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November 1941

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WAR DIARY

or

INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Unit HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde.

Commanding Officer Brig J. J. MURRAY, DSO, MC, VD

Month and Year Nov. 41.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
HILL 69			At the beginning of this month the personnel of 20 Aust Inf Bde were divided between TOBRUCH and HILL 69. Of the HQ Staff Brig MURRAY, Maj ALLAN, Lieut VINCENT and Lieut ANGUS remained in TOBRUCH. Lt-Col CRAWFORD who sailed with the main body of the 2/17 Aust Inf Bn on 24 Oct took over comd of 20 Bde at HILL 69 until the return of Brig MURRAY and Staff on 16 Nov. The 2/13 Bn less details of adv party at Hill 69 remained at TOBRUCH and came under comd 8 Army. Generous leave was made available to all ranks at HILL 69 during the month.	
	Sat 1 Nov		Training areas were allotted to 2/13, 2/15 & 2/17 Aust Inf Bns. These areas were plotted by 'I' Secs Bde HQ, 2/15 & 2/17 Bns and a map fwded to 9 Aust Div for approval.	
	Fri 7 Nov	Sat 8 Nov	Range practice was carried out by personnel of 2/17 Bn at NUSEIRAT Range.	Maps handed to 21 Aust Inf Bde.
	Sun 9 Nov		Range Practice NUSEIRAT range by personnel of 2/13 Bn, 20 A/Tk Coy and 20 Bde HQ.	
	Mon 10 Nov		A patrol from 2/17 Bn patrolled and inspected the village of ISDUD.	
	Tues 11 Nov		The village of BEIT DARAS was patrolled by 2/15 Bn.	Patrol reports handed to 21 Aust Inf Bde.
	Thur 13 Nov	1115	All units under Bde Comd were inspected and addressed by Actg Comd Lt-Col CRAWFORD. PAD measures were commenced by all units at HILL 69. The PAD scheme included	

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Unit.....

Commanding Officer.....

Month and Year NOV. 41.

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	References to Appendices.
HILL 69	13 Nov		the construction of slit trenches and arrangements for gas detection, protection and decontamination. Areas of responsibility were allotted and units were requested to forward progress reports.	All PAD papers handed to 21 Inf Bde.
	cont			
	Sun		Brig MURRAY, rear party of Bde HQ and remainder of 2/15 Bn arrived from TOBRUCH.	
	16 Nov			
	Mon		An advance party from 2/17 Bn moved out by road tpt for BROUMANIA, SYRIA.	
	17 Nov	1500	Strength 4 offrs, 110 ORs. Party is expected to arrive BROUMANIA on 18 Nov, and will report to and come under comd 9 Army.	
	Wed.			
	19 Nov	2350	One Coy 2/17 Bn departed by rail from AL MAJDAL sta. Coy is expected to arrive at HAIFA 0630 hrs 20 Nov, will move from thence by MT to BROUMANIA and come under comd 9 Army.	
			Guards were supplied by 2/15 Bn for BARBARA Ord Depot, and 2/17 Bn for AL MAJDAL area. Tour of duty to be from 19 Nov to 3 Dec 41.	
			A scheme for internal security and protection against parachute and air-borne tps within the Camp 69 area of the GAZA MILITARY DISTRICT was promulgated by Lt-Col CRAWFORD. The scheme was framed to provide (a) The protection of the camp (b) The protection of vulnerable points (c) The organisation and maintenance	

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WAR DIARY
or
INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C, 2118.

Unit.....

Commanding Officer

Month and Year NOV. 41.

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(J.J. MURRAY) Brig.
Comd 20 Aust Inf Bde.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

10th Battalion L.I.B. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
<i>Regiment</i>			
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...			
Captains ...			
Lieutenants ...			
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
TOTALS ...			

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.)

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>Robinson R.J.</i>	<i>1st A.D.</i>	<i>18.11.41</i>	<i>Detached to 4th A.D. for duty</i>
<i>Capt</i>	<i>Gibson E.R.</i>	<i>1st A.D.</i>	<i>21.11.41</i>	<i>Detached to 4th A.D. for duty</i>
<i>1st Lt</i>	<i>Collins J.H.</i>	<i>1st A.D.</i>	<i>19.11.41</i>	<i>Detached to 4th A.D. for duty</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt</i>	<i>Brown J.F.</i>	<i>1st A.D.</i>	<i>18.11.41</i>	<i>Transferred to 4th A.D.</i>

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Bus	NX 265	Monroe, J. J.	ASST		
Major	NX 12229	Adams, H. J.	"	Yes	S.H.
Capt	NX 12242	Kelly, J. L. W.	"	Yes	S.H.
Capt	QX 6200	Williams, B.	"	Yes	S.O.
Lieut	NX 13867	Vincent, H. O.	"	Yes	S.O.
"	NX 15590	Pickens, H. O.	"	Yes	S.O.
"	QX 6243	Angus, H.	"	Yes	S.O.
7/Capt	NX 33094	Edwards, J. H.	"	Yes	See App. C. 11-26
<u>Officers Not Present with Unit</u>				Present	
Lt Col	NX 378	Lawrence, J. H.	ASST	N.O.W.	Affairs
Lieut	NX 57320	Leary, C. B.	"	69 W.	Off. of the 9th Regt

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or temporary rank. if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Nx 35097	Chap.	Francis C.	Artillery	27 10	to 1st Regt. for duty
Nx 34563	"	Harlan B. M.	"	16 6 00	to 1st Regt. for duty
Lx 1438	"	Kolophus W.	"	19 11 01	to 1st Regt. for duty
Qx 6391	"	Johnson S. A.	"	21 11 01	to 1st Regt. for duty

Mr. L. B. (Unit.)

22. 11. 41

(Date of Despatch.)

(Signature of Commander.)

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

1102nd Signal Coy (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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<i>Brigadier</i> *	<i>1</i>		
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	<i>1</i>		
Captains ...	<i>3</i>		
Lieutenants ...			
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
TOTALS ...	<i>8</i>		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.)

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt.</i>	<i>Robinson, A.F.</i>	<i>A.I.D.</i>	<i>18.11.41</i>	<i>Detached to 413th Anti A.C. for duty</i>
<i>Capt.</i>	<i>Gibson, S.R.</i>	<i>A.I.D.</i>	<i>21.11.41</i>	<i>Detached to 415th Anti A.C. for duty</i>
<i>1/Lt.</i>	<i>Collins, J.H.</i>	<i>A.I.D.</i>	<i>19.11.41</i>	<i>By Unit on 4.4.42</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
<i>Capt.</i>	<i>Lawrence, J.F.</i>	<i>A.I.D.</i>	<i>18.11.41</i>	<i>Transferred to 412th Anti A.C.</i>

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Regt.	NX 365	Kenney, J. J.	Artillery		
Regt.	NX 12229	Allen, H. J.	"	Yes.	B.H.
Capt.	NX 12244	Kelly, J. L. A.	"	Yes.	S.H.
Capt.	OX 6200	Williams, B.	"	Yes.	L.O.
Lieut.	NX 13867	Vincent, B. E.	"	Yes.	L.O.
"	NX 15590	Packering, B. E.	"	Yes.	L.O.
"	OX 6243	Angus, W.	"	Yes.	L.O.
2/Capt.	NX 35094	Collins, J. A.	"	Yes.	See Supp. D. 1.1.16
<u>Officers Attached for Duty</u>			<u>Det. of</u>		
Lt. Col.	NX 378	Brayford, J. H.	Artillery	26.10.40	Absent.
Lieut.	NX 57320	Lucky, G. G.	"	6.9.41	On leave 9 days ago.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
NX 35097	Capt.	Francis, G.	Artillery	30.7.40	to 4th Bn for duty
NX 34863	"	Watson, B. H.	"	16.6.40	to 4th Bn for duty
NX 12488	"	Roberts, A. J.	"	29.11.41	to 4th Bn for duty
OX 6391	"	Johnson, E. D.	"	21.4.41	to 4th Bn for duty

22.11.41

(Unit.)

22.11.41

(Date of Despatch.)

J. Kenney
22.11.41

(Signature of Commander.)

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

HQ 20 AUST INF BDE. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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Brigadier *	1		
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	3		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
TOTALS ...	8		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.)

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	Sheldon, T. C.	A.I.F.	26-11-41	from 2/17 Aust Inf Bn (Secondment pending)

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	Angus, W.	A.I.F.	25-11-41	Rejoined Unit 2/15 Aust Inf Bn. (Termination of secondment pending)

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or temporary rank, if held. XXXXXX XXXXXX Personal No	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brig	NX 365	MURRAY, J. J.	A.I.F.	Yes	Comd
Maj	NX 12229	ALLAN, H. T.	"	"	BM
Capt.	NX 12214	KELLY, J. L. A.	"	"	SC
Capt.	QX 6200	WILLIAMS, B.	"	"	LO
T/Capt.	NX 35094	ELLIOTT, J. H.	"	"	Bde Sup O
Lieut	NX 13867	VINCENT, M. D.	"	"	IO
Lieut	NX 15590	PICKERING, M. V.	"	"	TO
Lieut	NX 28415	SHELDON, T. C.	"	"	LO
OFFICERS ATTACHED FOR DUTY.					
				Date of Attachment	
Lt-Col	NX 378	CRAWFORD, J. W.	A.I.F.	26-10-41	A/Comd
Lieut.	NX 57320	LECKY, E. C.	"	6-9-41	OC "J" Sec 9 Div Sigs.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
NX 35097	Chap	FRANCIS, G.	AACHD	30-7-40	to 2/13 Bn for duty
NX 34963	"	WATSON, B. M.	"	16-6-40	to 2/17 Bn for duty
NX 12188	"	ROBJOHNS, A. J.	"	19-11-41	to 2/13 Bn for duty
QX 6391	"	GIBSON, G. R.	"	21-11-41	to 2/15 Bn for duty

HQ 20 AUST INF BDE.

(Unit.)

29 NOV 41.

(Date of Despatch.)

(J. Kelly)

SC 20 Aust Inf Bde.

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

(Signature of Commander.)

Capt.

(9 Aust Div)

Unit Serial No 2

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS.

HQ 20 AUST INF BDE. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorised establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishment).
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Brigadier *	1		
Lieut.-Colonels ...			
Majors ...	1		
Captains ...	3		
Lieutenants ...	3		
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...			
District Officers ...			
TOTALS ...	8		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary (e.g., Major-General, Brigadier, etc.)

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	Sheldon, T. C.	A.I.F.	26-11-41	from 2/17 Aust Inf Bn (Secondment pending)

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut	Angus, W.	A.I.F.	25-11-41	Rejoined Unit 2/15 Aust Inf Bn. (Termination of secondment pending)

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or temporary rank, if held. Personal No	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Brig	NX 365	MURRAY, J. J.	A.I.F.	Yes	Comd
Maj	NX 12229	ALLAN, H. T.	"	"	BM
Capt.	NX 12214	KELLY, J. L. A.	"	"	SC
Capt.	QX 6200	WILLIAMS, B.	"	"	LO
T/Capt.	NX 35094	ELLIOTT, J. H.	"	"	Bde Sup O
Lieut	NX 13867	VINCENT, M. D.	"	"	IO
Lieut	NX 15590	PICKERING, M. V.	"	"	TO
Lieut	NX 28415	SHELDON, T. C.	"	"	LO

OFFICERS ATTACHED FOR DUTY.

				Date of Attachment	
Lt-Col	NX 378	CRAWFORD, J. W.	A.I.F.	26-10-41	A/Comd
Lieut.	NX 57320	LECKY, E. C.	"	6-9-41	OC "J" Sec 9 Div Sigs.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank.	Higher Acting or temporary rank, if held.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
NX 35097	Chap	FRANCIS, C.	AACHD	30-7-40	to 2/13 Bn for duty
NX 34963	"	WATSON, B. M.	"	16-6-40	to 2/17 Bn for duty
NX 12188	"	ROBJOHNS, A. J.	"	19-11-41	to 2/13 Bn for duty
QX 6391	"	GIBSON, G. R.	"	21-11-41	to 2/15 Bn for duty

HQ 20 AUST INF BDE.

(Unit.)

29 NOV 41.

(Date of Despatch.)

(J. Kelly)

SC 20 Aust Inf Bde.

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

(Signature of Commander.)

Capt.

(9 Aust Div)

Army Form W. 3009
(page 1)
(Adapted)

Mr. 20 And by Rule (Unit) 22 Nov 1941 (Date)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

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

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W. Rice. H. H.	2/13 Aust Inf Bn.	De Koonigsdor 35	2/17 Aust Inf Bn.
Sgt. Newton, D.C.S.	2/13 Aust Inf Bn.	De Koonigsdor 62	18 Aust Inf Bn.
De Koonigsdor, J.	2/15 Aust Inf Bn.	De Koonigsdor, J. H.	2/25 Aust Inf Bn.
De Koonigsdor, J.	2/17 Aust Inf Bn.		
Sgt. Reaching, S.	2/17 Aust Inf Bn.		
De Koonigsdor, R. R.	2/17 Aust Inf Bn.		

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

Unit.
Date of Despatch *22 Nov 41*

Signature of Commander.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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(page 1)
(Adapted)

Mr. J. E. Lee (Unit) 22 Nov 1941 (Date)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

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

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W. Rice. N. N.	2/13 Aust. Inf. Bn.	Dr. Macdonald. 55	2/17 Aust. Inf. Bn.
Adj. Newton. D.C.S.	2/13 Aust. Inf. Bn.	Dr. Macdonald. 68	12 Aust. Inf. Bn.
Dr. Carson. S.	2/15 Aust. Inf. Bn.	Dr. Macdonald. 91A	2/15 Aust. Inf. Bn.
Dr. Kennedy. J.	2/17 Aust. Inf. Bn.		
Adj. Keating. S.	2/17 Aust. Inf. Bn.		
Dr. Macdonald. R.R.	2/17 Aust. Inf. Bn.		

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Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.		
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Signallers																	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Cooks																	

Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch

Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

MR 20 Unit L. B. (Unit) 29 Nov 1941 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			/
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2.		
Serjeants	2.		
Corporals	5		
Troopers, Privates, &c.	54		/
TOTALS	63	.	2.

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
W. Rice N.W.	2/13 Aust Inf Bn.	Pt Raymond G.V.	18 Aust Inf Bn.
Apt Norton D.C.S.	do.	Pt Holden J.W.	2/25 Aust Inf Bn.
Pt Kennedy J.	2/17 Aust Inf Bn.		
Lt Col. Harding I.	do.		
Pt Walker R.	do.		
Pt Munro J.E.	do.		

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

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20th Aust Inf Bde Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
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Vickers Machine Gunners																
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20th Aust Inf Bde
Unit.

Date of Despatch 29 Nov 41.

[Signature]
Signature of Commander.
[Signature]
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Paul Scott No 2

(page 1)

(Adapted)

NO 20, Unit 3, Bldg. (Unit) 29 Nov 1941 (Date).

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

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

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
20 Rec 82	2/13 Rec L Br	P. Hayward C2	18 Rec L Br
21 Rec 82	do	P. Holden J2	2/25 Rec L Br
P. Kinane J	2/22 Rec L Br		
22 Rec 82	do		
P. Parker R	do		
P. Newcastle S	do		

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Unit Serial No. 2

1000 2nd Div. 1st Bde. Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
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1000 2nd Div. 1st Bde. Unit.

Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 29 Nov 41

Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDER No. 7.

by

Brigadier J. J. MURRAY, D.S.O., M.C., V.D.

Commanding 20 Aust Inf Bde.

3 Nov 41 Monday

HILL 69.

1. Court of Inquiry

A Court of Inquiry comprising the undermentioned Officers will assemble at a time and place to be appointed by the President to enquire into and report upon the alleged loss of stores from 2/15 Bn on

- (a) 24 Oct 41
- (b) 24/25 Oct 41.

PRESIDENT

NX 12225 Capt J. R. Broadbent, 2/17 Aust Inf Bn

MEMBERS

NX 21913 Lieut D. J. Cartledge, 2/13 Aust Inf Bn
NX 34891 Lieut G. D. Evans, 2/13 Aust Inf Bn

The attention of the Court is directed to AMR & O 693 and 694 (2).

The President may obtain documents relating to the losses from this HQ.

2. Egyptian Ten Piastre Notes

The present issue of the above notes is being withdrawn and replaced by notes of a similar design and colour. The distinguishing features between the two notes are that the new note bears a watermark, and the reverse of the new note has a background of brown wavy lines. The old type notes will be valueless after the 31st January 1942. The old note does not bear a watermark of any pattern and the background of the reverse side of the note is plain.

Old notes will no longer be issued and will cease to be accepted by AIF Pay personnel after the 31st December 1941.

AIF personnel holding any such notes are advised to convert them immediately to other denominations of Egyptian currency or where personnel are located in other countries, they should be converted into the currency of that country.

All ranks are warned against accepting old 10 piastre notes described in para 1 from any source, either military or civilian.

3. Field Service Postcards - Transmission by Airmail

Commencing 1st November 1941 Field Service Postcards (AF A2042) will be accepted for air-mail transmission to Australia.

The postage fee on Field Service Postcards is 3d but the air-mail charge of 5d for ordinary postcards is not changed.

Cards for airmail should bear an airmail blue label or be effectively marked "By Airmail" in the top left hand corner of the address side.

4. Trophies of War and Other Captured Material

It has been found that binoculars and other captured war material including documents and manuals are being sent to Australia by members of the A.I.F.

This practice will cease forthwith.

Such articles reaching Australia will be confiscated and, on receipt of particulars of despatch, disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

Officers commanding units holding personnel awaiting return to Australia will hold kit inspections, without due warning having been given, to ensure that officers and other ranks are complying with this Order.

5. Recovery and Reconditioning of MT Spare Parts

It is vitally necessary that every MT spare part which can be salvaged is immediately returned to the nearest section of 1 Aust Ord Fd Pk or AAOC Wkshop.

The importance of this will be impressed upon all ranks and will be published in Unit Routine Orders. Officers especially will make every effort to implement the policy of recovery and reconditioning of spare parts, for which the necessary organisation exists in the AAOC.

6. Security - Irregular Despatch of Uncensored Letters to Australia.

It has come under notice that members of the AIF (ME) are despatching uncensored or insufficiently censored correspondence to Australia other than through the authorized channels. This includes correspondence handed to personnel returning to Australia on medical or other grounds, for despatch or delivery on arrival in Australia or intermediate place of call.

No member of the military forces will write, post, transmit, deliver or communicate in any manner or attempt so to communicate to any person, other than in the execution of his duty, any message of a secret or confidential nature, or likely to be useful to the enemy, or relating to the numbers, description or destination of troops, transports or warships, or likely to be prejudicial to the public safety, the defence of the Commonwealth, the efficient prosecution of the war, or the maintenance of supplies and services essential to the Defence Force or to the life of the community.

Disciplinary action will be taken against detected offenders.

7. COMFORTS

Receipt of the following sporting goods from the Australian Comforts Fund is acknowledged:

	<u>20 Bde HQ</u>	<u>2/13 Bn</u>	<u>2/15 Bn</u>	<u>2/17 Bn</u>
12 Cricket bats	3	3	3	3
9 pr Cricket pads	-	3	3	3
12 leather cricket balls	3	3	3	3
3 sets cricket stumps	-	1	1	1
2 pr wicketkeeping gloves	-	-	1	1
6 compo cricket balls	-	2	2	2
12 rugby balls	3	3	3	3
6 soccer balls	-	2	2	2
6 sets boxing gloves	-	2	2	2
2 football pumps	-	1	1	-
2 football lasers	-	1	1	-

8. ~~Sick parade will be held at 0645 hrs daily.~~ Personnel requiring urgent dental treatment will report on sick parade at ~~0600~~ hrs daily. Unit MOs will make own arrangements for personnel requiring dental treatment.

J. L. A. KELLY Capt
SC 20 Aust Inf Bde.

Distribution: 2/13 Bn, 2/15 Bn, 2/17 Bn, HQ 9 Aust Div, 20 A Tk Coy,
58 LAD, "J" Sec Sigs, Camp 80, Comd, BM, SC, TO,
IO, 80, War Diary, File

9 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT NO. 2As at 1800 hrs 29 Oct 41

Serial No.	Unit	Location	Lines	Remarks
<u>HEADQUARTERS</u>				
1	HQ 9 AUST DIV	Julis	Birdwood	
2	D Sec FSS	Julis	Birdwood	
3	One Pl Aust Gd Bn	Kilo 89	Holmes	
4	9 Aust Div Emp Pl	Julis	Birdwood	
<u>CAV</u>				
5	9 Aust Div Cav Regt	Syria		
6	82 Aust LAD	Syria		
<u>RAA</u>				
7	HQ RAA 9 Aust Div	Qastina	HQ	
8	2/7 Aust Fd Regt	Egypt		
9	63 Aust LAD	Egypt		
10	2/8 Aust Fd Regt	Qastina	Foote	
11	64 Aust LAD	Qastina	Foote	
12	2/12 Aust Fd Regt	Qastina	Chauvel	
13	61 Aust LAD	Qastina	Chauvel	
14	3 Aust A Tk Regt	Qastina	MacLagan	
15	71 LAD	Qastina	MacLagan	
<u>ENGRS</u>				
16	HQ RAE	Hill 69	Brockman	
17	2/3 Aust Fd Coy	Hill 69	Brockman	
18	2/7 Aust Fd Coy	Hill 69	Brockman	
19	2/13 Aust Fd Coy	Hill 69	Brockman	
20	24 Aust Fd Pk Coy	Hill 69	Brockman	
21	72 Aust LAD	Hill 69	Brockman	
<u>SIGS</u>				
22	Sigs 9 Aust Div	Julis	Monash	
23	67 Aust LAD	Egypt		
<u>INF</u>				
24	HQ 20 AUST INF BDE	Hill 69	HQ	
25	Sig Sec	Hill 69	HQ	
26	Pl Gd Bn	Hill 69	HQ	
27	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	Hill 69	Mills	
28	2/15 Aust Inf Bn	Hill 69	Robertson	
29	2/17 Aust Inf Bn	Hill 69	Hodgson	
30	58 LAD	Hill 69	HQ	
31	HQ 24 AUST INF BDE	Kilo 89	HQ	
32	Sig Sec	Kilo 89	HQ	
33	Pl Gd Bn	Kilo 89	HQ	
34	2/25 Aust Inf Bn	Syria		
35	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	Kilo 89	Herring	
36	2/43 Aust Inf Bn	Kilo 89	Squires	
37	76 LAD	Kilo 89	HQ	

Serial No.	Unit	Location	Lines	Remarks
	<u>INF</u> - contd.			
38	HQ 26 AUST INF BDE	Julis	HQ	
39	Sig Sec	Julis	HQ	
40	P1 Gd Bn	Julis	HQ	
41	2/23 Aust Inf Bn	Julis	Goddard	
42	2/24 Aust Inf Bn	Julis	Gellibrand	
43	2/48 Aust Inf Bn	Julis	Hobbs	
44	78 LAD	Julis	HQ	
45	2/2 Aust MG Bn	Hill 95	L 2	
46	77 Aust LAD	Hill 95	L 2	
47	32 Aust Inf Bn	Kilo 89	Ryrie	
48	2/1 Aust Pioneer Bn	Hill 69	7	
	<u>MEDICAL</u>			
49	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	Hill 95	HQ	
50	2/8 Aust Fd Amb	Julis	Leane	
51	2/11 Aust Fd Amb	Julis	Leane	
52	2/4 Fd Hyg Sec	Hill 95	HQ	
	<u>ASC</u>			
53	HQ AASC 9 Aust Div	Julis	Browne	
54	9 Aust Div Sup Coln	Julis	Browne	
55	9 Aust Div Amn Coy	Julis	Browne	
56	9 Aust Div Pet Coy	Julis	Browne	
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>			
57	9 Aust Div Postal Unit	Julis	Birdwood	
58	9 Aust Div Pro Coy	Julis	Monash	
59	9 Aust Div Mob Bath Unit	Egypt		
60	9 Div Laundry & Fwd			
	Decn Unit	Egypt		
61	9 Aust Div Salvage Unit	Julis	Browne	

Ack

W K Luby Capt
Col.
GS 9 AUST DIV.

Distribution

Copy No.

20 Aust Inf Bde	1
24 Aust Inf Bde	2
26 Aust Inf Bde	3
RAA	4
RAE	5
9 Aust Div Cav Regt	6
9 Div Sigs	7
2/1 Pnr Bn	8
2/2 M G Bn	9
Comd	10
G	11-12
AQ	13-14
Medical	15
Ord	16
Camp	17
Cipher	18
Base Area Sigs	19
Postal	20
Chaplains	21-22
File	23-28
War Diary	29-30

TO HQ 20 AUST INF BDE

FROM : HQ 9 AUST DIV.

Q 125

17

ref	9	div	070	of
14	nov	(.)	warning	order
first	(.)	one	aust	inf
coy	20	bde	will	move
AIF	base	to	BROOMANA	under
orders	MOV	NINTH	ARMY	(.)
depart	19	nov	(.)	second
(.)	adv	party	move	17
nov	to	arrive	18	nov
unit	transport	and	vehicle	return
unit	(.)	take	(A)	complete
G 1098	arms	and	cooking	equip
(B)	other	G 1098	equip	and
amn	now	held	(C)	vehicles
in	para	6	(.)	fifth
(.)	to	complete	para	4
A	draw	from	3A0D	HAIFA
2	(2)	inch	mortars	3
(3)	brens	7	(7)	TSMGS
(.)	draw	cooking	equip	from
2	sub	depot	3A0D	SARAFAND
(.)	six	(.)	draw	2
(2)	trucks	1	ton	UDF
type	from	VRP	SARAFAND	(.)
no	other	vehicles	available	(.)
seventh	(.)	separate	instructions	following
for	completion	amn	from	ARH
BEIRUT	on	arrival		

DRTS
DRLS.T.H.I.
T.O.R.

Rail None for
4 officers 110 ORs

2 vehicles by Road
with NCO & Co

- Baggage - By Rail -

- 2 Tons Cubic

Blankets
Kits & Bags May be taken
Rations - Resumes to be taken
- (See Blaham) -

Unconsumed portion of days
future and following day
(Stage) to have at 1900
on 1900 -

Check on weapons
etc (Williams)

Movement by Road
or Rail -
(Ann to taken ?)

1.30 Out Truck

MESSAGE FORM

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OUT

No. of Groups.

GR.

88

OFFICE DATE STAMP

Hill 69

15/11

TO

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

20 Aust Inf Bde RAA 6 Aus Div 2/6 Aust Inf Bn
Rptd Aust base

FROM

9 Aust Div

Originator's Number

078

Date

15

In Reply to Number

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BROUMANA

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THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY
ANY MEANS.IF LIABLE TO BE INTERCEPTED OR FALL
INTO ENEMY HANDS, THIS MESSAGE MUST BE
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TIME OF ORIGIN

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Signed

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T.O.R.

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GR.

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TO

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FROM

Originator's Number

Date

In Reply to Number

all ranks O Adv. party report BROUMANA
 18 Nov main body 24 Nov O
 Accommodation arranged NINTH ARMY anticipated
 tour of duty 3 weeks O Movement order follows
 later

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Forms	C2128/13.	Wt. 36169/1798.	1,000M. pads. 12	/39. B.&	S. Ltd.	51-5537.					

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John Blake

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 2

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OFFICE DATE STAMP

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Hill 69

16/11/41

OUT

TO

V R P SARFAND 20 BDE HQ

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

FROM

9 AUS DIV

Originator's Number

9120

Date

16

In Reply to Number

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HQ

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DEGREE OF PRIORITY

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20 Bde
(2) Immediate
(Confirmation)

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde

Movement Order No. 1.

1. AUTHORITY - 9 Aust Div 078 dated 15 Nov 41.
2. INTENTION - The undermentioned personnel comprising advance party of 2/17 Aust Inf Bn will move by road to BRUMMANIA SYRIA at time and date shown hereunder:
 3. STRENGTH - 1 Officer 11 ORs.
Depart Hill 69 - 17 Nov - 1500 hrs.
Arrive BRUMMANIA - 18 Nov.
Report HQ Ninth Army.
NX 12298 Capt L. G. Brien will be Officer in charge of party.
4. ROUTE - Main Road LYDDA - HAIPA - TYRE - BEIRUT -
BEIT MERI - BRUMMANIA.

H. T. Allan
(H. T. ALLAN) Maj
HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION

Copy No.

Capt L. G. Brien
2/17 Aust Inf Bn
9 Aust Div
File ✓

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MOVEMENT ORDER No. 2.

AUTHORITY: 9 Aust Div Q74/1/277 of 18 Nov 41.

INTENTION: One coy 2/17 Bn will move to BROUMANNIA.

STRENGTH: 4 Officers 110 ORs.

Arms: Arms as issued by 3 AOD, plus 2 Brens
1 Boyes Anti Tank Rifle and two Thompson
Machine Guns from unit.equipment.

AMMUNITION: 50 rounds SAA to be carried on man.

Bren ammunition:

Thompson Sub Maching Gun amn:

TIMES: Depart Hill 69 2200 hrs

Depart El Majdal Railway Station 2350 hrs.

Arrive Haifa 0630 hrs.

Mov HAIFA will arrange onward movement 20 Nov by hired
MT.

Att demand on RTO El Majdal for railway warrant EL MAJDAL-
HAIFA.

TPT

2 1-ton trucks in charge of NCO to proceed by road direct
to BROUMANNIA.

ROUTE

(a) Main road LYDDA - HAIFA - TYRE - BEIRUT - BEIT MERI -
BROUMANNIA.

(b) Tpt to move personnel Hill 69 to EL MAJDAL Railway
Station will report 2/17 Bn HQ 2130 hrs.

ADM

W/ Blankets will be taken; kit bag may be taken.
Baggage space to a maximum of 2 cubic tons available
on train.

RATIONS

Unexpended portion of day's ration, plus one day's hard
rations, plus reserve rations will be taken.

Mov HAIFA will arrange meal Haifa on arrival.

H. T. Allan
(H. T. ALLAN) Maj
BM 20 Aust Inf Bde

Distribution

CC Main Body
NCO Road Party
2/17 Bn
BM
File

SECRET

Copy No.

20 AUGUST INF BDE

MOVEMENT ORDER No. 2

AUTHORITY: 9 Aust Div 274/1/277 of 13 Nov 41.

INTENTION: One Coy 2/17 Aust Inf Bn will move to BROUHAHIA.

STRENGTH: 4 Officers 110 ORs.

Arms: Arms as issued by 3 AGD, plus 2 Brens, 1 Boyes Anti-Tank Rifle and 2 Thompson Machine Guns from Unit eqpt.

AMMUNITION: 50 rds SAA to be carried on man.
Iron Am.
Thompson Sub Machine Gun amn.

TIMES: Depart HILL 69 2200 hrs
Depart EL MAJDAL Railway Stn 2350 hrs.
Arrive HAIFA 0630 hrs.
Now HAIFA will arrange onward movement 20 Nov by hired MT.

Asst demand on RTO EL MAJDAL for railway warrant EL MAJDAL-HAIFA.

TPT: 2 one ton trucks in charge of NCO to proceed by road direct to BROUHAHIA.

ROUTE: (a) Main road LYDDA-HAIFA-TYRE-BEHUT - BEIT MARI-BROUHAHIA.

(b) Tpt to move personnel HILL 69 to EL MAJDAL Railway Station will report 2/17 Aust Inf Bn HQ 2130 hrs.

ADM: Blankets will be taken; kit bag may be taken.
Baggage space to a maximum of 2 cubic tons available on train.

RATIONS: Unexpended portion of day's ration, plus one day's hard rations, plus reserve rations will be taken.

Now HAIFA will arrange meal HAIFA on arrival.

(H. T. ALLAN) Major
HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde.

Distribution

CO Main Body
NCO Road Party
2/17 Aust Inf Bn
HQ
File

Q74/1/277

H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
18 Nov 41.

20 Aust Inf Bde (2)

MOVEMENT RIFLE COY 17 BN - BROUMANA

Ref Warning Orders 9 Aust(A) 078 of 15 Nov 41 and (B) Q125 of 17 Nov 41.

1. One Rifle Coy 17 Bn strength 5 officers and 125 O.Rs will move BROUMANA for guard duties for period of approximately 3 weeks.

2. A. Advance Party 1 officer 11 O.Rs move by road 17 Nov reporting BROUMANA 18 Nov. Unit transport and vehicle returning to unit forthwith.

B. Main Body :

(i) 1 N.C.O., 3 O.Rs two 1 ton vans move road A.I.F. Base Area - BROUMANA 19 Nov reporting BROUMANA 20 Nov.

(ii) 4 Officers 110 O.Rs move rail AL MAJDAL departing 2350 hrs 19 Nov arriving HAIFA 0630 hrs 20 Nov.

Mov HAIFA will arrange onward movement 20 Nov by hired M.T.

3. Attached demand on R.T.O. AL MAJDAL for Rail Warrant, AL MAJDAL HAIFA for movement personnel para 2 B(ii).

4. Movement personnel and baggage unit lines - AL MAJDAL Railway Station under unit arrangements.

M. A. A. & Q. M. G. Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

Copies to -

O.C. Main Body
NCO i/c Road Party
'G'

Fwd for information
H.L.

H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
18 Nov 41.

20 Aust Inf Bde (2)

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[Signature] Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

Copies to -

O.C. Main Body
NCO i/c Road Party
'G'

Find for information
[Signature]

H.Q. 9 Aust Div,
18 Nov 41.

26 Aust Inf Bde (2)

MOVEMENT RIFLE COY 17 BN - BROUMANA

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A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div. Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 9 Aust Div.

Copies to -

O.C. Main Body
NCO i/c Road Party ✓
'G'

SECRET

Copy No.

20 AUST INF BDE

MOVEMENT ORDER No. 2

AUTHORITY: 9 Aust Div Q74/1/277 of 13 Nov 41.

INTENTION: One Coy 2/17 Aust Inf Bn will move to BROUMANNIA.

STRENGTH: 4 Officers 110 ORs.

ARMS: Arms as issued by 3 AOD, plus 2 Brens, 1 Boyes Anti-Tank Rifle and 2 Thompson Machine Guns from Unit eqpt.

AMMUNITION: 50 rds SAA to be carried on train.
Bren Amn.
Thompson Sub Machine Gun amn.

TIMES: Depart HILL 69 2200 hrs
Depart EL MAJDAL Railway Stn 2350 hrs.
Arrive HAIFA 0630 hrs.
Mov HAIFA will arrange onward movement 20 Nov by hired MT.

Att Command on RFO EL MAJDAL for railway warrant EL MAJDAL-HAIFA.

TPT: 2 one ton trucks in charge of HCO to proceed by road direct to BROUMANNIA.

ROUTE: (a) Main road LYDDA- HAIFA -TYRE- BEIRUT - BEIT MARI-
BROUMANNIA.
(b) Tpt to move personnel HILL 69 to EL MAJDAL Railway Station will report 2/17 Aust Inf Bn HQ 2130 hrs.

ADM: Blankets will be taken; kit bag may be taken.
Baggage space to a maximum of 2 cubic tons available on train.

RATIONS: Unexpended portion of day's ration, plus one day's hard rations, plus reserve rations will be taken.

Mov HAIFA will arrange meal HAIFA on arrival.

Don A. Ollaston Capt
(H. T. ALLAN) Major
HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde.

Distribution

OC Main Body
HCO Road Party
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OPERATIONAL
20 AUST INF BDE/INSTN No.7Provision of Security Guards

1. AUTHORITY: 9 AUST DIV General Staff Instn No.4
2. INTENTION: 20 AUST INF BDE will provide Security Guards at BARBARA ORD DEPOT and MAJDAL AREA.
3. METHOD:
2/15 Aust Inf Bn will supply guards at BARBARA ORD DEPOT
2/17 Aust Inf Bn " " " " MAJDAL AREA.
4. STRENGTH:
BARBARA ORD DEPOT 2 Offrs 115 ORs.

MAJDAL AREA

H.Q.	1 Offr.	3 ORs.
Majdal Supply Depot		20 "
Majdal R.E. Dump		23 "
AL JIYA Store	—	7 "
TOTAL	1 Offr.	53 ORs.

5. DUTIES: As per att appendices and sketches.
6. RECE.: OsC Gds will carry out recce of their respective areas at 1530 hrs 18 Nov.
7. TIME: Relief will be completed by 1700 hrs 19 Nov 41.
8. TOUR of DUTY: 19 Nov - 3 Dec 41.
9. RELIEFS: Reliefs of personnel may be carried out by unit arrangement, but Bde will be notified.
10. ADMN
Rations
(a) Both Gds will be rationed by Sup Col BARBARA,
(b) Unexpended portion of day's rations will be carried.
11. BLANKETS: Blankets will be taken
12. DRESS
(a) Summer dress will be worn by day.
(b) Personnel will take personal kit including S.D. or sweaters and trousers K.D.
13. TPT: Tpt will be provided by 9 AUST DIV and will report unit HQrs 1330 hrs 19 Nov.
14. REPORTS: OsC Gds will report by telephone to Bde when relief is completed.

Distribution:

2/15 Aust Inf Bn
2/17 Aust Inf Bn
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for *H.T. Allan*
(H.T. ALLAN) Major
B.M. 20 Aust Inf Bde

DAY - POSTS.

- No 1 POST Junction South and Main Rds - 1 Sentry fixed post.
- No 2 POST Junction Rosenthal and Main Rds - 1 sentry fixed post.
- No 3 POST Junction Wisdom and Main Rds - 1 sentry fixed post.
- No 4 POST Junction Ordnance and Main Rds - 2 sentries fixed post.
- No 5 POST Water tower - 1 sentry fixed post, beat extending complete circuit of tower.
- No 6 POST Eastern end of Ordnance Rd, North east corner of camp. 1 sentry fixed post.
- No 7 POST South west corner of Veh Pk - 1 sentry fixed post.
- No 8 POST Pet Store, Eastern end of Wisdom Lines - 1 sentry fixed post - beat extends around store.
- No 9 POST Sentry box - South east perimeter. One sentry - to cover complete area from South East corner of Veh Pk to CRS Building.
- No 10 POST End of Rd outside CRS Building 1 sentry - fixed post.
- No 11 POST Junction Rosenthal Rd and Pet Bowser Rd. 1 sentry fixed post.
- No 12 POST Detention Compound - 1 sentry - fixed post. Beat extends around compound.

Note : It is no part of the sentries duty to hold unwarranted conversation with personnel under detention.

NIGHT - POSTS.

- No 1 Post Double prowler piquet - South Rd to south end of building past Bowser Rd.
- No 2 Post Junction Rosenthal and Main Rds. Double Prowler piquet from South end of first building south of Bowser Rd to North end of AAOW compound.
- No. 3 Post Double prowler piquet from Junction Ordnance and Main Rds to Northern building AAOW compound.
- No 4 Post Double sentry, Ordnance Rd entrance to Camp - Fixed Post.
- No 5 Post Double sentry - Water tower - beat extends complete circuit of water tower.
- No 6 Post Double prowler piquet, East end of Ordnance Rd from North East corner of Veh Pk to entrance to Veh Pk.
- No 7 Post Double prowler piquet, South east corner of Veh Pk to Ordnance Rd.
- No 8 Post Double sentry - pet depot - East end of Wisdom Lines beat extends complete circuit of Depot.
- No 9 Post Double prowler piquet - sentry box - South east perimeter to South east corner of Veh Pk .
- No 10 Post Double prowler piquet - CRS Building to sentry Box on South east perimeter of Camp.
- No 11 Post Double prowler piquet - from junction Rosenthal Rd and Pet Bowser Rd along Rosenthal Rd to Main Rd
- No 12 Post Double sentry - Detention compound - beat extends complete circuit of compound.
- No 13 Post Double prowler piquet from CRS to junction of South and Main Rds.
- No 14 Post Double prowler piquet - entrance to Veh Pk along Ordnance Rd to Main Rd. This piquet should pay special attention to the orchard.

NOTES.

South, Rosenthal, Wisdom and Junction Rosenthal, Bowser Rds will be blocked at 1800 hrs each day. It will be the duty of sentries to see that road blocks are applied at the stated time, and removed only at 0600 hrs each morning.

Where prowler piquets areas adjoin, guards will not indulge in protracted conversation, but will keep on the move in their own ~~ex~~ respective areas.

SECRET

5 Nov 41.

20 AUST INF BDE OPERATIONAL INSTRUCTION No. 6.
(Issued with two Appendices).

1. 2/17 Bn will send patrol to the village of ISDUD on 10 Nov.
2. Strength of patrol will be one coy. Patrol will be accompanied by Bn IO and Bde Interpreter.
3. Times
Patrol to leave unit line 0800 hrs - return to unit lines by 1800 hrs.
4. Troops on arrival to erect tent clear of village and mount guard.
5. Mukhtar of village to be sent for and escorted to tent where he will be received by Coy Comd and interviewed along lines laid down in Appx "B" of 9 Aust Div Security Instruction No. 1 (att hereto as Appx "A").
6. Bn IO, with guard of 10 men, will accompany Mukhtar on inspection of village noting possible political assembly areas. On return the tent will be struck and patrol will march through the village.
7. On completion of march through village patrol will return to camp.
8. Troops will NOT at any time fraternise with the inhabitants of the village or purchase any goods or accept gifts of any kind.
9. Strictest discipline to be observed at all times.
10. One tent, table, chairs, mats for floor of tent, to be taken, also coffee for giving Mukhtar a drink during interview.
11. Tpt to be arranged by 2/17 Bn; if necessary referred back to Bde TO.
12. Ammunition to be carried - 5 rounds per man and three magazines per Bren.
13. Rifles will NOT be loaded.
14. Troops will be told the purpose of the patrol before commencement and it will be pointed out to them that their discipline and bearing is of prime importance for the success of the exercise.
15. This will be repeated to the village of BEIT DARAS on 11 Nov by patrol from 2/15 Aust Inf Bn.
16. Coy Comds in charge of both patrols to report to Bde Comd at 0930 hrs on 8 Nov.

I. F. McMaster

(I. F. McMASTER) Capt
for BM 20 Aust Inf Bde

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APPENDIX "A" to
20 AUST INF BDE OPERATIONAL INSTN No. 6.

1. The following questions will be answered by November patrols:

Education

- (i) What schools are available for the village children? Boys' schools? Girls' schools?
- (ii) Who pays the cost of the education.
- (iii) Is attendance compulsory? How many children attend? What subjects are taught.
- (iv) How many teachers in the village?
- (v) Are the schooling and standard attained considered satisfactory.

2. Talking Points: The following topics are suggested for discussion:

- (i) Syria. Sheikh Taj ed Din continues as President of the Syrian Republic. (The attitude of the Arabs to this Sheikh and his appointment should be especially noted and reported).
- (ii) U. S. A. and Britain. Following unanimous agreement these two countries are supplying Russia with all the assistance she has asked for during the present conflict. This will increase the difficulties and losses incurred by the German armies already heavily engaged in the struggle. Winter conditions will further handicap the German drive.
- (iii) India. Industry in India has developed so rapidly that it is now a large factory in supplying the armies of the British Empire in the Middle and Far East.
- (iv) An appeal has been made for Arab volunteers to join the Palestine coys of the forces. What is the attitude of the villagers.

APPENDIX "B" to

20 AUST INF BDE OPERATIONAL INSTN No. 6.

1. The following were the talking points mentioned during conversation in the month of Oct:

(a) SYRIA

Britain and the Free French have jointly ratified the independence of Syria. Sheikh Taj el Din al Hassain is to be the first President and will form a Government.

(b) IRAN

The British and Russian Forces in Iran are NOT using the food supplies of the country but both are sending in more than required by their troops. The excess is being sold to the proper Iranian authorities for distribution to the people. Wheat, sugar and tea are among the goods being sent from India to the extent of hundreds of tons.

The Government of Iran has been stimulated, by the friendly attitude of Britain and Russia, to press forward with many reforms. The new Shah has the interests of the people at heart.

(c) U. S. A.

The American decision, recently announced, will result in the protection by the American Navy of her ships carrying goods to Britain. American ships will now carry war materials to the Middle and Far East also.

(d) RUSSIA

RAF units are operating with the Russian Air Force in Russia. This is only one sign of the co-operation existing between two great powers, who, with American help, are gradually increasing the tremendous forces determined to destroy Hitlerism.

2. Some of the talking points for the month of Sep were as follow

(a) SYRIA

(i) The Syrian currency has been stabilised. In Syria the Military Forces are being paid in Syrian currency at the rate of 883 pounds to LP.100 although the Palestine currency is valued somewhat higher than this by Syrian Merchants. By fixing the rate of exchange at this rate the Govt has been able to safeguard the Palestine Currency, of which there would otherwise be a shortage.

(ii) The result of the military occupation of Syria has been of great benefit to trade between the two countries and this has increased considerably.

(iii) Australian troops received a warm welcome from the Syrian people and are very popular in Syria.

(b) (i) The resistance of by the Great Russian Armies has destroyed once and for all the idea that the German Army is invincible.

(ii) With their usual perfidy the Nazis broke their treaty with Russia and attacked without warning. They are paying dearly for their treachery.

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9 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT NO. 3As at 1200 hrs 8 NOV 41

Serial No.	Unit.	Location.	Lines.
	<u>HEAD QUARTERS</u>		
1.	HQ 9 AUST DIV	Julis	Birdwood
2.	D Sec FSS	Julis	Birdwood
3.	One Pl Aust Gd Bn	Kilo 89	Holmes
4.	9 Aust Div Emp Pl	Julis	Birdwood
	<u>CAV</u>		
5.	9 AUST DIV Cav Regt	Hill 69	Brockman
6.	82 Aust LAD		Brockman
	<u>RAA</u>		
7.	HQ RAA 9 AUST DIV	Qastina	HQ
8.	2/7 Aust Fd Regt	Egypt	
9.	63 Aust LAD	Egypt	
10.	2/8 Aust Fd Regt	Qastina	Footie
11.	64 LAD	Qastina	Footie
12.	2/12 Aust Fd Regt	Qastina	Chauvel
13.	61 LAD	Qastina	Chauvel
14.	3 Aust A Tk Regt	Qastina	MacLagan
15.	71 LAD	Qastina	MacLagan
	<u>ENGRS</u>		
16.	HQ RAE	Qastina	Stewart
17.	2/3 Aust Fd Coy	Qastina	Stewart
18.	2/7 Aust Fd Coy	Qastina	Stewart
19.	2/13 Aust Fd Coy	Qastina	Stewart
20.	24 Aust Fd Pk Coy	Qastina	Stewart
21.	72 LAD	Qastina	Stewart
	<u>SIGS</u>		
22.	Sigs 9 AUST DIV	Julis	Monash
23.	67 Aust LAD	Egypt Julius	Monash
	<u>INF</u>		
24.	HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde	Hill 69	HQ
25.	Sig Sec	Hill 69	HQ
26.	Pl Gd Bn	Hill 69	HQ
27.	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	Hill 69	Mills
28.	2/15 Aust Inf Bn	Hill 69	Robertson
29.	2/17 Aust Inf Bn	Hill 69	Hodgson
30.	58 LAD	Hill 69	HQ
31.	HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde	Kilo 89	HQ
32.	Sig Sec	Kilo 89	HQ
33.	Pl Gd Bn	Kilo 89	HQ
34.	2/18 Aust Inf Bn	Kilo 89	Herring
35.	2/32 Aust Inf Bn	Kilo 89 Khassa	Ryrie
36.	2/43 Aust Inf Bn	Kilo 89	Squires
37.	76 LAD	Kilo 89	HQ

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Serial No.	Unit.	Location.	Lines.
38.	HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde	Julis	Headquarters
39.	Sig Sec	Julis	do
40.	P1 Gd Bn	Julis	do
41.	2/23 Aust Inf Bn	Julis .	Goddard
42.	2/24 Aust Inf Bn	Julis	Gellibrand
43.	7/48 Aust Inf Bn	Julis	Hobbs
44.	78 LAD	Julis	Headquarters
	<u>M G</u>		
45.	2/2 Aust MG Bn	Castina	
46.	77 LAD	Castina	
	<u>PNR</u>		
47.	2/1 Pnr Bn	Hill 69	
	<u>MEDICAL</u>		
48.	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	Hill 95	Headquarters
49.	2/8 Aust Fd Amb	Julis	Leane
50.	2/11 Aust Fd Amb	Julis	Leane
51.	2/4 Fd Hyg Sec	Hill 95	Headquarters
	<u>ASC</u>		
52.	HQ AASC 9 AUST DIV	Julis	Browne
53.	9 Aust Div Sup Col	Julis	Browne
54.	9 Aust Div Amn Coy	Julis	Browne
55.	9 Aust Div Pet Coy	Julis	Browne
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>		
56.	9 Aust Div Postal	Julis	Birdwood
57.	9 Aust Div Pro Coy	Julis	Monash
58.	9 Aust Div Mob B. th	Egypt	
59.	9 Aust Div Laundry	Egypt	
60.	9 Aust Div Salvage	Julis	Browne.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDER No. 8.

by

Brigadier J. J. MURRAY, D.S.O., M.C., V.D.

Commanding 20 Aust Inf Bde

11 Nov 41 Tuesday

Hill 9.

1. RETURN OF A.I.F. PERSONNEL WITH FOREIGN LANGUAGE QUALIFICATIONS.

A return is required to reach HQ not later than 22 Nov 41 giving particulars of all ranks who possess foreign language qualifications.

Returns will contain the following :-

No. Rank Name

Unit

Language/s

Speak (Fluent or otherwise)

Read

Write

Working knowledge only.

Language tests for those who claim to be fluent will be arranged at a date to be notified later.

2. DRESS FOR WINTER

A.I.F. (M.E.) Base Area R.O. 553 is repeated and will be observed by 2 Aust Div:

- "1. The change from summer into winter dress will take effect as from 1 Nov ...
2. Within unit areas, the order of dress will be as determined by Commanding Officers, provided that uniformity of dress is observed and having regard to the state of the weather.
3. Winter dress will be worn by all ranks after 1500 hrs. "

4. HITCH-HIKING

AIF (M.E.) Base Area R.O. 520 is repeated and will be observed by 2 Aust Div:-

The practice of hailing passing vehicles for the purpose of obtaining a ride is dangerous and interferes with Military duties. It will cease forthwith.

Drivers of Military vehicles will NOT stop to offer pedestrians a ride except on the order of an Officer.

Other ranks or civilians will NOT be carried as passengers in Army vehicles without proper authority. "

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5. WEAPONS HELD WITHOUT AUTHORITY

Weapons, amm, etc. recovered from men's kits or otherwise held without authority will be disposed of as follows:

- (a) If retained in accordance with 9 Aust Div RO 374 in lieu of G 1098 equipment, to be taken on unit charge and included in monthly census of Warlike Stores Return; or
- (b) Returned to D.A.D.O.S., 9 Aust Div.

6. SECURITY - REPORTING LOSS OR THEFT OF ARMS

- (a) The following extract from Standing Orders, Palestine, Pam 1, Security, para 2 (k), is repeated for the information of all concerned, and will be strictly observed.

"Commanders will report the loss of arms and ammunition, government and private, direct to the District Superintendent of Police whose Headquarters are nearest to the unit concerned, and also by IMMEDIATE signal to H.Q., A.I.F. (M.E.) BASE AREA and FORCE HQ. In all cases the registered number of the lost arms will be quoted. Commanders will ensure that the site of the loss is left untouched until the Palestine Police have carried out their investigations. "

- (b) The loss of arms is a serious matter and unless the above order is complied with, the possibility of apprehending offenders is greatly diminished.
- (c) In addition to reporting the loss, units will supply information to H.Q., 9 Aust Div, through this H.Q. as soon as possible and within 2 days of the occurrence, as to :
 - (i) The identity of the loser
 - (ii) Circumstances surrounding the loss
 - (iii) Security measures within the unit area
 - (iv) Detailed particulars of the action taken.
- (d) Attention is further directed to A.I.F. Order (M.E.) No. 642.

7. LOSSES OF ARMS & STORES

- (a) Attention is drawn to A.I.F. Orders (M.E.) 596 (Court of Inquiry - Loss of Stores or Equipment).
- (b) For Courts of Inquiry generally see A.M.R. & O. 690-695, and for Court's report regarding C.Os personal liability see AMR & O 693 and 694 (2).
2 copies of proceedings of Courts of Inquiry are required by HQ, 9 Aust Div.
- (c) Report of losses
 - All losses of arms and losses of equipment by theft will be reported immediately to these HQ by signal.

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8. SPEED LIMITS - ARMY VEHICLES

The following is a table of speed limits for Aust Military Vehicles in PALESTINE. C.O's of units will ensure that the speed limits for any particular type of vehicle are clearly shown on a notice pasted on the inside face of the windscreen of that vehicle, in front of the driver's seat, positioned low down in such a way as not to interfere with normal vision.

These speed limits will be rigidly observed by all ranks driving vehicles and any breaches thereof will be treated as an offence.

<u>Vehicles by types</u>	<u>Speed Limits in m.p.h.</u>		
	<u>In towns and villages</u>	<u>On main roads outside towns and villages</u>	<u>Normal cross country and desert</u>
<u>Wheeled vehicles</u>			
Cars and Motor Cycles	20	45	30
Vans up to 15 cwt capacity	20	40	25
Vans 1 ton all types	20	35	25
Lorries 30 cwt all types & ambulances	15	30	20
Lorries 3 ton all types	15	30	20
Tractors arty			
When travelling solo	15	30	20
With gun and/or trailer	10	25	15
Cars armoured recce	20	45	30
<u>Tracked vehicles</u>			
Carriers Armoured all types	12	20	15

Notwithstanding the speed limits set out in the above, the driver of an Australian Military Motor Vehicle will not whilst driving within a town or camp, exceed the speed limits set out on Military Notice Boards erected near the boundaries of or within the town or camp, and no Australian Military Motor Vehicle will be driven on any roads :

- (a) recklessly or at a speed or in any manner which is dangerous to the public, having regard to all the circumstances of the cases, including the nature, condition and use of the road and the amount of traffic which is actually at the time, or which might reasonably be expected to be, on the road, or
- (b) without due care or attention or without reasonable consideration for other persons using the road.

9. CAMP STANDING ORDERS - ALTERATIONS AND ADJUSTMENTS

The following alterations and adjustments are notified:

1. Para 2 (iii) Time of reporting - 1720 hrs daily.
2. Para 10 (a) Fares should read: Jerusalem 170 mils
Appendix "B" Tel Aviv 120 mils.
3. Para 1 (g) of Appx "B" will read : An Officer will be placed in charge of each bus."
4. Para 7 (d) of Appx "B" - Delete "and WOs".

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10. MUD-SPLASHING OF TENTS.

Units will ensure that all tents in their area have been properly mud-splashed and will furnish a report to these HQ by 1800 hrs on 15 Nov 41 regarding the progress made in this work.

J. Kelly
J. R. A. KELLY Capt
SG 20 Aust Inf Bde.

DISTRIBUTION: 2/16 Bn; 2/15 Bn; 2/17 Bn; HQ 9 Aust Div;
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDER No. 9.

by

Brigadier J. J. MURRAY, D.S.O., M.C., V.D.

Commanding 20 Aust Inf Bde

15 Nov Saturday

Hill 69.

1. CHURCH PARADES

Church services will be held under the following arrangements:

PROTESTANT & OTHER DENOMINATIONS:

Service will be held in the Camp Cinema at 0930 hrs on Sunday, 16 Nov 41, and Officer-in-Charge of respective units will ensure that personnel are seated at the times indicated hereunder:

20 Aust Inf Bde details	0910 hrs
2/13 Aust Inf Bn	0910 hrs
2/15 Aust Inf Bn	0915 hrs
2/17 Aust Inf Bn	0925 hrs

ROMAN CATHOLIC

MASS will be celebrated at 0700 hrs and 0915 hrs.
Confessions will be heard before each Mass.

DRESS

Summer dress - Shorts, shirts, Hats KF (turned up), boots, puttees or gaiters, belts waist and sidearms.

BANDS

Combined 2/15 Aust Inf Bn and 2/17 Aust Inf Bn bands to be in attendance at Camp Cinema.

SECURITY OF ARMS.

Units will ensure that all arms are safeguarded whilst personnel are attending church parades.

2. GREEN ENVELOPES

Base censorship reports indicate that there is a laxity regarding the issue of Green Envelopes in certain units.

Several cases have occurred recently where individuals have used more than one green envelope in the same week.

A.I.F. Standing Orders, PALESTINE (Provisional) Pam 1 - 78 (c) stipulate the scale of issue at one per man per week.

Formations will ensure that this allotment is not exceeded.

The issue of green envelopes is a privilege liable to be withdrawn at any time.

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3. DRESS - DESERT BOOTS

The wearing of desert boots, whether on or off duty, by Officers and other ranks, is not permitted for units under command of 9 Aust Div. Offenders will be charged disciplinarily.

This order will be repeated in unit routine orders, and will be specially notified to all ranks.

4. DRESS - CAPS

Caps will NOT be worn on leave by N.C.Os and other ranks.

5. PUBLICATIONS

All units of 9 Aust Div should be in possession of "Administrative Instructions for Expeditionary Forces Proceeding from the Middle East", together with Amendments Nos. 1 and 2 and Supplement to Amendments No. 1.

Units will advise this HQ by 17 Nov 41 of any deficiencies in these pamphlets and amendments.

6. VACANCIES IN 9 AUST DIV PRO COY.

Vacancies exist in 9 Aust Div Pro Coy for MT Drivers, Provost personnel and one clerk.

All units of 9 Aust Div will call for applications for transfer to Pro Coy and will forward list of applicants to this HQ by 19 Nov 41.

Every opportunity should be given to troops to allow them to submit their applications.

7. ROADS UNDER CONSTRUCTION

AIF (ME) Base Area RO 577 is repeated and will be observed by all drivers of vehicles:

"Military vehicles will not travel, in any circumstances, on roads or sections of roads under construction and protected by barriers."

8. DRESS

(a) It has been noticed that ORs on leave and otherwise not on duty have been wearing incorrect dress, e.g. shoes or desert boots - caps (in many cases officers pattern) - unauthorised shirts and trousers - unauthorised pockets and fittings on the garments.

All Officers and NCOs will take steps to correct this and report cases noticed to the soldiers' unit.

(b) Officers will take particular care that they wear the correct dress.

(c) Commanders will ensure that all leave parties are inspected when going on leave.

Boyd Williams
for (J. L. A. KELLY) Capt
SC 20 Aust Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION: 2/13 Aust Inf Bn; 2/15 Aust Inf Bn; 2/17 Aust Inf Bn;
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDER No. 10.

by

Brigadier J. J. MURRAY, D.S.O., M.C., V.D.

Commanding 20 Aust Inf Bde.

19 Nov 41 Wednesday

HILL 69

1. Court of Inquiry.

A Court of Inquiry comprising the undermentioned Officers will assemble at a time and place to be appointed by the President to inquire into and report upon alleged loss of tents from 2/13 Bn on 17 Nov 41.

President.

NX.12329 Major W.J. Balfe M.C.

2/17 Aust Inf Bn

Members.

NX:12225 Capt. J.R. Broadbent
QX. 6239 Capt. E.G. Green

2/17 Aust Inf Bn
2/15 Aust Inf Bn

The attention of the Court is directed to AMR & O 693 and 694 (2).

The President may obtain documents relating to the losses from 2/13 Aust Inf Bn.

2. Camp Standing Orders.

The following addition is notified :-

Appendix "A" - Para 12

One copy to be fwded to Bde HQ and one copy to Camp S.O.

J.L.A. Kelly
J.L.A. KELLY Capt.
SC 20 Aust Inf Bde

Distribution: 2/13 Bn, 2/15 Bn, 2/17 Bn, HQ 9 Aust Div, 20 A/TK Coy, 58 IAD, "J" Sec Sigs, Camp SO, Comd, BM, SC, TO, IO, SO, War Dairy, File.

NOTICES.

Found:-

Identity disc bearing number and name NX.32985, L.V.A. FARDY is held at this HQ.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDER No. 11.

by

Brigadier J. J. MURRAY, D.S.O., M.C., V.D.

Commanding 20 Aust Inf Bde

21 Nov 41 Friday

HILL 69

1. CHURCH PARADES

Church services will be held under the following arrangements:

PROTESTANT & OTHER DENOMINATIONS

Service will be held in the Camp Cinema at 0930 hrs on Sunday, 23 Nov 41, and Officer-in-Charge of respective units will ensure that personnel are seated at the times indicated hereunder:

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BANDS

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SECURITY OF ARMS

Units will ensure that all arms are safeguarded whilst personnel are attending church parades.

2. LEAVE PASSES

AIF (ME) Base Area RO 584 which is repeated below applies to 9 Aust Div and units under command:

"Leave passes signed by WOs and Sgts have been confiscated by Military Police on numerous occasions. These passes MUST be signed by an officer authorised by the CO. In future, passes issued by units under command of this HQ and not so signed will not be accepted as evidence that the holder is on leave and all holders will be liable to arrest. Units are reminded that personnel visiting other camps MUST be in possession of a leave pass. Personnel without passes are liable to arrest for not being in possession of a leave pass. This order will be repeated in all unit orders and COs will ensure that it is promulgated to all ranks."

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3. CHRISTMAS-NEW YEAR AIR MAIL LETTER CARDS

A specially designed Air Mail Letter Card is being issued about the end of November for the purpose of Christmas and New Year Greetings from our troops to the people at home.

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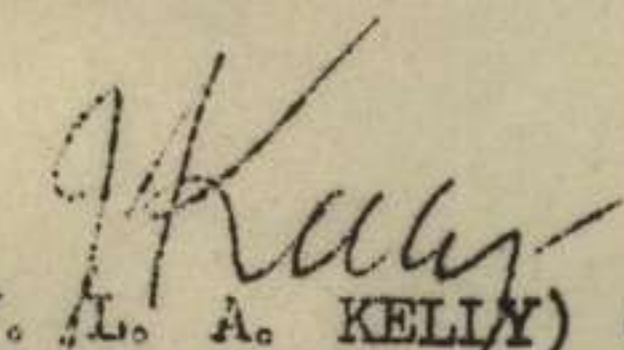
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(as at 1200 hrs 19 Nov 41)
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G. Maclean cpl
21 Nov 41.*

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2	D Sec FSS	Julis	Birdwood
3	One Pl Aust Gd Bn	Kilo 89	Holmes
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<u>CAV</u>			
5	9 Aust Div Cav Regt Hill 69		Brockman
6	82 Aust LAD		Brockman
<u>RAA</u>			
7	HQ RAA 9 Aust Div	Qastina	Headquarters
8	2/7 Aust Fd Regt	Egypt	
9	63 AUST LAD	Egypt	
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11	64 Aust LAD	Qastina	Foote
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13	61 Aust LAD	Qastina	Chauvel
14	3 Aust A Tk Regt	Qastina	MacLagan
15	71 Aust LAD	Qastina	MacLagan
<u>ENGRS</u>			
16	HQ RAE	Qastina	Stewart
17	2/3 Aust Fd Coy	Qastina	Stewart
18	2/7 Aust Fd Coy	Qastina	Stewart
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25	Sig Sec	Hill 69	HQ
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34	2/28 Aust Inf Bn	Kilo 89	HQ
35	2/32 Aust Inf Bn	Thassa	Herring
36	2/43 Aust Inf Bn	Kilo 89	McNicol
37	76 Aust LAD	Kilo 89	Squires
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39	Sig Sec	Julis	HQ
40	Pl Gd Bn	Julis	HQ
41	2/23 Aust Inf Bn	Julis	HQ
42	2/24 Aust Inf Bn	Julis	Goddard
43	2/48 Aust Inf Bn	Julis	Gellibrand
44	78 Aust LAD	Julis	Hobbs
			HQ

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46	77 Aust LAD	Qastina	
	<u>PNR</u>		
47	2/1 Aust Pnr Bn	Hill 69	
48	2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	Qastina	Brand
	<u>MEDICAL</u>		
49	2/3 Aust Fd Amb	Hill 95	HQ
50	2/8 Aust Fd Amb	Julis	Leane
51	2/11 Aust Fd Amb	Julis	Leane
52	2/4 Fd Hygiene Sec	Hill 95	HQ
	<u>AASC</u>		
53	HQ AASC 9 Aust Div	Julis	Browne
54	9 Aust Div Sup Coln	Julis	Browne
55	9 Aust Div Amn Coy	Julis	Browne
56	9 Aust Div Pet Coy	Julis	Browne
	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>		
57	9 Aust Div Postal	Julis	Birdwood
58	9 Aust Div Pro Coy	Julis	Monash
59	9 Aust Div Mob Bath	Egypt	
60	9 Aust Div Laundry	Egypt	
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Issued to..... Date 27 Nov 41.....

I hereby acknowledge receipt of Cop(y) (ies) No.....

of secret documents - 9 AUST DIV LOCATION STATEMENT NO.4.

Signed.....

Appointment.....

Date.....

To be enveloped and returned immediately in a single unregistered envelope to:- HQ 9 AUST DIV.

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2nd week 7 Dec @ 13 Dec

Coy tng.

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Bn tng.

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	30 min	12.

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30 min

Sec in attack ISL ch ix

2

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pam 1 sec 98

2

Application of fire & movement
with pl as a drill. ISL sec 60
IT sec 67

3

Simple pl attack scheme; pls commanded
by 2 i/c's, pl comd to direct, sec comds
umpires ISL chap ix, IT sec 67.

6

Pl moving to start line in dark, IT
sec 83.

4

Weapon tng, SAT pams 1, 2, 3 and 4 to
be adapted to state of unit tng.

4

Movement by night MTP 33 para 15

3

Route march

6

A Gas tng (PAGAR pams 1 and 2) and
lectures etc (9 Aust Div CW Instns No. 6)

3

Bayonet tng SAT pam 12

3

Physical tng

3

Recreational tng

3

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Coy in protection on move developing into
encounter battle. IT sec 58, ISL ch IX

6

Protection at rest, outposts patrols
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6

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2nd week (Contd)

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40 min 30 min

Coy in deliberate attack with carriers and mortars, IT Sec 65

9

Coy attack on river obstacle and river crossing, IT Sec 85 & 92-95

6

A Gas tng PAGAR pams 1 and 2

3

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3

PT

3

Bayont tng

3

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Route march, march discipline, AA action, concealment of MT and deployment

FSR II
chap III para 21-22.

Bn as advance guard

FSR II
chap V, para 41-45.

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FSR II
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FSR II, ch VI para 58; ch VIII para 77, 78, 80.

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TRAINING SUMMARY

1st week 30 Nov - 6 Dec

Sec and Pl tng

2nd week 7 Dec - 13 Dec

Coy Tng

3rd week 14 Dec - 20 Dec

Bn Tng

Period available per week 40 min 30
 30 min 12.

Tng at night to be substituted for any of day periods, which will then be used in tng in Resting By Day.

Sunday: Church parade, kit inspection, sport.

1st week 30 Nov - 6 Dec

Time allotted

40 min 30 min

Sec in attack ISL ch IX	2	
Sec in A.O as recce. IT sec 57 PAG pam 1 sec 98	2	
Application of fire & movement with pl as a drill. ISL sec 60 IT Sec 67	3	
Simple pl attack scheme; pls commanded by 2 i/c's, pl comd to direct, sec comds umpires LSL chap IX, IT sec 67.	6	
Pl moving to start line in dark, IT sec 83	4	
Weapon tng, SAT pams 1, 2, 3 and 4 to be adapted to state of unit tng.	4	
Movement by night MTP 33 para 15	3	
Route march	6	
A Gas tng (PAGAR pams 1 and 2) and lectures etc. (9 Aust Div CW Instns No. 6)		3
Bayonet tng SAT pam 12		3
Physical tng		3
Recreational tng		3

2nd week 7 Dec-13 Dec

Coy in protection on move developing into encounter battle. IT sec 58, LSL ch IX	6
Protection at rest, outposts, patrols (part by night) IT Sec 61.	6

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2nd Week (Contd)

Time allotted

40 min 30 min

Coy in deliberate attack with carriers and mortars, IT Sec 65

9

Coy attack on river obstacle and river crossing, IT sec 85 & 92-95

6

A Gas Tng PAGAR pams 1 and 2

3

Weapon tng

3

PT

3

Bayonet tng

3

Recreational tng

3

NOTE: In all exercises sub-units will be regarded as encadrée.

3rd week Bn Tng - 14 Dec - 20 Dec

Route march, march discipline, AA action, concealment of MT and deployment

FSR II
Chap III para 21-22.

Bn as advance guard

FSR II
Chap V, para 41-45.

Bn in attack by day in co-operation with tks

FSR II
Chap VI, paras 56, 57, 60, 62.

Bn in approach march by night and attack at dawn

FSR II, chap VI
para 58; ch VIII para 77, 78, 80.

Bn in protection at rest, outposts, patrols

FSR II,
chap V, para 51-53.

Practice in resting by day (following all night op).

One day for each of above.

Bn schemes to cover above to be completed and submitted to Bde for approval by 8 Dec 41.

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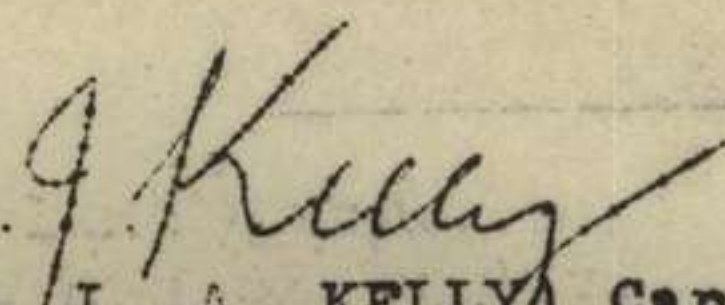
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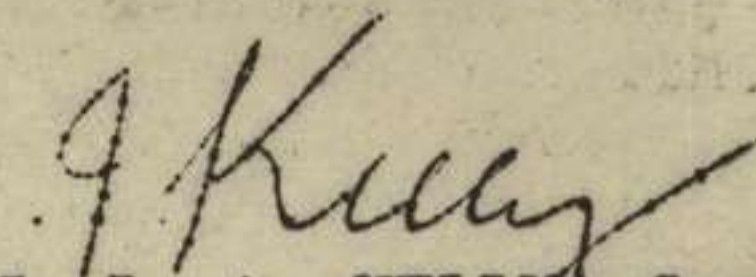
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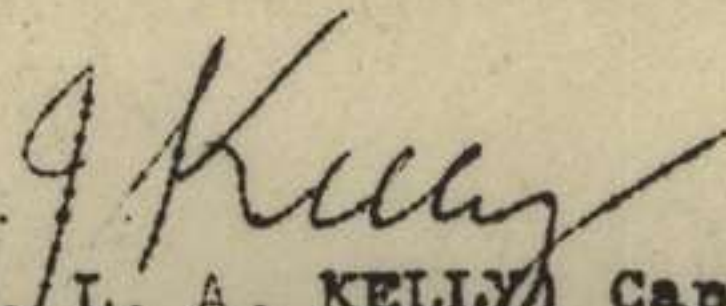
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