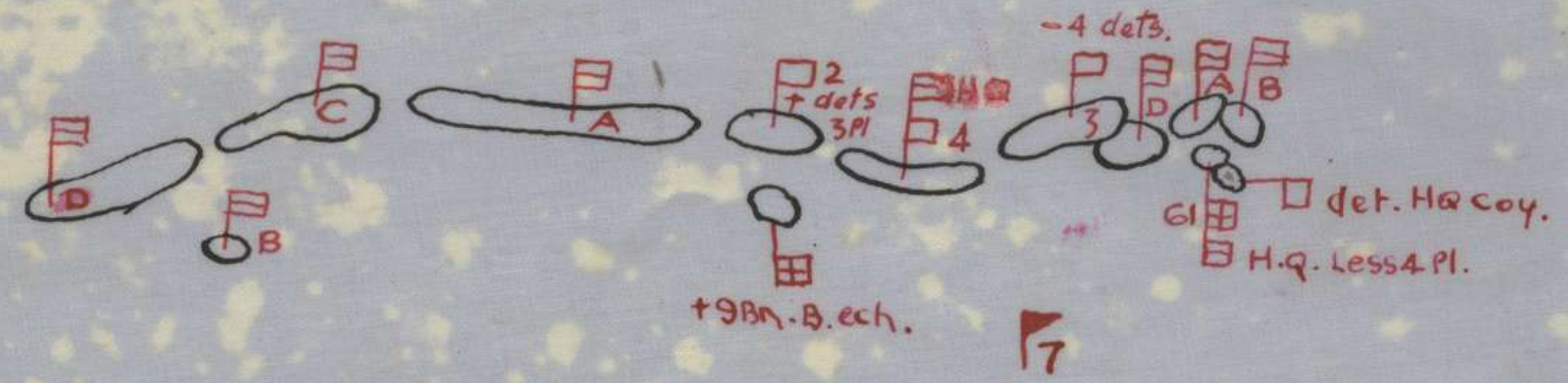
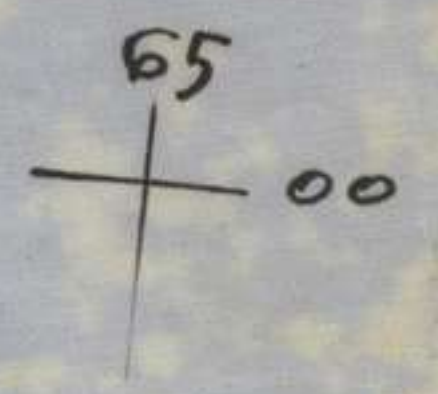
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Overlay for Kowari 1:25000
DISPOSITIONS 9Bn Area



7 Aust Inf Bde. TOROKINA Perimeter Disposition
as at. 0900 12 Dec. 44.



Overlay for TOROKINA 1:63360

off 1/1/30

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War Diary

SECRET

7 AUST INF BDE OP ORDER NO 3

Copy No 13

Ref maps :- Current 1:25,000 series.

12 Dec 44.

INFM

- 1. As contained in current sitreps and int summaries.

INTENTION

- 2. 7 Aust Inf Bde will interchange units in fwd and perimeter roles.

METHOD

3. Relieving Units

- (a) 25 Aust Inf Bn with under comd :
 - 10 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt
 - One det 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec

A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb (remaining in situ) and, for camp adm and local defs only, 224 Aust Sup Dep Pl (remaining in situ) will relieve 9 Aust Inf Bn of operational commitments in SISIVIE - PIATERIPAIA areas.

- (b) (i) 9 Aust Inf Bn will relieve 25 Aust Inf Bn of def responsibilities along TOROKINA perimeter.
 - (ii) On return to TOROKINA the following will revert to comd respective units :
 - 12 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt
 - Det 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec
 - C Coy 61 Aust Inf Bn
 - (iii) Pnr Pl 25 Aust Inf Bn will remain fwd and revert to comd parent unit on takeover.

4. Responsibilities

- (a) 25 Aust Inf Bn will secure or hold, as applicable, the high ground on gen line 706121 - 650144 - 595168 and will recce the area fwd of that line with a view to securing all possible infm concerning the enemy.
- (b) 9 Aust Inf Bn will take over the perimeter defs and security patrols of 25 Aust Inf Bn - these defs are as known to Comd 9 Aust Inf Bn.

5. Dates

(a) Commencement and Completion

- (i) Except in the case of 10 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt reliefs of main bodies will be commenced on 20 Dec 44 and will be completed by 23 Dec 44, or as soon as practicable thereafter.
- (ii) 10 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt will relieve 12 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt on 19 Dec 44. The additional tp of pers at present att 12 Bty for working parties will not be replaced.
- (iii) Arrangements have been made for OC 10 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt to liaise direct with 25 Aust Inf Bn.

(b) Recce Gps

As selected by bn comds concerned, and as mutually arranged, recce gps will be exchanged on 15 Dec 44. The same tpt will be used for both gps.

(c) Adv Parties

Adv Parties, not to exceed 40 in number, will move to respective new areas on 17 Dec 44.

6. Air

(a) Tac R

- (i) One tac R flight per day will be available to 25 Aust Inf Bn. Requests, stating tasks in particular and tasks in gen, will be signalled to reach this HQ by 0930 hrs on the day prior to requirement.

- (ii) This flight is also available for arty R, and 10 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt will continue listening out to aircraft on frequencies as advised from time to time.

(b) Bombing and Strafing

Requests for air sp will be made as per 7 Aust Inf Bde 05/18 of 12 Dec 44 (not to all addressees), and will reach this HQ by 0930 hrs on the day before support is required.

7. Patrols - ANGAU Pers and Police Boys

Except with prior approval of this HQ, ANGAU pers and police boys att 25 Aust Inf Bn will not proceed north of the line OLD SISIVIE 608182 - track junc 638180 - track junc 685174.

ADM

8. Issued separately.

INTERCOMN

9. Line

- (a) As far as possible all posns will be linked by L/T - all existing circuits in both fwd and perimeter posns will be taken over by incoming bns.
- (b) As bn stocks of wire are used, immediate replenishment will be demanded from 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec.
- (c) Two telephone sets "L" No 2 (AUST) at present on loan to 9 Aust Inf Bn from 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec will be transferred, on loan only, to 25 Aust Inf Bn.

10. Wireless

- (a) Two No 11 sets on charge to 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec, and at present in fwd area, will remain and pass to control 25 Aust Inf Bn.
- (b) Five 108 mk III sets at present on charge to 9 Aust Inf Bn will be transferred to 7 Aust Inf Bde Wireless Pool under arrangements 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec. They will remain in area and are allotted to 25 Aust Inf Bn on takeover.
- (c) All HQ offrs will be prepared to speak by R/T, using R/T Code No 2, at all times - the code word for the time being is OLDMACHINERY/G.

11. Pigeons

Existing pigeon link will be taken over by 25 Aust Inf Bn.

12. Sig Security

- (a) 25 Aust Inf Bn will use designatory and unit code words at all times whilst in fwd posn. Lists have already been issued.
- (b) See also HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Security Instr being issued 12 Dec 44.

13. Pass Words

25 Aust Inf Bn will take over current pass words of 9 Aust Inf Bn. These are as ordered in HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde INT 2/44 of 3 Dec 44.

14. Codewords

- (a) 25 Aust Inf Bn will signal
- (i) assumption of comd in fwd area - by codeword OBOE (_____ hrs _____ Dec 44)
- (ii) completion of relief :
LILY _____ hrs _____ Dec 44.

(b) 9 Aust Inf Bn will signal

- (i) takeover of def responsibilities TOROKINA perimeter by codeword PINK giving time and date.
- (ii) completion of move inside perimeter :
GIN _____ hrs _____ Dec 44.

ACKNOWLEDGE

Signed at 1700 hrs
Issued by LO & DRLS

J. Summerton
Maj
BM 7 Aust Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION

Copy No

9 Aust Inf Bn	1
Rear 9 Aust Inf Bn	2
25 Aust Inf Bn	3
61 Aust Inf Bn	4
7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	5
224 Aust Sup Dep Pl	6
11 Aust Fd Amb	7
RAA 3 Aust Div (2)	8 - 9
Comd	10
File	11 - 12
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Appx 32

SECRET

7 AUST INF BDE ADM INSTRUCTION NO 3
Issued with 7 Aust Inf Bde O O No 3.

Copy No 12

12 Dec 44

MED

- 1. (a) A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb will continue to maintain ADS (with surgical team) at rd head, a lt sec at KEENANS RIDGE and a MSP at DOYABIE RIVER CROSSING.
- (b) Evacuation from rd head is by 2½ ton 6 x 6 veh at present attached to ADS.

RESERVES

- 2. Stocks of the DID at ERIE are being maintained at :-
 - Sups 10 days SWPA for 1400
 - 4 days FORs for 1500
 - 14 days for 300 natives
 - POL 14 days
 - Expense Stores 14 days
 - Amn 21 days on scale vide Appx A attached

POSTAL

- 3. Unit postal sta manned by 3 Aust Div postal unit is operating at rd head for handling of incoming and outgoing mail.

CANTEEN SUPS

- 4. By unit arrangement with unit LOB.

AMN

- 5. A complete interchange of first line amn will be effected between 9 Aust Inf Bn and 25 Aust Inf Bn in the unit dumps as they exist at the time of relief.

TRANSFER UNIT STORES

- 6. With the object of minimising the handling of accn stores, 9 Aust Inf Bn will hand over following unit stores on the ground at rd head and forward and will take delivery of equivalent quantities from 25 Aust Inf Bn in latter's present area :-

- All cooking gear with fwd coys.
- Tentage
- Tent shelter halves (of personnel fwd of rd head)

TPT

- 7. Units will advise this HQ of their tpt requirements for each of 15, 17, 20, 21, 22 and 23 Dec by 0900 hrs the previous day. This HQ will coordinate convoys so as to backload tps and stores from rd head where possible.

TC

- 8. Traffic Control in rd head area will be effected by 3 Aust Div pro post.

Signed at 1700 hrs

[Signature] Capt
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde

Issued by LD & DRLS

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9 Aust Inf Bn	1
25 Aust Inf Bn	2
61 Aust Inf Bn	3
11 Aust Fd Amb	4
7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	5
224 Aust Sup Dep Pl	6
Comd	7
TO	8
Bde ASC Offr	9
Pro Sgt	10
File	11
War Diary	12 - 14

SECRET

Appx A to 7 Aust Inf Bde
Adm Instr No 3 of 12 Dec 44

AMN USAGE RATES

1. Our tps will be in lt contact with the enemy in the DOYABIE RIVER - SISIVIE sector and amn usage rates are therefore estimated at a quiet rate..

2. Expenditure in rounds per day

Inf

(a) .303 in (stripless belt)	1000 rounds
(b) .303 in (carton packed)	2000 rounds
(c) .303 in (charger packed)	3200 rounds
(d) SMG 9 mm	3000 rounds
(e) 2 in Mortar	
i HE	36 rounds
ii Smoke	12 rounds
iii Star	6 rounds
(f) 3 in Mortar	
i HE	48 rounds
ii Smoke	16 rounds
(g) 1 in Sig (various colours)	12 rounds
(h) grenade No 36M 4 sec	60
(i) " " 7 sec	20

Arty

(a) 25 pr HE	15 RPG
(b) 25 pr smoke	3 "

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MESSAGE FORM

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FROM (A)	Originator 7 aust inf bde	Date—Time of Origin 121736 L	Office Date Stamp
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TO	(w) For Information (INFO.) 3 aust div RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde 29 aust inf bde	Message Instructions	GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 307 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 86 to
 121730 L @ 9 bn PIATERAPAIA area @ C Coy
 patrol to left flank ARTY RIDGE returned
 111630 L @ one JAP sighted ARTY Hill @ JAP
 patrol sighted 678119 @ JAP OP at 682119 @
 SISIVIE @ A coy patrol returned 111645 L from
 622172 reported TORIGELLO clear of
 enemy @ good OP posn approx 622161

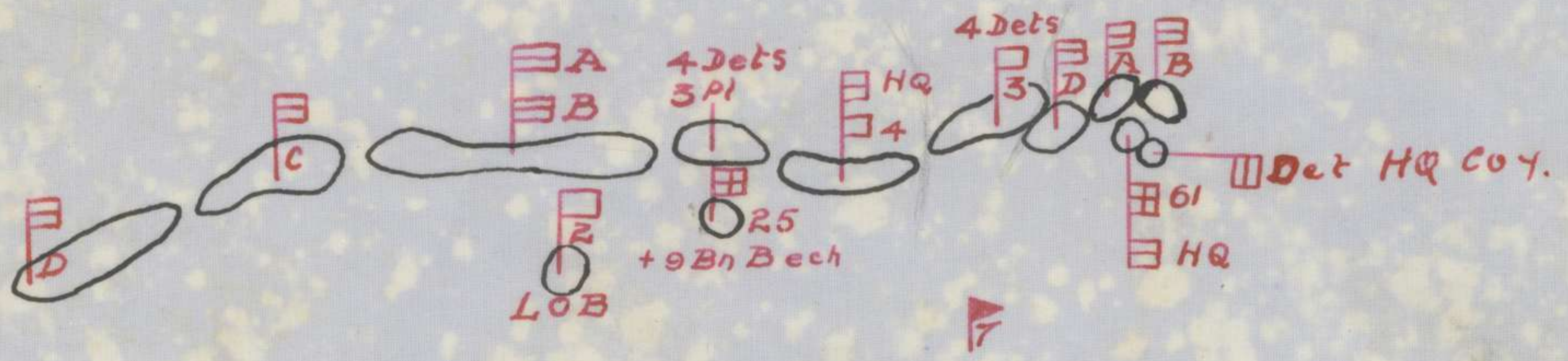
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COMD
 BM JB 13/12
 BM (L) JGR
 SC
 SC (L)
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— 7 AUST INF BDE —
TOROKINA PERIMETER DISPOSNS
as at 130900 L



APPX 84

+ 95
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overlay for TOROKINA 1:63360

FT/TJA(13/12)

Map x 3,6

SUBJECT : TERRAIN MEMORANDUM No 3

Ref Map KOWARO 1:25000

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
13 Dec 44.

Headquarters

3 Aust Div

Copies to:-

9 Aust Inf Bn

25 Aust Inf Bn

61 Aust Inf Bn

12 Bty 4 Aust Pd Regt

11 Aust Pd Amb

224 Aust Sup Dep Pl

113 Aust Ord Pd Pk

113 Aust Bde Wksp

File

War Diary (3)

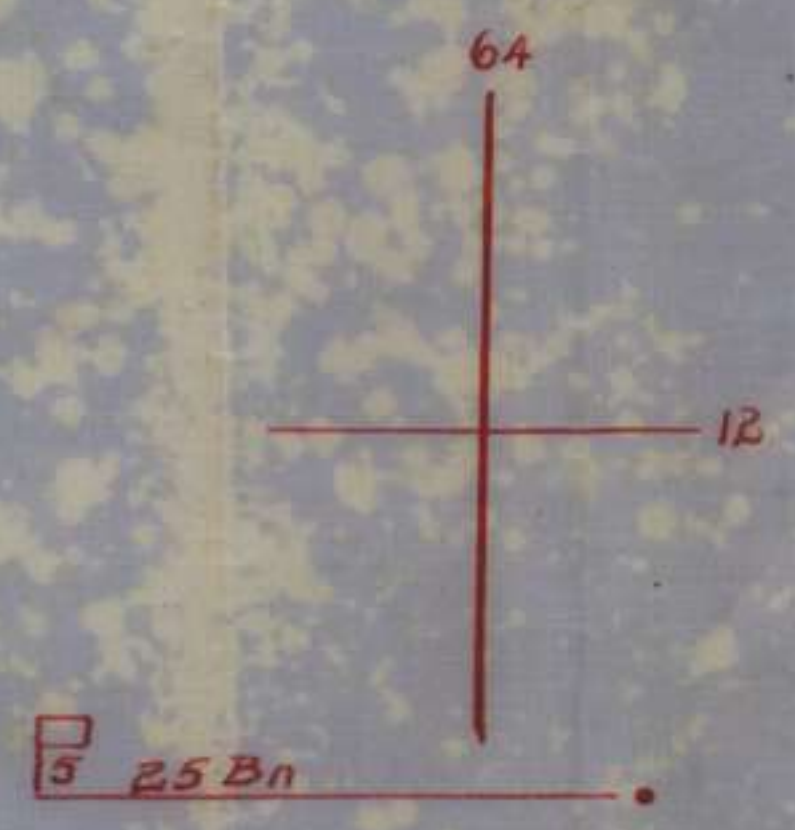
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2. RADFORDS KNOLL - Feature on BAWABU RIDGE map ref 672120
3. WERDAS KNOLL - Feature on BAWABU RIDGE map ref 672122
4. ASABA RIVER - Ref TERRAIN MEMORANDUM No 2: River named LIKLARUMA now re-named ASABA RIVER which is its native name.

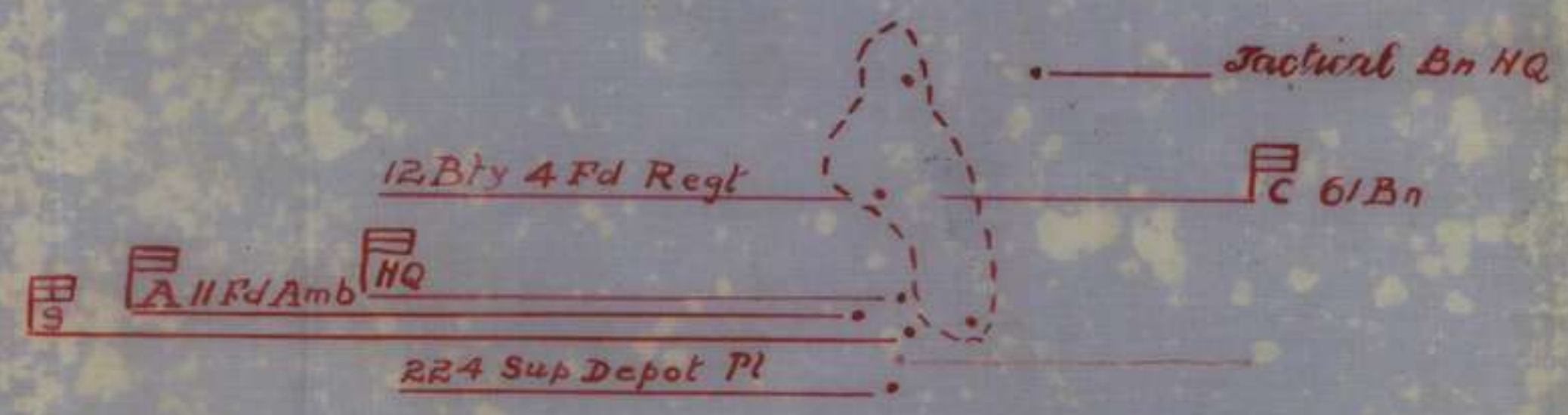
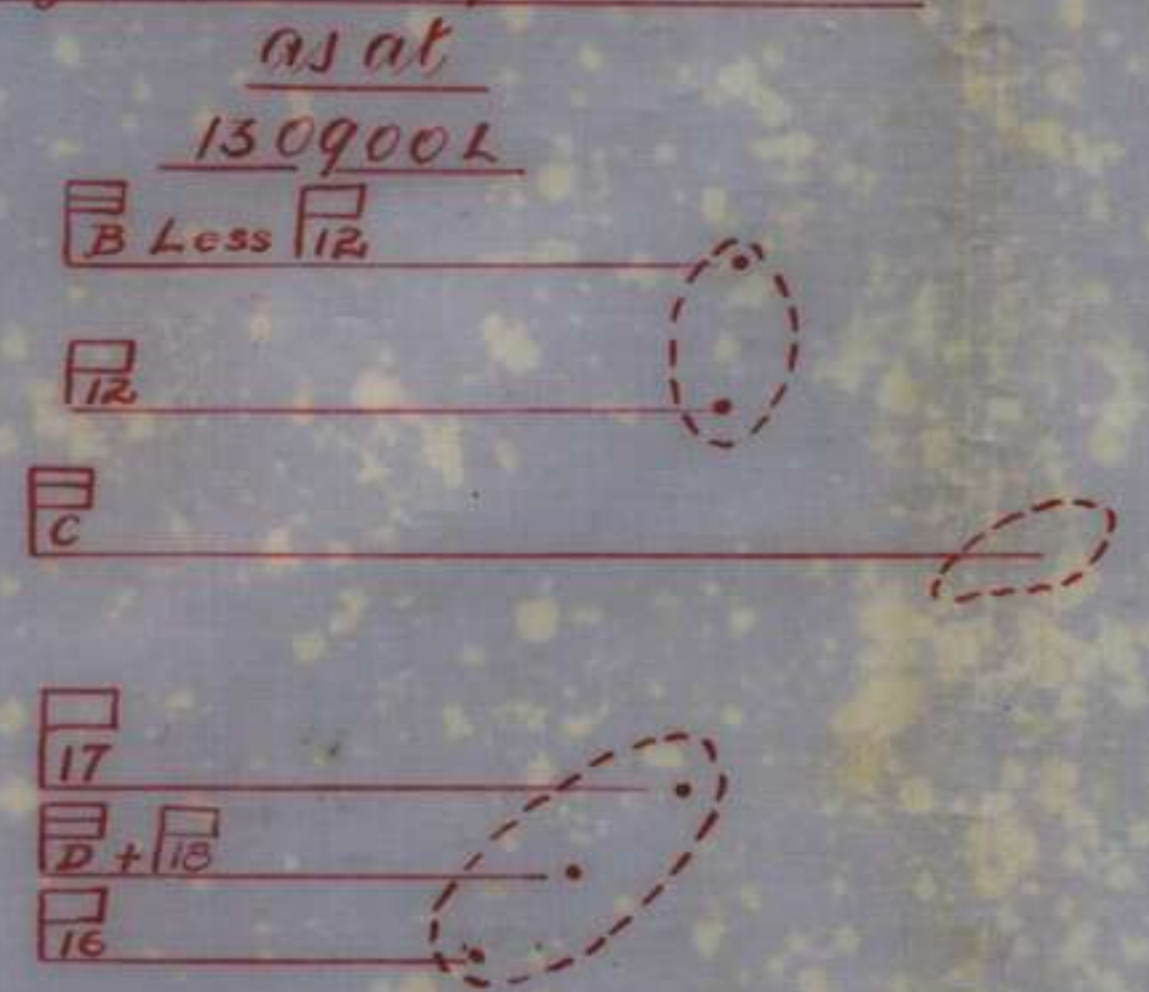
Stumerton Bay
for Brig
Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde
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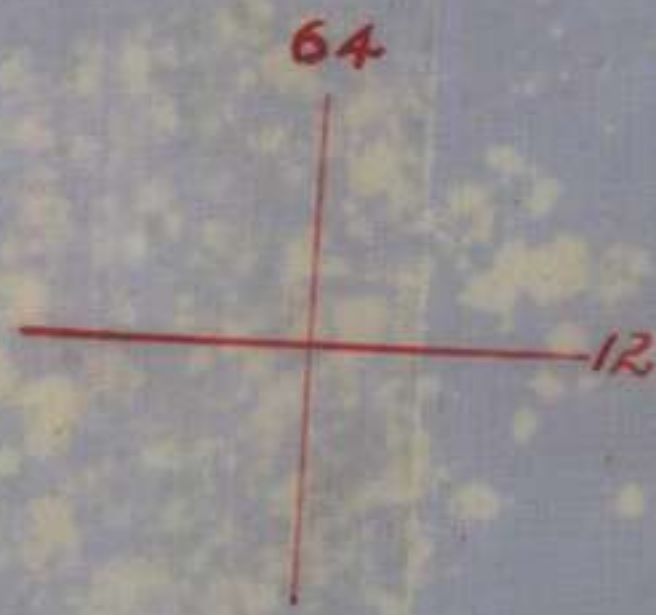
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Dispositions of Bn Area



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Overlay for Howaro 1:25000
Dispositions 9 Bn Area
as at
131640L

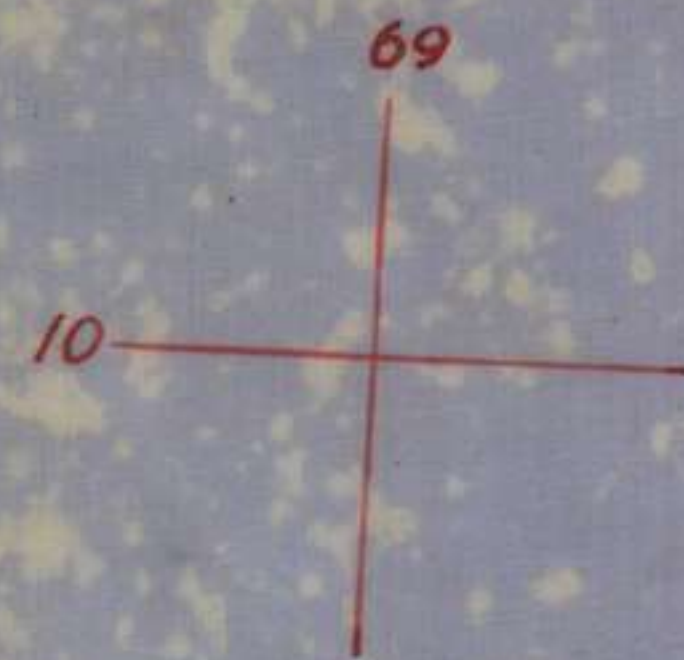


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11+12
B+10PI+17PI

C
D+13PI
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12 Bty 4 Td Regt
Tactical Bn HQ
A 11 Fd Amb HQ
C 61 Bn
RR4 Sup Depot PI



4 61 Bn

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MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin	Office Date Stamp
	7 aust inf bde	131745	
For Action			Message Instructions
TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)		
3 aust div			
RAA 3 aust div			
11 aust inf bde			
29 aust inf bde			

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 311 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 87 to

131730 L @ 9 bn @ PIATERAPAIA area @
patrol returned 121600L observed on rear
ARTY HILL 6 definite pillboxes others doubtful
@ 130900L 8 corsairs bombed strafed ARTY
Hill @ Tac R reports apprise 20 new
trenches occupied ARTY HILL 684118 @ SISIVIE
area @ patrol with FOO returned 121530L
reported accurate fire on enemy posn
300 yds NORTH of SISIVIE 2 @ after
one tree burst above huts patrol heard
screams and saw 2 japs apparently wounded.
@ morning 13 dec arty R observed one
OP 2 huts in clearing 622172 @ engaged
by arty also strafed @ active patrolling
both PIATERAPAIA — SISIVIE areas @ 25 bn
@ patrol 12 dec found imprint 2 sets footprints 601014
ref map TOROKINA one inch @ one set bare other set
left foot bare right foot wearing split toed sandal @
tracks lost junc KARUMAR — JAVA CK

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			THI or TOR		
Signed	Signed	Immediate	Time Cleared		

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FROM (A)	Originator <i>7 aust inf bde</i>	Date—Time of Origin <i>132020L</i>	Office Date Stamp
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For Action

TO	<i>3 aust div</i>	Message Instructions	GR
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(w) For Information (INFO.)
*RAA 3 aust div
 11 aust inf bde
 29 aust inf bde*

ORIGINATOR'S No.

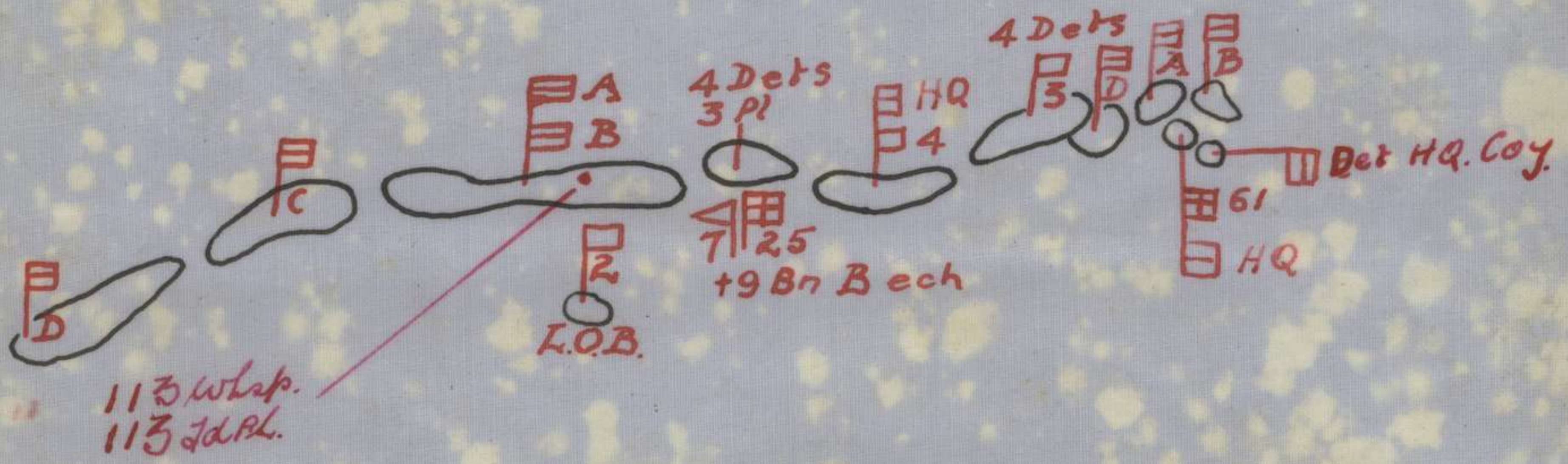
*INT 312 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 88 to 132000L
 @ 9 bn @ PIATERAPAIHA area @ further to our
 SITREP 87 @ after bombing patrol 1 off 9 OR
 moved over PUP KNOLL to NORTH slopes ARTY
 RIDGE @ JAPS left pillboxes and attacked with
 LMG grenades rifle fire @ patrol returned
 fire and cleared out OP at foot of banyan
 tree stump 683118 then returned own posns
 @ cas @ own 1 killed 2 slightly wounded @
 enemy 10 definitely 1 probably killed @
 131400L tac n called for mortar fire on
 6 newly dug trenches EAST end ARTY
 Hill @ a/c reported direct hit by 3 inch mortar
 @ SISIVIE @ tac n over SISIVIE RIDGE directed
 arty fire on known enemy posns near SISIVIE
 2.*

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			THI or TOR		
Signed	Signed <i>M. J. ...</i>		Time Cleared		

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7 Aust Inf Bde
Torokina Perimeter Disposns
as at 141200 L

Alpha 39 A



Overlay for Torokina 1: 63360

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Appx 40.

SUBJECT : TERRAIN MEMORANDUM No 4
Ref Map KOWARO 1:25000

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
 14 Dec 44.

Headquarters 3	12 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt
3 Aust Div	11 Aust Fd Amb
Copies to:-	224 Aust Sup Dep Pl
9 Aust Inf Bn	113 Aust Ord Fd Pk
25 Aust Inf Bn	113 Aust Bde Wksp
61 Aust Inf Bn	File
	War Diary (3)

The following feature and villages have been named :-

MT STUBBINS	586143
KARBODIVA	601141
TUDOROPIA	589141/

John Field Brig
 Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde

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MESSAGE FORM

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FROM (A)	Originator 7 aust inf bde	Date—Time of Origin 141742L	Office Date Stamp
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For Action			
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TO	3 aust div	Message Instructions	GR
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(w) For Information (INFO.)

RAA 3 aust div
11 aust inf bde
29 aust inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No. INT 315 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 89 to

141730 L @ 9 br @ PIATERAPAIA area @
 132030 L enemy attacked from SOUTH up
 re entrant between GEORGE and LITTLE
 GEORGE Hills @ attack apparently directed
 at our mortars @ enemy withdrew after our
 tps engaged with LMG and grenades @
 10 pl B Coy moved fwd from WERDA'S KNOLL
 at 141400 L to 673129 @ remaining two pls
 to move up 15 dec @ SISIVIE area @ A Coy
 less 7 pl moved to 659045 @ 7 pl remains
 KEENAN'S RIDGE

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Signed

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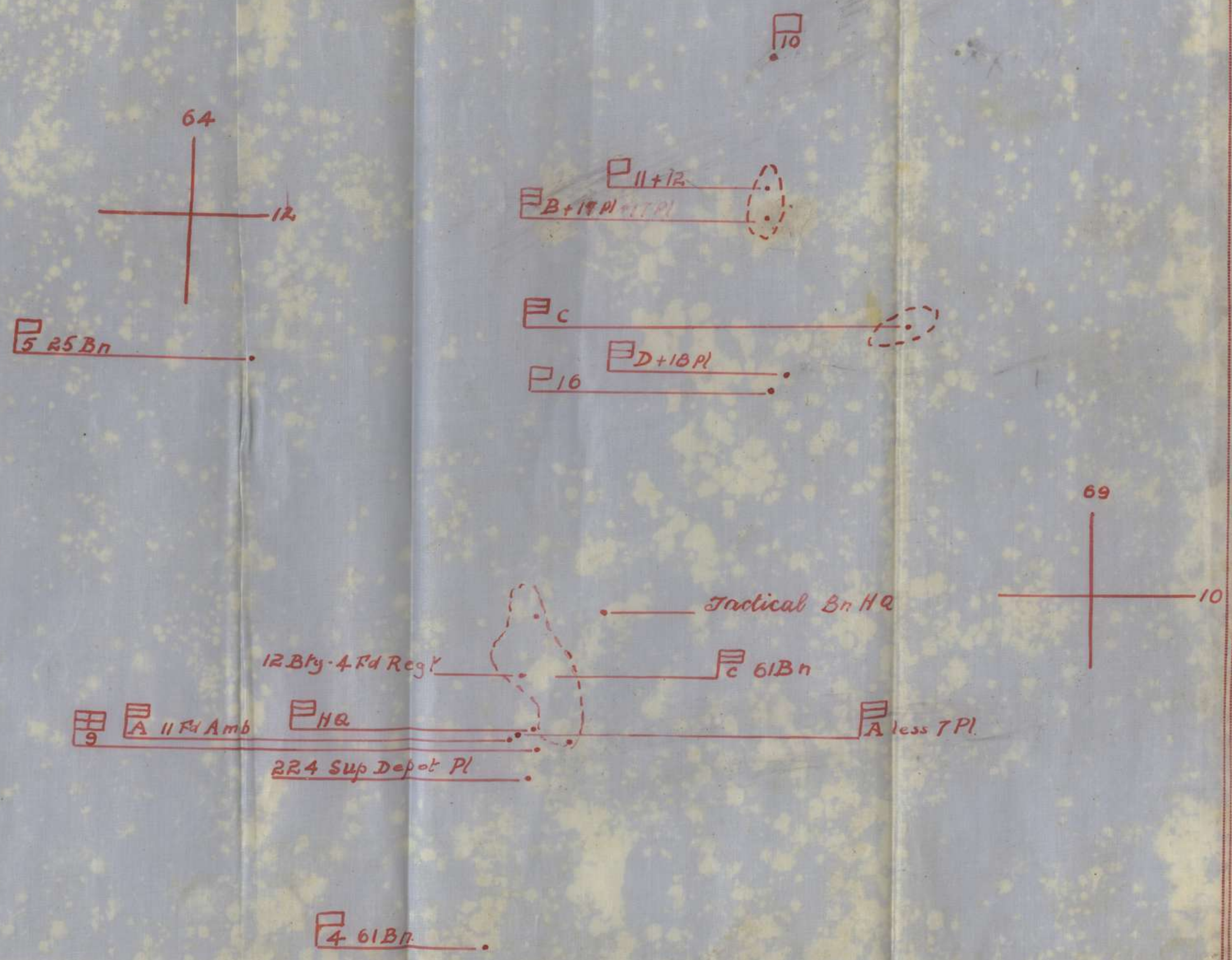
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Overlay for "Howaro" 1:25000

Dispositions 9 Bn Area

as at

141600 L



FIELD SKETCH OF
LAYOUT OF 7 AUST INF BDE H Q 14 DEC

SCALE...ONE INCH to 50 YARDS

method...compass and pacing

legend..
offices stores and
other permanent structures
.....
sleeping quarters
.....

ref map..
TOROKINA 1 : 63360



Int Sec 7 Aust Inf Bde
20 Dec 44

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FROM (A) 7 aust inf bde <i>Originator</i>	Date—Time of Origin 151734L	Office Date Stamp
For Action		Message Instructions GR
TO 3 aust div <i>(w) For Information (INFO.)</i> RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde 29 aust inf bde		

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 316 CONFIDENTIAL © SITREP 90 to
 151730L © 9 bn © PIATERAPAIA area © 11 and
 12 pls B coy moved fwd joined 10 pl at
 673129 © A coy less 7 pl moved from
 659093 to 674113 © 2 JAPS observed digging
 probable new OP base of banyan tree stump
 ARTY RIDGE 683118 © general active patrolling
 SISIVIE area © no change © 25 bn ©
 recce gp arrived rd hd 150815L ©
 61 bn © ref map TOROKINA SPECIAL one inch
 © 17 pl patrol to MAGERIAOPAIA 671105
 departs 160630L returns bn HQ 171900L

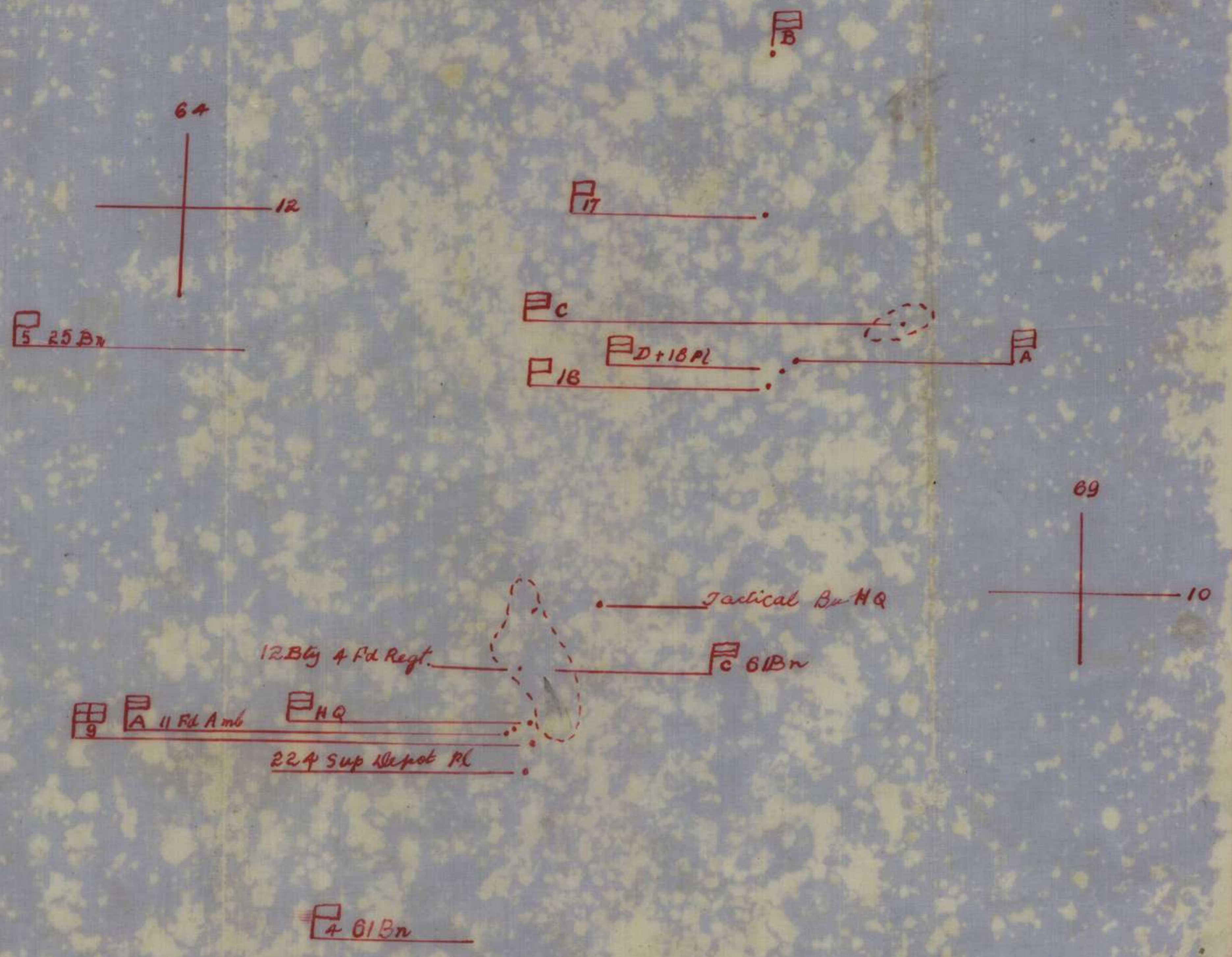
COMD J. 15/12
 BM J. 16/12
 BM (L) J. 16/12
 SC J. 17/12
 SC (L) J. 17/12
 IO 77

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		Signed <i>[Signature]</i> capt.	Time Cleared		

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Overlay for "Howaro" 1:25000
Dispositions 9 Bn Area
as at
160700L.



PT/TJA (18/18)

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SUBJECT : TERRAIN INFORMATION No 5

RMP MAP KOBARO 1:25000

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
16 Dec 44.

Headquarters
3 Aust Div
Copies to:-
9 Aust Inf Bn
25 Aust Inf Bn
61 Aust Inf Bn

12 Stry 4 Aust Pd Regt
11 Aust Pd Amb
2nd Aust Sup Dep Pl
115 Aust Ord Pd Pl
115 Aust Bde Shop
File
War Diary (3)

The following creek has been named :-

STONE'S CREEK : creek which flows from 692123 to junction
with ASABA RIVER at 676122.

John Field Brig
Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde

Appx 48
FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3068
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

51 / 44 (Serial No.)

HQ 7 AUST INF Bde (AIF)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 18 / Dec / 194 4 (Unit)

W.E. (Tropical) II 2 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. - O.R's. - 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*					
	1		1	Lieut.-Colonels					
	1		11	Majors					
		2	3	Captains					
		3	9	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.			N I L		
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	2	5	22						

	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.
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).	A.	A Class	22								22
	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).

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Unit

51/44 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16/Dec/1944. (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 Brig	TX2002	FIELD	J.	Comd	Yes		
Capt Maj	VX48010	SUMERTON	J.	BM	"		
Capt	WX6440	ROBSON	H.G.	BM(L)	"		
Lt Capt	NX51088	PRENTICE	W.T.	SC	"		
Capt	VX21054	TIMSON	T.F.	IO	"		
Lt	QX35749	BROWN	A.R.	LO I	"		
Lt	QX40831	HAMMOND	E.W.	LO II	"		
Lt	NX133482	RUDD	L.J.	LO III	"		
Lt	NX134323	McKEW	G.D.B.	TO	"		
Lt Capt	QX45277	PEAKE	W.A.	EASCO	"		
Lt	NX127324	MORE	K.G.	Hyg O	"		
Lt	QX38334	WOOD	L.A.	Amen O	"		
Lt	VX134539	MILIS	C.E.A.	Edu O	"		
Capt	NX66507	ASH	W.P.	Leg O	"		
Lt	QX40921	VOGLER	R.H.	OO	"		
Chaplain	VX114018	GANLY	D.A.	9 Bn	No		
"	QX25695	CAHILL	B.	25 Bn	"		
"	NX149802	BEATTY	G.A.	61 Bn	"		
AWAITING PUBLICATION IN A & P LISTS OF REMOVAL FROM POSTINGS							
Lt Capt	QX40880	KREBS	A.A.	SC	No	Staff Sch (Aust) CABANIAN (X List)	1/11
Capt	QX35561	CORPE	J.E.	SC(L)	"	HQ Jun Staff Sch Brisbane (X List)	28/9
Lt Capt	QX40835	MULCAHY	E.R.	LO I	"	Resumed regimental duties (9 Aust Inf Bn)	24/11
Lt	QX35526	HENDERSON	P.W.	LO II	"	Resumed regimental duties (61 Aust Inf Bn)	24/11

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.
Lt Capt	QX36569	COCHRANE G.A.	9 Aust Inf Bn	27/9/44	A/SC(L)
Lt	VX100592	JENKINS G.	16 Aust AOD(AACG)	11/12/44	A/OO

16 Dec 44
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Capt
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 16 / Dec / 1944.

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.
				B/fwd	2	2		B/fwd	9	9		B/fwd	15	15	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.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				Stavedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refters			
Draughtsmen				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				NON-SPECIALISTS			
Electricians	2	2		Cooks				Woodturners				CSM	1	1	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics	3	3						CQMS	1	1	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Fpt	1	2	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Dvrs MT	9	12	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Batmen	13	13	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Orderlies	9	9	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Gen duties	3	3	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				Mess cpl	1	1	
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				NON-SPECIALISTS			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Storeman	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	6	5		Water duty	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Hello Operator				Clerks, Supply				Hyg duty	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Services			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	4		Coach Trimmers				AAChD Batmen	3	3	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				AAASC Clerk	1	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				Batman	1	1	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				M/C Ord	-	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Elders				AAAC Med ord	1	1	
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AAIC Clerk	1	-	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				Batman	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	-	1		AAOC Ann Ex'r	1	2	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant				Batman	1	1	
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	2	2		CARRIED FORWARD	9	9		CARRIED FORWARD	15	15		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	6671		

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.

16 Dec 44
Date of Despatch

Capt
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde
Signature of Commander

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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FROM (A) 7 aust inf bde For Action	Originator	Date—Time of Origin 161740L	Office Date Stamp
TO 3 aust div (w) For Information (INFO.) RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde 29 aust inf bde			Message Instructions GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 318 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 91 to 161730L

@ 9 bn @ PIATERAPAIA area @ B coy now at
 678126 @ patrol moving fwd to EAST slope
 of feature contacted enemy posn 680128 @
 patrol withdrew after exchanging fire @
 cas @ own nil @ enemy one killed @
 estimated strength enemy posn 15 @ C coy
 61 bn patrol around EASTERN end ARTY
 RIDGE returned 161700L @ reached 685124
 observed NORTH slopes ARTY Hill @ saw
 mvt but could NOT pin-point pillboxes @
 25 bn @ routine patrolling @ 61 bn @ 17
 pl making recce MAGERIAOPAIA 671105
 track

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Signed [Signature] Capt	Signed		Time Cleared		

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FROM (A)	Originator 7 aust inf bde	Date—Time of Origin 171730L	Office Date Stamp
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For Action

TO	3 aust div (w) For Information (INFO.) RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde 29 aust inf bde	Message Instructions	GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 319 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 92 to 171730L

@ 9 bn @ PIATERAPAIA area @ morning 17 dec
patrol B coy moved to enemy posn razor
back ridge 680128 @ fire exchanged with
approx 10 enemy armed with rifles and
one LMG @ our patrol withdrew @ no
cas @ 150800L patrol 1 ANGAU offr police
boys departed 675112 to recce possible
enemy L of C to NUMA NUMA in squares
6715 and 6815 @ and SOUTH @ 25 bn @
adv party arrived rd hd 170930L @

COMD J.F. 18/12

BN

BN(L) J.F.R. 18/12

SC

SC(L)

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Degree of Priority

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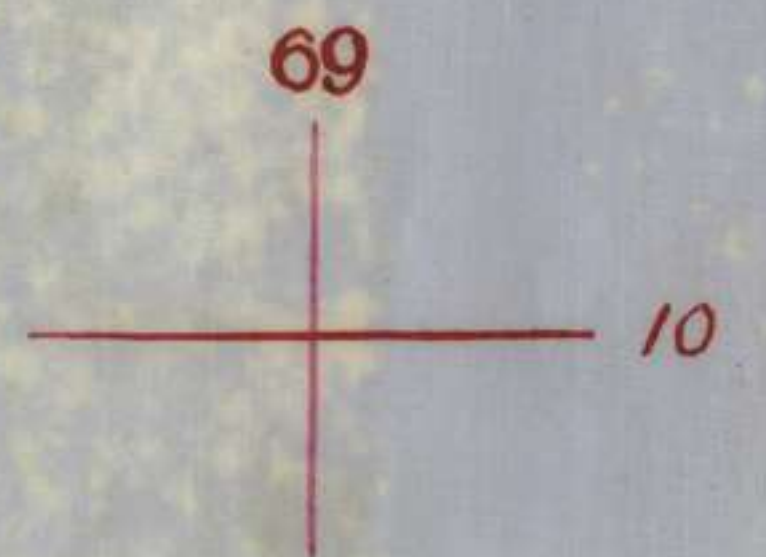
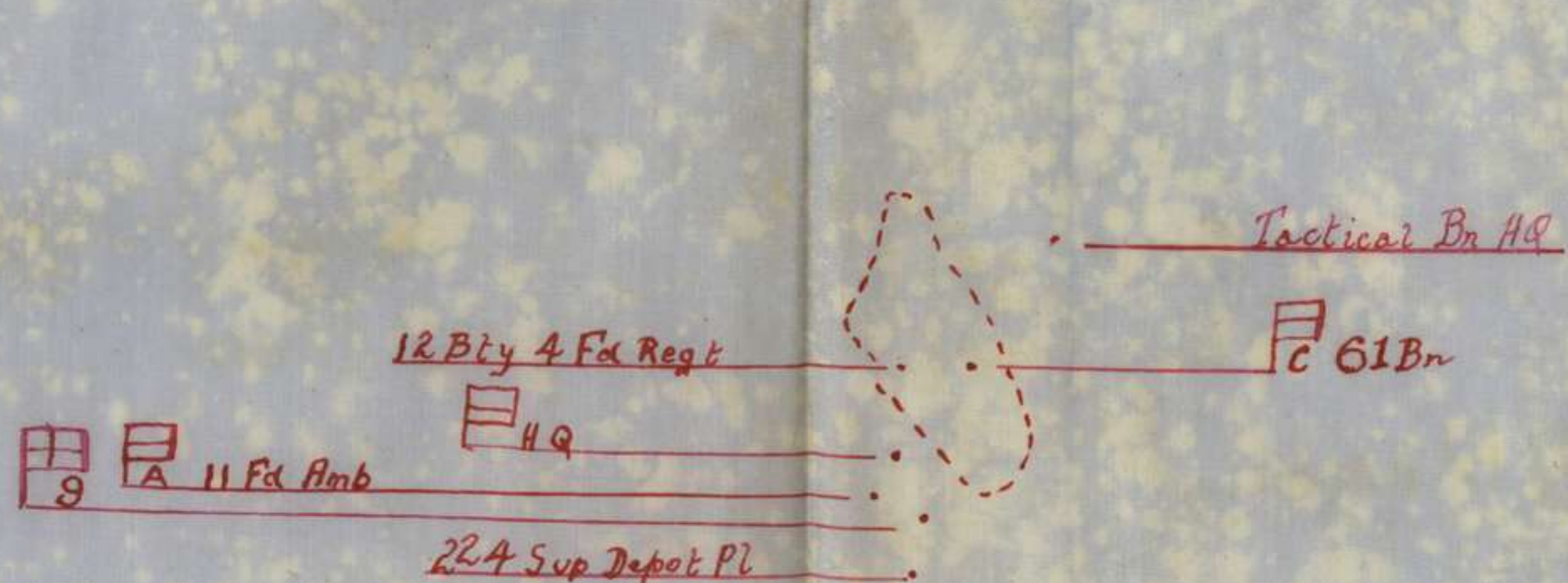
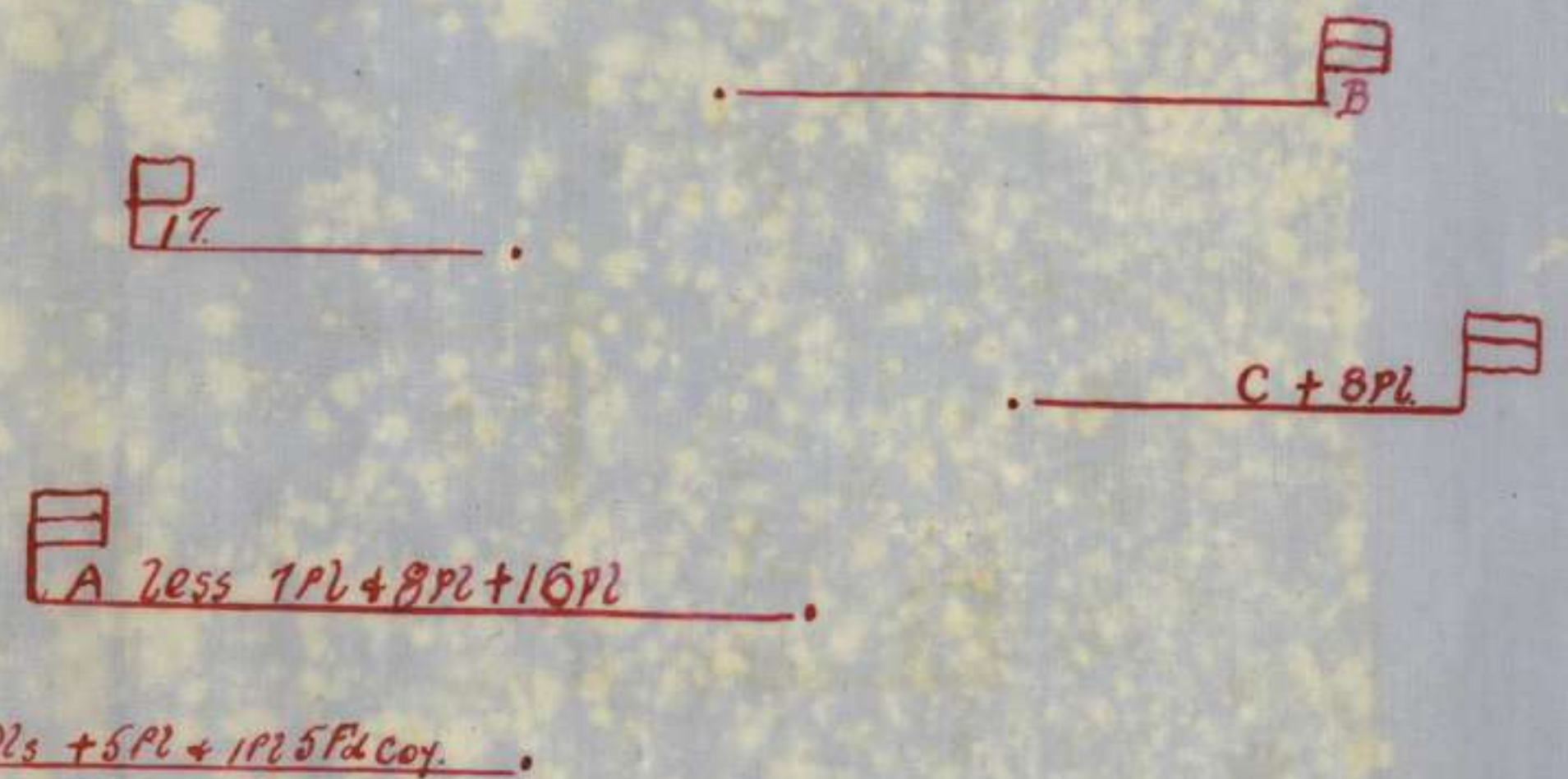
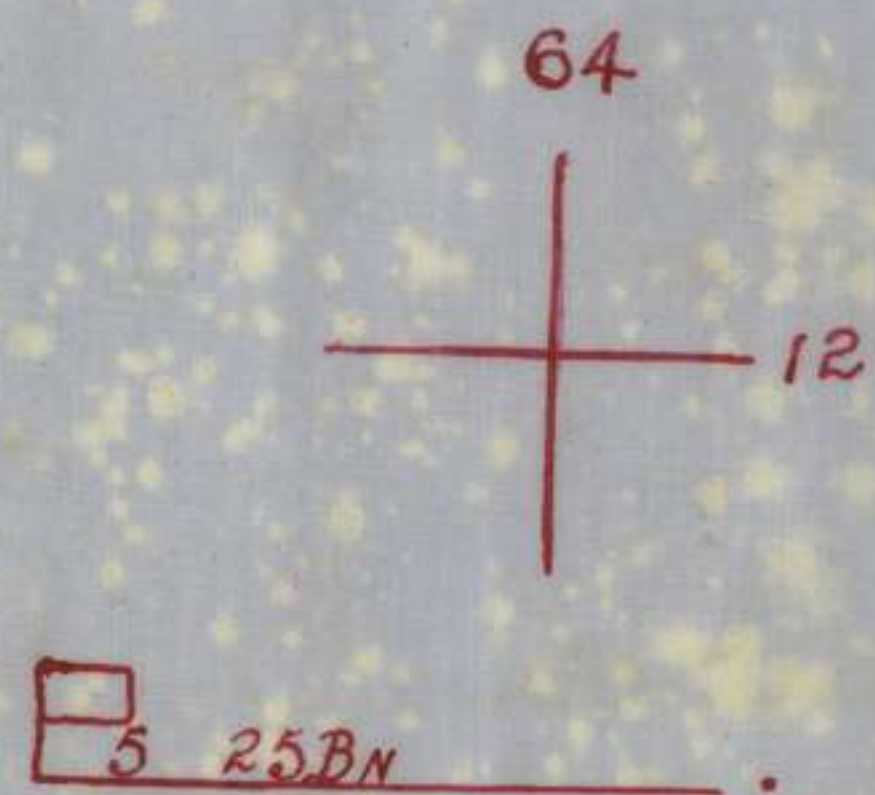
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OVERLAY FOR "KOWARO" 1:25000

DISPOSITIONS 9 BN AREA.

AS AT.

181400L



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Army Form C2136 (Large)
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MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator	Date—Time of Origin
7 aust inf bde		181530 L
For Action		

Office Date Stamp

TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)
3 aust div	
RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde 29 aust inf bde	

Message Instructions **GR**

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 320 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 93 to

181530 L @ 9 bn @ PIATERAPIA area @ C coy
 attacked ARTY RIDGE 180730L @ by 0830
 his objective captured exploitation consolidation
 commenced @ enemy now dug in at NORTH
 base ARTY Hill @ cas @ own 5 killed 12
 wounded incl 4 slightly wounded remaining
 on duty @ enemy 25 killed 2 PW @ 4
 two day old bodies found @ unknown
 number in another location @ large
 number documents captured and following
 weapons @ 1 type 92 JUKI HMG 2 LMG
 1 grenade discharger many rifles

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 enemy hands, this message must be
 sent **IN CIPHER**

Originator's Instructions
 Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
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Time Cleared		

Signed

Signed

Wilson
capt
Immediate

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

Serial No 30/44

Nos 279 - 296

19 Dec 44.

by

Brigadier J. FIELD DSO ED Commanding

7th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

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279. GREEN ENVELOPES

Attention of franking officers is directed to the fact that green envelopes are to be stamped with unit censor stamp but NOT franked. (The contents of a green envelope are NOT subject to regimental censorship).

280. UNIT CENSORSHIP (2 Aust Corps RO G.26/44)

1. Field Censorship reports that unit franking officers are exercising from soldiers' mail matter and comments that do not constitute breaches of security.
2. Letters are subject to censorship for security purposes only. Exercise of censorship for other purposes gives rise to resentment among OR and tends to lead to evasion of censorship.
3. Franking officers must regard as sacrosanct all information they learn from censoring soldiers' letters, and must not divulge such information except in course of duty, or discuss the contents of soldiers' letters amongst themselves. Breaches of this order will entail severe disciplinary action.

(To be republished in unit routine orders)

281. SECURITY - ROUTINE RETURNS (2 Aust Corps RO G.25/44)

1. A number of Army forms provide for "Place" to be stated in routine returns.
2. Units in operational areas will use the words "In the Field" in completing any non-secret returns.

282. CENSORSHIP OF PARCELS (First Aust Army RO G.280/44)

1. Private parcels will not be sent out of the Army area by any means including the Military Forwarding Organisation, unless they have first been censored and franked by an officer.
2. Private parcels include cases, baggage or other packages despatched by individuals, as distinct from official consignments from formations or unit Headquarters. Parcels despatched through postal channels will be censored and franked in the same way as ordinary mail. Those sent through the Military Forwarding Organisation will be handled as follows :-
3. Action by sender
 - (a) The regimental number, rank and name of the sender will be shown on the outside of the parcel, in addition to the addressee's regimental number, rank and name, if applicable. The name of the sender's unit, and the name of the unit to which the parcel is to be sent, will NOT appear on the parcel itself.
 - (b) A stout label will be attached to the parcel by the sender showing his regimental number, rank, name and unit, and also the full address of the individual or unit to which the parcel is consigned.
4. Action by franking Officer
 - (a) Check the contents of the parcel in the presence of the sender, removing and handing to the sender any article which contravenes GRO G.371 of 1944 part C or First Aust Administrative Standing Orders Chapter 14 paras 10, 11, 19 and 20.
 - (b) Check that the correct procedure has been observed by the sender in addressing the parcel.
 - (c) Frank the parcel by signing on the outside and pass it to the unit censor.
5. Action by Unit Censor
 - (a) Ensure that the franking officer's signature is legible before impressing the unit censor stamp on the parcel.

(b) Arrange for the parcel to be forwarded through Unit channels to the MFO.

Private parcels despatched through the Military Forwarding Organisation, as well as by post, are liable to censorship check by Base Censor. Disciplinary action will be taken if breaches are discovered.

Sumner Maj
BM 7 Aust Inf Bde

'A & Q'

283. ADMINISTRATION OF OATHS BY OFFICERS

1. Attention is directed to GRO A.452/44, providing for the administration of oaths, taking of affidavits and declarations, and attestation of the execution of documents by an officer not below the rank of captain.

2. The form adopted will be as follows.

If Captain John James SMITH is administering the oath on 20 Dec 44 he will write :

"Taken (or declared etc, as the case may be) this twentieth day of December 1944

Before me

(Sgd) J.J.SMITH

JOHN JAMES SMITH, CAPTAIN

An officer of the Australian Military Forces".

The unit or appointment of the officer, and the place of signature, will not be shown.

284. BADGES OF RANK - OFFICERS

It is desired that as metal badges of rank become available, officers commence wearing green epaulets (see this HQ C2/212 of 2 Dec 44) at all times with JG clothing.

285. ROAD MAINTENANCE

Little, if any, engineer assistance can be expected for the maintenance of roads in 7 Aust Inf Bde area. Road maintenance will therefore become a unit responsibility as follows :-

- 61 Aust Inf Bn, Perimeter Rd to Whitcomb Trail
Whitcomb Trail to 11 Aust Fd Amb lines
- 11 Aust Fd Amb Craig Rd from unit lines to Piva Rd
- 25 Aust Inf Bn Perimeter Rd from Whitcomb Trail to Memorial Park.
(9 Aust Inf Bn when relief completed)

286. SIGNAL CABLE

Considerable quantities of cable which was laid between unit areas by American units is NOT now in use. Units will take action to recover all unused cable throughout their areas and return for salvage through signal channels.

287. INCOME TAX - MEMBERS WITH DEPENDANTS RESIDENT OVERSEAS (GRO F.431/44)

- 1. The Income Tax Assessment Act provides for rebates of tax in respect of a taxpayer's dependants resident in Australia.
- 2. Where a member of the AMF has married while serving overseas, rebates may be claimed in respect of his wife, and of any children of the marriage, even if they are residing overseas. Such persons are, for this purpose, deemed to be domiciled in Australia.
- 3. No rebate will be allowed in respect of other dependants residing outside Australia.

(To be republished in unit routine orders)

287. PRIVATE COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING CASUALTIES (GRO A.437/44)

- 1. Private cables and telegrams reporting battle or other casualties are prohibited. In letters, no reference is to be made to any such casualty until after a period of one month from the date of its occurrence.
- 2. The prohibition and restriction imposed by para 1 hereof are not applicable to communications sent by a member relative to a casualty sustained by himself.

3. This order has been dictated by motives of consideration for the feelings of the relatives of members of the forces who, in many instances, have been caused unnecessary suffering and suspense through information contained in private correspondence from operational areas and which, in some cases, has proved to be inaccurate.

(To be republished in unit routine orders)

288. CARE OF AAB 83

1. A member will take every possible care to prevent the loss, destruction or defacement of his AAB 83. Failure to take such care will be regarded as a serious offence and punished accordingly.

2. Any member losing his AAB 83 will (unless the CO is satisfied that the loss was not due to any negligence on the part of the member) be charged under AA 24(2) (or, in the case of officers, under AA 40), the fact of loss being sufficient to found a charge of "losing by neglect public property issued to him for his use" (or of "neglect to the prejudice", as the case may be) and to justify a conviction on such charge in the absence of a satisfactory explanation.

289. RESALE OF CANTEEN GOODS - PROHIBITION OF (First Aust Army RO Q.283/44)

The resale (except by messes and unit canteens) of any article or commodity of any nature originally purchased from Australian Army Canteen Services is prohibited.

(To be republished in unit routine orders)

290. CLEARING OF TREES (2 Aust Corps RO Q.18/44)

1. Numbers of trees, appearing outwardly sound, are in a dangerous condition due to termite and are liable to fall during conditions of wind or heavy rain.

2. Units which consider that any trees directly menace tents or buildings in their area will contact HQ 2 Aust Corps to obtain Forestry advice. Assistance in felling large trees may be obtained on application to HQ 2 Aust Corps.

291. PACKING MATERIALS BEER BOTTLES (3 Aust Div RO 503/44)

1. Straw and cardboard envelopes used as packing materials for bottles of beer are in very short supply.

2. All such envelopes will be preserved and returned to Salvage, with empty bottles, cases and lids.

292. 3 AUST RETURNED STORES DEPOT (3 Aust Div RO 507/44)

1. Units under command 7 Aust Inf Bde are advised that this RSD opens for receipt of stores on Monday 18 Dec 44.

2. The provision of First Aust Army Orders Chapter 26 para 7 will be strictly observed, and failure by units to comply with this instruction may result in the RSD refusing to accept stores.

3. No stores will be returned to RSD without approval of ADOS 3 Aust Div.

4. Units under command will arrange returns through Bde Ordnance Officer.

293. BELTS SAM BROWNE (3 Aust Div RO 481/44)

Sam Browne belts will not be worn in this area.

294. LEAVE, DISCHARGE ON COMPASSIONATE GROUNDS (3 Aust Div RO 484/44)

Units are again reminded that Investigation Reports forwarded by L of C Areas, relative to transfer, leave or discharge, are confidential documents, the contents of which will not be divulged to applicants or interested parties.

295. REGIMENTAL TRUST FUND - HQ 7 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

Statement for period October to November 1944

Credit balance 30 Sep 44 £23:12: 0

Receipts during period

Distribution of profits from Central Canteen Fund

Aug 44 £4:14: 0

Sep 44 5: 1: 4

9:16: 1

33: 8: 1

Expenditure during period

NIL

Credit balance to 30 November 1944 33: 8: 1

(Sgd) J.M.FINTER Lt)

G. McKEW Lt) Auditors

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(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

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TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
	9 auct div RAA 5 auct div 11 auct inf bde 29 auct inf bde		

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For Action

TO

9 aust inf bn

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

copies War Diary (3)

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CONFIDENTIAL (.)

for lt col MATTHEWS

from brig

FIELD (.)

message

from 3 div

received as follows (.)

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of aust inf

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J. M. Merton
Maj

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7 aust inf bde

201730 L

For Action

TO

3 aust div

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

RAA 3 aust div
11 aust inf bde
29 aust inf bde

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@ relief of 9 bn by 25 bn in progress @ new locations will be rendered in progressive LOCSTATS @ otherwise nothing to report

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Wireless

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Signed

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Capt

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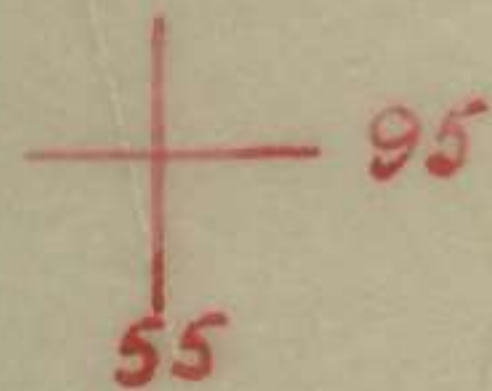
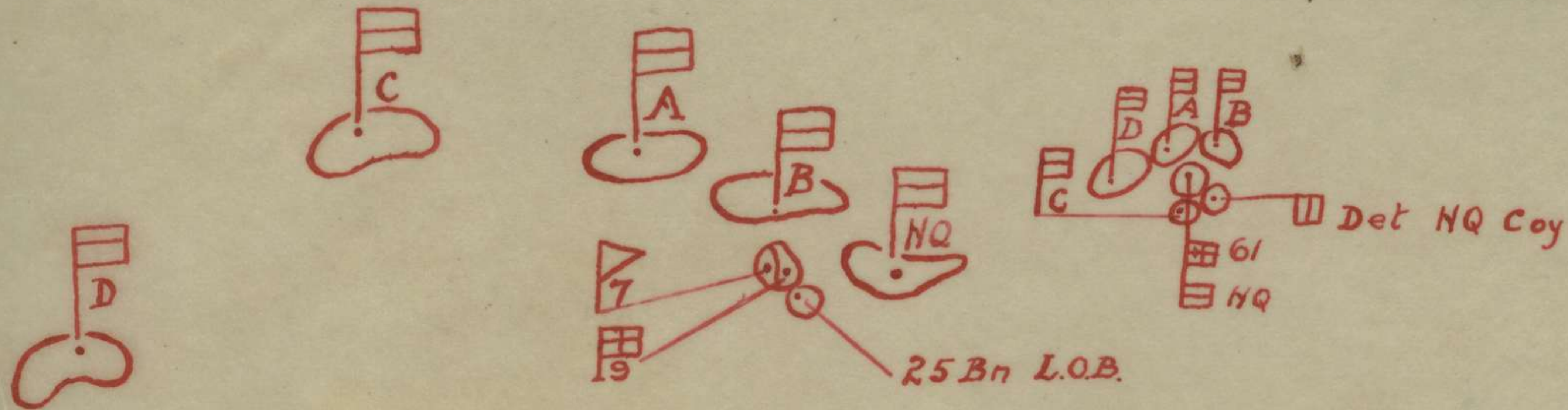
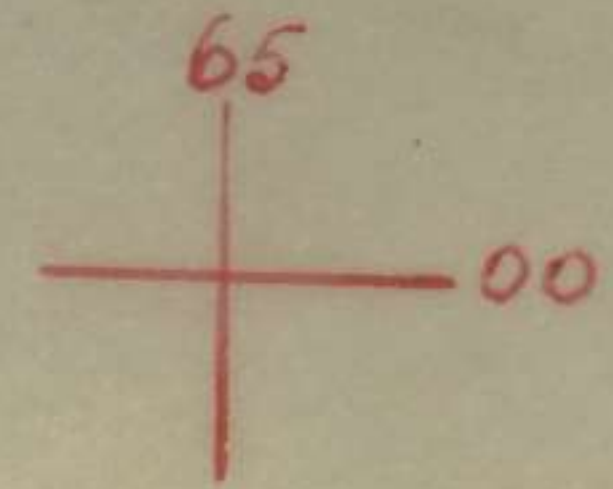
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Torokina Perimeter Dispositions

as at
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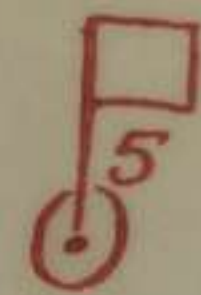
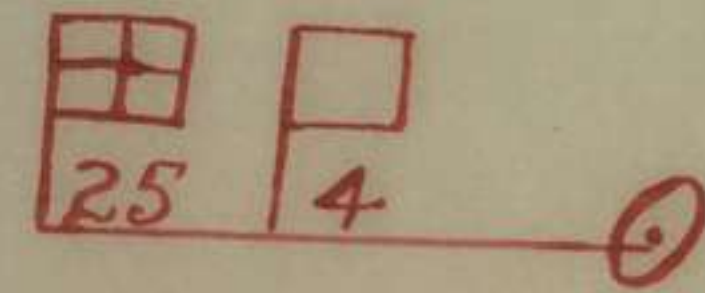
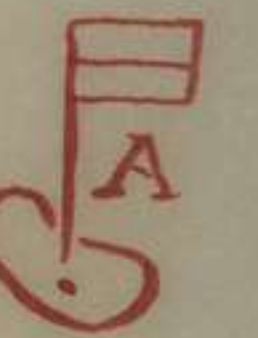
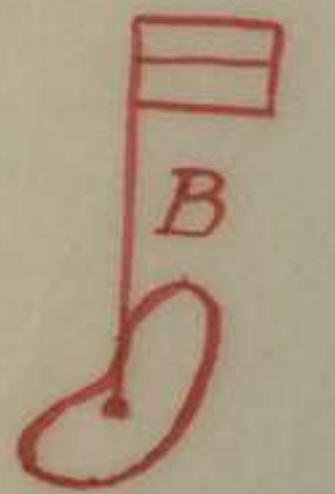
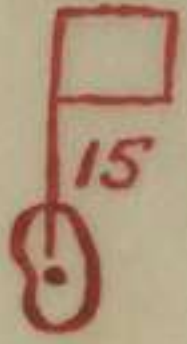


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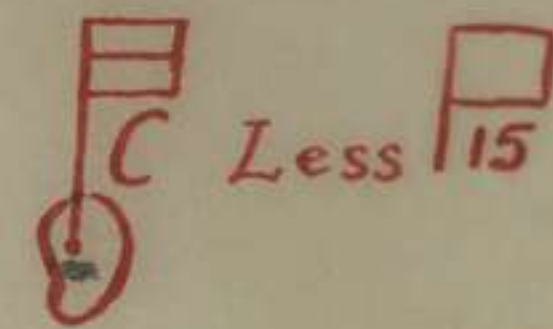
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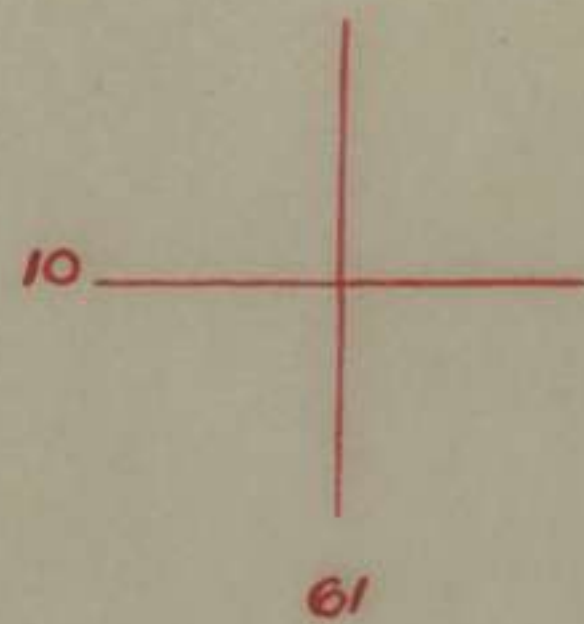
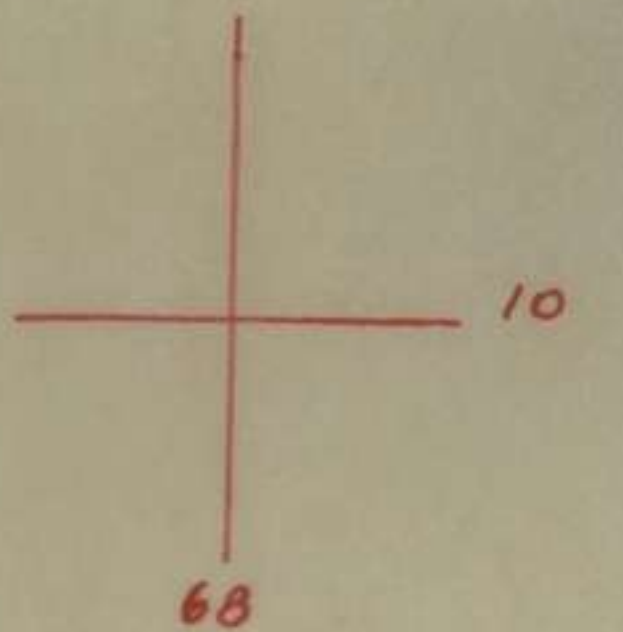
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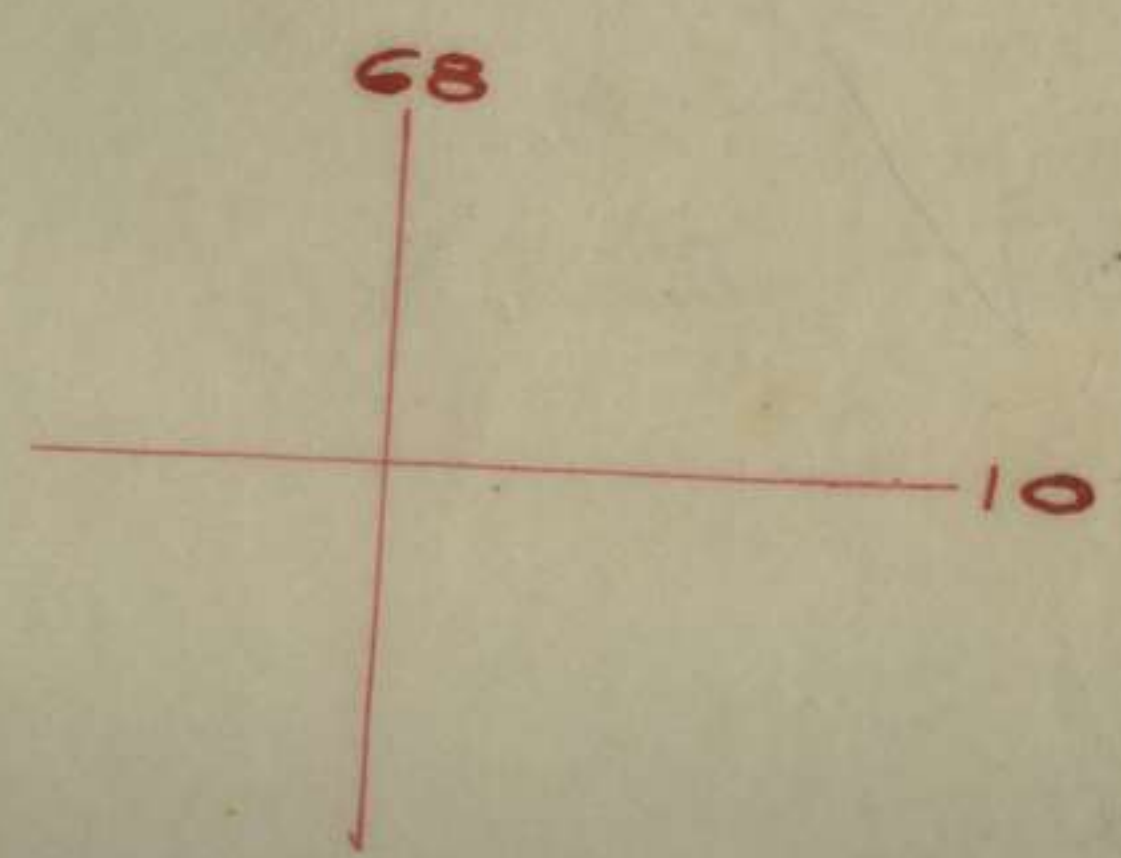
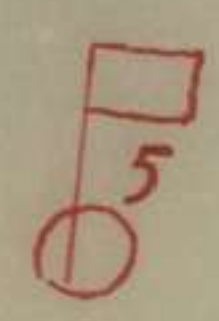
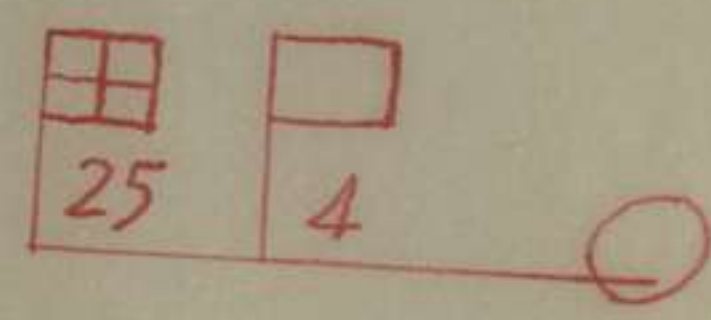
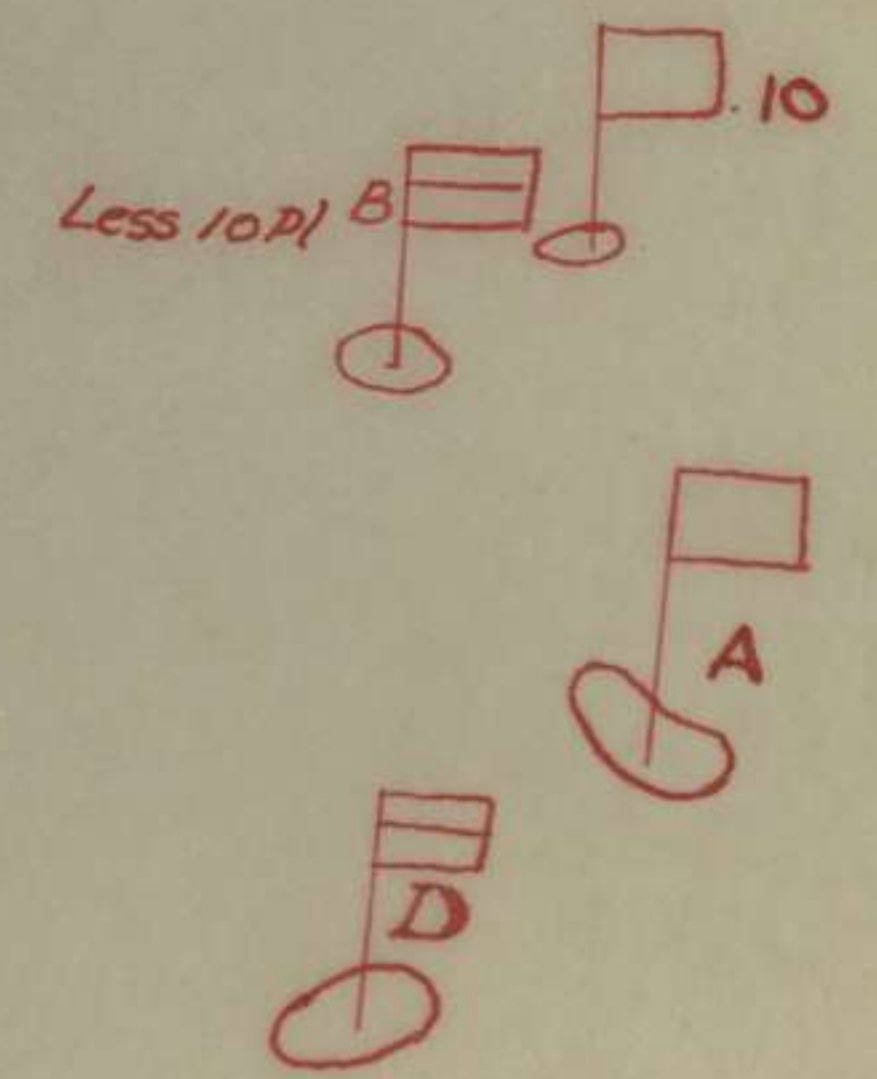
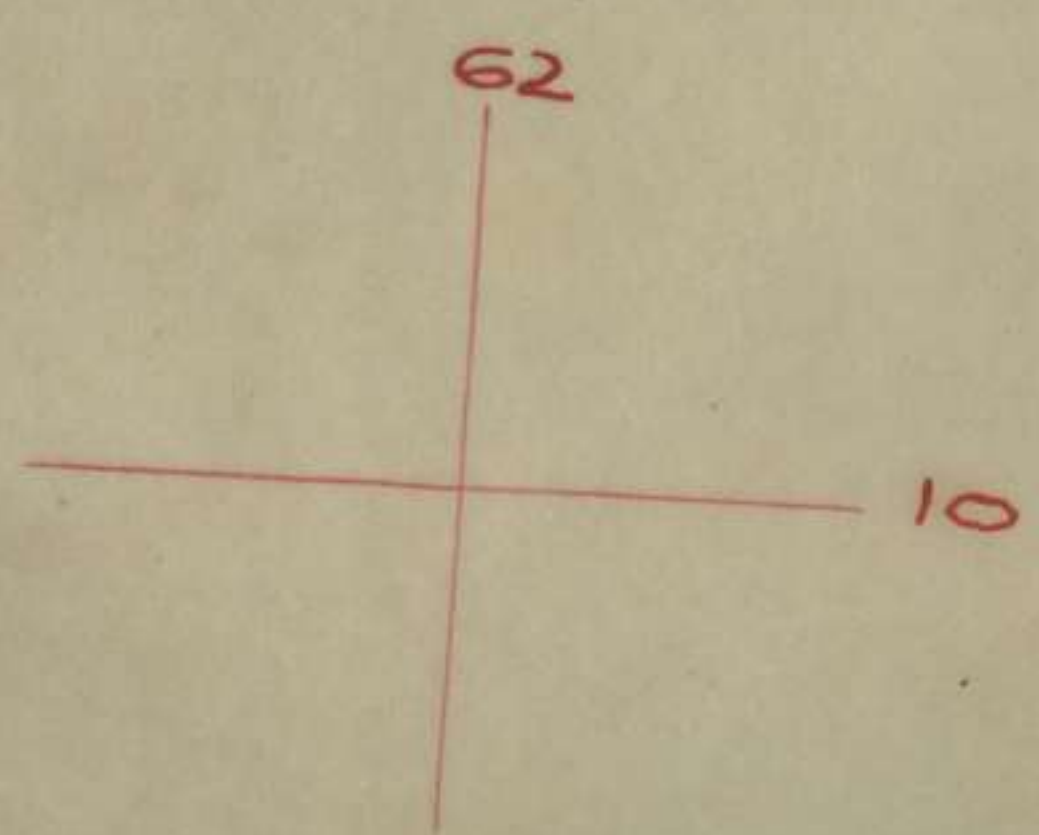
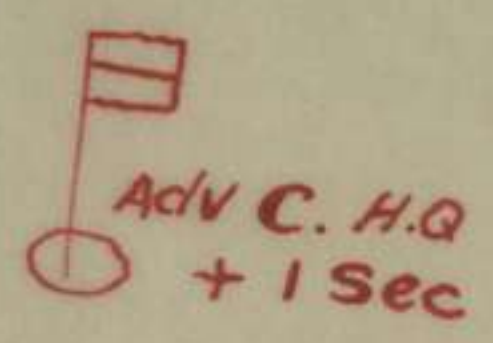
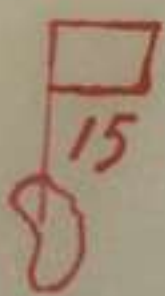
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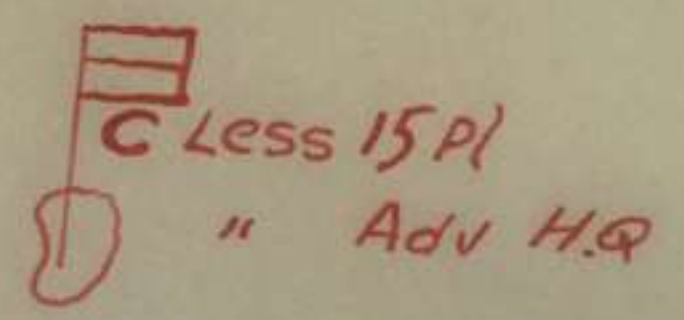
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Overlay for KOWARO 1:25000
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7 AUST INF BDE ADMINISTRATION INSTRUCTION No 4

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
22 Dec 44.

Brigade LOB Area

General

- 1. It is proposed to concentrate the LOB personnel and surplus stores of 7 Aust Inf Bde in one area.
The area allotted by 3 Aust Div is shown on appendix 'A' attached and, as indicated, provides for separate areas for each battalion.
The layout will be strictly in accordance with the attached sketch plan shown in appendix 'A'.

Scale of Buildings

- 2. (a) Each battalion one stores hut 60' x 30' (see sketch of standard design, appendix 'B')
one mess hut 40' x 17'
- (b) Huts will be constructed by battalions and brigade troops of bush timber uprights, sawn timber, wire netting and malthoid roof. Arc mesh will be available for walls.
Some timber may be available at a later date for construction of racks and bins within buildings.
- (c) Battalions and other units concerned will be advised when their respective areas will be occupied.
- (d) Work by units on buildings will begin at once.

Responsibility for Safeguarding of Stores

- 3. Each unit will be responsible for ensuring the safe custody and storage of unit property. It will ensure that any equipment, blankets, clothing etc which may require it, will be aired and repaired as necessary.

Administration

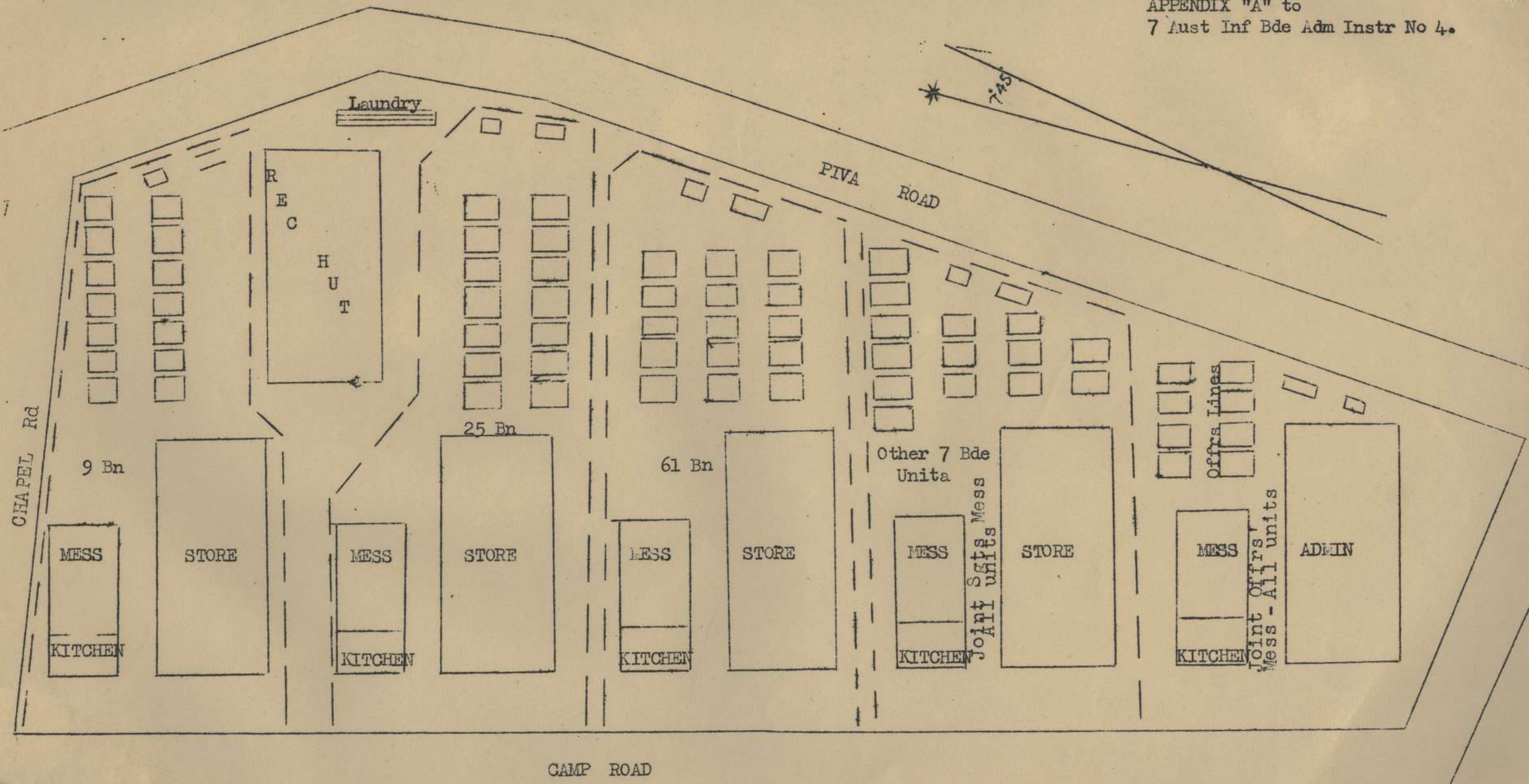
- 4. Discipline The senior combatant officer of all LOB personnel will be responsible for local administration of discipline.

Records

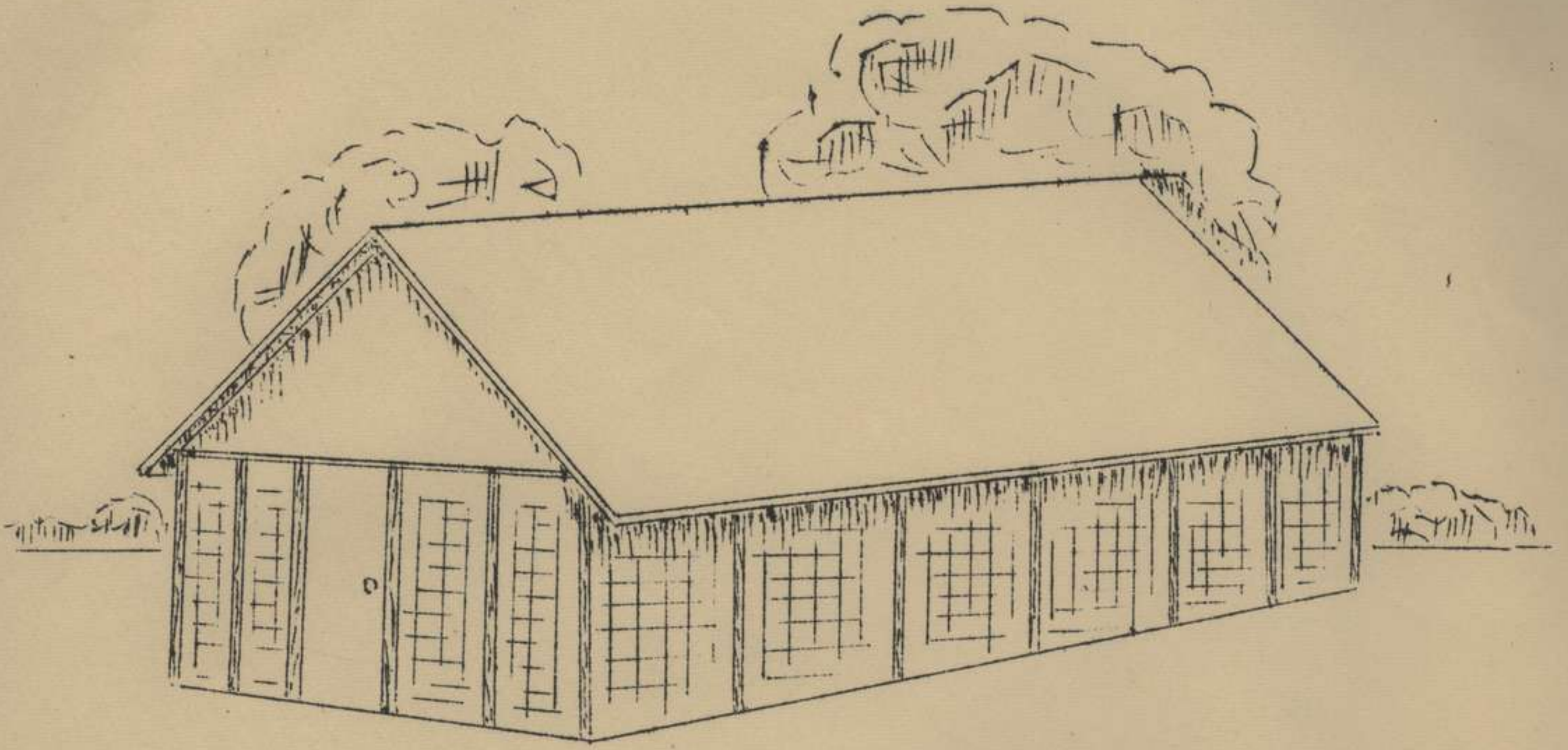
- 5. LOB personnel will be accounted for by HQ of units and will NOT render separate returns.

[Handwritten Signature]
 Capt
 for Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde

Distribution : List C plus
 Serials 11, 12, 17,
 18, 20.

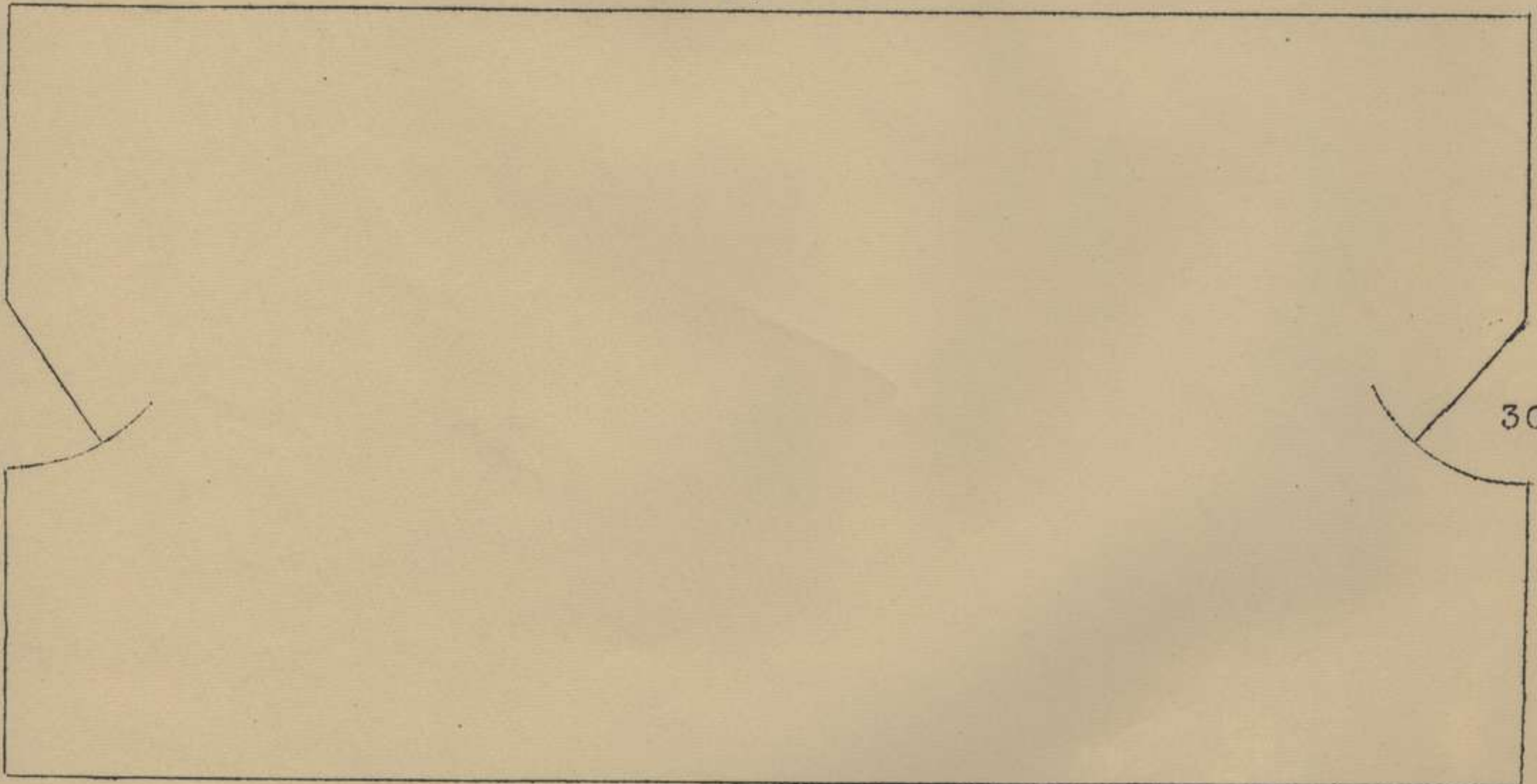


SCALE - 1" to 33.3 yds



Bush Timber Uprights
Sawn Timber
Malthoid Roof
Arc Mesh Walls

60'



30'

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(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

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TO	3 aust div (w) For Information (INFO.) RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde 29 aust inf bde	Message Instructions	GR
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25 bn @ following bombing and arty 12 pl B coy
cleared feature 681127 at 220930 @ 10 pl moved
on and came under by fire @ patrolling in
progress @ cas @ own 3 slightly wounded ~~incl~~
~~missing forward down @ bt in @~~

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless

If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER

Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority

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capt

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

52 / 44 (Serial No.)

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23 Dec /1944 (Unit)

W.E. II / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's. 66 + OFFRS. - O.R's. - ATT. BY W.E.
(Tropical)

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	Brigadiers*					
	1		1	Lieut.-Colonels					
	1	2	11	Majors					
	1	3	8	Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.		N I L			
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
	3	5	21						

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.P.	**	TOTAL.
A. A Class	21									21
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.
QX38334	Lt	WOOD L.A.	2/1 Aust Con Depot	22/12/44	Ceases to be Amenities Offr
					(after 24 days recreational leave)
		A & P List 59			

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 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Unit

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 23/Dec/1944 (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 Brig	TX2002	FIELD	J.	Comd	Yes		
Capt Maj	VX48010	SUMMERTON	J.	BM	"		
Capt	WX6440	ROBSON	H.G.	BM(L)	"		
Lt Capt	NX31088	PRENTICE	W.T.	SC	"		
Capt	VX21054	TIMSON	T.F.	IO	"		
Lt	QX35749	BROWN	A.R.	LO I	"		
Lt	QX40831	HAMMOND	E.M.	LO II	"		
Lt	NX133482	RUDD	L.J.	LO III	"		
Lt	NX134323	McKEW	O.D.B.	20	"		
Lt Capt	QX45277	PEAKE	W.A.	BASCO	"		
Lt	NX127324	MORE	K.G.	Hyg O	"		
Lt	VX134559	MILLS	C.E.A.	Educ O	"		
Capt	NX66507	ASH	W.F.	Leg O	"		
Lt	QX40921	VOGLER	R.H.	00	No	24 days rec leave	22/12
Chaplain	VX114018	GANLY	D.A.	9 Bn	No		
"	QX25695	CAHILL	B.	25 Bn	"		
"	NX149802	BEATTY	G.A.	61 Bn	"		
AWAITING PUBLICATION IN A & P LISTS OF REMOVAL FROM POSTINGS							
Lt Capt	QX40880	KREBS	A.A.	SC	No	Staff Sch(Aust) CABARLAH (X list)	1/11
Capt	QX35561	CORPE	J.E.	SC(L)	"	IHQ Jun Staff Sch BRISBANE (X list)	28/9
Lt Capt	QX40835	MULCAHY	E.R.	LO I	"	Resumed regtl duties (9 Aust Inf Bn)	24/11
Lt	QX35526	HENDERSON	P.W.	LO II	"	Resumed regtl duties	

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.
Lt Capt	QX36569	COCHRANE G.A.	9 Aust Inf Bn	27/9/44	A/SC(L)

23 Dec 44
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Capt
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 23 / Dec / 1944.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.) B/fwd	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.) B/fwd	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.) B/fwd	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.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				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Soughriders			
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)				By. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)	2	2		Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				NON-SPECIALISTS			
Electricians				Cooks	3	3		Woodturners				CSM	1	1	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								CQMS	1	1	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Tpt	1	1	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Dvrs MT	9	18	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Batmen	13	13	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Orderlies	9	9	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Gen duties	3	3	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				Mess cpl	1	1	
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Storesmen	1	1	
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Water duty	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	6	5		Hyg duty	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Services			
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				AA ChD Batmen	3	3	
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	4		Coach Trimmers				dvrs			
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				AASC Clerk	1	1	
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				Batman	1	1	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				W/C rd	-	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				AAMC Med ordl	1	1	
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				AAIC Clerk	1	-	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics	1			Batman	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AAOC Ann Ex'ry	1	2	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				Batman	1	1	
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	2	2		CARRIED FORWARD	9	9		CARRIED FORWARD	15	15		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	66	71	* *

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.

23 Dec 44
Date of Despatch

Capt
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde
Signature of Commander

DETAILS OF NCOs

Trade	Rank	WE	PS	Surp	Def	Reinfts
Draughtsmen topo	Cpl	1	1			
Int duties	S sjt	1	1			
"	Cpl	1	1			
Clerks	WO II	1	1			
"	Sjt	2	2			
"	Cpl	1	-		1	
Cooks	Cpl	1	2	1		
Tpt	Sjt	1	1			
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1			
Gen duties	Cpl	1	-			1 (APW.3011 s mitted for p motion)
Messcpl	Cpl	1	-			1 as above
CSM	WO II	1	1			
CQMS	S sjt	1	1			
Services						
ASC Clerk	Cpl	1	1			
AAMC Clerk Med ord	Cpl	1	1			
AALC Clerk	Cpl	1	-		1	
AAOC Amn examiner	S sjt	-	1	1		
"	Sjt	1	-		1	
"	Cpl	-	1	1		
		18	16	3	5	

SURPLUS PERSONNEL

Army No.	Rank	Name	Trade	Med class	Special q
QX55314	Pte	PLATT C.R.		A1	M/C Ord
QX57359	L cpl	SCHLORT F.G.	Dvr Mech TGI III	A1	
VX117349	Cpl	BEDGOOD G.K.		A1	Amn exami
Q99208	Pte	STEPHENS H.J.		A1	Dvr MT
QX59391	"	SMITH D.J.		A1	"
QX54350	"	MIGATE P.H.		A1	"
QX50268	"	JEFFERIES S.H.		A1	"

ATTACHED BY W.R.

Total of columns
 marked * in above
 with columns 4 and 5
 and 1 and 2 of Part
 A of Form W.3000

Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch

appx 62(5)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. 114/125

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

7 aust inf bde

23 1530 L

23 XI 44

For Action

TO 9 aust inf bn 25 aust inf bn 61 aust inf bn 5 aust
fd coy 20 pl B coy 2/1 aust 2d regt 7 aust inf bde
sig sec 224 aust sup dep pl 227 aust sup dep pl

(re) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions GR

B pl 158 aust gen tpt coy 11 aust fd amb 113 aust
bde ord fd pk 113 aust bde wksp 241 aust IAD GSN

ORIGINATOR'S No.

01303 RESTRICTED (.) commander and staff HQ 7 aust inf
bde wish all officers and men in 7 aust inf bde gp a
merry christmas and a happy new year all informed

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN
by any means except

If liable to be intercepted or fall into
enemy hands, this message must be
sent IN CIPHER

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
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THI or TOR

1630

Time Cleared

Signed

J. M. Merton

Wireless

Ma J

Signed

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(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

7 aust inf bde

231738L

For Action

TO

3 aust div

(w) For Information (INFO.)

RAA 3 aust div
11 aust inf bde
29 aust inf bde

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 330 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 98 to 231730L

@ 25 br @ PIATERAPIA area @ A coy patrol
fired on at 686122 at 231000 L @ cas @ own
1 offr killed @ enemy 1 killed @ enemy
posns 681128 engaged with mortars @
listening post heard screams @ 9 br
61 br nothing to report

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN
by any means { except } Wireless

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enemy hands, this message must be
sent IN CIPHER

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time System Op
THI or TOR

Signed

Signed

M. S. [Signature]
Capt

Immediate

Time Cleared

appx 64

Army Form C2136 (Large)
(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) 7 aust inf bde	Originator	Date—Time of Origin 24 1750 L	Office Date Stamp
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For Action

TO 3 aust div	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions	GR
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RAA 3 aust div
11 aust inf bde
29 aust inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 331 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 99 to 241730L
 @ 25 bw @ PIATERAPAIA area @ 232035L and
 240315L enemy attempted infiltrate B coy
 posn 680127 @ retired in face of LMG
 grenades @ cas @ own nil @ enemy
 unknown @ patrolling during day
 heard chopping 691127 - signs of enemy
 patrolling along PEARL RIDGE to 691124
 sighted 12 enemy on ridge approx
 683127 and heard chopping 685127
 @ 9 bw 61 bw @ nothing to report

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			THI or TOR		
Signed	Signed D. M. Low Capt		Time Cleared		

25 Dec 44.

Ref map : BOUGAINVILLE one in to one ml

INFORM1. Enemy

- (a) There has been no contact with the enemy in the HANEMO sector since 17 Nov 44 when US tps attacked approx 30 Japs in village at 866865. 23 members of the enemy force were reported killed; the remainder withdrew.
- (b) Since 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn relieved US tps in this area the only indications of enemy have been reports of Jap footprints to east of Block X on 25 and 26 Nov 44 and a track believed made by a Jap one ml SE of PAIKEN (717011) on 22 Dec 44.

2. Own Tps

- (a) Dispositions of B tp 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn are as shown in Appx A att.
- (b) Our tps have carried out a vigorous patrolling policy since taking over on 24 Nov 44.

INTENTION

- 3. 7 Aust Inf Bde will relieve B tp 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn in HANEMO sector.

METHOD4. Tps

- (a) One coy 61 Aust Inf Bn with under comd one det 11 Aust Pd Amb.
- (b) The total number of pers fwd of jeep head in the HANEMO sector will be restricted to 120.

5. Area of responsibility

As shown in Appx A.

6. Role

- (a) Primary role of coy is to hold present 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn posns as firm bases.
- (b) Coy will patrol area shown in Appx A. Patrols will not proceed outside the area laid down except on orders from this HQ.
- (c) At no time will more than one pl operate outside firm bases. This instr may be varied at discretion local comd and then only in case of emergency - such action will be reported by swiftest means to this HQ.
- (d) Action on encounter with enemy ambushes or patrols will, at all times, be immediate and vigorous; but deliberate attacks on enemy forces in prepared posns will not be made without ref to HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde.

7. Date of Relief

Relief will commence on 26 Dec 44 and be completed as soon as practicable thereafter.

8. Patrol Reports

Patrol reports and track going maps will be fwded to this HQ soonest practicable.

9. Capture of PW

- (a) Little info is available of the enemy in this sector and the securing of PW is of utmost importance.
- (b) Advice of capture of PW will be sent to this HQ by sig of IMMEDIATE priority. This sig will give unit identification if known and estimated time of arrival at jeep head.
- (c) Any interrogation, in fwd area, of PW, will be limited to questions of immediate local tac value.

10. Surrender Pamphlets

- (a) All ranks will be warned of the likelihood of deserters approaching our tps with or without surrender leaflets. The form and the purpose of such leaflets will be explained to all ranks and the fact that safe conduct is granted by them will be impressed and strictly respected.
- (b) Every precaution will be taken against the possibility of traps being set by enemy tps posing as deserters.

ADM

11. Res

- (a) Present res in this sector, less 2 in mortar amm, is sufficient for 14 days for one inf coy. Estimated daily expenditure rate of amm, on which res is based is shown in Appx B att.
- (b) Res 2in mortar amm will be sent fwd to rd head under arrangements HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde thence by native portorage on priority arranged by 61 Aust Inf Bn.

12. Daily Maint

To rd head by arrangement HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde with HQ 3 Aust Div thence by native carrs under unit arrangements.

13. Natives

77 available for daily maint.

14. Med

- (a) Det 11 Aust Pd Amb at present in area will come under comd 61 Aust Inf Bn on relief.
- (b) Evac of cas will be by native carr to rd head thence by mot amb to 109 Aust CCS under arrangements HQ 3 Aust Div.

15. PW

Under unit escort to rd head thence by pers 3 Aust Div Pro Coy.

16. Exchange of gear

As mutually arranged between comds and with SC.

INTERCOMM

17. Line

- (a) Existing 2/8 Aust Cde Sqn line will be linked to 61 Aust Inf Bn switchboard.
- (b) Telephone and fullerphone will be installed.
- (c) Line will be maintained from bn HQ to rd head by Sigs 3 Aust Div. All queries regarding this will be referred to OC 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec.

18. Wireless

- (a) One No 11 set fwd comd post, one at HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde. Rearward messages will be passed direct from HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde to the addressee by normal means.

(b) No 11 set at present in area will be taken over by 61 Aust Inf Bn.

19. Pigeons

Pigeons are available from loft based at HQ 3 Aust Div. All requirements for this type of intercom will be referred to OC 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec, and birds will be fided as required under arrangements that sec.

20. Code Word

Completion of relief will be signalled :-

SWAGMAN hrs dec 44.

ACKNOWLEDGE

Signed at *2030* hrs

Method of Issue : LO & DRIS

J. Summerton

Maj
BN 7 Aust Inf Bde

<u>Distribution</u>	<u>Copy No</u>
61 Aust Inf Bn	1
7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	2
11 Aust Fd Amb	3
File	4
War Diary	5 - 7
<u>For Infm</u>	
9 Aust Inf Bn	8
25 Aust Inf Bn	9

SECRET

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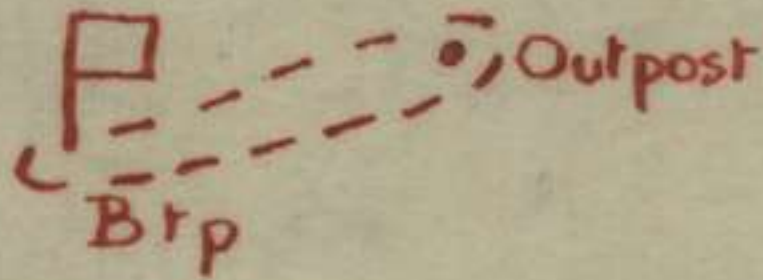
APPX A to 7 Aust Inf Bde
OO N°4
of 25 Dec 44

overlay showing

2/8 AUST CDO SQN AREA of RESPONSIBILITY

overlay to

TOROKINA VITO MOTUPENA PT PURIATA R
sheets 12 to 1 mile


Brp Outpost

80

90 +

incl 296#e

SECRET

Copy No 6

Appx B to 7 Aust Inf Bde OO No 4
of 25 Dec 44

ESTIMATED DAILY EXPENDITURE
OF AMM

Inf Amm

(a)	.303 in (carton packed)	120 rounds
(b)	.303 in (charger packed)	100 rounds
(c)	SMG 9mm	150 rounds
(d)	1 in sig (various colours)	4 rounds
(e)	Grenades 36W 4 sec	10 rounds
(f)	Grenades 36W 7 sec	5 rounds
(g)	2in mortar	
	HE	6 rounds
	Smoke	2 rounds
	Star	1 round

Appendix 66

Army Form C2136 (Large)
(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator 3 AUST DIV	Date—Time of Origin 251130	Office Date Stamp
For Action 7 AUST INF BDE			Message Instructions GR
TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)		

ORIGINATOR'S No.

Q611 CONFIDENTIAL (.) FIRST 7 aust inf bde will be responsible for fostering first flight 15 aust inf bde ETA TOROKINA 28 dec per DUNTROON (.) total 1015 all ranks as follows (.) HQ 15 aust inf bde 60 15 aust inf bde sigs 46 det 5 aust div pro coy 17 14 pl 2/1 gd regt 344 15 fd amb 10 24 aust inf bn 78 57/60 aust inf bn 72 58/59 aust inf bn 707 (.) biv areas available in areas vacated by 129 US regt for above less pro(.) actual locations will be advised to 7 a ust inf bde on ground 26 dec (.) det 5 a ust div pro coy will be fostered and accomodated by HQ 3 aust div pro coy

THIRD AASC 3 aust d iv and 3 aus t div reception camp will assist with sup of water as required by 7 aust inf bde (.) 3 aust div sal unit will make available 44 gal drums for storage of water etc as demanded by 7 aust inf bde (.) RAE 3 a ust div will leave scale A stores to 7 aust inf bde for distribution to 15 aust inf bde sites (.) AASC 3 aust div will provide on demand by 7 aust inf bde 3 days rations and expense stores to be available on biv site on arrival of tps subsequent sups as arranged by AASC 3 aust div (.)

FORTH pending discharge 15 aust inf bde vehs following will be provide on loan to 15 aust inf bde with drivers trucks half ton 4x4 AASC 3 aust div quantity 3 SO 3 aust div quantity 1 for

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			Time Cleared		

MESSAGE FORM

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Call

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Priority

Transmission Instructions

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FROM

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

(A)

For Action

TO

(to) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

comd trucks 3 ton 4x4 gs AASC 3 aust div quantity 4 (.)

FIFTH the provisions of 3 a ust div adm instn 34/44 will be observed

(.) 7 aust inf bde will be responsible for provision of guides

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Signed

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10 x 990

Overlay for KOWARO 1:25000
DISPOSNS 25 Bn. Area as at 25/600L.

15

15cc
4 pl.

10
B
Less 10 pl.
A
D

25 4
Less 1.5cc

62
10

5

68
10

100th 4 Fd Regt.

C
Less 15 pl.

appx 68

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Transmission Instructions

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

Office Date Stamp

FROM
(A)

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

7 aust inf bde

25 1734L

For Action

TO

3 aust div

Message Instructions

GR

(w) For Information (INFO.)

RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde
29 aust inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 332 CONFIDENTIAL © SITREP 100 to 25 1730 L O

nothing to report

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by any means { except } Wireless

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enemy hands, this message must be
sent **IN CIPHER**

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Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
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Time Cleared		

Signed

Signed

[Signature]
Capt

Immediate

as at 2359 hrs 25 Dec 44

veh sign - KOALA over BOOMERANG
ref maps TOROKINA 1:63000 KOWARO 1:25000

appx 169

Serial No	Arm of Service	War Office Serial No	Unit	Veh No	Ref Map	Location	Remarks
1	HQ units	46101	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	$\frac{7}{88}$	TOROKINA	596967	-
2	Sigs	49113	7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec (less Det)	$\frac{7}{89}$	"	"	-
3	"	49113	Det 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	"	KOWARO	672110	u/c 25 Bn
4	Arty	45986	10 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt (AIF)	$\frac{4}{74}$	"	657096	u/c 25 Bn
5	Inf	46104	HQ 9 Aust Inf Bn	9/56	TOROKINA	597967	-
6	"	"	HQ Coy 9 Aust Inf Bn	"	"	604969	-
7	"	"	A Coy	"	"	587975	-
8	"	"	B Coy	"	"	596971	-
9	"	"	C Coy	"	"	570976	-
10	"	"	D Coy	"	"	552962	-
11	"	46105	HQ 25 Aust Inf Bn	25/56	KOWARO	672110	-
12	"	"	HQ Coy 25 Aust Inf Bn	"	"	"	-
13	"	"	A Coy	"	"	683118	-
14	"	"	B Coy	"	"	677125	-
15	"	"	C Coy	"	"	659095	-
16	"	"	Adv HQ 9 Coy 25 Bn	"	"	618189	-
17	"	"	D Coy 25 Aust Inf Bn	"	"	679114	-
18	"	"	LOB 25 Aust Inf Bn	"	TOROKINA	597965	-
19	"	46106	HQ 61 Aust Inf Bn	61/56	"	622973	-
20	"	61005	20 Pl B Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	$\frac{2}{1}$ 225	"	596967	-
21	AAMC	46122	11 Aust Fd Amb (less A Coy)	11/57	"	612962	-
22	"	"	A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb	"	KOWARO	657093	u/c 25 Bn
23	AASC	49028	224 Aust Sup Dep Pl (AIF)	224/65	"	658091	-
24	AAOC	46241	113 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pl (AIF)	113/83	TOROKINA	587973	-
25	AEME	46240	113 Aust Bde Wksp (AIF)	113/76	"	587973	-
26	"	46103	241 Aust LAD (type J) (AIF)	241/40	"	596969	-
27	Postal	46021	Det 5 Aust Div Postal Unit (AIF)	-	"	596969	-

69 only

J. R. Robinson Capt
Maj

BM 7 Aust Inf Bde

Overlay for KOWARO 1:25000
DISPOSNS 25 Bn Area ds. at. 2608304

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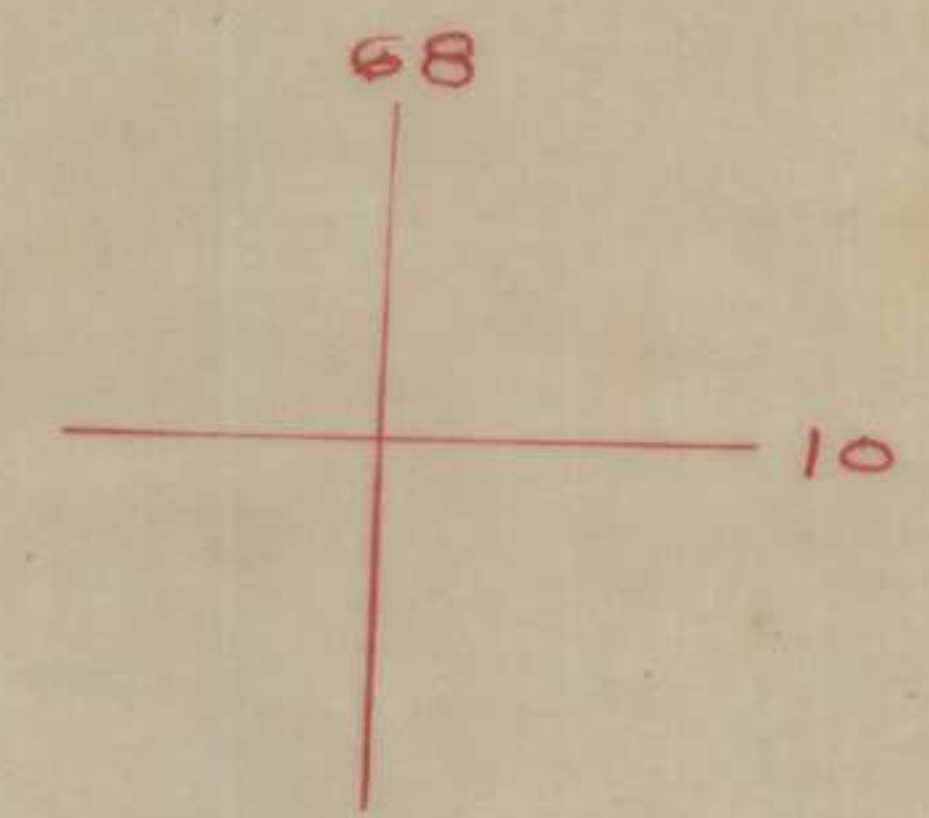
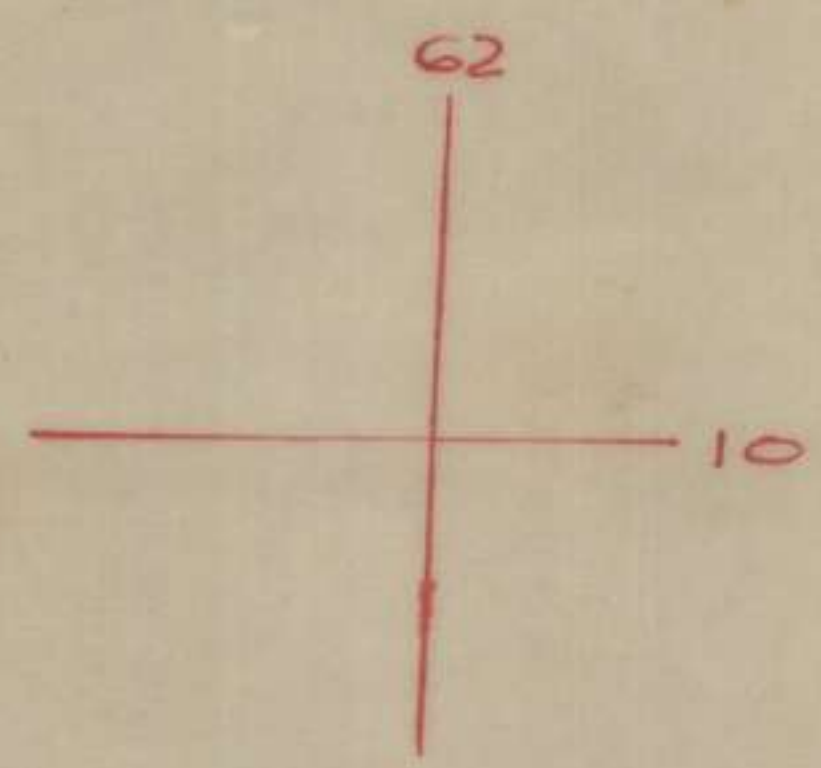
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4 Pl

H.Q. B
+ 10 Pl
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1081y. 4 Fd Regt.

C Less 15 Pl.

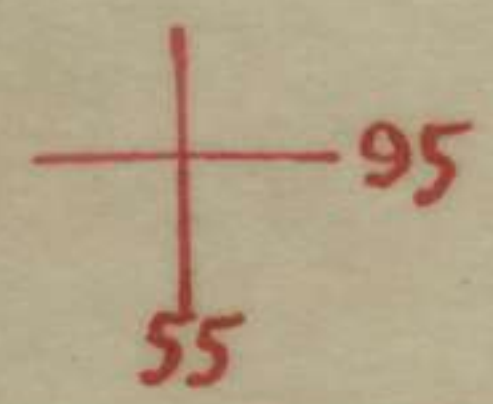
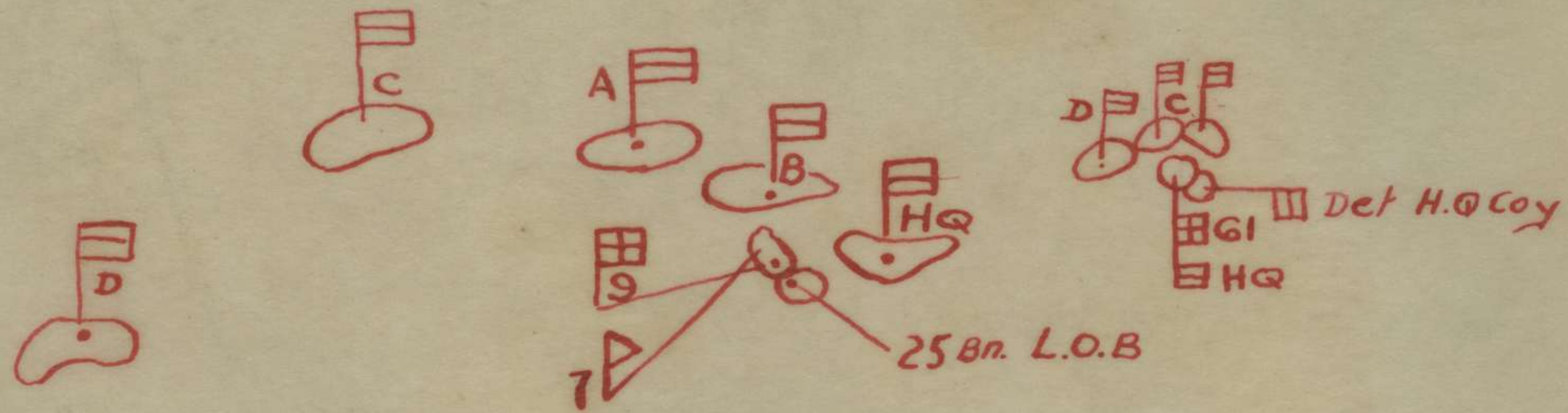
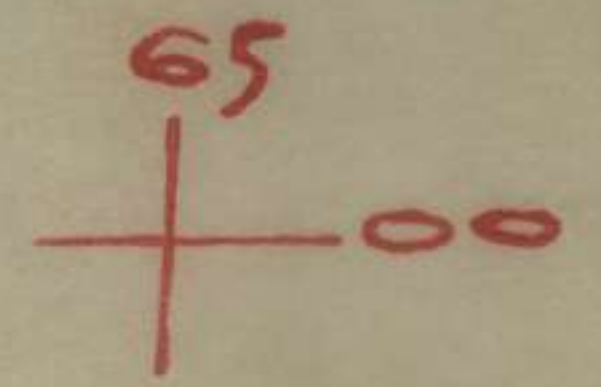
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7 Aust. Inf Bde

'TOROKINA' Perimeter Disposns

ds at
260900 L



Overlay for TOROKINA 1:63360

FT/PCV (26/12)

Appx 72

SUBJECT : TERRAIN MEMORANDUM NO 6

REF MAP KOWARO 1:25000

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
26 Dec 44.

Headquarters
3 Aust Div
Copies to:-
9 Aust Inf Bn
25 Aust Inf Bn
61 Aust Inf Bn
10 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt

11 Aust Fd Amb
224 Aust Sup Dep Pl
113 Aust Ord Fd pk
113 Aust Bde Wksps
File
War Diary (3)

The following features have been named as indicated :-

1. BARTONS KNOLL
2. BAKERS BROW
3. AMBUSH KNOLL

- Feature at map ref 677125
- Feature between refs 683128 and 679128
- Feature at map ref 680127 and spur from 680127 running South West

John Field Brig.
Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde.

Fostering of Adv Parties 15 Aust Inf Bde

OBJECT

1. The object of this instruction is to set out the requirements of this bde in the task of fostering advance elements of 15 Aust Inf Bde on their arrival in the TOROKINA area.

ARRIVAL

2. It is anticipated that troops will disembark on 28 Dec 44.

GENERAL

3. 7 Aust Inf Bde is responsible for supplying cooking equipment to foster 1015 all ranks for approx 36 hrs also to supply guides for unit personnel from Beach area to Coy areas.

ALLOTMENT OF GUIDES

4. 9 Aust Inf Bn will supply guides as under :

(a) for unit areas :

1 Offr	1 NCO	-	24 Aust Inf Bn
1 Offr	1 NCO	-	57/60 Aust Inf Bn
1 Offr	6 NCO	-	58/59 Aust Inf Bn
	2 NCO	-	Bde HQ and attached

(b) for disembarkation :

2 OR for Bde HQ and attached
 1 OR for each 24 Aust Inf Bn and 57/60 Aust Inf Bn
 6 OR for 58/59 Aust Inf Bn

VX15529 Lt J G BULL 9 Aust Inf Bn will be OC guide party and will report with party to Capt COCHRANE at HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde Tpt lines at 0845 hrs 27 Dec for the purpose of making recce of unit areas.

COOKS AND GENERAL DUTIES

5. (a) Cooks, offsidars and general duty personnel will be supplied as under :

9 Aust Inf Bn	-	2 Cooks	2 Offsidars	
25 Aust Inf Bn	-	1 "	1 "	10 general dutymen
61 Aust Inf Bn	-	2 "	2 "	

and are allotted for duty as under :

1 Cook, 1 offsider and 2 General duties to Bde HQ)
 Sigs) 219 all
 Gd Pl) ranks
 24 Bn)

4 Cooks, 4 offsidars and 8 general duties to 58/59 Bn) 780 all
 57/60) ranks

WOII R BEVERIDGE 9 Aust Inf Bn will report this HQ to advise regarding setting up of cooking points.

(b) The above personnel excl 25 Bn will report Bde Tpt lines 1500 hrs 27 Dec 44, tpt will call at 25 Bn to pick up personnel at that time.

(c) Personnel will carry the unexpired portion of the days ration and personal arms and eqpt and prepared to remain absent for approx 36 hrs

(d) all personnel mentioned above will act as security picquet on stores etc at all times.

WOOD CUTTING PARTY

6. 1 NCO and 6 OR from 20 Pl 2/1 Aust Gd Regt will be detailed as wood cutting fatigue, 1 3 ton veh will be supplied by TO 7 Aust Inf Bde; party will move out at 0800 hrs 27 Dec. Wood will be dumped at a point indicated in 15 Bde HQ area and 58/59 Bn area.

RATIONS

7. AASC 3 Aust Div will provide 3 days rations and expense stores to be available on arrival of tps. BASCO will arrange to draw these rations at 1500 hrs 27 Dec and will deliver them to 15 Aust Inf Bde area and 58/59 Bn area as indicated.

WATER SUPPLIES AND CONTAINERS

8. (a) AASC 3 Aust Div and 3 Aust Div Reception Camp will assist with supply of water as requested by this HQ. TO will coordinate these arrangements with units concerned.

(b) 50 44 gall drums will be made available from 3 Aust Div Salvage and will be dumped as follows :

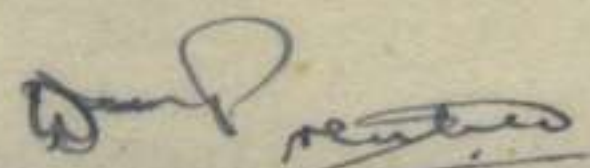
- 20 to 15 Aust Inf Bde area
- 30 to 58/59 Aust Inf Bn area.

ACCOMMODATION STORES

9. Scale "A" accommodation stores will be delivered to unit areas by arrangements this HQ as available from CRE 3 Aust Div

CONFIRMATION

10. This instruction confirms arrangements made with units by telephone 26 Dec 44/


 Capt
 Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION

<u>Detail</u>	<u>Copy No</u>
9 Aust Inf Bn	1
25 Aust Inf Bn (rear)	2
61 Aust Inf Bn	3
20 Pl 2/1 Aust Cd Regt	4
TO 7 Aust Inf Bde	5
File	6
War Diary	7,8,9

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For Action

TO	3 aust div	Message Instructions	GR
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(w) For Information (INFO.)

RAA 3 aust div
11 aust inf bde
29 aust inf bde

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© 25 bn © PIATERAPAIA area © A coy 252945L
 enemy attacked near AMBUSH KNOLL 680127
 posn © attack repulsed © cas © own
 1 killed 3 wounded © enemy unknown ©
 9 bn © nothing to report © 61 bn © A coy
 moved out to HANEMO area 260630 L ©
 12 pl e coy moved out 260800 L to come
 under comd 25 bn

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For Action

TO	25 sust inf bn (w) For Information (INFO.)	LOB 25 sust inf bn
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Message Instructions

GR

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01392 (.) SECRET (.) WARNING ORDER (.) 25 bn will be relieved
 by 11 bde unit relief to be complete 1200 hrs 5 Jan 45 (.) adv party
 40 pers fwd to 25 bn 2 Jan 31st party 3 Jan main body 4 Jan (.)
 10 bty remain in area pass to comd 11 bde on changeover (.) all other
 units returning TOKOKINA (.) further orders 28 Dec 44

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Signed *Dummerton*
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7 AUST INF BDE OO NO 5

Copy No. 11

Ref map :- KOWARO 1:25000

27 Dec 44

INFM

1. Enemy and Own Tps

As contained in current sitreps, int summaries, location statements.

INTENTION

2. 7 Aust Inf Bde will hand over responsibility in DOIABIE RIVER - SISIVIE sector to 11 Aust Inf Bde.

METHOD

3. Gen

- (a) 11 Aust Inf Bde is to assume responsibility for the DOIABIE RIVER - SISIVIE sector at 1200 hrs 5 Jan 45. Comd 25 Aust Inf Bn will hand over to incoming comd at that time.
- (b) 25 Aust Inf Bn will be relieved by 26 Aust Inf Bn.

4. Tps

- (a)

Unit being relieved	Relieving Unit
25 Aust Inf Bn plus one pl 61 Aust Inf Bn	26 Aust Inf Bn plus one coy 55/53 Aust Inf Bn.
One det 7 Aust Inf Bde	One det 11 Aust Inf Bde
Sig Sec	Sig Sec
224 Aust Sup Dep Pl	222 Aust Sup Dep Pl
A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb	One coy 19 Aust Fd Amb.
- (b) 10 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt will remain in situ. This bty will pass to comd 11 Aust Inf Bde at 1200 hrs 5 Jan 45.

5. Dates

- (a) Adv Party
26 Aust Inf Bn is sending adv party of 50 pers fwd to 25 Aust Inf Bn on 2 Jan.
- (b) SISIVIE Relief
Tps to relieve 25 Aust Inf Bn arriving rear HQ on 3 Jan.
- (c) Main Bodies
Will change over on 4 Jan.
- (d) Completion of Relief
Relief will be completed by 1200 hrs 5 Jan 45.

6. Liaison

25 Aust Inf Bn will arrange all matters concerning areas fwd of rd head by direct liaison with 26 Aust Inf Bn.

7. Action by 25 Aust Inf Bn on Relief

- (a) All units and sub units will return to TOROKINA perimeter on the tpt used by relieving units if possible.
- (b) On arrival perimeter all sub units will revert to comd parent units. 224 Aust Sup Dep Pl will revert to HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde.
- (c) 25 Aust Inf Bn will ensure that all parent units are signalled the estimated time of arrival of the sub unit.
- (d) Det 7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec, 12 Pl 61 Aust Inf Bn and A Coy 11 Aust Fd Amb will return to respective areas. 25 Aust Inf Bn and 224 Aust Sup Dep Pl will be advised later of new areas and roles.

ADM

8. Transfer of Stores

- (a) 25 Aust Inf Bn will hand over all buildings, frameworks and dumps to 26 Aust Inf Bn.
- (b) Neither unit nor personal equipment will be handed over.
- (c) Accn stores and tarpaulins may be transferred from outgoing to incoming unit by mutual arrangement providing such transfers are equivalent.

9. Res 25 Aust Inf Bn will transfer all res of amn sups and POL to incoming bn.

10. Tpt All tpt arrangements will be made direct with TO 7 Aust Inf Bde.

11. Certificates Certificates for all installations, stores, and res being handed over, and signed by both comds concerned, will be rendered to this HQ earliest practicable.

INTERCOMN

12. Line 25 Aust Inf Bn will transfer all existing lines in sector to 26 Aust Inf Bn.

13. Other Sig Eqpt Unit sig eqpt, apart from line, will be withdrawn as relief progresses.

14. Code Word 25 Aust Inf Bn will sig completion of relief by code word MOBO giving time and date.

ACKNOWLEDGE

Signed at 1715 hrs
Method of Issue LO and DRLS

J. Summerton
Maj
BM 7 Aust Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION

25 Aust Inf Bn
61 Aust Inf Bn
7 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec
224 Aust Sup Dep Pl
11 Aust Fd Amb
Comd
TO
File
War Diary
HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde

Copy No
1
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9 - 11
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	7 aust inf bde	271730L	

For Action

TO	3 aust div	Message Instructions
	(w) For Information (INFO.) RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde 29 aust inf bde	GR

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SUBJECT : TERRAIN MEMORANDUM NO 7

REF MAP KOWARO 1:25000

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde
28 Dec 44.

Headquarters

3 Aust Div

Copies to:-

9 Aust Inf Bn

25 Aust Inf Bn

61 Aust Inf Bn

10 Bty 4 Aust Fd Regt

11 Aust Fd Amb

224 Aust Sup Dep Pl

113 Aust Ord Fd Pk

113 Aust Bde Wksps

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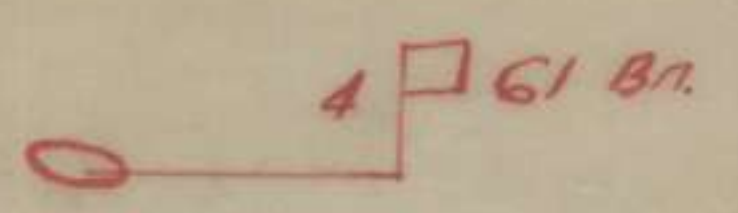
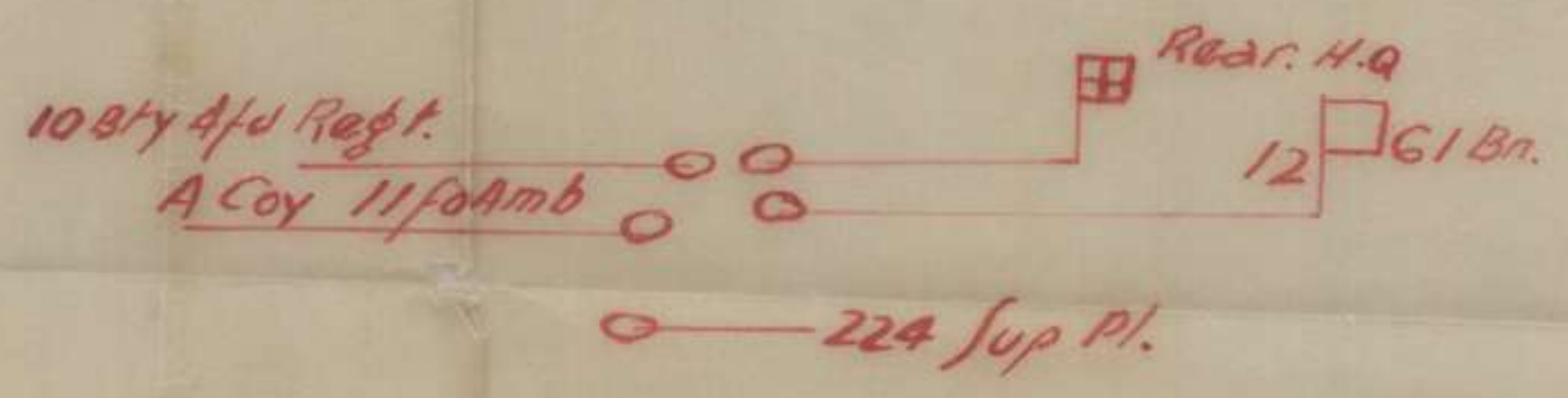
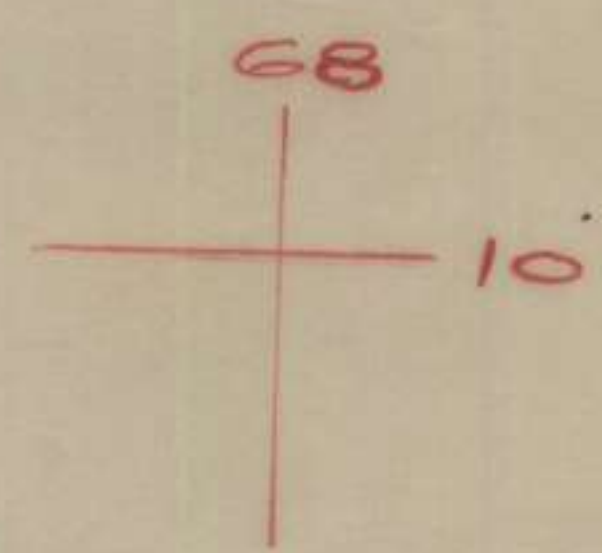
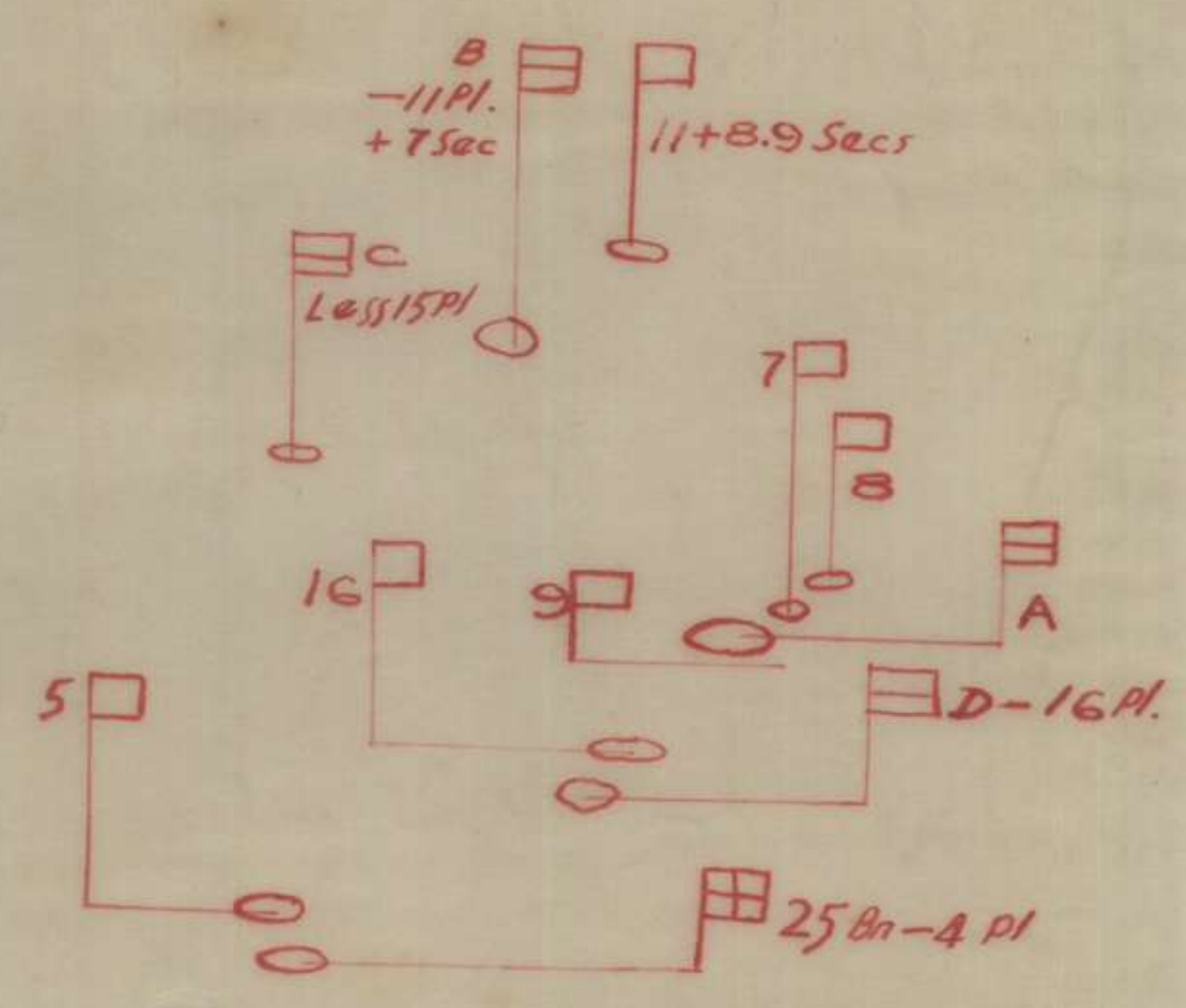
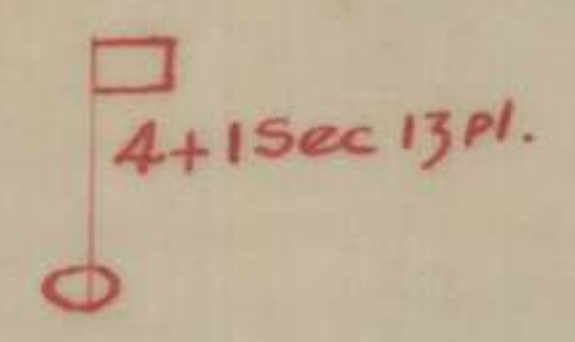
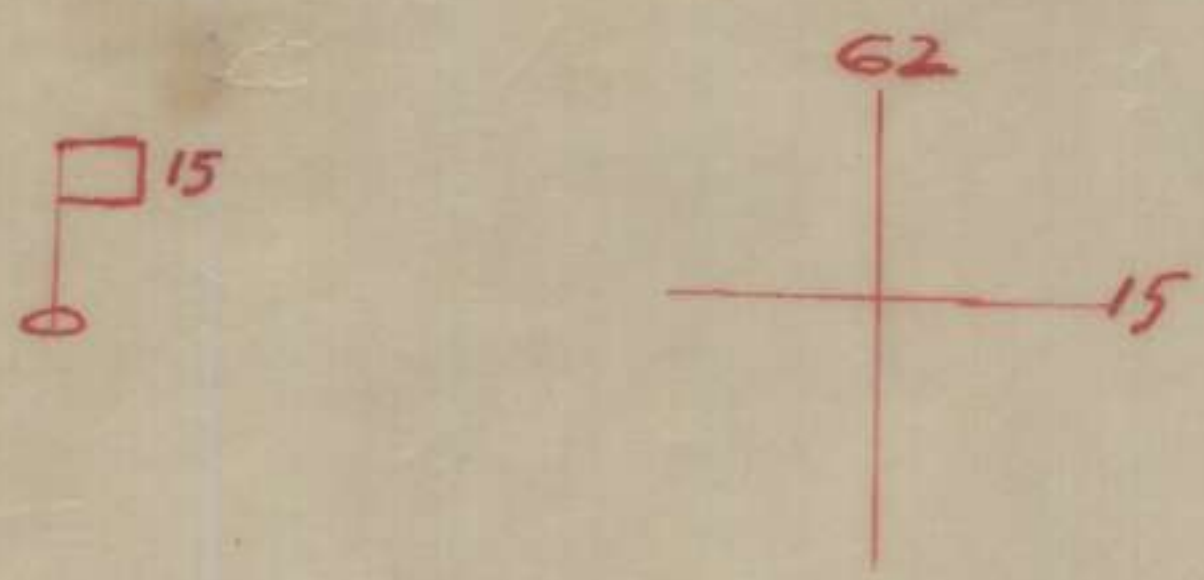
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Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde.

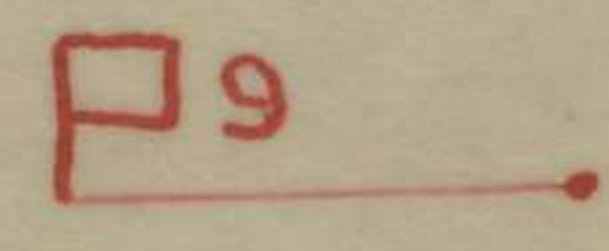
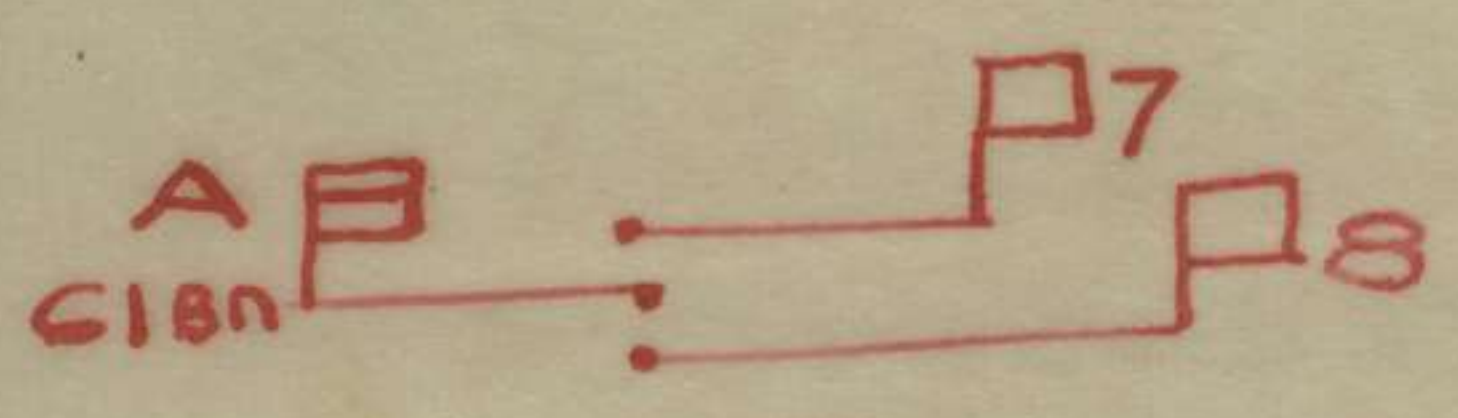
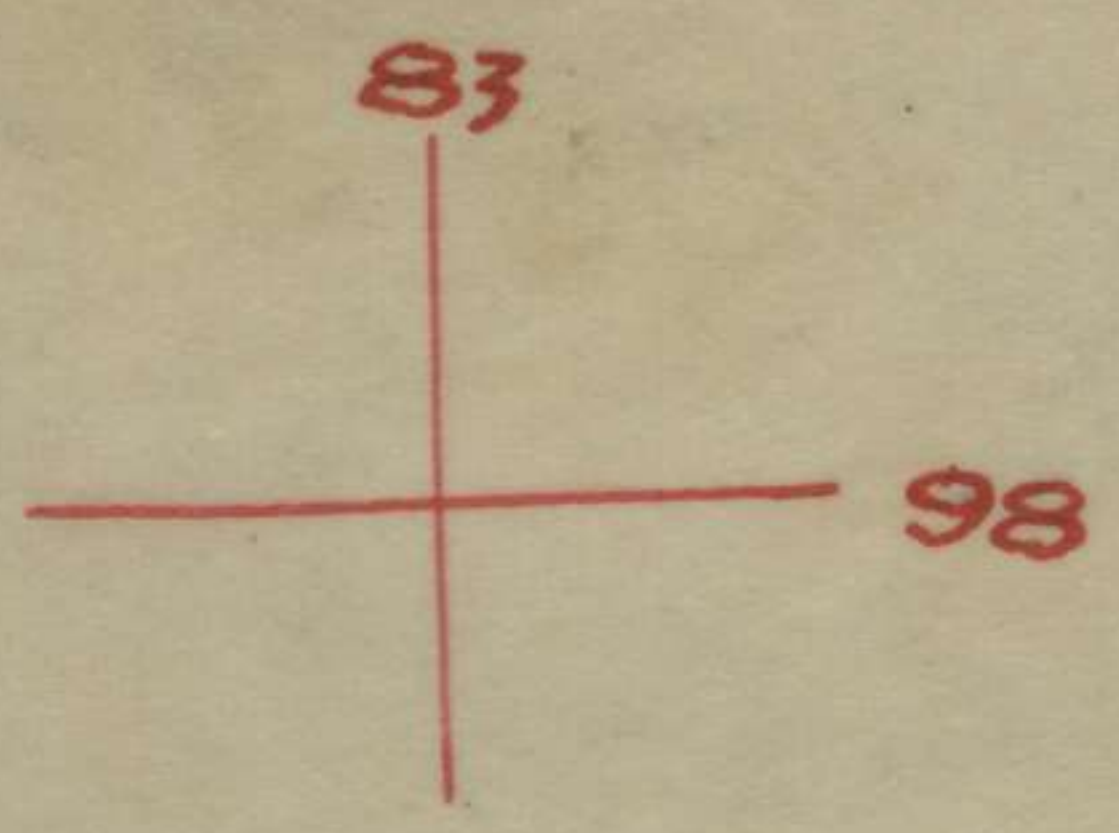
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AS AT 26/2004



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(A)

7 Aust Inf. Bde

Originator

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27/8/30.

Office Date Stamp

For Action

TO

3 Aust Div.

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

R.A.A. 3 Aust Div. 11 Aust Inf. Bde,
29 Aust Inf. Bde

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Int. 388 CONFIDENTIAL @ SITREP 103 to 281830L @ 25

@ PIATARIAPHA area @ one jap in good condition but weak
surrendered at 680127 at 271830L @ patrols contacted enemy
pos 687122 and 685127 and withdrew after drawing fire @
cas seen one slightly wounded @ 9 bn 61 bn @ nothing
to report.

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by any means { except

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enemy hands, this message must be
sent IN CIPHER

Signed

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Signed *William*
Lt

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

Serial No31/44
Nos 297 - 304

29 Dec 44.

by

Brigadier J. FIELD DSO ED COMMANDING
7th AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

'A & Q'

297. SAFEGUARDING OF MT (First Aust Army Order A297)

1. Attention is directed to First Aust Army Administrative Standing Orders, Chapter 14, Sections 35 to 38; also to First Aust Army Routine Order Q188 of 1 Jul 44.
2. Unit Comds and Tpt Offrs will ensure that drivers are aware of their responsibility for their vehicles, and strict supervision will be exercised in order that any breach of orders is promptly and vigorously dealt with.

298. PUBLICATIONS FOR MECHANICAL VEHICLES (First Aust Army Order Q306)

The attention of all units is directed to GRO 0124 of 5 Feb 43 and the scale of entitlement of MT publications.

Action will be taken by all units to return those publications held in excess of the scale provided and submit demands on the nearest Ordnance Depot for those additional publications to which they are entitled. Publications which are available have been notified from time to time in General Orders.

This action will be completed by 30 Dec 44.

299. IDENTITY DISCS - WEARING OF (First Aust Army Order A310)

1. Instances have come to notice in which personnel who have been killed or injured were not wearing identity discs.
2. Units will ensure that the provisions of GRO A700/43 Part IX are strictly observed.

300. 3 AUST ADV 2 ECH (3 Aust Div RO 514)

The Ech and Records detachment in this area is "3 Aust Adv 2 Ech."

Units are incorrectly addressing correspondence to 3 Aust Div 2 Ech.

To ensure against delay or inconvenience, units will use the correct name.

301. DISCHARGE OF PERSONNEL FOR UNIVERSITY STUDY YEAR 1945

Attention is directed to First Aust Army Order A300.

Applications will be completed in duplicate, in accordance with paras 10 or 11. Duplicate copy will be forwarded by applicant direct to the University.

Original copy will be forwarded to reach this HQ not later than 6 Jan 45.

302. LOSS OF ARMY JEEPS

Attention is directed to First Aust Army Order A296.

NOTE: The theft of any veh will be reported to this HQ by important signal message, repeated 3 Aust Div, 3 Aust Div pro Coy.

303. AACC PERSONNEL

Units will submit a return by 2 Jan 45, giving the rank, name, date of birth and schools attended, of AA Catering Corps pers-onnel on strength at 20 Dec 44.

304. DISPOSAL OF CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT OF SICK OR WOUNDED MEMBERS

(First Aust Army Order 0314/44)
Attention of all units is directed to the above order.

DISTRIBUTION : List A.

[Signature] Capt
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde

NOTICE : CHRISTMAS HAMPERS - ACF

Receipt is acknowledged of 217 ACF Christmas Hampers, distributed to HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde and attached sub units.

War diary

FT/HH (29/11)

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Subject :-

TERRAIN MEMORANDUM NO 8
ref map VITO 1 inch to 1 mile

Hq 3 Aust Div

Copies to :

9 Aust Inf Bn

25 Aust Inf Bn

61 Aust Inf Bn

10 Bty 4 Aust Pd Regt

11 Aust Pd Amb

224 Aust Sup Coy Rl

113 Aust Bde Ord Pd Bk

113 Aust Bde Hsq

File

War Diary (3)

Hq 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

29 Dec 44

The following features have been named :-

TOM - feature at map ref 849028

DICK - feature at map ref 843830

HARRY - feature at map ref 836833

John Field Brig
Comd 7 Aust Inf Bde

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7 auct inf bde

291736L

For Action

TO

3 auct div

(w) For Information (INFO.)

RAA 3 auct div
11 auct inf bde
29 auct inf bde

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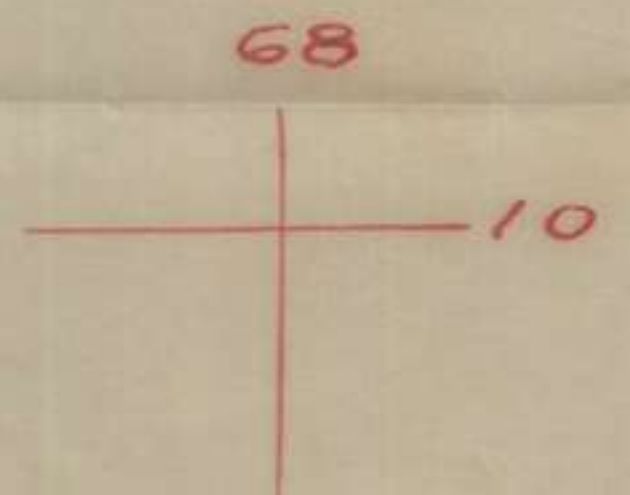
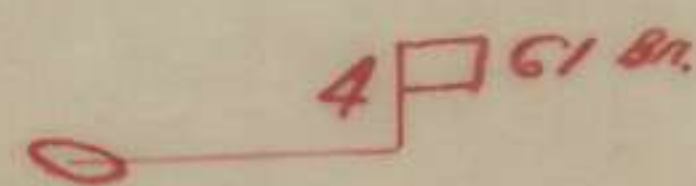
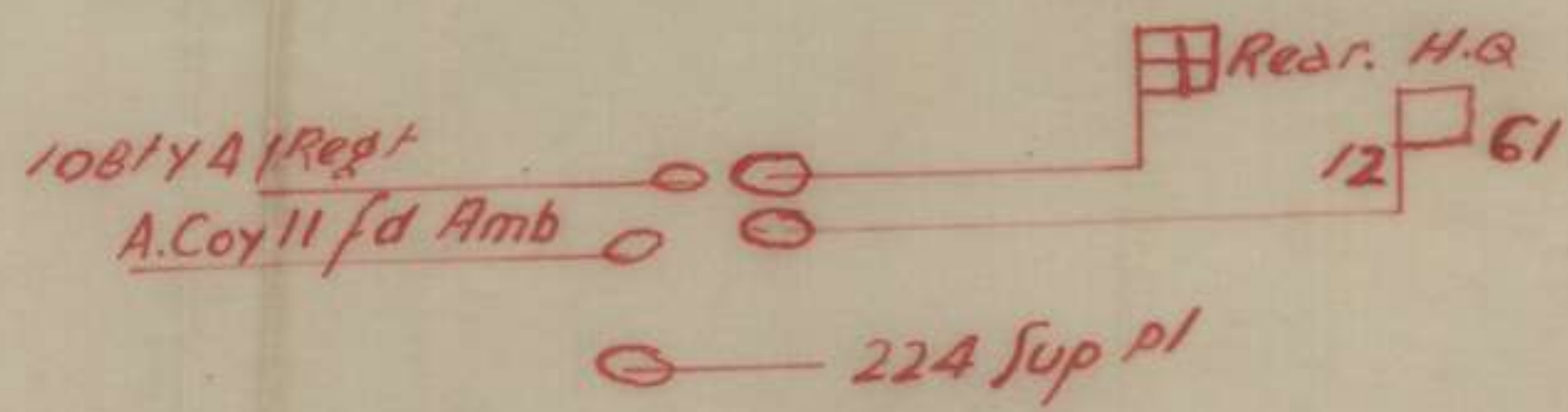
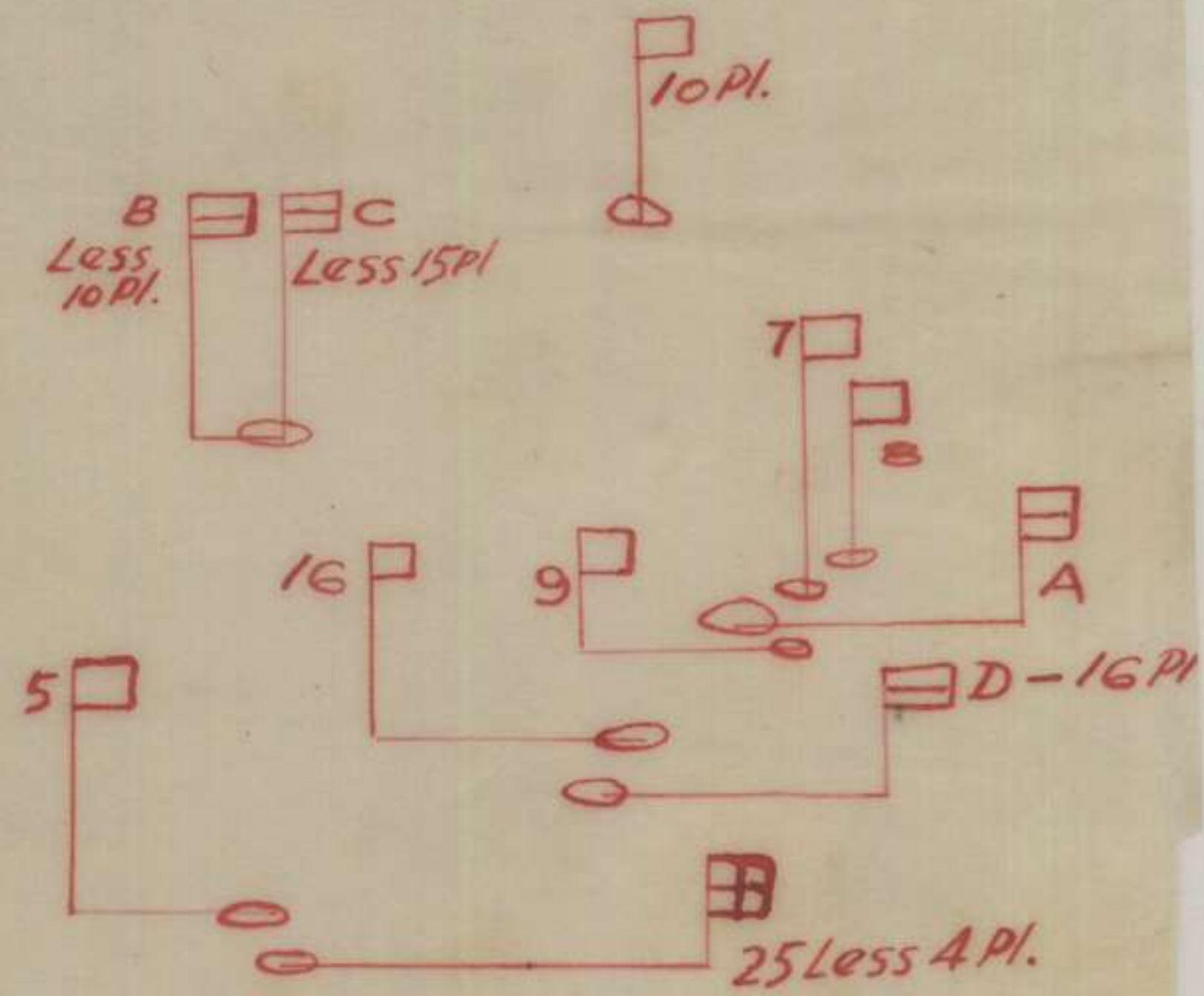
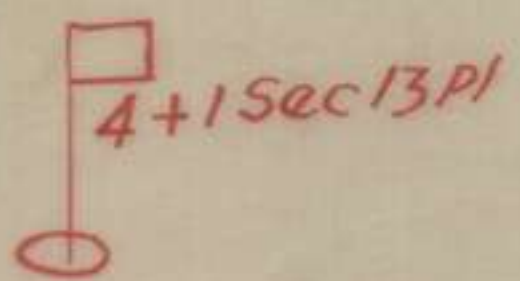
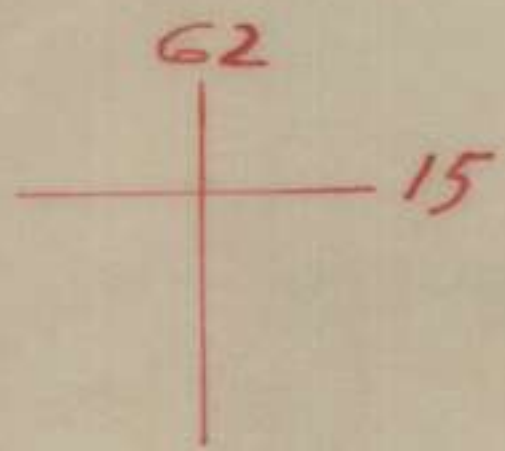
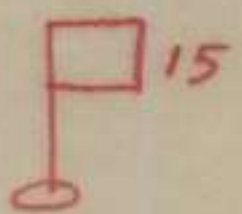
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overlay for 'KOWARO' 1:25000
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APP 87

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
53 / 44 (Serial No.)

HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30 Dec 1944 (Unit)

W.E. (Tropical) II 2 4 OFFRS. 19 O.R's 66 + OFFRS. - O.R's. - 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	Brigadiers *									
	1		1	Lieut.-Colonels									
	3	1	8	Majors									
	1	2	7	Captains									
				Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.		W I L							
	5	3	17										
		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.	A Class 17										17
		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.
QX40880	Capt	KREBS A.A.	Staff Sch (Aust)	1/11/44	X List
QX35561	"	CONFE J.E.	CAMARLAN Q. HQ Jun Staff Sch BRISBANE	28/9/44	"
QX40835	"	MULCAHY E.R.	9 Aust Inf Bn	24/1/44	Resumed regtl duties
QX35526	Lt	HENDERSON P.W.	61 Aust Inf Bn	"	"

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 7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF) Unit

53 44 (Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30 Dec /1944 (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 Brig	TX2002	PIEL D	J.	Comd	Yes		
Capt Maj	VX48010	SUMMERTON	J.	RM	"		
Capt	WX6440	ROBSON	H.G.	BM(L)	"		
Lt Capt	NX51088	PRENTICE	W.T.	SC	"		
Capt	VX21054	TIMSON	T.F.	IO	"		
Lt	QX35749	BROWN	A.R.	LO I	"		
Lt	QX40831	HAMMOND	E.M.	LO II	"		
Lt	NX133482	RUDD	L.J.	LO III	"		
Lt	NX134323	McKEW	G.D.B.	TO	"		
Lt Capt	QX45277	PEAKE	W.A.	BASCO	"		
Lt	NX127324	MORE	K.G.	Hyg O	"		
Lt	VX134539	MILIS	C.E.A.	Educ O	"		
Capt	NX66507	ASH	W.P.	Leg O	"		
Lt	QX40921	VOGLER	R.H.	OO	No	Leave	22/12
Chaplain	VX114018	GANLY	D.A.	9 Bn	"		
"	QX25695	CAHILL	B.	25 Bn	"		
"	NX149802	BEATTY	G.A.	61 Bn	"		
Lt Capt	QX40880	KREBS	A.A.	SC	No	X List - Staff Sch (Aust) BRISBANE	1/11
Capt	QX35561	CORFE	J.E.	SC(L)	"	X List - LHQ Jun Staff Sch CANBERRA	28/9
Lt Capt	QX40835	MULCAHY	E.R.	LO I	"	Resumed regtl duties	24/11
Lt	QX35526	HENDERSON	P.W.	LO II	"	"	24/11

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.
Lt Capt	QX36569	COCHRANE G.A.	9 Aust Inf Bn	27/9/44	A/SC(L)

30 Dec 44
Date of Despatch

[Signature]
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 30 / Dec / 1944.

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.
				B/fwd	2	2		B/fwd	9	9		B/fwd	15	15	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.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				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)				By. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)	2	2		Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Non-Specialists			
Electricians				Cooks	3	3		Woodturners				CSM	1	1	
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								CQMS	1	1	
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								Tpt	1	1	
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Dvrs MT	9	13	
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Batmen	13	13	
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Orderlies	9	9	
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Gen duties	3	3	
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators								Mess cpl	1	1	
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				GROUP III.				--DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				Storeman	1	1	
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers				Water duty	1	1	
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks	6	5		Hyg duty	1	1	
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				Services			
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	4		Clerks, Technical				AACD Batmen	3	3	
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers				dvrs			
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors				AASC Clerk	1	1	
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks				Batman	1	1	
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies				M/C Ord	-	1	
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				--ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals				AAMC Med ord	1	1	
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.				AALC Clerk	1	1	
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics				Batman	1	1	
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tpin. Plant				AACC Ann Exam'r	1	2	
Photowriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.				Batman	1	1	
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates							
								Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	2	2		CARRIED FORWARD	9	9		CARRIED FORWARD	15	15		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	6672		

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.

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Date of Despatch

Capt
Staff Capt 7 Aust Inf Bde
Signature of Commander

Part A of Army Form W.3003 at 0600 Hours Saturday 26 / Dec / 1944
PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

Details of Trade		DETAILS OF NCOs				Details of Trade	
GROUP I	GROUP II	Rank	WE	PS	Surp	Def	Reinfts reqd
CSM	WO II	1	1	1			
Draughtsman topo	Cpl	1	1	1			
Int duties	S sjt	1	1	1			
"	Cpl	1	1	1			
Clerks	WO II	1	1	1			
"	Sjt	2	2	2			
"	Cpl	1	1	-		1	
Cooks	Cpl	1	1	2	1		
Tpt	Sjt	1	1	1			
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1	1			
Gen duties	Cpl	1	1	-		1	
Mess cpl	Cpl	1	1	-		1	
CQMS	S sjt	1	1	1			
Services							
AASC Clerk	Cpl	1	1	1			
AAMC Med ord	Cpl	1	1	1			
AALC Clerk	Cpl	1	1	1			
AAOC Am Examiner	S sjt	-	-	1	1		
"	Sjt	1	1	-		1	
"	Cpl	-	-	1	1		
			18	17	3	4	

SURPLUS PERSONNEL

Army No.	Rank	Name	Trade	Med Class	Special qual.
QX55314	Pte	PLATT C.R.		AL	
QX57359	L cpl	SCHLORT F.G.	Dvr Mech	AL	M/C ord
			TGIII		
VX117349	Cpl	BEDGOOD G.K.		AL	Amn examiner
Q99208	Pte	STEPHENS H.J.		AL	Dvr MT
QX59391	"	SMITH D.J.		AL	"
QX54350	"	ALCATE F.H.		AL	"
QX50268	"	JEFFERIES S.H.		AL	"

Signature of Commander

Date of Dispatch

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Army Form C2136 (Large)
(Pads of 100) (Adapted Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

Register No.

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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FROM (A)	Originator 7 aust inf bde	Date—Time of Origin 301750L	Office Date Stamp
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For Action

TO	3 aust div (w) For Information (INFO.) RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde 29 aust inf bde	Message Instructions GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 342 CONFIDENTIAL © SITREP 105 to 301730L

© 25 bn © PIATERAPHIA area © assisted by
 Corsair and boomerang strike on enemy locality
 at 685127 on PEARL RIDGE at 300730L and arty
 and mortar fire on other target localities 25
 bn succeeded in establishing two coys on ridge
 at 678130 and 679130 by 301500L © coy
 attacks on right flank reached 686125 where
 held up by terrain and enemy fire © sniper
 fire in all sectors active from well concealed
 positions © all coy & localities consolidating
 at 1600 hrs for resumption of ops in clearing
 remainder of ridge tomorrow © patrol sent
 out from c coy locality at 679130 NE along
 track to huts © cas © own 2 killed 5
 wounded © enemy 3 known killed © 9 bn
 61 bn © nothing to report

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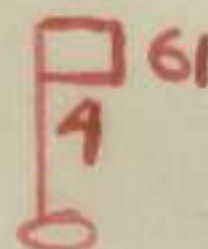
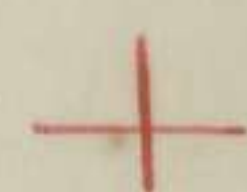
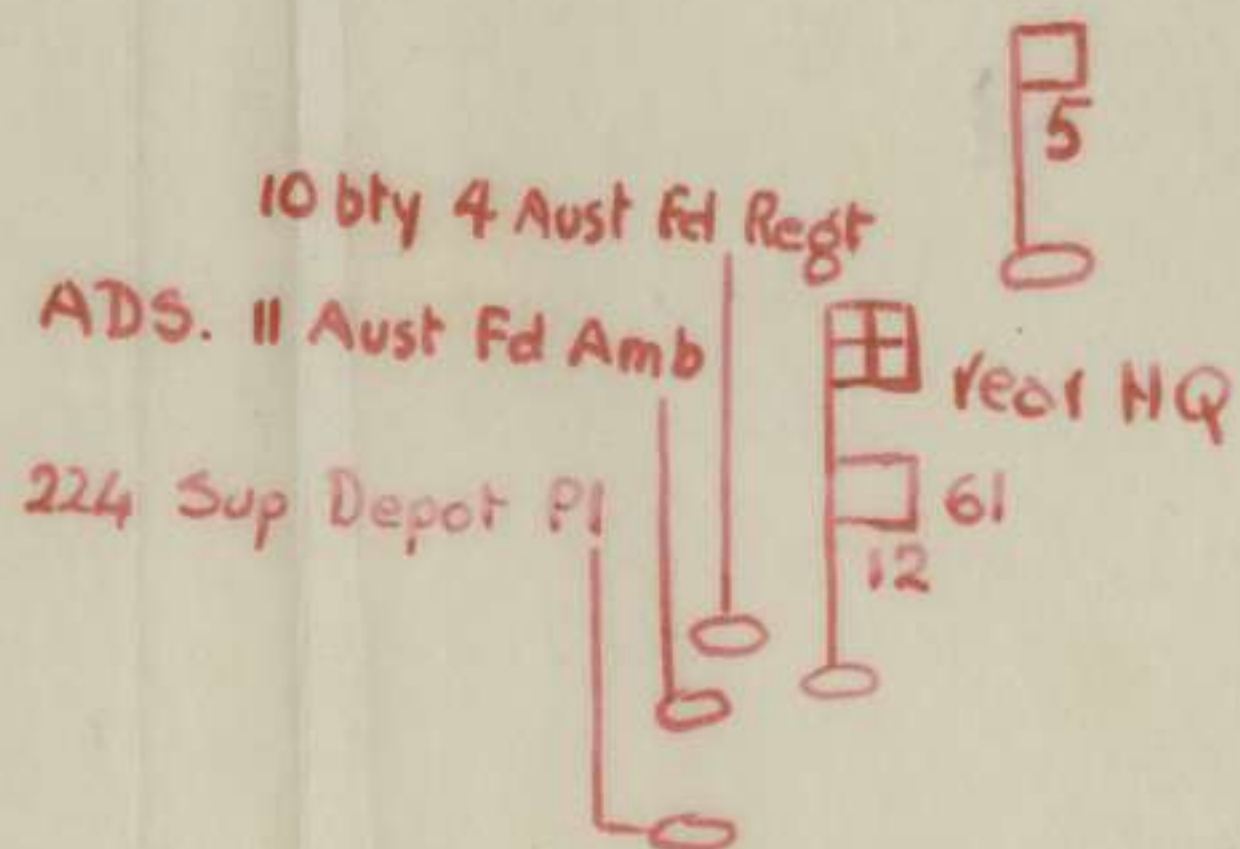
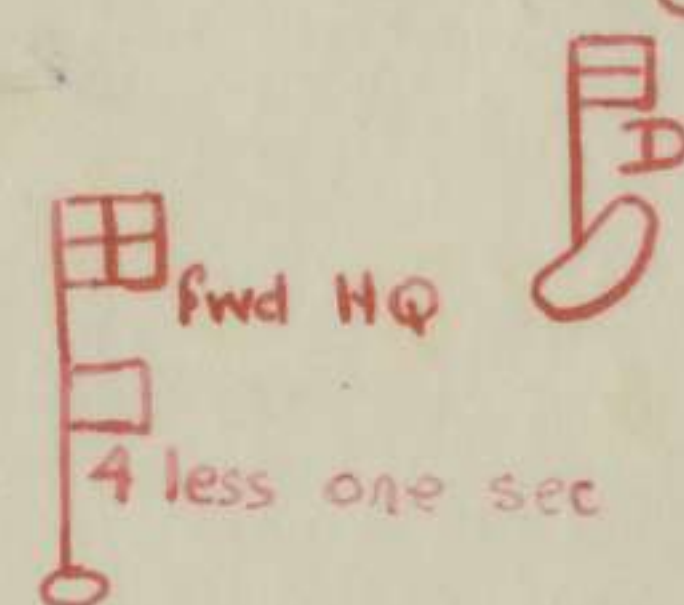
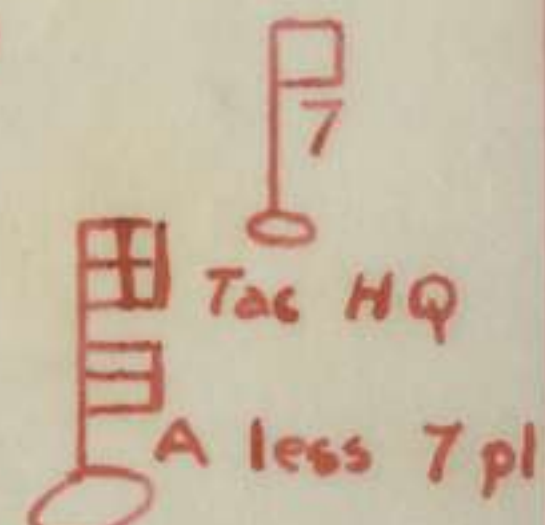
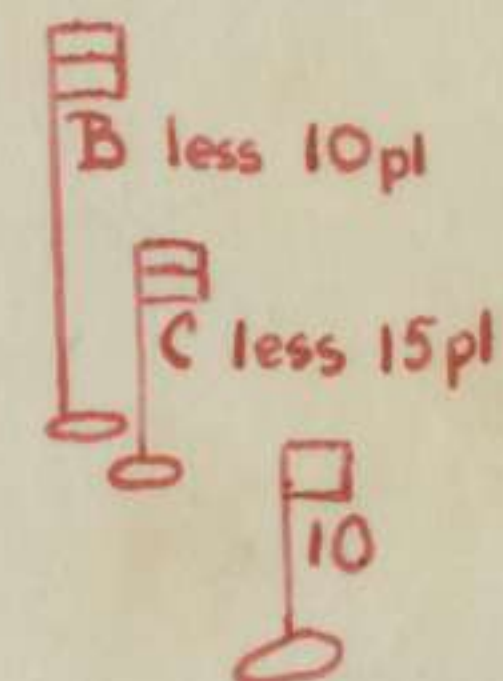


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OVERLAY for KOWARA 1:25000
DISPOSNS 25 AUST INF BN as at
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TO 3 aust div (w) For Information (INFO.) RAA 3 aust div 11 aust inf bde 29 aust inf bde	Message Instructions	GR
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

INT 344 CONFIDENTIAL © SITREP 106 to 310730L ©

enemy launched determined counter attacks against C coy 679130 at 302345L and 310300L © both attacks repulsed © cas © own nil © enemy unknown © arty at present engaging targets © C coy yesterday captured 6 rifles 5 large haversacks good quality medical stores and quantity documents © ref SITREP 105 increase enemy killed to 4

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For Action

TO	(w) For Information (INFO.)	Message Instructions
3 aust div		GR

15 aust inf bde > 11 RAA 3 aust div
 29 aust inf bde

ORIGINATOR'S No.

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© 25 bn © PIATERAPAIA area © D coy after advancing via PEAR HILL 683124 over most difficult ground and preceded by arty concentration attacked and captured enemy posn 686127 by 1615 hrs © 1 NAMBU LMG amm several rifles captured © A coy remaining in situ created successful diversion drawing by fire and assisting D coy attain surprise © B coy less 10 pl advanced through C coy and after vigorous encounter cleared enemy from and occupied ~~posn~~ BAKERS BROW 680128 © continued through to clear enemy posn 680127 and linked up with 10 pl at 679126 © small arms amm OWEN mags and aust basic pouches captured © EAST coast can be seen from present posns © C coy along patrol along track from 678130 to huts 678141 found huts deserted © appear to have been old sig centre © sig cable leads away to EAST © track finishes at landslide 25 yds beyond huts © details cas later

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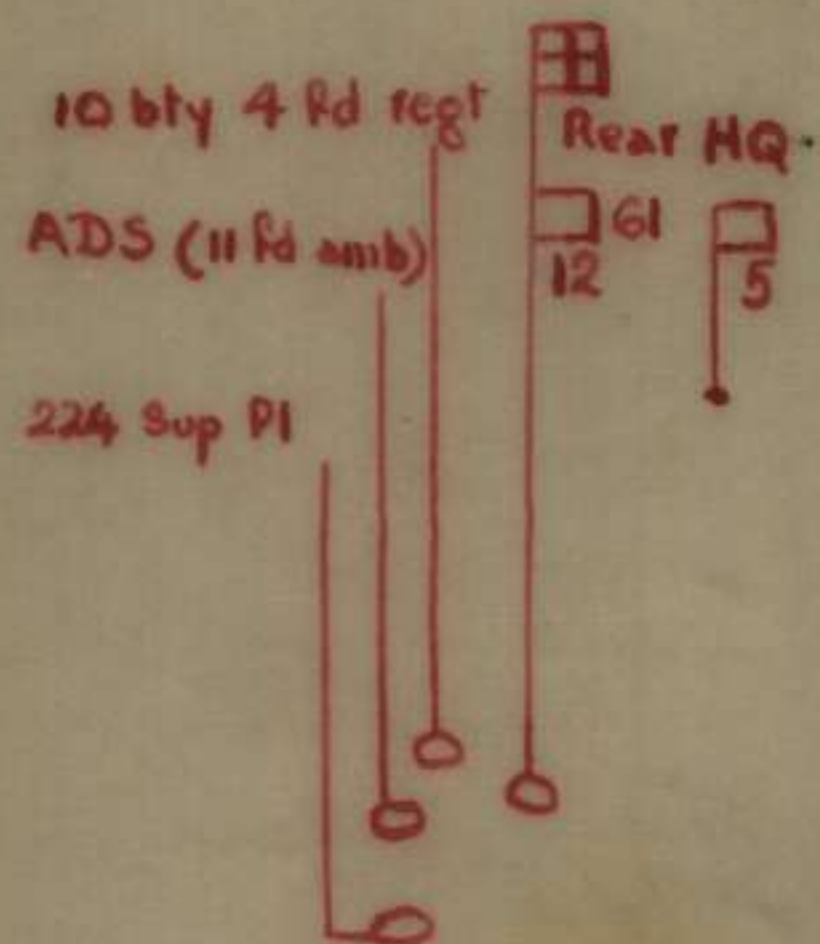
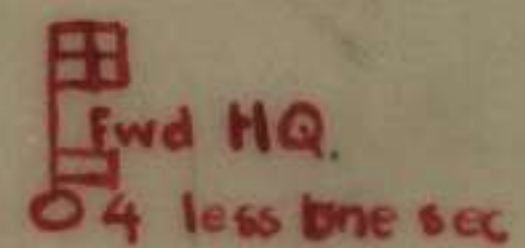
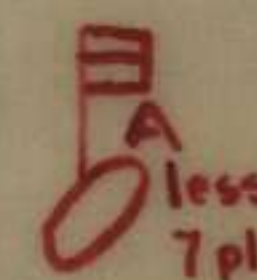
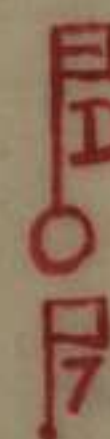
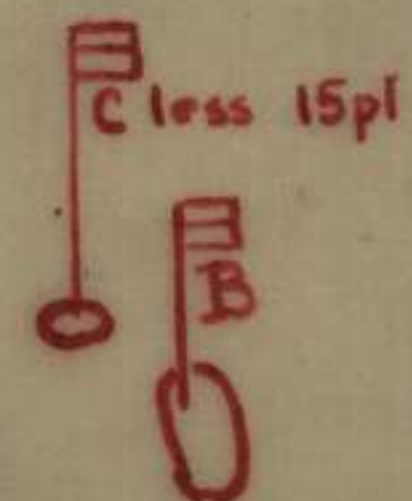
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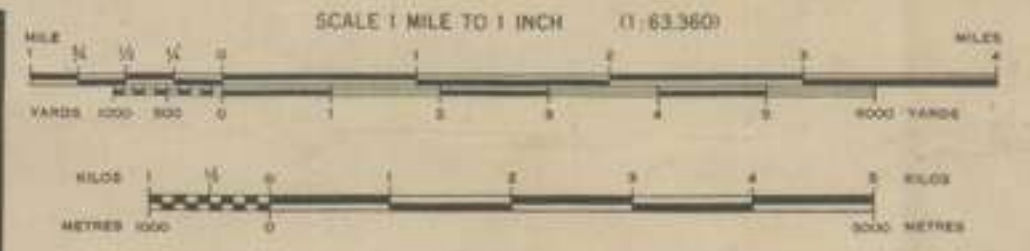
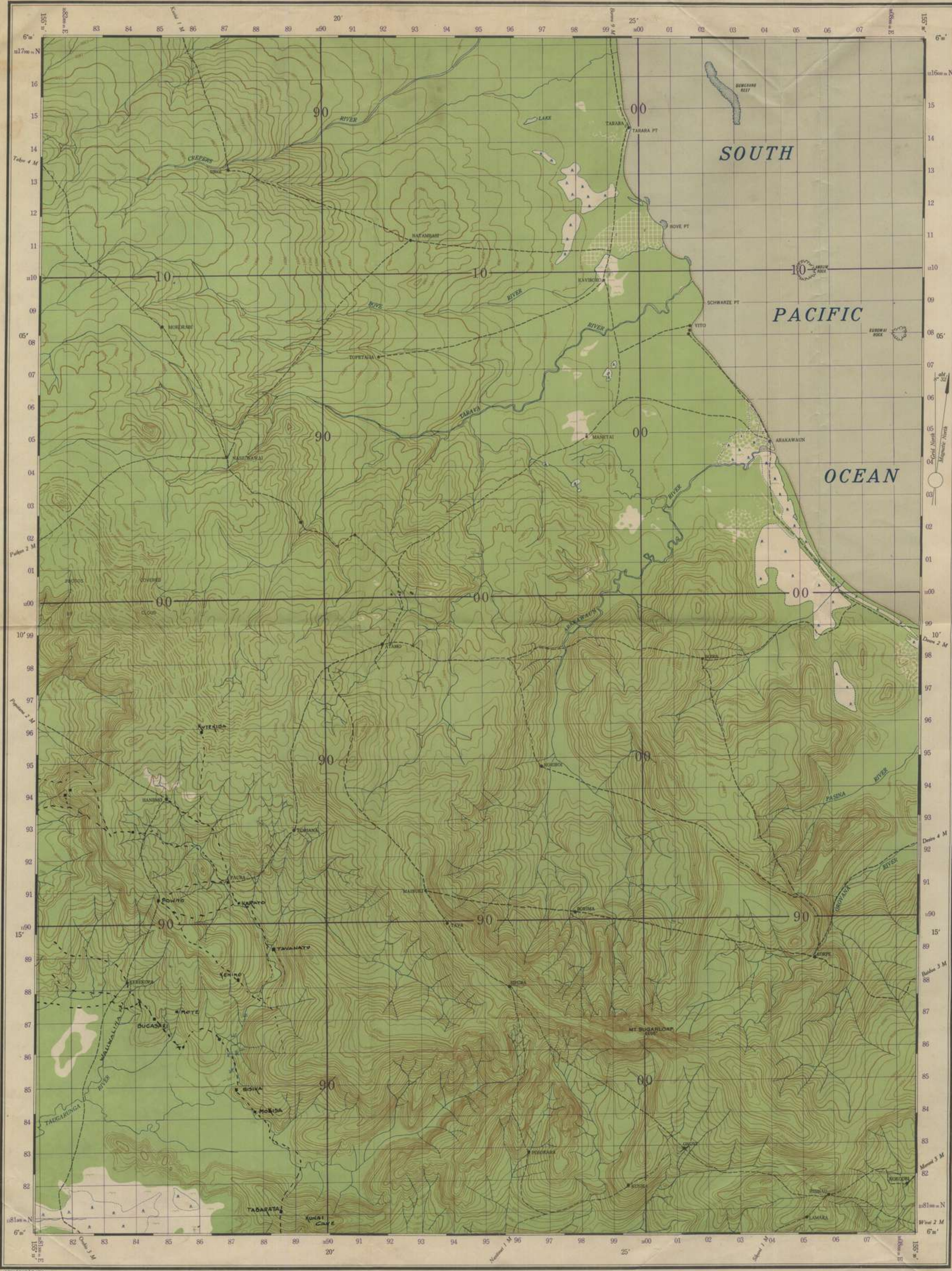
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BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND
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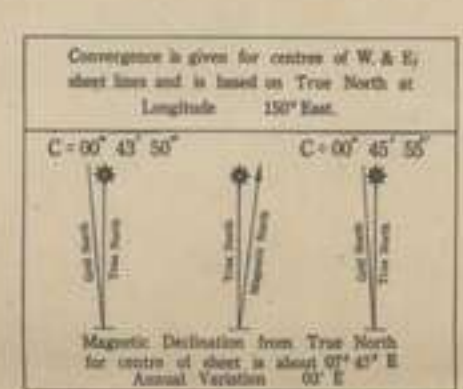
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NETHERLANDS EAST INDIES GRID
SOUTHERN NEW GUINEA ZONE



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Motor Road & Bridge	—————
Jump Track	-----
Foot Track
Reported Track	-----
Telegraph Line	-----
Airfield	□
Sea Plane Base	□
Astronomical Station	+
Trig Stations and Altitudes	△
First Order	△ 905
Second	△ 652
Third	△ 512
Fourth	△ 206
Spot Height	•
Native Village (small or large)	••••
Building	□
Mission Station	□
Native Garden	□
Jungle or Dense Forest	■
Open Forest to Scattered Timber	■
Scrub (Dense to Light)	■
Secondary Growth	■
Plantation (rubber-coconut)	■
Mangroves	■
Swamp (subject to inundation)	■
Swamp (permanently inundated)	■
River or Stream	—
Reef	—
Contours Form Lines (numbers read facing uphill)	—
Cliffs	—
Sand	—

TO OBTAIN A GRID REFERENCE ON THIS SHEET	
see the attention to the details in the margin of the sheet	
PAY ATTENTION TO LARGER MARGINAL FIGURES AND TO THESE PRINTED ON THE FACE OF THE MAP	
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Patrol Overlay for January

period...21st to 31st

Legend...

Areas of security patrols.. shaded

9 Bn patrols shown Red

25 " " " Blue

61 " " " Green

26 0800

27 0730

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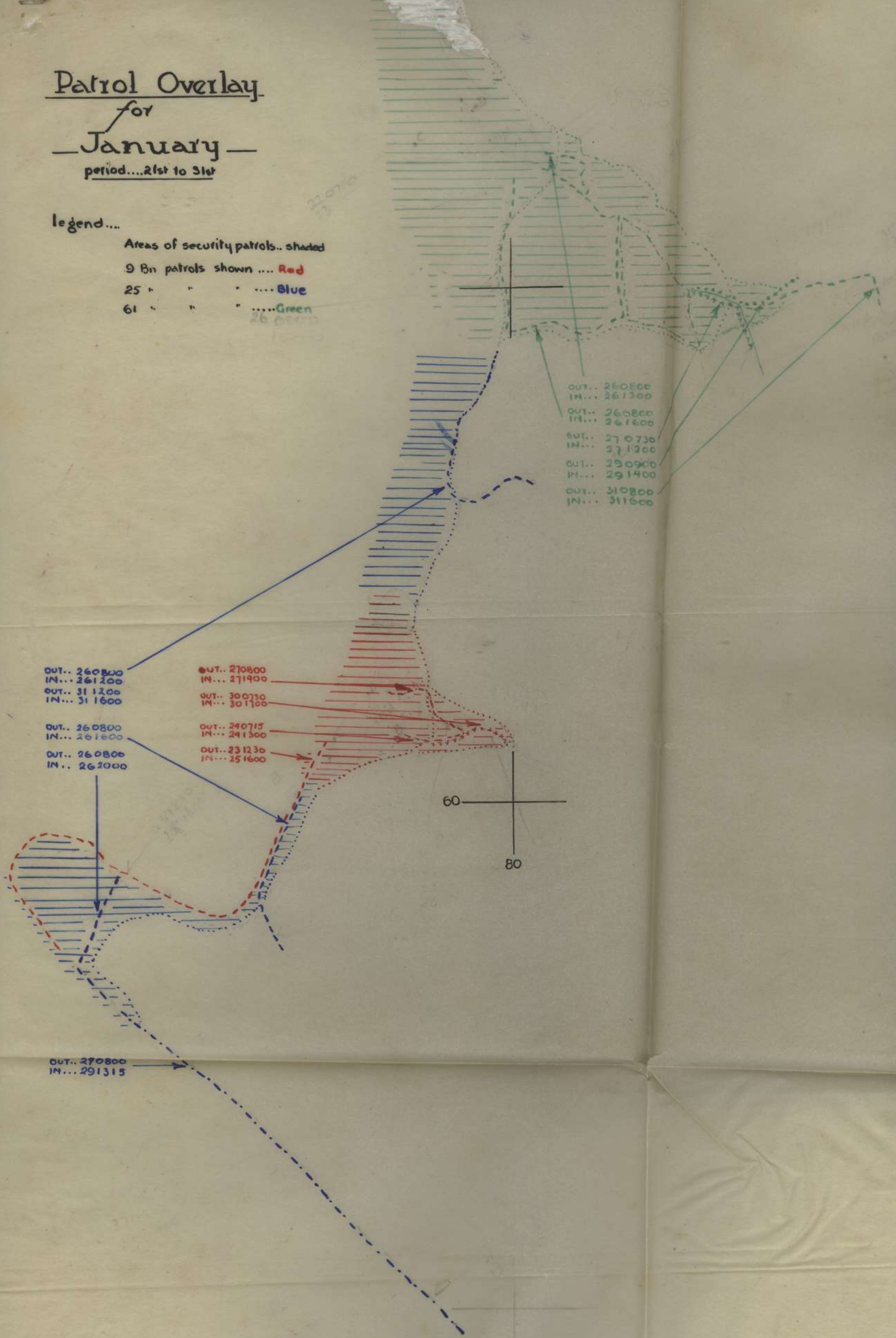
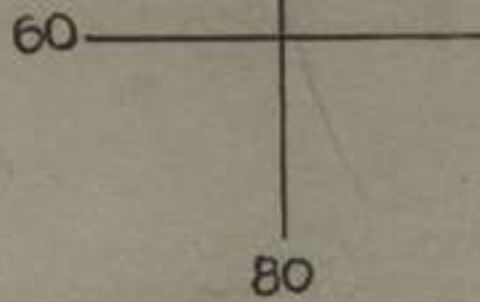
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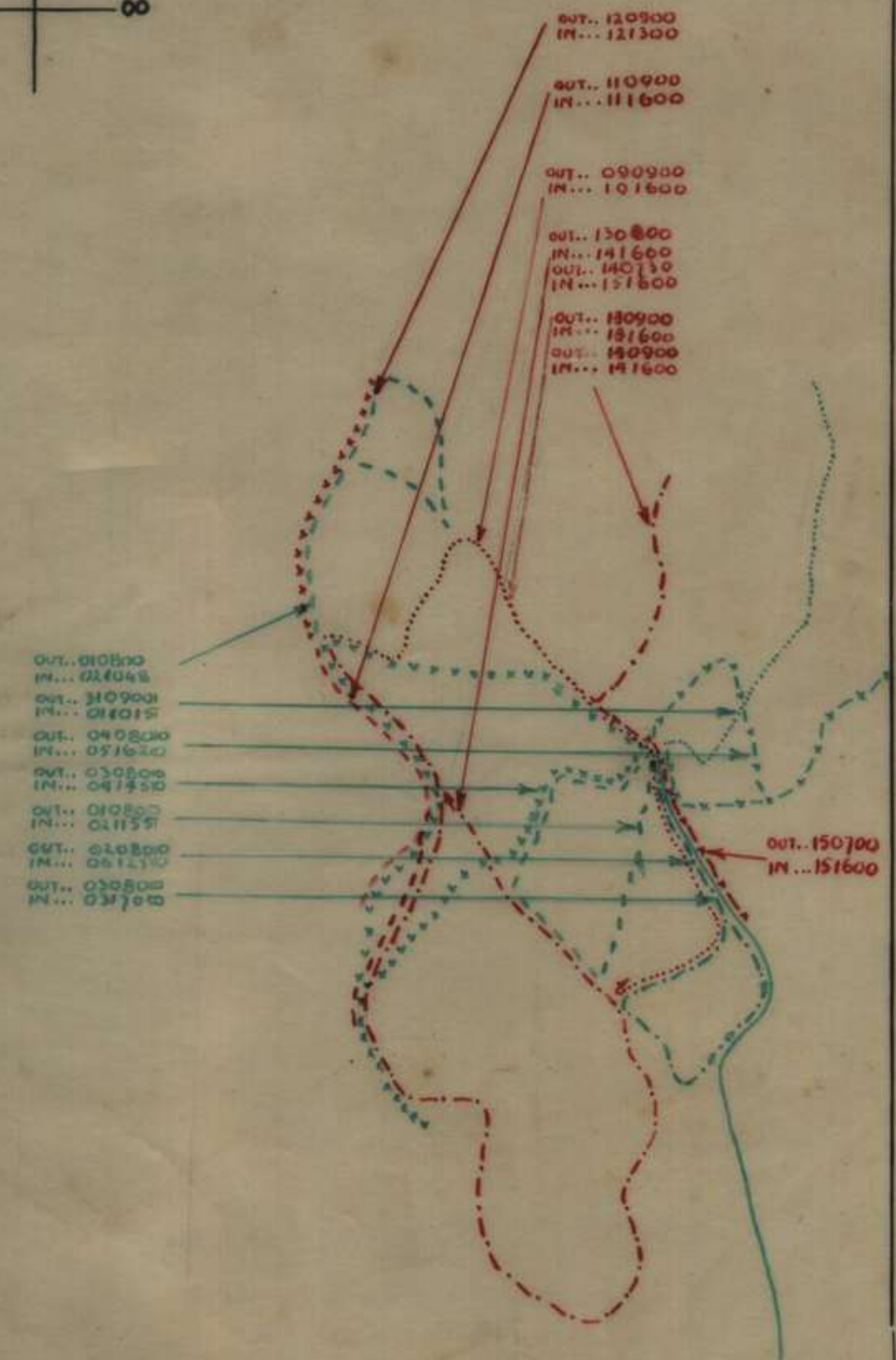
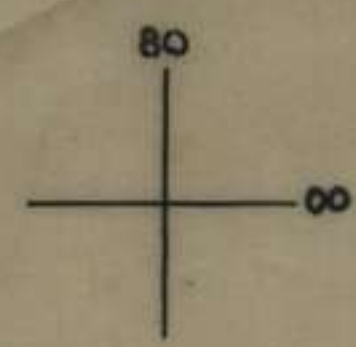
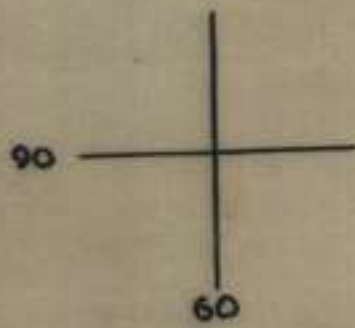
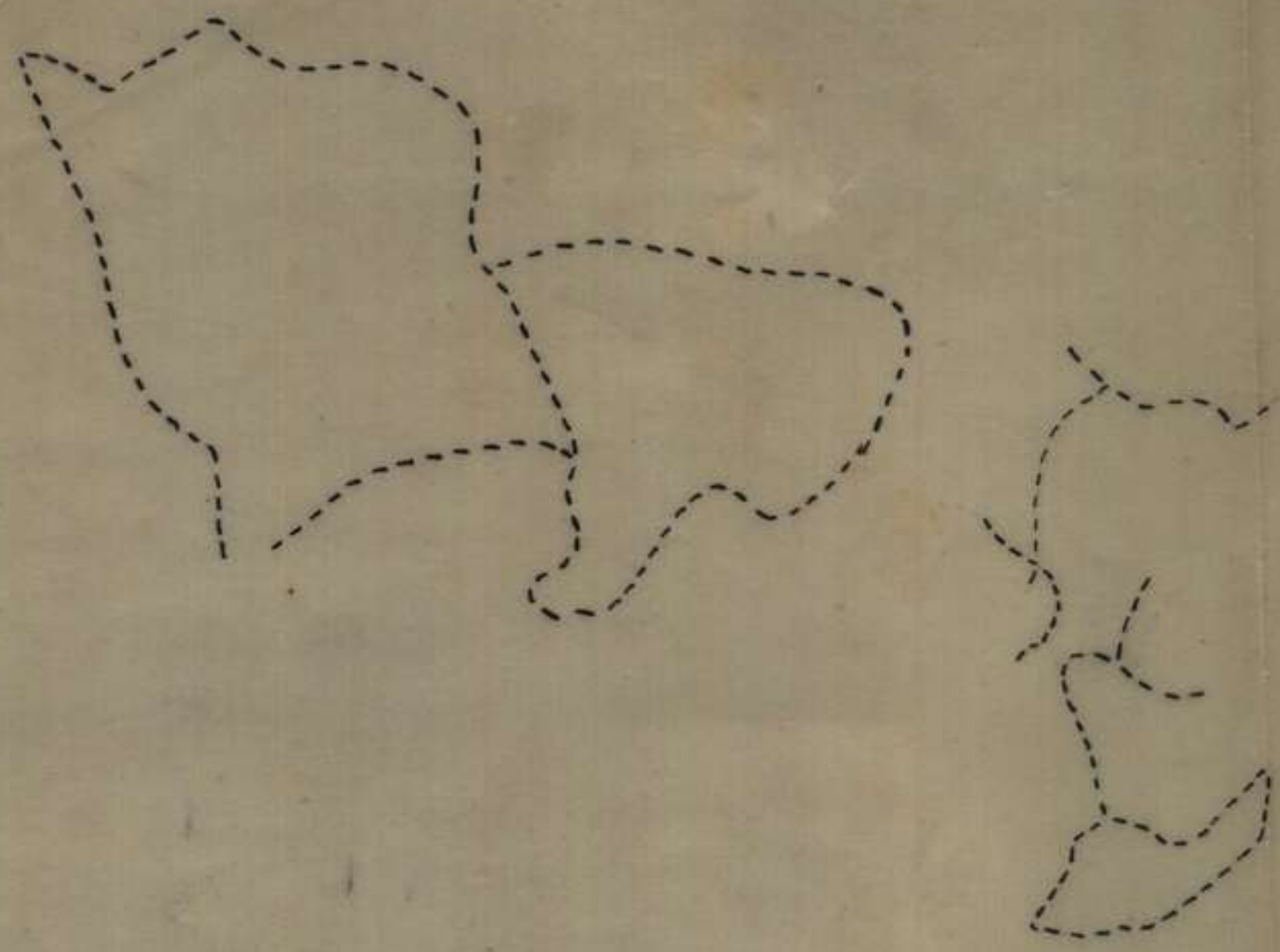
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OUT.. 270800
IN... 291315



Patrol Overlay
for
January
period... 1st to 28th.

legend...
Routine patrols shown.. Black
9 Bn " " ... Red
61 Bn " " ... Green



L I A I S O N

RECORD OF MOVEMENTS OF OFFICERS - HQ 7 AUST INF BDE

Date	Name and Appointment	Destination	Remarks
Dec 1	Lt E M HAMMOND (L02)	ANGAU LARUMA RIVER	Discussed DRLS between LARUMA Camp and PURUTUPAIA Camp.
1	Lt L RUDD (L03)	ANGAU - 145 Regt TOROKINA	Discussed hand over of accommodation stores. ANGAU - Routine
2	Lt L RUDD (L03)	9 Aust Inf Bn, 11 Aust Fd Amb, 224 Aust Sup Dep Pl PURUTUPAIA	Routine
2	Comd	3 Aust Div - TOROKINA	Conference GOC, 0800 - 0900 hrs
2	Lt A BROWN (L01)	9 Aust Inf Bn Rear, 25, 61 Aust Inf Bns, 11 Fd Amb	Routine
2	Lt E M HAMMOND (L02)	3 Aust Div, DID, 113 Aust Bde Wksp	Routine
3	Lt A BROWN (L01)	25, 61 Aust Inf Bns TOROKINA	Discussion allocation of 30 yard ranges.
3	Lt A BROWN (L01)	2 Aust Corps - DDME TOROKINA	Safe Hand delivery of Documents
4	Lt H C RODGERS (LAD offr)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Weapon examination with Capt LOWE DDME.
4	Lt E M HAMMOND (L02)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Routine
4	Lt L RUDD (L03)	ANGAU, 9 Aust Inf Bn Rear, 25, 61 Aust Inf Bns TOROKINA	Routine
4	Comd	61 Aust Inf Bn TOROKINA	With GOSC 2 Aust Corps & 3 Aust Div
4	Lt A BROWN (L01)	ANGAU, 61 Aust Inf Bn 30 yard range - TOROKINA	Routine
4	Lt A BROWN (L01)	61 Aust Inf Bn, 9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Guide for C Coy 61 Aust Inf Bn - PURUTUPAIA
5	Lt A BROWN (L01)	9 Aust Inf Bn HQ PURUTUPAIA	Routine
5	Lt E M HAMMOND (L02)	224 Aust Sup Dep Pl	
5	Lt E M HAMMOND (L02)	3 Aust Div, 113 Aust Bde Wksp, 9 Aust Inf Bn LOB, 25	Routine
5	Lt L RUDD (L03)	61 Aust Inf Bns TOROKINA	Routine
5	Lt L RUDD (L03)	9 Aust Inf Bn LOB TOROKINA	Routine
5	Lt L RUDD (L03)	9 Aust Inf Bn, 224 Aust Sup Dep Pl, 11 Aust Fd Amb PURUTUPAIA	Routine
6	Lt E M HAMMOND (L02)	2 Aust Corps, 3 Aust Div, 9 25, 61 Aust Inf Bns TOROKINA	Routine

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Date	Name and Appointment	Destination	Remarks
Dec 6	Capt PRENTICE (SC)	25, 61 Aust Inf Bns - TOROKINA	Transfers to INDIAN Army.
6	Capt TIMSON (IO)	3 Aust Div TOROKINA	Air Liaison
6	Lt BROWN (LO1)	61 Aust Inf Bn TOROKINA	Routine
7	Maj SUMMERTON (BM), Capt COCHRANE (SC L), Lt VOGLER (BOO)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	General Discussions
7	Lt BROWN (LO1)	61 Aust Inf Bn, 9 Aust Inf Bn LOB TOROKINA	Routine
8	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	9 Aust Inf Bn, 224 Aust Sup Dep Pl PURUTUPAIA	Routine
8	Maj SUMMERTON (BM)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Straightened out problems with Lt Col MATTHEWS
9	Lt BROWN (LO1)	9 Aust Inf Bn 224 Aust Sup Dep Pl PURUTUPAIA	Routine
9	Lt FINTER (Gd Pl)	145 US Regt	To arrange for Guard Area
10	Lt RUDD (LO3)	9 Aust Inf Bn	Routine
10	Maj SUMMERTON (BM)	25 Aust Inf Bn	Discussed possibility 25 Aust Inf Bn having to protect L of C to DOYABIE
11	Capt ROBSON (BM L)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Routine
11	Lt HAMMOND (LO 2)	2 Aust Corps TOROKINA	SpecialDR
11	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	9 Aust Inf Bn LOB, 25 Aust Inf Bn, 61 Aust Inf Bn TOROKINA	Routine
12	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Routine
13	Brig FIELD (Comd)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Accompanied by Gen BRIDGEFORD and Brig GARRETT
13	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	RAE 3 Aust Div, 9 Aust Inf Bn LOB, 25 Aust Inf Bn, 61 Aust Inf Bn TOROKINA	Routine
15	Lt BROWN (LO1)	B Sqn 2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn HANEMO	Recce with A Coy Comd 61 Aust Inf Bn prior to takeover, returned 17 Dec
15	Lt RUDD (LO3)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	
17	Maj SUMMERTON (BM)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Discussed situation with Lt Col MATTHEWS argued out arty problems and completion of his task. Stayed night.
18	Maj SUMMERTON (BM)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Watched C Coy attack capture ARTY HILL. Went Forward and inspected captured position.
18	Lt BROWN (LO1)	9, 25, 61 Aust Inf Bns	Inspection of Rifle Ranges for condition and safety
19	Brig FIELD (Comd) Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Accompanied Brig STEVENSON, 11 Bde and Col EDGAR

Date	Name and Appointment	Destination	Remarks
Dec 19	Lt RUDD (LO3)	29 Aust Inf Bde JABA RIVER	Special DR
19	Lt BROWN (LO1)	3 Aust Div, 25 Aust Inf Bn, 9 Aust Inf Bn LOB TOROKINA	Routine
19	Lt BROWN (LO1)	ANGAU Is HQ, HQ RAE 3 Aust Div, 9 Aust Inf Bn LOB TOROKINA	Routine
20	Lt RUDD (LO3)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Routine
21	Lt BROWN (LO1)	9 Aust Inf Bn PURUTUPAIA	Routine - Tour with pilots etc from 5 Tac R Sqn.
21	Maj SUMMERTON (BM) Capt PRENTICE (SC) Capt ASH (Legal Offr)	B Sqn 2/8 Aust Cdo Regt	Accompanied by Lt Col DEXTER recced route to HANEMO. Remained night at Base Camp.
21	Lt RUDD (LO3)	25, 61 Aust Inf Bns, 9 Aust Inf Bn LOB	Routine
22	Maj SUMMERTON (BM)	2/8 Aust Cdo Sqn	Went with Lt Col DEXTER to X Block. Returned Base Camp and with SC and Legal Offr walked home.
22	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	25 Aust Inf Bn PIATERAPAIA	Routine
22	Lt BROWN (LO1)	61 Aust Inf Bn TOROKINA	Routine
22	Lt RUDD (LO3)	106 Aust CCS TOROKINA	PW lables by Safe Hand.
22	Lt BROWN (LO1)	RAE 3 Aust Div TOROKINA	Routine
23	Brig FIELD (Comd) Capt ROBSON (BM L)	25 Aust Inf Bn PIATERAPAIA	Accompanied by several naval officers from HMS LOTHIAN
23	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	113 Aust Bde Wksp and Fd pk 11 Aust Fd Amb TOROKINA	
24	Lt BROWN (LO1)	11 Aust Fd Amb, 3 Aust Div TOROKINA	Routine
25	Lt BROWN (LO1)	25 Aust Inf Bn PIATERAPAIA	Routine
26	Maj SUMMERTON (BM)	25 Aust Inf Bn PIATERAPAIA	General discussions with Lt Col McKINNA
26	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	C Coy 9 Aust Inf Bn, 3 Aust Div, 15 Aust Inf Bde Area TOROKINA	Fostering in 15 Bde.
26	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	CRE 3 Aust Div SALVAGE	Routine
27	Lt RUDD (LO3)	25 Aust Inf Bn PIATERAPAIA	Routine
27	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	15 Bde Area TOROKINA	Fostering in 15 Bde.
27	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	11 Aust Inf Bde HQ	Routine
28	Lt BROWN (LO1)	25 Aust Inf Bn PIATERAPAIA	Routine
28	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	15 Bde Area, 9 Aust Inf Bn, 25 Aust Inf Bn LOB TOROKINA	Fostering in 15 Bde.
28	Lt RUDD (LO3)	9 & 61 Aust Inf Bn, 25 Aust Inf Bn LOB TOROKINA	Routine
28	Lt HAMMOND (LO2)	3 Aust Div, 15 Aust Inf Bde Area TOROKINA	Fostering in 15 Bde

Date	c	Name and Appointment	Destination	Remarks
Dec 29	Lt	HAMMOND (L02)	25 Aust Inf Bn	PIATERAPAIA Routine
29	Lt	BROWN (L01)	3 Aust Div	TOROKINA Routine
30	Maj	SUMMERTON (BM)	25 Aust Inf Bn	PIATERAPAIA Watched opening attack on
	Lt	RUDD (L03)		PEARL RIDGE
30	Lt	HAMMOND (L02)	5 Tac R Sqn	TOROKINA Routine
30	Lt	BROWN (L01)	5 Tac R Sqn	TOROKINA Routine
30	Lt	HAMMOND (L02)	3 Aust Div	TOROKINA Routine
31	Lt	BROWN (L01)	25 Aust Inf Bn	PIATERAPAIA Routine
