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	INF	
3.	24 Aust Inf Bn	458631
	RAE	
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	AASC	
5.	4 Aust Sup Depot Pl	407543

7 AUST DIV DETAILS

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7.	Det 18 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	414544
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8.	2/4 Aust Fd Regt less two Btys	398561
9.	11 Bty 2/4 Aust Light AA	398583
	RAE	
10.	B Det 3 Aust Fd Svy Coy	408550
11.	Det 53 Aust Fd Park	402555
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12.	B Aust Corps Sigs	410548
13.	19 L of C Sigs	410548
	AASC	
14.	Det 7 Aust Div AASC	399560
15.	2/153 Aust Gen Tpt Coy less two pls	401558
16.	2/2 Aust Sup Depot Coy less five pls	407555
	AAMC	
17.	Evac Centre No 1 Strip	405547
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37.	4 Port Hospital	414557

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50.	65 Transport Sqn	426556
51.	66 Transport Sqn	429551
	ORDNANCE	
52.	1622 Ord	383566
	MISC	
53.	707 MG Bty	385571
54.	708 AA Bty	395565
55.	102 Coast Arty Bty A	
56.	210 Coast Arty Bty C	403551
57.	197 AA Bty	
58.	4 Aerodrome Sqn	394549
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News. 22 Oct 43

1. Closer collaboration between USA and Britain in war and peace – appeal by Colonel House.

2. Chinese exclusion act repealed in USA. Chinese now eligible for army induction

3. Japs have captured village of Hafichi 2 miles North of Finschhaven endeavouring to establish a beach-head either for evacuation or re-inforcement. Jap air force (30 bombers) attacked our commns with small damage. Allied air forces attacked supplies & dumps. During day 21 Jap planes were destroyed and a 4000 ton transport sunk.

4. Russia – Reds have advanced on Dnieptrovosk and completely encircled the defending Germans. Also in the Crimea they are dangerously close to encirclement.

5. Italy. Germ supply lines received a heavy pounding from the air. Rome was heavily raided – Luftwaffe was conspicuous by its absence.
Ground activity slight although we improved our positions in mountainous country.

6. Australia has appointed a High Commissioner to India

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TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

MAIN BOARD

1. Corps Sig Centre
2. 29 Aust Inf Bde No 1
3. 4 Aust Inf Bde No 1
4. 4 Aust Inf Bde No 2
5. 9 Aust Div (Rear)
6. 26 Aust Inf Bde
7. 37/52 Aust Inf Bn
8. 23 Port HQ Switch No 1
9. LAE Base Sub Area
10. 29 Aust Inf Bde No 2
11. Subsidiary Bd No 1
12. ANGAU HQ
13. GOC
14. Sigs 3 Aust Div
15. GSO I
16. 23 Port HQ Switch
17. ANGAU Compound
18. GII
19. AQ
20.
21. ADMS LSC
22.
23.
24. Allied Tech Int (LAE Strip)
25. ADOS, DADOS
26. 11 Fd Coy O.R CO.
27. LAE Base Sub Area No 2
28. Camp Office and Transport
29. GIII(I)
30. Public Phone
31. DAQMG
32. DAAG
33. GIII(O)
34. Subsidiary Bd No 2
35. "D" Tp 162 AA Regt
36. Aust Beachmaster & Movements
37.
38. Signaster
39. CRE 3 Aust Div
40. CO Sigs
41. "N" Heavy Bty
42. 2/6 Svy Bty
43. CAEME
44. CRA 5 Aust Div
45. Corps Eng CRE 1 Aust Corps
46. AASC, CASC
47.
48.
49. 2/3 AA Regt
50. DID, FSD

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CONSOLIDATED LIST OF SUBSCRIBERS

HQ 5 AUST DIV

GOC	13
GSO I	15
G II	18
G III(O)	33
G III (I)	29
AQ	19
DAAG	32
DAQMG	31
ADOS	25
DADOS	25
CAEME	43
ADMS	21
Camp and Transport	28
Cash Office	Sub Bd
Postal Unit	" "
5 Div Recpt Camp	LAE Base
3 Div Provost	Sub Bd

FORMATIONS AND HQs

9 Aust Div	5
4 Aust Inf Bde	3 &4
29 Aust Inf Bde	2 & 10
37/52 Aust Inf Bn	7
A Coy 2/[illegible]IB	37/52 Bn
4 Aust Base Sub Area	27 & 9
26 Aust Inf Bde	6
15 Aust Inf Bde	23 Port

ARTILLERY

CRA 5 Aust Div	44
2/3 AA Regt	49
"D" Tp 162 Lt AA Regt	35
14 Aust Fd Regt	4 Bde
2/6 Aust Fd Regt	" "
2/6 Aust Svy Bty	42
N Heavy Bty	41

ENGINEERS

CRE 3 Aust Div	39
CRE 1 Aust Corps	45
Engineers 1 Aust Corps	45
11 Fd Coy	6
59 Eng Fd Pk	4 Bde
2/14 Eng Fd Coy	" "
2/1 Mech Equipment Coy	LAE Base
2/7 Fd Coy	42 Bn

SIGNALS

CO Sigs 3 Aust Div	40
Signr	38
Sigs 3 Aust Div. RO ADM ADJ	14
No 1 Coy Sigs 3 Aust Div	Sub Bd
No 2 Coy Sigs 3 Aust Div	" "
Cipher Officer	" "

ASC

CASC 3 Aust Div	46
DID 18 Supply Platoon	50
FSD 1 Aust Supply Depot	50
19 Supply Pl	
FAD	2/6 Fd Regt

MEDICAL SERVICES

10 Aust Fd Amb	29 Bde
ADS 2/3 Bd Amb	Amer Bd
7 Aust Fd Amb	Sub Bd
10 Aust Fd Amb Staging Post	23 Port
7 " " " " "	Sub Bd

MISCELLANEOUS

Aust Beach Master and Movts	36
ANGAU HQ	12
ANGAU Compound	17
23 Port HQ Switch	16 - 8
LAE Base Sub Area	27 - 9
Public Phone	30
Subsidiary Board	11- 34
Allied Tech Intell (LAE Strip)	24
151 GTC	4 Bde
Pl 151 GTC	LAE Base

ORDNANCE

43 FOD	42 Bn.

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SUBSIDIARY SWITCHBOARD

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8. No 2 " " " " "
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	Identity	Switch
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3.	59 Engr Fd Pk	4 Aust Inf Bde
4.	2/14 Fd Coy	" " " "
5.	151 GTC	" " " "
6.	Pl 151 GTC	LAE Base Sub Area
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8.	2/6 Aust Fd Regt	" " " "
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10.	FAD	2/6 Aust Fd Regt
11.	FOD	42 Aust Inf Bn
12.	2/7 Fd Coy	" " " "
13.	5 Aust Div Reception Camp	LAE Base Sub Area
14.	15 Aust Inf Bde	23 Port
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23 PORT CONTROL HQ BOARD (AMERICAN)

0. Message Centre
1. Comd General
2. Hospital
3. Transportation
4. Provost Marshal
5. 48 QM Truck Coy
6. 102 Coast Arty AA
7. EM Adv
8. Air Freight Fwd Stn
9. Army Tpt Services
10. 5 Aust Div
11. ADS 2/3 Aust Fd Amb
12. 23 Port HQ
13. 23 Ord Room
14. Transmitter 491 Port Bn
15. 491 Port Bn
16. Mess Hall
17. APO 713
18. Capt DAVIS
19. LST Beach, 542 Eng
20. 23 Port Eng
21. 99 Signal
22. QM Dump
23. 3 General Hospital
24. Ordnance
25. 23 Port Eng Supply
26. Staging Post (Maj BALDWIN)
27. 1052 Eng
28. Lt Aust AA
29. 531 QM
30. 5 Aust Div No 2
31. 23 HQ Supply
32.
33. 852 Eng
34. 60 Signal
35. No 1 NADZAB
36. No 2 "
37. No 3 "
38. Wire Chief Carrier Terminal
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ref	area	command	operational		75
NB 1	ack				80
				1545	85
1652	Building	by		1547	90
				1705	95
					100
					105

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FROM 15 Bde

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
01452	23	

infm	O	enemy	counter-	attack	by
barge	possible	O f	~~instruction~~ interruption	O	D coy
24 bn	will	prepare	coy	defensive	locality
KELA	HILL	732018	O	task	O f
to	hold	high	ground	KELA	HILL
732018	against	enemy	attack	from	any
direction	O	method	O	pl	localities

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IN 6080

15 aust inf bde
58/59 aust inf bn
SECRET SITREP

1725 · 23 —
291 to 0500R/23 nothing
to report

0500
0501

(12) L Admiralty 0645

HHH

BRG IN 6088

15 BDE

58/59 BN

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Secret ⊙ situation 292 to 1700K/23 ⊙ NCO

Cadre commenced 0800K/23

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IN 6100

Z-LIC - 4R24

15 AUST INF BDE

58/59 AUST INF BN — 0695-24-

Your report on ops DOUBLET. 30 Jun to 5 Aug

receipt acknowledged

1155

1200

1305

L 1255 [illegible]

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15 aust Inf Bde

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TO 15 BDE

R185

FROM 58/59 BN

Originator's Number N 1

Date 24

In Reply to Number

for MAJ TRAVERS from NEWMAN ⊙
R/T prohibited ⊙ have you any
message

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T.O.R. 1455

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TO 59/59 Bde

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
15 Bde	01594	24	N1

for NEWMAN ① no message ①
use this channel to keep no
informed of your doings as necessary

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TIME OF ORIGIN 1903

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TO 3 and div

FROM 15 bde | Originator's Number O 1596 | Date 24 | In Reply to Number

ref	comms	57/60 bn	and	15 bde	⊙
comm	essential	for	contact	with	bns
at	MORESBY	ref	adm	⊙	also
desirable	for	trg	of	operators	⊙
provides	chan	of	bde	staff	opr
at	present	in	MORESBY	⊙	traffic
sufficient	to	justify	link		

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SIGNATURE R. H. Graves. Maj.

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TIME OF ORIGIN 2050.

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TO 15 BDE

R185

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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for MAJ TRAVERS from NEWMAN O
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T.O.R. 1455

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IN 6113

15 AUST INF BDE

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15 AUST INF BDE

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IN 6114

ack report on ops BOBOWBI SALAMAUA area

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TO 2/3 inf Bde Coy

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
15 Bde	01455	25	

ACK	receipt	recommendations			delivered
by	L.O.				

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15 BDE

58/59 BN

0701 25

15 BDE op notes No 18 copy no 2 ack

IN P 2016 Rumsey.

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58/59 Bn

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IN 6121

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IN 6122

15 BDE

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TO 58/59 aust inf bn

FROM 15 aust inf bde

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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ack	your	trg	instn	no	3

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BH Lawrence
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TO 15 AUST INF BDE

FROM 58/59 BN

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OUT 6725

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TO 3 div

FROM 15 bde

Originator's Number 01606

Date 26

In Reply to Number

bring HAMMER arriving MORESBY by plane
approx 1000 hrs 26 Oct ⊙ plane arrange
a veh to be at his
disposal during visit

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TO 15 AUST INF BDE

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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LT. COL. G.R. WARFE proceeded to mainland on leave afternoon 25 OCT

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HQ 5 AUST DIV INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO 245

(From information received to 0900 hrs 25 Oct 43)

RECEIVED 27 Oct
Copies
Noted by COMD.
B. M.
S. C.

OPERATIONS

5 AUST DIV

15 Aust Inf Bde

D Coy 24 Aust Inf Bn killed five Japs in the AVIN area on 24 Oct, and found seventeen enemy dead.

Documents recovered from the enemy include maps of LAE and MARKHAM, 4 mile Strat series.

An unconfirmed report was received that ten Japs were on the road in the vicinity of YALU. A patrol sent out to check this report contacted and killed one Jap.

29 Aust Inf Bde

Patrol activity continues.

9 AUST DIV

24 Aust Inf Bde

On the night of 21/22 Oct the enemy evacuated his positions from inclusive KATIKA 640680 to the mouth of the River SIKI.

Fighting patrols mopped up and at 1100 hrs the area was reported clear.

The enemy also withdrew from close contact West of SCARLET BEACH but patrols located enemy still in positions astride KATIKA track approximately at 630682.

The Bde perimeter was moved West during the 22 Oct to a greater depth from SCARLET BEACH and at this date ran from 639696 to SIKI River at 636679 where it junctions with a Bn position.

At 1945hrs the enemy made heavy attacks East astride the KATIKA track supported by an unusual volume of LMG fire.

These attacks which took the form of mass attacks were repulsed with heavy casualties but were followed by infiltration attacks which were also repulsed.

A fighting patrol moved from KUMAWA along the track to SATELBERG road at 562663 engaged a party of twenty Japs killing at least two and wounding two without loss to themselves.

Close coastal defence against enemy small craft has now been organised.

PIB patrols and native reports confirm the belief that enemy supply failed to arrive by inland route KALASA-WAREO.

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Large enemy camps have been located in the area 565676, at the headwaters of the SIKI River at 558642, 566697, 575693 and on the BONGA-WANGO track.

On 23 Oct patrolling took place to BONGA. No movement seen.

Fighting patrols located enemy still holding positions astride the KATIKA track approximately 630682.

At 1910/23 Oct the enemy made three heavy attacks East along the KATIKA track. All were repulsed with heavy casualties.

Continual enemy movement both ways on the track PALANKO (5668) to GARABOX (596687) engaged by our arty and casualties inflicted.

Fighting patrols attacked an enemy post at 555643 inflicting casualties.

Arty engaged enemy positions through the day, several explosions took place which were believed to be ammunition dumps.

Later information received reports a fourth attack on our position on the KATIKA track at 2000/23 which was repulsed.

Enemy movement during the night indicated attempts at infiltration.

ENEMY (ii) SEA

Our PT boats reported sinking two enemy barges during the night 23/24 Oct forty miles along the coast.

The PT boats were engaged by a shore battery.

OWN (iii) AIR

RABAUL

At midday 23 Oct, six squadrons of LIBERATORS escorted by sixty-four LIGHTNINGS bombed LAKUNAI and VUNAKANAU airfields. Reports are not yet available from the bombers, but preliminary reports from the fighters indicate that seventy or more enemy fighters intercepted, of which nine were destroyed and five probably destroyed. Our losses were one LIGHTNING shot down and two damaged.

(2 Aust Corps Intelligence Report No 15)

FINSCHHAFEN Area

At 1045 hrs 23 Oct, fourteen THUNDERBOLTS intercepted twelve to eighteen enemy fighters about twenty miles NE of FINSCHHAFEN. Three enemy fighters were destroyed and six probably destroyed without loss. Half an hour later, nine KITTYHAWKS attacked and destroyed an enemy light bomber ten miles east of FINSCHHAFEN.

(2 Aust Corps Intelligence Report No 15)

ENEMY (iii) AIR

At 1455 to 1610 hrs 24 Oct six enemy aircraft dropped sixty-six bombs in the FINSCHHAFEN area and in the sea. No damage or casualties reported.

At 1055 hrs 23 Oct a surprise attack by enemy aircraft on our naval craft in LANGEMAK BAY was intercepted by our fighters. Results were not observed.

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At 1640 hrs 23 Oct two HELLIS dropped fifteen parachutes in the area PALANKO 5668. The dropping area was engaged by our arty and strafed by KITTYHAWKS at 1855 hrs

PART II

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Additional enemy identifications are:

1 Bn 79 Inf Regt
2 Bn 79 Inf Regt
3 Bn 26 Arty Regt.

A captured notebook shows that 79 Regt was ordered to move to FINSCHHAFEN on 5 Sep, and began departing from BOGADJIM 10 Sept.

SATELBERG Area

A file of operation orders belonging to 80 Regt dated 15 Aug to 20 Sep 43 was recently captured at FINSCHHAFEN. Included is a document giving particulars of units with their strengths, which apparently moved by sea or marched along the coast from BOGADJIM to FINSCHHAFEN between 15 Aug and 15 Sep 43.

These included 20 Div Sigs, 26 Fd Arty Regt, 80 Regt HQ, 2 Bn, 3 Bn, plus MG Coys and Gun coys and pls, making a total all told of 3,224.

The move was to be in seven echelons: five to march by the coastal track in 26 days, one to go by barge in [illegible] days and the advance party, which was also to move by barge.

(2 Aust Corps Intelligence Report No 15)

PART III

TOPOGRAPHICAL

A patrol from 42 Aust Inf Bn reports that a village named USEP is located at 650635 ref map NADZAB 1".

for Lt Col
GS 5 Aust Div

DISTRIBUTION

As per HQ 5 Aust Div Intelligence Summary No 238.

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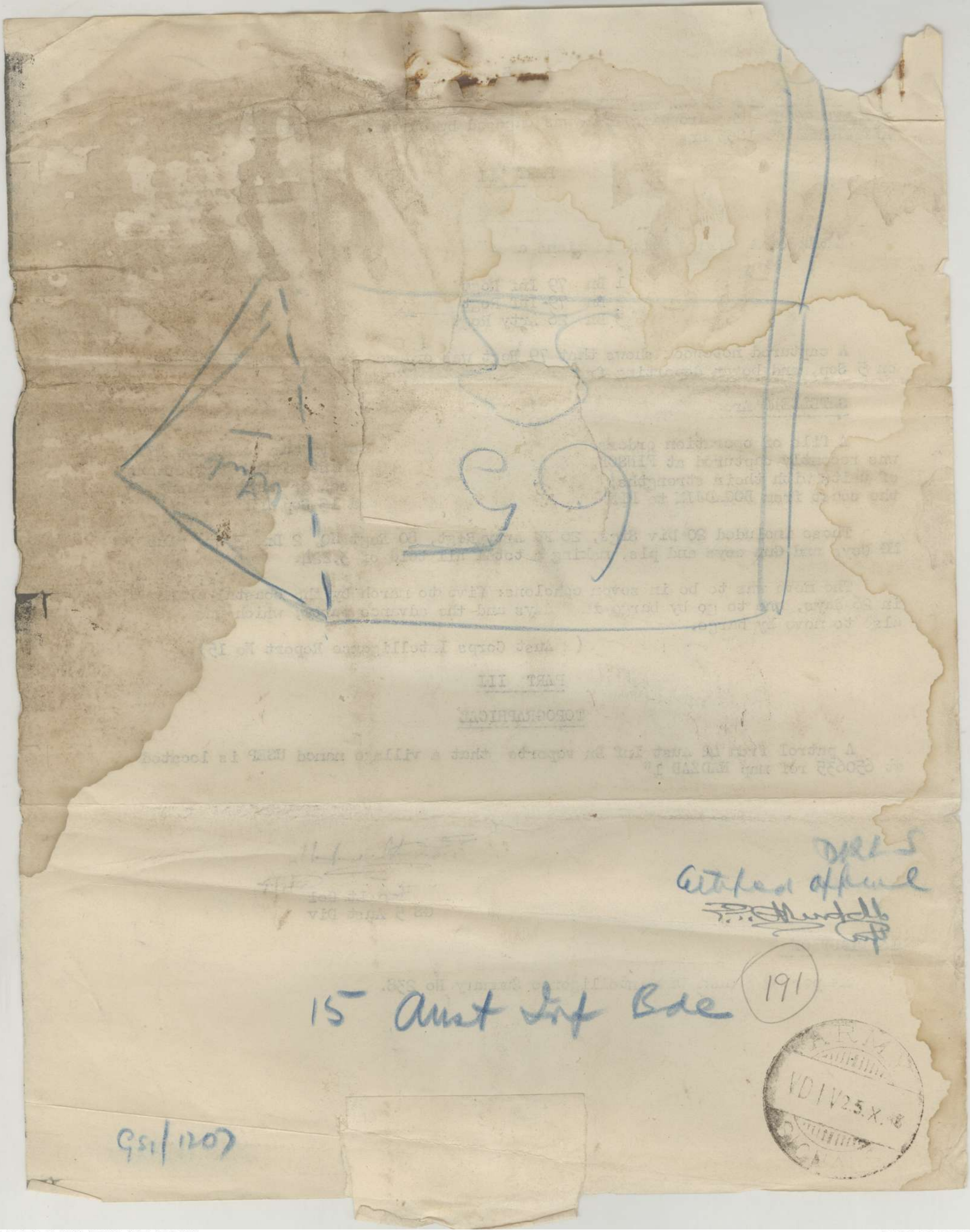

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TO 3 aust div

FROM 15 aust inf bde	Originator's Number D1614	Date 28	In Reply to Number

for	brig	HAMMER	⊙	PECK	found
2000	yds	SW	MUNKIP	⊙	badly
injured	⊙	natives	began	carrying	24
act	NOT	yet	reached	24	bn
⊙	pilot	killed			

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PROFORMA MESSAGE FORM

IN 6794

HHH

TO:- 20 BDE : 24 BDE : 26 BDE : RAA : RAE : SIGS : 2/2 MG BN : 2/3 PNR BN : 2/23 BN : 9 DIV CARR COY : 2/4 CAV COMMANDO SQN : C TK SQN : A COY 2/1 GD REGT : 22 BN : C COY PIB : DET 4 AC SQN : 132 REGT 2 ESB : 808 ENGR BN : COMD : G : AQ (PASS TO ORD AEME PRO PAY) : CAMP : MLO KEDAM : REAR 9 DIV : AASC : MEDICAL : BMB : WAR DIARY (2)

FROM:- ADV 9 AUST DIV 0973 28

MOST SECRET (.) sitrep 50 to 2000L/27 (.) ref maps 1/25000 and 1 inch series (.) 24 bde (.) patrol to 603713 observed enemy sentry at 605712 15 JAPS at 602715 (.) patrol to 621694 NMS (.) PIB patrol found 37 enemy dug in 100 yds north of BONGA (.) tracks BONGA - WAREO BONGA - 600715 and BONGA northwards all well used (.) 2/32 bn moved fwd during day dispositions A Coy 632682 B coy 637686 C coy 633683 remainder unchanged (.) A and B coys 2/3 pnr bn reverted to comd 2/3 pnr bn and moved to SALANKAUA (.) 26 bde (.) 2/48 bn patrol to 617683 killed 4 JAPS wounded 2 (.) patrol to 623683 inflicted cas on enemy patrol (.) 20 bde (.) 2/13 bn HQ to 611667 (.) patrols 2/13 bn to 611674 thence NW to 606675 NMS patrol to 603661 NMS 2/17 bn patrol to 583663 NMS (.) 22 bn patrol activity NMS (.) HQ C sqn 1 tk bn and three tps now located POLA area (.) enemy recce-plane over FINSCHHAFEN and LANGEMAK BAY 1400 hrs (.) 9 enemy Bs escorted by 17 Fs dropped approx 60 parachutes vicinity SATELBERG (.) our Fs intercepted and destroyed unknown number (.) ~~2xunidentifiedxshipsxsighted~~ area later engaged by our arty large fire observed in same area (.) 2 unidentified ships ~~sighte~~ sighted at bearing 23 degrees from ZAG no further report (.) 5 div (.) ref map 1 inch series (.) 24 bn killed 4 JAPS on SIO track sq 7084 (.) 7 div no report

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If liable, etc. DRLS TOO: 0720L

Capt.

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HQ 5 AUST DIV INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO 247

(From information received to 0900 hrs 27 Oct 43)

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B. M.
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OPERATIONS

5 AUST DIV

15 Aust Inf Bde

Patrol reports from 24 Aust Inf Bn give the following details:

A Coy is now at YALU.

B Coy patrols are at PYRAMID HILL 293518. No enemy were contacted.

D Coy on a two day patrol along the SIO track found and killed four Japs. No others were seen.

9 AUST DIV

24 Aust Inf Bde

Patrols from 2/43 Aust Inf Bn ambushed fifteen enemy at 650730 (ref map MASAWENT R 1"). Two were killed and the rest were dispersed.

Intensive patrolling by 2/28 Aust Inf Bn West to 628 Easting disclosed no enemy in the vicinity.

Patrols from 2/32 Aust Inf Bn found the enemy had withdrawn from his forward positions. The perimeter has been pushed West to greater depth.

26 Aust Inf Bde

Enemy positions at 635578 were heavily mortared during the night 25/26 Oct. The enemy withdrew.

Patrols West along the SIKI R to 631 Easting reported no enemy in the area occupied by our troops.

Ten enemy barges were engaged by our arty during 26 Oct.

OWN (iii) AIR

Further reports on air operations during 24 Oct:

RABAUL

About 1115 hrs, fifty-nine MITCHELLS escorted by ninety LIGHTNINGS bombed and strafed VUNAKANAU, RAPOPO and TOBERA airfields from minimum altitudes. At least forty-five grounded enemy aircraft were destroyed. An RDF station, two buildings, and a dump were demolished by direct hits and numerous buildings, searchlight and AA positions and airfield installations were damaged by strafing.

The MITCHELLS destroyed eight intercepting enemy fighters and the LIGHTNINGS thirty-four more. Two of our MITCHELLS were lost but the crew of one is safe. One LIGHTNING is missing.

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REIN BAY

At 0400 hrs, two LIBERATORS bombed a destroyer and a large merchant vessel in REIN BAY. The bombs overshot and no damage was observed. Three destroyers, five large unidentified vessels and fifteen barges were sighted.

ALEXISHAFEN

This morning, seventeen MITCHELLS bombed and strafed with 75 mm cannon fire dispersal areas and supply dumps near the airfields at ALEXISHAFEN. The attack is reported as effective. A building, several native huts and a heavy AA position were destroyed and a number of fires started.

SATELBERG Area

This afternoon, nine BOSTONS accurately bombed and strafed enemy defensive positions in support of our forward troops.

Air Operations 25 Oct

MASAWENG River Area: At 1100 hrs, nine BOSTONS bombed and strafed enemy positions at 638775, 635786, 613808 and a village at the mouth of the MASAWENG R. The attacks are reported accurate and most of the huts in the target areas were seen to be damaged.

(2 Aust Corps Intell Report No 17)

F LAKUNAI airfield (RABAUL) was bombed by fifty LIBERATORS. At least fifty-eight enemy aircraft were destroyed on the ground and in the air, and thirty-seven probably destroyed. One LIBERATOR was destroyed but eight of the crew are safe.

On 26 Oct eleven squadrons of MITCHELLS and seven squadrons of LIGHTNINGS took off to attack RABAUL but weather prevented the attack.

PART II

ENEMY OOB

PW No 28 captured at BAINDUANG stated:

(a) That 3000-4000 troops, mostly of 51 Div, left LAE to go overland to SIO.
(b) They travelled in four groups.
(c) Lt-Gen NAGANO, Hidemitsu GOC 51 Div and his Chief of Staff (name unknown) travelled in the second group.
(d) Lt-Col YANAGIDA of 51 Div Engrs was also with second group.

PW No 30 captured at BAINDUANG stated:

(a) That 500 men of 66 Inf Regt were evacuated by MLC from SALAMAUA to LAE and left overland for SIO.
(b) Regimental Commander Col ARAKI and 1 Bn Comdr Capt NUMADA were amongst those that went on to SIO.

for. Lt Col
GS 5 Aust Div

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Attaching Affairs
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15 Aust Inf Bde

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Subject: 35 mm MACHINE CANNON

HQ 5 Aust Div
24 Oct 43
GSI/1204

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4 Aust Inf Bde
15 " " "
29 " " "
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RAE 3 Aust Div

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23 Port HQ

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~~1.0.~~ Refer to 1st Bde

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OPERATIONS

5 AUST DIV

4 Aust Inf Bde

D Coy reached YAMBON ref 363542 at the junction of Government tracks to JOANGENG and SATELBERG. Indications were seen that both tracks had been used by Japs.

Patrolling continues in the area YAMBON-SAMBEANG, no enemy being seen.

Natives report that a party of three spotters was killed by Japs at KULUNGTUFU.

LAE Area

ANGAU natives working with US troops captured another Jap about two miles to the West of the airfield on the afternoon of 25 Oct.

29 Aust Inf Bde

15 Aust Inf Bn patrol reports that two Jap tracks were located and followed to 480503. Four dead bodies were found, and possibly more are in the swamp. An improvised raft indicates that the remnants of the party crossed or attempted to cross the MARKHAM R.

Comment These remarks confirm statements made by PW No 27.

15 Aust Inf Bn HQ closed at 0800L/25 and reopened at the same time at 676435, D Coy remaining at MARKHAM PT.

Deserted huts and one dead Jap were found thirty minutes along the BAMBOK track. C Coy contacted 24 Aust Inf Bn at KEMEN.

15 Aust Inf Bde

A member of B Corps Sigs who was unarmed at the time, reports having sighted two Japs at 549550 (just near YALU). The Japs were in good condition and were carrying arms.

A Coy sent patrols to YALU and NARAKAPOR via North bank of the MARKHAM R to search for Japs crossing the river.

On morning of 25 Oct a two day fighting patrol left AVIN to recce the SIO track.

A new type of rifle was captured. It is stated to be identical with the 99 Type but length of only 35 inches.

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7 AUST DIV

On 25 Oct, eight KITTYHAWKS led in by BOOMERANGS bombed and strafed enemy positions in the UPPER FARIA River area.

Following the air strike 2/16 Aust Inf Bn patrol raided enemy positions estimated at two coys in area 7063 and inflicted casualties.

2/14 Aust Inf Bn reached KEY POINT 4 7659.

9 AUST DIV

24 Aust Inf Bde

Active patrolling and consolidation continued during 24 Oct.

2/23 Aust Inf Bn patrol to BONGA killed one Jap. Patrols along the South bank of the SONG R to 633697 and 629690 reported no movement seen.

During the night 24/25 Oct there was intermittent firing in the KATIKA area and some enemy movement.

On 25 Oct a patrol located twenty-five Japs at 653731 and enemy positions at 636690 and 635689.

A and B Coys 2/32 Aust Inf Bn made slight advances to area 639686 on 24 Oct. On the 25th they were in close contact with the enemy on the whole front.

At 1300 hrs an enemy 75 mm gun at 636681 was engaged and hit by 25-pounders. Eight enemy were killed.

At 1400 hrs the same day our arty engaged suspected enemy dumps in the PALANKO area at 5668 causing explosions and large fires which burned for two hours.

During 25 Oct arty shelled enemy positions at 595662 and on the 24 Aust Inf Bde front.

26 Aust Inf Bde

2/48 Aust Inf Bn patrols killed a Jap officer at 635677 and encountered fifteen Japs at 637679, also enemy on the KATIKA track at 617680.

Enemy were located at 635678 and dug-in positions at 635679.

On 24 Oct patrols from 22 Aust Inf Bn to KWENBANG 559591 (Ref map FINSCHHAFEN 1") and a village at 547555, reported no movement seen.

The following day a small Jap party encountered at 559605 withdrew on contact.

OWN (iii) AIR

On 23 Oct forty-seven BEAUFORTS and BOSTONS escorted by KITTYHAWKS successfully attacked GASMATA and also sank a small vessel off ANWEK R. One BEAUFORT is missing.

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On 24 Oct fifty-nine MITCHELLS escorted by ninety LIGHTNINGS again attacked the RABAUL airfields. Results are:

	Destroyed	Probables or damaged
On the ground	45	19
Fighters accounted for " "	34	14
Bombers	8	1
	87	34

SATELBERG Area

BOSTONS bombed and strafed the area on 24 Oct.

ENEMY (iii) AIR

Between 1315 and 1555 on 25 Oct seven enemy bombers dropped thirty-seven bombs on the North and South Shores of LANGEMAK BAY causing some casualties and slight damage.

PART II

ENEMY OOB

PW No 27 captured at YALU on 29 Oct was from No 2 MG Coy of 238 Inf Regt. He was at MARKHAM PT and after the encounter with Australians on 17 Sep they split up into small parties. He with seven or eight others went down towards SALAMAUA and later returned to the MARKHAM River.

He insisted that most of his companions had died and the one remaining was drowned in crossing the MARKHAM River.

FINSCHHAFEN

A PW recently captured there states:

(a) Elements of 54 Div were in NG. They were NOT East of MADANG.

(b) 51 Div elements were being withdrawn to BOGADJIM and ERIMA.

(c) Heard that 5 Div had been withdrawn to PALAU to reorganise but had now left there and may be in NG.

(2 Aust Corps Intelligence Report No 16)

Fm. Lt Col
GS 5 Aust Div

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15 Aust Inf Bde

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35 MM MACHINE CANNON

HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
29 Oct 43

24 Aust Inf Bn

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Attack	81 bn	0600 4/31	D coy	0815 4/30	
15 Bde	81 sec	assisted	BAIN	2 AdN	57686
from	MANAKA	SAT	ref 590718	sends	D coy
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subsep to 0700 L/31 ⊙ 15 bn ⊙ subnor ⊙ 42 bn ⊙ ccoy/patrol reached KALANDONG 1500L/29 LEFT AM/30 for KASANOMODEN map ref not to hand/ ⊙ NIMBU River and rebuilt patrol -led ⊙ no sign of enemy ⊙ 47 bn ⊙ subnor ⊙ all unwounded

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TO 15 Bde

FROM 24 Bn | Originator's Number I 178 | Date 31 | In Reply to Number

(Write horizontally)

LOCSTATE as at 1800 L/31 ⊙ ref maps
BOANA NADZAB 1 in BHQ camp
Diddy 456928 ⊙ HQ coy camp DIDDY
45-8631 A coy plus 12 pl B coy YALU
545548 ⊙ B coy HQ plus 10 pl
351568 11 pl 351566 ⊙ C coy HQ.
KUMBUM 577695 15 pl HQ BAMBOK
599708 1 sec HANOBMAIN JUNC Crossing
622737 13 pl HQ BAINDUANG 657795
1 sec ORIN 610743 1 sec SOKULUM
629817 14 pl BOANA 499714
1 sec BOANA strip 504707 ⊙
d coy HQ plus 18 pl NGAFIR
CK 449605 ⊙ Composite 16 and
17 pl HQ BAINDUANG 1 sec
CAMP 1 488662 1 sec GUMBUK
506681 all moving NGAFIR CK

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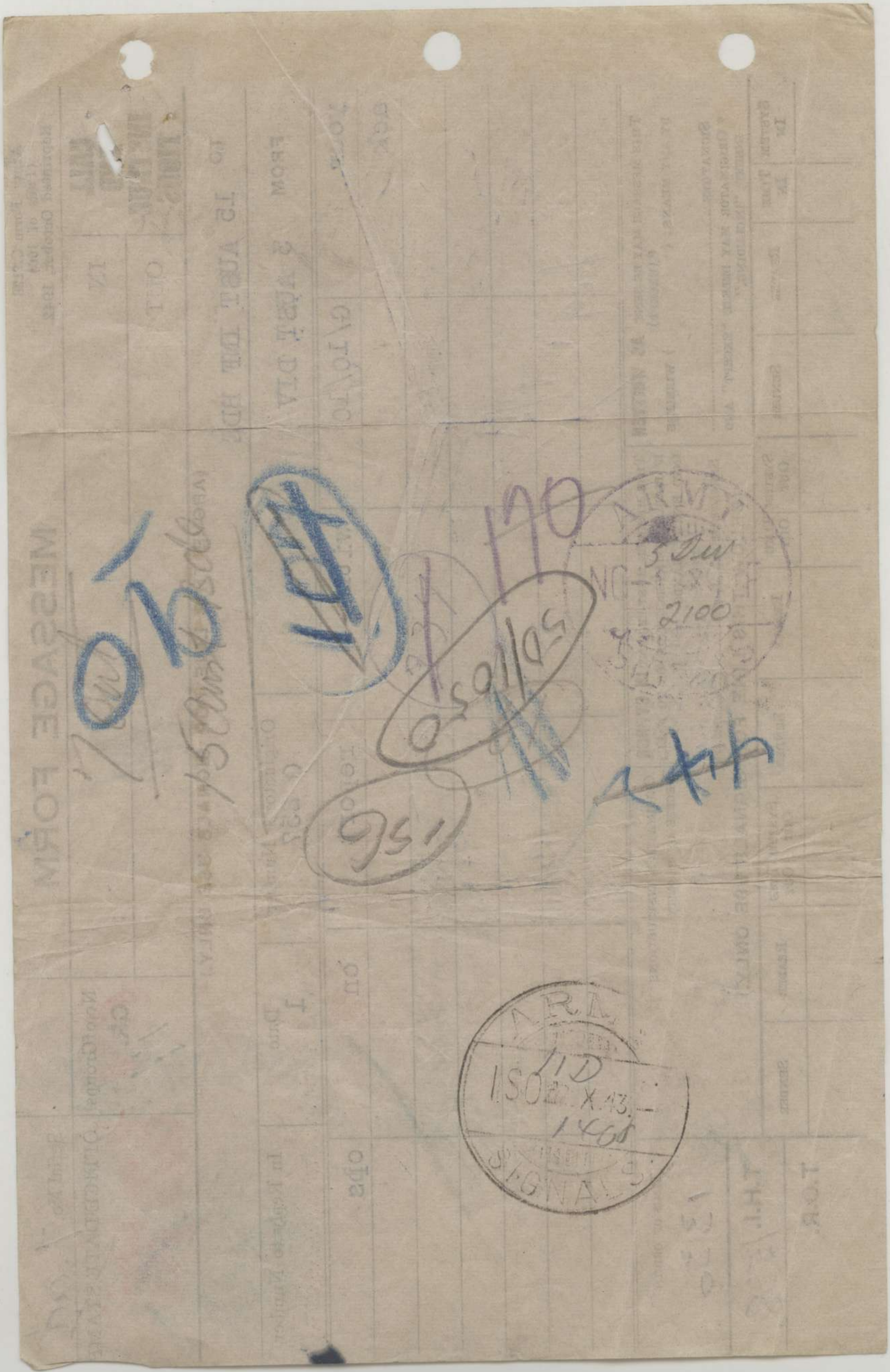

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TO 58/59 aust inf bn

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approval	given	appointment	VX186	capt	(t/maj)
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IN 6228

15 AUST INF BDE
2 US air task force.

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1710.

robert M.

Ld P. Greenough. 1703.

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Lieut Whittaker, 1815L/9. HNB HAB IN 6312

W.O. Blake states:

a. Can supply European & native guides to these villages.

b. 200 natives should be at camp DIDDY tonight

c. Japs are in BOWAN, MAWA KASAT, MISOK, BAMBOK, KUMBUM, KUMBAIP, KEMIN, KARANDADOANG

d. Lulnai BONZAIN states states large numbers of Japs at BAIMDUANG 6000 yds up on road to 510.

BAB

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IN 6313

15 AUST INF BDE
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is there any suggestion or evidence of codes or ciphers being compromised within offices or units under command ⊙ reply by important signal ⊙ all informed

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OUT

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TO sigs 3 aust div

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
15 aust inf bde	O 1521	10	SIGS 162

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS		No. of Groups	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	IN 1PS T 6 B 7	GR.	IN 6435
	OUT Salamaua.		

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TO 15 Aust Inf Bde

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
3 Aust Div	0326	10	

Your report on ops BOBDuBI

SALAMAUA acknowledged

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MESSAGE FORM

OUT 63 21

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS		No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
IN	Cond. Bde. 18 Bde are going to repeat 7 Div Retreat to us, we will repeat onto to them. This is to give them a start. HK.		
OUT			

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TO 18 aust inf bde

FROM 15 aust inf bde	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
	I 568	11	

locations	100004/11	O	bde HQ	423547	O
24 hr	O	adv HQ	482693	near HQ	449605
A coy	YALU	B coy	CAMP	DIDDY	C coy
moving	to	GUMBUK	D coy	HQ	and
17 pl	BOANA	16 pl	patrolling	BAWAN	18 pl
patrolling	LUMBAIP	O	57/60 hr	O	HQ
352567	B coy	355569	C coy	less	two

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OUT 6355

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TO

FROM 2	Originator's Number I568	Date 11	In Reply to Number

yes	350563	D Coy	350568	@	HQ Coy
A Coy	two	yes	C Coy	MORESBY	O
ref	maps	BOANA	NADZAB	one	nil

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TIME OF ORIGIN
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TO 15 Aust Inf. Bde.

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
adv 18 aust inf bde	Ox 10b	7/11	

amendt	river	1	to	div	Apx
located	statement	⊙	serial	7A	⊙
B	dec	3	aust	for	any
coy	⊙	YALU	⊙	all	informed
⊙					

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MESSAGE FORM

BMG

HQ SAF TTE 45
20 OCT 1943
NO

TO : 7 AUST INF BDE 2/8 AUST ARMD REGT RAA 5 AUST DIV RAE 11 AUST DIV 2/16 AUST A FD COY 5 AUST DIV ENGR DUMP 25 AUST CAMFLG UNIT 23 AUST CAMFLG UNIT 2/21 AUST CORPS CAMFLG UNIT SIGS 5 AUST DIV 2/1 AUST MG BN 6 AUST MG BN 2/1 AUST P NR BN 3 AUST DIV CARR COY 5 AUST DIV CARR COY REAR DET 15 AUST INF BDE REAR DET 57/60 AUST INF BN 3 AUST DIV RECEPTION SEC 7 AUST DIV CONCERT PARTY 11 AUST DIV CONCERT PARTY AASC 5 AUST DIV

FROM : 3 AUST DIV 0 311 6

in order to ascertain exact number
and location GEO wireless receivers in
MORESBY area all formations services and
units will furnish following infm to this HQ not
later than 9 oct : number of
sets held . serial number of
each set (.) whether held on charge
or on loan (.) if on
loan to state from which unit
. present location of set .
nil returns required all informed

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Originators Instns
Degree of priority

TOO 1615
THI 1645
TOR

D Martlew
Capt

Distribution by G : AA&QMG Medical Ord AEME Amenities

Cleared
P 00054/9 Dougall
Lt Kelly
2 Aust Inf RD.

P/A

57/60. Bn

58/59 Rear 15 Inf Bde

24 Bn

CONFIRMATION

465 Ord 11 Div 1820

DRLS

268

ARMY TELEGRAPHS X/10.X.43. JV

Rear Details 15 Inf Bde

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ARMY NG 39 Div 9.X.1940

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TO adv 8 bde

FROM 15 bde

Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
O 532	12	OX 106

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN	No. of Groups	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT	GR.	116362

10. Amend & return whole file to me BAS

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TO 15 aust inf bde

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
adv 28 aust inf bde	OX 117	13	

amendt	no.	2	to	div	tps
location	statement	(.)	delete	serial	no.
13	(.)	serial	no.	2	under
veh	no.	delete	60	insert	74
(.)	all	informal			

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15 Aust Inf Bde

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IN 6385

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TO 15 Aust inf bde

FROM Area Comdt SALAMAUA | Originator's Number RLS | Date 12 | In Reply to Number

for	BM	from	COULTER	⊙	all
stores	assembled	now	awaiting	shpt	SALAMAUA
⊙	ETA	NADZAB	not	before	13 Oct

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T.H.I. 1920

T.O.R. 1930

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	OUT		1N 6408.

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TO 15 BDE

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
ADV 18 BDE	OX 120	13	—

amendt	No 3	to	DIV tps	location	statement
⊙	delete	serials	No 4	No 5	and No 7
⊙	serial	7A	under	map ref	delete
YALU	insert	410550	⊙	serial.	14 and
15	insert	det	⊙	all	informed

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T.H.I. —

T.O.R. 1105

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN	I.O. Amend this list
	OUT	

No. of Groups GR. 1N

Serial No.

OFFICE DATE STAMP 6450

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TO 15 BDE

FROM ADV 18 BDE

Originator's Number OX 120

Date 13

In Reply to Number —

amendt	No 3	to	DIV tps	location	statement
⊙	delete	serials	No 4	No 5	and No 7
⊙	serial	7A	under	map ref	delete
YALU	insert	410550	⊙	serials	14 and
15	insert	det	⊙	all	informed

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CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN	No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		IN 6406

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TO 15 BDE

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
ADV 15 BDE	OK 122	14	

ref our patrol orders dated 10 OCT @
ordered make patrol as follows @ CARMATZUNG
MISSION track June 4653 NARRAKATOR
YALU — OLD MUNDUM — CARMATZUNG

amended on other

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TIME OF ORIGIN 1000

T.H.I. 1002

T.O.R. 1020

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	IN		
	OUT	OUT	6467

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TO AD SVY NGF, Afd 5 aust air

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
15 aust inf bde	T 573	15	

could	following	maps	be	made	available
please	O	one	mile	series	O
MASAWANG	RIVER	FINSCHAFEN	MONGA	RIVER	KULUNG
TUFI	DUMPU	GUSAP	NANKINA	SINGORKAI	TIMBE
RIVER	POMMERN	BAY	URIGINA	MALANSANGA	O
1/25000	series	O	BUSO	HOPOI	KIRKLANDS
SATELBERG	LANGEMAK	BAY	O	10 Copies	each

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TIME OF ORIGIN 2230

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146500

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	OUT		

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TO

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

from HILL ⊙ please arrange feet meet me ⊙ arriving Fort Light 17th oct ⊙ bringing 2 horses

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		MINGAU MADRAB HMS	18 01360	
				75
ack ⊙ op inst 1 ack				80
			0600	
				85
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				95
				100

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NADZAB AREA COMD

LOCATION STATEMENT NO 1

HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde
19 Oct 43

1. Attached as Appendix A is NADZAB Area Location Statement No 1 as at 2359 hrs 19 Oct 43.

2. It is requested that any errors and omissions be notified to this HQ.

3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

B. H. Frames.
Major
BM 15 Aust Inf Bde

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APPENDIX A

NADZAB AREA COMD LOCATION STATEMENT NO 1

AS AT 2359 hrs 19 OCT 43

Ref Map: NADZAB 1:25000

PART I AUSTRALIAN UNITS

15 AUST INF BDE

		Map Ref
	HQ	
1.	HQ 15 Aust Inf Bde	424547
2.	15 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	424547
	INF	
3.	24 Aust Inf Bn	458631
	RAE	
4.	Det 15 Aust Fd Coy	422549
	AASC	
5.	4 Aust Sup Depot Pl	407543
	7 AUST DIV DETAILS	
	HQ	
6.	HQ 7 Aust Div Details	414544
7.	Det 18 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	414544
	RAA	
8.	2/4 Aust Fd Regt less two Btys	398561
9.	11 Bty 2/4 Aust Light AA	398583
	RAE	
10.	B Det 3 Aust Fd Svy Coy	408550
11.	Det 53 Aust Fd Park	402555
	SIGS	
12.	B Aust Corps Sigs	410548
13.	19 L of C Sigs	410548
	AASC	
14.	Det 7 Aust Div AASC	399560
15.	2/153 Aust Gen Tpt Coy less two pls	401558
16.	2/2 Aust Sup Depot Coy less five pls	407555
	AAMC	
17.	Evac Centre No 1 Strip	405547
	AAOC	
18.	2/117 Aust Fd Workshops	401553
	MISC	
19.	7 Aust Div Transit Camp	397562
	MISCELLANEOUS	
20.	3 Aust Air Maintenance Coy	424549
21.	12 Air Tpt Control	
22.	ANGAU	398587
23.	Adv Q 2 Aust Corps	409547
24.	111 CCS	414548
25.	4 AC Sqn	423549
26.	AWW	
27.	3 Aust Div Postal Unit FPO 084	398559

PART II US UNITS

	HQ	
28.	STAFF	378543
	ENGRS	
29.	808 Engrs	YALU Area
30.	842 Engrs	430544
31.	871 Engrs	Square 4057
32.	872 Engrs	405568
	SIGS	
33.	1041 Sigs	
34.	565 Sigs A/W Bn	386542
35.	565 Sigs Coy C	428549
36.	44 Sigs Coy A	378568
	MEDICAL	
37.	4 Port Hospital	414557

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PART II US UNITS (Contd.)

		Map Ref
	SERVICE GRPS	
38.	1134 QM Coy	404567
39.	1954 QM Coy	399571
40.	2027 QM Coy	
41.	2 Serv Sqn	427544
42.	63 Serv Sqn	393547
43.	376 Serv Sqn	387542
44.	482 Serv Sqn	393543
	FIGHTER SQNS	
45.	35 Fighter Control	386545
46.	18 Fighter Sqn	398541
47.	39 Fighter Sqn	390545
48.	40 Fighter Sqn	390545
49.	41 Fighter Sqn	390545
	TRANSPORT SQNS	
50.	65 Transport Sqn	426556
51.	66 Transport Sqn	429551
	ORDNANCE	
52.	1622 Ord	383566
	MISC	
53.	707 MG Bty	385571
54.	708 AA Bty	395565
55.	102 Coast Arty Bty A	
56.	210 Coast Arty Bty C	403551
57.	197 AA Bty	
58.	4 Aerodrome Sqn	394549
59.	1131 MP Coy	383568
60.	710 A/C Warning	
61.	W/Stn	427547

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G 1/49
(Extract from 5 DIV G 292 6 Lpr)

ENEMY AIRCRAFT SIGHTINGS

1. Report will comprise two parts :-

(a) The Air Flash, which will be despatched immediately.

(b) The Detailed Report, which is required less urgently.

THE AIR FLASH

2. (a) This message will be sent by most urgent means to Formation HQ for onward transmission in clear. By following sequence shown in sub-para (b) below it will be seen that unnecessary words are eliminated. This sequence will therefore be followed.

(b) The following information is required :-

LOG TABLE

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(i) Time of sighting.

(ii) Number of enemy planes.

(iii) Type (ZEKE OSCAR BETTY etc., or SSF TEF H/B etc)

(iv) Direction of approach and height.

(v) Details of action - bombed, strafed or reconnoitred or passed overhead.

(vi) Place (map ref - if possible 1" to 4 miles Strat Series)

(vii) Direction of departure and height.

Example:

Message to be sent in clear by highest permissable priority signal

1250 hrs 25 SSF 10 MB from NE at 10000 bombed GILI GILI

departed SW.

(c) Where enemy planes are sighted but do not pass overhead the information is of equal importance to Air Force. The line of flight is of particular interest and to establish this two reports may be necessary.

Example;

14 00 hrs 25 enemy airplanes from SE at 8000 passed

over (map ref)

1405 hrs enemy airplanes from SE at 8000 passed over

(map ref)

DETAILED REPORT

3. (a) This message will be enciphered whenever danger of interception exists. While not entailing the same urgency as the Air Flash, this message will not be unduly delayed. Where possible all elements of the list of detailed information will be included. To minimise verbiage reference will be made to the Key letters of the list as shown in sub-para (b) below.

(b) The following information is required :-

A. Ref to FLASH MESSAGE.

B. APPARENT RENDEVOUS.....OR RALLY POINT.....

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C. ANY SIGNAL TO INDICATE POSITION OF.....
FRIENDLY OR ENEMY GROUND TROOPS .....

D. AIRPLANE MARKINGS OR CHARACTERISTICS.....

E. NO AND TYPE OF BOMBS DROPPED.....

F. DAMAGE TO PERSONNEL.....
EQUIPMENT.....

G. METHOD OF ATTACK:
DIVE.....HIGH LEVEL.....
LOW LEVEL.....STRAFE.....

H. RECONNAISSANCE.

WAS IT FOLLOWED BY ATTACK AND HOW LONG AFTER.....

J. FIGHTER ESCORT.....

POSITION IN RELATION TO ATTACKING PLANES.....
NUMBER.....TYPE.....

K. ENEMY LOSSES FROM INTERCEPTION.....

L. OWN AIR LOSSES.....

M. ENEMY LOSSES DUE GROUND FIRE.....

(c) This message will be sent with reference to the above list in order to minimise length of message. When information is not available the appropriate letter will be omitted.

<u>Example</u>:

A our 047 (.) B Over EAST CAPE (.) D red Circles right wing (.) E 20 est 250 pounders (.) F nil (.) G high level (.) M one M/B

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FOR: 15 AUST INF BDE

SIGNAL DIAGRAM

DIAGRAM Nº 21

COPY Nº 1

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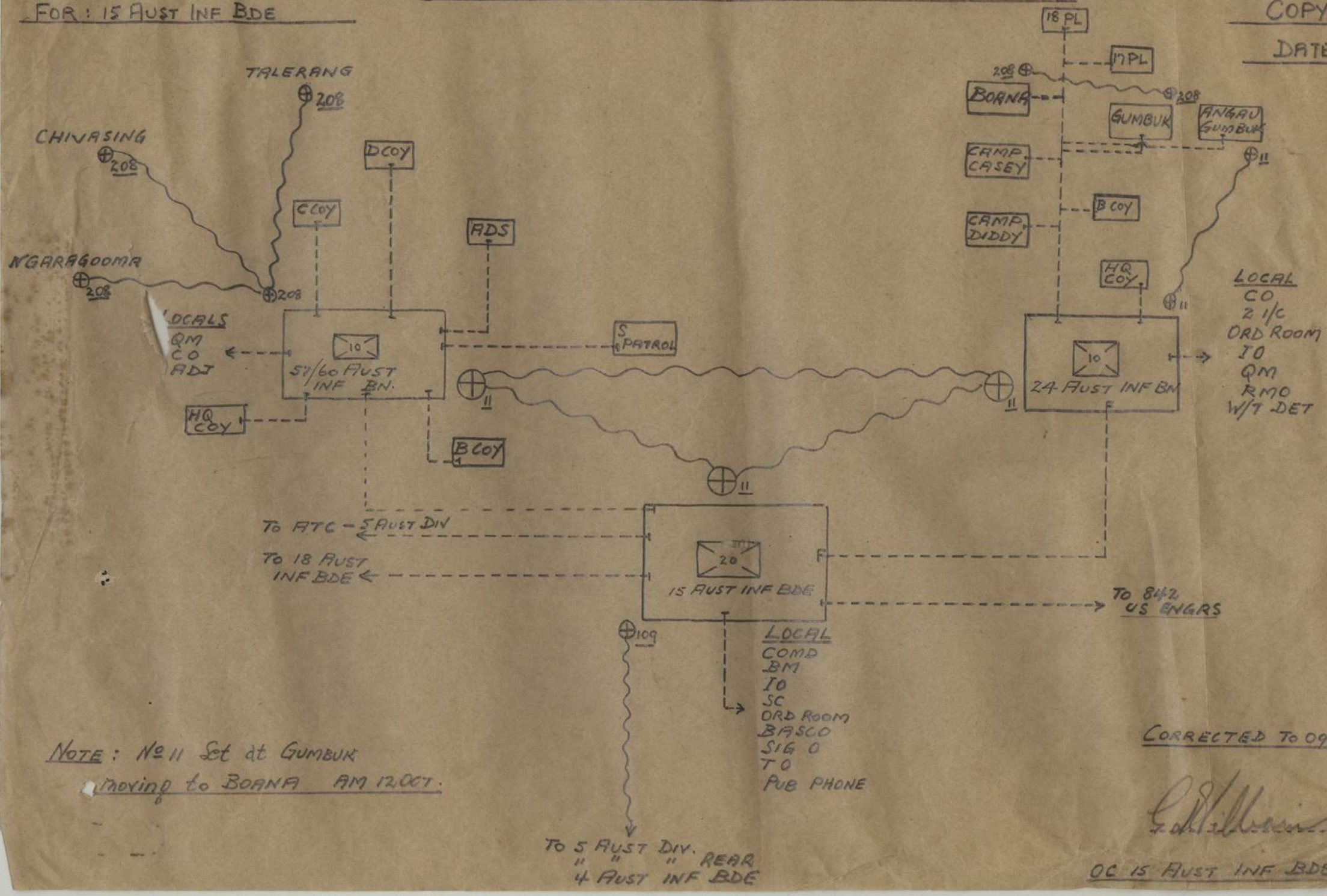

NOTE: Nº 11 Set at GUMBUK moving to BOANA AM 12 OCT.

CORRECTED TO 0900 HRS 12 OCT 43

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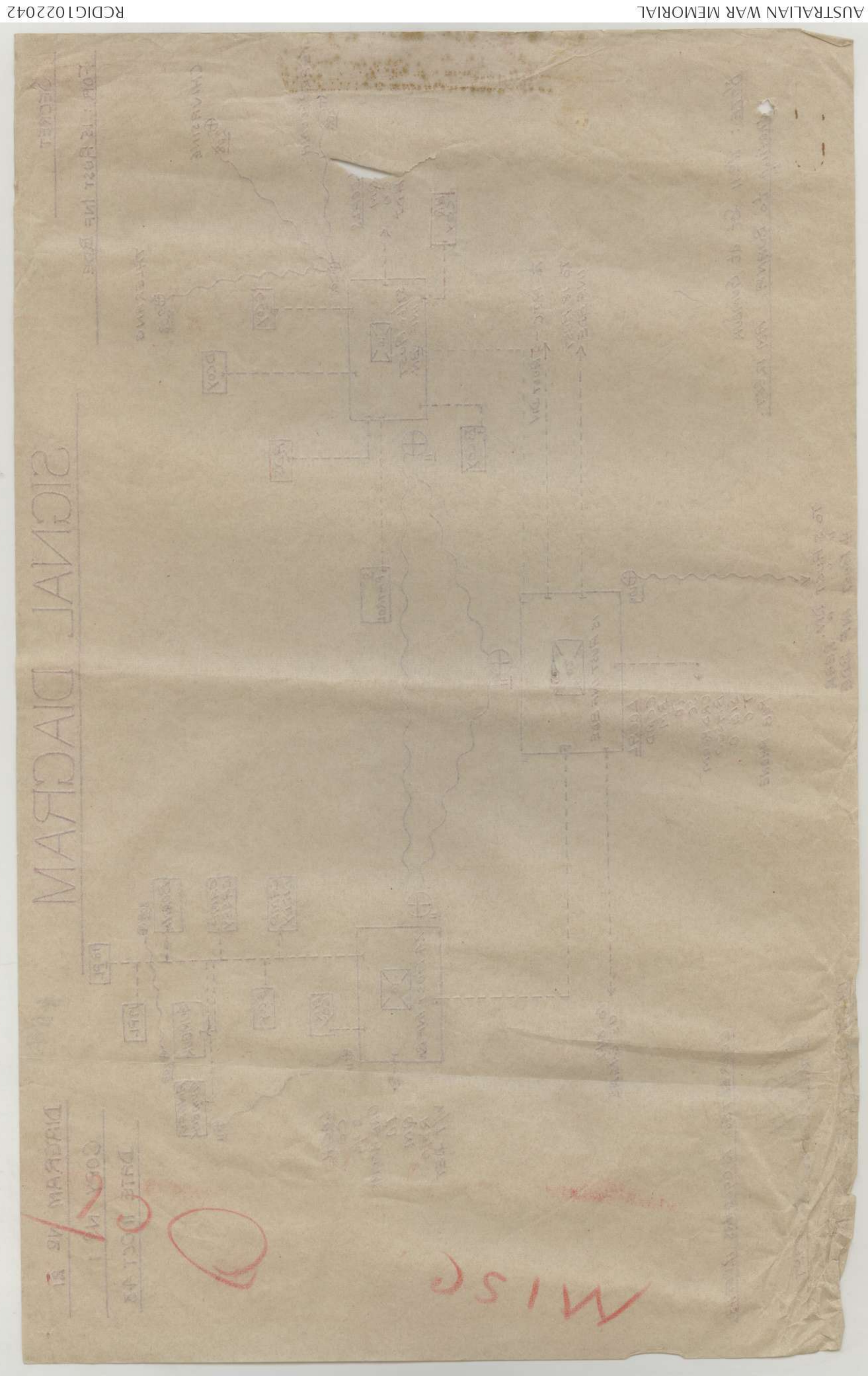

Track Times

PLACE NAME	MAP REF	PLACE NAME	MAP REF	TIME	REMARKS.
Lagap		Wantoat		8 days	Area during Jan 43 NOT myea area possibly not known by the Japs up to that date
Bilian		Bisi		1/2 hr	Good track - mostly kunai
Bisi		Soriang		1 hr	Fair going along kunai ridge
Soriang		Dampoi		1/2 hr	Fair climbing up kunai ridge - open cover.
Dampoi		Mailang		1 hr	Constant ascent up kunai ridge.
Mailang		Keremke		4 hrs	Steady climbing - native pad only
Keremoke		Matoko		4 hrs	Stiff climbing - native pad only
Matoka		Tukufuli		2 1/2 hrs	The route stiff descent to river sharp ascent to Kukufuli
Bank Pike		Pure		8 1/2 hrs	Difficult going
Pure		Dana		2 1/2 hrs	Very stiff going
Dana		Bukemu		7 hrs	Precipitous - Very rough
Bukemu		Bakokono		4 hrs	Fairly level.
Bakokono		Kinggia		3 hrs	Rough going
Kinggia		Sukap		1 1/2 hrs	Through kunai hills - hard climb
Sukap		Lagitsaria		5 1/2 hrs	Easy going - grad descent

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