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2/1 Infantry Battalion

March - April 1940

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 2nd/1st Australian Battalion Date and Time.—From 1 Mar 40 To 31 Mar 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	1 Mar 40		Platoon training continues for the Month of March	16 Aus Inf Bde Tng inst. <i>dy</i>
	2 Mar 40		Strength increase - 5 O.R's (4 reinforcements, 1 from 2/1Fd Amb)	W 3011 2 Mar 40 <i>dy</i>
	3 Mar 40		Strength increase - 1 O.R. from H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde.	W 3011 3 Mar 40 <i>dy</i>
	4 Mar 40	0700	Lieut W.A.Pike (B Coy) left to attend 5 days Messing Course at SARAFAND.	<i>dy</i>
	5 Mar 40		Administrative Day	
			2/1 Bn drew Soccer Match V Beersheba Police at JULIS, Score Nil	all. <i>dy</i>
	6 Mar 40	1100	Major W.G.Adams D.S.O., M.C., 2nd in Command, Lieut A.M.Simpson, B Coy, W.O.I W.P.Delves R.S.M. and Cpl Bonington C.J. left for Middle East Tactical School, CAIRO.	
		1200	Messing Course SARAFAND terminated as being inapplicable to A.I.F. conditions - Lieut W.A.Pike returned to unit.	
		1700	2 O.R's returned to unit from 3rd Mortar Course, Middle East Weapon Training School, BIR SALIM.	
		2230	Alarm for practice turnout of Mobile Platoon given by H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde. Platoon turned out in 35 minutes and returned to unit lines at completion of exercise at 0115 hrs on 7 Mar.	
	8 Mar 40	1420	2 O.R's returned from 7th Bren Carrier Course SARAFAND	

[Signature]
Lt.Col.
Commanding 2/1 Bn.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 2nd/1st Australian Battalion Date and Time.—From 10 Mar 40 To 18 Mar 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	10 Mar 40	0900	3 O.R's left for 8th Bren Carrier Course SARAFAND	
		1145	Lieut J.S.Whittle H.Q. Coy, 3 O.R'S returned from 7th Bren Carrier Course SARAFAND.	
		1230	20.R's left for 3 days Water Duties Course at QASTINA	
			2/1 Bn Won Soccer Match V Beersheba Police at BEERSHEBA, 2 - 1	dy
	12 Mar 40	0830	Administrative Day - one day leave parties reintroduced - 488 all ranks to TEL-AVIV.	dy
	16 Mar 40	1000	2 O.R's left for Middle East Signal School at NATHANYA -6 weeks course.	
		1330	1 O.R. left for Middle East Cooking School at SARAFAND - 2 months course.	
		1730	20 O.R's. returned from Palestine Recruit Training Depot SARAFAND	dy
	17 Mar 40	1000	6 O.R's left for 16 Aus Inf Bde M.T. Specialists Course - 7 days.	
		1730	Capt J.H.Hodge, Lieut J.G.Macarthur-King and 4 O.R'S returned from 2 Bn Black Watch Cadre Course at JERUSALEM.	
			2/1 Bn won Rugby Match V 2/2 Bn - 8 - 3	dy
	18 Mar 40	0830	Lieut B.W.Savage (Transport Officer) and 2 O.R's to M.T. Course JERICOHO - 6 days.	R.O. 34/40 18 Mar 40
		1000	Lieut R.Willmott appointed acting transport officer.	R.O. 34/40 18 Mar 40

[Signature] Lt.Col.
Commanding 2/1 Bn.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 2nd.1st Australian Battalion Date and Time.—From 19 Mar 40 To 31 Mar 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	19 Mar 40	0830	Administrative day 1 days leave for 488 all ranks to JERUSALEM	
		0930	1 O.R. to 4th Mortar Course, Middle East Weapon Tng School BIR SALIM - 18 days.	
		0930	Lieut F.J.Embrey and 1 O.R. to 2nd Long Rifle Course at Middle East Weapon Tng School at BIR SALIM - 1 month.	
	20 Mar 40	0830	1st Reinforcements attached to Companies as surplus to establishment	R.O. 34/40 18 Mar 40 <i>dy</i>
	23 Mar 40	1430	3 O.R.'s returned from 8th Bren Carrier School SARAFAND.	<i>dy</i>
	24 Mar 40	1030	Lieut A.A.Stewart (B Coy) and 19 O.R.'s to 2nd N.C.O. Cadre Course at Palestine Recruit Training Depot SARAFAND, 18 days.	<i>dy</i>
JERUSALEM	27 Mar 40	1300	Security Guard, strength one Platoon from A Coy mounted guard on 7 posts at JERUSALEM.	Bde memo 25 Mar 40
				<i>dy</i>
JULIS	29 Mar 40	0900	Lieut C.I.C.Dieppe (I.O.) to Regimental Intelligence Course EGYPT - 20 days.	<i>dy</i>
	31 Mar 40	1630	Platoon training period completed.	<i>dy</i>

Lee H. Curtis Lt.Col.
Commanding 21

2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LT. COL. K. W. EATHER - 2/1 Bn.

22/40

JULIS L1

1 Mar 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 1 Mar 40

Duty Company	A Coy
Next for Duty	B Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut. G.W. Mann
Next for Duty	Lieut. A.A. Stewart
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut. B. Catterns
Next for Duty	Lieut. A.M. Simpson
Orderly Serjeant	NX2602 Sjt. Jenkins I.
Next for Duty	NX2650 Sjt. Jenkins H.
Orderly Corporal	NX4169 Cpl. Phillips H.
Next for Duty	NX3827 Cpl. Griffiths A.E.
Canteen O/N.C.O.	NX2613 L/Cpl Rankin D.G.
Next for Duty	NX2649 Cpl. Wilson H.F.

BDE DUTIES

2. To mount at Retreat 2 Mar 40.
Duty Coy will provide assisted by :-
A Coy - Inlying Picquet . Re-inforcements
Road Patrol . Bde Canteen - NX9569 Sjt. Clark G.F.

POSTAL

3. Articles under 4oz in weight, Ordinary Mail and Air-mail may now be sent by registered post. Surcharge fee in each case is 13 Mils.
Until further notice Newspapers will NOT be posted to addresses outside PALESTINE.

TRAINING LOCATIONS

4. When a Sub-Unit goes out from its Camp area on training or for other reasons, information will be left at unit H. . stating the places and times at which it can be located. Mapreferences will be used when applicable.

ROAD PATROL

5. The Officer i/c Patrol will render a report to Bn H. by 0900 hrs. the following morning, giving the following particulars :-
(a) Time at which Patrol visited each Camp.
(b) Details of inspection carried out on each occasion
(c) Particulars of any exceptional happenings together with an account of any action taken.

D. R. JACKSON, Captain
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

NOTICE

British Troops in Egypt are holding a Tennis Tournament from 9-19 Mar. The names of anyone who is of about interstate standard and is willing to take leave and play in the Tournament are to be forwarded to Bn H.3. by 1800 hrs. 1 Mar 40.

2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

LIEUT COL K. W. EATHER - COLDG 2/1 B.

23/40

JULIS - 2 March 40.

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 2 Mar 40:-

Duty Coy	B Coy
Next for Duty	C Coy

Duty Company will provide Brigade Duties.

Field Officer of the Day Captain W. G. A. Baines

Medical Officer " Captain C. H. Selby

Orderly Officer	Lieut A. A. Stewart
Next for Duty	Lieut K. G. Macpherson

Comdr of the Guard	Lieut A. H. Simpson
Next for Duty	Lieut N. W. Craig

Orderly Serjeant	NX 2650 Sjt Jennens, E. J.
Next for Duty	NX 7658 Sjt Stacey, R. R.

Orderly Corporal	NX 3827 Cpl Griffiths, A. E.
Next for Duty	NX 7647 Cpl Marshall, E.

Canteen Orderly/N.C.O.	NX 2649 Cpl Wilson, H. J.
Next for Duty	NX 3829 A/L/Cpl Helps, C. F.

PIQUET

2. Until further notice, the piquet of one N.C.O. and 6 O/Rs mounted as a temporary measure over Bde Petrol Dump, will be mounted daily at Retreat by the Duty Bn. Tour of duty will be 24 hours.

POSTAL

3. Sub para (b) of para 3 of R.C. 22/40 of 1 Mar 40, is cancelled and the following substituted:-

"(b) Newspapers will be accepted by the Army Post Office for transmission to Australia, provided the paper is wrapped in the presence of the franking officer and signed by him."

ALARMS

4. Special attention will be paid to the instruction "Action on General Alarm." The instruction will be read at least once per week on a company Muster Parade, and the details practiced until action is automatic.

RESPIRATORS

5. Steel helmets and Respirators A.G. in the slung position will be worn during all training parades until further notice on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday.

Respirators will be worn at the Gas Position 0900 - 1000 on those days.

SUMMARY AWARD
BY W.O's

6. Warrant Officers are granted the power to award summarily to personnel below the substantive rank of Corporal, the punishment of "One Defaulters Drill". Such awards will be reported on the day of making to the Battalion Orderly Officer.

- DEFAULTER'S DRILL 7. (a) Defaulter's will parade on the Duty Parade Ground at the following times daily (except on Sundays) for drill:
- 0645 - 0720 hrs
1645 - 1720 "
- (b) Defaulters drill will consist of an inspection, squad drill with arms, and an intermediate break of five minutes.
- (c) During the break, defaulters will be stood at ease but will not move from the ranks.
- (d) Defaulters will not be doubled unless by instruction of the Orderly Officer on a cold day.
- (e) Dress - Marching order, rifle and pack. Great coats will be worn when ordered by the Orderly Officer.
- (f) A summary award of one extra drill may be made for bad turnout or breached of discipline during the parade.
- (g) Defaulter's parade will be taken by the S. S. M. of the Duty Company.
- (h) Defaulters will attend the next drill after their award. A man awarded more than one drill will parade for each succeeding drill until his punishment is complete.
- (i) Men for defaulters parade will be warned by the Orderly Serjeant at least one hour before the parade.

WASHING

8. (a) Personal washing will be stacked outside the C.M. store by 0900 hrs each Wednesday from 6 Mar 40.

Every garment will be clearly and indelibly marked with the owner's Number and Name and placed in the Sea Kit Bag.

The bag will be marked with the owner's No., Name, and JL over the Coy letter.

e.g. NX 1234 JONES, A.B. JL
HQ

- (b) Officers' washing will be stacked at the rear of the Officers' Mess Kitchen.

- (c) Washing will be away for approximately 10 days.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

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2nd AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LT COL K. W. HATHER - COMMANDING 2/1 BN

22/40

JULIS - 3 March 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 3 March 40:

Duty Coy	C Coy
Next for Duty	D Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut K. J. Macpherson
Next for Duty	Lieut T. L. Rogers
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut N. W. Craig
Next for Duty	Lieut W. H. Travers
Orderly Serjeant	NX 7653 Sjt Stacey, R. R.
Next for Duty	NX 7526 Sjt Rappell, A. J.
Orderly Corporal	NX 7647 Cpl Marshall, E.
Next for Duty	NX 7792 Cpl Scarlett, P. W.
Canteen N. C. O.	NX 5829 A/L/Cpl Helps, C. F.
Next for Duty	NX 7627 Cpl Gosnell, I.

DUTIES - CAMP
GUARD

2. As from Retreat, 2 Mar 40, the strength of the Bde Guards to be provided by the Duty Bn will be as under:-

- (a) Petrol Dump Platoon: 1 N. C. O. and 3 R & F.
- (b) Main Guards
- (i) From Retreat to Reveille - 1 N. C. O. and 18 R & F.
- (ii) From Reveille to Retreat - 1 N. C. O. and 9 R & F.

Guard Commander will arrange for surplus personnel to be marched back to unit lines at Reveille.

RIDING IN FRONT
SEAT OF VEHICLES

3. With reference to previous instruction:
"Not more than one other person than the driver will ride in the front seat of cars, vans and lorries."
The following instruction has been received from Div H. Q. that:
"In any case where an accident occurs and there are three persons in the front seat of the vehicle involved, a charge under A. A. section II will be laid and offenders tried by Court Martial. C. O.'s. will not deal with these cases.

OFFICERS DRIVING
VEHICLES

4. Officers will not normally drive vehicles for which drivers are provided on establishments.

USE OF ARMY
VEHICLES

5. The use of Army vehicles for private purposes is prohibited.

SALVAGE

6. Instructions have been received that every economy in the use of stationery, supplies, transport, ordnance, stores and fuel is to be exercised.

In addition the need for salvage of all articles which may be of possible use to the army must be impressed on all ranks. These articles include empty containers (tins, wooden cases, fired cartridges, sandbags, etc.), damaged equipment, clothing.

Lieut B. W. Catterns is appointed to make a weekly inspection and offer suggestions as to where waste might be avoided, or improvisation utilised.

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3 March 40

MIDDLE EAST
TACTICAL SCHOOL

7. The following personnel will attend a Tactical School from
7 Mar to 6 Apr:

Major W. G. Adams;
Lieut A. M. Simpson;
W. O. I. W. P. Delves;
NY 7597 Cpl Bonnington, G.

D. R. JACKSON Capt
Adjutant - 2/Lt. Bn

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ROUTINE ORDERS

By
Lt. Col. K.W. EATHER - COMMANDING 2/1 Bn

27/40

JULIS - 4 Mar 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 4 Mar 40 :-

Duty Coy P Coy
Next for Duty HQ Coy

Orderly Officer Lieut. T.L. Rogers
Next for Duty Lieut. W.H. Sealy

Comdr of the Guard Lieut. W.H. Travers
Next for Duty Lieut. R.B. Digby

Orderly Serjeant NX7526 Sjt Rappel A.J.
Next for Duty NX7735 A/Sjt Craske A.

Orderly Corporal NX7792 Cpl Scarlett P.W.
Next for Duty NX2628 Cpl Brain D.T.

Canteen N.C.O. NX7627 Cpl Gosnell I.
Next for Duty NX7518 Cpl Facey V.D.

Duties of

FIELD OFFICER

2. The Field Officer of the Day will, in addition to his other duties visit the Guard at H.Q. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde., at least once by day and once between Lights Out and Reveille.

SECURITY

3. All propoganda pamphlets found in camp area will be handed to Bn. H.Q. immediately after discovery together with a report giving time and place of discovery, and suspected method of distribution. Any person found distributing such pamphlets will be arrested and sent to Bn. H.Q.

LIGHT DUTY

4. All personnel marked Light Duty will report on Duty Parade Ground daily to the Orderly Officer who will give a distribution of duties.

WATER

5. No Taps will be turned on except by Cooks between 0800-1200 hrs on Mondays. During this time Anti-Malarial measures will be taken. It is expected that, with the advent of the dry season, water in wells (which are the only source of supply for JULIS Camp) may diminish. Units will anticipate this by emphasising the necessity for economy even while supplies are still abundant.

D.R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

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by
LT. COL. K. W. EATHER - COMMANDING 2/1 Bn

JULIS - 6 Mar 40

DUTIES

1. The following duties will mount at Retreat 6 Mar 40

Duty Battalion 2/1 Bn

Duty Company A Coy
Next for Duty B Coy

Duty Company will provide Brigade Duties

Field Officer of the Day Major G.F. Hooper

Medical Officer of the Day Capt C.H. Selby

Orderly Officer Lieut. R. Willmott
Next for Duty Lieut. A.A. Stewart

Comdr of the Guard Lieut. G.W. Mann
Next for Duty Lieut. A.R. Eva

Orderly Serjeant NX8900 Sjt Spink W.E.
Next for Duty NX8725 Sjt Carter A.R.

Orderly Corporal NX9837 Cpl McCarthy R.C.
Next for Duty NX3827 Cpl Griffiths H.E.

Canteen N.C.C. NX9837 Cpl McCarthy R.C.
Next for Duty NX7578 L/Cpl Johnston E.

Standing Security Patrol B Coy

UNIT
ACTIVITIES

2. All Unit activities must receive prior approval and co-ordination from Bn H Q.

SPORTS

3. Names of Sub-Unit Sports Committees will be forwarded as decided to Bn Sports Committee. The Bn Sports Committee will arrange all outside fixtures and will purchase and apply for funds from the Regimental Fund.

KITCHEN
FATIGUES

4. Fatigues for the preparation of Vegetables will be confined where possible to an evening period after the arrival of supplies for the next day. Preparation of Vegetables will only be carried out on Platforms provided.

POSTAL
AIR-MAIL

5. Many letters for despatch by Air-Mail have been returned by the Palestine Postal Authorities as they are under-stamped. The cost of Air-Mail Letters to Australia or England is 60 Mils for each 10 grammes (which is approx. one third of an ounce).

DRESS

6. Shoulder Straps of Sam Browne Belts will not be worn in future. The above Order in no way alters the existing Regulations when carrying Revolvers or Pistols.

GAMBLING

7. Attention is drawn to A.M.R.&O. 323. The provision of this para to be strictly enforced.

ROAD
PICQUET

8. The strength of this Picquet has been reduced to the following from 1600 hrs. 5 Mar 40

1 Officer 1 Sgt 2 Cpls and 14 C.Rs

GOODWILL
MESSAGE

9. The following message has been received from the Hon. S.M. BRUCE, P.C., M.C.

"Congratulations on the safe arrival of the Brigade and Attached Troops under your command. This is the second time that you and many of your comrades in arms have left your homes in Australia to meet a challenge to the ideas and ideals which we hold dear. I know that you will worthily uphold the high traditions of the First A.I.F. and am convinced that you and the contingents which are following you will play a prominent and glorious part in the achievement of final victory.

CENSORSHIP

10. Franking Officers will now place only their signature at the end of Text of correspondence and in the Top Left Hand Corner of envelopes or covers.

D.R. JACKSON Capt
Adjutant 2/1 Bn.

NOTICES

Result of Soccer Match played at Julis 5 Mar 40

2/1 Bn	V	Beersheba Police
Nil		Nil

There will be a general football meeting in the Sports Room at 1800 hrs 7 Mar 40 .
Business - Discussion of Rugby and Soccer Programme
Report by Sports Committee.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LT. COL. K. W. EATHER - COMMANDING 2/1 BN

27/40

JULIS - 7 Mar 40

DUTIES

1. The following duties will mount at Retreat 7 Mar 40 :

Orderly Officer	Lieut. A. A. Stewart
Next for Duty	Lieut. F. J. Embrey
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut. A. R. Eva
Next for Duty	Lieut. K. J. Macpherson
Orderly Serjeant	NX8725 Sjt Carter A. R.
Next for Duty	NX7658 Sjt Stacey R. R.
Orderly Corporal	NX3827 Cpl Griffiths H. E.
Next for Duty	NX7461 Cpl Chatfield N. S.
Canteen N O O	NX7578 L/Cpl Johnston E.
Next for Duty	NX7647 Cpl Marshall E.

Standing Security Patrol C Coy

BDE DUTIES

2. As from Retreat 6 Mar 40, the strength of the Bde Guards to be provided by the duty Bn. will be as under:-

- (a) Petrol Dump Picquet, from Retreat and Retreat,
1 N.C.O. and 3 men
(b) Main Guard (1) From Retreat to Reveille
1 Sjt, 1 Cpl. and 9 men
(11) From Reveille to Retreat
1 Cpl and 6 men.

At Reveille the Serjeant of the Main Guard will hand over to the Corporal of the Main Guard and arrange for surplus personnel to be marched back to unit lines.

MOVEMENT IN
OR NEAR
VILLAGES

3. All houses, villages or encampments are "out of bounds". Movement in or near a village, particularly at night, by individuals or small parties, whether on training or not will not take place. Even during an exercise villages should be out of bounds; but if in the course of an exercise it is essential for a party to pass through a village, it will be marched through as a formed party.

Respirators
ANTI-GAS

4. It is noted that in some cases respirators have been improperly assembled. All respirators will be examined to ensure that the container is inserted in the container compartment of the Respirator Haversack so that the inlet valves of the container are turned towards the partition of the haversack.

BN DUTIES

5. One O.R. is to be provided daily by Re-inforcements to report to Y.M.C.A. from 0900hrs to 1200hrs from 7 Mar 40.

D. R. JACKSON Capt
Adjutant 2/1 Bn

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K. W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN

28/40

JULIS CAMP - 9 March 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 9 March 40:-

Duty Coy	D Coy
Next for Duty	HQ Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut W. H. Travers
Next for Duty	Lieut R. B. Digby
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut T. L. Rogers
Next for Duty	Lieut C. W. Golding
Orderly Serjeant	NX 7513 Sjt Smith, F. S.
Next for Duty	NX 7631 Sjt Howe, A. H.
Orderly Corporal	NX 7451 Cpl Ping. J. R.
Next for Duty	NX 2806 Cpl Bishop, K. A.
Canteen Orderly N.C.O.	NX 7627 Cpl Gosnell, I.
Next for Duty	NX 2776 L/Cpl Dyer, J.

POSTAL

2. Div HQ advise that the latest current postal charges are:-

(a) Ordinary Mail:

- (i) Within the British Empire - letters and packets up to 4 oz or 112 grms in weight - FREE.
- (ii) Outside the British Empire - 15 mils per each 20 grms. (2/3rds oz approx).
- (iii) Within Palestine - 5 mils for each 20 grms, (2/3rds oz approx).

(b) Small Packets:

To Australia, N. Z. & U.K. 6 mils for each 50 grms, or part thereof. Minimum charge 30 mils. Maximum weight 500 grms.

(c) Registration: Each article, 13 mils.

(d) Parcels:

	<u>1 Kl.</u>	<u>3 Kl.</u>	<u>5 Kl.</u>
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(i) Australia via Egypt	125 mils	250 mils	335 mils
(ii) London	180 mils	350 mils	510 mils

(e) Air Mail:

	<u>Letters (each 10 grms)</u>	<u>Postcards</u>
Australia & N. Z.	60 mils	30 mils
U.K. & Europe, per-		
Imperial	60 mils	30 mils
K. L. M.	20 mils	10 mils
Ala Littoria	30 mils	15 mils

(f) Cable Rates:

- (i) Full Rate British Empire - No prefix - 62 mils for each word.
- (ii) To Australia E.F.M. - Soldiers Rate or Domestic. Prefix E.F.M. must be written in block letters. Surname must show in signature. Number, Rank, Name and Full Address must show on back of form.

125 mils for each 6 words (text and signature), 21 mils for each additional word. On this rate the address is not charged for.

(iii) Deferred rate - Prefix L.C., half full rate, 31 mils per word.

(iv) Greetings, congratulations, etc. - 13 words for 250 mils over all. Each additional word, 21 mils.

(g) Inland Telegraphs:

Charge is 50 mils for first 10 words, and 10 mils for every additional two words or part thereof.
"Urgent" - double rates.

ATTACHED HORSES 3. Attached Horses have this day been allotted to 2/1 Bn as follows for training purposes.

Nos. A 134, B 124, 113.

In view of the small number of horses available, C.O.'s of units will take immediate measures to ensure that such horses are not overworked and are not ridden indiscriminately. They will only be ridden on duty by unit officers and householders under C.O.'s instructions. They will not be ridden for recreational or sporting purposes or by any persons other than those above mentioned.

Bde Horselines for all horses have been established in the 2/4 Bn area. Lieut M.C. Sundstrom 2/4 Bn will act as Bde Tpt Officer in respect of these horses.

CONTAINERS ANTI-GAS 4. Coys will carry out forthwith a 100% inspection of Containers Anti-Gas, Type "E" and report to Bn HQ by 1800 hrs 11 Mar. 40, the number marked "DI" under the date to be found on top of the container. As it is important that Containers of Batch "DI" are exchanged, this matter will be given the most careful attention.

MOTOR TRANSPORT 5. No M.T. Vehicle on charge to 2/1 Bn will leave the unit M.T. Park without a Transport Work Ticket signed by the Transport Sjt. Work Tickets for Coy Vehicles will be signed by Coy Comd'rs or Coy 2 i/c.

SIGHT 3" MORTAR 6. A Court of Inquiry constituted as under will assemble at a time and place to be arranged by the President to inquire into and report upon the loss of one Sight 3" Mortar on charge to 2/1 Bn.

PRESIDENT: Major C.F. Hooper
MEMBERS: Lieut M.C. Kennedy
Lieut N.W. Craig.

Findings to reach Bn HQ by 12 Mar 40.

CHURCH PARADES 7. (a) Holy Communion will be celebrated in the A.A.C.I. building of the 2/1 Bn at 0800 hrs.
(b) Mass will be celebrated at 0800 hrs and at 1000 hrs in A.A.C.I. building of 2/4 Bn.
(c) Combined services will be held in the lines of 2/2 Bn. at 0900 hrs and in 2/1 and 2/3 Bn lines at 1000 hrs. 2/4 Bn will arrange for one-half of its personnel to attend services at 2/1 and 2/3 Bns respectively.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

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As Usual.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K. W. EATHER -
COMMANDING 2/1 BATTALION.

29/40

JULIS CAMP 11 March 40

DUTIES

1. The following duties will mount at Retreat 11 March 40.

Orderly Officer Next for Duty	Lieut G. W. Mann Lieut R. Eva
Comdr of the Guard Next for Duty	Lieut B. Catterns Lieut A. A. Stewart
Orderly Sergeant Next for Duty	NX 2468 Sjt Brindley, G. W. NX 7549 Sjt Jarman, W. C.
Orderly Corporal Next for Duty	NX 4161 Cpl Horton, W. J. NX 2649 Cpl Wilson, H.
Canteen Orderly N. C. O. Next for Duty	NX 3870 Cpl Blake, W. J. 3827 Cpl Griffiths, A. E.

DESPATCH RIDER

2. Commencing from 12 March, Duty Bn will provide Despatch Rider (with motor cycle) to report to Bde HQ at Retreat.

LEAVE TO TEL-AVIV

3. The following attltment is made for leave on 12 Mar 40:

Bn HQ	39
HQ Coy	244
C Coy	99
D Coy	96
Reinf	10
<u>Total</u>	<u>488</u>

The fare of 135 mils is payable in advance and this money must be collected by Coys and forwarded to Bn HQ by 2000 hrs 11 March 40.

Nominal roll of personal divided into sections of 25 must be handed in together with the abovementioned money at 2000 hrs 11 March.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

DISTRIBUTION:

As Usual.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K.W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN

30/40

JULIS CAMP 13 March 40.

DUTIES

1. The following duties will mount at Retreat 13 March 40:-

Duty Coy	C Coy
Next for Duty	D Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut N.W. Craig
Next for Duty	Lieut T.L. Rogers
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut K.W. Embrey
Next for Duty	Lieut T.C. Fairbairn
Orderly Serjeant	NX 4176 Sjt Bourke, R.N.
Next for Duty	NX 7526 Sjt Rappell, A.
Orderly Corporal	NX 3842 A/Cpl Lloyd,
Next for Duty	NX 4094 Cpl Scarlett, L.M.
Canteen Orderly N.C.O.	NX 7498 A/L/Cpl Froude
Next for Duty	NX 7792 Cpl Woodhouse, L.M.

DESPATCH FOR
OFFICIAL
CORRESPONDENCE

2. Official correspondence containing military information for despatch to Australia should be addressed, sealed in an envelope, and forwarded to Bde H.Q. for transmission. On no account will it be despatched by normal means.

DIVISIONAL
CONCERT
PARTY

3. It is intended to organise a Divisional Concert Party, which will be available to give performances in Camps.

Coys will forward to Bn H.Q. by 1800 hrs 19 March, the names of Personnel recommended as:-

- (a) Manager and Producer - preferably an Officer;
- (b) Members of the party, stating their qualifications. A female impersonator is required.
- (c) Members of the orchestra, stating the instrument they play and if in possession of same.

AIR MAIL

4. Advice has been received from the Palestine Posts, Telegraphs and Telegrams that insufficiently prepaid Air Mail received in Post Offices will, in future, be forwarded by surface mail.

ELECTRICAL
INSTALLATIONS

5. Electrical fittings and installations are not to be interfered with by unqualified personnel. If a fuse blows out it must be replaced by a qualified electrician or a pioneer who knows the voltage and amperage with which he is dealing.

LEAVE

6. (a) PASSES issued to personnel or organised leave parties will be endorsed to expire at the embussing times for the return journey.
- (b) CONTROL: On the morning following the return of a Leave Party, the O.C. Leave Party will telephone the D.A.P.M. direct, of the town visited, and confirm the names of any absentees.

SECURITY GUARDS

7. (a) D Coy will provide one platoon guard to relieve one platoon 2/4 Bn at GAZA ROAD (map reference 103104) 18 March 40.
- (b) Guards at GAZA TOWN AND GAZA RIDGE of 2/4 Bn will not be relieved until 8 Apr 40.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

DISTRIBUTION

As Usual.

NOTICESLOST

1. (a) 1 wrist watch (welcome) with light leather band.
By - NX 7466 Pte Young, A. S. - A Coy. Reward 200 mils
- (b) 1 Money belt containing 3000 mils and etc. It has army number and name printed on inside.
By - NX 8493 Pte Riddell, E. J. - B Coy - Reward.

FOUND

2. (a) 1 wrist watch;
- (b) 1 pr spectacles in case;
- (c) 1 Money Belt;
- (d) 1 Tobacco pouch.

These articles may be obtained at Bn H. Q. upon identification.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K. W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN

JULIS CAMP 14 March 40

31/40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 14 March 40:-

Duty Battalion 2/1 Bn

Duty Coy assisted by C Coy will provide Bde Duties.

Field Officer of the Day Capt W.C. Dillon
Medical Officer of the Day Capt C.H. Selby

Duty Company D Coy
Next for Duty HQ Coy

Orderly Officer Lieut T.L. Rogers
Next for Duty Lieut K. Hill-Griffiths

Comdr of the Guard Lieut T.C. Fairbairn
Next for Duty Lieut J.S. Whittle

Orderly Serjeant NX 7526 Sjt Rappell, A.
Next for Duty NX 2635 Sjt Lawry, P.

Orderly Corporal NX 4094 Cpl Scarlett, L.M.
Next for Duty NX 3851 Cpl Northey, E.L.

Canteen Orderly N.C.C. NX 7792 Cpl Woodhouse, L.M.
Next for Duty NX 4087 Cpl Robertson, W.L.

ROAD PIQUET

2. The road piquet referred to in para 3 of R.O. 26/40 of 6 Mar 40, is now withdrawn, and that para is cancelled.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

DISTRIBUTION:

As Usual.

NOTICES

FOOTBALL

1. The result of the Match between 2/1 Bn and Beersheba Police played at Beersheba on Tuesday 11 Mar 40 was 2 - 1

LOST

2. One ZEISS-IKON NETTA CAMERA f4.5 lens - folding type. This Camera was lost in TEL-AVIV by NX 3857 Pte Warren, W.W.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K. W. EATHER - COLDG 2/1 BN

32/40

JULIS CAMP 15 Mar 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 15 March 40.

Duty Company	H. Q. Coy
Next for Duty	A Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut K. Hill-Griffiths
Next for Duty	Lieut R. Willmott
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut J. S. Whittle
Next for Duty	Lieut B. Catterns
Orderly Serjeant	NX 2635 Sjt Lawry, P.C.
Next for Duty	NX 2468 Sjt Brindley, C.
Orderly Corporal	NX 3851 Cpl Northey, E.L.
Next for Duty	NX 4169 Cpl Phillips, E.
Canteen Orderly N.C.O.	NX 4087 Cpl Robertson, W.L.
Next for Duty	NX 4161 Cpl Horton, W.

FRANKING
CORRESPONDENCE

2. Unit Comdrs will arrange for Officers proceeding on leave to TEL-AVIV to be detailed as "franking Officers" for correspondence. Specimen signatures, together with the C.O.'s authority will be produced to Lieut F. Lane (6 Aus Div Pro Coy) on arrival. Mail for despatch will be handed to Lieut Lane after franking.

BOUNDS IN
JERUSALEM

3. The King David Hotel at JERUSALEM is partly Force H. Q. and the remainder has been taken over as an officer's club. It will not, therefore, be visited by other ranks on leave.

LEAVE PARTIES,
JERUSALEM

4. The debussing point for the daily leave parties in JERUSALEM is the compound at the back of H. Q. Aus Overseas Base off Jaffa Road. Officers in charge of convoys will ensure that no other debussing point is used.

FIELD WORKS
COURSE

5. No.1 Field Works Course is to be held at the Middle East Tactical School, ABBASSIA, EGYPT, from 13 Apr to 4 May 40. Lieut T.C. Fairbairn is the officer nominated to attend.

FLY-PROOFING
KITCHENS, etc.

6. As fly-proof doors are not being provided for kitchens and mess rooms, the doors, which are provided with springs, will be kept closed.

The provision of flyproof wire windows in each case, and the opening of the ordinary glass windows, will ensure a constant current of fresh air.

BEE INFLYING
PIQUET

7. This piquet is only required to stand by from Retreat to Reveille, and will take part in normal training for the remainder of its tour of duty, and from Reveille to Retreat, will wear the same uniform and equipment as the remainder of the troops on parade.

I. T. ATTACHMENT 8.

The following personnel will be attached to 16 Inf Bde, JERICHO for period Mon 18 Mar to Sat 23 Mar, 40:-

NX 173 Lieut B.M. Savage;
NX 7610 Sjt Brown, O.B.;
NX 7524 Temp/L/Sjt Buchanan, S.S.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

DISTRIBUTION:

As Usual.

NOTICE

Y.M.C.A. JERUSALEM

The Australian Y.M.C.A. has established a large recreation room in the JERUSALEM Y.M.C.A. Building for the use of all A.I.F. personnel on leave. A Y.M.C.A. Officer is always in attendance and will give help and advice as required.

Hot showers and a large swimming pool are also available and meals can be obtained at a cost of 25 to 100 mils.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K. W. EATHER - COLDG 2/1 BN

33/40

JULIS CAMP 16 March 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 16 March 40:-

Duty Company	A Coy
Next for Duty	B Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut R. Willmott
Next for Duty	Lieut A.R. Eva
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut B.W. Catterns
Next for Duty	Lieut A.A. Stewart
Orderly Serjeant	NX 2468 Sjt Brindley, C.
Next for Duty	NX 8726 Sjt Gray, H.
Orderly Corporal	NX 4169 Cpl Phillips, E.
Next for Duty	NX 7520 Cpl O'Brien, J.F.
Canteen Orderly N.C.O.	NX 4161 Cpl Horton, W.
Next for Duty	NX 7520 Cpl McCloy, J.B.

RESPIRATORS
ANTI-GAS

2. Ref. R.O. 23/40, 2 March 40, para (5):-
Steel helmets and Respirators A.G. in the slung position will be worn during all training parades until further notice on Monday, Wednesday to Saturday.

Respirators will be worn at the Gas Position from 0900 - 1000 on those days.

REMITTANCES FROM
AUSTRALIA

3. Personnel are advised to refrain from requesting relatives or friends in Australia to remit to them Bank Cheques, Money Orders or Postal Notes. If remittances are desired, two main courses are open as follows:-

(a) The sender should be advised that necessary arrangements can be made with any Australian Trading Bank to have the amount forwarded by paying in the necessary money, quoting Regimental number, Name, and Unit of soldier to whom the money is to be paid. The Bank will then complete the necessary forms and the amount will become available through the Divisional Paymaster; or,

(b) Money can be paid to the District Finance Officer in the nearest Capital City with the same forwarding instructions as per paragraph (a) and in both instances the Regimental No. Name and Unit must be given.

CHURCH PARADES
17 March 40

4. (a) Holy Communion will be celebrated at 0730 hrs in the Officers' Mess, 2/3 Bn, and at 0800 hrs in the A.A.C.I. Reading Room, 2/1 Bn.

(b) Mass will be celebrated at 0800 hrs and at 1000 hrs in the A.A.C.I. building of 2/4 Bn.

(c) Combined Services will be held in the lines of 2/2 Bn at 0900 hrs, and in the A.A.C.I. Reading Room of the 2/1 Bn and the lines of 2/3 Bn at 1000 hrs.

2/4 Bn will arrange for one-half of its personnel to attend services at the 2/1 and 2/3 Bns respectively.

PALLIASSE STRAW 5. All Palliasse Straw will be changed on Sunday 17 March.

Coys will arrange for the dumping of straw at a place to be arranged by the Bn 2 i/c and indicated to the Bn Orderly Officer

Fresh Straw will then be drawn from the dump in rear of Bn HQ.

The allowance of straw is 9 men per bale.

Time-Table will be as follows:-

Bn HQ and HQ Coy	0730 hrs
A Coy	0900 hrs
B Coy	0930 hrs
C Coy	1100 Hrs
D Coy	1130 hrs
Reinforcements	1200 hrs.

DUTY BN
CINEMA DUTY

6. Duty Bn will provide one officer and 3 N.C. Os to attend the Cinema. Free passes will be provided for such officer and N.C. Os.

PERSONNEL FROM
C.D.S. & COURSES

7. Personnel returning from Hospital and Courses must report first to Bn Orderly Room - N.C. Os to the R.S.M. - before proceeding to their respective lines.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

DISTRIBUTION:
As Usual.

NOTICE

LOST

1. A watch was left in shower room 16 Mar 40. Finder return to NX 2436 Pte Parry, R.A. 2/1 Reinforcements.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K. W. EATHER - COMD G 2/1 BN

34/40

JULIS CAMP 18 March 40

DUTIES

1. a. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 18 March 40:-

Field Officer of the Day	Capt M.C.D. Little
Medical Officer of the Day	Capt C.H. Selby
Camp Guard	C Coy
Inlying Piquet	C Coy
O.C. Inlying Piquet	Lieut N.W. Craig
Road Patrol	C Coy
O.C. Road Patrol	Lieut F.J. Embrey
Petrol Dump Piquet	C Coy
Bde Orderly Serjeant	WX 711 Sjt Dawes, T.
Motor Cycle Orderly	H.Q. Coy
b. Duty Coy	C Coy assisted by HQ Coy
Next for Duty	HQ Coy assisted by D Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut K.J. Macpherson
Next for Duty	Lieut C.W. Golding
Comdr of the Guard (HQ Coy)	Lieut J.S. Whittle
Next for Duty	Lieut H.W. Sealy
Orderly Serjeant	NX 7658 Sjt Stacey, RR
Next for Duty	NX 7455 Sjt Craske, AV
Orderly Corporal	NX 7647 Cpl Marshall, E
Next for Duty	NX 3851 Cpl Fletcher, B
Canteen Orderly N.C.O.	NX 7647 Cpl Marshall, E
Next for Duty	NX 3851 Cpl Northey, EL

APPOINTMENT

2. To be Acting Transport Officer from 18 to 24 March 40, and then to be Assistant Adjutant from the latter date, NX 3871 Lieut R.S. Willmott.

WEARING OF
RESPIRATORS

A.G. 3.

Wide R.O. 23/40, 2 March 40, para (5), and R.O. 33/40, 16 March 40, para (2):-

Disciplinary action will be taken against personnel who do not wear Respirators A.G. within the time laid down.

CARE OF
RESPIRATORS

4. Coys will draw from Q.M. store a supply of Dettol with which all **Respirators** will be wiped down once a fortnight. After disinfection rubber portions will be treated with French Chalk,

SALVAGE 5. All roll bandages will be returned to the R.A.P. after use.

1st REINFORCEMENTS 6. 1st Reinforcements will now be absorbed by Coys on the following scale:-

Bn HQ	2
HQ Coy	5
A Coy	4
B Coy	6
C Coy	4
D Coy	6

Personnel in excess of War Establishment will be shown on all Strength Returns as "Surplus to Establishment."

TRANSFERS TO AUST. PAY CORPS 7. Two vacancies exist at HQ Aus Overseas Base for clerks in the pay office. Coys will submit to Bn HQ by 1800 hrs 20 Mar 40, the names of suitably qualified personnel who are recommended. A selection will be made subsequently by the C.P.I. Those selected will be transferred to Aus Overseas Base.

MEDICAL 8. Unit Orderly N.C.Os are not accompanying personnel ordered to report to Camp Dressing Stations. Such personnel will be marched to the C.D.S. by the Orderly N.C.O. who will hand over the A.A. Form A.46 on arrival. Ambulances will be arranged for personnel unable to walk, and the Orderly N.C.O. will accompany the ambulance.

OBSCENE LANGUAGE 9. Strict measures are to be taken to suppress obscene language the use of which is prevalent both in Camps and whilst personnel are on leave.

CANTEENS 10. Attention is drawn to para 11(c) of R.O. 12/40 of 19 Feb, and para 5 of R.O. 15/40 of 22 Feb, 40:- the provisions of which are not being carried out. Orderlies on duty in canteens must ensure that bottles are not removed.

DRESS, OFFICERS 11. When officers wear the jacket S.D. it will be buttoned up at the neck and collar and tie will not be worn. This pattern jacket will be worn only during training.

MARCH DISCIPLINE 12. It is noted that coys frequently march at ease. C.Cs will ensure that all parties, irrespective of size will march at attention:-

- (a) whilst moving about within the Camp area and
- (b) upon arriving at Unit boundaries when returning from training areas.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
ADJUTANT - 2/1 EN.

DISTRIBUTION
As Usual.

N.C.T.I.C.E.

2/1 Bn enjoyed victory yesterday -
Football 2/1 V. 2/2 8 - 3.

SALVAGE

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ADJUTANT - 2/1 BN.

DISTRIBUTION

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K. W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN

35/40

JULIS CAMP 20 Mar 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 20 Mar 40:-

Duty Company	B Coy
Next for Duty	C Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut H.W. Sealy
Next for Duty	Lieut N.W. Craig
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut A.R. Eva
Next for Duty	Lieut K.J. Macpherson
Orderly Serjeant	NX 8940 Sjt MacIntosh, I.
Next for Duty	NX 7326 Sjt Gerard, E.H.
Orderly Corporal	NX 3825 Cpl Gerrard, R.D.
Next for Duty	NX 2474 Cpl McCann, W.
Canteen Orderly N.C.O.	2630 Cpl Collins, F.C.
Next for Duty	NX 2474 Cpl McCann, W.

CORRIGENDA

2. R.O. 34/40 of 18 Mar 40, para 12 (b) - MARCH DISCIPLINE.
For
"upon arriving at Unit boundaries when returning from training areas."
insert
"upon arriving at Camp boundaries when returning from training areas."

ROUTINE
GOOD FRIDAY

3. Sunday routine will be observed on Good Friday 22 Mar 40, and the following Divine Services will be held:-

0730 hrs Ante Communion in Reading Room A.A.C.I. Bldg.
1000 hrs General Church Parade (All personnel will attend).

SCHOOLS AND
COURSES

4. 8th Bren Carrier Course - Sarafand. Commencing 10 Mar 40:
NX 3908 Sjt Givney, E.C.
NX 3853 Cpl Reid, J.R.
NX 7618 Cpl Carbines, R.P.
- 4th Mortar Course - Commencing 19 March 40:
NX 2636 Cpl Genner, E.R.
- 2nd Long Course - Rifles, L.I.G. - Commencing 19 March 40:
NX 127 Lieut F.J. Embrey
NX 7526 A/Sjt Rappell, A.J.T.
- Middle East School of Cookery - 16 March - 13 May, 40.
NX 4070 Pte Elkin, H.W.
- Water Duties Course Training Inst - from 10 Mar (Daily)
NX 2810 Pte Carre, F.
NX 2452 Pte Horne, H.E.
- Signal School - Middle East - 17 March - 27 April, 40.
NX 7518 Cpl Facey, V.D.
NX 2806 Cpl Bishop, K.D.

SCHOOLS AND
COURSES, Continued

4. 2nd N. C. O's Cadre Course - 25 March - 12 April, 40:

NX 7604 Sjt Coolahan, D. H.
NX 4161 Cpl Horton, H. E.
NX 4169 Cpl Phillips, E. S.
NX 7461 L/Cpl Tough, R.
NX 2613 L/Cpl Rankin, D. C.
NX 2469 Cpl Wilson, H.
NX 3827 Cpl Griffiths, A. E.
NX 2650 Cpl Jennens, H. J.
NX 2476 L/Cpl Roache, K. A. D.
NX 7498 L/Cpl Froude, W. S.
NX 3829 L/Cpl Helps, C. F.
NX 3842 L/Cpl Lloyd, R.
NX 7627 Cpl Gosnell, I.
NX 4094 Cpl Woodhouse, L. H.
NX 7792 A/Cpl Scarlett, P. W.
NX 7451 L/Cpl Percy, J. R.
NX 7655 L/Cpl Rixon, R. F.
NX 3865 L/Cpl Trevenen, A. F.
NX 7605 Lieut A. A. Stewart

5th Bren Carriers Drivers Course - 23 March - 7 April, 40:

NX 125 Lieut Moriarty
NX 3877 Cpl Kelly, J.

5th Mortar Course - M. E. W. T. School - 9 Apr - 27 Apr, 40:
RI 342 Lieut B. W. T. Catterns

M. T. Course - Jericho - 18 March - 23 March 40:

NX 173 Lieut B. M. Savage
NX 7610 Sjt Brown, O. B.
NX 7524 T/L/Sjt Buchanan, S. S.

No. 1 Field Works Course - Abbassia, Egypt - 13 Apr - 4 May.
NX 9822 Lieut T. C. Fairbairn.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn

DISTRIBUTION:

As Usual.

NOTICE

Palestine Recruit Training Depot at SARAFAND has advised that certain personnel from this Bde returned on Saturday last from the Special Course, without handing in the protractors loaned them during the Course.

Coys will arrange to collect such instruments and ret return same to 2/1 Bn HQ by 2000 hrs 20 Mar 40.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Lieut Col K.W. EATHER - Comd. 2/1 Bn

36/40

JULIS CAMP 22 Mar 40

DUTIES

1. a. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 22 Mar 40 :-

Field Officer of the Day	Capt J. Miller
Medical Officer of the Day	Capt C.H. Selby
O.C. Inlying Picquet	Lieut T.C. Fairbairn
O.C. Road Patrol	Lieut T.L. Rogers
Camp Guard	A Coy
Petrol Dump Picquet	A Coy
Bde Orderly Serjeant	NX2457 A/Sjt Ritchie O.C.
Motor Cycle Orderly	H.Q. Coy
Theatre Details	Officer and 5 N.C.O's
Bde Canteen Sjt	Cpl Parsons R.E.
b. Duty Coy	A & D Coy
Next for Duty	B Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut G.W. Mann
Next for Duty	Lieut. A.R. Eva
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut B. Catterns
Next for Duty	to be detailed
Orderly Serjeant	NX2602 Sjt Jenkins I
Next for Duty	NX7549 Sjt Jarman W.C.
Orderly Corporal	NX4153 A/Cpl Carrie G. .R.
Next for Duty	NX2649 Cpl Wilson H.
Canteen N.C.O.	NX4076 Cpl Green N.R.
Next for Duty	NX7520 Cpl O'Brien J.F.

ROAD PATROL

2. Patrols will now omit to visit the following Camp as a Guard has been established
Deir SUNEID Camp 107107

RECORDS

3. The importance of notifying any changes of NEXT OF KIN is to be impressed on all ranks. Unless these changes are notified accurate records cannot be maintained and, in the event of a member becoming a casualty, information may not be sent to the proper person. Any change of next of Kin must be supported by the reasons, e.g. Next of Kin, Mother (Name and Address) Father Deceased. All such changes must be forwarded to Bn H.Q. at once.

D.R. JACKSON Capt.
Adjutant 2/1 Bn

NOTICE

A Lantern Lecture will be given in 2/3 Bn Rec. Room at 1800 hrs 22 Mar 40 Title- The Story of Good Friday

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

Lt Col K.W. EATHER - Comdg 2/1 Bn

37/40

JULIS CAMP 25 Mar 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 25 Mar 40:-

Duty Company	H.Q. Coy
Next for Duty	A & D Coys
Orderly Officer	Lieut C.W. Golding
Next for Duty	Lieut W.A. Pike
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut K.J. Macpherson
Next for Duty	Lieut G. Mann
Orderly Serjeant	NX Sjt Givney E.C.
Orderly Corporal	Cpl Fletcher B.
Canteen N.C.O.	Cpl Crowther P.

BDE DUTIES

2. The Bn will mount at Retr at 26 Mar 40 :-

Field Officer of the Day Capt. J.H. Hodge
Medical Officer of the Day Capt C.H. Selby

LEAVE

3. There will be no Bn leave on Tuesday 26 Mar 40.

BREN GUN
CARE OF

4. Coys will ensure that all ranks are fully conversant with the contents of Military Board Instruction Os. 13 & 14 of 1940.

CENSORSHIP

5. Personnel leaving addresses with shops etc. in order that articles may be forwarded to them will leave as their address:-

- (a) No., Rank and Name
- (b) Unit,
- (c) c/- Aus. Overseas Base.

Location of the Unit must not be given - packages etc. will then be forwarded by the normal means.

PERSONNEL
FOR PROVOST
COY

6. It has been decided to raise an additional section of 6 Aus. Pro. Coy. and volunteers are required to fill the vacancies. Applications will be forwarded by Coys to Bn H.Q. by 1200 hrs 28 Mar 40. Personnel selected will, for the present be attached to 6 Aus Pro. Coy. N.C.O's cannot be accepted as such.

COMLAND

7. Lieutenant-General G.J. Giffard, C.B., D.S.O., assumed command of the British Forces in PALESTINE, TRANS JORDAN and CYPRUS, on 29 Feb 40, vice Lieut-Gen. M.G.H. Barker, C.B., D.S.O.

PERSONAL
HYGIENE

8. (a) Chills after exercise - the following precautions will be taken to avoid chills:-

Troops will not sit about in clothing wet with sweat after games or exercise. A bath and change of clothing should be carried out as soon as practicable but in the meantime additional clothing should be put on.

PERSONAL
HYGIENE

8.
(ctd)

(b) Baths - Where practicable arrangements will be made for every man to have a hot bath at least once per week in winter, and during summer a shower daily or on alternate days at least.

(c) Bathing - No one suffering from a cold, fever, ear disease, diarrhoea, infection or skin disease or venereal disease will use a swimming bath. Men suffering from the first four diseases will not bath in cold water.

(d) Prickly Heat - Cases of prickly heat will report immediately to the Medical Officer.

(e) Præbi-Itch - This is contagious and men so infected will report for treatment immediately.

(f) First Aid Treatment - Arrangements will be made for Iodine, Gauze and Bandages to be available at all games of football and hockey. All cases of minor injury will receive early and unless trivial will report as soon as possible to the Medical Inspection Room.

(g) Infectious Diseases - Infectious or suspected infectious diseases including feverish colds and eye diseases must be isolated at once. All cases of the above conditions will report sick immediately.

(h) Native personnel - Inspection

(i) All civilian servants employed by units and institutes will be medically inspected before first employment and monthly thereafter. Particular attention will be paid to cooks, waiters and dhobimen.

(ii) Lists of such servants, with dates of vaccinations and inoculations, will be prepared by Units, signed by the Medical Officer and hung up in the place of employment.

(i) Sickness - If a native employed in camp is sick, the medical Officer will be at once notified. Cases of suspected infectious diseases will at once be suspended from duty.

No responsibility is taken re treatment of Natives.

MEDICAL
ATTENTION FOR
PERSONNEL ON
LEAVE

9.

JERUSALEM

(a) A morning sick parade at 0700 hrs. is held at the Medical Inspection Room, Australian Soldier's Club.

(b) Cases of urgency will be notified to A.D.M.S. office and Aus. Overseas Base.

TEL-AVIV

(a) A medical orderly will be stationed at Military Police Barracks, 78 Hayarkon Street, from 25 Mar 40.

(b) Sick parades will be held at 0900 hrs and 1600 hrs. Records of personnel attending will be kept kept by the Medical Orderly on A.A.F. A.46.

(c) Sick, if unable to attend parades, will notify M.P. Barracks before 1000 hrs, unless in a case of urgency, and they will be visited. Address and Room number must be given.

1 AUS
DETENTION
BARRACKS

10. Approval has been given vide 2 A.I.F. Abroad R/O 3/40 for the raising of 1 Aus. Detention Barracks. Applications are invited for appointment to the Staff, which consists of:-

Sgt. Major	1	Sjts	5
Q.M.S.	1	Cook for Prisoners	1
Clerk (Sjt)	1	Cook for Sjts Mess	1
Staff Sjts	4	Genl duties " "	2

Names of volunteers will be submitted to Bn H.Q. by 1500 hrs 26 Mar 40.

PRECAUTIONS
AGAINST FIRE

11. Fire precautions must be more strictly exercised. Cases of smoking in tents have been reported.

All ranks are to be reminded that this practice is forbidden and offenders will be severely dealt with.

D.R. JACKSON Capt.
Adjutant 2/1 Bn

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USUAL

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K. W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN

JULIS, L1

38/40

27 Mar 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 27 Mar 40

Duty Coy	B Coy
Next for Duty	C Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut K. Hill-Griffiths
Next for Duty	Lieut W. H. Travers
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut H.W. Sealy
Next for Duty	Lieut T.C. Fairbairn
Orderly Serjeant	NX 8725 Sjt Carter, A.R.
Next for Duty	NX 8900 Sjt Spink, W
Orderly Corporal	NX 4124 Cpl Barclay, P.
Next for Duty	NX 7489 Cpl Webb, B.N.
Canteen N.C.O.	NX 3823 Cpl Gerard, R.D.
Next for Duty	NX 2474 Cpl McCann,

ROAD PATROL

2. Reference nightly Road Patrol -
From 26 Mar 40, road patrol will visit JIRJA CAMP
109112 only.

MEALS FOR MEN
IN CUSTODY

3. In future the rationing of their own personnel
undergoing detention will be a Coy responsibility.

Duty Coy will provide transport, and C.Q.M.S. who
will be responsible that rations for men in detention
are collected from Coy Kitchens concerned and that
utensils are returned.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.

Adjutant - 2/1 Battalion

2ND
A U S T R A L I A N I M P E R I A L
F O R C E S

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K.W. EATHER • COMDG 2/1 BN

JULIS L1

39/40

30 Mar 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 30 Mar 40

Duty Battalion	2/1 Bn
Field Officer of Day	Capt M.C.D. Little
Medical Officer "	Capt C.H. Selby
Duty Company (Bn) Next for Duty	HQ Coy assisted by A Coy B Coy
Duty Company (Bde)	D Coy
Orderly Officer Next for Duty	Lieut Digby Lieut G.W. Mann
Comdr of the Guard Next for Duty	Lieut J.G. Macarthur-King Lieut M.C. Kennedy
Orderly Serjeant Next for Duty	NX WX. 711 Sjt Dawes, V NX 7549 Sjt Jarman, W.C.
Orderly Corporal Next for Duty	NX 3853 Cpl Reid, J.R. NX 4129 Cpl Walsh, A.
Canteen N.C.O. Next for Duty	NX 2776 Cpl Dyer, J. NX 2630 Cpl Collins, F.C.

PRECAUTIONS
AGAINST FIRE

2. Fire precautions must be more strictly exercised. Cases of smoking in tents have been reported. All ranks are reminded that this practice is forbidden and offenders will be severely dealt with.

ROUTINE

3. Commencing Monday 1 April 40 the following routine will become operative:-

Reveille	0600 hrs
Administrative Parade	0630 - 0645 hrs
Breakfast	0730 hrs
1st Parade	0830 - 1200 hrs

CENSORSHIP

4. (a) As unit censor stamps are now being used, the practice of endorsing the back of envelopes, postcards, newspapers and parcels with the writer's regimental No, Rank, Name and appointment will cease.
- (b) Franking Offrs will continue to sign their names at the end of the letter and on the top left hand corner of the envelope, and on no account will write their rank or appointment.
- (c) The use of Regtl stamp will cease. Consequently the only endorsement which will appear on envelopes postcards, newspapers and parcels (see para (d)) will be the name and address of the addressee, franking offr's signature and the unit censor stamp.
- (d) Parcels. A declaration of the contents must appear on the wrapper of every parcel or packet.
- (e) 6 Aus Div Postal Unit will not accept for transmission any mail matter which does not in all respects comply with the above para.

SECURITY
GUARDS

5. 2/1 Bn will take over Guard Duties from 2/2 Bn at BARBARA CAMP by 1100 hrs, 1 Apr.

This Guard, which at present is one complete rifle Coy, may be of maximum strength of one rifle coy, and minimum strength of one rifle pl.

D Coy will supply this Security Guard, and will report to Bn HQ when relief is completed.

CHURCH PARADES 6.
31 Mar 40

(a) Mass (Roman Catholic) will be held at 0800 hrs and 1000 hrs in the A.A.C.I. building of the 2/4.

(b) Holy Communion (C of E) will be celebrated in the Officers' Mess of the 2/3 Bn and a service will be held at 1000 hrs on the Parade Ground of the 2/3 Bn. Holy Communion will be held also at 0730 hrs in the A.A.C.I. Reading Room of the 2/1 Bn.

(c) Combined services will be held in the lines of the 2/2 Bn at 0930 hrs, and in the lines of the 2/1 Bn at 1000 hrs.

2/4 Bn will arrange for one-half of its personnel to attend services at the 2/1 Bn and 2/2 Bn respectively.

1. R. JACKSON, Captain

ADJUTANT - 2/1 Battalion

DISTRIBUTION

As Usual.

Mobile Column - 2/1 Bn

With regard to 16 Aus Inf Bde Confidential Memo dated 2 Mar 40 the following details are added to

- (2-7) Q M will allot a marked space in Armoury in which the following stores will be maintained day and night-

Field Glasses
Compass prismatic
Wire Cutters
Electric Torch
Maps -Gaza Area
Signal Pistol
Ammunition and Grenades
Bren Gun Magazines loaded
Iron Rations for one Platoon
4 Gal Can fresh water
1st Aid Kit
3 Hurricane lanterns (filled)
6 Picks
6 Shovels

- (8) Coy Orderly Sjt will find interpreter

- (9) If called out by day, the remainder of the Battalion will act normally
If by night no other lights than those necessary to Bn H Q and the selected platoon will be shown
The balance of the Battalion not actually employed in an Administrative capacity will remain in tents.

- (10) TRANSPORT
Vehicles with a carrying capacity of one pl will be held by the T.C. in a pool, and their drivers will sleep at the Transport Park.

By night one vehicle will be parked ready for loading at the ramp near Bn H.Q.

On the Pl Alarm, the vehicles will form up on the road in front of Bn H.Q., facing Bde H. .

- (II) a. Watch at the switchboard is maintained at Bn H.Q. by an orderly who sleeps by the telephone at night.

In event of his not hearing the call, he will be woken by No.3 Patrol of the Guard.

- b. The "preliminary order for action" will be handed by the switchboard orderly to a man of No.3 Patrol, who will carry it to the Adjutant. (By night)

DR Jackson
Capt.
Adj 2/1 Aus Bn.

2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

H.Q., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
JULIS CAMP,
2 Mar., 40.

CONFIDENTIAL.MOBILE COLUMNS - 16 AUS. INF. BDE.

As this Bde. may be called upon at any time to provide a mobile detachment to proceed at short notice to any required destination in the GAZA area, each Bn. of this Bde. will arrange for one rifle Coy. pl. to be ready at 30 minutes notice, both by day and night, as from 1200 hrs., 4 Mar., 40, to leave camp by M.T. accoutred in accordance with the following instructions:-

(1) CLOTHING.

Service Dress with gaiters, steel helmets.

(2) ARMS & EQUIPMENT.

Marching Order, rifles and bayonets, 2" mortar (when ammunition available), hand grenades, and at least one Bren Gun complete per pl.

Officers will carry pistol, field glasses, prismatic compass, signal pistol, wire cutters, electric torch and sheets 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of the 1 : 100,000 map of GAZA area.

(3) AMMUNITION.

Rifles - 50 rounds per rifle, of which 10 will be ~~in the magazine, but none in the chamber.~~

Pistol - 25 rounds.

Bren Gun - 1000 rds. per gun.

2" Mortar - 20 H.E., 20 Smoke.

Grenades - 12 per Sec., of which 6 H.E. & 6 Smoke.

Signal pistol - 30 white and 6 red cartridges.

(4) RATIONS.

Iron rations only, waterbottles filled.

(5) Field Dressings will be carried by all ranks.

(6) LANTHERNS.

3 Hurricane lanterns (filled).

(7) TOOLS.

6 Picks and 6 shovels.

(8) INTERPRETER.

The unit interpreter will accompany the pl.

(9) NOISE & LIGHTS.

If a pl. is called out at night, any extra noise and light will indicate to the civilian inhabitants, who frequent the camp boundaries, that something unusual is taking place, with the result that a warning of the pl's.

movement will probably reach the place of destination before the pl.

Therefore, all preparations to leave Camp will be carried out with the minimum of light and noise.

(10) TRANSPORT.

(a) Units will provide their own transport.

(b) M.T. Head, Side and Tail-lights will be dimmed in accordance with Appendix (X) to the Manual of Movement by Road, Mechanical Training Pamphlet No. 6, 1938.

(11) SIGNAL COMMUNICATIONS & ISSUE OF ORDERS.

(a) All units will maintain an orderly at their unit telephone switchboard by day and night.

(b) Preliminary order for action by Bde. H.Q. will be:-

"Move mobile detachment hrs."

(c) Pl. Comdr. will report to Bde. S.O. at Unit H.Q. at Z - 10 minutes to receive final orders for the move.

(Z being time of departure of pl. from unit lines).

I. R. Campbell

..... Major.

B.M., 16 A us. Inf. Bde.

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GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION NO. 2

SECURITY MEASURES (No. 2)

1. (a) The following instructions regarding security in Rural areas are to be read in conjunction with Palestine Security Instruction No. 2.

(b) The subject matter in paras. 2 and 4 is to be promulgated to allconcerned.

2. JERUSALEM.

Rural Area 2 miles radius of Jerusalem.

(a) Personnel may walk out beyond the Municipal Bounday, on metalled roads only, up to 1700 hrs. Parties wishing to picnic are limited to a distance of 400 yds., either side, and are to be within sight of the road.

Personnel are to be in pairs, properly dressed as for walking out. They will be armed with rifles with 5 rounds S.A.A. in the magazine and 5 rounds in pocket, or with pistols. Ladies may accompany.

(b) Personnel may proceed to the Golf Course or Government House areas singly, but will not go East of the latter. They will be properly dressed as for walking out order and need not be armed.

(c) Personnel may proceed to the War Cemetery on the Mount of Olives, provided they are in not less than pairs, remain on metalled roads and are properly dressed as for walking out. They need not be armed.

(d) In no cases will houses, villages or encampments be entered, or local inhabitants interfered with.

3. HEBRON.

(a) Hebron Town.

Personnel may walk in Hebron Town up to 1700 hrs., provided they are in parties of four, and properly dressed as for walking out. They will be armed with rifles with 5 rounds S.A.A. in the magazine and 5 rounds in pocket, or with pistols.

(b) Rural Area 2 miles radius of Hebron or any Detachment.

Personnel may walk out, up to 1700 hrs., provided they are in parties of six, and properly dressed as for walking out. They will be armed with rifles, with 5 rounds S.A.A. in the magazine and 5 rounds in pocket, or shot guns.

No houses, villages or encampments to be entered, or local inhabitants interefered with in any way.

4. GAZA.

Rural Area of 2 miles radius.

Personnel may walk out on main roads up to 1700 hrs., provided they are in pairs and properly dressed as for walking out. They will be armed with rifles, with 5 rounds S.A.A. in the magazine and 5 rounds in pocket, or with pistols.

No houses, villages or encampments are to be entered, or local inhabitants to be interfered with in any way.

(Sgd) R.G.H. Irving, Major.
General Staff, Adv.6 Aus.Div.

QASTINA, 27 Feb., 40.

DISTRIBUTION: List "A" (vide Div. R.O. 6/31 dated 26 Feb.)

2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

H.Q., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
 JULIS CAMP.
 7 Mar., 40.

CONFIDENTIAL.MOBILE COLUMN - LESSONS FROM 2nd EXERCISE.

At 2330 hrs., night 6/7 Mar. 40, 2/1 Bn. was communicated with by telephone and given the order

"Move mobile detachment 2300 hrs."

The exercise was successfully carried out, and most of the lessons brought out by the platoon of 2/4 Bn., which had the unenviable task of carrying out the initial exercise, were well learnt.

The undermentioned points, which were noted during the exercise, are quoted to assist all of us in a study of the best methods to employ in this form of training for war:-

LESSONS.

(1) As in the first exercise, only the driver of the leading vehicle knew the destination and the route thereto.

It is suggested that Pl. Comdr. before departure, hold a short conference of all Sec. Comdrs. and drivers, at which information regarding destination, route and issue of required maps to drivers will be included.

(2) Before embussing at Bn. lines, the platoon assembled in a well lighted place, thus advertising to any hostile agent the fact that some unusual duty was being performed. This also applied to transport lines.

(3) Protection. Pl. Comdr. travelled in the leading vehicle, which was acting as an advance guard, preceding the remainder of the column by 100 yards.

(4) Force instruction received on 6 Mar., which is being issued to all units on the scale of one per unit, lays down that the leading vehicle will normally precede the remainder by at least 200 yards, and that the Comdr. of the column will travel in the second vehicle, so that he may take command if the troops in the leading vehicle are held by fire.

(4) Column moved off 5 minutes after time laid down.

(5) Noise. As the column approached the T.V., there was practically no noise of engines, owing to reduced speed, but although excellent control was manifest, the Comdr.'s voice was once heard at a distance of approximately one mile.

As he was not shouting, it is an indication of the long distance at which sounds can be heard on a still night, and the necessity of voice control is therefore emphasised.

GDH.

2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

S/M 37/4

H.Q., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
JULIS CAMP.
4 Mar., 40.

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- 2/4 Bn.

GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION No. 2.

Forwarded herewith is a copy of the abovementioned
Instruction .

L.R. Campbell

..... Major.

B.M., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

H.Q., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
 JULIS CAMP.
 14 Mar., 40.

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 C.O., 2/4 Bn.

MOBILE COLUMN - 16 AUS. INF. BDE.

Owing to:-

- (a) The present political situation;
- (b) The desire to obtain the greatest possible advantage from the limited time and transport available to units for training, and
- (c) As most, if not all, of the lessons in connection with the abovementioned operations have already been brought out by the 5 exercises carried out to date,

it has been decided that in future only the duty battalion will be responsible for providing a Mobile Detachment, in accordance with the original instructions issued on 2 Mar., 40, and even this duty will only be required for the period from Retreat to Reveille.

(2) The exercise carried out on night 13/14 Mar. by a Pl. of 2/4 Bn. indicated very clearly that the lessons brought out by the previous 4 exercises, have been appreciated, but practice by units will still be necessary to ensure that these lessons are not forgotten, and considerable additional training of certain personnel in map reading by day, and especially by night, is required.

I. R. Campbell

..... Major.

B.M., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

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2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES



H.Q., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
JULIS CAMP.
23 Feb., 40.

16 AUS. INF. BDE. TRAINING INSTRUCTION FOR PERIOD
26 FEB. TO 30 MAY.

(1) OBJECT.

Sub-units are to be so trained that Company training can commence on 1 Apr.

(2) PERIODS.

Following is the probable subdivision of training until 17 May :-

- (a) 26 Feb. to 30 Mar. (five weeks) - Platoon Training.
- (b) 1/26 April (four weeks) - Company Training.
- (c) 29 Apr. to 17 May (3 weeks) - Battalion Training.

PART 1. DETAIL OF WORK TO BE COVERED BY EACH SUB-UNIT (period. 26 Feb. to 30 Mar.)

(3) RIFLE PLATOONS.

Unit syllabi will include :-

- (a) All phases of platoon training.
- (b) Fire direction and control exercises on 30 yard range.
- (c) Route Marches.
- (d) Training in night operations.
- (e) Training in new weapons (A.T. Rifle, Bren Gun and 3" Mortar) as soon as received (see para. (19) for scale of first issue).
- (f) Recapitulation of section training to ensure that all ranks (especially men recruited shortly before embarkation) have obtained a uniform standard.
- (g) Anti-tank, anti-aircraft and anti-gas training.
- (h) Guard duties, with special reference to security guards. Punctiliousness in saluting by sentries must be insisted on at all times.
- (i) Camouflage.

(4) SIGNAL PLATOON.

Progressive work, the degree of which will depend on the progress made by the Unit concerned.

(5) PIONEER PLATOON.

The various duties of the new pioneer platoon will be carefully studied.

These duties include :-

- (a) Gas decontamination.
- (b) Field defences, restricted to work involving some degree of trade skill, such as :-
 - (i) Revetting;
 - (ii) Loopholing for snipers and sentries;
 - (iii) Improving buildings for defence;
 - (iv) Splinter proofing of shelters;
 - (v) Repair and sharpening of tools.

- (c) Construction of obstacles of all kinds;
- (d) Handling of ground bombs.
- (e) Temporary sanitary arrangements, covers to protect cooking from gas spray.
- (f) In camp, constructional work in unit lines.

(6) CARRIER PLATOON.

When our instructors return on 8 & 10 Mar. from the Courses of Instruction and when the Carriers become available, driving instruction will be commenced. In the meantime instruction in the Vickers M.G. will be proceeded with, but it should be realised that, although it is the present intention to retain these weapons instead of using Bren Guns, the guns will be employed normally in the role of the Bren Gun of the Carrier Platoon, and therefore indirect firing appears problematical.

(7) A.A. & GROUND DEFENCE PLATOON.

Training to be carried out on a progressive basis.

(8) TRANSPORT SUB-UNITS.

A certain number of vehicles are now coming to hand, and every effort will be made to enable all transport personnel to pass the driving and maintenance test at the earliest possible moment.

Although the role of 45 L.A.D., which has been allotted to this Brigade, is to carry out first line mechanical repairs, this does not absolve units from their responsibility in this connection and all units will train their transport personnel in 1st line maintenance duties. To assist units, a three week's course on this subject is being conducted by 45 L.A.D. commencing on 26 Feb.

In future, in the field, transport should never be parked in serried ranks, but dispersed in an uneven formation under cover where-ever possible. This should be practised.

PART II. GENERAL.

(9) DIGGING AND FIELD DEFENCES.

(a) General

To protect themselves against the effect of modern weapons, all units must be able to dig speedily and well, no matter how exhausted they may be.

Constant practice is required by leaders in planning and organizing work.

Whenever possible, digging should be carried out tactically.

Attention is directed to the "crawl" trench mentioned in the Infantry Section Leading, 1939, page 75, and the "slit" trench for protection against bombs and shells in places where it is not required to develop small arms fire.

(b) Digging Exercises.

Units will select some uncultivated area within their training area on which to practice digging, and at an early date a battalion defensive position will be sited by Ede. H.Q. and each battalion of the Brigade will be allotted a rifle Company sector, and will be required to decide on the priority of work, then make all necessary arrangements and finally prepare and occupy the position in a given period.

(c) Anti Tank Obstacles.

It must be constantly borne in mind that the main considerations to be considered when selecting a defensive position are, in order of priority:-

- (1) Anti tank obstacles;
- (2) Concealment from ground and air observation;
- (3) Facilities for observation.

If a natural Anti Tank obstacle is not available, an artificial one must be prepared if the defence is to succeed against a large-scale tank attack. (Notes on Defence, 1939, will be studied in this respect).

(10) ANTI GAS TRAINING.

A considerable amount of anti-gas training was carried out on board ship, but all ranks must not be allowed to forget the instruction then received, and full use will be made of the 12 hours instruction received by candidates at the P.M.T.D. which terminates on 16 Mar.

(11) RANGES AND RANGE PRACTICES.(a) 30-yard ranges.

Units will select suitable ground in their training areas and construct a 30-yard ranges. These ranges will be sited with due regard to the normal safety precautions.

(b) Classification and Field Firing Ranges.

It had been intended to reconnoitre the sand-dunes beyond AL MAJDAL for classification and Field Firing Ranges, but Force H.Q. has notified that a caravan track, which runs along the seashore, makes any shooting in a seaward direction in this area unsafe.

However, a classification range of 18 targets, and also a Field Firing Range, are located at JAFFA, and will be allotted to this Brigade on certain days each week from the middle of March onwards. During Company Training, it is intended that Coys. bivouac overnight on the ranges.

(c) Range practices.

Classification Practices are still to be carried out by all ranks, who are required in each unit to fire the Bren Gun, A.T. Rifle, 8" Mortar and Revolvers, and in addition, there are a number of men who, being recent recruits, have not yet fired the rifle course.

Arrangements will be made to complete the rifle course first, and units will forward to Bde. H.Q. by 1200 hrs., 28 Feb., the number per unit required to fire Table B.

(12) TRAINING IN NIGHT OPERATIONS.

Silent movement over rough country, and constant use of shadows and other aids to concealment, are essential to successful night patrolling. It is obvious from the manner in which the average pair of JULIS "Prowlers" can be seen and heard at long distances that our men have still a lot to learn in this most important form of war.

(13) CAMOUFLAGE.

There is little natural cover from ground and air observation in our present area, but as there are countries in which we may have to fight, where there will be even less cover, no training operation should be performed without due

consideration being given to camouflages, so that every vehicle, weapon, trench and man may be concealed.

Loose soil caused by burying cables, etc., is very often a means of exposing the location of Headquarters to hostile aerial observation.

(14) WIRING.

As mentioned in paragraph (9), above, particular attention is to be devoted to "digging", but the value of such "digging" is greatly lessened if the trenches, etc., are not adequately protected by wire obstacles, the tactical employment and construction of which is explained in the Appendix to Infantry Section Leading, and pages 222 and 223 of I.T. (War) 1937. Adequate time will be allotted for training in this subject.

(15) COOKING IN THE FIELD.

To date, our cooks have had but little practice in preparing meals in the field. Comdg. Officers will ensure that in future, adequate training in field cooking is carried out.

(16) WATER DUTIES.

Each unit has certa in men who are responsible for ensuring that men in their battalion are protected against disease infested drinking water.

If necessary, arrangements can be made for a special course in water duties to be conducted under arrangements with O.C., Fd. Hyg. Sec., and units will notify Bde. H.Q. by 1800 hrs., 29 Feb., of the numbers of water duty men required to attend such a course.

(17) 2" MORTAR.

The 2" Mortar, which is allotted on the scale of 1 per rifle coy. platoon, replaces the rifle grenade.

It throws a 2lb. bomb a maximum range of 500 yards. The H.E. Bomb has effect double that of a Mills Grenade, and a smoke bomb is said to produce an extremely efficient local smoke screen.

(18) QUICK DECISION EXERCISES.

To keep men interested, and to make them mentally alert, the frequent exercise of junior leaders in making quick decisions can not be over emphasised.

(19) NEW WEAPONS - SCALE OF ISSUE.

Information has been received that the scale of first issue will be as follows:-

	Bren Gun	A.T. Rifle	2" Mortar
1st Issue	17	6	4
War Equipment	50	22	12

(20) S.A.A.

Economy is to be practiced in the use of S.A.A.

(21) PHYSICAL FITNESS.

During the various phases of training to be carried out before 17 May, every opportunity will be taken to keep the men hard and fit, and capable of long marches and long periods of digging without suffering undue fatigue.

In this connection an impression has been obtained that infantry will never march in war. This impression is entirely erroneous, as the available M.T. Reserve is not great, and its allotment to troops carrying or load carrying will depend on the relative importance of the two tasks.

(22) SMARTNESS.

Every effort should be made to maintain a high standard of smartness in drill, and, although time should not be allotted on the Syllabus to close order drill, the necessary high standard will be maintained if all drill movements are carried out with the maximum of smartness.

(23) SYLLABUS.

Units will submit to Bde. H.Q. by 1200 hrs. every Sunday, a Syllabus for the week's training, in accordance with attached pro forma Appendix "A".

J.R. Campbell.
.....Major.

B.M. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

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PRO FORM/ WEEKLY
SYLLABUS.

DATE	"A" COY	"B" COY	"C" COY	"D" COY
26 APR.	Pl. in attack (112461)	0900-1200. Bren Gun (111461) 1315-1615. Pl. in Defence. (11 1458)	Bren Gun instruction (111460)	Digging Operations (111459)
27 APR.				

Locations will be shown by map coordinates in each case. A map enlargement of the Bde. Training Area will be issued to all units at an early date, and when received this map will be referred to in each case.

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H.Q., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

JULIUS CAMP.

7 Mar., 40.

CONFIDENTIAL.MOBILE COLUMN - LESSONS FROM EXERCISE

At 2130 hrs., night 6/7 Mar. 40, 2/1 Bn. was communicated with by telephone and given the order

"Move mobile detachment 2300 hrs."

The exercise was successfully carried out, and most of the lessons brought out by the platoon of 2/4 Bn., which had the unenviable task of carrying out the initial exercise, were well learnt.

The undermentioned points, which were noted during the exercise, are quoted to assist all of us in a study of the best methods to employ in this form of training for war:-

PAROLE.

(1) As in the first exercise, only the driver of the leading vehicle knew the destination and the route thereto.

It is suggested that Pl. Comdr. before departure, hold a short conference of all sec. Comdrs. and drivers, at which information regarding destination, route and issue of required maps to drivers will be included.

(2) Before embussing at Bn. lines, the platoon assembled in a well lighted place, thus advertising to any hostile agent the fact that some unusual duty was being performed. This also applied to transport lines.

(3) Protection. Pl. Comdr. travelled in the leading vehicle, which was acting as an advanced guard, protecting the remainder of the column by 100 yards.

Force instruction received on 4 Mar., which is being issued to all units on the scale of one per unit, lays down that the leading vehicle will normally precede the remainder by at least 200 yards, and that the Comdr. of the column will travel in the second vehicle, so that he may take command if the troops in the leading vehicle are held by fire.

(4) Column moved off 5 minutes after time laid down.

(5) Noise. As the column approached the d.V., there was practically no noise of engines, owing to reduced speed, but although excellent control was manifest, the Comdr.'s voice was once heard at a distance of approximately one mile.

As he was not shouting, it is an indication of the long distance at which sounds can be heard on a still night, and the necessity of voice control is therefore emphasized.

(6) Lighting of Vehicles. Although action had been taken to substantially reduce the power of the lights, they could be seen 3 miles away, and to reduce this

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(a) The lower half of reflectors requires to be blackened, and,

(b) The white circle in the tail light, which illuminates the number plate, should be covered.

R. Langford

Major.

Communicated with by telephone and given the order.

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- Two copies to 1st Coy. and 1 to 2nd Coy. of the 16th Div. HQ.
- Two copies to War Diary.

The above mentioned orders, which were issued on 11.11.42, are to be carried out as soon as possible.

(1) In the first exercise, only the 1st Coy. of the 16th Div. HQ. was to be used.

It is suggested that Lt. Col. Langford, 1st Coy. of the 16th Div. HQ. should be in command of the exercise.

(2) Before embarking of the lines, the 1st Coy. of the 16th Div. HQ. should be well lighted, this advertisement is to be carried out as soon as possible.

(3) Procedure. Lt. Col. Langford, 1st Coy. of the 16th Div. HQ. should be in command of the exercise.

These instructions are to be carried out as soon as possible.

(4) Column moved off 5 minutes after time late down.

(5) Notes. As the column approached the 1st Coy. of the 16th Div. HQ. practically no noise of any kind, being to be heard.

It was not shouting, it is an indication of the long distance at which sounds can be heard on a still night, and the necessity of voice control is therefore emphasized.

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H.Q., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
JULIS CAMP,
20 Mar., 40.

TRAINING NOTES

The following points which were noted during training are discussed herewith:-

(1) FIELDWORKS.(a) Entrenchments.

Considerable variation has been noted in the degree of digging carried out, and the sequence in which the work is performed.

In country as open as that surrounding JULIS, it is obviously impossible to conceal defences from aerial observation, if they are dug beyond the weapon pit stage, unless well-camouflaged overhead cover is provided.

As the absence of natural cover precludes any form of concealed communication between weapon pits and section posts, all defences so far prepared by us in the JULIS area are being developed beyond the weapon pit stage, and, as camouflaged overhead cover is not contemplated, there is no possible hope of effectively concealing these defences from the air. Therefore the only way by which we can avoid hostile air and artillery concentrations on our section posts, is to dig trenches rapidly over as wide an area as possible, so as to confuse the enemy as to the location of our section posts.

As we cannot always expect to be given time in which to dig 6 foot trenches, such as those produced by 1 Fd. Coy. at QASTINA, we should, in order to practise the maximum deception and at the same time provide a means of concealed communication, dig as extensive a system of shallow (crawl) trenches as possible as soon as our weapon pits have been dug.

Thereafter, as time and opportunity occurs, these crawl trenches should be deepened, revetted, etc., but before constructing such permanent works in this type of country, the following sequence of construction will normally be adopted:-

- (i) Construct weapon pits;
- (ii) Connect weapon pits by crawl trench to form section posts;
- (iii) Connect section posts to form platoon localities, and dig in these crawl trenches a series of weapon pits to form "alternative" section posts, thus not only misleading the enemy, but also facilitating allround defence.

(See Figure (1) of Appendix "A").

The next stage is to deepen the crawl trenches to 3 feet.

In this type of country the reason for the above constructional sequence is mainly to confuse the enemy, but in other areas the provision of natural cover may obviate the necessity for such work, with the result that the sequence of tasks will vary, and the need for crawl trenches will diminish.

It should be understood that the above applies to hastily constructed trenches, and not necessarily to heavy field fortifications which are not in immediate danger of being attacked, and on the construction of which much time is to be expended.

(b) Weapon Pits.

Too close in some cases. I.S.L. lays down normal distance as 5 yds.

(c) Traverses.

There is still a tendency to place weapon pits in a straight line and join them directly with straight crawl trenches, thus exposing the whole section to annihilation from one shell burst. It may not be practicable in all cases to site weapon pits other than in a straight line, but connecting crawl trenches should be zigzagged wherever possible.

(d) Coy. H.Q. Unprotected.

In one case a Coy. H.Q. was situated outside the protection of a platoon locality.

(e) Allround defence.

Owing to the difficulty in siting weapon pits to fire effectively to front and rear, it will not usually be possible to provide effective allround defence within the section, but alternative positions should be prepared in the trenches connecting the section posts, which can be occupied under cover and from which fire can be directed to the rear and flanks, and crawl trenches connecting section posts should be sited with this end in view.

In addition, it may be advisable to construct alternative weapon pits in each section post, to enable allround fire to be developed from within the section post itself.

(f) Pls. too scattered.

Platoon frontage in defence should normally not exceed 70 yards, or a distance which is beyond voice control of the section comdr. It has been noticed that in some cases section posts are sited over 100 yards apart.

(g) Depth.

Although depth is well understood in Coy. dispositions, platoons are being sited with all three sections in line in some cases.

The obvious disadvantage of this siting is that no flexibility in defence is possible, and the whole platoon may quite easily be overrun at the first rush.

(h) Need for frequent traverses.

It was pointed out at a recent discussion, that if a soldier lies at the bottom of a 6 foot trench he is immune from fire from a tank, as it cannot depress its guns

sufficiently. It will be obvious that this immunity will not operate unless frequent traversing or change of direction of the trench is carried out.

(1) Traverse - Confusion of terminology.

- (a) Traverse of machine gun fire, and
- (b) Traverse in a trench.

The difference should be explained to all ranks.

(2) MIRRORS TO SIMULATE FIRE.

It is regretted that so far it has not been possible to obtain blank .303" ammunition, but, if the sun is shining, the use of a mirror flashed in the faces of the defenders or attackers is a very effective substitute.

(3) SECTION RUSHES - TOO LONG.

Fully loaded soldiers will become exhausted very quickly if called upon to do much doubling.

In some cases section rushes were seen to exceed 70 yards, despite the fact that suitable fire positions were available at half this distance.

(4) SIGNAL STATION DUTIES.

Good station work is in some cases being spoilt, owing to lack of some backing on which to write the messages. Signallers should be reminded that the value of a message is that it should be read quickly and accurately.

(5) RIFLE RANGE DRILL - INSPECTION OF ARMS.

After rising from the firing mound, men should be turned to the right so that the rifles are pointing towards the butts when the order is given to inspect arms. In one case the men were turned to their left, with considerable danger to the details in rear.

J. P. Campbell

..... Major.

B.M., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

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APPENDIX "A"

FIGURE (1).

PRIORITY OF CONSTRUCTION OF PLATOON LOCALITY
 IN OPEN COUNTRY ADJACENT TO JULIS, WHEN MIN-
 IUTE OF TIME AVAILABLE, AND THE ENEMY IN
 CLOSE PROXIMITY.

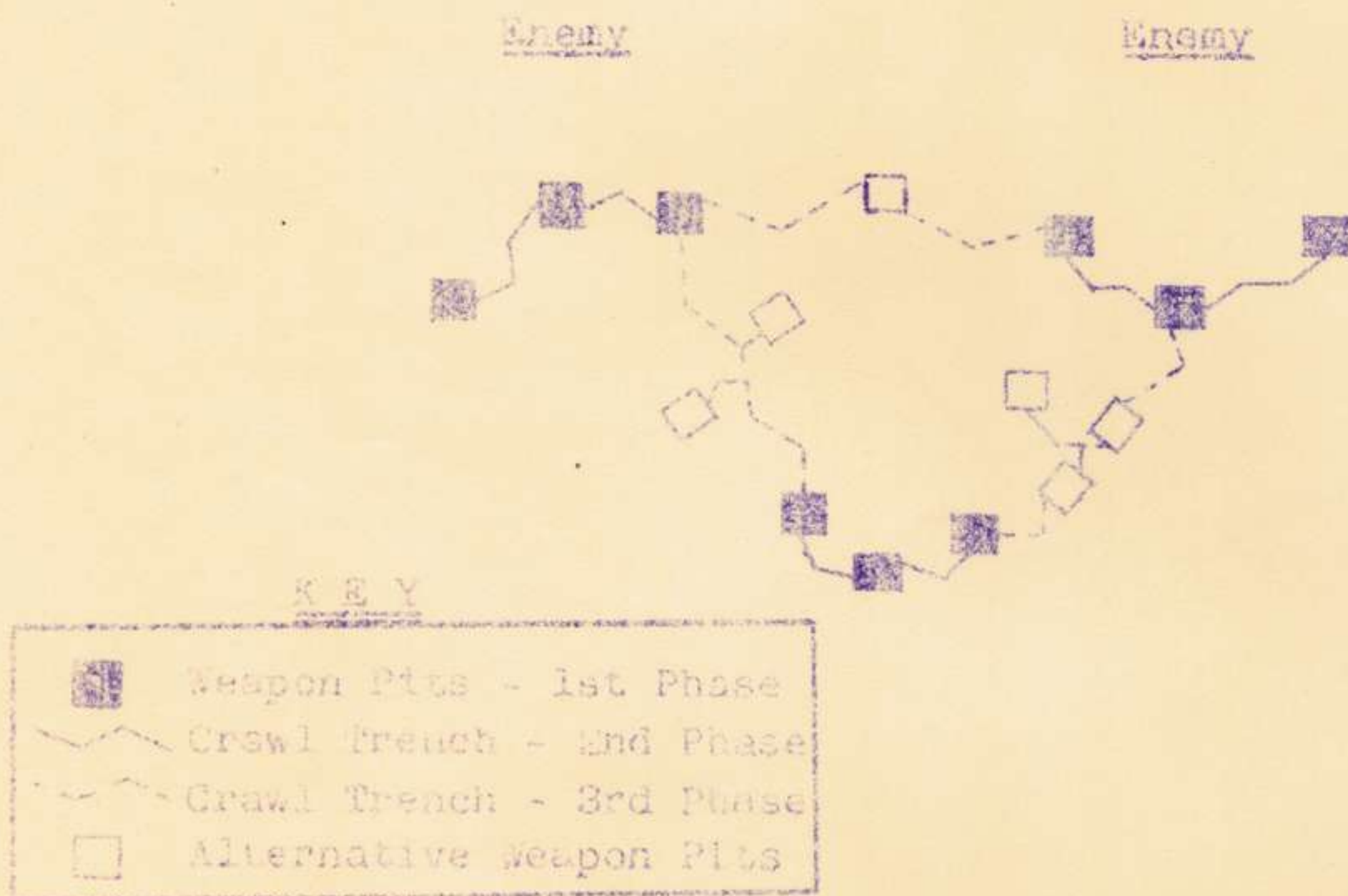
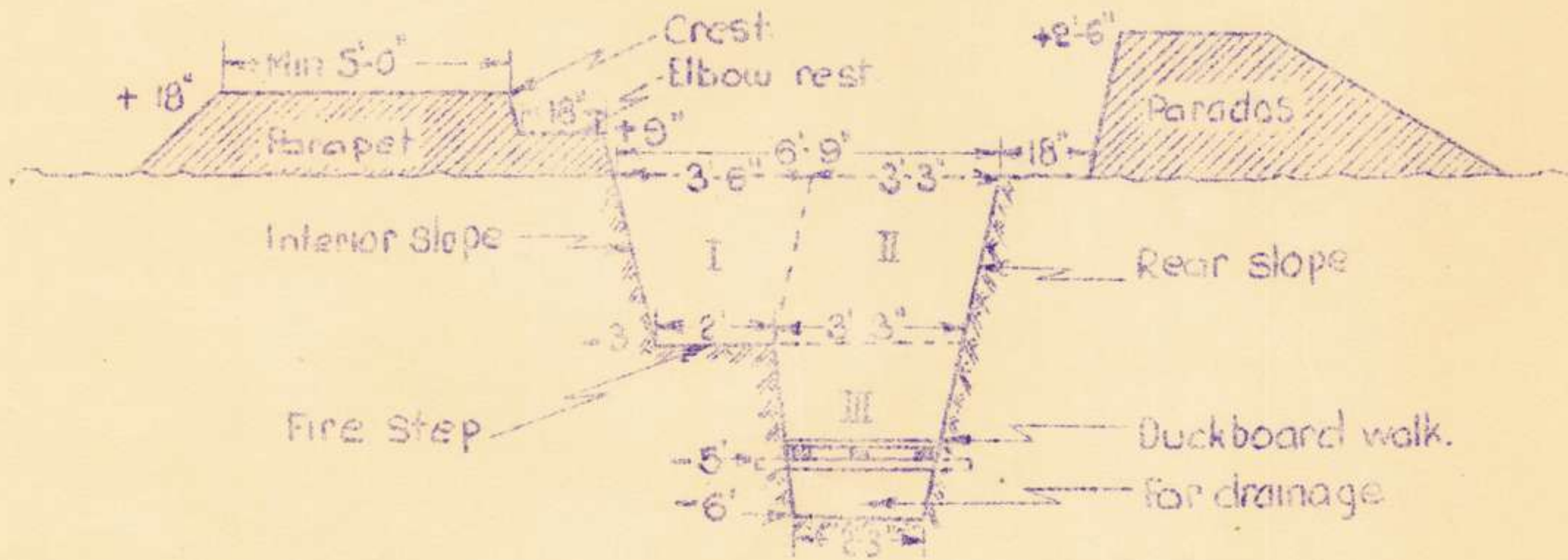


FIGURE (2).

FULLY DEVELOPED SECTION OF FIRE TRENCH (WITHOUT
 REVETMENT).



Note: I, II, III = digging tasks.

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H.Q., 16 Abs. Inf. Bde.,
JULIS CAMP,
5 Mar., 40.

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MOBILE COLUMN - LESSONS FROM FIRST EXERCISE.

At 2030 hrs., night 4/5 Mar., 2/4 Bn. was communicated with by telephone and given the order "Move mobile detachment 2100 hrs."

It was decided to select 2030 hrs. as the time of commencement of the exercise, as it was considered the most difficult time at which to get the detachment away within 30 minutes.

Considering that this was the first exercise of this nature to be carried out, the Bde. Comdr. considers that the exercise was a success, but the undermentioned valuable lessons were learnt. There were many good points about the way the exercise was carried out, and the lessons are given as they appeared to the officers of Bde. H.Q. who were allotted to the various phases. It will be appreciated that there may be perfectly good explanations of some of the points noted as mistakes, but for the benefit of all of us they are quoted in full.

LESSONS:

- (1) Absence of a suitable system for receipt of message from Bde. H.Q. Although it took only 30 minutes from time of receipt of message by Pl. Comdr. to time Pl. moved off, 10 minutes elapsed between the time Bde. H.Q. phoned 2/4 Bn. until the Pl. Comdr. received the message.

The delay occurred because no officer was on duty at Bn. H.Q., and the message was received with some reluctance by the Bn. Ord. Sgt.

A responsible officer must always be available at Bn. H.Q., or some W. or N.C.O. as substitute, who is fully aware of the action to be taken.

- (2) ORGANIZATION.

Personnel had not been detailed off to vehicles in advance, with the result that unnecessary confusion and loss of time occurred.

- (3) Several members of the platoon could not be found and delay was caused in filling their places.

- (4) A little too much noise and light.

- (5) Pl. Comdr. reported to the Bde. S.O. at Unit H.Q. for instructions without maps.

- (6) Interpreter could not be found, and the Pl. moved off with a substitute.

- (7) TRANSPORT.

(a) Pl. Comdr. left selection of route to Senior Driver.

(b) The remaining 4 drivers were not informed of the route, with the result that if anything had happened to the leading lorry, the bulk of the platoon would have been completely lost.

(c) Men were smoking in the lorries. There is no need to stress the danger of laxity of discipline, especially at night.

(d) Convoy approached the Rendezvous at 30 m.p.h.

Speed should not normally exceed 20 m.p.h. at night in such circumstances.

(e) Vehicles were very close together (approximately 20 yards). They should be spaced at 60 yds. travelling at 20 m.p.h., with lighting as stated in para. (f) below.

(f) Lighting. Appendix K referred to in para. (10)(b) of this office instruction C.M. 47 of 8 Mar. 40, was not observed, and the approach of the column was heralded by a red glow in the sky.

(g) Signals. When the driver of the leading vehicle recognized the R.V. he pulled up quickly without giving any visible halt signal, with the result that the 5th truck crashed into the truck ahead.

(h) Drivers neglected to switch off lights as soon as column halted.

(i) Driving mirrors were not deflected as ordered in such circumstances.

(j) The column halted on the crown of the road instead of pulling into the side.

(k) Hoods and covers were up. "Mechanized Movement by Road, 1938", Section 22, lays down that driving, leading and keeping correct density are much facilitated if hoods are lowered at night.

(8) PROTECTION.

A Comdr. is at all times responsible for the protection of his Command.

It was noted that the column travelled closely bunched together, without any advance guard; this action would end in disaster to the whole column if an ambush took place, or the leading vehicle struck a land mine.

It is advisable not to have all the Comdr's. group in the leading vehicle.

R. Campbell
Major.

B.M. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

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ADV 6 AUS DIVLOCATION STATEMENT NO 2, AS AT 0001 HRS 1 MAR 40.QASTINA 127126

Adv HQ 6 Aus Div.
 6 Aus Div Recce Regt.
 2/1 Fd Regt.
 2/1 Fd Coy
 Det Sigs 6 Aus Div. J, E & C Secs Sigs 6 Aus Div.
 H.Q. A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div
 Det 6 Aus Div Amn Coy
 Det 6 Aus Div Pet Coy.
 Det 6 Aus Div Sup Col.
 2/1 Fd Amb.
 2/1 Fd Hyg Sec.
 6 Aus Div Postal Unit.
 6 Aus Div Pro Coy less 4 Secs.
 6 Aus Fd Cash Office.
 Det 2/1 A Fd Wkshop.
 39, 42, 43 L.A.Ds.

JULIS 119122

HQ 16 Aus Inf Bde.
 2/1 Inf Bn.
 2/2 " " less B Coy, less two pls A Coy.
 2/3 " "
 2/4 " "
 45 L.A.D.

GAZA ROAD 103103

HQ Sec (Ord) Aus Overseas Base,
 2/1 Ord Store Coy (Base Ordnance Depot)
 One Pl A Coy 2/2 Bn.

ROADET.

GAZA RIDGE 102102

2/1 Aus Gen Hosp.
 2/1 Aus Conv Depot
 One pl A Coy 2/2 Bn.

RIDDET.

GAZA TOWN 099101

B Coy 2/2 Bn

GAZCOL.

JERUSALEM - MERCANTILE BUILDINGS

Aus Overseas Base less HQ Sec (Ord).

Sgd G.A.Vasey Col.
 A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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Sigs SARAFAND	5
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MOBILE COLUMN - 2/1 Bn

With regard to 16 Aus Inf Bde Confidential Memo dated 2 Mar 40 the following details are added to

- (2-7) Q.M. will allot a marked space in Armoury in which the following stores will be maintained day and night.

Field Glasses
Compass prismatic
Wire Cutters
Electric Torch
Maps- Gaza Area
Signal pistol
Ammunition and Grenades
Bren Gun Magazines loaded
Iron rations for one Platoon
4 gal can fresh water
1st Aid Kit
3 Hurrican lanterns (filled)
6 picks
6 shovels

- (8) Coy Orderly Sjt will find Interpreter

- (9) If called out by day , the remainder of the Battalion will act normally
If by night no other lights than those necessary to BN H.Q. and the selected platoon will be shown
The balance of the Battalion not actually employed in an Administrative Capacity will remain in tents.

(10) TRANSPORT

Vehicles with a carrying capacity of one pl will be held by the T.O. in a pool, and their drivers will sleep at the Transport Park.
By night one vehicle will be parked ready for loading at the ramp near Bn H.Q.
On the Pl Alarm, the vehicles will form up on the road in front of BN H.Q. , facing Bde.H.Q.

- (11) a. Watch at the switchboard is maintained at Bn H.Q. by an orderly who sleeps by the telephone at night.

In event of his not hearing the call, he will be woken by No.3 Patrol of the Guard.

- b. The preliminary order for action will be handed by the switchboard orderly to a man of No.3 Patrol, who will carry it to the Adjutant. (By night)

Sgd D.R.Jackson, Capt
Adjutant 2/1 Bn

JHH.

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2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

24/7

H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde
JULIS CAMP
25 Mar 40

2/1 Bn
2/2 Bn
Bde T.O.

SECURITY GUARD - JERUSALEM

With reference to this office 24/7 of 16 and 20 Mar 2/1 Bn will detail a platoon to report to Captain Norris H.Q. Overseas Base JERUSALEM by 1100 hrs 27 Mar 40.

2. To take blankets and palliases (bed boards will not be taken)
3. Report to be rendered to these H.Q. by 1600 hrs 27 Mar., showing:-
 - (a) Time and place guard established, and
 - (b) Duties required to be carried out by platoon.
4. Transport will be provided by these H.Q., and will report to H.Q. 2/1 Bn at 0830 hrs 27 Mar .

5. EQUIPMENT

As can be seen from para 3 above, the duties of this guard have not been specified, except that a high standard of drill is required, and therefore there is no indication of the equipment required.

The platoon will take rifles and bayonets, one bren Gun complete, 2000 rounds S.A.A., one signal pistol with 20 white cartridges.

6. RELIEF

The platoon will be relieved on 3 Apr, 40 by a platoon of 2/2 Bn. Further details of this relief will be notified.

sgd I.R.Campbell Major

B.M. 16 Aus Inf Bde

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time in Apr 40.

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SECURITY GUARD - JERUSALEM

WARNING ORDER

2/1 Bn will provide one rifle Coy Pl at War Establishment for Security duties at H.Q. Aus Overseas Base, JERUSALEM early week commencing 17 Mar.

Tour of duty one week, and then to be relieved by Pl of 2/2 Bn.

Every effort will be made to ensure that the close order drill of the selected pl. is of a high order when it commences its tour of duty.

H.Q. Adv 6 Aus Div., informs that final orders will probably be issued 18 Mar.

Sgd I.R.Campbell Major

B.M. 16 Aus Inf Bde

INTERIOR SECURITY GUARD H.Q. OVERSEAS BASE? JERUSALEM

REPORT BY O i/c COMDG

27 Mar 40

1. I have to report that I am the officer in command of the 2/1 Bn Detail which mounted SECURITY GUARD in JERUSALEM today.
2. The GUARD arrived at H.Q.? O'SEAS BASE at 1100 hrs 27 Mar 40 and mounted duty at 1300 hrs.
3. The GUARD consists of 1 complete Pl fully equiped and ready for any emergency.
4. The duties taken over are:-
 1. Silberstein House - 0800 to 2400 hrs 1 man
 2. Nordis House - 0800 to 2400 " 1 "
 3. Garage - 1900 to 0800 " 3 "
 4. Meo House - 0800 to 2400 " 1 "
 5. Goldsmit House - 0800 to 2400 " 1 "
 6. Base Headquarters - 2400 to 2400 " 1 " by day
3 " by night
 - XX 7. Olivet House - 1 N.C.O. and 6 O.Rs to mount
duty every 24 hrs.
 - XXN.B. This duty is one of assistance to the Provost Cest
Aus O/S Base and is still under consideration.
 8. Escorts for prisoners and others when and where required.
 9. General PICQUET and SECURITY duties in the form of MOBILE
Pl.

5. The billeting arrangements are as follows:-

Officers - Goldsmit House
Sergeants - Nordia House
Cpls & O.Rs - Silberstein House

Sgd B.W.Catterns Lieut
O.C. Guard

2/1 Bn TRAINING SYLLABUS

Ref Map GAZA Sheet 9
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Date	A Coy (118123)	B Coy (119124)	C Coy (118124)	D Coy (119123)
4 Mar 40	0700-0745 Physical Tng Coy Lines 0900-1200 1315-1615 Reserved	as for A Coy do	as for A Coy do	as for A Coy do
6 Mar 40	0700-0745 P T Exercising the Trained Soldier 1005-1200 L.M.G. Tng Introduction to the Bren 1315-1400 A.T. Rifle Tng. 1405-1500 2" and 3" Mortar Comparison 1505-1615 Guard Mounting and Pl Drill	as for A Coy Do do do do	as for A Coy do do do do	as for A Coy do do do do
7 Mar 40	0700-0745 P.T. 0900-1200 Coy Route March 1315-1400 A.T. Rifle Tng. 1405-1500 L.M.G. Tng. 1505-1550 A.A.L.M.G. Tng. 1555-1615 Platoon Drill	as for A Coy do do do do	as for A Coy do do do do	as for A Coy do do do do

2/1 Bn TRAINING SYLLABUS

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DATE	A Coy	B Coy	C Coy	D Coy
8 Mar 40	0700-0745 P.T. 0900-1000 Exercising the Trained Soldier 1005-1200 L.M.G. Tng 1315-1400 A.A.L.M.G. Tng. 1405-1500 2" Mortar Tng. 1505-1550 A.T. Rifle Tng. 1555-1615 Platoon Drill	as for A Coy do do do do do do do do	as for A Coy do do do do do do do	as for A Coy do do do do do do
9 Mar 40	0700-0745 P.T. 0900-1000 Maintenance of Direction Use of Compass 1005-1200 L.M.G. Tng 1315-1400 Exercising the Trained Soldier 1405-1500 Grenade Tng. 1505-1550 Guard Mounting 1555-1615 Platoon Drill	as for A Coy do do do do do do do do	as for A Coy do do do do do do	as for A Coy do do do do do

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notified.

J.R. Campbell
.....Major.

B.M. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

*A Coy to supply
I wish to see pl
before they leave.
J.R.B. 26/3/40*

GDH.

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..... Major.

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.....Major.

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*A Coy to note
and provide platoon*

*17
3 1230 hours
40*

DRY

*Note that the duties
of this guard will
be largely ceremonial.*

Please return to Bn Orderly Room.

INTERIOR SECURITY GUARD H.Q., O'SEAS BASE, JERUSALEM

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4.	Meo House	-	0800 to 2400 hrs.	1 man
5.	Goldsmi House	-	0800 to 2400 hrs.	1 man
6.	Base Headquarters	-	2400 to 2400 hrs.	1 man by da & 3 by night
XX -- 7.	Olivet House	-	1 N.C.O. and 6 O.Rs.	to mount duty every 24 hrs.

XX N.B. This duty is one of assistance to the PROVOST SECT. Aus O/S Base and is still under consideration.

8. Escorts for prisoners and others when and where required.
 9. General PICQUET and SECURITY duties in the form of MOBILE PL.
5. The billeting arrangements are as follows :-

Officers	-	Goldsmi House
Sergeants	-	Nordia House
Cpls. & O.Rs.	-	Silberstein House/

.....*B. W. Cotton*!.....Lieut
O.C. Guard

DISTB.

2/1 BN.

BDE. H.Q. ✓

BASE H.Q.

O.C. GUARD.

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WAR DIARY ~~OF INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY~~


SECRET

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Unit 2nd/1st Australian Battalion Date and Time.—From 1 Apr 40 To 8 Apr 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	1 Apr 40	0600	Alteration Hours of Routine -Reveille 0600 Adm Parade 0630-0645	
		0900	Breakfast 0730 1st Parade 0830 -1200 hrs security Guard at BARBARA "D" Coy took over from 2/2 Bn. Bde Instruction that Band will not be used as Stretcher Bearers other personnel to be trained.	
	3 Apr 40	0830	Bn preparing exercise Bn defensive system in vicinity JULIS VILLAGE	16 Aus Inf Bde
	4 Apr 40	0830	Bn continues preparation of defensive position.	Tng Inst 28 Mar 40
	5 Apr 40	1100	High Commissioner for Palestine visited Camp - March Past	Bde memo. 1 Apr 40
			2 O/R's Transferred to Aus Prov Coy	W 3011 5 Apr 40
	6 Apr 40	1200	One Pl of A Coy on Security duties at JERUSALEM relieved by 2/2 Bn	
		1300	D Coy on Security Guard at BARBARA releived by 2/2 Bn. 1 Cpl Returned from 4th Mortar Course M.E.W.T.School BIR SALIM Bn completed task on defence exercise commenced 3 Apr. C.O. Adj and I Sjt recce route for exercise Ref Map GAZA 1 Sheet 9	
	7 Apr 40		Road junc 15901255 - road junc 14501215/ Administrative Day in Camp	
	8 Apr 40	1000	Lieut B:W.TCatters to 5th Mortar Course M.E.W.T.School BIR SALIM 18 days	
			H.Q. Coy to GAZA Range for S.A. practises. A,B Coys represented "enemy" to attack JULIS defensive position exercise against 2/3 Bn	


 Lt. Col.
 Commanding 2/1 Bn.

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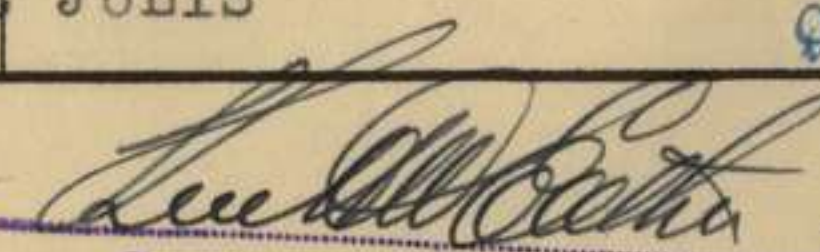
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Unit 2nd/1st Australian Battalion Date and Time.—From 9 Apr 40 To 14 Apr 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	9 Apr 40	0700	A, B Coys to GAZA Range for S.A. practises	
			C, D Coys represented "enemy" to attack JULIS defensive position exercise against 2/3 Bn	
		1630	H.Q. Coy returned from GAZA Range	dy
	10 Apr 40	0700	C Coy to GAZA Range for S.A. practises.	
		1100	Lieut T.L.Rogers and 1 Sjt to Tactical School Egypt Gas Course	11 days
		1630	A, B Coys returned to JULIS Camp and at night represented "enemy" to attack JULIS defensive position against 2/3 Bn.	dy
	11 Apr 40	0700	D Coy to GAZA Range for S.A. practises	
		0830	B Coy commenced exercise in HEBRON HILLS	Memo 10 Apr 40
		1100	Lieut T.C.Fairbairn to Field Works Course ABBASSIA EGYPT	21 days
		1145	C Coy returned from GAZA Range to JULIS	
		1910	D Coy returned from GAZA Range to JULIS	dy
	12 Apr 40		B Coy continued HEBRON HILLS exercise	
		1700	Lieut A.A.Stewart 1 Sjt & 18 Cpl Returned 2nd N.C.O.Cadre Course P.R.T.Depot SARAFAND.	dy
	13 Apr 40	0530	Major W.G.Adams & Lieut A.M.Simpson & 1 Cpl returned from M.E.	
			Tactical School Egypt.	
		1745	B Coy returned to Camp from HEBRON HILLS exercise.	
		1900	Bn moved out from Camp to occupy exercise defensive position near JULIS.	dy
	14 Apr 40	1030	Lieut G.W.Mann & 16 Cpls to 3rd Cadre Course P.R.T.Depot SARAFAND	14 Days
			Bn exercise in defensive position continued.	
			Football Possibles V Probables for 16 Aus Inf Bde Rugby XV at JULIS	dy


 Lt.Col.
 Commanding 21 Bn.

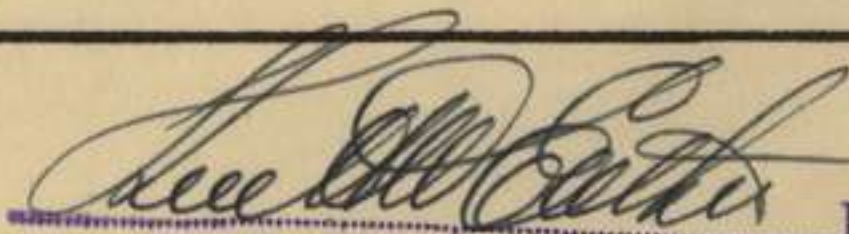
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Unit 2nd/1st Australian Battalion Date and Time.—From 15 Apr 40 To 24 Apr 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	15 Apr 40		Bn exercise in defensive position continued	dy
	16 Apr 40	2300	2/1 Bn relieved by 2/2 Bn in JULIS defensive exercise.	2/2 Bn operation order No.3 dy
	17 Apr 40	0830 1050 1700	A Coy left Camp to commence HEBRON HILLS Coy exercise C.I.C. Middle East - General Sir Archibald Wavell Stopped at JULIS Camp. Lieut F.J.Embrey and 1 Sjt returned from 2nd Long Rifle Course M.E.W.T. School BIR SALIM.	dy
	18 Apr 40		Bn less A Coy carried out Company exercises under BN H.Q. direction in JULIS training Area	dy
	19 Apr 40		Bn less A Coy carried out Coy exercises in 2/2 Bn training Area JULIS.	dy
		1515	A Coy returned to Camp from HEBRON HILLS exercise.	
	20 Apr 40	0530 0830 1200	Lieut C.I.C. Dieppe returned from Regt Intell Course EGYPT C Coy and One Carrier Pl left Camp for HEBRON HILLS Coy exercise B Coy Mounts Guard at GAZA TOWN and GAZA RIDGE	dy
	21 Apr 40		Football A.I.F. Possibles V Probables at TEL-AVIV - 2/1 Bn played five representatives.	dy
	22 Apr 40	1100 1530	1 Sjt to Tactical School EGYPT GAS Course 11 days I.O.R. transferred to 2/1 Bn from 6 Aus Div Recce Regt C Coy and one Carrier Pl returned from HEBRON HILLS exercise.	dy
	23 Apr 40	0830 1100	D Coy and one Carrier Pl marched out of Camp for Coy exercise in HEBRON HILLS 1 Sjt to 3rd Long Rifle Course M.E.W.T. School BIR SALIM	dy
	24 Apr 40	0600	Lieut T.L.Rogers and 1 Sjt returned from Gas Course EGYPT.	dy


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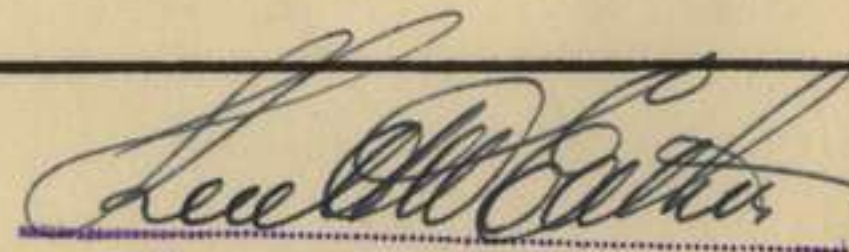
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Unit 2nd/1st Australian Battalion Date and Time.—From 25 Apr 40 To 31 Apr 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	25 Apr 40	0400	Anzac Day - Dawn Service at GAZA Military Cemetery - 80 all ranks attended from 2/1 Bn	Bde Memo Anzac day 1940
			40 All ranks to march at TEL-AVIV and 40 all ranks to March and Service at JERUSALEM	
		0900 1540	Morning Service at JULIS CAMP addressed by Lt-Col G.F. Wootten D.S.O. D Coy and one Pl Carrier returned to JULIS Camp from HEBRON HILLS exercise.	dy
	27 Apr 40	0600	Lieut B.W.T. Catterns returned from 5th Mortar Course M.E.W.T. School BIR SALIM	
		1200	A Coy Mounts as Security Guard Remaining as Foster Unit to incoming Troops 2nd Convoy.	
		1700	2 Cpls returned from M.E. Signal School Nathanya	dy
	28 Apr 40		Rugby Football - A.I.F. V French Army XV at BEYRUTH SYRIA Won by A.I.F. 11 - 5 Capt D.R. Jackson and Lieut W.H. Travers played.	dy
	30 Apr 40	1000	Lieut R.B. Digby and 1 Cpl to 6th Mortar Course M.E.W.T. School BIR SALIM	
		1330	1 Sjt and 1 Cpl to Armourers Course at SARAFAND	dy


 Lt. Col.
 Commanding 2/1 Bn.

2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

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H.Q., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
JULIS CAMP.
28 Mar., 40.16 AUS. INF. BDE. TRAINING INSTRUCTION FOR
PERIOD 1 - 27 Apr. 40.(1) OBJECT.

Companies to be fully trained so that battalion training can commence on 29 Apr.

(2) ALLOTMENT.

At all times except those shown hereunder, units will make their own allotment for training.

Days in Apr. (1)	D U T I E S			
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
	Preparing Bn. Defence Area	GAZA RANGE	Bn. in Defence	Bn. responsible for occupying outpost position & patrolling against Bn. shown in Coln. 4.
3, 4 & 6.	All Bns.			
8		2/1 Bn.	2/3 Bn.	1/1 Bn.
9		2/1 Bn.	2/3 Bn.	1/1 Bn.
10		2/1 Bn.	2/3 Bn.	2/2 Bn.
11		2/1 Bn.	2/4 Bn.	1/3 Bn.
12		2/2 Bn.	2/4 Bn.	2/3 Bn.
13		2/2 Bn.	2/4 Bn.	1/3 Bn.
14		2/2 Bn.	2/1 Bn.	1/2 Bn.
15		2/2 Bn.	2/1 Bn.	2/2 Bn.
16		2/3 Bn.	2/1 Bn.	2/2 Bn.
17		2/3 Bn.	2/2 Bn.	2/4 Bn.
18		2/3 Bn.	2/2 Bn.	1/4 Bn.
19		2/3 Bn.	2/2 Bn.	2/4 Bn.
20		2/4 Bn.		
22		2/4 Bn.		
23		2/4 Bn.		
24		2/4 Bn.		

(3) DEFENCE EXERCISE.(a) 1st Phase (see column 2 of para. (2) above). - Preparation of Bn. Defensive Area:

Major F. O. Chilton, 2/2 Bn., will co-ordinate the work of all four Bns.

(b) 2nd Phase (see columns (4) & (5) of para. 2) - Occupation of Defensive Position:

The defensive position will be occupied by 2/3 Bn. by 1400 hrs. on first day of period allotted (8 Apr.) This Bn. will maintain an active defense until relieved by 2/4 Bn. after dark, but before 2300 hrs., on last day of allotment (10 Apr). The remaining Bns. will take over the line in succession in a similar manner.

During the entire period of occupation, battle routine will be carried out and it will be assumed that an active enemy, well equipped with tanks, is in close contact; that the enemy's Air Force is strong and that a new persistent gas called "Bertie" may at any time be used against us.

Active patrolling will be carried out, as an enemy force will be in position during the hours of darkness each night, and this force will patrol "No Man's Land" and attempt to penetrate our defences and capture prisoners at any time during the hours of darkness.

The enemy force mentioned above will be portion only of a Bn.

Although the entrenchments, obstacles, etc., will be prepared beforehand, (see column 2 of para. (2)), units will take all action considered necessary to strengthen the position during their occupation, and erect necessary signposts and noticeboards (EDEN TRENCH - R.A.P. →)

Information, including dawn intelligence wires, will be passed back during the period of occupation to Bn. H.Q., which will forward it immediately to Bde. H.Q., which, owing to the heavy shelling, has been driven out of its position notified in Bde. Op.O. in Narrative "A" of Defence Tactical Exercise, and has occupied an alternative position in JULIS Camp.

The Bn. Dawn Intelligence Report will reach Bde.H.Q. by 0630 hrs.

A report supported by a map of all new trenches, wiring, and other defensive works will be forwarded to Bde. H.Q. by 1300 hrs. for the 24 hrs. period ending 0600 hrs. daily. By this means Bn. and higher formations are able to maintain a progressive and up-to-date map of their defensive position.

In this regard attention is directed to the conventional signs in Plate VI of Manual of Map Reading.

(4) INDEPENDENT COY. 3-DAY SCHEMES AWAY FROM CAMP.

(a) Units will arrange for their Coys. to carry out exercises which will necessitate their being away from Camp overnight. The period will be at the discretion of C.Os.

The following Bn. routes have been allotted:-

2/1 Bn.	Route A;
2/2 Bn.	Route B;
2/3 Bn.	Route C;
2/4 Bn.	Route D.

These routes are shown on Tracing "A" attached hereto. (Bn. H.Qrs. have received the only copies of this Tracing).

(b) Units will notify these H.Q. 2 days prior to commencement of

each exercise:-

- (i) Strength of Force;
- (ii) Times it will be at certain places;
- (iii) Brief outline of exercise.

(c) During the exercises Units will arrange that their Columns notify by either Unit Visual Signalling or if necessary by means of Div. Sig. Wireless Sets loaned with Sig. personnel, the position they are occupying for the night, and the hour at which they depart next morning.

This information will be communicated immediately to Bde.H.Q.

(d) Units will circumvent villages as much as possible, and if this cannot be done will interview the mukhtar before entering, and when passing through will take every precaution against personnel leaving the column.

(e) All possible care will be taken of private property.

(f) The routes shown on attached Trace "A" lead into the JUDEAN HILLS and it is hoped that units can penetrate these hills to obtain experience of operating in mountainous country. In this regard, however, it is emphasised that, although a mention was made in a recently issued Force Training Instruction that operations in mountainous country would be carried out, this does not mean that the tactics employed on the North-West Frontier of India (explained in detail in the Manual of such operations 1925) are to be practiced

We should however be prepared to operate in mountainous country against a civilized enemy where the tactics will be the same as those we are accustomed to, except that the country is much more difficult, and the supply problem more acute.

(5) OPEN RANGE PRACTICES - GAZA (see column (3) of para. (2) for allotment of range).

As the JAFFA range, on which battle practices, A.A.rifle and Mortars can be fired (in addition to 36 rifles at one time) will be available to the Bde. from 5 - 31 May, only Courses for Bren and Vickers guns and rifles will be fired at GAZA during Coy. training.

- (a) Rifles will only be fired by those who have not already had adequate open range practice;
- (b) Bren & Vickers Guns will be fired by all ranks required to fire these weapons.

The GAZA Range has firing positions at 100, 200, 300 and 400 yards only.

There is no need to adhere to any of the Courses laid down in S.A.F. Pamphlets, but all ranks should be given an opportunity to gain confidence in the use of their weapons at distances greater than 30 yards.

If possible Coys. should bivouac on the range and thus save valuable time.

(6) 30 YARD RANGE PRACTICES.

Units will arrange, when firing application practices (rifle) on the 30 yards range, to have a man per firer lying beside him, spotting with field glasses for each shot fired, so that, as a result of his advice, the firer can correct his point of aim, etc. after each shot.

(7) BLANK AMMUNITION - .303 INCH.

As only 15,000 rds. blank .303 inch am. will be available for

the Bde. for training, the allotment to units will be so restricted that other means of simulating small arms fire will be necessary and should be improvised.

(8) SIGNALS.

During Coy. Schemes mentioned in para. (4) above, units should arrange to maintain visual signal communication by day and night with their detached Coys.

(9) IMPROVISATION.

Although units have improvised with their equipment, etc., in order to carry out the instructions issued, often at very short notice, in such a way as to indicate that all ranks are developing a sense of initiative, there are still a few cases where difficulties are put forward as to why it will not be possible to carry out some order.

As practically every operation of war will be beset with many difficulties, we must be prepared to meet such difficulties and overcome them.

(10) DISCUSSIONS.

It should be remembered that every tactical training operation, no matter how minor, must be followed by a DISCUSSION, so that all concerned gain the fullest advantage from the exercise, and the man in the ranks may know what he is being marched about for, and why he is being called upon to make some special effort. The more we take our men into our confidence before and after an operation, the greater will be their interest in their work and the more intelligently can they co-operate.

(11) NIGHT OPERATIONS.

Practice in night operations will be continued and companies should be prepared to be called out at any time, and at comparatively short notice, to march to some point and carry out an operation of war.

(12) TRANSPORT.

(a) Additional vehicles are coming forward, and notification has been received that units will soon be equipped with a full issue of M.T. for Bn. H.Q., H.Q. Coy., and one Rifle Coy.

(b) A higher standard of mechanical maintenance and map reading is required.

(c) Officers and N.C.Os. of unit M.T. sub-units who have recently carried out an attachment to units in the JORDAN Valley, have gained most valuable experience in handling of M.T. under all conditions, and Units should make full use of their knowledge, and construct the various traffic signs which will be required by them in the near future, both in the trenches and whilst on the move.

(13) HOURS OF WORK.

As from 1 Apr., reveille will be at 0600 hrs., and B.R.O. no. 77 is being amended accordingly. This will increase the daily training period by 30 mins.

Div. H.Q. have laid down that the hours of training will be gradually increased to a total of 48 per week.

It will be obvious that the present arrangement, whereby each unit enjoys 2 full holidays per week, will not permit this figure to be attained under the present weekly programme. Units will continue with their administrative days as laid down, but when these days conflict with training, the latter will take preference.

(14) MESSAGE WRITING.

Constant practice is essential for good message writing, and all concerned will be given the opportunity to reach a high standard.

(15) GRENADE RANGE.

Each unit will construct a range for throwing live grenades.

(16) MAP READING.

In order to read the GAZA map accurately to 8 figure co-ordinates, it is necessary to use a Roma (see Plate X of Manual of Map Reading).

(17) CEREMONIAL.

A Ceremonial Parade will be held on 5 Apr. on the occasion of the visit to JULIS of the High Commissioner for PALESTINE.

B/4 Bn. will provide a Guard of Honour of 50, and the remainder of the Bde. will march past in threes (further details will be notified later).

J. R. Campbell.

..... Major.

E.M., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

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16 Aus Inf Bde Training Instructions
For Period 1-27 Apr 40

With reference to your Memo 14/0 dated 29 Mar 40
on the above subject -

1. Composition of C.Os recce party.

C.O.
Adjutant
Intelligence Sjt.

2. 6 and 7 Apr. 40

3. Route to be followed in recce.

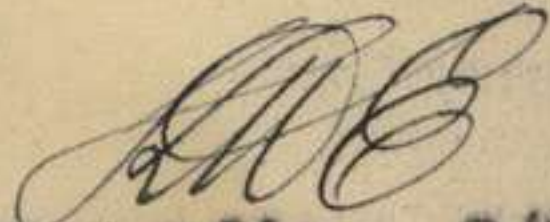
Route A as indicated by 16 Aus Inf Bde except that
a detour is to be made at TALL AS SAFI on the tracks south of
that village in order to avoid it, and the route will probably
depending on recce, extend from Road June 14501215 to Road June
15901255.

4. Time to be spent on recce.

Daily for two days.

5. Approximate dates and duration of exercise

10 - 25 Apr, each Coy spending 3 days.


Commanding 2/1 Bn Lt Col

2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCESH.Q., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
JULIS CAMP.
1 Apr. 40.VISIT OF H.E. THE HIGH COMMISSIONER TO JULIS ON
5 Apr. 40.Reference : Sketch Map issued in conjunction
with Bde.H.Q. no. 72 of 19 Feb. 40.(1) ITINERARY.

HOOR	HAPPENING
1030	H.E. arrives Bde.H.Q. & inspects Guard.
1040	H.E. commences training inspection (see para. (3) below).
1144	H.E. finishes his inspection and arrives at Saluting Base.
1148	Leading troops march past Saluting Base
1205	H.E. departs for GAZA.

(2) GUARD OF HONOUR.

2/4 Bn. will provide a Guard of Honour of 50 rank and file (A.M.R. & O. 1168 (1)) and Band. To be in position at Bde. H.Q. at 1015 hrs.

Felt hats turned up, S.D. uniform with gaiters, waist belt, shoulder straps, cartridge carriers, rifle and bayonet.

H.E. will receive a ROYAL SALUTE, the Band playing the first 6 bars of the National Anthem.

C.O., 2/4 Bn., to be at Bde. H.Q. at 1025 hrs. to meet H.E.

(3) INSPECTION.

(a) C.O., 2/3 Bn., will be at Bde. H.Q. at 1035 hrs. to meet H.E. and guide him, in 2/3 Bn. car, to locality where personnel of 2/3 Bn. are conducting a digging and wiring exercise. This will be carried out within easy M.T. access of, and not more than 600 yards from, Bde.H.Q.

(b) H.E. will be led back via KINGS CROSS to H.Q. 2/2 Bn., where C.O., 2/2 Bn., will meet him at 1050 hrs., and guide him to 2/2 Bn. 30-yards range, where 6 Bren guns will be firing.

(c) C.O., 2/1 Bn. will meet H.E. at 2/2 Bn. range at 1105 hrs. and guide him to 2/1 Bn. 30-yards range, where 10 riflemen will be firing an application practice (10 spotters, each with a pair of field glasses, will be lying down beside each firer).

(d) H.E. will be guided back via H.Q. 2/1 Bn. and down EDEN ROAD across MAIN ROAD where the cars will be halted to permit party to alight, and remain on Saluting Base at KINGS CROSS. Cars will then

turn round in Ede. H.Q. tpt. lines and face outwards ready to move off for GAZA at 1205 hrs.

(4) MARCH PAST.

(a) Saluting Base. On EDEN ROAD immediately South of MAIN ROAD, along which latter road troops will march in a N.E. direction. Flags C and D will be in position.

(b) S.P. Corner CHAUVEL CRESCENT and MAIN ROAD.

(c) S.T. 2/1 Bn. will pass S.P. at 1144 hrs., followed in succession at 1 minute intervals by 2/2, 2/3 and 2/4 Bns. in that order.

(d) Routes.

(i) 2/1 Bn. will march in its own lines onto and down CHAUVEL CRESCENT to S.P.

(ii) 2/2 Bn. will march to S.P. via EDEN ROAD and CHAUVEL CRESCENT.

(iii) 2/3 Bn. will follow 2/2 Bn. onto CHAUVEL CRESCENT.

(iv) 2/4 Bn. will follow 2/3 Bn.

(v) After passing Saluting Base, all Bns. will march via ALLENBY AVENUE and WAVELL WALK to their own lines.

(e) Bands. S.C. will arrange with Bns. on 5 Apr. regarding times when bands will cease playing after passing Saluting Base.

(f) Formations and Distances. Same as for March through SYDNEY on 4 Jan. 40. Particular attention will be given to distances.

(g) Horses. All ranks will be dismounted.

(h) Saluting. Attention is directed to 16 Aus. Inf. Ede. Instruction of 10 Dec. 39, entitled "Eyes Right when Marching in Threes", which emphasises that:-

- (i) C.Os. alone will salute with the hand; and
- (ii) C.Os. and Coy. Comdrs. only will give the command, "Eyes - Right".

(g) Bayonets will be fixed during the march.

(5) DRESS.

All Ranks: Steel helmets.

Officers: Drill uniform, SLACKS.

Other Ranks: Working Dress.

(6) EQUIPMENT:

Officers: Web Waist Belts and revolvers; sticks and gloves will not be carried.

Other Ranks: Rifle & bayonet, waist belt, shoulder straps, Cartridge carriers, scabbard.

(7) MOVEMENT CONTROL.

(a) Ede.I.O. will guide the party during the inspection and will reconnoitre the route in advance and if necessary mark it.

(b) S.C. will control movement at S.P.

(c) Bde. T.O. will post traffic police at:-

(i) Junc. ALLENBY AVE. and MAIN ROAD.

(ii) Junc. ALLEN ALLEY and EDEN ROAD.

(iii) Points B, C, D and E;

to prevent any movement onto MAIN ROAD from 1140 - 1208 hrs.

(7) SYNCHRONIZATION OF WATCHES.

Bns. will obtain time from Bde. H.Q. at 0830 hrs. 5 Apr.

J.R. Campbell

..... Major.

B.M. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

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JERUSALEM SECURITY GUARD.

REPORT BY OFFICER COMMANDING.

7th APRIL 40.

1. I have to report that I was the Officer Commanding the JERUSALEM SECURITY GUARD furnished by the 2/1st Bn. which returned to unit lines at 1650 hrs. yesterday.

2. The GUARD mounted duty at 1300 hrs. 27 MAR. 40 and dismounted at 1200 hrs. 6 APR. 40.

3. The duties handed over were :-

1. SILBERSTEIN HOUSE.	0800 to 2400 hrs.	1 Man.
2. NORDIA HOUSE	- -	1 Man.
3. GARAGE	1900 to 0800 hrs.	2 Men.
4. MEO HOUSE.	0800 to 2400 hrs.	1 Man.
5. GOLDSMIT HOUSE.	- -	1 Man.
6. BASE H.Q.	CONTINUOUSLY	2 Men.
7. OLIVET HOUSE	"	1 N.C.O. & 6 ORS.
GUARD ROOM.		To mount duty every 24 hrs.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES.

1 Duty Corporal and 2 mess orderlies every 24 hours.

9. Escorts for prisoners and others where and when required.

10. In addition to his normal and any special duties the SERGEANT of the Guard to receive into the arms chest and issue when required the arms of all one day leave parties.

11. General PICQUET and SECURITY duties in the form of a mobile PL.

4. The billeting arrangements are exchanged.

5. At approximately 2400 hrs. 5 APR. 40 owing to a minor disturbance caused by spasmodic throwing of bombs the guard was stood to and extra personnel were detailed to mount duty at various places during the night.

6. The question was raised as a result, that all posts be manned with extra guards or at least continuously for 24 hours.

7. This would warrant an increase in the guard strength as at the time of handing over my batman had for several days been doing sentry duty in addition to his normal duties as batman.

8. The guard received no official instruction as to its tour of duty and was therefore not ready to hand over to the relieving guard from the 2/2nd BN.

9. The messing of an extra PL. presented great difficulties but all personnel received something to eat at mid-day.

10. No provision was made for transport for the old guard except two baggage trucks used by the new guard.

11. After exhausting all channels of enquiry I finally chartered a bus No. M 2092 from the National Bus Coy.

12. The guard left JERUSALEM at 1445 hrs. and arrived at JULIS at 1650 hrs.

B. W. Cottons
O.P. SECURITY GUARD

SECRET.

5 41/40

ADV 6 AUS DIV.

LOCATION STATEMENT NO. 5 AS AT 0001 HRS 1 APR 40.

QASTINA 327126

6 Aus Div Recce Regt - 39 L.A.D.
 2/1 Fd Regt - 43 L.A.D.
 2/1 Fd Coy, less 3 Secs - 42 L.A.D. - 2 Secs KISHON, 1 Sec AL JURA
 Det Sigs 6 Aus Div, J, E & C Secs Sigs 6 Aus Div.
 H.Q. A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.
 Det 6 Aus Div Ann Coy
 Det 6 Aus Div Pet Coy
 Det 6 Aus Div Sup Col
 2/1 Fd Amb
 2/1 Fd Hyg Sec
 6 Aus Div Postal Unit
 Det 2/1 A. Fd Wkshop

JULIS 119122.

H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde
 2/1 Inf Bn, less D Coy
 2/2 Inf Bn
 2/3 Inf Bn, less D Coy.
 2/4 Inf Bn, less C Coy
 45 L.A.D.

BARBARA 112118.

BARCOL.

2/1 Inf Bn D Coy

DEIR SUNEID 106106

SUNCOL

2/3 Inf Bn D Coy, less 1 Pl.

GAZA ROAD 103103

Aus Ord Base Depot
 One Pl. D Coy, 2/3 Bn

ROADET

GAZA RIDGE 102102

2/1 Aus Gen Hosp
 2/1 Aus Conv Depot
 One Pl. C Coy 2/4 Bn.

RIDDET

GAZA TOWN 099101

Adv H.Q. 6 Aus Div
 C Coy 2/4 Bn, less one Pl.

GAZCOL

JERUSALEM - MERCANTILE BUILDINGS.

Aus Overseas Base

TEL-AVIV. - 78 HAYATKON STREET

6 Aus Div Pro Coy,

C. A. W. A. W. Y.
 Col.
 A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

DISTRIBUTION.

Adv 6 Aus Div	15
16 Aus Inf Bde	6
Ord Base Depot	2
2/1 Aus Gen Hosp	3
Aus Overseas Base	10
Force H.Q.	10
Sigs, Sarafand	5
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SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HEADQUARTERS
GAZA
16 Apr 40

- 1.- Attached herewith scale of issue of ammunition for units of 6 Aus Div training purposes.
2. A separate scale will be forwarded to units concerned for .55 A.Tk. practice ammunition.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'P. G. ...'.

P. G. ... Capt.
for Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

6 AUS DIV.

SCALE OF ISSUE OF AMMUNITION FOR TRAINING.

UNIT	303 SAA BALL	303 SAA TRACER	303 BLANK	3" MORTAR H.E.	3" MORTAR SMOKE	3" MORTAR PRIM- ARIES (for sand filled bombs)	22 R.F.	CART- RIDGE SARG303 BALLIST.	BALLONS	GENERAT- ORS NO5 SMOKE	FLARES GRD. RED	FLARES GRD WHITE.
TOTAL :	(a)	(b)	(b)	(a)	(a)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)	(b)
6 Aus Div.	935912	6000	120000	160	576	1740	23000	1250	1500	300	1200	600
H.Q. 6 Aus Div	6500						450					
Recce Regt	95170	320	4950				1150	80	22	88	44	
2/1 Fd Regt	42260	320					1100	80				
2/2 Fd Regt		320					1100	80				
2/3 Fd Regt		320					1100	80				
2/5 Fd Regt		320						80				
2/1 Fd Coy	20000						400					
2/2 Fd Coy							400					
2/3 Fd Coy							400					
16 Inf Bde H.Q.	7000											
2/1 Bn	175000	320	8850	40	144	145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
2/2 Bn	175000	320	8850	40	144	145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
2/3 Bn	175000	320	8850	40	144	145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
2/4 Bn	175000	320	8850	40	144	145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
17 Inf Bde H.Q.												
2/5 Bn		320	8850									
2/6 Bn		320	8850			145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
2/7 Bn		320	8850			145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
2/8 Bn		320	8850			145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
18 Inf Bde H.Q.						145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
2/9 Bn		320	8850									
2/10 Bn		320	8850			145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
2/11 Bn		320	8850			145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
2/12 Bn		320	8850			145	1150	100	80	22	88	44
A.A.S.C.	46800	240					1150		60			
2/1 MG Bn		320	8850									
Sigs 6 Aus Div	6000						1150	50	80	14	56	28
2/1 Fd Amb	3550						400					
2/2 Fd Amb												
2/3 Fd Amb												
2/1 A.F.Wksp.	8650											
(a) FIRST FLIGHT ONLY							400					
(b) BOTH FLIGHTS.												

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2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

H.Q. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
JULIS CAMP.
10 Apr. 40.

DEFENCE EXERCISE - POINTS REQUIRING ATTENTION.

The undermentioned matters have been noted and will receive attention:-

(1) M.T. IN BN. ADMIN. AREA.

Except for cookers, water carts and the office van, vehicles will not remain in the Bn. Admin. Area behind HITLERS HEIGHT, and will be sent back to Camp.

(2) OFFICE VAN.

If this vehicle is considered essential, it must be dug in and concealed, otherwise it will be returned to Camp.

(3) KITCHENS & WATER TANKS.

Have not been dug into the hillside sufficiently.

(4) CONCEALMENT IN BN. ADMIN. AREA.

Generally there is insufficient concealment in the Bn. Admin. Area, and the aerial photographs to be taken within the near future will disclose many irregularities unless immediate steps are taken to improve concealment, including track discipline, in this area. A "track squad" should be on duty the whole time with rakes, etc., to obliterate all tracks (wheeled or otherwise) as soon as they are made.

(5) UNDUE CONCENTRATION.

A point drawn attention to by Brigadier Allen was the danger of concentration.

Unless the dug outs at Bn. H.Q. were heavily protected against shell fire, there is a great danger of one shell destroying the entire H.Qrs.

Any new constructional work should not be carried out before every consideration has been given to the possibility of dispersion.

(6) ANGLES OF COMMUNICATION TRENCHES.

Many of the bends in the Communication trenches are less than the 90% minimum laid down. Some of the angles in these trenches are so acute, that it has been found impossible to carry stretchers along them.

(7) PARAPETS, IRREGULAR THICKNESS OF.

In some places the parapet is well over the minimum thickness required, whilst in other places it is dangerously narrow.

J.R. Campbell

.....Major.

B.M. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

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1 copy to each Officer of 16 Aus. Inf. Bde. Two copies to War Diary.
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SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

2/1 Bn Headquarters,
JULIS CAMP.
10 Apr 40.

16 Aus Inf Bde

COMPANY EXERCISES IN HEERON DISTRICT

2/1 Bn

The following schedule is forwarded to cover information required by your Training Memo 14/0 dated 29 Mar 40:-

1: The area covered by the exercise will be 1 Kilo on each side of the road route vide Trace A.

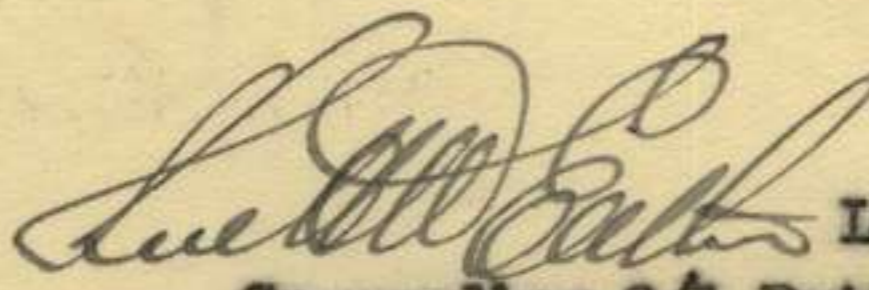
2: <u>Duration of Exercise</u>	<u>Strength of Column</u>
(a) 11 - 13 Apr	one Rifle Coy
(b) 17 - 19 Apr	one Rifle Coy
(c) 20 - 22 Apr	one Rifle Coy & one Carrier Pl
(d) 23 - 25 Apr	one Rifle Coy & one Carrier Pl

3: Approximate times columns will be in HEERON district.

Column (a)	1430 hrs 11 Apr - 1600 hrs 13 Apr
(b)	1430 hrs 17 Apr - 1600 hrs 19 Apr
(c)	1430 hrs 20 Apr - 1600 hrs 22 Apr
(d)	1430 hrs 23 Apr - 1600 hrs 25 Apr

4: Location of Bivouacs:

11, 17, 20, 23 Apr	Point A
12, 18, 21, 24 Apr	Point B

 LT - COL
Commanding 2/1 Battalion

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2ND. AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE
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2/1 BN

SECRET

2/2 Bn.
OPERATION ORDER No.3
.....

Copy No. 2/.....

16 Apr. 40.

Ref. Map Gaza 1 : 100000 Sheet 9

INFORMATION.

1. There is no change in the situation.

INTENTION.

2. 2/2 Bn. will relieve 2/1 Bn. in right forward sector of Bde. defensive position by 2200 hrs. 16 Apr. 40.

METHOD.

3. Relief;

- (a) "A" Coy. right forward area.
- "B" Coy. left forward area.
- "C" Coy. left rear area.
- "D" Coy. right rear area.

(b) Relief will commence at 1900 hrs. and be completed by 2200 hrs.

(c) Parade;
Coys. will fall in on Coy. Parade Grounds 30 minutes prior to start times set out below.

(d) Timing;

	Start Time (Camp)	Arrive R.V.
Bn. H.Q., H.Q. Coy. details	1800	1900
"A" Coy.	1805	1905
"B" Coy.	1810	1910
"C" Coy.	1815	1915
"D" Coy.	1820	1920
Admin Details	1825	1925

(e) Route to R.V.: JULIS - SOCCER GROUND - R.V.
on rear slope HITLER'S HEIGHTS.

(f) Guides to R.V.: L.O. will provide one guide per detachment listed in para 3 (d) above, to report on Coy. pde. ground 5 minutes prior to start time.

(g) Procedure at R.V.:
Lieut. B.Brock O.C. 2/2 Bn. adv. party will detail one guide per Coy. to report to Int. Sec. at R.V. at 1850 hrs.

Each guide will lead his sub-unit to sub-unit sector where Pl. guides will be made available by officers i/c. Coy. advance parties for final directions.

(h) Command:

2/2 Bn. comes under command C.O. 2/1 Bn. at 1900 hrs. at R.V. until relief is completed.

4. After Occupation:

(a) Runners: Each Coy. will send two runners to Bn. H.Q. and report by telephone as soon as relief completed.

(b) Patrols:

(i) From 2030 to 2230 "C" Coy. will patrol front of Bn. area to forward slopes of SPUD SPUR.
Strength of Patrol 1 Pl.
Route out through "B" Coy.
Route in " " "A" "

(ii) Further Patrols will be found for night 16/17 APR. as follows:

(a) Coy. to Provide	Strength	From	To	Route Out	Route In
"D"	1 Sec.	2200	2359	"A" Coy.	"B" Coy.
"A"	1 Sec.	2230	0030	"A" Coy.	"A" Coy.
"D"	1 Sec.	2330	0130	"B" Coy.	"A" Coy.
"B"	1 Sec.	0030	0230	"B" Coy.	"B" Coy.
"D"	1 Sec.	0130	0330	"A" Coy.	"B" Coy.
"C"	1 Sec.	0230	0345	"B" Coy.	"B" Coy.
"C"	1 Pl.	0330	0445	"A" Coy.	"B" Coy.

(b) "A" Coy will provide standing patrol on SPUD SPUR of 1 M.C.O., 3 O.R's from 0445 to 1730 hrs. 17 APR.

(c) Sentries: Normal Security.

(i) By Night - double sentries.

"A" Coy. is responsible for prowling along front communication trench to "B" Coy.

All Coys. are responsible for communication trenches in own areas.

In addition following posts will be manned:-

"D" Coy. - Bn. H.Q. Offices - 1 post.
"C" " - Bn. Admin Area
(below kitchen) - 1 post.

(ii) By Day - Normal gas and air sentries.

The following will be manned:-

"D" Coy - Bn.H.Q. Offices (Single sentry).
"C" " - Bn. Admin. Area (" ").

(d) Call for defensive fire:

3 Green Veroy Lights.

(c) Pass words for 24 hrs. commencing 1200 hrs. 16 Apr.:
To be notified at R.V.

(f) Distinguishing Mark:
White handkerchief on back of equipment.

(g) Stand to:-

0345 - 0445
.1730 - 1830

ADMIN.

6. Mortar and Sigs. stores will be carried forward by M.T.
All other fighting equipment to be carried.

7. Tools will be picked up by Coys. at Bn. Admin. Area,
rear HITLER'S HEIGHTS at 0600 hrs. 17 APR.

8. Dress: Battle Order - Greatcoats.
Two blankets, ground-sheet and felt hat to be
carried.

INTER COMM.

9. Bn. H.Q. at PAY PIMPLE as from 2000 hrs.

ACK.

Issued in writing at
1030 hrs. 16 APR. 40.

Indaughburby
Comdg. Lt. Col.
2/2 Bn.
A.I.F.

DISTRIBUTION:

Copy No.	1-5	Bn. H.Q.
" "	6-12	H.Q. Coy.
" "	13-14	"A" "
" "	15-16	"B" "
" "	17-18	"C" "
" "	19-20	"D" "
" "	21	2/1 Bn.
" "	22-23	File.
" "	24-28	War Diary.
" "	29-30	16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.

10 2/1 Bn,
JULIS
20 Apr 40.

Report on A Coy 3 day exercise in
HEBRON AREA 17-19 Apr 40

Reference maps - GAZA 1:100000
HEBRON 1:100000

1. A Coy and attached troops left JULIS CAMP area at 1015 hrs on 17 Apr 40
2. Marching out strength was
5 offrs 140 O/Rs
3. March was conducted as an Advanced Guard Exercise.
4. Lunch on the 17th was taken at the Old Railway Track and Track Junction
132122
5. The march to the bivouac site was uneventful except for a detour necessary
where the tracks were impassable.
6. Bivouac site for night of 17th was at 13991240 (SOUTH of CREEK AJJUR)
7. Column moved off at 0830 hrs on morning of 18 Apr 40 and passed through the
village of AJJUR (143122)
8. Exercises were developed by the Director (Adj) from that stage.
9. The mid day meal was taken at Rd Junctions (145122)
10. M.T. and B Echelon were sent by Road BETHLEHEM to the bivouac site for the
night 18 Apr, and troops were taken round through ZAKAIYA (145125) - Road
and Track Junction (147126) - track to BETHLEHEM ROAD (151122)
11. The bivouac for night 18 Apr 40 was held at (151122)
12. The column moved off at 0830 on 19 Apr 40 and continued exercises up to
(155125) on BETHLEHEM ROAD.
13. The return journey was made by M.T. in convoy.
14. On return journey truck L 370 skidded into the WADI at 139121 and
overturned.
15. A security truck and cpl and 5 O/Rs in addition to the driver was mounted
as guard with 100 rounds of S.A.A. for rifles and one full magazine for
Bren Gun.
16. Sufficient rations for three meals were left with them.
17. The accident was reported by wireless in code.
18. Two stretcher cases resulted from accident and were brought by M.T. back
with us.
19. The overturned truck was 13th in a column of 24, and 12 trucks had already
crossed the WADI.
20. The convoy arrived JULIS 1645 hrs.
21. Comment:
 - (i) Exercises generally were carried out with enthusiasm and interest.
the use of blank ammunition added to the value of lessons.
Owing to the shortage of N.C.Os and Officers in one case a pl was
commanded by a Cpl - the only one in the platoon. Another was
commanded by a Sgt with one Cpl as section comdr. This was due to
schools etc. in course at this time.

(ii) Health of Troops:

Two cases of feet were reported - both old cases. Foot baths were conducted and the men stood up to the marching very well. Three cases of acute "Dysentery" were sent back to camp. There were other cases, less severe. No medical stores were included to treat this particular complaint, and recommendation is made for M.Os suggestions for First Aid Kit to combat it.

(iii) Lessons:

Many lessons were learned by all, including cmdrs in dealing with this hilly type of country. The problem of tpt and its effective camouflage or tactical placing during an advance in these defiles was great, but many lessons were learned and drivers worked intelligently to co-operate.

(iv) Administrative.

Cooking and messing was very satisfactory and ample food was available. Water was restricted to one fill of water bottles each day.

Security Regulations were read and Amn withdrawn each night, and Arms Inspection and Roll Call were carried out. Amn issued each morning.

There were no insuperable administrative problems and no delays with meals or movement.

Generally:-

Troops were much "fitter" at the conclusion of the exercises, and were reluctant to withdraw at the conclusion. Only one blanket was carried and it is suggested in view of the differences in altitude experienced during the days that this be increased to two as the nights are particularly fresh with heavy dews.


Major.
O.C. A Coy.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO 4ALLOTMENT OF TRAINING AREAS.

Ref: 1:100,000 Maps JAFFA-TEL AVIV; HEBRON; BEERSHEBA; RAFAH; and GAZA.

2 A.I.F. TRAINING AREAS.

1. The general area allotted to 6 Aus Div and attached troops for training purposes is the area bounded on the NORTH and EAST by the limits of the GAZA Civil District, and the TRANSJORDAN border, and on the SOUTH-WEST by the EGYPTIAN border.

2. This area is subdivided into two sub-areas

(a) Div Training Area.

(b) Formation and unit training areas by camps as detailed in para 3 (see also attached sketch).

3. Allotment of Training Areas within the Formation.

(a) Div Training Area (Area A)

The area bounded on the NORTH and EAST by the GAZA Civil District boundary and the TRANSJORDAN border; on the SOUTH-WEST by the EGYPTIAN border and on the WEST by the line from 12931154 - all incl IRAQ al MANSHIYA 12951128 - RUHAMA 12051009 - TRIG 185 11620942 - TEIL ABU HURCIRA 11300877 thence road to EIN ESH SHELIALE 10150800 thence line of WADI GHAZZA to coast at 09050969 - thence coast to 07560816, is reserved for Div Training and for exercises conducted under Div arrangements.

It will on NO account be used for subordinate or unit training exercises without permission from Div H.Q.

(b) The remainder of 6 Aus Div area is allotted as under

Formations
and units
located in:-

Training Area

The area between the WESTERN limits of Div area (see para 3(a) above) and the coast; with NORTHERN and SOUTHERN limits as follows:-

(i) Camp QASTINA
(Area "B")

Northern limits GAZA Civil Boundary.
Southern limits all excl line of WADI from 13001170 through JALADIYA 12631223 to BEIT DARAS 12001256 thence road to incl ISDUD 11801292 - coast at 11331305.

(ii) Capt JULIS
(Area "C")

Northern Limits Southern limits 3(b)(i).
Southern Limits all incl road from IRAQ al MANSHIYA 12951128 - IRAQ SUWEIDAN 12101174 - BEIT TIMA 11581146 - AL MAJDAL 11101199 - AL JURA 10791196 - SH KHADRA 10701192.

(iii) Camp BARBARA
" BEIT JIRJA
(Area "D")

Northern Limits Southern limits 3(b)(ii).
Southern Limits all incl road from RUHAMA 12051009 to point 11801056 thence line of WADI HESI to coast.

(iv) Camp DEIR SUNEID
(Area "E")

Northern limits Southern limit 3 (b)(iii).
Southern limits all incl rd from Pt 185 11620940 to TRIG 107 10900990 - thence line to excl BEIT HANUN 10601056 - coast at TRIG 22 10001086.

(v) Camp GAZA ROAD)
(Kilo 70)
Camp GAZA RIDGE)
GAZA TOWN)
(Area "F").

Northern limits Southern limits 3 (b)(iv).
Southern limits all incl WADI GHAZZI from EIN ESH SHELIALE 10150800 to coast at 09050969.

MOVEMENT OUTSIDE CAMP TRAINING AREAS

4 (a) Training outside the area allotted to a camp garrison as in para 3 (b) above will NOT take place except for special reasons such as small arms practice, Artillery practice, training in mountainous country, etc.

(b) Movement outside camp training areas for these purposes, in order to avoid units clashing, will only be permitted after applications for the movement have been approved by Div H.Q.

These applications, giving details as in para 5(b) below, should be forwarded to Div H.Q. as far as possible in advance of the proposed exercises.

(c) In cases where range etc facilities are allotted by this H.Q. (e.g. JAFFA small arms ranges) formal application as above will NOT be required.

TRAINING BEYOND 6 AUS DIV LIMITS.

5. (a) Permission to carry out training exercises beyond 6 Aus Div limits (vide para 1) has to be sought in advance from neighbouring British Comds or formations concerned.

(b) Applications for such permission will therefore be made to this H.Q. ten (10) clear days in advance of the proposed exercise, such application must specify:

- (i) Formation or unit desiring permission.
- (ii) Nature of the exercise to be carried out stating whether blank ammunition will be fired.
- (iii) Duration and dates of exercise.
- (iv) Limits of the area within which the exercise will take place.
- (v) (Where applicable) The routes to be followed in approaching and leaving the area.

(c) Similar application will be made for carrying out recess preceding the exercise though it is preferable that applications be submitted at the one time if possible.

SECURITY MEASURES.

6. (a) When exercises are being conducted by units of 6 Aus Div and attached troops in areas controlled by British formations (e.g. HEBRON area), the security measures in force in those areas will be strictly observed.

Where these vary from those laid down in Force Security Instruction No 2 (as amended) units will be so informed.

(b) Within 2 A.I.F. Training Areas the following security measures will be put into effect.

- (i) In camp training areas (vide para 3(b) above) Two men armed with rifles will accompany each Coy or equivalent unit; with 50 rds secured in a cloth bandolier.
- (ii) 6 Aus Div Training Area (vide para 3(a) above). The equivalent of one man per coy or equivalent unit will be armed with rifles and L.M.G.; 50 rds per man carried secured in a cloth bandolier. Amn for IMG to come from the 1000 rd box (see (iii) below).
- (iii) One unopened box of 1000 rds S.A.A., wrapped with strip of red cloth, will be carried with each bn or equivalent unit H.Q. truck.
- (iv) No other ball amn will be carried.

ACTION WHEN BLANK AMN IS CARRIED.

7. When units are issued with blank amn adequate precautions will be taken to ensure that ball amn is kept separate and marked with red cloth as above.

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COLLECTION OF TOPOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION.

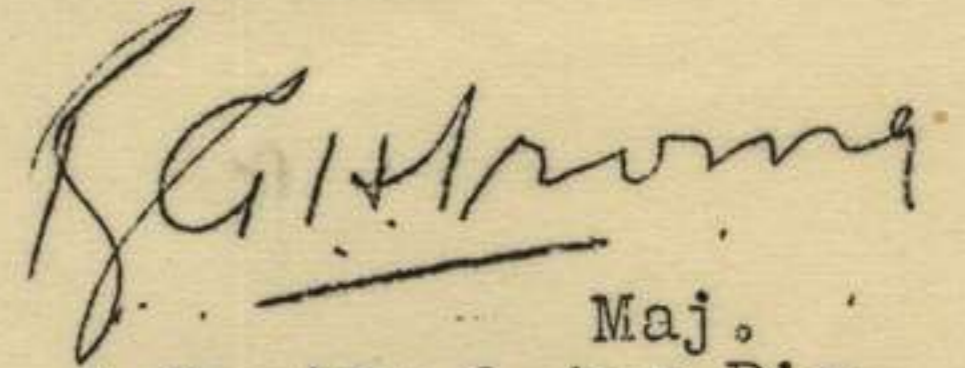
8. Ref 6 Aus Div W37 dated 28 Mar 40. Collection of intelligence information will be continued in the areas laid down in the above quoted memo, until 27 Apr 40, by the intelligence personnel of units therein designated.

This cancels para 7 of the memo.

DATE OF EFFECT OF THIS TRAINING INSTRUCTION.

After 27 Apr 40 movement outside camp training areas by any personnel of units will be governed by the provisions of paras 4 and 5 above.

GAZA.
21 Apr 40.

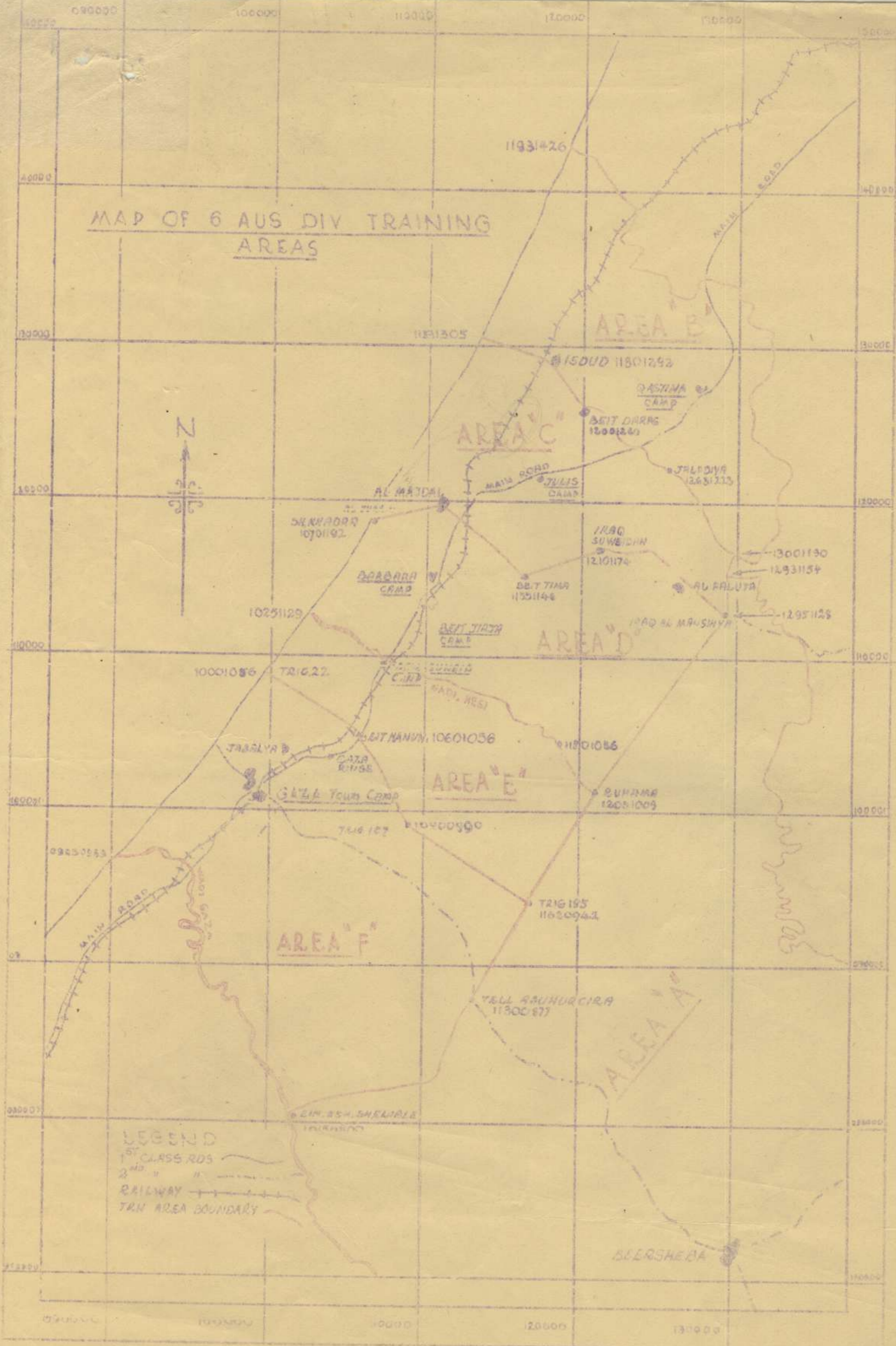

Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

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MAP OF 6 AUS DIV TRAINING AREAS



SCALE 0 10 20 KILOMETRES 6 AUS DIV INT SEC 0900 HES 20 APR 40

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RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL

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The following have been selected for the A.I.F. v The Rest match at Tel Aviv Stadium on Saturday, April 20, 1940.

The match will commence at 2.15 p.m.

A.I.F.

THE REST

<i>Fullback</i>	Maxwell	2/2 Bn. /	Bath	2/1 Fd.Regt.
	Hassett	2/3 Bn.	Kennedy	2/2 Bn.
<i>Wing</i>	McVicar	2/3 Bn.	Wauchope	Arty.
<i>Outer Centre</i>	Evans	2/2 Bn.	McElhone	A.S.C.
<i>Inner Centre</i>	Featherstonhaugh	2/1 Fd.Coy.	Linderman	Arty.
<i>5/8</i>	B. Travers	2/2 Bn.	O'Brien	A.M.C.
<i>1/2</i>	Matchett	Recce.	Kelly	2/1 Bn.
	Ward	2/3 Bn.	Mark	Arty.
<i>Front row</i>	Lang	A.M.C.	Weir	2/1 Bn.
	Campbell	2/2 Bn.	Stewart	Arty.
<i>Second row</i>	Dunbar	Sigs.	Firth	Arty.
	Bennett	2/3 Bn.	Miller	2/2 Bn.
<i>Lock</i>	Dunlop	Base H.Q.	Loughran	2/4 Bn.
	Jackson	2/1 Bn.	F. Davis	Arty
<i>Breakaways</i>	W. Travers	2/1 Bn.	W. Davey	2/1 Fd.Coy.

RESERVES:

Backs. Simons, 2/1 Bn; Pegrum, 2/3 Bn; ~~Don~~ Dark, 2/2 Bn; Binstead, Sigs.

Forwards. Searle, Sigs; Body, Arty; George, Base H.Q; Barber, 2/2 Bn.

The teams will train at JULIS on Tuesday and Thursday, 16 and 18 April at 4 p.m. All selected personnel must attend and bring football boots if possible.

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RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL

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McVicar	2/3 Bn.	Wauchope	Arty.
Evans	2/2 Bn.	McElhone	A.S.C.
Featherstonhaugh	2/1 Fd.Coy.	Linderman	Arty.
B. Travers	2/2 Bn.	O'Brien	A.M.C.
Matchett	Recce.	Kelly	2/1 Bn.
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Ward	2/3 Bn.	Mark	Arty.
Lang	A.M.C.	Weir	2/1 Bn.
Campbell	2/2 Bn.	Stewart	Arty.
Dunbar	Sigs.	Firth	Arty.
Bennett	2/3 Bn.	Miller	2/2 Bn.
Dunlop	Base H.Q.	Loughran	2/4 Bn.
Jackson	2/1 Bn.	F. Davis	Arty.
W. Travers	2/1 Bn.	W. Davey	2/1 Fd.Coy.

RESERVES:

Backs. Simons, 2/1 Bn; Pegrum, 2/3 Bn; Dark, 2/2 Bn; Binstead, Sigs.

Forwards. Searle, Sigs; Body, Arty; George, Base H.Q; Barber, 2/2 Bn.

The teams will train at JULIS on Tuesday and Thursday, 16 and 18 April at 4 p.m. All selected personnel must attend and bring football boots if possible.

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RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL

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The following have been selected for the A.I.F. v The Rest match at Tel Aviv Stadium on Saturday, April 20, 1940.

The match will commence at 2.15 p.m.

A.I.F.		THE REST	
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Maxwell	2/2 Bn.	Bath	2/1 Fd.Regt.
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Hassett	2/3 Bn.	Kennedy	2/2 Bn.
McVicar	2/3 Bn.	Wauchope	Arty.
Evans	2/2 Bn.	McElhone	A.S.C.
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RUGBY UNION FOOTBALL

The following have been selected to represent JULIS CAMP against QASTINA CAMP on Sunday, 14 Apr. 40, at JULIS. From them, two teams, the A.I.F. Possible and Probables will be selected to play at TEL AVIV on Saturday, 20 April 40:-

PROBABLES - 2 p.m.

Maxwell 2/2 Bn.
Hassett 2/3 Bn.
Evans 2/2 Bn.
McVicar 2/3 Bn.
Watriamana 2/1 Bn. HQ boy

Pegrum 2/3 Bn.
Holland 2/3 Bn.)
Kelly 2/1 Bn.) A

B. Travers 2/2 Bn.
W. Travers 2/1 Bn. D
D. Jackson 2/1 Bn. HQ
W. Dunlop H.Q.
O'Malley 2/1 Bn. A
Ward 2/3 Bn.
Rossington 2/3 Bn.
Campbell 2/2 Bn.

POSSIBLES - 3.30 p.m.

Ridgewell 2/3 Bn.
Sark 2/2 Bn.
Kennedy 2/2 Bn.
Simons 2/1 Bn. A
Freebody 2/3 Bn.

Smith H.Q.
McGurran 2/3 Bn.)
Devine 2/2 Bn.)

Bennett 2/2 Bn.
Goring 2/3 Bn.
Armati 2/2 Bn.
Miller 2/2 Bn.
Barber 2/2 Bn.
Russell 2/1 Bn. C
Bennett 2/3 Bn.
Caling 2/2 Bn.

RESERVES - Both Teams:

BACKS: Smith, 2/3 Bn; Lamb, 2/1 Bn; Madigan, 2/2 Bn.

FORWARDS: Chennery, 2/3 Bn; Hayter, 2/1 Bn; Gallagher, 2/3 Bn; James, 2/2 Bn; Born, 2/1 Bn; Weir, 2/1 Bn.

The A.I.F. will play the French Army at BEIRUT on Sunday, 28 April, 1940.

Pegrum 2/3 Bn.
Holland 2/3 Bn.)
Kelly 2/1 Bn.)

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Campbell 2/2 Bn.

16. AUSTRALIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE.

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BRIGADE SPORTING ACTIVITIES.

A meeting of unit sports representatives was held at Bde.H.Q., on Friday, 29th. March, 1940, to consider an invitation from the Palestine Athletic Association for the A.I.F. personnel to compete in the undermentioned sections at Tel-Aviv during the last week of April:-

1. Athletics- Track and Field Events.
2. Soccer.
3. Boxing.
4. Exhibition of Rugby Union Football.

A similar invitation was also issued to British & French Armies by this body, which controls sport in Palestine, & is affiliated with the Olympic Federation.

While the meeting realised that April would be a particularly heavy month for the Bde., it was thought that suitable representation could be arranged for all the above headings. Everything depends on the sports committees of the various units to give this matter special attention & publicity, so that all those with a chance of selection are given the opportunity to prove themselves.

ATHLETICS.

It was decided to compete in the following:-

100 yds.	Shot Putt.	4x440 yds. Relay.
220 "	Discus Throw.	4x100 " "
440 "	Broad Jump	Pole Vault
880 "	High Jump	Hop, Step, & Jump.
One Mile.	Javelin.	Three Miles.

As it is essential that only those with a reasonable chance of success compete at the meeting, a standard has been laid down for each event, & final selection will be made, after competitive trials by Capt. F.H. Winchester, Bde.H.Q., Lieut. Pegg, 2/4. Bn., & Capt. E. Colquhoun, 2/2. Bn.,.. The Sports Grounds at Tel-Aviv, Rishon, & Rehovot, will be available for training purposes, & should be utilised at every available opportunity.

SOCCER.

The following were elected as Bde. Selectors:- Lieut Sealy, 2/1. Bn., Capt. Bradley, 2/1. Bn., Sgt. Midgley, 2/2. Bn., Pte. Lane, 2/2. Bn., & Sgt. Irvine, 2/4. Bn.

Units will continue with their own fixtures & until Sunday, April 14. after which a team will be selected to play in a Julis Camp v Castina Camp match on Sunday 21st. April, when a final selection will be made for the A.I.F. Team.

All players interested, should be advised of these arrangements.

BOXING.

Units are to nominate representatives over the different weights by 15. April, 40. Bouts will then be held to decide suitable representatives for the Palestine Championships.

The following committee was elected to control the Boxing Section. Capt. Mc. Carthy, 2/4. Bn., Lt. Bassett & Cpl. Webb, 2/3. Bn., Pte Herron, 2/2. Bn., & Cpl. Crowther, 2/1. Bn.

A well equipped gym., & Boxing ring are available at Bde.H.Q., for training purposes. Units may follow any methods they think suitable to decide on their representatives.

RUGBY.

A match has been arranged between the A.I.F. & the French Army at Beirut on Sunday, April 28th., & Rugby activities will be directed towards obtaining the best possible team for this event. Julis Camp will play Castina Camp on Sunday, Apr. 14., & Possibles v Probables will be the Exhibition game at Tel-Aviv on Sunday Apr. 21., after which the A.I.F. team will be chosen.

Units are requested to make every endeavour to give likely representatives an opportunity to prove themselves before the following selection:-

- Capt. Jackson, 2/1. Bn., Lieut. B.V. Kenny, Bde.H.Q., SM. Guy, 2/2. Bn., Lieut. S. Travers, 2/2. Bn., & Cpl. Carrstairs, 2/3. Bn.,..

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Cpl. Bradley A
" Crowther HQ

Shorts Meeting
at Bde HQ at
2015 tonight

8.15

~~Kenny~~

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H.Q. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
JULIS CAMP.
23 Apr. 40.

ANZAC DAY 1940.

The following are arrangements for Anzac Day:-

I. DAWN SERVICE AT GAZA MILITARY CEMETERY.

So that personnel of all denominations may participate the following form of service will be observed:

0430 hrs Reveille.- Bugler to be provided by 2/1 Bn.
On completion Senior Officer places wreath on monument.

Last Post- Sounded on bugle

2. ALLOTMENT OF PERSONNEL.

The 500 volunteers all ranks will proceed from JULIS Camp to GAZA Military Cemetery.

Allotment is as follows:-

*Major Adams
HQ Coy. 2/1
HQ Coy officers*

H.Q. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.	20 all ranks
2/1 Bn.	80 all ranks (including 3 officers)
2/3 Bn.	200 all ranks (including 6 officers)
2/4 Bn.	200 all ranks (including 6 officers)

3. CONTROL.

Lt. Col. K.W. Eather will be O.C. Convoy.

Each Bn. party will be under the command of an officer of Field Rank or above, who will be additional to the number of officers mentioned in para. 2. Officers i/c unit parties will be responsible for security precautions on vehicles.

4. TRANSPORT.

Unit transport will be used and, when loaded, will move from unit lines, at time referred to in para. 6, to Eden Avenue and assemble there in the following order with the head of the convoy at King's Cross:-

H.Q. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.
2/1 Bn.
2/3 Bn.
2/4 Bn.

5. ASSEMBLY AT GAZA MILITARY CEMETERY.

These details will be issued later.

6. TIME TABLE.

0230 Hrs.	Reveille (Morning coffee & tea will be issued)
0315 hrs.	Convoy moves from unit lines to Eden Avenue.
0330 hrs.	Convoy moves off.
0415 hrs.	Convoy arrives GAZA Cemetery.

0430 hrs.

Dawn Service.

After Dawn Service units will move back to transport and move off in the same order as in para. 4.

7. MARCH AND SERVICE IN TEL-AVIV.

Details of this March and Service are contained in appendix "A" with the following additions:

(a) Allotment of Personnel will be as follows:-

H.Q. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.	5 all ranks
2/1 Bn.	40 all ranks (including at least 3 offr.)
2/3 Bn.	40 all ranks (including at least 3 offr.)
2/4 Bn.	40 all ranks in addition to Band personnel (including at least 3 offr.)

C.O's of Units will detail one of the above officers to act as officer i/c Unit Party, who will have a nominal roll of party.

(b) Transport.

Bde T. O. will arrange for one 30 cwt lorry in accordance with para. 5 (a) of appendix "A." This lorry will pick up Band Instruments at H.Q. 2/4 Bn. at 0745 hrs. and then move back to King's Cross and await departure of convoy.

(c) Movement to Rendezvous.

Unit parties will arrive at Rendezvous referred to in para. 5 (c) of appendix "A" by 0815 hrs. and on arrival there officers i/c unit parties will report to Lt. Col. P.A. Parsons, V.D., who will be G.C. Convoy. O.C. Convoy will arrange for division of the column into 'bus loads of 21 all ranks per 'bus. Band personnel will be distributed over 5 leading 'buses.

8. MORNING SERVICE AT JULIS CAMP.

(a) Form of Service.

So that personnel of all denominations shall participate in this service, the following form will be observed:-

0900 hrs.	Hymn, "Abide With Me." Address by Lt. Col. G.F. Wootten D.S.O. "Recessional." "Last Post." Two minutes silence. "Reveille." National Anthem. Troops March Off.
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(b) Place.

Bde. Soccer Ground.

*New Gram
Officers from
A Coy.*

*Ben Pitt
0815 hrs.*

(c) Band and Bugler.

Band and Bugler will be provided by 2/2 Bn. They will report to the Staff Captain at 0830 hrs at Bde Soccer Ground.

(d) Formation.

Before leaving unit lines, Units will be divided into detachments of approximately 160 and will arrive at Soccer Ground by 0845 hrs.

(e) Markers.

One marker per detachment will report to the Staff Captain at Soccer Ground at 0830 hrs.

(f) Hymn Sheets.

A copy of hymns to be used is forwarded. Units will have a sufficient number printed to provide one sheet for every three men. Sheets will be distributed before leaving unit lines.

9. MARCH AND SERVICE AT JERUSALEM.

A March and Service will be held at JERUSALEM. Lt. Col. M.A. Fergusson M.C. will command the column at JERUSALEM.

(a) Allotment of Personnel.

Same as for March in Tel-Aviv except that 2/3 Bn. will provide a Band in addition to number of personnel allotted.

(b) Transport.

Bde T.O. will arrange for one 30 cwt lorry to pick up Band Instruments from H.Q. 2/3 Bn. at 0645 hrs and then move back to King's Cross and await departure of convoy.

Six 'buses will be provided at King's Cross by Adv. 6 Aus. Div.

(c) Control.

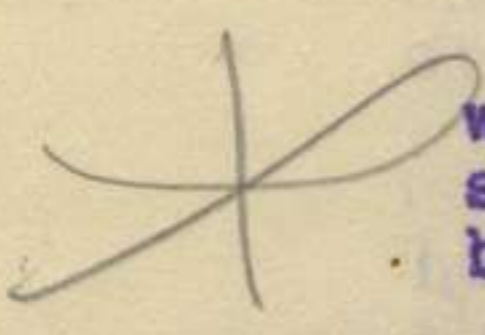
Major K.N. Goodwin will be O.C. Party. He will get in touch with Lt. Col. M.A. Fergusson M.C. before 1200 hrs. on 24 Apr. 40 to arrange rendezvous for 'bus convoys at QASTINA, and officers i/c Unit parties will report to him at King's Cross at 0700 hrs. Officers i/c Unit parties will arrange for security precautions.

(d) Movement.

O.C. Party will arrange for division of party into 'bus loads of 21 all ranks per 'bus. Band personnel will be distributed over the five leading 'buses in convoy.

Party will leave King's Cross at 0715 hrs. O.C. Party will report to Lt. Col. M.A. Fergusson at the Russian Compound, JERUSALEM, at 1000 hrs.

*Major Hooper
officers C Coy*



IO. GENERAL.

(a) On completion of Services in Tel-Aviv and Jerusalem leave may be granted as follows:-

Tel-Aviv: Up to 1800 hrs.
Jerusalem: Up to 1730 hrs.

(b) On completion of the Service in JULIS Camp the programme for the remainder of the day will be the same as for Sunday.

(c) Normal one day leave to JERUSALEM for 25 Apr. 40 is cancelled.

(d) Dress.

Dress for all Parades and Services on Anzac Day will be:

Service Dress with belts, gaiters and hats (turned up). No sticks or gloves will be carried. No arms except for security purposes and these will be handed in on arrival at Tel-Aviv to 6 Aus. Prov. Coy, and at Jerusalem to The Armoury Overseas Base.

IO. GENERAL.

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.....*John King*.....Lieut.
S.C., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

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.....*John King*.....Lieut.
S.C., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.

Appendix A

ANZAC DAY - TEL AVIV. 25 APR 40.

The following arrangements are made for ANZAC DAY, 25 Apr 40 at TEL AVIV:-

1. PERSONNEL.

The following personnel will attend from 6 AUS DIV,

- JULIS CAMP : 125 all ranks and ONE band. (*2/4 Bn Band*)
- BARBARA CAMP : 50 all ranks.
- SIGS 6 AUS DIV : 25 all ranks.
- ADV H.Q. 6 AUS DIV : 25 all ranks
- (incl Duty Coy)
- 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp. : 25 all ranks.

250 plus one band.

2. O/C PARTY.

Lieut. Col. P.A. Parsons V.D., 2/4 Bn., will be in command of party and in charge of the convoy to and from TEL AVIV and during the march. He will be responsible for conduct of troops during stay in TEL AVIV.

3. SECURITY.

(a) *2/4 Bn* ~~16 Aus Inf Bde.~~ will detail a picquet of 1 Offr, 2 Sgts, 2 Cpls. and 20 O.R.'s, exclusive of above party. Picquet will travel in a bus with convoy. They will NOT take part in the march.

(b) Attention is drawn to Adv 6 Aus Div Admin. Instn. No 13.

4. DRESS.

Service Dress with belts. NO arms will be carried except for security purposes. *O.C. Party will arrange security guards for 6 buses*

5. MOVEMENT.

(a) FORWARD JOURNEY.

Buses to convey personnel to TEL AVIV will be arranged for by ADV H.Q. 6 AUS DIV. 16 AUS INF BDE will arrange for ONE 30 cwt. lorry for carriage of band instruments.

(b) Buses will call at the following camps at the following times. Troops will be ready to embus when buses arrive.

JULIS CAMP	: 0815	6 Buses 1 - 30 cwt lorry.
BARBARA CAMP	: 0900	2 Buses
SIGS 6 AUS DIV	: 0825	1 Bus
ADV 6 AUS DIV H.Q.	: 0815	1 Bus
2/1 AUS GEN HOSP	: 0815	1 Bus
		<u>11</u> One 30 cwt lorry

Total vehicles 12.

(c) RENDEZVOUS.

Buses will rendezvous ^{at King's Cross} on GAZA- JERUSALEM ROAD at JULIS CAMP facing NORTH. All will move as a convoy. O/C Convoy will arrange for a marker to be in attendance at JULIS CAMP to halt buses. CONVOY WILL MOVE at ~~0930~~ ⁰⁸³⁰ hrs and proceed to TEL AVIV.

6. ASSEMBLY AREA.

(d) Troops will debus on SEA FRONT at bottom of ALLENBY ROAD.

(e) Arms will be handed over to 6 AUS DIV PROV COY. at ASSEMBLY AREA.

7. GUIDES.

Guides for march etc. will be provided by 6 AUS DIV PROV COY. They will meet convoy on entering TEL AVIV at SARAFAND ROUNDABOUT, and guide it to ASSEMBLY AREA.

(f) RETURN JOURNEY.

Personnel will embus at POLICE BARRACKS HAYARKON STREET, TEL AVIV, at 1830 on 25 Apr 1940 for return to camps.

8. PROGRAMME.

Details of Programme given hereunder.

9. BUSES.

After troops have been debussed on arrival at TEL AVIV, buses will proceed to AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS CLUB and park in a space to be allotted, until troops embus for LEVANT GROUNDS. After troops have debussed at LEVANT GROUNDS, buses will be under control of O/C Party.

PROGRAMME.

For Anzac Day at TEL AVIV 25 Apr 40.

1. 1025 Arrive TEL AVIV, led by guides from 6 AUS DIV PROV COY, to debussing point at bottom of ALLENBY RD. ON SEA FRONT.
2. 1035 March to DISENGOFF CIRCLE.
3. Salute to be taken in ALLENBY ROAD.
4. 1100 Service at DISENGOFF CIRCLE.
Hymn - Abide with Me.
Address - by a selected officer.
"Recessiona 1".
"Last Post". *Bugler from 2/4 Bn*
Two minutes silence.
"Reveille".
National Anthem.
Troops march off.
5. 1115 The Mayor will welcome the official party.
Opening of the AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS CLUB.
While the Official Party, the Mayor and party, are inspecting the buildings, the troops taking part in the march will be served with a fruit drink.
6. 1145 Official Party will visit the Memorial Pillar at the Hayarkon River and place there a wreath to the memory of the Australian Soldiers who fell in the last war.
1145 Troops will be taken by bus to the "Levant" grounds ready for the lunch provided by the TEL AVIV Hospitality Committee.
7. 1230 Reception Luncheon given by the Mayor, councillors and other representatives.
To be attended by the Official Party, Troops taking part in the march, and other invited guests.
Troops will be dismissed after luncheon at "Levant" grounds.

22 Apr 40.

GAZA.

L. Wasey Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

Distribution:

List "B".

RECESSIONAL

God of our Fathers, known of old,
Lord of our far flung battle-line,
Beneath whose awful hand we hold
Dominion over palm and pine -
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget - Lest we forget!

The tumult and the shouting dies,
The captains and the kings depart,
Still stands thine ancient sacrifice,
An humble and a contrite heart.
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget - Lest we forget!

Far-called our navies melt away -
On dune and headland sinks the fire,
Lo! All our pomp of yesterday,
Is one with Nineveh and Tyre!
Judge of the Nations, spare us yet,
Lest we forget - Lest we forget!

--ooOoo--

ABIDE WITH ME

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide;
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O! Abide with me.

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O! Thou, Who changest not, abide with me.

I need Thy presence every passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, Lord, abide with me.

--ooOoo--

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18a

The following are the arrangements for ANZAC DAY

1. DAWN SERVICE AT GAZA MILITARY CEMETERY

The allotment of personnel is as follows:-

Three Officers from H.Q. Coy	
H.Q. Coy	45 O.R's
"A" Coy	22 O.R's
Bn H.Q.	10 O.R's

2. CONTROL

Lieut. Col K.W. Eather will be O.C. Convoy.
Major W.G. Adams D.S.O., M.C. will be O.C. 2/1 Bn party.
Officers i/c Unit parties will be responsible for security precaution on vehicles. Unit transport will be used.

3. TRANSPORT

Transport, when loaded, will move from Unit lines as per time table in para 4, to EDEN Ave and assemble there in the following order with the head of the convoy at KINGS CROSS:-

H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde
2/1 Bn
2/2 Bn
2/4 Bn

4. TIME TABLE

0230 hrs	Reveille (morning tea will be issued)
0315 "	Convoy moves from Unit Lines to EDDY Ave.
0330 "	Convoy moves off.
0415 "	Convoy arrives GAZA CEMETERY.
0430 "	Dawn Service.

After Dawn Service Units will move back ~~to~~ to transport and move off in the same order as in para 4.

5. MOENING SERVICE AT JULIS CAMP

(A) Bn Parade at 0815 hrs.

(B) So that personnel of all denominations shall participate in this service, the following form will be observed:-

<u>0900 hrs</u>	Hymn "Abide with Me" Address by Lt COL. G.F. Wootten D.S.O. "Recessional" "Last Post" Two Minutes Silence "Reveille" "National Anthem" Troops March Off.
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(C) Place Bde Soccer Ground.

(D) FORMATION Before leaving Unit Lines, Units will be divided into detachments of approximately 150 and will arrive at Soccer Ground by 0845 hrs.

(E) MARKERS One marker from each detachment will report to the Staff Captain at the Soccer Ground at 0830 hrs

(F) HYMN SHEETS A sufficient number of Hymn Sheets will be available to provide one sheet for every three men. Sheets will be distributed before leaving Unit Lines.

6. MARCH AND SERVICE IN TEL-AVIV

- (a) CONTROL Lt-Col P.A.Parsons V.D., 2/4 Bn will be O.C. Party.
 (b) Allotment of Personnel will be as follows:-

Major R Oram
 2 Officers from "A" Coy
 "A" Coy 10 O.R.'s
 "C" Coy 10 "
 H.Q.Coy 17 "

Major R.Oram will be officer i/c Unit Party and will have a nominal roll of the party.

- (c) Movement to Rendezvous

Unit parties will arrive at Rendezvous KINGS CROSS ~~by~~ 0815 hrs, and on arrival there Officers i/c Unit parties will report to Lt-Col P.A.Parsons V.D., who will arrange for division of the column into Bus Loads of 21 all ranks

7. March and Service at JERUSALEM

- (a) Control Major K.N.Goodwin will be O.C. Party.
 (b) Allotment of Personnel will be as follows:-

Major G.F.Hooper
 2 Officers from "C" Coy
 "A" Coy 10 O.R.'s
 "C" Coy 10 "
 H.Q. Coy 17 "

Major G.F.Hooper will be Officer i/c Unit Party, and will have a nominal roll of the party.

- (c) Movement

Officers i/c Unit Parties will report to O.C.Party at Kings Cross by 0700 hrs.
 Officers i/c Unit parties will arrange for security precautions.

8. GENERAL

- (a-) On completion of Services in TEL-AVIV and JERUSALEM leave may be granted as follows:-

TEL-AVIV up to 1800 hrs
 JERUSALEM up to 1730 "

- (b) On completion of Service at JULIS CAMP the programme for the remainder of the day will be the same as Sunday.

- (c) Dress for all Parades except JULIS CAMP parade will be:-

Service Dress with Belts, gaiters and hats (Turned up).
 No sticks or gloves will be carried. No arms except for security purposes and these will be handed in on arrival at TEL-AVIV or JERUSALEM.

Dress for Julis Camp Parade

Hats turned down, shirts and shorts, and, as an experiment gaiters will be worn over stockings and boots.
 No arms, sticks or equipment will be carried.

R. W. Munst, Lieut.

Asst/Adjutant 2/1 Bn

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LIEUT COL K. W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN

JULIS CAMP L1

40/40

1 April 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 1 Apr 40:

Duty Company	C Coy
Next for Duty	HQ Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut J. Macarthur-King
Next for Duty	Lieut N.W. Craig
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut K.J. Macpherson
Next for Duty	Lieut J.S. Whittle
Orderly Serjeant	NX 7626 Sjt Gerard, E.H.
Next for Duty	NX 2638 Sjt Lawry, P.O.
Orderly Corporal	NX 3864 Cpl Terrey, K.K.
Next for Duty	NX 3851 Cpl Northey E.L.
Canteen N.C.O.	2474 Cpl McCann, W.P.
Next for Duty	NX 8895 A/Cpl Gordon, J.

SCHOOLS

2. M.E.W.T.S. Mortar Grenade, Pistol Wing, 5th Course, April 9 - 10.
- Lieut B.W.T. Catterns will attend the above Course.

ROAD PATROL

3. Ref. map GAZA 1/100.000. Permanent Guard is now established at BARBARA camp. Nightly Road Patrol will now omit visit to above camp.

LAW JOURNAL

4. Arrangements are being made for the forwarding of copies of the Australian Law Journal to all who were members of the legal profession, law students and articled clerks, in Australia, and are members of the Battalion.

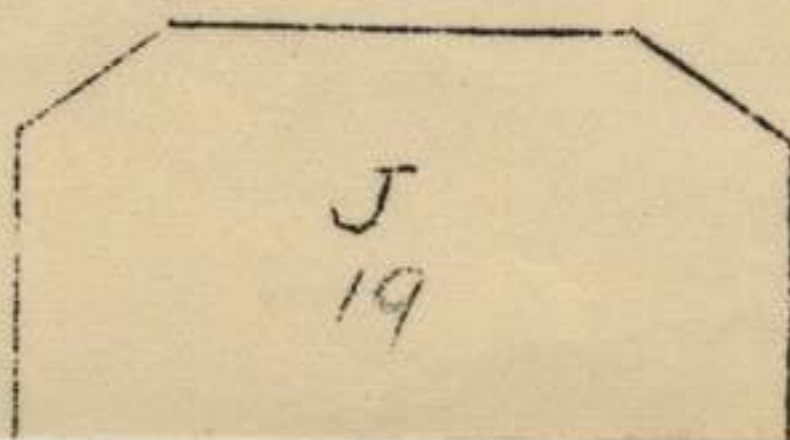
Names of such personnel with a brief description of their legal standing are required at these H.Q. by 1600 hrs. 2 Apr 40.

WATER

5. Water is not to be used between 0800 and 1000 hrs each Monday morning.

CONSTRUCTION

6. Arabs and other persons employed by R.Es. on construction work are each provided with a tin label of the size indicated in the accompanying diagram bearing the letter J and the workman's number. All ranks particularly guards and picquets will be warned that this label entitles the bearer to be within the camp area.



LEAVE,
OFFICERS

7. Cost of accommodation and meals for officers during 4-day leave periods in TEL AVIV will be 500 mils per day if a room is shared with another officer, or 550 mils per day for a single room.

REGIMENTAL
ACCOUNTS

8. Regimental accounts of all kinds, i.e. Regimental Funds, Mess a/cs, etc. will in future be deposited with the Div Paymaster and not in Banks.

Div Paymaster will maintain Unit Trust A/cs. For each account he will issue a unit Trust A/c Book which is similar to a Savings Bank Pass Book.

When withdrawals are required, Withdrawal Forms, W.F. 132, will be signed by C.Os. and Adjutants in the case of Regimental A/cs, or by Treasurers and Secretaries in the case of Mess A/cs. These forms and the Unit Trust A/c Book will be presented to the Div Paymaster. Withdrawals may be in cash or accounts may be forwarded through Div Paymaster or Chief Paymaster for payment by cheque. Receipts will be retained by units who will have full control of all disbursements.

Payments to the credit of A/cs will be made to the Div Paymaster who will make and sign the appropriate entry in the Unit Trust A/c Book.

All Regimental A/Cs will be transferred to Div Paymaster before 10 Apr 40, on which date a report will be rendered to these HQ stating that all A/cs have been so transferred.

LEAVE,
OFFICERS

MOVEMENT
CONTROL

9. All personnel departing from or arriving at HAIFA, LYDDA, JERUSALEM, KANTARA, GAZA or TULKARM by rail will report to the Movement Control representative at the station prior to departure or on arrival.

Personnel departing will be at the station thirty minutes before the train is due to depart.

Officers will ensure that their baggage is weighed and ready for loading into the train before the train is due to arrive at the station.

D.R. JACKSON Captain

Adjutant - 2/1 Battalion

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JULIS CAMP

41/40

2 April 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 2 Apr 40:

Duty Battalion	2/1 Bn
Field Officer of the day	Major R? Oram
Medical Officer	" Capt C.H. Selby
Duty Company	B and A Coys
Orderly Officer	Lieut G.W. Mann
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut R.B. Digby
Orderly Serjeant	NX 8490 Sjt MacIntosh I.
Orderly Corporal	NX 3823 Cpl Gerrard, R.D.
Canteen N.C.O.	NX 3805 L/Cpl Bayly, I.P.

CONDITION OF ARMS

2. Cases have been reported of personnel arriving at schools of instruction and other extra regimental establishments with arms in a dirty or inefficient state.

All personnel proceeding to schools or extra regimental employment will ensure that their arms are in a satisfactory condition.

MEDICAL

3. All cases sent to Camp Hospitals will be accompanied by paybooks and personal gear.

ROAD PATROL

4. The Road Patrol will not be required to visit JIRJA Camp 109112 after night 4/5 April, 40.

ICE

5. Ice is issued for the preservation of food only. It will not be placed in drinks nor in direct contact with food.

POLICE CANTEEN

6. Police Canteen, GAZA, will be open to all ranks from 1600 hrs to 2100 hrs daily. Beer only is to be bought and bottled liquor is NOT to be carried from premises.

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Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

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JULIS

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4 April 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 4 Apr 40

Duty Company	C Coy
Next for Duty	HQ Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut K. Hill-Griffiths
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut C.W. Golding
Orderly Serjeant	NX 4176 Sjt Bourke, R.
Orderly Corporal	NX 7802 Cpl Webb, S.A.
Canteen N.C.O.	NX 2474 Cpl McCann, C.

WATER SUPPLY

2. Between the hours of 1800 on Friday 5 Apr and 0600 on Saturday 6 Apr, the water supply of JULIS Camp will be wholly suspended.

Coys will therefore ensure that all available receptacles and water containers are filled considerably earlier than 1800 hrs on Friday 5 Apr, and that the greatest care is exercised in the conservation of this supply.

SECURITY GUARDS

3. To prevent depredations, greater vigilance must be exercised by Security Guards at Camp sites by day and night.

D.R. JACKSON, Capt
Adjutant 2/1 Battalion.

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JULIS CAMP

43/40

5 April 1940

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 5 Apr 40

Duty Company	HQ Coy
Next for Duty	A Coy
Orderly Officer	Lt W.A. Pike
Comdr of the Guard	Lt C.W. Golding
Orderly Serjeant	NX 7524 Sjt Buchanan, S.S.
Orderly Corporal	NX 2628 Cpl Brain, D.T.
Canteen Orderly NCO	NX 5455 Cpl Fletcher, B

TRANSFERS TO
2/1 A.G.H.

2. Coys who have suitable personnel desiring transfer to 2/1 A.G.H. will notify Bn HQ by 1000 hrs 6 Apr 40.

WEARING OF
CIVILIAN CLOTHES

3. The wearing of civilian clothes except for sports is prohibited.

ELECTRIC LIGHT
AND POWER

4. Cases have been reported of electric lights being turned on unnecessarily during the hours of daylight. Greater economy must be observed generally in the use of current.

SECURITY
GUARDS

5. On 6 Apr the undermentioned changes of Security Guards at JERUSALEM, GAZA, GAZA RIDGE, GAZA ROAD, BARBARA, JIRJA and DEIR SUNEID, will take place, and will be completed by 1200 hrs.

(a) JERUSALEM

P1 of 2/2 will take over from P1 of 2/1 Bn.

(b) GAZA, GAZA RIDGE and GAZA ROAD

A Coy of 2/2 Bn will relieve the Coy of 2/4 Bn in GAZA Area. The guard at present at GAZA RIDGE will not be required after 6 Apr, and the 3rd P1 of this Coy will take over Guard Duty at GAZA ROAD instead, thus relieving the P1 provided from the Coy at DEIR SUNEID Camp.

- (c) The two Coys of 2/1 and 2/3 Bns at present guarding DEIR SUNEID and BARBARA Camps will be relieved by the Coy of 2/2 Bn at present at JIRJA Camp, which will retain its H.Qrs and one P1 at JIRJA Camp and dispose one P1 at each of DEIR SUNEID and BARBARA Camps.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn.

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JULIS CAMP

44/40

6 APRIL 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 6 Apr 40

Duty Company	A Coy
Next for Duty	B Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut K. J. Macpherson
Next for Duty	Lieut B.W.T. Catterns
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut H.W. Sealy
Next for Duty	Lieut T.C. Fairbairn
Orderly Serjeant	NX 3437 Cpl Bradley, J.L.
Orderly Corporal	NX 2614 Pte Ridley, J.B.
Canteen N.C.O.	NX 7539 Cpl Kelly, R.L.

CAMP CINEMA

2. In future when it is desired to book seats, such bookings will be effected by paying for such seats and collecting the tickets when the bookings are made; otherwise seats will not be held.

BOUNDS

3. JAFFA is permanently out of bounds to all ranks.

CHURCH SERVICES
7 April 40

4. (a) MASS (Roman Catholic) will be celebrated at 1000 hrs in the Recreation Room of the A.A.C.I. Building 2/4 Bn.
- (b) HOLY COMMUNION (C of E) will be celebrated in the Officers' Mess of 2/3 Bn at 0730 hrs.
- (c) HOLY COMMUNION (Methodist) will be held in the Recreation Room of the A.A.C.I. Building 2/2 Bn at 0700 hrs.
- (d) Combined Services will be held in the lines of the 2/2 Bn at 0930 hrs and in the lines of the 2/3 at 1000 hrs.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt
Adjutant 2/1 Bn.

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JULIS CAMP

45/40

8 April 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 8 Apr 40

Duty Company	C Coy
Next for Duty	HQ Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut W.H. Travers
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut N. Craig
Orderly Serjeant	NX 7626 Sjt Gerard, E.H.
Orderly Corporal	NX 7461 Cpl Chatfield, N.S.
Canteen N.C.O.	NX 7489 Cpl Webb, B.N.

HYGIENE AND
SANITATION

2. Matters of hygiene and sanitation are becoming of increasing importance with the onset of summer. Increased vigilance will be shown in these matters particularly in the control of fly and mosquito breeding.

The provisions of Force Standing Orders 62/38 for malaria will be closely studied and implemented. It is important that steps be taken to prevent chills during the period of acclimatisation. Much of the trouble caused by painful backs and gastric disturbances is due to this factor.

Also, sweaters should be worn in early morning and after sundown.

R.M.Os. will make an inspection of feet with special regard to Tinea and institute a vigorous campaign of treatment.

COURTESY

3. It is very noticeable that certain members of this Bde. show little consideration for the feelings of the inhabitants of this country, and are quite unaware that we are visitors here and not arrogant conquerors.

The most noticeable offenders in this role are M.T. drivers, a large proportion of whom honk furiously and unnecessarily at anyone they see on the road, and drive unreasonably close to fellow travellers, often forcing them into the ditches or hedges.

Owing to the consideration shown by the vast majority of our Brigade, the local inhabitants are well disposed towards us, but the actions of the personnel referred to above cannot but be humiliating to these people, who are quick to appreciate decent treatment.

Commanding Officers will draw attention of all ranks in their command to the unfortunate results which must accrue from this regrettable behaviour, and ensure that it is not repeated in future.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn

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JULIS CAMP

46/40

9 April 40

21 April 40 - A.I.F. Probables Vs. Possibles at TEL AVIV
28 April 40 - A.I.F. Vs. French Army at BEIRUT, SYRIA.

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 9 Apr 40

Duty Coy	HQ Coy
Next for Duty	HQ Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut C.W. Golding
Next for Duty	Lieut J.S. Whittle
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut K. Hill-Griffiths
Next for Duty	Lieut R.B. Digby
Orderly Serjeant	WX 711 Sjt Daws, V.
Next for Duty	NX 3908 Sjt Givney, E.C.
Orderly Corporal	NX 7618 Cpl Carbines, R
Next for Duty	NX 7612 Cpl Brunker, E
Canteen N.C.O.	NX 2636 Cpl Genner, E
Next for Duty	NX 2669 Cpl Brown, H

DUTIES BDE

2. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 10 Apr 40

Duty Battalion - COMDG 2/1 BN	2/1 Bn
Field Officer of the Day	Capt M.C.D. Little
Medical Officer of the Day	Capt C.H. Selby

DISCIPLINE
WHILST ON
LEAVE

3. Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No 13, para 6 is amended by deleting the last seven words and inserting "detail a senior officer to be in charge of the unit leave party."

Orderly Officer	Lieut C.W. Golding
Next for Duty	Lieut J.S. Whittle
Comdr of the Guard	D. R. JACKSON, Capt
Next for Duty	Adjutant 2/1 Battalion

DISTRIBUTION

As Usual

NOTICE

The following members of this Bn will assemble on 2/3 Football Ground at 1645 hrs 10 Apr 40 for practice of Bde Football Teams.

PROBABLES

Capt D.R. Jackson
 Lieut W.H. Travers
 NX 4114 Pte Wabriam
 NX 2803 Pte O'Malley

POSSIBLES

NX 2823 Pte Simons
 NX 4105 Pte Russell, H
 NX 7766 Pte Luomb

The following matches are arranged

14 April 40 - JULIS Possibles & Probables Vs. QASTINA Possibles & Probales
 21 April 40 - A.I.F. Possibles Vs. Probables at TEL AVIV
 28 April 40 - A.I.F. Vs. French Army at BEIRUT, SYRIA.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LT-COL K. W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN.

JULIS CAMP

47/40

10 April 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 10 Apr 40

Duty Battalion	2/1 Bn
Duty Company	HQ Coy
Next for Duty	A Coy
Field Officer of the Day	Capt M.C.D. Little
Medical Officer of the Day	Capt C.H. Selby
Orderly Officer	Lieut J.S. Whittle
Next for Duty	Lieut G.W. Mann
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut R.B. Digby
Next for Duty	Lieut J.G. Macarthur King
Orderly Serjeant	NX 3908 Sjt Givney, E.C.
Orderly Corporal	NX 7612 Cpl Brunker, E.
Canteen N.C.O.	NX 2669 Cpl Brown, H.

MESS TENTS

2. Greater attention will be paid to the cleaning of Mess Tents and tables. Food particles left between boards of tables attract flies.

WIVES & FAMILIES
PERMISSION TO
JOIN HUSBANDS
IN PALESTINE

3. (a) Permission will NOT be given to personnel serving in PALESTINE, TRANSJORDAN and CYPRUS for their wives and families to join them with the exception of such wives and families as were resident in EGYPT, PALESTINE, TRANSJORDAN or CYPRUS before 3 September, 1939, and have a home their.

(Authority - War Office Letter No. 13/General/9575 (Q(M)1) of 17 February 1940.)

- (b) The subsequent arrival of any wives now on their way from Australia will be notified to Bn. HQ.
- (c) Coys will submit to Bn HQ by 0800 hrs 12 Apr 40, the No. Rank and Name of all personnel whose wives are now in Palestine or have sailed from Australia for Palestine. In each case the place of residence or proposed place of residence of the wife will be shown.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant - 2/1 Bn

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Next for Duty
 Orderly Serjeant
 Orderly Corporal
 Canteen N.C.O.

Ident. R. W. Green
 NX 2468 Sjt Brindley, C.
 NX 4076 Cpl Green, H.R.
 NX 7539 Cpl Kelly, R.L.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

2. A complaint has been received regarding the conduct of personnel in GAZA town on duty. Units will impress upon all troops that misconduct on the part of personnel proceeding outside the camp area on duty is a reflection upon the unit to which they belong.

LT-COL K. W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN

JULIS CAMP

48/40

11 April 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will Mount at Retreat 11 April 40:-

Duty Company	A Coy
Next for Duty	C Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut G.W. Mann
Next for Duty	Lieut W.H. Travers
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut J. Macarthur King
Next for Duty	Lieut N.W. Craig
Orderly Serjeant	NX 2468 Sjt Brindley, C.W
Orderly Corporal	NX 4076 Cpl Green, H.R.
Canteen N.C.O.	NX 7539 Cpl Kelly, R.L.

DISTRIBUTION

As Usual.

DISCIPLINE

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BADGES AND TITLES

3. Replacement of badges and titles "AUSTRALIA" will only be made on payment.

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will Mount at Retreat 11 April 40:-

Duty Company	A Coy
Next for Duty	C Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut G.W. Mann
Next for Duty	Lieut W.H. Travers
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut J. Macarthur King
Next for Duty	Lieut N.W. Craig
Orderly Serjeant	NX 2468 Sjt Brindley, C.W
Orderly Corporal	NX 4076 Cpl Green, H.R.
Canteen N.C.O.	NX 7539 Cpl Kelly, R.L.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LT-COL K. W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN

JULIS CAMP

49/40

13 April 40

DUTIES

1. Duties will be mounted today, 13 Apr 40 at 1600 hrs:

All Duties will be supplied by HQ Coy until 17 Apr 40.

PAY

2. Personnel will not be sent to the office of the Div Paymaster to be paid. Any special payments, such as for personnel proceeding on leave, will be made by representatives of the Div Paymaster on their visit to Camps.

TRAFFIC CONTROL
GAZA

3. (a) The only traffic which will use the road in front of Adv H. Q. 6 Aus Div is that which is for Adv H. Q. or the Guard Coy. Other traffic to or through Gaza will use the road which runs at the rear of Adv H. Q.

(b) The road in front of Adv. H. Q. 6 Aus Div is a one-way traffic road in a westerly direction for all vehicles, including motor cycles, other than cars.

(c) Motor cyclists who have occasion to visit Adv H. Q. 6 Aus Div will insure that the engines are not kept running longer than necessary.

COST OF CABLES

4. Numerous requests to remit money to Australia on behalf of individuals are being received with the direction that these be remitted by cable, the cost of which is borne by the individual. In addition, alterations to allotments are being requested on the same basis.

There is no objection to this procedure but such cables cannot be sent at "E.F.M." rates and their cost often represents a very considerable proportion of the amount remitted.

In view of the rapidity of air mail it is recommended in the interests of the individual, that this method be used, only really urgent cases being dealt with by cable.

FOUR DAY LEAVE

5. (a) Until further notice, the Officer to accompany four-day Leave Party (for journey only) to TEL AVIV or JERUSALEM will be detailed by Duty Bn.

An additional officer will be detailed by Duty Bn for purpose set out in para (e) hereof.

(b) Except as stated in para (c), transport will be provided by Bde Hq.

(c) Where there is a one-day Leave Party in the city concerned, O.C. 4-day Leave Party will travel outwards by 4-day leave party bus, and inwards by one-day leave party bus. (Duty Bn should confirm this by contacting Bn going on one-day leave).

ROUTINE ORDERS - 49/40

FOUR DAY LEAVE

5. (d) i. Commencing on Friday, 12 Apr 40, an additional officer will be detailed by Duty Bn to proceed to the destination prescribed in Appendix "A" to bring back the four-day leave party in that particular place.

ii. Transport will leave Bde HQ:-

for JERUSALEM : 0800 hrs.
for TEL AVIV : 1200 hrs.

iii. He will report as follows:-

JERUSALEM : Overseas Base;
TEL AVIV : 6 Aus Div Pro Coy.

iv. On return to JULIS he will report to Bde HQ and dismiss unit leave parties.

(e) It will be the duty of O.C. Leave Party, in addition to maintenance of discipline, to collect all fares and moneys for accommodation, check unit rolls, make security arrangements for buses, and he should be familiar with all Leave instructions issued to units.

(f) No further daily reminders regarding four-days leave will be sent to units. Nominal rolls of unit leave parties will reach Duty Bn by 1000 hrs on the day of departure. Leave parties will report to Bde Hq as follows:-

For JERUSALEM : 1330 hrs;
For TEL AVIV : 1430 hrs.

APPENDIX "A"

Friday,	12 Apr 40	JERUSALEM
Saturday,	13 Apr 40	TEL AVIV
Sunday,	14 Apr 40	JERUSALEM
Monday,	15 Apr 40	TEL AVIV
Tuesday,	16 Apr 40	JERUSALEM
Wednesday,	17 Apr 40	TEL AVIV
Thursday,	18 Apr 40	JERUSALEM
Friday,	19 Apr 40	TEL AVIV
Saturday,	20 Apr 40	JERUSALEM

D. R. JACKSON, Capt

Adjutant 2/1 Battalion

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ROUTINE ORDERS

LT-COL K. W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN

JULIS CAMP

50/40

17 April 40

DUTIES = BDE

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat - 17 April 40:-

Duty Battalion	2/1 Bn
Field Officer of the Day	Capt W.C. Dillon
Medical Officer of the Day	Capt C.H. Selby
Duty Company	C Coy

DUTIES = BN

2. Duty Company C Coy
Next for Duty D Coy
- Orderly Officer Lieut K.H. Macpherson
Next for Duty Lieut A.A. Stewart
- Comdr of the Guard Lieut W.H. Travers
Next for Duty Lieut A.M. Simpson
- Security Patrol D Coy
Next for Duty HQ Coy

DRESS

3. When wearing shirts, without jackets, neither ties nor ribbons of decorations and medals will be worn.

DRESS.

4. Ref R.O. 26/40 6 Mar 40, para 6, cross straps of Sam Browne belts in some cases are still being worn when a pistol is carried. Cross straps will not be worn under any circumstances

COURSES

5. 3rd Long Rifle Course - 23 April - 22 May -
NX 7516 Sjt Smith, F.J.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant - 2/1 Battalion

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JULIS CAMP

51/40

18 APRIL 40

DUTIES = Bn

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 18 Apr 40:-

Duty Company	D Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut A.A. Stewart
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut A.M. Simpson
Security Patrol	H.Q. Coy

DUTIES = Bde

2. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 19 Apr 40:-

Duty Battalion	2/1 Bn
Duty Company	H.Q. Coy
Field Officer of the Day	Capt W.G.A. Baines
Medical Officer of the Day	Capt C.H. Selby
Orderly Officer	Lieut D. R. Channell
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut K. Hill-Griffiths
Security Patrol	A. Coy

JULIS CAMP
UNATTENDED MOTOR
VEHICLES

3. The following extract from Standing Orders for Drivers of Mechanical Vehicles (Wheeled) and Motor Cyclists 1937, is republished,

DUTIES = Bn

1. "When on duty with vehicles or motor cycles, drivers will not leave them unattended, except when this is unavoidable in exceptional circumstances, e.g. accidents, reporting for duty, etc.
"When there are two drivers with a vehicle, one of them will always remain with it.
"Motor cycles when unavoidably left will always be secured with the padlock and chain provided for the purpose.
"The driver is responsible for any damage which may occur to his vehicle when he is absent himself, and should therefore make the best arrangements possible for the protection of the vehicle when he has occasion to leave it unattended."

DUTIES = Bde

2. Duty Battalion 2/1 Bn
Cases of vehicles being left unattended in JERUSALEM and TEL AVIV have been reported. This practice is to cease.

DEVELOPING OF
FILMS

4. Films will only be developed by the photographer under unit contract. Troops on leave will retain their films until they have returned to Camp. Capt C.H. Selby

SCHOOLS AND
COURSES

5. M.E.W.T.S. - Mortar, Grenade and Pistol Wing 6th Course 30 April to 18 May. Lieut K. Hill-Griffiths

NX 2634 Cpl Evans, J.B. is nominated to attend.

JULIS CAMP
UNATTENDED MOTOR
VEHICLES

5. The following extract from Standing Orders for Drivers of Mechanical Vehicles (Wheeled) and Motor Cyclists 1937, is republished,

"When on duty with vehicles or motor cycles, drivers will

COURT OF
INQUIRY

6. The following standing Courts of Inquiry will assemble when required to investigate and report upon the matters detailed:-

DISCIPLINE:

Capt W.C. Dillon	President
Capt D.R. Jackson	Member
Lieut N.W. Craig	Member

MEDICAL:

Capt W.G.A. Baines	President
Lieut D.R. Channell	Member
Lieut T.C. Fairbairn	Member

HORSES AND DAMAGES TO EQUIPMENT AND VEHICLES:

Major R. Oram	President
Lieut G.W. Mann	Member
Lieut B.W. Catterns	Member

RATIONS:

Major G.F. Hooper	President
Lieut C.W. Golding	Member
Lieut K. Hill-Griffiths	Member

SECURITY
GUARDS

7. B. Coy will relieve Security Guards at GAZA TOWN and GAZA ROAD on Saturday 20 Apr 40. Reports to be rendered to Bn HQ immediately reliefs are completed.

GAZA TOWN	B Coy (less one Pl and details another Pl.
GAZA ROAD	Remainder of Coy.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.

Adjutant 2/1 Battalion

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

LT-COL K. W. EATHER - COMDG 2/1 BN

JULIS CAMP

52/40

19 APRIL 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 19 Apr 40:-

Duty Coy H.Q. Coy
Next for Duty A Coy

Field Officer of the Day Capt W.G.A. Baines

Medical Officer of the Day Capt C.H. Selby

Orderly Officer Lieut C.W. Golding
Next for Duty Lieut H.W. Sealy

Comdr of the Guard Lieut. M.Hill-Griffiths
Next for Duty Lieut. J.G. Macarthur-King

Security Patrol B Coy

CONTRACT SERVICES

2. Hanna Bisharat has been approved of as the Unit Contractor and is authorized to supply the following services:-

Laundry Work Shoemaking
Photography and Photographic Materials
Watch Repairing and Jewellery
Fruit and Fruit Juices
Tailoring Souvenirs
Barbering Fancy Goods, Novelties,
Stationery and Newspapers
Meats, Vegetables for Officers and Sjts Messes
Native Goods, Novelties and Products

As the Contractor is paying a rebate of approx 10 per cent into the Bn Welfare Fund, it is desired that all ranks deal with his Stores and Agents in the purchase of abovementioned articles.

REFUSE TINS

3. Cooks and Mess Orderlies must place tins and dry refuse in the tins marked "DRY" and all wet refuse and food scraps in the tin marked "WET". On no account must the two be mixed.

FRUIT

4. Fruit must not be bought from Arabs.

SCHOOLS AND COURSES

5. M.E.W.T.S. - Mortar, Grenade and Pistol Wing 6th Course 30 April to 18 May.

NX72 Lieut R. B. Digby is nominated to attend.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt.
Adjutant 2/1 Bn

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20 APRIL 40

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 20 Apr 40:-

Duty Coy	A Coy
Next for Duty	H.Q. Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut H.W. Sealy
Next for Duty	Lieut R.B. Digby
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut J.G. Macarthur King
Next for Duty	Loeut W.H. Travers

ICE CREAM

2. Ice cream will only be purchased from A.A.C.I.'s in Camps. The practise of purchasing Ice Cream from casual vendors, or permitting these people to sell their goods in camps will cease forthwith.

CHURCH SERVICES
21 APR 40

3. (a) Church of England Holy Communion will be celebrated at 0730 hrs in A.A.C.I. reading room of 2/1 Bn & Officers Mess of 2/2 Bn.
- (b) Combined Services will be held in the lines of the 2/2 Bn at 0930 hrs and in the lines of the 2/3 Bn at 1000 hrs.

Personnel of the 2/4 of Protestant denomination may attend service at 2/2 Bn.

Padre Viney will give an address in the 2/1 Recreation Room at 1930 hrs: "Anzacs in Palestine Light Horse Campaign 1917-18."
Please be punctual.

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Adjutant 2/1 Bn.

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22 April 40.

DUTIES - BN 1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 22 Apr 40:

Duty Company	HQ Coy
Next for Duty	A Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut J.S. Whittle
Next for Duty	Lieut J.G. Macarthur King
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut F.J. Embrey
Next for Duty	Lieut N.W. Craig

DUTIES - BDE 2. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 23 Apr 40:

Duty Battalion	2/1 Bn
Field Officer of the Day	Capt F.G. Finlay
R.M.O. of the Day	Capt C.H. Selby
Officer i/c Picquet	Lieut R.B. Digby
Officer i/c Cinema Detail	Lieut R.B. Digby

Officers i/c Leave Parties will mount duty as follows on Wednesday 24 Apr 40:

O/C Leave Party - 0800 hrs	Lieut K.J. Macpherson
O/C Leave Party - 1330 hrs	Lieut M.C. Kennedy

ADMINISTRATION 3. No personnel will accept invitations to attend locally arranged meetings to adjust civil disputes, etc, without prior approval from Div HQ (DRO 318).
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ADJUTANT 2/1 Battalion

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24 April 40.

DUTIES

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 24/4/40:

Duty Company	C Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut R.B. Digby
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut T.L. Rogers

SECURITY

2. Instances are reported of personnel leaving addresses with shops in which are associated the name of the unit and its location. All ranks will be informed that the ONLY address they can leave, whether in JERUSALEM or elsewhere in Palestine, is:-

No.....Rank.....Name.....Unit.....

Army Postal Service,
PALESTINE.

COMPLIMENTARY

3. The following copy of a letter received by the Brig. Comdr from General Sir Archibald Wavell is published:

"I very much enjoyed my morning with you yesterday, and was very pleased with what I saw. The men looked well and business-like; and training and administration seemed to be on good sound lines.

There will be some setbacks and difficulties, no doubt, but you have all obviously made a very good start and are putting your backs into it, and tackling your problems with keenness and commonsense.

Good luck."

(D.R.O. 329).

SCHOOLS AND COURSES

4. D.M. and M.M. School, SARAFAND.
The following personnel have been selected to attend the above school from 30 Apr for 4 weeks:

NX 2635 Sjt Fitzgerald, J.J.
NX 2641 Cpl Martin, J.E.

D. R. JACKSON, Capt
Adjutant 2/1 Bn.

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26 April 40

DUTIES - BN

1. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 26 Apr 40:

Duty Company	C Coy
Next for Duty	D Coy
Orderly Officer	Lieut K.J. Macpherson
Next for Duty	Lieut T.L. Rogers
Comdr of the Guard	Lieut F.J. Embrey
Next for Duty	Lieut N.W. Craig

DUTIES - BDE

2. The following Duties will mount at Retreat 27 Apr 40:

Field Officer of the Day	Major G.W. Hooper
Medical Officer of the Day	Capt C.H. Selby
Inlying Picquet & Cinema	Lieut M.C. Kennedy

Duties Sunday 28 Apr 40:

O.C. Leave Party - 0800	Lieut F.J. Embrey
O.C. Leave Party - 1330	Lieut K.J. Macpherson

Town Picquet

Two Officers	H.Q. Coy
Three Sjts & Three Cpls	H.Q. Coy
Two Sjts and Two Cpls	C Coy
Fifteen Rank & File	H.Q. Coy
Five Rank and File	C Coy

SECURITY GUARDS

3. (a) GAZA TOWN AND ROAD

The Coy of 2/1 Bn (B Coy) at present in position will remain at GAZA TOWN until further orders. On 6 May its platoon at GAZA ROAD will be relieved by 2/2 Bn which commences its duty there as foster unit to the incoming troops.

(b) JIRGA

2/1 Bn (A Coy) will relieve 2/4 Bn at JIRJA by 1200 27 April and will remain until completion of its duties as foster unit for this camp.

SCHOOLS - COURSES

4. M.E. SIG SCHOOL - Regimental Wing - 11 May to 22 June

The following have been nominated to attend the above Course:

NX 102	Lieut H.W. Sealy
NX 7838	L/Cpl Donaldson, L.S.

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DRESS

5. (a) Summer dress will be worn as from 24 Apr (DRO 333)
- (b) Guards only who mount at Retreat will wear working dress with gaiters. After sunrise, they will change into shorts and shirts.

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Assist Adjt 2/1 Bn.

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JULIS CAMP

28 April 40

DUTIES

1. To mount at Retreat 28 Apr 40:- H.Q. Coy.

H.Q. Coy will detail Guard and Duties to remain at Monash Lines, JULIS, whilst Bn is at BEIT JIRGA.

SCHOOLS COURSES

2. M.E.T. School - ABBASSIA - 15 May to 15 June 40

The following have been nominated to attend the above Course:-

Senior Wing NX112 Major R. Oram

Junior Wing NX132 Lieut. M.C. Kennedy

Pl. Comdrs. NX2468 Sjt. Brindley C.V.

Course NX8695 A/C.S.M. Matthews J.

NX7658 A/C.S.M. Stacey R.R.

Water Duties - Refresher Course - 2/1 Fd Hyg. Sec.

Personnel carrying out the above Duties will report to Bde H.Q. at 1330 hrs for Transport to QASTINA on Fridays, Saturdays and Tuesdays commencing from 26 Apr for six instructional periods.

CINEMA OPERATORS

3. Coys will submit to Bn H.Q. by 1800 hrs 29 Apr 40 the names of two men suitable to be trained as Operators.

Men with experience in operating SOUND Projectors will be selected if available.

AIR CO-OPERATION TRAINING

4. One flight of No. 6 A.C. Sqn, R.A.F. is now stationed at GAZA and will provide air co-operation for 6 Aus. Div. All applications for air co-operation will be made through Bn H.Q. and suitable forms are available for this purpose.

A.I.D.O. DUTIES

5. Coys will submit by 1600 hrs 29 Apr 40, the names of Offrs. who have been trained in Air Intelligence Liaison Officer duties. Returns will show rank, name, courses attended (giving date) and practical experience, if any.

GAZA RIFLE RANGE

6. GAZA Rifle Range will NOT be used until further notice.

LOSSES AND DAMAGES

7. Indents for replacement of clothing will be dealt with as set out in Adm. Inst. No. 24. The result of investigation by Coy Comdr in the "Report on Losses and Damages" will, in the case of replacements to cover fair wear and tear, include a statement by the Coy. Comdr. that he has personally inspected the clothing demanded and found it to be unserviceable.

DRESS

8. Sleeves of Khaki Shirts which are worn with shorts will not be cut short. By day they will be worn rolled up; but, if worn after sundown, they must be fastened at the wrist.

CHURCH
SERVICES
28 Apr 40

9. (a) Holy Communion will be celebrated in the Officers' Mess of the 2/3 Bn. at 0730 hrs.
- (b) Combined Church Service will be held in the Cinema at the 2/2 Bn. at 0930 hrs. and in the 2/3 Bn. A.A.C.I. Recreation Room at 1000 hrs.
- 2/1 Bn will attend service at 2/2 Bn.
- (c) Mass (Roman Catholic) will be celebrated at 0800 hrs in the Recreation Hut at the 2/4 Bn.

R.S. Willmott Lieut.
Asst/Adjutant 2/1 Bn.

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JULIS CAMP

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29 Apr 40

DUTIES
BDE

1. To mount at Retreat 30 Apr 40:-
- | | |
|--|---------------------------|
| Field Officer of the Day | Capt. F.G.Finlay |
| Medical Officer of the Day | Capt. C.H.Selby |
| Officer Inlying Picquet
and Theatre Details | Lieut. D.R.Channell |
| Duty Coy Bde Only | "D" Coy. |
| 4 Day Leave TEL-AVIV 1200 hrs 1 May 40 | Lieut. K.J.Macpherson |
| " TEL-AVIV 1430 hrs 1 May 40 | Lieut. J.S.Whittle |
| " JERUSALEM 0800 hrs 1 May 40 | Lieut. J.C.Macarthur-King |
| Motor Cycle Orderly | H.Q. Coy |

FIELD
CENSORSHIP

2. As certain censorship instructions have been contravened, Coys will inform all personnel that the Field Censorship General Instructions will have the force of an Order.

Coys will ensure that all personnel receive regular instruction in Censorship so that they may become fully conversant with the regulations. Particular attention should be directed to the use of the CIVIL POST OFFICE which is forbidden.

WORK TICKETS
M.T. VEHICLES

3. No military vehicle will be taken outside unit lines by a driver except when he has in his possession a Work Ticket signed by an authorised person.

TELEPHONE
COMMUNICATIONS

4. All personnel must co-operate to relieve the serious congestion which exists on the telephone system in 6 Aus Div Area.

The number and length of calls must be reduced to a minimum. Signals have been asked to report on the following cases:-

- (i) Where a line is held unnecessarily long waiting for persons to be called to the phone.
- (ii) Where telephone operators time is wasted by being engaged in conversation or by being requested to take down messages for delivery.
- (iii) The telephone will not be used when a message by D.R.L.S., a signal message or phonogram will suffice.

PAY -
RESTRICTED
DRAWING RATE

5. When it is necessary to restrict drawing rate in order to liquidate overdrawn paybooks, the minimum rate to which pay may be restricted is 12/6 (Australian) or 500 mils.

28 April 40

SPEED LIMIT
FOR ARMY
VEHICLES

6. Attention is drawn to G.O. 597/36 issued as a Force Standing Order. Paras. 2 and 3 of that order read as follows:-

"2. Speed limits for Army vehicles, including those hired by the Army, are as follows:-

(i) Within towns and municipal boundaries:-

Cars, motor-cycles, 8 & 15 cwt. trucks - 25 miles or 40 kilometers per hour (X)
30 cwt. lorries and upwards - 20 miles or 30 kilometers per hour. (X)

(ii) Outside towns and municipal boundaries:-

8 & 15 cwt. trucks - 40 miles or 60 kilometers per hour. (X)
30 cwt lorries and upwards - 30 miles or 45 kilometers per hour. (X)

(X - according to the type of speedometer with which the vehicle is fitted)

3. Formations and units will take every possible step to ensure that these speeds are not exceeded and disciplinary action will be taken against any driver who does exceed them."

R.S. Willmott Lieut.
Asst/Adjutant 2/1 Bn

ANZAC DAY
MESSAGES

The following messages have been received:-

(1) FROM ARMY, MELBOURNE: "On the anniversary of Anzac Day, Department of Army extends greetings to all members of A.I.F. overseas to whom Australia looks to maintain traditions set by their predecessors."

(2) "FROM GENERAL SIR ARCHIBALD WAVELL: "On 25th anniversary of Australian's great exploit at Gallipoli I salute the memory of those brave men. I am proud to have their successors in my command."

(3) "FROM GENERAL SIR EDMOND IRONSIDE: "Please convey the following message to all Australians and New Zealanders serving in your command on this the 25th Anniversary of the gallant landing at Gallipoli which was made imperishable the name of ANZACS. I am proud to think that once more men of Australia and New Zealand are standing side by side with ourselves and our Allies in defence of civilization."

NOTICES
Y.M.C.A.

(1) On Tuesday, 30 Apr 40 at 1945 hrs., a talk by Lieut. B. Travers on the A.I.F. Rugby Union Team's tour to BEIRUT and the game against the French Army will be delivered.

(2) All books borrowed from the Y.M.C.A. must be returned on or before Wednesday, 1 May 40.

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30 Apr 40

DUTIES

1. H.Q. Coy will detail Guard and Duties.

SCHOOLS
COURSES

2. 2nd A.I.F. BREN CARRIER SCHOOL - 6 May 40

The following have been nominated to attend the above school:-

NX93	Lieut.	C.W. Golding
NX2689	Pte	Bemberton G.C.
NX3852	"	Parker J.O.
NX7728	"	Baker N.P.

TOURING IN
PALESTINE

3. Notices are displayed in the Soldiers' Club and other places in TEL-AVIV advertising Motor Bus Tours to various places in PALESTINE. As many of these places to which the tours are organized are closed to all ranks by Security Regulations, 2 A.I.F. personnel will NOT join such tours until further notice.

RESPIRATORS
ANTI-GAS OF
HOSPITAL PATIENTS

4. All personnel evacuated to hospital, either British or Australian, must be in possession of their respirator, anti-gas.

MEDICAL
HYGIENE

5. With the advent of hot weather, food and insect borne diseases will increase unless every precaution is taken for their prevention.

Attention is drawn to the following sections of "Notes for the Prevention of Diseases in PALESTINE" which are in the possession of every unit in PALESTINE

Section "A"	-	Food
Section "B"	-	Diseases
Section "D"	-	Insect and animal pests
Section "E"	-	General Measures

It may be assumed that bowel diseases, either fly borne or due to food poisoning together with Malaria and Sandfly Fever will be the causes of most inefficiency.

The following General Orders (Force Standing Orders) apply:-

66 of 1938	-	Protection against Fly-borne diseases
78 of 1938	-	Sanitary Rules for Cookhouses
209 of 1938	-	General Sanitation in Barracks, Camps and Billets.
404 of 1938	-	Conservancy and Sanitary Services
245 of 1939	-	Prevention of Food Poisoning.
375 of 1938	-	Effects of Heat, Prevention of.
62 of 1938	-	Anti Malarial Measures.
132 of 1940	-	Personal Hygiene.

With reference to the above the following items are required and obtainable by the Q.M. from Div. Supply Com.

30 Apr 40

MEDICAL
HYGIENE

5. ctd. (a) Flit Guns and Fly Swatters
 (b) Dyefly Mixture (Previously known as Flysol)
 (c) Tanglefoot
 (d) Dover's Cream
 (e) Cresol

D.R. JACKSON Capt.
 Adjutant 2/1 Bn.

NOTICES

1. A Race Meeting is being held at BEERSHEBA on 4 May 40.
 The first race is at 1400 hrs.

Leave to attend this meeting may be granted, but except for those who may be attending in an official capacity, unit transport will not be used. Leave passes will be issued for those who do attend.

The prices of admission are:-

Outer Ground	Free
Enclosure and paddock	250 mils.

H.E. the High Commissioner will be attending.

2. A North Steyne Life Saving Club Pennant has been lost from "B" Coy Sjts tent.
 Finder please return to Bn H.Q.

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SECRET.

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Reference :- G.S.I. 4/23/1.

Headquarters, British Forces,
Palestine & Transjordan,
Jerusalem, PALESTINE.

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30th April, 1940.

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28th April, 1940, approx.

SUMMARY OF GENERAL INFORMATION.

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1. GERMANY.

Divisions now identified total 182 distributed as follows :-

Western Front	109 to 125.
Central Germany	7 to 13.
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Baltic Coast	9.
Poland	20.
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Slovakia	1.

Transports and troops are now concentrating on the Baltic ports and troops on BORNHOLM ISLAND. The object of these concentrations may be the seizure of the AALAND ISLANDS with a view to taking LULEA when ice permits. If a move against SWEDEN is contemplated, its object will be to ensure the use of Swedish railways for the maintenance of German troops in NORWAY.

2. NORWAY.

- (a) One Norwegian Battalion has arrived by sea at TROMSO (about 120 miles North of NARVIK). Its morale is very high.
- (b) German troops have left NARVIK for the head of the RAMBAK FJORD. In this area German reinforcements are arriving by parachute.
- (c) The German reinforcements which continue to arrive at OSLO may enable their advanced forces to push westwards towards BERGEN as well

/ as to continue

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as to continue their northwards thrust when the weather clears. They appear to be prepared to take considerable risks to overcome Allied resistance before the latter becomes effective.

3. U.S.S.R.

French naval authorities report that German naval ratings sufficient to man two submarines are at ODESSA to instruct the Russians. This may possibly explain former rumours that German submarines were being transported in sections and assembled in Russian dockyards.

4. ITALY.

(a) The reconstruction of the two old battleships "Duilio" and "Doria" is nearing completion. The "Duilio" has already carried out her trials. Each will carry ten 12.6" guns and, according to Il Mattino of 6th April, are re-entering the Service completely modernised.

(b) There has been no change in the Italian Military situation. There is no confirmation of the recall of the 1916 class or of rumours of unusual military activity, apart from local defence exercises probably connected with the recent naval exercises.

(c) The Duke of Aosta, who passed through CAIRO on his way back to Italian East Africa, is reliably reported to have addressed a meeting of Italians at the Stadium on the evening of 25th April and to have said that there was no change in the situation as far as ITALY, the Mediterranean and the BALKANS were concerned. He said that this was not only his opinion but that of "Rome". His remarks bear out the impression that Italy's policy is to avoid definite action for the present but to create the maximum uncertainty and to keep the Allies "on the hop".

5. YUGOSLAVIA.

The Yugoslav General Staff has denied reports of German concentrations near the Yugoslav frontier and state that movements of small bodies of German troops in this area cause them no concern.

6. EGYPT.

On 23rd April Aly Maher saw the Italian Minister and informed him that no action would be taken on Italian representations regarding compulsory routing of the Legation's telegrams and the enforced use of sterling exchange for all sums sent out of EGYPT. The Minister then said that he did not like the tone of a speech made by the Prime Minister in Parliament on 22nd April. (Aly Maher in this speech reaffirmed Egypt's "spontaneous and firm stand with the Allies in their fight for freedom and democracy", and remarked pointedly that the danger which existed a fortnight ago in the Mediterranean was no longer imminent owing to the British and French naval victory in the North Sea.) Aly Maher reacted sharply and referred to the concentration of Italian troops on the LIBYAN border and to the large number of Italians in EGYPT. The Italian Minister then made rather lame references to Italy's difficult position in consequence of her axis partnership with Germany.

Reliable information suggests that both in Palace circles and in the Cabinet it is agreed (at least for the moment) that the Egyptian Government should declare war against ITALY if Anglo-Italian hostilities occurred.

7. TRANSJORDAN.

It is reported that the Emir Abdullah feels that the activities of the ex-Mufti, now in BAGHDAD, are a menace to him and to the Hashimi family in general. This is said to have formed one of the topics discussed at the Emir's recent mid-desert meeting with the Regent of IRAQ. The Emir fears not merely an adverse political attitude, but actual assassination, plans for which

/ crime are said

crime are said to have been revealed to him.

8. IRAN.

(a) A report has been circulating in TEHERAN that at a recent audience with the Shah, the new German Minister handed a personal message from Hitler offering to guarantee Iran's frontiers and expressing the hope that the Shah would modify his present policy of neutrality in favour of Germany. The Shah is said to have replied that he wished to remain on friendly terms with all nations and did not feel threatened by any of his neighbours. The Foreign Minister, when questioned by the Turkish Minister about this report, denied its truth.

According to fairly reliable sources, the recent SOVIET - IRAN agreement was welcomed in BERLIN as evidence that reports of strained relations were unfounded. Germany may well have used her influence with RUSSIA in this connection and have let the Iranian Government know that she had done so.

(b) An unconfirmed report was recently received that six new aerodromes were to be constructed (mostly along the eastern and northern frontiers and at AHWAZ), and that the Soviet Air Force might be given the use of them, if required. Later reports show that work on levelling and enlarging has begun at three of the places. It is also reported that 42 Russian speaking refugees have been enlisted in the Iranian Air Force. The opinion of the British, French and Italian attaches is that there may be some truth in reports that a secret agreement has been signed in which the use of aerodromes by Russian aircraft is included.

9. SHIPPING.

About 35,000 tons of British shipping may have been lost in Danish and Norwegian harbours occupied by Germans. At least 100,000 tons of German merchant shipping, including troop transports, have been sunk during the Norwegian campaign, leaving available less than 50% (about 1,000,000 tons) of Germany's original merchant ship tonnage. There is approximately 600,000 tons of Danish and 3,000,000 tons of Norwegian shipping outside Scandinavian or German ports and waters. Of the Norwegian tonnage 1,718,500 tons represent tankers. Germany may have gained about 700,000 tons of Danish and Norwegian tonnage.

The Allies may in effect have the benefit of an extra 4,000,000 tons of Scandinavian shipping.

Do. Johnson Capt

Lieut-Colonel,
General Staff,

British Forces in Palestine & Transjordan.

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THE ECONOMICS OF THE SCANDINAVIAN ADVENTURE.

(a) Germany's "Gains".

Economists are of the opinion that Germany by her invasion of Denmark has taken over "a wasting short-term asset". A clear instance is the live stock industry. Germany can live for a time on Denmark's capital of live stock but is unable either to feed them from the country's own resources or from her own. To illustrate this point, sales of food to Britain and Germany for 1939 were valued at Kr. 1,200,000,000 as against only Kr. 5,000,000 worth of feed stuffs supplied by Germany to Denmark.

Danish Agriculture is dependant on huge imports of feed and fertilisers which cannot be supplied by Germany. An enormous quantity of oil cake is used. This, essentially an overseas commodity, is almost entirely under Allied control. In July 1938 there were in Denmark 504,000 horses, 3,183,000 head of cattle, 2,845,000 pigs and about 27,600,000 hens. Presumably all surplus live stock that cannot be adequately fed will be slaughtered and sold to or plundered by Germany. Not even a German can extract eggs from a hen without proper feeding.

Petrol Supplies in Denmark are estimated at about 300,000 tons, sufficient for Denmark for five months but equivalent to only three weeks of Germany's peace time consumption. In any case, Danish agriculture is highly mechanised and cannot be carried on without essential petrol supplies.

Great Britain is the largest exporter of coal to Denmark and a deficiency of about one and a half million tons per annum will now have to be made good and transported by Germany's already over-strained rolling stock.

(b) Britain's "Losses".

Iron ore from Narvik accounts for about 11% of Britain's supplies. This particular quality of ore is vital to Germany's Basic Bessemer Steel Industry but not of such vital importance to our quite different process and can be replaced from Mediterranean countries.

The British Ministry of Food was prepared and organised for a much earlier disappearance of Baltic and Danish food supplies. The governing factor of Britain's fat supplies is not continental butter but overseas oil seeds.

As regards shipping, taking all things into consideration, the Allies should emerge from the Scandinavian "deal" with a net gain of from 3,000,000 to 4,000,000 tons.

To sum up, it may well be that after a period of say six months, Denmark will become an additional mill stone for Hitler's winter neck.

2/1 Bn. Location of Sub-Units

A Coy.

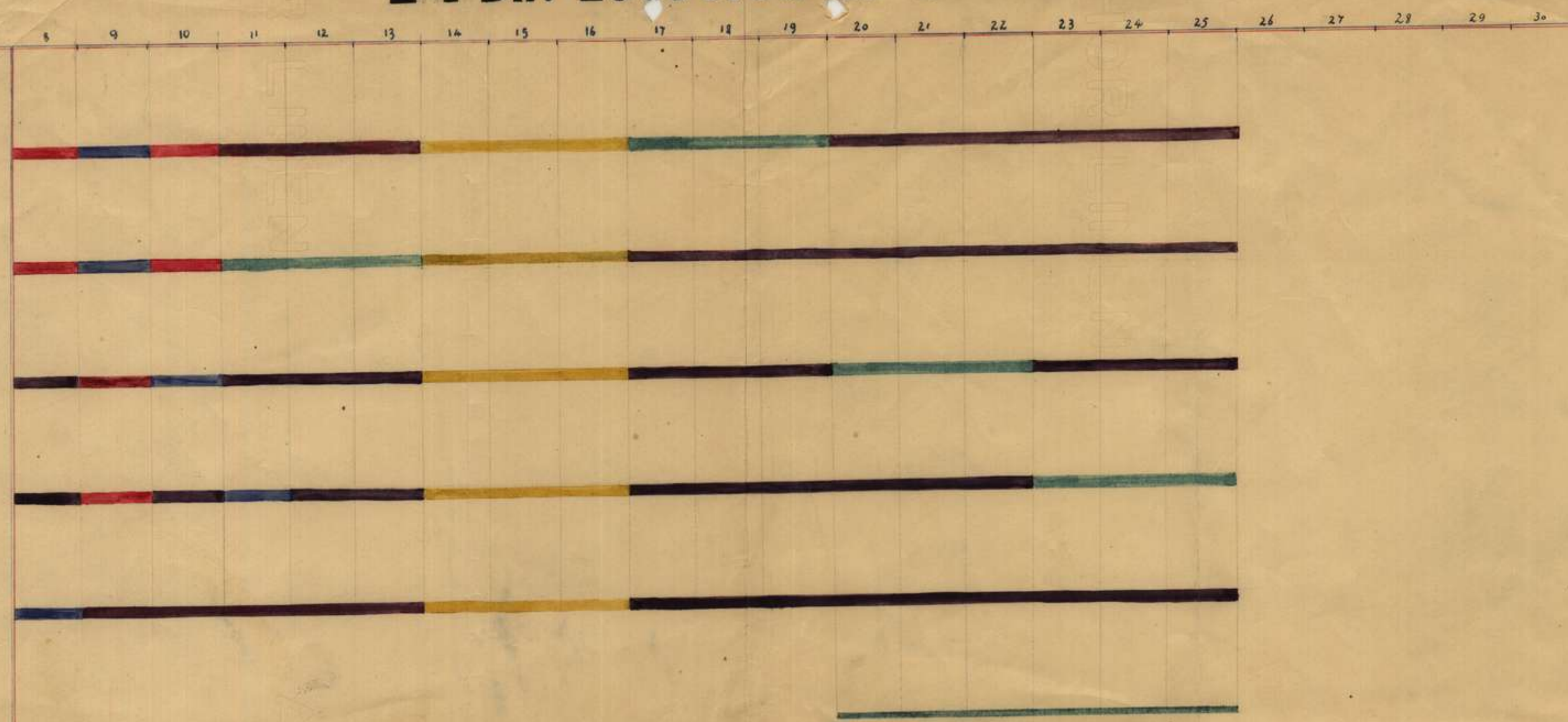
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Carrier Platoon



- Coy. Manoeuvres in HEBRON District
- Representing Enemy Bn attacking defensive position
- GAZA RANGE
- Company Exercise Under Battalion Direction
- Battalion Defence Exercise

	0700 - 0745 (a)	0900 - 1000 (b)	1005 - 1100 (c)	1115 - 1200 (d)	1315 - 1400 (e)	1405 - 1500 (f)	1505 - 1550 (g)	1555 - 1615 (h)	EVENING	
A	P.T.	Section Leading (Practise all members of Sec.) Use of Ground in Open Country - Individual Camouflage.			Reconnaissance Patrol Section Stalk.		Guard mounting	Platoon Drill		
B	P.T.	Exercising the Trained Soldier	Anti Gas Training	Section Stalk in Respirators.	Lecture - Supply (Bn) in the Field.	Anti Aircraft Rifle Tng.	Rifle Tng Firing Behind Cover Camouflage	Platoon Drill		
C	P.T.	Recapitulation - Drill of Construction and Occupation of a Sec Post.			Scoutcraft. Section Quick Decision Exercises.		Guard mounting & Platoon Drill Inter - Pl Competition.			
D	P.T.	A Coy - Miniature Range - Fire Discipline & Control. B, C, D Coys - Platoon Attack Demonstration.			B Coy - Miniature Range - Fire Discipline & Control. A, C, D Coys - Platoon Attack Demonstration.					
E	P.T.	C Coy - Miniature Range - Fire Discipline & Control. A, B, D Coys - Platoon Withdrawal Demonstration.			D Coy - Miniature Range - Fire Discipline & Control. A, B, C Coys - Platoon Withdrawal Demonstration.					
F	P.T.	Reserved.								
G	P.T.	Exercising the Trained Soldier	L.M.G. Training - Introduction to the Bren.		A.T. Rifle Tng.	2" and 3" Mortars. Comparison.	Guard mounting & Platoon Drill.			
H	P.T.	Coy Route March.			A.T. Rifle Tng.	L.M.G. Tng.	A.A. L.M.G. Tng.	Platoon Drill		
I	P.T.	Exercising the Trained Soldier	L.M.G. Training.		A.A. L.M.G. Tng.	2" Mortar Tng.	A.T. Rifle Tng.	Platoon Drill		
J	P.T.	Maintenance of Direction Use of Compass.	L.M.G. Training		Exercising the Trained Soldier.	Grenade Tng.	Guard mounting	Platoon Drill		
K	P.T.	Map Reading PALESTINE & GAZA Sheets	L.M.G. Training		Coy Route March.					
L	P.T.	A, B Coys - L.M.G.	A.T. Rifle Tng	2" Mortar Tng.	A, B Coys. Exercising the Trained Soldier.	Platoon Formations and Field Signals		Company Drill		
		C, D Coys (L Afternoon)			C, D Coys (L Morning)					
M	P.T.	Exercising the Trained Soldier	A, B Coys - Rapid Digging Exercise (Sec. posts) C, D Coys (M Afternoon Serials e+f)		A, B Coys Platoon Formations, Fd. Sigs, A.A. Defence. C, D Coys (M Morning Serials c+d)		Guard mounting and Platoon Drill Inter - Pl Competition.			
N	P.T.	A, B Coys - Sec. Exercises with L.M.G. C, D Coys (N Afternoon)			C, D Coys (N Morning)					
O	P.T.	A, B Coys - 2" mortar	L.M.G. Tng.	A.T. Rifle Tng.	A, B Coys - Exercising the Trained Soldier	A.A. Tng. Rifle	2" Mortar Tng.	Platoon Drill.		
		C, D Coys (O Afternoon)			C, D Coys (O Morning)					
P	P.T.	A, B Coys - 2" Mortar	L.M.G. Tng.	A.T. Rifle Tng.	A, B Coys - Exercising the Trained Soldier	Anti Gas Training.	2" Mortar Tng.	Company Drill.		
		C, D Coys (P Afternoon)			C, D Coys (P Morning)					
Q	P.T.	A, B Coys - L.M.G.	A.A. L.M.G. Tng.	A.T. Rifle Tng.	A, B Coys - Platoon Route Marches - Open and Closed formations - Camouflage - A.A. and A.T. Defence - Use of Pl. Vehicle.			C, D Coys (Q Morning)		
R	P.T.	30x Range - L.M.G. Classification A Coy. B, C, D Coys Reserved.			30x Range - L.M.G. Classification B Coy. C, D - T Day, A Coy Reserved.			Platoon Drill.		
S	P.T.	30x Range - L.M.G. Classification C Coy. A, B Coys - T Day, D Coy Reserved			30x Range - L.M.G. Classification D Coy. A, B Coys - T Day, C Coy Reserved.			Platoon Drill		
T	P.T.	Platoon Attack, Approach March demonstration on sand model (to Secs)		Platoon attack Exercise with running Explanation	Repetition of Morning exercise without explanation but with a final criticism.			Company Drill.		
U	P.T.	Platoon Defence and Withdrawal demonstration on sand model (to Secs)		Platoon Defence and Withdrawal exercise with running expln.	do.			Company Drill		
V	P.T.	Battalion Route March.								
W	P.T.	Platoon Approach March and Attack.				Platoon Defence and				Night Withdrawal.
X	P.T.	Battalion Drill	A, B Companies - Platoon Attack, Exploitation and Consolidation Exercise C, D " - Platoon Defence, Withdrawal and Counterattack Exercise					Bivouac.		
Y	P.T.	Battalion Drill	A, B Companies - Platoon Defence, Withdrawal and Counterattack Exercise C, D " - Platoon Attack, Expl. and Consol. Exercise					Bivouac		
Z	P.T.	Battalion Route March.								Battalion Drill.

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H.Q. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.,
JULIS CAMP.
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DISTRIBUTION:

2/1 Bn.
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2/4 Bn.
Bde.T.O.

VISIT TO JULIS CAMP BY C. IN C. MIDDLE EAST.
WED. 17 APR. 40.

C. in C. will arrive JULIS Camp H.Q. at 1050 hrs. 17 Apr., and be taken direct via Bde. Soccer Ground to rear of Defence Area.

He will inspect 2/2 Bn. in the trenches, and on completion will depart for BARBARA Camp.

(2) 2/2 Bn. will ensure that trench routine is strictly enforced, and that no vehicles are anywhere in the area.

All tracks will be obliterated, and from 1050 to 1150 hrs. all men will be in the trenches.

So that there will be free access along the trenches, all awnings will be removed from the trenches for the period of the inspection.

C.O. 2/2 Bn. will meet C. in C. in Admin. Area at 1100 hrs.

(3) 2/4 Bn. and Bde.T.O. will organize a combined Infantry and Tank attack to be launched at 1120 hrs.

J.R. Campbell

.....Major.

B.M. 16 Aus. Inf. Bde.