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2 Australian Corps
General Branch (2 Aust
Corps 'G' Branch)

February 1944



1/4/8-0235

Unit: Adv 23 2 Aust Corps (AIP)

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Date and Time: From 1. Feb. 44 to 29. Feb. 44

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices Diaries.
FINSCHHAFEN	2 Feb		Arrangements were made with ALAMO FORCE for a liaison party from 5 Aust Div to move round to SAIDOR and ensure that the contact of the advancing 5 Aust Div troops with MICHAELMAS FORCE was effected without mishap. Our 02114 is attached as appx 27	27
			Location Report	28
			Change in designation "Aust Anti-Malaria Control Units"	29
"	3 Feb		2 Aust Corps Location Statement	30
	5 Feb		Advice was received from NG Force that 2/3 Lt AA Bty (AB) will now accompany 9 Aust Div to AUSTRALIA.	
			2 Aust Mtn Bty (less det) was warned for movement from FINSCHHAFEN to LAE. The det at MORESBY is to rejoin its parent unit at LAE.	
			Brig RAMSAY, GOC 5 Aust Div, was requested to impress on all commanders that every endeavour should be made to capture prisoners, and to stress the value of information thus obtained.	
			Location Report	32
			Order of Battle 2 Aust Corps	33
			Location Report	34
	6 Feb		Part of 5 Aust Div liaison party to MICHAELMAS FORCE moved by PT boat from KELANOA. The remainder of the party is to move on 8 Feb. 2 Corps 02142 is attached as appx 31	31
			Brig WELLS (BGS) left for rear 2 Aust Corps at LAE. Before returning he is visiting Hq 7 Aust Div.	

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PINSCH- HAFEN	6 Feb		NG Force ordered 1 Aust Beach Sig Sec and 1 Aust Ord Beach det to move back to AUSTRALIA by earliest draft. As the latter is manning 44 FOD and cannot be released until relieved, NG Force was asked to effect the relief promptly.	
"	7 Feb		Location Report	35
"	8 Feb		Location Report	36
"	9 Feb		Location Report	37
"	9 Feb		2/1 Aust Comp AA Regt is being relieved in this area by US AA. The initial recce of the area by the Americans has been completed and the relief is now waiting on arrival of the American equipment.	
"	9 Feb		Brig WELLS returned from NADZAB.	
"	9 Feb		Operations - Cartwheel - Codewords	38
"	9 Feb		Location Report	39
"	10 Feb		Lt-Gen L.J. MORGESHEAD arrived by air from MORESBY. Programme of visit is attached in appx 67	67
"	10 Feb		The WESTCOTT and ANHUI which loaded 26 Aust Inf Bde Gp have cleared all but about 880 personnel from this group. The ships are destined for BRISBANE.	
"	10 Feb		At 1030L hrs the forward troops of 5 Aust Div made contact with the Australian Liaison Party from MICHAELMAS FORCE.	41
"	10 Feb		Location Report	40
"	11 Feb		Location Report	42
"	12 Feb		50 wireless sets SCR536 (Handy-Talkie) have been transferred from 9 Aust Div to 5 Aust Div to assist the latter in its operational role. Due to the shortage of sets SCR536 on the mainland and the changed operational situation, all sets SCR 536 will be returned to the mainland with 9 Aust Div	

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FINSCH- HAFEN	12 Feb		Situation Report	43
"			2 Aust Corps OC No. 8	44
"	13 Feb		Advice was received from NG Force that the 101 Bde Sp Coy was to move to FINSCHHAFEN from AUSTRALIA and conduct a smoke screening test of LANGEMAK BAY.	
"	14 Feb		Location Report	45
"	15 Feb		Messages received congratulating commanders on splendid success of operations	46
"			Address by Corps Commander to 9 Aust Div	47
"			Location Report	48
"	16 Feb		Fifteen officers from the British Army in INDIA who have been attached to 9 Aust Div and 5 Aust Div as observers are now moving to 7 Aust Div and will be replaced by 14 officers from 7 Aust Div.	
"	19 Feb		Brig WELLS (BGS) with Lt-Col FINLAY (G1 Liaison) and Lt-Col EARNHAM (GS01 9 Aust Div with Maj KENT (DAQMG 9 Aust Div) moved to NG Force to attend a conference. The conference considered the Australian organisation of small craft required for carrying out over water operations and maintenance, if US ESB units were not available.	
"	20 Feb		2 Aust Corps Location Statement	49
"	21 Feb		Location Report	50
"	22 Feb		Location Report	51
"	23 Feb		2/3 Aust CCS was warned for embarkation to AUSTRALIA	
"			Location Report	52
"	24 Feb		Location Report	53

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Date and Time: From to

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices Diaries.
FINSCH- HAFEN	25 Feb		Remaining troops of 26 Bde Gp, together with the first portion of 9 Aust Div Tps Gp, embarked on the SEA SNIFE for BRISBANE.	
			Staff Schools (Aust)	54
			Location Reports	55
			Operations - Cartwheel - Codewords	56
"	26 Feb		NG Force 09662 (see appendix 57) was received advising that 532 Regt ESE would be withdrawn in preparation for another task.	57
			11 Tk A Bty, which has had a beach defence role at SCARLET BEACH and LANGEMAK BAY has now been relieved of this responsibility which has been vested in 4 Aust Inf Bde. 4 Aust Inf Bde is manning the sites with inf tk A guns.	
			Location Report	58
"	27 Feb		NG Force advised that the observer officers from the British Army in INDIA are to return to the mainland for attachment to 1 Aust Corps.	
			2 Aust Corps Operation Order No 9 was issued ordering 5 Aust Div to concentrate in the FINSCHHAFEN area - see appendix 59	59
			Preparedness for War of Unit Personnel	60
			Location Report	61
			2 Aust Corps Operation Instruction No. 10	62
"	28 Feb		The remainder of 9 Aust Div Tps Gp together with the 2/13 Aust Inf Bn and minor sub units of 20 Aust Inf Bde Gp embarked on the CAPE PERPETUA for BRISBANE	
			Operations - Cartwheel - Codewords	63
			Location Report	64

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Date and Time: From to

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices Diaries.
FINSCH- HAFEN	29 Feb		Address by Maj-Gen F.H. BERRYMAN on unveiling Memorial at Australian Cemetery, FINSCHHAFEN. Location Report	65 66

*F.H. Berryman
for BES*

VISIT GCG HQ FORGE - PROGRAMME

Time	Date	Event
1000	10 Feb	Air DREGER Strip and met by Corps Comd and drive to Corps HQ for lunch.
1400	10 Feb	Depart for WARSO and pick up Brig MITCHELL and Brig EDGAR. Return for dinner.
0900	11 Feb	Accompanied by Corps Comd embark on PT Boat from LAUNCH JETTY for Tac HQ 5 Div and stay night 11/12 Feb at Tac HQ 5 Div.
1300	12 Feb	Return to FINSON and met off LAUNCH JETTY.
1430	12 Feb	Visit GCB, Base Sub Area and other units
0900	13 Feb	Leave for visit to HQ SIXTH ARMY
1200	13 Feb	Depart DREGER Air Strip for DUMPU.

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PROSECUTION pass sub area

adv 2 cust corps

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location report :

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R. H. H. / May

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MESSAGE OUT.

TO: (1) NGF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 29 aust inf bde (5) USN DREGER (6) 308 Bombardment Wing (7) 309 Bombardment Wing (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (11) PINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USASOS (13) LAE BSA rptd (14) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2274 29

SITREP	nc	124	(.)	5	aust	div
tc	292100L	(.)	35	bn	(.)	two
pls	B	coy	WEBER	PT	(.)	remainder
bn	KELANOA	(.)	A	ccy	PIB	GALI
2	less	one	sec	en	route	GALI
2	from	WANDILUK	(.)	PIB	local	patrols
GALI	2	area	(.)	Br	vicinity	NUZEN
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Address by Maj. Gen. HERSCHEM Cord 2 Aust Corps
on unveiling Memorial at Australian Cemetery
FINSCHEAFEN 1100 hours 29 Feb 44.

This memorial commemorates the sacrifice of our comrades and this parade is an act of solemn remembrance. Over this very ground you passed to cross the BUEH River, defeat the enemy and capture FINSCHEAFEN. It is fitting that our comrades should be finally laid to rest on the banks of this river.

It is appropriate that they should rest alongside their American comrades who fought with them to gain a common victory. May the bonds forged on the field of battle last in the years to come to safeguard our freedom and homes. This historic spot will be an inspiration to those who make their pilgrimage here after the war.

We have a duty to the memory of our fallen comrades, to their families and to the Cross of Sacrifice which symbolizes the faith we are fighting for. The crosses you so reverently placed on graves scattered throughout the battlefields are being collected and buried in these very graves.

May we carry away a lasting memory of this act of homage, may we be inspired by their fearless examples and may we be strengthened in the resolve to complete the task for which they laid down their lives. This is hallowed ground for here lie those who died for their country.

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FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 02272 29					
SITREP	no	123	.	5	
aust	div	to	290900L	.	
PIB	patrol	to	NOKOPO	killed	
3	en	route	and	10	
in	village	.	otherwise	NO	
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A J Wall
.....Maj.

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 (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP
 (11) PINGCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USASOS (13) LAE BSA rptd
 (14) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2271 . 28

SITREP	no	122	.	5	aust	div
to	282100L	(.)	dispositions	HQ	8	
bde	KELANOA	(.)	35	bn	loss	two
pls	B	coy	WEBER	PT	(.)	two
pls	B	coy	en	route	WEBER	from
BWANA	(.)	12	sec	rejoined	10	bty
2/4	lt	AA	regt	KELANQA	.	PIB
killed	one	jap	TAPEN	(.)	8	japs
reported	killed	by	PIB	our	sitrep	121
should	read	2	all	informed		

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Subject: LOCATION REPORT

ADV HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
16 Feb 44.
G/521/0ps.

HQ Force (2)
B Aust Corps Sig
FINSCHAFEN Base Sub Area

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Ref ADV HQ 2 Aust Corps G/521/0ps.

1. The following amendments are notified :-

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amended Location</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
55	106 Aust Tk A Regt less 21 Bty	631731	21 Bty U/O LAZ Base Sub Area.
72	A Tp 5 Aust Indep Fd Sqn	614653	Att 1 Aust Tk Bn
113	106 Aust Tk A Regt Sig Sec	631731	
196	D Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	620679	Independent
233	263 Aust LAD	631731	Att 106 Aust Tk A Regt
8	Hq 9 Aust Div	Delete	Embarked for AUST 28 Feb 44.
9	A Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt less 1, 2 and 4 Pls	Delete	" " "
10	Det Hq 9 Aust Div	Insert	Adm pers only. Staging with Hq FINSCH Base Sub Area.
22	B Sec Aust PSW	Delete	Embarked for AUST 28 Feb 44.
49	2/12 Aust Fd Regt	"	" " "
52	11 Bty 2/3 Aust Tk A Regt	621669	Delete remarks
104	Sigs 9 Aust Div	Delete	Embarked for AUST 28 Feb. Det remains 20 Inf Bde.
105	2/43 Cipher Sec	Delete	Embarked for AUST 28 Feb 44.
106	2/12 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	"	" " "

Serial	Unit	Amended Location	Remarks
130	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	Delete	Embarked for AUST 28 Feb 44
162	Hq Comd AAG 9 Aust Div	"	" " "
163	2/6 Aust Sup Depot Coy less 26, 28, 29, 31 Pls	"	" " " 30 Pl & EDI remain
164	2/156 Aust Gen Tpt Coy, less B & C Pls plus Wheeler Pl and one RDI	"	Embarked for AUST 28 Feb 44 Have completed.
165	30 Aust Sup Depot Pl & EDI	619680	Att 20 Aust Inf Bde
225	2/61 Aust LAD	Delete	Embarked 28 Feb
226	2/67 Aust LAD	"	" " "
250	9 Aust Div Pro Coy less one sec	"	Coy less three secs embarked 28 Feb
251	One Sec 9 Aust Div Pro Coy	608780	Att 20 Aust Inf Bde
260	9 Aust Div Postal Unit less dets	Delete	Embarked 28 Feb 44
261	Det 9 Aust Div Postal Unit	608780	Att 20 Aust Inf Bde
270	9 Aust Div Pd Cash Office less dets	Delete	Embarked 28 Feb 44
271	Det 9 Aust Div Pd Cash Office	608780	Att 20 Aust Inf Bde
274	9 Aust Div Salv Unit	Delete	Embarked 28 Feb 44
286	Det 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	Delete	
288	Det 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	623699	Remainder of Unit less one Sec U/O FINSON Base Sub Area.

A. J. Smith
Major

for (P H BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

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FROM	::	adv 2 aust corps	02268	28	
SITREP	no	121	.	5	aust
div	to	280900L	.	three	day
patrol	A	coy	4	bn	TIMBE
R	area	found	4	newly	dead
japs	village	128424	and	counted	40
dead	en	route	.	A	coy
4	bn	returned	KELANCA	27	feb
.	PIB	killed	8	japs	WANDILUK
27	feb	all	informed		

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Subject: OPERATIONS - CARTWHEEL - CODEWORDS

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
17 Feb 44.
G/533/Ops.

5 Aust Div Copy No 1

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CCRA	10	DDST	16		

Ref Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps G/505/Ops.

1. The following Code Name is announced:-

GEOGRAPHICAL NAME
TRUK ISLAND (7N - 152E)

CODE NAME
ANACONDA

2. Please acknowledge

A J W Olt
for *Major*
Bris,
GS 2 Aust Corps.

NGF rptd 5 aust div
adv 2 aust corps

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2 AUST CORPS OPERATION INSTRUCTION No 10

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Mar 44.

Ref Maps: NEW GUINEA Series 1 in Prov Series

INFORMATION

1. 2 Aust Corps is responsible for the defence of the HUON PENINSULA from excl YAUT RIVER (713678), and MARKHAM RIVER valley to incl ERAP RIVER (3452). The defence of FINSCHAPEN and LAE will be the main responsibility of 2 Aust Corps.
2. US Forces, occupying the area incl BUSOM RIVER (634648) to excl MONGI RIVER (3642), are responsible for the local defence of that area.
3. LAE Base Sub Area is responsible for the defence of the area incl MONGI RIVER to incl ERAP RIVER.
4. The responsibility for the AA defence of installations in the FINSCHAPEN area is to pass from 2/1 Aust Hy AA (Comp) Regt to 166 AA Bn US.
5. In accordance with GHQ SWPA Standing Operating Procedure Instruction No 11, formation commanders are responsible for providing adequate defence of Radar Stations located in their area.

CONCENTRATION AND REORGANISATION

6. 5 Aust Div will move to an area north of SONG RIVER (620678).
7. In the movement of units 5 Aust Div will make fullest use of transport facilities made available by 532 ESB.
8. On arrival at the new location HQ 5 Aust Div will assume command of formations and units as shown in Appendix "A" attached.
9. Every opportunity will be taken to locate units in healthy areas with a view to preserving their fighting efficiency.

ROLE

10. 5 Aust Div will be responsible for the defence of the area excl YAUT RIVER to excl MONGI RIVER and will maintain necessary patrols for the mopping up of enemy stragglers in the area.

Acknowledge

Signed at hrs.

[Signature]
Brig,
GS/2 Aust Corps.

DISTRIBUTION

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5 Aust Div	1 - 3.	DRLS
4 Aust Inf Bde	4	"
29 Aust Inf Bde	5	"
FINSON Base Sub Area	6 - 7	"
LAE Base Sub Area	8	"
Rear 2 Aust Corps	9 - 11	"
NG Force	12	"
Comd	13	Hand
CCS	14	"
CCRA	15	"
CE	16	"
CSO	17	"
DARQUE	18	"
DAMS	19	"
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APPENDIX "A" to 2 Aust
Corps OI No 10 of / Mar 44

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UNITS TO PASS TO COMD ON ARRIVAL OF HQ 1 AUST DIV IN AREA

Serial	Unit	From Comd
1	HQ 4 Aust Inf Bde	2 Aust Corps
2	HQ 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	
3	B Tp, 12 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	
4	106 Aust Tk A Regt less 21 Bty	
5	4 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	
6	2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt Sig Sec less det	
7	106 Aust Tk A Regt Sig Sec	
8	22 Aust Inf Bn	
9	29/46 Aust Inf Bn	
10	37/52 Aust Inf Bn	
11	C Coy PIB	
12	1 Aust Sup Depot Pl	
13	4 Aust Fd Amb less A Coy	
14	133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk less det	
15	263 Aust LAD	
16	264 Aust LAD	
17	2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt Workshop less d.	
18	133 Aust Bde Workshop less det	
19	Det 3 Aust Div Postal Unit	
20	Det 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	
21	1 Aust Tk Bn less rear details of Bn HQ and B Sqn	4 Aust Inf Bde
22	A Tp 5 Aust Indep Fd Sqn	
23	1 Aust Tk Bn Sig Tp	
24	Det 4 Aust Armd Bde Coy AASC	
25	Lt Sec 106 Aust Lt Fd Amb	
26	1 Aust Tk Bn Ord Fd Pk	
27	209 Aust LAD	
28	1 Aust Tk Bn Workshop	
29	B Sqn and Rear Details HQ 1 Aust Tk Bn	2 Aust Corps
30	12 Bty less B Tp 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	FINSCH Base Sub Area

N G P	B aust corps sigs	FLINSHAPEN base sub area
adv 2 aust corps	O 2262	27
location report (.)	no	change

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MESSAGE OUT.

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bde (5) USH DREGER (6) 308 Bombardment Wing (7) 309 Bombardment
Wing (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 345
FIGHTER GP (11) PINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USASOS (13)
LAE BSA rptd (14) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps C 2261 27

SITREP	no	120	(.)	5	aust
div	to	2721COL	(.)	dispositions	35
bn	A	coy	MALALAMAI	less	one
pl	WEBER	(.)	D	coy	less
one	pl	WAPEN	(.)	remainder	bn
GALI	2	(.)	3	pl	8
fd	ccy	returned	KELANOA	27	feb
remainder unchanged all informed					

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A. J. Wall
May

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Subject: PREPAREDNESS FOR WAR OF UNIT PERSONNEL

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps,
/ Feb 44.
G/445/6D.

1. LHQ has notified that much unnecessary work and undue delay has been caused in drafting personnel made available for re-allotment to new units by the disbandment or reorganization of existing units, owing to the standard of training, physical condition and lack of administrative completeness of such personnel.
2. Whilst it is not considered that the above applies in its entirety to formations and units under command of this Headquarters, it is considered that the time is opportune for commanders to review the state of preparedness for war of personnel under their command.
3. It is directed that this matter be brought to the notice of the Commanding Officers of all units under your command. Inspections of units should be carried out by officers of your Headquarters at frequent intervals.
4. Matters which are beyond the capacity of a Commanding Officer to rectify must be brought to the notice of higher authority in order that all possible action may be taken to ensure that every officer and soldier is at all times fully trained and physically capable of performing his particular task, and that he is completely equipped, correctly documented, and all administrative matters are attended to so that he may be available for battle or movement at any time.
5. In order that there may be no doubt in any Commanding Officer's mind concerning his responsibilities in this regard, attention is to be drawn to the following:

(a) FSR Vol 1	Introduction. Chap II Sec 5 7 8
(b) ATR & O	Para 1423 - 1433
(c) GRO A/226/42	Medical examination
(d) GRO A322/43	Innoculation and vaccination
(e) GRO A515/43 para 13 & 17	Medical reclassification and medical boarding.
(f) GRO A600/43 para 10(c)	"X" List.
(g) GRO A729/43	Regimental documents - transmission on member's movement
(h) GRO A737/43	Use of term "Draft Priority"
(i) GRO A736/43 (as amended)	Record of service book
(j) GRO 0205/43 0497/43 0575/43	War scales of clothing and necessities for all ranks on full time duty ATF.
6. Commanders of all formations will give this matter their personal attention.

W. J. Hall
Brig,
GS 2/Aust Corps.

DISTRIBUTION

5 Aust Div
4 Aust Inf Bde
29 Aust Inf Bde
RAA 2 Aust Corps
B Aust Corps Sigs
LAE Base Sub Area..
PINSCH Base Sub Area
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BGS
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A
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TO :: (1) HGF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 1 aust inf bde (4)
29 aust inf bde (5) USH (6) 306 bombardment wing
(7) 309 bomb armment wing (8) 309 bombardment wing
(9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ADV BNS FIGHTER GP (11) FUSCH
BSA (12) base P BEASOS (13) BSA BSA (14) 5 aust div

FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 02255 27

SITREP	no	119	.	5	aust
dir	to	270900Z	.	no	change
all	informed				

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TO: NCF 9 aust div 20 aust inf bde rptd 5 aust div FINSCH Base
Sub Area 4 aust inf bde 3 Aust corps sigs

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2256 27

HQ	9	aust	div	closes
271400L	(.)	adm	HQ	9
aust	div	opens	HQ	FINSCH
base	sub	area	same	time

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TOO: 271000L

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MOST SECRET

2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS O O No 9

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21 Feb 44.

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INFO

1. 532 ESB is to be relieved of its commitments with 5 Aust Div on or about 5 Mar 44.

INTENTION

2. All troops under comd 2 Aust Corps at present located north and west of KELANOA - except A Coy PIB and necessary maint deta - will concentrate at KELANOA immediately and all heavy eqpt and stores will be moved to FINSCHHAFEN area.

METHOD

3. Role of PIB is the subject of a separate instruction.
4. Move of personnel and eqpt will be carried out in two phases, under instns from 5 Aust Div.
5. Phase I
 - (a) Personnel and eqpt located north and west of KELANOA will be moved by means of 532 ESB tpt facilities - at present under comd 5 Aust Div - together with any back loading possible on small ships which are sent fwd by 2 Aust Corps.
 - (b) All bns constructed from Army materials and situated north and west of KELANOA will be dismantled in preparation for movement to FINSCHHAFEN area.
 - (c) Heavy eqpt with necessary escort, maint and adm personnel will be moved direct to FINSCHHAFEN according to the following priorities:-
 - (i) Br eqpt
 - (ii) Mech eqpt
 - (iii) Engr stores
 - (iv) Heavy vehs and other stores incl Fd Bakery
 - (v) Amn
 - (vi) Guns and associated eqpt
 - (vii) DUKWS
6. Phase II
 - (a) Heavy eqpt in KELANOA area, together with necessary escort, maint and adm personnel, will be moved to FINSCHHAFEN area.
 - (b) A further fifteen LCMs from craft of 532 ESB based on FINSCHHAFEN will be available for movement between KELANOA and FINSCHHAFEN commencing night 27/28 Feb 44.

(a) Priority for movement is:-

- (i) Tks
- (ii) Br eqpt
- (iii) Mech eqpt
- (iv) Engr stores
- (v) Heavy vehs and other stores incl Pd Bakery
- (vi) Amn
- (vii) Guns and associated eqpt
- (viii) DUKWS

7. Off loading point for FINSCHHAFEN area will be at SCARLET BEACH or LAUNCH JETTY as directed by 532 ESB. (Beaching and discharging facilities are available for not more than eight LCHs at one time at LAUNCH JETTY).
8. 5 Aust Div will give HQ 2 Aust Corps 24 hrs notice of loadings for FINSCHHAFEN, together with estimated time of arrival.
9. HQ 2 Aust Corps will arrange off loading and movement of loads to necessary dumps and concentration areas.

Acknowledge

Signed at 10.50 hrs

Brig,
GS 2 Aust Corps.

DISTRIBUTION

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(Copy direct to 532 ESB for infm)

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MESSAGE OUT.

TO: (1) NGP (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 29 aust inf bde
 (5) USN DREGER (6) 308 Bombardment Wing (7) 309 Bombardment Wing
 (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 348 FIGHTER
 OP (11) PINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USASOS (13) LAE BSA
 rptd (14) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2253 27

SITREP no 118 (.) 5
 aust div to 262100Z (.)
 dispositions 35 bn B coy
 TAPEN less two pls WANDILUK
 (.) RHQ 2/14 fd regt
 and C tp 25 fd
 bty rejoined regt KELANOA (.)
 remainder unchanged all informed

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Subject: LOCATION REPORT

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
26 Feb 44.
G/532/Ops.

NG Force (2)
B Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area

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Ref Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps G/521/Ops

1. The following amendments are notified:

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Assigned Location</u>	<u>Cond and/or Remarks</u>
163	2/6 Aust Sup Depot Pl less 26, 28, 29 and 31 Pls	619680	Alter remarks - HQ, 27 and 30 Pls remain. Remaining Pls AUST.
164	2/156 Aust Gen Tpt Coy less B and C Pls plus Workshop Pl and one RDI	619680	HQ, A Pl, Workshop Pl and one RDI remain. Remainder Unit AUST.
185	Det 2/8 Aust Fd Amb	Delete	Embarked for AUST 25 Feb.
194	A Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	MASAWENG R WEST. 553718	Att 37/52 Aust Inf Bn
195	C Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	FORTIFICATION PT. 622738	Att 106 Aust Tk A Regt.
196	D Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	SATELBERG 620629	Independent
197	E Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	SCHARNHORST PT. 224196	Att 133 Aust Bde Workshops
198	F Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	SCHARNHORST PT. 234187	Att 2/15 Aust Fd Amb
199	B Sec 2/8 Aust Dental Unit	SATELBERG 622672	Moving to AUST
200	D Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit	FORTIFICATION PT. 583718	Att 2/3 Aust Pnr bn
201	HQ 77 Aust Dental Unit	FORTIFICATION PT. 623652	Att HQ FINSCH Base Sub Area with det at 577716

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amended Location</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
202	D Sec 77 Aust Dental Unit	SATSLBERG 613659	Att Hq 2 Aust Corps
203	E Sec 77 Aust Dental Unit	SATSLBERG 628661	Att 2 Aust Corps Rest Sta

A J Wall Maj
(F H BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

Serial::

OUT :: GR::

TO :: (1) MGF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde
 (4) 29 aust inf bde (5) USM DREGER (6) 308 bombardment
 wing (7) 309 bombardment wing (8) 310 bombardment wing
 (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 342 FIGHTER GP (11) FINSCH
 BSA (12) base F USASOS (13) LAE BSA rtd (14) 5 aust div

FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 0.2252 26

SITREP	no	117	.	5
aust	div	to	260900L	.
no	change	all	informed	

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Maj.

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FROM: adv 2 aust corps 2 2245 26

SITREP no 116 (.) part one
of two parts (.) 5 aust
div to 252100L (.) 6 bde
(.) dispositions 35 bn as at
1600 hrs (.) HQ and 3
coy TAPEN less two pls moving
WANDILUK (.) C coy GALI 2
less one pl TAPEN (.) D
coy GALI 2 (.) remainder
unchanged (.) part two follows
all informed

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(Signed) McNAMARA Lieut

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bde (5) USN DREGER (6) 308 Bombardment Wing (7) 309 Bombardment
Wing (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 348
FIGHTER GP (11) FINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USASOS (13) LAE
BSA rptd (14) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 02248 26

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part	two	and	last	part	of
02248	(.)	FIB	WANDILUK	(.)	natives
report	10	japs	NCKOFC	moved	out
24	feb	(.)	FIB	counted	74
dead	japs	track	WAPLILUK	MOAM	all informed

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TO: ADV 2 AUST CORPS

FROM: HQF

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25/2

MOBT SECRET (.) GHQ desires
532 ESB be concentrated PINBOHHAVEN
on or about first mar
(.) in preparation for another
task (.) if necessary to
effect release your final dispositions
may be adopted earlier than
intended (.) up to 10
ALONG can be made available
from 29 feb for period
of 10 days if essential
advise

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IMMEDIATE

TOO: 252207L

THI: 252340

TOR: 260105L

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OR:

TO :: (1) NGP (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 29 aust
inf bde (5) USN DREGGER (6) 308 bombardment wing (7) 309 bombardment
wing (8) 310 bombardment wing (9) ADV ALAKO FORCE (10) ALO 348 FIGHTER
GP (11) PINSCH BSA (12) BASE F USASOS (13) LAE BSA rptd
(14) 5 aust div

FROM :: adv 2 aust corps

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SITREP	NO	115	.	5	aust
div	to	250745	.	no	change
all	informed				

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TO (1) HGF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 22 aust
inf bdd (5) USN DREGER (6) 300 Bombardment Wing (7) 309
Bombardment Wing (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE
(10) ALO 346 FIGHTER GP (11) PINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base
P USASOS (13) LAZ BSA rptd (14) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2245 25

SITREP	no	114	(.)	5
aust	div	to	2412COL	(.)
dispositions	35	BN HQ	B	coy
TAPEN	(.)	C	coy	GALI
2	less	one	pl	TAPEN
(;)	D	coy	GALI	2
less	one	pl	staging	37ANA
on	route	to	GALI	(.)
rema inder	unchanged	(.)	enemy	casualties
(.)	natives	captured	o no	PW
RUANGE	(.)	80	found	dead
along	track	TAPEN	WANDILUK	(.)
US	patrol	left	for	SAIDOR
all	informed			

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H. G. Gutierrez

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Subject: OPERATIONS - CARTWHEEL - PORTHOS

WOST SWOZAT

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
25 Feb 44.
G/SCC/Ops.

5 Aust Div
9 Aust Div

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Ref Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps G/SCC/Ops.

1. The following amendments are notified:-

(a) To Appendix "A"

<u>Code Word</u>	<u>Meaning</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
BLAISEUP	DAYAG (58-1282)	Code Word corrected
COCAINE	KOEPANG TIMOR	New
GROUNDSEMAN	CAPE SUDEST	New
	NEW GUINEA	
GUNSMITH	TORRES STRAITS	New
HANGDOG	DAGO, NEW GUINEA	New
	(OS-1332)	
ISOSCELES	AMBON (48-1282)	New
WATSEED	TANAMERAN	Longitude corrected
	(48-1402)	
PENMAN	PORT PURVIS	New (Replaces PINKONEY)
PINKONEY		Delete in favour of
		PORTMAN
WELMBEING	CAPE LAMBERT	
	NEW BRITAIN	
	(48-1412)	
WINDOTOCK	BOGADJIM	New
	NEW GUINEA	

(b) To Appendix "B"

<u>Meaning</u>	<u>Code Word</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
AMBON (48-1282)	ISOSCELES	
DAGO, NEW GUINEA	HANGDOG	
(OS-1332)		
BOGADJIM,	WINDOTOCK	
NEW GUINEA		
CAPE LA BERT	WELMBEING	
NEW BRITAIN		
(48-1412)		
CAPE SUDEST	GROUNDSEMAN	
NEW GUINEA		
JENNINS BAY	BEERHOUSE	Code Word corrected

<u>Code Word</u>	<u>Meaning</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
PORT PURVIS	PELHAM	Code Word altered
TORRES STRAITS	GUNSWITH	

(Signal) J SUBMITTER Chat for

(P M LERRMAN) Maj-Gen,
 Joint S Aust Corps.

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Subject: LOCATION REPORT

Adv Hq 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
25 Feb 44.
G/522/Cps.

HQ Force (2)
2 Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area

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Reference Adv 2 Aust Corps G/521/Cps.

1. The following amendments are notified:-

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
24	2/4 Aust Commando Sqn	Delete	Embarked for AUST 25 Feb
48	HQ RAA 9 Aust Div	"	"
50	2/3 Aust Lt AA Bty (Airborne)	"	"
66	HQ RAE 9 Aust Div	"	"
67	2/3 Aust Fd Coy	"	"
69	2/24 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy	"	"
70	2/29 Aust Carflg Unit	"	"
107	3 Aust Engr Sig Sec	"	"
109	Det 26 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	"	"
133	Det HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde	"	"
134	2/24 Aust Inf Bn	"	"
135	9 Aust Div Carr Coy	"	"
137	2/2 Aust MG Bn	"	"
227	2/72 Aust LAD	"	"
228	2/77 Aust LAD	"	"
269	Det 2 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	"	Passed to comd FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area 24 Feb 44.
282	9 Aust Div Recep Camp	"	Embarked for AUST 25 Feb 44.

(Signed) J SUGGERTON Capt for
(F H BERTYMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

Subject : STAFF SCHOOL ()

NO 6 COURSE

NO 7 COURSE

5 AUST DIV
9 AUST DIV
4 AUST INF BDE
29 AUST INF BDE
RAA 2 AUST CORPS
8 AUST CORPS SIGS

General

1. The above courses will be conducted at RMA DUNTRON A.C.T. from 31 May to 29 Sep 44.

Senior Wing Nominations

2. (a) Nominees will be medically fit and be officers holding or who have held any of the following appointments :-

GSO I, GSO II, GSO III RA & GSO, GSO, GSO, GSO, GSO or who have had experience in command.

(b) Nominations will be submitted in accordance with instructions contained in para 3 (a) and (b) below.

3.

Junior Wing Nominations

The C in C has directed that the following procedure will be adopted in regard to nominations for the Junior Wing :-

(a) Formations will call for applications from officers desirous of attending No. 6 Course Junior Wing. Officers must have had at least one year's continuous service and must not be above the rank of Major. Particulars in respect to these officers will be submitted in accordance with para 3 (b) and (c) below.

(b) At the same time nominations of officers will be applied for to No 7 Course Junior Wing but officers must be suitable for attendance at that course and will be submitted in accordance with para 3 (b) and (c) below.

Nomination Forms

4. (a) Appendix A attached and relevant portions of Appendix B attached will be completed in respect to every officer nominated for No 6/7 Course Junior Wing and forwarded to RMA ADV HQ 2 AUST CORPS NOT later than 15 Sep 44.
- (b) Appendices A and B attached will be completed in respect to every officer who applies for to be nominated to attend No 7 Course Junior Wing and forwarded to RMA ADV HQ 2 AUST CORPS NOT later than 15 Sep 44.
- (c) Nomination and application forms will be completed by a separate list to include all names of officers and applications showing the order of preference given by the Formation Commander.

5. In every case officers will be interviewed by their respective COs and also when possible, by Brigade and Formation Commanders.

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6. No limit is placed upon number of nominations submitted.
7. Names of students selected by LHQ will be notified to addressees.

Oliver Pearson
GS 2 Aus^{Pris} Corps *base*

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Appendix 'A'
to HQ Force 365/102/100
20 Feb 57

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
STAFF SCHOOL (AUST)

ARM OR SERVICE.....
NOMINATION FORM FOR STUDENT FROM.....(FORMATION)
FOR ATTENDANCE AT COURSE NO.....SENIOR (OR JUNIOR) WING.
NO.....RANK.....SURNAME.....
CHRISTIAN NAMES.....UNITS.....
AGE.....MEDICAL CLASSIFICATION.....
PRESENT APPOINTMENT.....
RECORD OF SERVICE (A) AUSTRALIA.....
(B) OVERSEAS.....
DATE OF FIRST APPOINTMENT TO COMMISSIONED RANK ARF.....AIF.....
PREVIOUS STAFF EXPERIENCE (IN DETAIL).....
COURSES ATTENDED AS AN OFFICER AT STAFF AND TACTICAL SCHOOLS AUST
OR OVERSEAS.....
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DATE..... NOMINEES SIGNATURE.....

Appendix "B"
to HQ Force
G65/424/Tg
20 Feb 44.

RECOMMENDATION BY COMMANDING OFFICER.

I have interviewed No.....Rank.....
Name.....Unit.....and from
personal knowledge and enquiries made by me I am of the opinion that
he is suitable for Staff Training and recommend his
is NOT do NOT recommend
attendance at No.....course of the Junior Wing Staff School (Aust).
Senior

(Signature of Commanding Officer).....

RECOMMENDATION BY BRIGADE COMD.

I have interviewed No.....Rank.....
have NOT
Name.....Unit.....and from
personal knowledge and enquiries made by me I am of the opinion that
he is suitable for Staff Training and recommend his
is NOT do NOT recommend
attendance at No.....Course of the Junior Wing Staff School (Aust)
Senior.

(Signature of Brigade Commander).....

RECOMMENDATION BY FORMATION COMD.

I have interviewed No.....Rank.....
have NOT
Name.....Unit.....and from
personal knowledge and enquiries made by me I am of the opinion that
he is suitable for Staff Training and recommend his attendance
is NOT do NOT recommend
at No.....Course of the Junior Wing Staff School (Aust)
Senior

(Signature of Formation Commander).....

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TO: N G P 3 aust corps sigs FINSCHLAFEN base sub area
FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2243 24

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FROM: adv 2 aust corps

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SITREP	number	113	(.)	5
aust	div	to	240900L	(.)
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(5) USN DREGER (6) 308 Bombardment Wing (7) 309 Bombardment Wing
(8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP
(11) FINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USASOS (13) LAE BSA rptd
(14) 5 Aust Div

FROM : Adv 2 Aust Corps

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SITREP	NO	112	.	5	aust
div	to	232100L	.	dispositions	35
BH HQ	B	Coy	D	coy	less
two	pls	TAPEN	.	one	pl
755565	one	pl	GALI	2	.
C	coy	GALI	2	less	one
pl	TAPEN	.	A	coy	PIB
less	one	sec	WINDILUK	.	remainder
unchanged	.	patrols	and	casualties	.
PIB	killed	37	vicinity	WADABO	20
vicinity	WINDILUK	.	our	casualties	one native
sgt	wounded	all	informed		

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MESSAGE OUT.

TO: (1) HQF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 29 aust inf bde (5) USN DRAGER (6) 306 Bombardment Wing (7) 309 Bombardment Wing (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAHO (10) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (11) PINSCH Base Sub Area (12, Base F USA303 (13) LAE BSA rptd (14) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2240 23

SITREP	no	111	(.)
5	awt	div	to
230900L	(.)	3	PW
MALALAKAI	area	(.)	otherwise
NO	change	all	informed

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Subject: LOCATION REPORT

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
23 Feb 44.
G/524/Ops.

HQ Force (2)
B Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area

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War Diary

Reference Adv 2 Aust Corps G/521/Ops.

1. The following amendments are notified:

Serial	Unit	Location (Ref SCHARNHORST PT)	Remarks
4	Tac HQ 5 Aust Div	Delete	Tac and main rejoined 22 Feb
5	HQ 5 Aust Div	603377	Complete. Delete "Main"
42	64 Bty 2/14 Aust Fd Regt	226195	
62	8 Aust Fd Coy	225195	
102	Det 61 Aust Wireless Sec	226195	NGF Troops

(Signed) J SUMMERTON Capt for
(F H BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

SECRET

Subjects: LOCATION REPORT

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps,
22 Feb 44.
O/523/Ops.

HQ Force (2).
B Aust Corps Sigs.
FINSCHAFEN Base Sub Area.

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Ref Adv 2 Aust Corps O/521/Ops.

1. The following amendments are notified:-

Serial	Unit	Location	Remarks
109	Det 26 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	SATELBERG 626684	Cond 9 Aust Div.
114	Det 26 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	--	Delete in favour Serial 109.
141	22 Aust Inf Bn	SATELBERG 618677	} Relief completed 21 Feb
143	37/52 Aust Inf Bn	NASAVENG R WEST 553718	
202	D Sec 77 Aust Dental Unit	SATELBERG 613659	Att HQ 2 Aust Corps.
244	One Sec 9 Aust Div Pro Coy	FORTIFICATION Reverted to cond PT. 608780. 9 Aust Div 22Feb44	
245	3 Aust Armd Div Pro Coy	NADZAB 423547	Under cond rear 2 Aust Corps.
252	Det 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	SATELBERG 623699	Under cond 4 Aust Inf Bde.
254	3 Aust Armd Div Pro Coy	--	Delete in favour Serial 245.

Summator
(F H BERNHMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

MESSAGE OUT.

TO: (1) HQF (2) Rear 2 Aust Corps (3) 4 Aust Inf Bde (4) 29 Aust Inf Bde
 (5) USN DREGER (6) 308 Bombardment Wing (7) 309 Bombardment Wing
 (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP
 (11) FINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USASOS (13) LAE BBA rptd
 (14) 5 Aust Div

FROM: Adv 2 Aust Corps

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SITREP	No	110	(.)	5	aust
div	to	222100L	dispositions	35	bn
HQ	755565	(.)	D	coy	BWANA
less	one	pl	TAPEN	(.)	B
coy	755565	(.)	C	coy	GALI
2	less	one	pl	TAPEN	(.)
HQ	coy	GALI	2	less	number
2	pl	without	HG	at	RUANGE
(.)	A	coy	PIB	WANDILUK	less
one	sec	MALALANAI	(.)	remainder	unchanged
(.)	patrols	and	casualties	(.)	PIB
killed	5	en	route	WANDILUK	(.)
patrol	entered	WANDILUK	211640L	encountered	opposition
PIB	killed	10	D	coy	40
(.)	our	casualties	one	wounded	(.)
track	TAPEN	WANDILUK	5	miles	very
steep	approx	3	feet	deep	mud
(.)	natives	killed	2	japs	vicinity
MALALANAI	(.)	total	enemy	casualties	57
killed	(.)	PATROL	now	MALALANAI	
all	informed				

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FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2236 22

SITREP	number	109	(.)	5
aust	div	to	220900L	(.)
PIB	patrol	TAPEN	GABUTAMON	killed
4	found	dead	16	(.)
otherwise	NO	change	all	informed

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(5) USM DREGER (6) 308 Bombardment Wing (7) 309 Bombardment Wing
(8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP
(11) FINSC Base Sub. Area (12) Base F USASOS (13) LAE BSA rptd
(14) 5 Aust Div

FROM: Adv 2 Aust Corps

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SITREP	No	108	.	5	aust
div	to	212100L	.	ref	map
1	inch	series	.	dispositions	35
bn	3	coy	775602	less	1
pl	RUANGE	.	C	coy	RUANGE
less	1	pl	TAPEN	.	D
coy	TAPEN	less	1	pl	ZWANA
.	A	2	sec	10	bty
2/4	light	AA	regt	WEBER	POINT
.	remainder	unchanged	.	patrols	and
enemy	casualties	.	A	coy	patrol
from	KALALAHAI	killed	4	.	D
coy	patrol	from	TAPEN	killed	1
.	PIB	killed	31	TAPEN	GARDEN
20	feb	.	arty	patrol	KELAMON
area	found	2	dead	19	feb
all	informed				

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Subject: LOCATION REPORT

Adv Hq 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
27 Feb 44.
G/522/Ops.

HQ Force (2)
B Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHAPPA Base Sub Area

Copy: G V
War Diary

Ref Adv 2 Aust Corps G/521/Ops.

1. The following amendments are notified:-

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amended Location</u>	<u>Remarks.</u>
33	1 Aust Mob Bat Flt less three dets	LAE	Bat under command BUNA Base Sub Area
34	2 Aust Mtn Bty	Delete	Passed to command 7 Aust Div 20 Feb. See HQF 32856
60	HQ RAE 5 Aust Div	BCHARNHORST PT..602377	Command 5 Aust Div
61	HQ RAE 3 Aust Div	SATHIERS 616642	Pending move to AUST under command Hq 2 Aust Corps 21 Feb
74	4 Aust Fd Coy	Delete	Passed to command LAE Base Sub Area 18 Feb
102	Det 61 Aust Wireless Sec	KELAHOA	Movement complete 20 Feb
115	HQ Sigs 3 Aust Div }	Delete	Embarked for AUST 17 Feb. No rear details
117	38 Aust Cipher Sec }		
164	2/156 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	619650	Remarks should read "and one RDL-AUST"
180	18 Aust Fd Asb	BUNA	Under command BUNA Base Sub Area for local adm. See HQF 328711

Serial	Unit	Assesed Location	Remarks
188	Lt Sec 106 Aust Lt Fd Amb		Incorrectly shown as complete unit
254	3 Aust Armd Div Pro Coy		Delete "det". HQ and two secs arrived 19 Feb
295	Det AA Canteens Service		Redesignated-see GRO Q/45.

Sumner Cuth
 (P H BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen,
 Comd 2 Aust Corps.

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2-10-45

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inf bde (5) USN DREGER (6) 308 Bombardment Wing (7) 309
Bombardment Wing (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE
(10) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (11) FINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base
P USASOS (13) LAE BSA rptd (14) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2227 21
SITREP no 107 (.) 5
aust div to 2109COL (.)
no change all informed

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FROM: Adv 2 Aust Corps

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21

SITREP	No	106	5	aust	div
to	202000L	.	ref	map	SINGORKAI
one	inch	series	.	disposns	35
bn	one	pl	3	coy	formerly
RUANGE	now	BNANA	.	C	coy
less	one	pl	RUANGE	with	one
pl	BNANA	.	D	coy	less
pl	pl	TAPEN	with	one	pl
BNANA	.	remainder	unchanged	.	patrols
and	enemy	casualties	.	A	coy
patrol	from	GABUTAMON	found	gorge	with
rope	ladder	at	707563	.	80
dead	JAPS	at	bottom	of	gorge
apparently	fell	from	rope	with	weakness
.	further	80	dead	counted	between
KOSIT	GABUTAMON	.	D	coy	patrol
TAPEN	to	MOAM	16	dead	en
ate	and	in	village	killed	10
found	further	16	dead	.	D
coy	patrol	from	TAPEN	to	748531
found	16	dead	.	A	coy
4	bn	local	patrol	vicinity	SINGORKAI
killed	2	took	2	PW	.
total	enemy	casualties	killed	12	found
dead	208	PW	2	all	informed

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

S E C R E T.

Subject: 2 AUST CORPS LOCATION STATEMENT.

Copy No 48

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
26 Feb 44.
G/521/Ops.

1. Attached as Appendix "A" is 2-Aust Corps Location Statement by arms and services, as at 2359 hrs 15 Feb 44.
2. Please destroy all copies of previous Location Statement and acknowledge receipt on form below.

*Exempted from
26 Brig, 1st
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Rear 2 Aust Corps	1 - 2	DRLS
5 Aust Div	3 - 4	"
9 Aust Div	5 - 6	"
4 Aust Inf Bde	7 - 8	"
29 Aust Inf Bde	9 - 10	"
RAA 2 Aust Corps	11	Hand
B Aust Corps Sigs	12-16	Hand
2 Aust Corps Postal Unit	17	DRLS
2 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office	18	"
N G Force	19-20	"
FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area	21	"
GOC	22	Hand
BGS	23	"
G (Ops)	24-28	"
CE	29	"
CSO	30	"
DA&QMG	31	"
DAMS	32	DRLS
A	33-34	Hand
Q	35-36	"
S&T	37	"
Medical	38	"
Dental	39	"
Ord	40-41	"
AEHE	42-43	"
Legal	44	DRLS
Pro	45	Hand
Camp	46	"
War Diary ✓	47-48	
File	49	
Spares	50-55	

2 AUST CORPS:

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APPENDIX "A" to Adv
2 Aust Corps G/521/Ops
of 16 Feb 44.

2 AUST CORPS LOCATION STATEMENT

By Arms and Services

As at 2350 hrs 15 Feb 44.

Ref Maps1:25000 series

Serial (a)	Unit (b)	Map (c)	Location (d)	Remarks (e)
<u>HQ UNITS</u>				
1	Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps	SATELBERG	613659	
2	Rear HQ 2 Aust Corps	LAE	609409	
3	23 Pl F Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	SATELBERG	613659	Att HQ 2 Aust Corps
4	Tac HQ 5 Aust Div	LEPSIUS PT	001521	Moving to KELANOA
5	Main HQ 5 Aust Div	SCHARNHORST PT	603377	
6	19 Pl E Coy 2/1 Aust Bd Regt	"	602377	Att HQ 5 Aust Div
7	16 Pl D Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	SATELBERG	616642	Staging. Relieved by 19 Pl E Coy.
8	HQ 9 Aust Div	FORTIFICATION PT	608780	
9	5 Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt less 1 2 and 4 Pls	"	608780	1 Pl att HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde. 2 Pl att HQ 24 Aust Inf Bde (Aust) 4 Pl att HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde (Aust)
10				
11				
12				
13				
<u>INTELLIGENCE</u>				
14	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps.</u>			
15	2 Aust Corps Sec Int Corps	SATELBERG	613659	
16	1 Aust AAPIU less det	"	613659	Det att 5 Aust Div.
17				
18	<u>5 Aust Div.</u>			
18	32 Sec Aust FSW less det	SCHARNHORST PT	603377	Det under comd FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area
19	ATIS Det No 12	LEPSIUS PT	001521	
20	Det 1 Aust AAPIU	SCHARNHORST PT	603377	
21				
22	<u>9 Aust Div.</u>			
23	B Sec Aust FSW	FORTIFICATION PT	608780	
<u>CAV.</u>				
24	<u>9 Aust Div.</u>			
25	2/4 Aust Commando Sqn	SATELBERG	617683	

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
<u>ARMY.</u>				
	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps.</u>			
26	B Sqn 1 Aust Tk Bn and rear details	BUNA	160207	
27				
	<u>5 Aust Div.</u>			
28	One Tp A Sqn 1 Aust Tk Bn	CAPE KING WILLIAM	344111	
29				
	<u>5 Aust Inf Bde.</u>			
30	1 Aust Tk Bn less one tp A Sqn, less B Sqn and rear details	FORTIFICAT-ION PT	605715	One tp A Sqn under comd 5 Aust Div B Sqn and Rear Details under comd HQ 2 Aust Corps.
31				
<u>ARTY.</u>				
	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps.</u>			
32	HQ RAA 2 Aust Corps less det	SATELBERG	613659	Det with rear HQ 2 Aust Corps at LAE.
33	1 Aust Mob Met Flt less two dets	LAE	679409	One det att each FINSCHHAFEN and LAE Base Sub Areas
34	2 Aust Mtn Bty	LAE	698498	
35				
36				
37				
	<u>5 Aust Div.</u>			
38	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	SCHARNHORST PT	602377	
39	HQ 2/14 Aust Fd Regt	"	227194	Tac HQ ref GAUSS PT 795628
40	27 Bty 2/14 Aust Fd Regt	"	230197	
41	28 Bty 2/14 Aust Fd Regt	"	232187	
42	64 Bty 2/14 Aust Fd Regt	GAUSS PT	797625	
43	10 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	SCHARNHORST PT	227192	
44	5 Aust Svy Bty	"	227194	
45				
46				
47				
	<u>9 Aust Div.</u>			
48	HQ RAA 9 Aust Div	SATELBERG	622679	
49	2/12 Aust Fd Regt	"	619679	
50	2/3 Aust Lt AA Bty (Airborne)	"	618666	
51				
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
52	11 Bty 2/3 Aust Tk A Regt less one tp	SATELBERG	621669	One tp under comd FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area.
53	HQ 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	LANGEMAK BAY	612596	)Regt less 11 Bty)in FINSCH area.
54	B Tp 12 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	"	620675	)10 Bty under comd)5 Aust Div. 11 Bty)under comd 7 Aust)Div. 12 Bty less)B Tp under comd)FINSCH Base Sub)Area.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
55	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde Cont'd</u> 106 Aust Tk & Regt less 21 Bty	FORTIFICATION PT	622738	21 Bty under comd LAE Base Sub Area
56				
57				
58	<u>22 Aust Inf Bde.</u>			
59				
ENGINEERS.				
60	<u>5 Aust Div.</u> HQ RAE 5 Aust Div	SATELBERG	616642	To move to KELANOA and relieve RAE 3 Aust Div.
61	HQ RAE 3 Aust Div	SCHARNHORST PT	602377	
62	8 Aust Fd Coy	LEPSIUS PT	997529	
63	1 Op Pl 2/1 Aust Mech Eqpt Coy	SCHARNHORST PT	255169	
64	25 Aust Camflg Unit	"	225195	
65				
66	<u>9 Aust Div.</u> HQ-RAE 9 Aust Div	SATELBERG	614653	
67	2/3-Aust Fd Coy	SATELBERG	615683	
68	2/13 Aust Fd Coy	FORTIFICATION PT	617683	To come under comd 2 Aust Corps for works 18 Feb. Under comd 9 Aust Div for adm.
69	2/24 Aust Fd Fx Coy	SATELBERG	614653	
70	2/29 Aust Camflg Unit	FORTIFICATION PT	614653	
71				
72	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde.</u> A Tp 5 Aust Indep Fd Sqn	FORTIFICATION PT	622722	Att 1 Aust Tk Bn
73				
74	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u> 4 Aust Fd Coy	LAE	676442	To move to comd LAE base sub area 18 Feb.
75	11 Aust Fd Coy	LAE	708410	
SIGS.				
<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u>				
76	HQ B Aust Corps Sigs	SATELBERG	613659	
77	Adm Sec B Aust Corps Sigs	"	616668	
78	22 Aust Cipher Sec	"	616668	
79	2 Aust Tech Maint Sec	"	616668	
80	HQ 1 Coy B Aust Corps Sigs	"	616668	
81	2 Aust Line Maint Sec	"	616668	
82	4 Aust Line Sec	"	395085	
83	5 Aust Line Sec	"	395085	
84	HQ 2 Coy B Aust Corps Sigs	"	616668	
85	5 Aust Op Sec	"	616668	
86	6 Aust Op Sec	"	616668	
87	64 Aust Op Sec	LAE	699409	

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
88	5 Aust Lt Wireless Sec	SATELBERG	616668	
89	39 Aust Lt Wireless Sec	"	616668	
90	5 Aust DR Sec	"	616668	
91	10 Aust DR Sec	"	616668	
92	33 Aust Wireless Task Sec	"	616668	
93	34 Aust Wireless Task Sec	"	616668	
94	HQ 3 Coy B Aust Corps Sigs	"	616668	
95				
96				
97				
	<u>5 Aust Div.</u>			
98	HQ Sigs 5 Aust Div	SCHARNHORST PT	604377	
99	40 Aust Cipher Sec	"	604377	
100	2/14 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	"	227194	
101	8 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	GAUSS PT	794628	
102	Det 61 Aust Wireless Sec	SCARLET BEACH	HQF tps-moving to MELANOA.	
103				
	<u>9 Aust Div.</u>			
104	HQ Sigs 9 Aust Div	SATELBERG	608670	
105	2/43 Aust Cipher Sec	"	608670	
106	2/12 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	"	619679	
107	3 Aust Engr Sig Sec	"	614653	
108	20 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	FORTIFICATION PT	535804	
109				
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
110	4 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	SATELBERG	623699	
111	1 Aust Tk Bn Sig Tp	FORTIFICATION PT	605715	
112	2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt Sig Sec	LANGEMAK BAY	612596	
113	106 Aust Tk A Regt Sig Sec	FORTIFICATION PT	622738	
114	Det 26 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	SATELBERG	626684	
	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde.</u>			
115	HQ Sigs 3 Aust Div	LAE	699488	
116	29 Aust Bde Sig Sec	LAE	680433	
117	38 Aust Cipher Sec	"	699408	
118				
<u>INF.</u>				
	<u>5 Aust Div.</u>			
119	HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde	GAUSS PT	794628	
120	27 Pl G Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	"	794628	Att HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde
121	4 Aust Inf Bn	SCHARNHORST PT	252172	
122	30 Aust Inf Bn	"	226198	
123	35 Aust Inf Bn	GAUSS PT	809614	
124	5 Aust Div Carr Coy	"	794638	
125	A Coy PIB	SCHARNHORST PT	228203	
126				
127				
	<u>9 Aust Div.</u>			
128	HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde	FORTIFICATION PT	585804	
129	1 Pl 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	"	585804	
130	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	"	593789	

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
131	2/15 Aust Inf Bn	FORTIFICATION PT	588779	
132	2/17 Aust Inf Bn	"	581815	
133	Det HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde	SATELBERG	623684	
134	2/24 Aust Inf Bn	"	623684	
135	9 Aust Div Carr Coy	"	622679	
136	2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	FORTIFICATION PT	583718	
137	2/2 Aust MG Bn	"	627733	
138				
139				
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde.</u>			
140	HQ 4 Aust Inf Bde	SATELBERG	623699	
141	22 Aust Inf Bn	MASAWENG R WEST	553718	
142	29/46 Aust Inf Bn	FORTIFICATION PT	577716	
143	37/52 Aust Inf Bn	SATELBERG	618677	
144	C Coy PIB	"	624685	
145				
	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde.</u>			
146	HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde	LAE	680433	
147	15 Aust Inf Bn	LAE	698505	
148	42 Aust Inf Bn	LAE	686425	
149	47 Aust Inf Bn	LAE	676431	
150				
151				
<u>S & T.</u>				
	<u>5 Aust Div.</u>			
152	HQ Comd AASC 5 Aust Div	SCHARNHORST PT	245174	
153	HQ 4 Aust Sup Depot Coy	"	243175	
154	2 Aust Sup Depot Pl	GAUSS PT	794629	
155	241 Aust Sup Depot PT	LEPSIUS PT	995529	
156	242 Aust Sup Depot Pl	SCHARNHORST PT	244184	
157	39 Aust Indep Bde Gp Tpt	"	246174	
	Pl and RDI	"		
158	Det 4 Aust Fd Bky	"	226195	FINSCHNAFEN Base Sub Area Tps under comd for local adm only.
159				
160				
161				
	<u>9 Aust Div.</u>			
162	HQ Comd AASC 9 Aust Div	SATELBERG	622679	
163	2/6 Aust Sup Depot Coy less 26 28 29 and 31 Pls	SATELBERG	619680	27 and 30 Pls remain. Remaining Pls AUST.
164	2/156 Aust Gen Tpt Coy less B and C Pls and two RDIs	"	619680	B and C Pls and two RDIs AUST.
165				
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde.</u>			
166	Det 4 Aust Armd Bde Coy AASC	FORTIFICATION PT	632720	Att 1 Aust Tk Bn
167	1 Aust Sup Depot Pl	"	624734	
168				
169				

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
I70	<u>22 Aust Inf Bde.</u> 16 Aust Sup Depot Pl	LAE	685424	
I71	17 Aust Sup Depot Pl	"	705414	
I72	B Pl 154 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	"	721415	
I73				
<u>MEDICAL.</u>				
I74	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps.</u> 10 Aust Fd Amb less dets	SATELBERG	628661	ADS at DREGER AIRSTIP. Dets LAE
I75	2/2 Aust CCS	"	612654	
I76	2/3 Aust CCS	"	612654	
I77	NG SAT Coy less det	"	612654	
I78	11 Aust Malaria Control Unit	"	624705	
I79	15 Aust Malaria Control Unit	"	615651	
I80				
I81				
I82	<u>5 Aust Div.</u> 2/15 Aust Fd Amb	SCHARNHORST PT	234187	
I83				
I84	<u>9 Aust Div.</u> 2/3 Aust Fd Amb	FORTIFICATION PT	629729	
I85	Det 2/8 Aust Fd Amb	"	611772	Amb less det AUST
I86	2/3 Aust Malaria Control Unit	SCHARNHORST PT	234189	Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div
I87				
I88	<u>5 Aust Inf Bde.</u> 106 Aust Lt Fd Amb	SATELBERG	612654	1 Aust Tk Bn Gp
I89	4 Aust Fd Amb less A Coy	FORTIFICATION PT	629729	Att 2/3 Aust CCS
I90				
I91				
I92	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde.</u> 7 Aust Fd Amb	LAE	686423	
I93				
<u>DENTAL.</u>				
I94	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u> A Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	FORTIFICATION PT	KILIGIA	
I95	C Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	MASAWENG R	583816	
I96	D Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	"	622672	
I97	E Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	SCHARNHORST PT	234187	Att 2/15 Aust Fd Amb
I98	F Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	"	227196	
I99	B Sec 2/8 Aust Dental Unit	CAPE KING WILLIAM	332124	
200	D Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit	SATELBERG	253710	Att 2/3 Aust Pnr Bn
201	HQ 77 Aust Dental Unit	FORTIFICATION PT	626731	
202	D Sec 77 Aust Dental Unit	SATELBERG	622667	
203	E Sec 77 Aust Dental Unit	SCHARNHORST PT	234187	Att 2/15 Aust Fd Amb
204				
205				

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
ORD.				
206	<u>5 Aust Div.</u> Det 133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	SCHARNHORST PT	227195	
207				
208	<u>9 Aust Div.</u> 2/122 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	FORTIFICATION PT	632718	
209				
210	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde.</u> 1 Aust Tk Bn Ord Fd Pk	FORTIFICATION PT	632724	
211	133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk less det	"	624713	Det under comd 5 Aust Div
212				
213				
214	<u>39 Aust Inf Bde.</u> 104 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	LAE	714424	
215				
216	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u> 244 Aust LAD	SATELBERG	616668	Att B Aust Corps Sigs
217				
218	<u>5 Aust Div.</u> 2/83 Aust LAD	SCHARNHORST PT	227194	Att 2/14 Aust Fd Regt
219	231 Aust LAD	"	603377	Att HQ 5 Aust Div
220	251 Aust LAD	"	226199	Att HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde
221	Det 133 Aust Bde Wkshops	"	224196	
222				
223				
224	<u>9 Aust Div.</u> 2/58 Aust LAD	FORTIFICATION PT	583806	Att HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde
225	2/61 Aust LAD	SATELBERG	615682	Att 2/12 Aust Fd Regt
226	2/67 Aust LAD	FORTIFICATION BT	608780	Att Sigs 9 Aust Div
227	2/72 Aust LAD	SATELBERG	614653	Att 2/24 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy
228	2/77 Aust LAD	FORTIFICATION PT	627733	Att 2/2 Aust MG Bn
229	2/122 Aust Bde Wkshops less det	"	632718	Det AUST
230				
231				
232	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde.</u> 269 Aust LAD	FORTIFICATION PT	630729	Att 1 Aust Tk Bn
233	263 Aust LAD	"	622738	Att 106 Aust Tk A Regt
234	264 Aust LAD	SATELBERG	622694	Att HQ 4 Aust Inf Bde
235	1 Aust Tk Bn Wkshops	FORTIFICATION PT	632723	

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
236	2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt Wkshops less sec	LANGEMAK BAY	612596	Sec under comd 7 Aust Div
237	133 Aust Bde Wkshops less det	FORTIFICATION PT	624710	Det under comd 5 Aust Div
238				
239				
	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde.</u>			
240	312 Aust LAD	LAE	621432	Att HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde
241	104 Aust Bde Wkshops	LAE	713424	
242				
243				
<u>PRO.</u>				
	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u>			
244	One Sec 9 Aust Div Pro Coy	SATELBERG	623699	Att 4 Aust Inf Bde
245				
	<u>5 Aust Div.</u>			
246	Det 5 Aust Div Pro Coy	SCHARNHORST PT	599379	HQ and two secs under comd FINSCH Base Sub Area two under H G F.
247	13 Aust Indep Bde Gp Pro Pl	"	599379	
248				
249				
	<u>9 Aust Div.</u>			
250	9 Aust Div Pro Coy less two secs	FORTIFICATION PT	608780	One sec embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde One under comd HQ 2 Aust Corps
251				
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde.</u>			
252				
253				
	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde.</u>			
254	Det 3 Aust Armd Div Pro Coy	NADZAB	423547	Formerly 12 Aust Indep Bde Gp Pro Pl
255				
<u>POSTAL.</u>				
	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps.</u>			
256	2 Aust Corps Postal Unit less dets	LAE	699409	Dets under comd 5 Aust Div and FINSCH Base Sub Area
257				
	<u>5 Aust Div.</u>			
258	5 Aust Div Postal Unit	SCHARNHORST PT	604377	
259	Det 2 Aust Div Postal Unit	GAUSS PT	794628	Att HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde
	<u>9 Aust Div.</u>			
260	9 Aust Div Postal Unit less dets	FORTIFICATION PT	608780	Dets embarked with 24 and 26 Aust Inf Bdes.
261				
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde.</u>			
262	Det 3 Aust Div Postal Unit	SATELBERG	623699	Att HQ 4 Aust Inf Bde
263				

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
264 265	29 Aust Inf Bde.			
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HQ 2 Aust Corps.				
266 267	2 Aust Corps Hd Cash Office	LAE	701409	
5 Aust Div.				
268	5 Aust Div Hd Cash Office	SCHARNHORST PT	604377	
269	Det 2 Aust Div Hd Cash Office	GAUSS PT	794628	Att HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde
9 Aust Div.				
270	9 Aust Div Hd Cash Office less dets	FORTIFICATION PT	608780	Dets embarked with 24 and 26 Aust Inf Bdes
271				
29 Aust Inf Bde.				
272	5 Aust Div.			
273	5 Aust Div Sal Unit	SCHARNHORST PT	235107	
9 Aust Div.				
274	9 Aust Div Sal Unit	FORTIFICATION PT	609774	
275				
29 Aust Inf Bde.				
276 277	3 Aust Div Sal Unit	LAE	701403	
RECEP.				
HQ 2 Aust Corps.				
279	1 Aust Corps Recep Camp	LAE	LAE	
5 Aust Div.				
280 281	5 Aust Div Recep Camp	SATELBERG	616642	
9 Aust Div.				
282 283	9 Aust Div Recep Camp	SATELBERG	616642	
SCHOOLS.				
HQ 2 Aust Corps.				
284	NGF Mob Trg Cadre	FORTIFICATION PT	622718	
285	2 Aust Corps Mob Hyg Trg Cadre		5 Aust Div Area.	
286 287				

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
MISC.				
HQ 2 Aust Corps				
288	3 Aust Armd Div Concert Party		2 Aust Div Area	Under FT SCH Base Sub Area for local adm
289	81 Aust Mob Cinema		FT SCH Area	
290				
291				
9 Aust Div.				
292	81 Aust Mob Cinema		9 Aust Div Area	
293				
GHQ TFS.				
294	Det Public Relations	LEPSIUS PT	601521	Att HQ 5 Aust Div
295	Det ADCS	CAPE KING WILLIAM	345109	Services 5 Aust Div
296				
297				
HGF Tps Under Cond.				
298	Det ANGAU	SCHARNHORST PT	604377	
299				
GHQ TFS.				
300	GHQ Liaison Party	LEPSIUS PT	001521	Att HQ 5 Aust Div
301				
RAAF Tps.				
302	Det W/TSec 4 Tac R Sqn	SCHARNHORST PT	604377	Att HQ 5 Aust Div
303	4 Tac R Sqn	-	604377	In sp
US Tps Under Cond.				
304	532 EB and SR less Coy E	LANGEMAK BAY	631591	Under cond 5 Aust Div
305				
US Tps In Sp				
306	8 Air Liaison Party 5AF	SCHARNHORST PT	603377	Att HQ 5 Aust Div
307	9 Air Liaison Party 5AF	SATELBERG	613659	Att HQ 2 Aust Corps.

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aust inf bde (5) USN DREGER (6) 308 bombardment wing (7) 309
bombardment wing (8) 310 bombardment wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE
(10) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (11) FINSON BSA (12) base F USASOS
(13) LAE BSA rptd (14) 5 aust idv

FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 0.2224 20

SITREP	no	105	.	5	aust
div	to	200900L	.	no	change
all	informed				

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 GP (11) FINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USASOS (13) LAE BSA rptd
 (14) 5 Aust Div

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SITREP	NO	104	5	aust	div
to	192100L	.	disposition	35	bn
A	coy	less	one	pl	MALALAMAI
one	pl	KUFUKU	.	3	coy
less	one	pl	802598	with	one
pl	RUANGE	.	C	coy	and
2	pls	D	coy	ETANA	.
D	coy	less	2	pls	and
A	coy	PIB	less	one	sec
400	yards	SOUTHWEST	TAPEN	.	one
sec	PIB	MALALAMAI	.	remainder	unchanged
.	enemy	casualties	4	killed	GABUTAMON
39	killed	by	PIB	TAPEN	GARDEN
2	PIB	vicinity	RUANGE	.	US
patrol	in	GABUTAMON	area	searching	for
lost	US	PIPER	CUB	all	informed

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(8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 348 FIGHTER
GP (11) PINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USASOS (13) LAE Base Sub
Area rptd (14) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2222 19

SITREP	number	103	(.)	5
aust	div	to	190900L	(.)
NO	change	all	informed	

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 (5) USM DREGER (6) 308 Bombardment Wing (7) 309 Bombardment Wing
 (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALC 346 FIGHTER GP
 (11) FINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USAGOS (13) LAE DSA rptd
 (14) 5 Aust Div

FROM: Adv 2 Aust Corps

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SITREP	No	102	5	aust	div
to	182000L	.	35	bn	C
coy	less	one	pl	RUANGE	with
one	pl	BTANA	.	D	coy
less	one	pl	BTANA	with	one
pl	RUANGE	.	remainder	unchanged	.
patrols	and	enemy	casualties	.	pl
2	A	coy	killed	9	en
route	GABUTANON	and	in	village	killed
40	and	found	43	dead	.
pl	D	coy	with	one	sec
PIB	en	route	TAPEN	not	JAPS
patrol	at	752552	killed	3	.
pl	encountered	opposition	on	entering	TAPEN
and	ansuing	action	lasted	50	mins
with	enemy	casualties	1	offr	51
OR's	killed	further	51	killed	in
garden	vicinity	TAPEN	and	40	found
dead	in	village	.	own	casualties
1	wounded	.	NOT	previously	reported
14	feb	ANGAU	natives	took	5
P7s	fair	condition	HELANPIPI	995112	rof
map	1	inch	TEILBE	RIVER	.
enemy	equipment	.	one	2 inch	mortar
captured	GABUTANON	.	total	enemy	casualties
18	feb	155	killed	83	found
dead	all	informed			

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FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2216 18

SITREP	number	101	(.)	5
aust	div	to	180900L	(.)
NO	CHANGE	all	informed	

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FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 0.3214 12

SITREP	100	.	5	aust	div
to	1721002	.	dispons	35	bn
A	coy	less	one	pl	KUFUKU
with	one	pl	715610	.	B
coy	802598	.	C	coy	less
one	pl	802598	with	one	pl
RUANGE	.	D	coy	less	one
pl	RUANGE	with	one	pl	BTANA
.	A	coy	PIB	less	one
sec	RUANGE	with	one	sec	715610
.	remainder	unchanged	.	patrols	continue
towards	GABUTAMON	and	around	BTANA	.
enemy	casualties	.	16	feb	PIB
killed	1	Jan	RUANGE	27	vicinity
BTANA	.	17	feb	PIB	killed
5	and	found	37	dead	BTANA
not	incl	those	previous	day	.
A	coy	35	bn	killed	2
found	30	dead	between	KUFUKU	GABUTAMON
.	all	enemy	casualties	not	previously
reported	.	enemy	equipment	.	one
by	NG	found	782556	all	informed

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W. J. H.
.....Lieut.

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FROM: adv 2 aust corps

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SITREP	number	99	(.)	5
aust	div	to	170900L	(.)
PIB	killed	3	JAPS	vicinity
RUANGE	(.)	arty	pers	killed
2	JAPS	KUFUKU	(.)	otherwise
no	change	all	informed	

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A. J. Watt

..... Maj

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aust inf bde (5) USN DREGGER (6) 308 bombardment wing (7) 309
bombardment wing (8) 310 bombardment wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE
(10) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (11) FINCH BSA (12) base F USASOS
(13) LAS BSA rptd (14) 5 aust div

FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 00212 17

SITREP	no	98	.	5
aust	div	to	162100E	.
35	bn	A	coy	less
2	pl	KUFUKU	en	route
to	GABUTAMON	.	30	bn
KELANOA	.	4	bn	less
A	coy	and	one	pl
KELANOA	A	coy	BUTU BUTU	one
pl	WASU	.	remainder	unchanged
.	PIS	protection	with	A
coy	fwd	pl	killed	6
found	30	dead	KUFUKU	A
coy	killed	2	at	734632
.	60	decomposed	japs	found
along	track	GALI	2	RUANGE
all	informed			

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FROM adv 2 aust corps 0 2205 16

SITREP	number	97	(.)	5	aust
div	to	160900L	(.)	PIB	patrol
to	TOTAL	ref	675663	killed	9
JAPS	(.)	pl	A	coy	35
bn	found	11	dead	JAPS	en
route	to	735632	all	informed	

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Subject: LOCATION REPORT

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
15 Feb 44
G/517/Ops.

NG Force
B Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHHAFFEN Base Sub Area

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Ref Adv 2 Aust Corps G/496/Ops

1. The following amendments are notified :-

<u>Serial.</u>	<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Amended</u>	<u>Comd and/or Remarks.</u>
59.	Delete		See Serial 75.
75.	4 Aust Pd Coy	676442	Under comd 29 Bde & under orders to move to FINSCH.
95.	Det 61 Aust W/T Sec	FINSCH	Arr 6 Feb from LAE. NGF tps att 2 Aust Corps. Moving to KELANOA 19 Feb.
189.	NG SAT Coy less det	612654	Att 2/2 Aust CCS det KELANOA.
270.	delete and substitute. Det 3 Aust Armd Div Pro Coy	423547	Was 12 Aust Indep Bde Pro Pl. Remainder unit en route from AUST.

2. No further location report will be issued until after
publication of 2 Aust Corps Location Statement as at 2359 hrs 15
Feb.

for A. J. Wall
(P H BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen;
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

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ADDRESS BY CORPS COMD TO 9 AUSL BDE
15 FEB 44.

Presentation of Awards 20 Aust Inf Bde at MASAKING R.

General WOOTEN, Brig WINDEYER, Officers, WOs, NCOs and men:

To us it is a privilege to honour our comrades and we look with pride on them as representative of the great work done by all ranks in every unit. The honours bestowed are a tribute to them individually and to all of you who fought and served so gallantly with them. Our feeling of pride is tinged with sorrow when we remember our fallen comrades who will be finally laid to rest on the banks of the BUMI RIVER. There we are erecting a memorial, similar to that at TOMBUK, which is representative of the AIF and the 9th Division in particular.

Over this very ground you assisted the young troops of the 4th Aust Inf Bde to make their successful entry into battle. No one was more pleased at the successful entry of these young troops into battle than the veterans of the 9th Division.

With us today, we have Officers of the 532 Boat and Shore Regiment, whose great services with the Division is well known. Through the last six months they have served with us, taken part in the defence of SOARLETT and other beaches and brought forward our supplies in calm and rough weather, often taking a severe pounding in heavy seas. To them we express our gratitude.

In the campaign just concluded, we defeated the original garrison of PINGCHHAPEN, repelled the attacks of a new Division, and in a series of hard battles inflicted a crushing defeat on the enemy, culminating in the destruction of a fighting force of 14,000 Japanese. This success is due to the high standard of training and discipline, the determination of all ranks and able leadership in all grades. Whenever a leader has fallen another one has taken his place; in many instances it has been a private soldier who has assumed the task.

To the 20th Bde is the honour of being first in and last out; now that you are returning to your native land, I wish you a good holiday. Afterwards may we meet again, re-invigorated, to carry out another period of successful training. I wish you all good luck, and hope for the day when our enemies will be finally crushed and our country secure. To you all, thanks and good luck.

Senior Officers from Corps HQ at the parade were:

Brigs BROADBENT and RISSON, Col HANSEN.

From 532 Boat and Shore Regiment:

Col NEILSON Lt-Col BROCKETT, Majors GASPER and RISKLING.

Col NEILSON and Lt-Col BROCKETT accompanied the Corps Comd in the inspection of the guard.

Corps Comd and party visited HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde after the parade.

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16 Feb

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TO	(1) HGP (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 29 aust inf bde (5) USN DRAGON (6) 306 bombardment wing (7) 309 bombardment wing (8) 310 bombardment wing (9) ADV ALAME FORCE (10) ADV 249 WINTER (11) FINISH BSA (12) base P USA3CS (13) IAE BSA (14) 1st aust div			
FROM	adv 2 aust corps	0220h	16	
GITREF	ac	06	.	5
aust	div	to	15.11.62	.
35	bn	A	coy	less
one	platoon	KALANOA	one	platoon
735632	BN	HQ	.	coy
GALI	2	C	coy	802598
D	coy	KALANOA	.	30
bn	C	D	coys	BUTU BUTU
on	route	to	KALANOA	remainder
30	bn	KALANOA	.	B
troop	64	sty	KALANOA	.
A	coy	PIN	less	sec
GALI	2	one	sec	patrolling
with	each	of	C	and
D	coys	35	bn	.
remainder	unchanged	all	informed	

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bde (5) USH DREGER (6) 308 Bombardment Wing (7) 309 Bombardment
Wing (8) 310 Bombardment Wing (9) ADV ALAMO FORCE (10) ALO 342
FIGHTER GP (11) FINSCH Base Sub Area (12) Base F USASOS (13) LAZ
Base Sub Area rptd (14) 5 aust div

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 bombardment wing (8) 310 bombardment wing (9) ADV ALAMO
 FORCE (10) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (11) FINSCH BSA (12) base F
 USASOS (13) LAE BSA rtd (14) 5 aust div

FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 0.0199 15

SITREP	no	24	.	5
aust	div	to	143100L	.
30	bn	D	coy	MAOULAMAI
C	coy	one	pl	B
coy	WEBER	H Q	A	B
coys	less	one	pl	KELANCA
.	35	bn	A	coy
MAOULAMAI	HQ	3	coy	WEBER
C	coy	GALI	2	D
coy	at	802599	moving	on
track	GALI	2	to	RUANGE
.	last	coy	killed	one
took	one	PV	on	route
.	C	tp	CE	bty
2/14	rd	regt	arrived	WEBER
to	relieve	E	tp	64
bty	.	remainder	unchanged	all
informed				

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courageous zeal and determination of
the magnificent troops which they
have the honour to command
the successful conclusion of
this campaign marks a
further stage towards the final
destruction of our enemy

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Subject: LOCATION REPORT

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
7 Feb 44.
G/516/Ops.

HQ Force (C)
B Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHHAFFEN Base Sub Area

Copies: 2
War Diary ✓

Ref Adv 2 Aust Corps G/490/Ops.

1. The following amendments are notified:-

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amended Location</u>	<u>Comd and/or Remarks</u>
33	2 Aust Mtn Bty less sec	LAE	Comd 2 Aust Corps See NGF SD6578
44	2/3 Aust Lt AA Bty (airborne)	618666	Comd 9 Aust Div
51	2 Aust Mtn Bty less sec	Delete	See Serial 33
185	A Coy 2/15 Aust Fd Amb	Delete	Coy in fwd area Amb complete under comd 5 Aust Div
194	4 Aust Fd Amb less A Coy	Delete	See Serial 203
203	4 Aust Fd Amb less A Coy	GUSIKA	Comd 4 Aust Inf Bde
215	D Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit	FINSCH AREA	Comd 2 Aust Corps See NGF SD2633
217	Det 133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk		Comd 5 Aust Div
225	133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk less det	KILIGIA	Comd 4 Aust Inf Bde
236	Det 133 Aust Bde Wkshops		Comd 5 Aust Div
257	133 Aust Bde Wkshops less det	KILIGIA	Comd 4 Aust Inf Bde
287(a)	3 Aust Armd Div Concert Party	SATELBERG 613659	Comd 2 Aust Corps

Commanding Officer
(F H BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

MESSAGE OUT

TO: H Q F (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 Aust Inf Bde (4) 29 Aust Inf Bde
(5) USN DREGER (6) FATF (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE (9) ALO 348
FIGHTER GP (10) FLINCH Base Sub Area (11) Base F USASOS (12) LAE
BSA rptd (13) 5 Aust Div

FROM: Adv 2 Aust Corps

0.2196

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SITREP	No	93	.	5	aust
div	to	140900L	.	at	140140L
1	flare	and	approx	4	bombs
dropped	by	1	unidentified A/C		vicinity
east	SINGORAKAI	.	No	known	damage
or	casualties	.	ANGAU	took	1
PW	LEMBANGANDON	13	feb	.	otherwise
NO	change	all	informed		

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TOO: 141300L

Summerville, Calif

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TO: H G P (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 29 aust inf
bde (5) USN DREGER (6) PATF (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE
(9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH Base Sub Area (11) Base
F USASOS (12) LAE BSA rptd (13) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2189 13

SITREP	no	91	(.)	5
aust	div	to	130900L	(.)
PIB	captured	1	PW	795621
(.)	otherwise	no	change	all

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FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 02128 13

SITREP	no	90	.	5
aust	div	to	122100L	.
2	bde	area	.	30
bn	HQ	A	coy	C
coy	794630	.	C	coy
35	bn	relieved	A	coy
4	bn	795627	.	latter
coy	now	BUTU BUTU	.	remainder
unchanged	.	PIB	patrol	ROIHJI
RUANCE	WEBER	POINT'	killed	6
took	1	PM	armed	in
good	condition	all	informed	

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	to (1)	15 412 44
	DRLS to (13)	
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2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS CO No 8

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12 Feb 44

Ref Map: SINGOROKAI Sheet 1 in = 1 mile

INFO

1. This order confirms verbal orders issued by
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

INTENTION

2. Operations will be continued with the object of
mopping up Japanese forces in the area SE of the YAUT
River.

METHOD

3. Australian forces will not operate west of the
YAUT River.
4. 5 Aust Div will carry out the mopping up of the
area south of the coast between GALI 835619 and OLD
YAGOMI 724674 in two stages:
 - (a) The area incl TAPER 765445
 - (b) The area incl the native gardens in the
vicinity of HOKOPO 709428.
5. Future ops. On the conclusion of the above
operations it is the intention to withdraw 5 Aust Div
together with the subs, stores and arm in the coastal
area, to FINSCHAFEN.

Acknowledge

Signed at 2320 hrs
Issued through Sigs.

R. Summerton
Brig,
GS 2 Aust Corps.

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ADV 2 Asst Corps

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situation report (.)

no

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(5) USM DREGER (6) FATF (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE (9) ALO 348
FIGHTER GP (10) FI'SCH Base Sub Area (11) Base F USASOS (12) LAE
Base Sub Area rptd (13) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 02185 12

SITREP	number	89	(.)	5
aust	div	to	120700L	(.)
PIS	patrol	killed	6	japs
armed	and	fully	equipped	vicinity
RUANCE	and	additional	2	in
poor	condition	802602	(.)	two
day	patrol	from	4	bn
area	to	ULAP	MISSION	and
neighboring	villages	returned	111730L	(.)
no	sign	jap	occupation	of
mission	since	last	patrol	(.)
lled	5	japs	good	condition
well	armed	vicinity	DUMI	(.)
in	SIO	area	native	police
captured	4	P7	incl	1
cpl	all	informed		

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TOO: 121525L

Summerville
..... Capt

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TO (1) HGF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 39 aust inf bde (5) 1ST BREGGER (6) 74TH (7) 34TH (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE (9) ALO 341 FIGHTER GP (10) PINCH base sub area (11) base F USASOS (12) LAE DSA rptd (13) 4 aust air

FROM adv 2 aust corps

02103

12

SITREP	no	SS	(.)	5
aust	div	to	110100L	(.)
one	pl	3	copy	30
aust	inf	br	at	SEL
(.)	remainder	unchanged	(.)	one
FW	EXTDUTU	(.)	otherwise	nothing
to	report	all	informed	

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IMPORTANT - remainder

W. J. T. J. Capt.

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11 Feb 44.
G/513/Ops.

HQ Force (2)
B Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area

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Reference Adv 2 Aust Corps G/496/Ops.

1. The following amendments are notified:

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amended Location</u>	<u>Comm and/or Remarks</u>
43	Delete dets KILIGIA	-	Movement complete
44	2/3 Lt AA Bty (Airborne)	KILIGIA	Movement from Fwd area now complete
57A	HQ RAE 5 Aust Div	616642	Arrived from MILNE BAY 10 Feb. See HQF G/6331/SD, Appx "B" Part III, Priority 2.
139	Delete and substitute Det HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde	623684	To move by Air to AUST. Remainder of HQ embarked 10 Feb. See HQF G/6331/SD, Appx "E" Part III. Priority 4a
140	Delete		
110	Delete		
246	Delete		
112	Delete		
222	Delete		
241	Delete		
198	Delete and substitute Det 2/8 Aust Fd Amb	611772	Unit less det embarked 10 Feb. Det to move in Third Flight
190	Delete and substitute 11 Aust AMCU	615651	Unit under comm HQ 2 Aust Corps vide HQF SD 8528

A. J. Wall
for (F. H. BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comm 2 Aust Corps.

MESSAGE OUT

OUT

TO: (1) NTF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) : aust inf bde (4) 29 aust inf bde
 (5) USN DRIFTER (6) FATF (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE (9) ALO 348
 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH Base Sub Area (11) Base F USASOS (12) LAE
 Base Sub Area rptd (13) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 02182 11

SITREP	No	87	(.)	5
aust	div	to	110900L	(.)
urther	cur	SITREP	No	86
PIB	patrol	10	feb	killed
additional	29	and	captured	1
PW	(.)	otherwise	no	change
all	informed			

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TOO:

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A J Wok
 Maj

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MESSAGE OUT.

TO: K G F {2} rear 2 aust corps (5) 4 aust inf bde (4) 29 aust inf bde
 {5} USN DREGGER (6) PATF {7} SATP (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE
 (9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) PINSCH Base Sub Area (11) Base
 P USASOS (12) LAE BSR rptd (13) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2172 11

SITREP	nr	86	(.)	our	0 2174
should read	sitrep	no	85	(.)	5
aust	div	to	102000L	(.)	further
W	sitrep	no	85	PIB	killed
additional	18	japs . and			captured 1
PW	(.)	dispositions		of	30
bn	after	contact		made	with
aust	liaison	patrol		at	101030L
(.)	bn	HQ		681697	A
coy	695685	B		coy 693687	C
coy	YAGOMAI	D		coy SEURE	and
patrol	and	to	US	post	at
SEL	(.)	E		64	bty
complete	in	action	796626	(.)	bn
HQ	A	coy	4	bn	A
coy	PIB	unchanged	(.)	HMS	during
day	(.)	total	enemy	casualties	from
incl	21	jan	226	killed	21
PW	209	round	dead	to	GALI
2	plus	conservative		estimate	approx
800	round	dead	total	GALI 2	all

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 or to fall into enemy hands.

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IMPORTANT-reminder. TOO: 110215L

Robert J. Smith
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(5) USN DREGER (6) PATF (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE (9) ALO 348
FIGHTER GP (10) PINSCH Base Sub Area (11) Base F USASOS (12) LAF
Sub Area rptd (13) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2176 10

at	101030L	aust	fwd	troops
made	contact	at	706675	SE
of	US	outpost	at	700672
th	aust	inf	liaison	patrol
from	US	forces	at	MICHAELMAS

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TOO: 10/10/20

J. Cummings
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(8) ADV ALAMO FORCE (9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH
base sub area (11) base F USASOS (12) LAE Base Sub Area
rtd (13) 5 aust div

FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 0.2174 10

SITREP	NO	84	.	5
aust	div	to	100900L	.
further	enemy	casualties	.	2
P7	captured	K7AIA	R	area
8	feb	.	PIB	killed
8	on	9	feb	.
otherwise	no	change	all	informed

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IMMEDIATE to (1) TOC:
DRLS to (13) 10450L
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10 Feb 44.
G/512/023.

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B Aust Corps Sigs
PINSCHWAFEN Base Sub Area

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<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amended Location</u>	<u>Cond and/or Remarks</u>
36	10 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	SCHARNHORST PT 227192	Cond 5 Aust Div
41	27 Bty 2/14 Aust Fd Regt	SCHARNHORST PT 232194	2/14 Aust Fd Regt now complet under cond 5 Aust Div
43	2/12 Aust Fd Regt	FORTIFICATION PT .. 619079	Regt now complet under cond 9 Aust Div
60	8 Aust Fd Coy	LEPSIUS PT 995530	Cond 5 Aust Div
62	25 Aust Camflg Unit	SCHARNHORST PT 225195	Cond 5 Aust Div
131	5 Aust Div Carr Coy less rear party	SCHARNHORST PT 228203	Cond 5 Aust Div Rear Party MORESBY
273	5 Aust Div Postal Unit	SCHARNHORST PT 235109	Cond 5 Aust Div
281	5 Aust Div Salv Unit	SCHARNHORST PT 235187	Cond 5 Aust Div

Sumner
(P H BERNHARD) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

MESSAGE OUT.

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bde (5) USN DREGER (6) FATF (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE
(9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH BASE SUB AREA (11)
BASE F USASOS ret'd (12) 5 aust div.

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2172 10

SITREP	no	84	(.)	5
aust	div	to	092100L	(.)
8	bde	area	(.)	disposition
30	bn	C	coy	722654
D	coy	727649	bn	HQ
728646	E	coy	729647	A
coy	less	one	pl	731647
one	pl	A	coy	735647
(.)	PIB	A	coy	793628
(.)	bde	HQ	794628	(.)
4	bn	A	coy	795626
(.)	3	guns	E	to
64	sty	in	action	796627
(.)	enemy	casualties	26	killed
all	armed	and	in	good
condition	and	5	PW	incl
1	at	SINGORAKAI	(.)	hundred
reported	found	dead	along	track
west	of	GALI	2	(.) no
details	all	informed		

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7 Feb 44
G/510/Ops.

NG Force (2)
B Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area

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Reference Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps G/496/Ops of 3 Feb 44.

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6	16 Pl D Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	SATELBERG 616642	Prepared for movement to AUST as per NGF G/6331/SD appx E part III Priority 34.
38	Delete in favour Serial 44		
44	2/3 Aust Lt AA bty less rear details	KILIGIA	Comd 9 Aust Div. Moving from fwd area.
183	Rear Details 152 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	delete	Embarked for AUST. See NGF G/6331/SD appx D part IV.
284	5 Aust Div Reception	SATELBERG 616642	Move completed 8 Feb See NGF G/6331/SD appx D part I Priority 13.

Summary Capt
(F H BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

OUT ::

TO :: (1) HGF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4)
29 aust inf bde (5) USN DEGER (6) FATF (7) SATF
(8) ADV ALAMO FORCE (9) ALO 342 BIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH base
sub area (11) base F USASCS rtd (12) 5 aust div

FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 0.2158 9

SITREP	number	83	.	5
aust	div	to	081900L	.
8	bde	dispositions	.	A
coy	4	bn	885543	.
30	bn	HQ	795627	A
coy	809614	3	coy	784636
C	coy	793633	D	coy
796627	.	30	bn	encountered
light	opposition	784635	and	attacked
with	pl	5	japs	being
killed	2	captured	.	our
casualties	2	wounded	.	same
bn	killed	11	japs	took
2	PW	vicinity	GALI	2
others	killed	en	route	(.)
patrol	A	coy	PIE	en
route	GALI	1	RUANGE	GALI
2	reached	vicinity	track	junc
8254	(.)	total	enemy	casualties
8	feb	(.) 1	offr	48
OR	killed	4	PW	incl
1	english	speaking	.	5
aust	div	to	090900L	.
1	jap	killed	870548	all

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Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps,
9 Feb 44
G/505/Ops.

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9 Aust Div " " 2

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1. Attached hereto are the following appendices,
fully amended to date:

(a) Codewords Cartwheel - alphabetically by code
words

(b) Codewords Cartwheel - alphabetically by meaning.

2. Pl are destroy all previous lists of Codewords -
Cartwheel.

ACKNOWLEDGE.

Summerton
for Bris.
CS 2 Aust Corps.

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Appx A to Adv 2 Ansb Corps
0/505/One of 9 Feb 44.

OPERATIONS - CANTWHEEL

Alphabetically by Code Words.

<u>CODE WORD</u>	<u>MEANING.</u>
ABERRATION	ALEXISHAFEN (5S - 146E)
ABSTRACT	HANSA BAY (4S - 145E)
ACACIA	SYDNEY
ACIDITY	GAVUTU ISLAND
AFFAIR	SUNGUM (5S - 146E)
ALAMO	ALAMO FORCE (NON SECRET NEW BRITAIN FORCE)
ALUMENUS	BALLALE, BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND
AMATORY	BRISBANE
AMBIGUITY	ASTROLABE BAY (5S - 146E)
AMPERAND	ESPIRITU SANTO ISLAND
ANCHORAGE	OPERATION F
APERIENT	NEW GEORGIA ISLAND
APPEASE	TALASEA, NEW BRITAIN ISLAND
ARABIC	NEW BRITAIN
ARMCHAIR	WICKHAM ANCHORAGE
ARTHRITIS	SOLOMON ISLANDS
ASSESSOR	NASSAU BAY
ASTOR	PORT DARWIN
AUTOMOBILE	NADZAB
AZTEC	NORFOLK ISLAND
BACKHANDER	CAPE GLOUCESTER - NEW BRITAIN ISLAND
BEADSMAN	SAMARAI
BEEFSTEAK	EMIRAU ISLAND (8QUALLY IS, ADMIRALTY IS)
BEERHOUSE	JENKINS BAY (SIDEIA ISLAND - 10° 35' S - 150° 15' E)
BEGRIME	BOGASIM (5S - 145E)
BELABOUR	CAPE CROISILLES (5S - 146E)
BENEVOLENT	MILNE BAY

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BESTRIDE	FAISI, BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND
BEWILDER	ANNENBERG (58 - 144E)
BICARBONATE	SEADLER HARBOUR (140E 18)
BINDWED	DOEROE ISLAND (33 - 127E)
BILLSTICKING	HUON PENINSULA
BIRTHDAY	KIRIWINA (TROBRIAND) IS
BLACKBOY	SEGI
BLAZUP	DAVAO (5N - 125E)
BLISSFUL	CHOISEUL ISLAND
BLOODHOUND	2 MUST CORPS
BOARSHEAD	BOURABAYA, JAVA
BOILING POINT	VITIAZ STRAIT
BRAVES	PERTH
BREAKDOWN	MARKHAM RIVER VALLEY
BREAKFAST	ARAPURA SEA (103 - 136E)
BREWER	ADMIRALTY ISLAND
BRICABAC	NDENI ISLAND
BRONCHITIS	KAHILI, BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND
BURNISHED	DILLI, TIMOR
CALLOUS	TOMNSVILLE
CANCER	KIETA
CARAMEL	PORT MORESBY
CARDIAC	NEW IRELAND ISLAND
CARPETBAG	ST MATTHIAS ISLANDS (23 - 150E)
CARTWHEEL	CAMPAIGN NE AREA
CATSMEAT	VIRU HARBOUR
CELLULOID	ORO BAY
CENTRAL	NEW GUINEA ISLAND
CHEEKSTRAP	NEW CALEDONIA
CHEMIST	SHORTLAND ISLAND
CHERRY	SAN CRISTOBAL ISLAND
CHERRY BLOSSOM	EMPRESS AUGUSTA BAY (BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND)
COPPERSMITH	EFMAN ISLAND (13 - 131E)

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CONVICTION	HUON GULF
COOLTIPT	MENIGO ISLANDS (13 - 144E)
CRUSTACEAN	MENDARI, SELEBES (43 - 122E)
DIRECTOR	ARAVE
DOUBLET	SALAMAU
DOWSER	MENDOVA ISLAND
ECSTASY	MALAITA ISLAND
EMERITUS	MUSELIL ISLAND
ENAMEL	BUKA OR BUKA ISLAND
EQUILIBRIUM	MADANG
EROSION	ENMOUTH GULF
ESCALATOR	NEW BRITAIN TASK FORCE
FEATHERWEIGHT	MERAUKE
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FOREARM	KAVIENG
FRIGIDAIRE	BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND
FULLCRY	PELAU (PELAU) ISLAND (8N - 134E)
GOODFIE	TREASURY (MONO) ISLAND
HAEMATITE	FUNA FUTU
HAIRBRUSH	PURUATA HARBOUR (BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND)
HOSPITABLE	MELBOURNE
IMAGINATIVE	FREDERICK HENDRIK ISLAND (2S - 139E)
INGRAIN	BUIN, BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND
INSTITUTION	AROE ISLAND (6S - 154E)
INTERLOCK	NEW HANOVER ISLAND (3S - 150E)
IRONGREY	SOUTH PACIFIC FORCES (DI SWPA)
JACONAT	MUNDA, NEW GEORGIA ISLAND
JARGON	BENA BENA
JURYMIST	SELAROE ISLAND (8S - 131E)
JUVENILE	DOBODURA
KALEIDOSCOPE	CAPE NELSON AREA

(4)

KEYBOARD	9 AUST DIV
KILLJOY	PIMIKI (5S - 136E)
KNEECAP	ALDANY, WA.
LANDGRABBER	OPERATION D
LARDYDARDY	CAIRNS
LAYMAN	RAMU RIVER VALLEY
LAZARETTO	GASHATA
LECTERN	HOUEA
LEGREST	MUSSAU ISLAND
LETTERPRESS	HUMBOLDT BAY (2S - 141E)
LIMESTONE	THURSDAY ISLAND
LUGSAIL	TULAGI
LUXURIANT	MAI ISLAND (6S - 135E)
LAINYARD	GUADALCANAL
MALLETT	MARILINAN
MANTLEHELP	WOODMARK ISLAND
MAWSEED	TAKAHEPRAH (6S - 135E 140E)
MELEMANIE	RABAUL
MERCANTILE	MANUS ISLAND (ADMIRALTY)
MICHAELMAS	SAIDOR
MICROCOSM	GOODENOUGH ISLAND
MOULTREE	DEFENCE OF TORRES STRAIT AREA
NATIVE	NEW GUINEA TASK FORCE
NECROMANCER	SEPIK RIVER
NONCONFORMIST	BUNA
NORTHPOLE	VITU ISLANDS
NOSEBAG	GERALDTON
ONEROUS	OPERATION E
ORGANGRINDER	KAIAPIT
OUTLOOK	7 AUST DIV
OVERDOSE	KEPLER POINT (5S - 146E)
PALLIASSE	WAW - BULOLO VALLEY
PERSECUTION	AITAPE (4S - 142E)
PHARMACY	VILA, KOLOMBANGARA ISLAND
PLINTH	GUSAP (6S - 146E)

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PENAPORE
PENMONEY
PIPSQUEAK
PLUMBLINE
PORTICO
PYRITES
RATNAF
RAVENOUS

RECKLESS
REDHERRING
REDLEAD
RIGHTHOOK
RUHABOUT
SALINE
SAHATOGH
SCHOOLBOY
SHAGGY
SPAVIN
SPOONER
SQUAREPEG
STENOGRAPHER
STRAIGHTLEFT
TABLETALK
TILTING

TOENAILS
TRAJECTORY

TRUCULENCE
TUDOR
UNCAGE
UNDERDOG
WARLINE
WHIMSICAL
WINDPROOF

FREMANTLE, AUSTRALIA
FORT PURVIS
WENAK
KOLOMBANGARA ISLAND NEW GEORGIA
MOROE
ENOGAI AREA (KULA GULF)
BISMARCK ARCHIPELAGO
OPERATION B
(SOUTH PACIFIC FORCES)
HOLLANDIA (2S - 141E)
PINSCHHAFFEN
LINDENHAFEN PLANTATION
SOLOMON SEA
FLORIDA ISLAND
NEPUI ISLAND, NEW CALEDONIA
LONG ISLAND
LAE
CAFE CRETIN (7S - 140E)
AUSTRALIA
NEW ZEALAND
NISSAN ISLAND, (GREEN ISLANDS)
HYAME HARBOUR, LOS NEGROS ISLAND
MOMOTE, LOS NEGROS ISLAND
LORENGAU, MANUS ISLAND
PALM ISLAND (18° 45'S -
146° 40' E)
OPERATION A
DAMPPIER STRAITS (WESTERN
NEW BRITAIN)
EPATE ISLAND
MERAUKE FORCE
503 US PARACHUTE INF REGT
LOS NEGROS ISLAND (2S - 147E)
KAOE (KAO) BAY, HALMAHERA ISLAND
BISMARCK SEA
DUMPU

HOT SECRET

Annex 3 to Adv 2 Aust Corp.
U/BOE/One of 9 Feb 44.

OPERATIONS - CANTINEL - CODEWORDS

ALPHABETICALLY BY MEANINGS

<u>MEANING</u>	<u>CODE WORD</u>
ADMIRALTY ISLANDS	IRONER
AITAPE (SS - 1422)	PERSECUTION
ALAMO FORCE	ALAMO
ALBANY, AUSTRALIA	KNEECAP
ALEXISHAFEN (SS - 1468)	ABERRATION
AMSTERDAM (SS - 1442)	DEWILDER
ARARA	DIRECTOR
ARAFURA SEA (103 - 1361)	BREAKFAST
AROE ISLAND (63 - 1341)	INSTITUTION
ASTROLABE LAY (SS - 1421)	AMBIGUITY
AUSTRALIA	SEAVIN
BALLALÉ BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND	ALIBUS
BENA BENA	JARGON
BISMARCK ARCHIPELAGO	BATRAP
BISMARCK SEA	WHESICAL
BISMARCK - ADMIRALTY - NORTHERN NEW GUINEA OPERATIONS	FISHNET
BOEROE ISLAND (33 - 1372)	BINDWED
BOGAIM (SS - 1451)	DEGRIT
BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND	FRIGIDAIRE
BRISBANE	AMATORY
BULI, BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND	INGRAIN
BUKA, OR BUKA ISLAND	ENRUEL
BUNA	NONCONFORMIST
CAIRNS	LARDYDARDY
CAMPAIGN ME AREA	CARTWHEEL
CAPE CRETIN (72 - 1482)	SHAGGY
CAPE CROISILLES (SS - 1462)	BE LABOUR
CAPE GLOUCESTER, NEW BRITAIN ISLAND	BACKHANDER
CAPE NELSON AREA	KALEIDOSCOPE

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CHOISEUL ISLAND	BLISSFUL
DAMPIER STRAITS (WESTERN NEW BRITAIN)	TRAJECTORY
DAVAO (SN - 125E)	BLAZEUP
DEFENCE OF TORRES STRAIT AREA	MOULTRIE
DILLI TINGR	BURNISHED
DOSODURA	JUVENILE
DUMPU	WINDPROOF
EPATE ISLAND	TRUCULENCE
ERMAN ISLAND (1S - 151E)	COPPERSMITH
EMIRAN ISLAND (SQUALLY AND ADMIRALTY IS)	BEEFSTEAK
EMPRESS AUGUSTA BAY (BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND)	CHERRY BLOSSOM
ENOGAI AREA (KULA GULF)	PYRITES
ESPIRITU SANTO ISLAND	AMPERSAND
EXMOUTH GULF	EROSION
FAISI, BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND	BESTRADE
FINSCHHAFFEN	REDHERRING
FLORIDA ISLAND	RUMABOUT
FREDERIK HENDRIK ISLAND (8S - 149E)	IMAGINATIVE
PREMANTLE, AUSTRALIA	PINAFORE
FUNA FUTU	HAMMATIC
503 US PARACHUTE INF REGT	UNCAGE
GASHATA	LAZARETTO
GAVUTU ISLAND	ACIDITY
GERALDTON, AUSTRALIA	NOSEBAG
GOODENOUGH ISLAND	MICROCOSM
GUADALCANAL	MAINYARD
GUSAP (GS - 146E)	PLINTH
HALLIGHERA ISLAND (0 - 128E)	FEARSOME
HANSA BAY (4S - 145E)	ABSTRACT
HOLLANDIA (2S - 141E)	RECKLESS
HUMBOLDT BAY (2S - 141E)	LETTERPRESS
HUON GULF	CONVICTION
HUON PENINSULA	BILLSTICKING
HYANE HARBOUR, LOS NEGROS ISLAND	STENOGRAPHER

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JIMMINS BAY (SIDERA ISLAND 10°35' S 150°50' E)	BEDHOUSE
KAMILI, BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND	BRONCHITIS
KAI ISLAND (68 - 1961)	LUXURIANT
KALAPIT	ORGANIZATION
KAOE (KAO) BAY, KAIKAMATERA ISLAND	WARTIME
KAVIENG	FORNARY
KEPLER POINT (68 - 1962)	OVERDOSE
KENDARI CELEBES (68 - 1961)	CRUSTACEAN
KIETA	CANCER
KIKIWEA (TROMBAND) ISLAND	BIRTHDAY
KOLOANGARA ISLAND NEW GEORGIA	PLUMBLINE
LAE	SCHOOLBOY
LINDENHARTY PLANTATION	RED HEAD
LONG ISLAND	SANATOGUIN
LORENZAU, LOYUS ISLAND	CAPTAIN
LOS NEGROS ISLAND	UNDERDOG
MADANG	EQUILIBRIUM
MAKAITA ISLAND	ECSTASY
MARUS ISLAND (MORIMANTY'S)	MERCANTILE
MARILINAN	MALLET
MARKHAM RIVER VALLEY	CREADOWN
MELBOURNE	HOSPITABLE
MERAUKE	FEATHERWEIGHT
MERAUKE FORCE	TUDOR
MINE BAY	BENEVOLENT
MONOM, LOS NEGROS ISLAND	STRAIGHTTIEFT
MORORE	PORTICO
MUNDA, NEW GEORGIA ISLAND	JACONAT
NASSAU ISLAND	LTCREST
NADZAB	AUTOMOBILE
NASSAC BAY	ASSESSOR
NDENI ISLAND	BRICADAC
NEPUI ISLAND, NEW CALEDONIA	SALINE
NEW BRITAIN	ARABIC

(4)

NEW BRITAIN TASK FORCE	(ESCALATOR (MOST SECRET) (ALAMO FORCE (NON SECRET)
NEW CALEDONIA	CHENIERAP
NEW GEORGIA	ASH EENT
NEW GUINEA ISLAND	CENTRAL
NEW GUINEA TASK FORCE	NATIVE
NEW HANOVER ISLAND (3S - 150E)	INTERLOCK
NEW IRELAND ISLAND	CARDIAC
NEW ZEALAND	SPOONER
9 MUST DIV	KINYCARD
REINCO ISLANDS (1S - 144E)	COOLTIPT
RISSAN ISLAND (GREEN ISLANDS)	SQUANSPNG
NORFOLK ISLAND	AZTEC
ROUNEA	LECTERN
OPERATION A	TOENAILS
OPERATION B (SOUTH PACIFIC FORCES)	RAVENOUS
OPERATION D	LENDGRAPHER
OPERATION E	OVEROUS
OPERATION F	ANCHORAGE
ORO BAY	CELLULOID
PALE ISLANDS (180 45' 1460 40'E)	TILTING
PELAU (PELAU) ISLAND (ON 134E)	FULLCRY
PERTH, AUSTRALIA	BRAYES
PORT DARWIN	ASTOR
PORT MORESBY	CARAMEL
PORT PURVIS	PIMONEY
PURUATA HARBOUR (BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND)	HAIRBRUSH
REPAUL	MENSANIE
RAJU RIVER VALLEY	LANTHAN
RENDOVA ISLAND	DOWSER
RUSSELL ISLAND	EMERITUS
SAIDOR	MICHAELMAS
SALAMAU	DOUBLET
SAMARAI	HEADSMAN
SAN CRISTOBAL ISLAND	GERRY
SEADLER HARBOUR (MAIUS ISLAND)	BICARBONATE

(5)

SEGI	BLACKBOY
SELAGOE ISLAND (2S - 131E)	JURTEAST
SEPIK RIVER	NECROMANCER
7 AUST DIV	OUTLOOK
SHORTLAND ISLAND	CHEMIST
SOLOMON ISLANDS	ARTHRITIS
SOLOMON SEA	RIGHTHOOK
SOUTH PACIFIC FORCES (IN SWPA)	TRONGREY
SOURABAYA, JAVA	BOARSHEAD
ST MATTHIAS ISLANDS (2S - 150E)	CARPENTRAG
SUMNUM (5S - 143E)	AFFABLE
SYDNEY	ACACIA
TALISEA, NEW BRITAIN ISLAND	APPEASE
TANAMERAH (6S - 140E)	MANNED
THURSDAY ISLAND	LENESTONE
TIPIKA (5S - 136E)	KILLJOY
TOKNEVILLE	CALLOUS
HEMSURY (MONO) ISLAND	GOODTIME
TULAGI	LUGSAIL
2 AUST CORPS	BLOODHOUND
VILA, KOLOMBANGARA ISLAND	PHARMACY
VIRU HARBOUR	CATSMEAT
VITIAZ STRAIT	BOILING POINT
VITU ISLANDS	NORTHPOLE
WABU, BULOLO VALLEY	PALLIASSE
WEWAK	PIPSQUEAK
WICKHAM ANCHORAGE	ARMCHAIR
WOODLARK ISLAND	MANTLESHELF

MESSAGE OUT.

TO: (1) NGP (2) Rear 2 Aust Corps (3) 4 Aust Inf Bde (4) 29 Aust Inf Bde
(5) USN DREGER (6) FATP (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE (9) ALO 348
FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH Base Sub Area (11) Base F USASOS rptd (12)
5 Aust Div

FROM: Adv 2 Aust Corps

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SITREP	No.	82	.	5	aust
div	to	071900L	.	tac	HQ
5	div	SINGORAKAI	001521	.	tac
HQ	8	bde	884542	.	A
Coy	4	bn	879542	.	30
	.	bn	HQ	876546	A
Coy	856558	B	coy	865555	C
coy	870548	D	coy	878543	.
A	coy	PIS	one	sec	64
bty	884542	.	PIS	patrolled	to
848576	.	enemy	casualties	7	feb
.	24	killed	between	URAWA	and
848576	.	approx	60	found	dead
on	route	BUTU BUTU	RODJE	2	.
many	found	dead	GALI	1	no
details	.	3	PW	one	captured
each	SINGORAKAI	BUTU BUTU	and	870548	.
5	aust	div	to	080900L	.
no	change	all	informed		

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if liable to interception or to fall IMMEDIATE to (1)
into enemy hands. DRIS to (12)
IMPORTANT-remainder

TOO:

081335L

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Subject: LOCATION REPORT

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
8 Feb 44.
G/506/Ops.

NG Force (2)
B Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHAFEN Base Sub Area

Copies: 2
War Diary

Ref Adv 2 Aust Corps G/496/Ops.

1. The following amendments are notified:-

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amended Location</u>	<u>Comd/and or Remarks.</u>
36	10 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	KELANOA	Bty complete under comd 5 Aust Div.
43	2/12 Aust Fd Regt less 23 Bty	SATELBERG 619679	Comd 9 Aust Div
54	10 Bty less A Tp 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	KELANOA	Delete serial in favour serial 36
108	2/12 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	FORTIFICATION PT 619679	Comd 9 Aust Div
143	2/48 Aust Inf Bn	Delete	Embarked for AUST 7 Feb
145	2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	583718	Comd 9 Aust Div
220(a)	Det 2/122 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	LAE	Embarked for AUST See NGF G/6331/SI Appendix D Part IV Priority 7
221	2/123 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk less det	Delete	Embarked for AUST 7 Feb
221(a)	Det 2/123 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	(LAE) Delete	Embarked for AUST See NGF G/6331/SI Appendix D Part IV Priority 12A
244	2/67 Aust LAD	608776	Comd 9 Aust Div
249	2/123 Aust Bde Workshops less rear details	Delete	Embarked for AUST 7 Feb
249	Rear details 2/123 Aust Bde Workshops	(LAE) Delete	Embarked for AUST See NGF G/6331/SI Appendix D Part IV Priority 12B
282	9 Aust Div Salv Unit	KILIGIA	Reverts to comd 9 Aust Div
Misc	Adv Partied 9 Aust Div		Various units embarked 7 Feb

(Signed) J SUMMERTON Capt for
(F H BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

Subject: LOCATIVE REPORT.

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIR)
7 Feb 44.
a/907/ops.

H G FORCE
B Aust Corps Sig
FINSCHHAYEN Base Sub Area

Copy: 3
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Reference Adv 2 Aust Corps a/494/ops.

1. The following amendments are notified:

Serial	Unit	Amended Location	Comm and/or Remarks
4.	Tac HQ 5 Aust Div	BUTU BUTU	
5.	Main HQ 5 Aust Div	603577	
43.	2/12 Aust Pz Regt	227194	Reverts to comd 9 Aust Div. Only 23 Bty new fwd. Unit now under comd 5 Aust Div.
50.	2/14 Aust Pz Regt	Delate	Reverts to comd 9 Aust Div.
66.	2/13 Aust Pz Coy	BATELBERG 617683	Reverts to comd 9 Aust Div.
68.	2/29 Aust Camflg Unit	BATELBERG 617683	Reverts to comd 9 Aust Div.
109.	3 Aust Engr Sig Sec	FORTIFICATION PT 605780	Reverts to comd 9 Aust Div.
138.	2/17 Aust Inf Bn	501815	9 Aust Div.
243.	2/61 Aust LAD	BATELBERG 615682	Reverts to comd 9 Aust Div.
285.	5 Aust Div Reception Comp	BATELBERG 616642	Deto only. Incorrectly notified. KELANOA.

(F H BERNHMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

OUT

TO :: (1) NGF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 2D
aust inf bde (5) USH DREGER (6) FATF (7) SATF (8) ADV
ALAMO FORCE (9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH base sub
area (11) base F USASOS rptd (12) 5 aust div

FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 0.2161 7

SITREP	no	81	.	5
aust	div	to	070900L	.
	bde	area	.	nothing
to	report	.	WASU	area
.	4	bn	patrol	6
feb	from	288417	to	ULAP
MISSION	killed	six	japs	on
track:	all	informed		

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or to fall into enemy hands.

Priority TOO
IMMEDIATE to (1) 071600L
DRIS to (12)
IMPORTANT - remainder

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MESSAGE OUT.

TO: H G F (2) rear 2 auct corps (3) 4 auct inf bde (4) 29 auct inf
bde (5) USM DRUGEN (6) PATF (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE
(9) ALO 346 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH BASE SUB AREA (11) Base
F USAGOS rtd (12) 5 auct div.

FROM: adv 2 auct corps 0 2156 7

SITREP	no	50	to	061900L
(.)	8	bde	area	(.)
30	bn	adv	towards	ROINJI
to	approx	901554	no	other
details	(.)	4	bn	patrol
to	275401	RM	(.)	at
KELANOA	2/14	fd	regt	now
concentrated	complete	less	tac	regtl
HQ	and	64	bty	previously
reported	in	fwd	area	all
informed				

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sent IN CIPHER if liable
to interception or to
fall into enemy hands.

Degree of Priority
IMMEDIATE to (1)
DMIC to (12)

IMPORTANT-remainder TCG: 070745L

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TO: (1) NGF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 29 aust in bde
 (5) USN DREGER (6) PATF (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE (9) ALO 348
 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH Base Sub Area (11) Base F USASCS rptd
 (12) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2150 6

SITREP	number	79	(.)	5
aust	div	to	060900L	(.)
A	coy	4	aust	inf
bn	and	A	coy	PI3
978511	(.)	A	coy	30
aust	inf	bn	950559	(.)
otherwise	SITNOR	all	informed	

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 IN CIPHER if liable to
 interception or to fall
 into enemy hands.

Degree of Priority
 IMMEDIATE to (1)
 DRLS to (12)
 IMPORTANT - remainder.

TCO: 061155L

.....*Summerton*..... Capt.

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MESSAGE OUT.

TO: H Q P (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 29 aust inf
bde (5) USN DRUGGER (6) SATF (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE (9) ALA
348 FIGHTER GP (10) FINCH BASE SUB AREA (11) Base P USASOG
rtd (12) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2149 6

SINREP	no	78	(.)	5	aust	div
to	052100L	(.)		8	bdc	area
(.)	30	bn	adv	to	POINFI	1
(.)	dispositions	incomplete	(.)	5		
coy	954588	C	coy		975545	3
coy	995533	rear	bn		HQ	and
HQ	coy	995532	(.)	tac	bdc	HQ
BUTUBUTU	(.)	12	dead	japs	BUTUBUTU	area
(.)	dump	quantity engr	stores	HEMAU	(.)	
mta	gun	found	019490	(.)	weather	fine
seas	calm	(.)	parts		two	follows
all	informed					

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in CIPHER if liable to
interception or to fall
into enemy hands.

Degree of Priority
IMMEDIATE to (1)
DRLS to (12)
REPORT REM-remainder.

T00: 060500L

McGowan
copy.

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MESSAGE OUT.

TO: NGF (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 4 aust inf bde (4) 29 aust inf
bde (5) USN DREGER (6) PATF (7) SATF (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE
(9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH base sub area (11)
Base F USASOS rptd (12) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2149 6

second	and	final	part	of
sitrep	no	78	(.)	amend
disposition	8	bde	tac	HQ
to	read	996528	(.)	30
bn	HQ	992533	(.)	approx
50	dead	JAPS	along	track
from	110452	to	NEMAU	.
PIB	killed	11	JAPS	vicinity
010485	morning	4	feb	.
2	prisoners	captured	986508	unarmed
good	condition	fed	by	natives
all	informed			

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sent IN CIPHER if liable
to interception or to
fall into enemy hands.

Degree of Priority
IMMEDIATE to (1)
DEU to (12)
IMPORTANT-remainder

TOO: 060955L

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Subject: LOCATION REPORT

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Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
6 Feb 44.
G/496/Ops.

NG Force (2)
B Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHAFEN Base Sub Area

Copy: 2
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Reference Adv 2 Aust Corps G/496/Ops.

1. The following amendments are notified:-

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amended Location</u>	<u>Command/In/Or Remarks</u>
34(a)	HQ 2/14 Aust Fd Regt	SCHARNHORST PT 227124	Now under cmd 5 Aust Div
40	28 Bty 2/14 Aust Fd Regt	SCHARNHORST PT 232187	Now under cmd 5 Aust Div
50	Rear Details 2/14 Aust Fd Regt	SATZELBERG 618672	
55	3 Tp 12 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	620675	Now under cmd 4 Aust Inf Bde
103	2/14 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	SCHARNHORST PT 227124	Now under cmd 5 Aust Div
116	2/14 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec		Delete serial see Serial 103
207	C Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit	MASAYENG R 583816	Cmd HQ 2 Aust Corps
214	E Sec 77 Aust Dental Unit	SCHARNHORST PT 224187	Cmd HQ 2 Aust Corps Att 2/15 Aust Fd Amb
237	2/83 Aust LAD	SCHARNHORST PT 227194	Cmd 5 Aust Div Att 2/14 Aust Fd Regt
243	2/61 Aust LAD	KILIGIA	Reverts to cmd 2 Aust Div
250	2/83 Aust LAD		Delete in favour serial 237
262	One Sec 9 Aust Div Pro Coy	SATZELBERG 623699	Cmd HQ 2 Aust Corps Att 4 Aust Inf Bde
267	9 Aust Div Pro Coy less two Dets		See serial 271(a)
271(a)	Det 3 Aust Div Postal Unit (APO 180)	SATZELBERG 623699	Cmd 4 Aust Inf Bde
273	5 Aust Div Postal Unit	KELANGA	Cmd 5 Aust Div Dets only. See NGF G/6391/SD Appx A Part IV Priority 4

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Assigned Location</u>	<u>Code and/or Remarks</u>
284	5 Aust Div Recen Camp	HELANOA	Cond 5 Aust Div Data only. See MGF 6/6331/SD Appx D Part 1

(SIGNED) J SUMPTON Capt for

(F H BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen,
Comd 2 Aust Corps.

4
SECRET.

Subject: LOCATION REPORT.

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
5 Feb 44
G/603/Ops.

NO Force (2)
B Aust Corps Sigs
FUSCHIAFEN Base Sub Area

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Reference Adv 2 Aust Corps G/496/Ops.

1. The following amendments are notified.

<u>Serial.</u>	<u>Unit.</u>	<u>Amended Location.</u>	<u>Cond and/or Remarks.</u>
52	7 Sec 2 Aust Mob Met Flt	LAS 300409	See HGF SD6554 arrived 4 Feb under cond 2 Aust Corps.
53	105 Aust Tk A Regt less 21 Bty	-	25 Bty should read 21 Bty 21 Bty under cond LAS Base Sub Area
100	2/12 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	KILIGIA	Report to cond 9 Aust Div
152	C Coy PIB	SATTLBERG 624685	Under Cond 4 Aust Inf Bde.
276	3 Aust Div Postal Unit	Delete	Embarked for AUST 30 Jan. See HGF G/6331/ID Appx D Part iv Priority 9c
287	2 Aust Corps Mob Hyg Trs Centre	-	Name amended

Summerville
(P H BERNHARDT) Maj-Gen.
Cond 2 Aust Cor

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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Subject: ORDER OF BATTLE - 2 AUST CORPS

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Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
5 Feb 44.
G/499/Ops.

1. 2 AUST CORPS ORDER OF BATTLE as at 022359L Feb is attached as Appendix "A".
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G. J. Wall Major
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GS 2 Aust Corps.

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Appendix "A" to Adv 2
Aust Corps G/499/Ops

HQ 2 AUST CORPS

Serial No	Arm or Service	War Office Serial No	Unit	Remarks
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
A1	<u>HQ UNITS</u>	45732	HQ 2 Aust Corps	LHQ Tps LHQ Tps LHQ Tps. Det under comd 5 Aust Div
A2		61005	23 Pl F Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	
A3		45733	2 Aust Corps Sec Int Corps	
A4		47914	1 Aust AAPIU less det	
A5				
A6				
A7				
A8	<u>ARM'D</u>	45862	3 Sqn and Rear Details 1 Aust Tn Bn	
A9				
A10	<u>ARMY</u>	61120	HQ RAA 2 Aust Corps	LHQ Tps. One det each att 5 Aust Div and LAE Base Sub Area
A11		45129	1 Aust Mob Met Flt less two dets	
A12				
A13				
A14	<u>ENGERS</u>			
A15				
A16	<u>SIGS</u>	45747	HQ B Aust Corps Sigs	
A17		45747	Adm Sec B Aust Corps Sigs	
A18		45761	22 Aust Cipher Sec	
A19		45749	2 Aust Tech Maint Sec	
A20		45750	HQ 1 Coy B Aust Corps Sigs	
A21		45753	2 Aust Line Maint Sec	
A22		61330	4 Aust Line Sec	
A23		61331	5 Aust Line Sec	
A24		45754	HQ 2 Coy B Aust Corps Sigs	
A25		61339	5 Aust Op Sec	
A26		45755	6 Aust Op Sec	
A27		48350	64 Aust Op Sec	
A28		61343	5 Aust Lt Wireless Sec	
A29		47752	39 Aust Lt Wireless Sec	
A30		45758	4 Aust DR Sec	
A31		45231	10 Aust DR Sec	
A32		45269	33 Aust Wireless Task Sec	
A33		45270	34 Aust Wireless Task Sec	
A34		45759	HQ 3 Coy B Aust Corps Sigs	
A35				
A36				
A37				
A38				
A39				
A40	<u>S & T</u>			
A41				

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
A42 A43 A44 A45 A46 A47	<u>MEDICAL</u>	61474 45724 55520 55521 49351 45329	A Coy 2/15 Aust Pd Amb 10 Aust Pd Amb 2/2 Aust CCS 2/3 Aust CCS NG 8AT Coy Det 11 Aust Malaria Control Unit	Unit less det under comd FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area
A48 A49 A50 A51		47626	15 Aust Malaria Control Unit	
A52 A53 A54 A55	<u>DENTAL</u>	45842 55573 47156	A C D E & F Secs 2/5 Aust Dental Unit B Sec 2/8 Aust Dental Unit 77 Aust Dental Unit less A B C & F Secs	
A56 A57	<u>ORD</u>			
A58 A59	<u>AEME</u>	45762	244 Aust LAD	Att B Aust Corps Sign
A60 A61	<u>PRO</u>			
A62 A63	<u>POSTS</u>	45783	2 Aust Corps Postal Unit Less dets	Det FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area and 5 Aust Div
A64 A65	<u>PAY</u>	45781	2 Aust Corps Pd Cash Office	
A66 A67	<u>RECEP</u>	61243	1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	
A68 A69 A70	<u>SCHOOLS</u>		NGF Mob Trg Cadre 2 Aust Corps Mob Hyg Cadre	
A71	<u>MISC</u>	47862	81 Aust Mob Cinema	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
A72 A73	HQ UNITS	5000	Hq 4 Aust Inf Bde	
A74	ASST	45862	Hq 1 Aust Tk Bn less rear details plus two tps A Sqn and C Sqn complete	A Sqn less two tps under comd 5 Aust Div. B Sqn and Rear details under comd Hq 2 Aust Corps
A75 A76 A77 A78 A79 A80 A81	ARTY	61527 45883 61359 61359 61359 45988 61058	2/14 Aust Fd Regt less 64 Bty 2 Aust Htn Bty less one sec Hq 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt 12 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt less A Tp 3 Tp 12 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt 136 Aust Tk A Regt less 61 Bty 11 Bty 2/5 Aust Tk A Regt less one Tp	64 Bty under comd 5 Aust Div One sec MORESBY A Tp under comd 5 Aust Div 12 Bty less 3 Tp under comd FINSCHHAPEN Base Sub Area One Tp under comd FINSCH HAPEN Base Sub Area.
A82 A83	ENGINE	45883	A Tp 5 Aust Indep Fd Sqn	
A84 A85 A86 A87 A88	SIG	49110 48378 47046 49130 49141	4 Aust Inf Bn Sig Sec 1 Aust Tk Bn Sig Tp 2/14 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt Sig Sec less det 105 Aust Tk A Regt Sig Sec	Det under comd 7 Aust Div
A89 A90 A91 A92	INF	46002 46003 46004 46650	22 Aust Inf Bn 29/46 Aust Inf Bn 37/52 Aust Inf Bn C Coy PIB	
A93 A94	S & T	47907 46637	Det 4 Aust Armd Bde Coy ASC 1 Aust Sup Depot Pl	Att 1 Aust Tk Bn
A95	MEDICAL	45015	106 Aust Lt Fd Amb	Att 1 Aust Tk Bn Gp
A96 A97	ORD	48561 49046	1 Aust Tk Bn Ord Fd Pk 130 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	Forward to Comd FINSCHHAPEN Base Sub Area 030500L PEN
A98 A99 A100	ASST	61528 45365 45989	2/14 Aust LAD 209 Aust LAD 265 Aust LAD	Att 2/14 Aust Fd Regt Att 1 Aust Tk Bn Att 105 Aust Tk A Regt

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A101		46001	264 Aust LAD	Att HQ 4 Aust Inf Bde
A102		48534	1 Aust Tk Bn Wkshops	
A103		61360	2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt Wkshops loss det	Det Under comd 7 Aust Div
A104		49065	130 Aust Bde Wkshops	Passes to comd FINSCHHAUSEN Base Sub Area 030600L FEB

2 AUST CORPS TFS UNDER COMD FINSCHHAUSEN BASE
SUB AREA

A106		47782	"1" Aust Hy Bty	
A107		61033	One Tp 11 Bty 2/3 Aust Tk A Regt	11 Bty less one Tp under comd 4 Aust Inf Bde
A108		48405	2/1 Aust Comp AA Regt	
A109		48406	2/1 Aust Comp AA Regt Sig Sec	
A110		48407	2/1 Aust Comp AA Regt Wkshops	
A111		61359	12 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt less 3 Tp	3 Tp under comd 4 Aust Inf Bde
A112		48634	84 Aust Mob SL Bty less C Med Tp	C Med Tp GPO DAY
A113		48638	84 Aust Mob SL Bty Wkshops	
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A115				
<u>US TFS IN SP</u>				
A116			9 Air Liaison Party 5 AF	
A117				

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
B1 B2	HQ UNITS	46079	HQ 5 Aust Div	Det less sec under comd FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area
		45180	Det 32 Sqn Aust PSW	
B3 B4 B5 B6			ATIS Det No 12	
		61005	16 Pl D Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	Unit less det under comd 2 Aust Corps
		47914	Det 1 Aust AAPIU	
B7				
B8 B9	ARLD	45862	A Sqn 1 Aust Tk Bn less two tps	Two Tps under comd 4 Aust Inf Bde
B10 B11 B12 B13 B14 B15	ARTY	46083	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	
		61527	6th Bty 2/14 Aust Fd Regt	
		61359	A Tp 10 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	
		48438	2/3 Aust Lt AA Bty (Airborne)	
		46090	5 Aust Svy Bty	
		45129	9 Det 1 Aust Mob Mot Flt	
B16 B17 B18 B19 B20 B21	ENGERS	45991	HQ RAE 3 Aust Div	
		45992	4 Aust Fd Coy	
		45948	8 Aust Fd Coy	
		61509	1 Op Pl 2/1 Aust Mech Eqp Coy	
B22 B23 B24 B25 B26 B27	SIGS	46098	HQ Sigs 5 Aust Div	
		46099	40 Aust Cipher Sec	
		49114	8 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	
B28 B29 B30 B31 B32 B33 B34 B35 B36 B37	INF	45960	HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde	
		61005	27 Pl G Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	
		45962	4 Aust Inf Bn	
		45963	30 Aust Inf Bn	
		45964	35 Aust Inf Bn	
		48650	A Coy PIB	
B38 B39 B40 B41 B42 B43 B44	S & T	46010	HQ Comd AMSC 5 Aust Div	FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area Tps. Under Comd 5 Aust Div for adm only
		48829	HQ 4 Aust Sup Depot Coy	
		48830	2 Aust Sup Depot Pl	
		49417	241 Aust Sup Depot Pl	
		49418	242 Aust Sup Depot Pl	
		49419	39 Aust Indep Tpt Pl & RDI	
		46568	Det 4 Aust Fd Bakery	
B45 B46 B47				

(a)	(b)		(c)	(d)
B48 B49 B50 B51	<u>MEDICAL</u>	61474 46104	2/15 Aust Fd Amb loss A Coy 4 Aust Fd Amb loss A Coy	A Coy under comd HQ 2 Aust Corps A Coy MILNE BAY
B52 B53	<u>ORD</u>	49049	133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	
B54 B55 B56 B57 B58 B59	<u>AEME</u>	45999 45961 49067	231 Aust LAD 251 Aust LAD 133 Aust Bde Wkshope	Att HQ 5 Aust Div Att HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde
B60 B61	<u>PRO</u>	49491 46128	13 Aust Indep Bde Bp Pro Pl 5 Aust Div Pro Coy less four sacs	Two Sacs under comd PINSCHKEFEN Base Sub Area. Two Sacs HQ
B62 B63	<u>POSTAL</u>	45979	8 Aust Inf Bde Postal Det	
B64 B65	<u>PAY</u>	46127 45960	5 Aust Div Fd Cash Office 8 Aust Inf Bde Pay Det	
B66 B67 B68 B69	<u>MISC</u>	46130	5 Aust Div Reception Camp	
B70 B71			<u>GHO T&S</u> GHQ Liaison Party	Att HQ 5 Aust Div
B72 B73			<u>RAAF</u> 4 Tac R Sqn W/T. Bde 4 Tac R Sqn	In Sp 5 Aust Div
B74 B75			<u>US T&S UNDER COMD</u> 532 EXASR Less Coy E	
B76 B77			<u>US T&S IN SP</u> 8 Air Liaison Party 5 AF	

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Serial No	Area or Service	War Office Serial No	Unit	Remarks
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
C1 C2	<u>HQ UNITS</u>	29734 61005	HQ 9 Aust Div A Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt less 1, 2 and 4 Pls	1 Pl att 20 Aust Inf Bde 2 Pl Att 24 Aust Inf Bde (AUS)
C3		61026	3 Sec Aust PSW	4 Pl att 26 Aust Inf Bde
C4 C5	<u>RECCE</u>	45523	2/4 Aust Cav (Commando) Sqn	
C6 C7 C8 C9	<u>ARTY</u>	46378 61124	HQ RMA 9 Aust Div 2/12 Aust Fd Regt	Moving from Fwd Area
C10 C11 C12 C13 C14 C15	<u>ENGRS</u>	29737 29267 29418 61186 61284	HQ RMA 9 Aust Div 2/3 Aust Fd Coy 2/13 Aust Fd Coy 2/24 Aust Fd Fz Coy 2/29 Aust Conflg Unit	
C16 C17 C18 C19 C20 C21 C22 C23	<u>SIGS</u>	29738 48113 49085 49106 49121 49125 45277	Sigs 9 Aust Div 2/43 Aust Cipher Sec 2/12 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec 3 Aust Engr Sig Sec 20 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec 26 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec 1 Aust Tech Sig Sec	
C24 C25 C26 C27 C28 C29 C30 C31 C32 C33 C34 C35 C36 C37 C38 C39	<u>INF</u>	61093 61005 61094 61185 61095 61104 61005 61105 61106 61107 48424 61176 61233	HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde 1 Pl A Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt 2/13 Aust Inf Bn 2/15 Aust Inf Bn 2/17 Aust Inf Bn HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde 4 Pl A Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt 2/23 Aust Inf Bn 2/24 Aust Inf Bn 2/46 Aust Inf Bn 9 Aust Div Carr Coy 2/2 Aust HG Bn 2/3 Aust Far Bn	
C40 C41 C42 C43	<u>S & T</u>	29743 48426 48428	HQ Comd AASC 9 Aust Div 2/5 Aust Sup Depot Coy less two pls 2/156 Aust Gen Tpt Coy less B Pl and one RDI	Two Pls embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde B Pl and RDI embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
C44 C45 C46 C47	MEDICAL	55412 29270 55445	2/8 Aust Fd Amb 2/3 Aust Fd Amb 2/3 Aust Malaria Control Unit	
C48 C49 C50 C51	ORD	43295 43296 47522	2/122 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk 2/123 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk 1 Aust Ord Bnch Det	To revert from comd FINSCHAPEN Base Sub Area at date to be notified
C52 C53 C54 C55 C56 C57 C58 C59	INF	61097 61125 61241 61157 61177 61199 43293 43194	2/56 Aust LAD 2/61 Aust LAD 2/67 Aust LAD 2/72 Aust LAD 2/77 Aust LAD 2/78 Aust LAD 2/122 Aust Bde Wkshops 2/123 Aust Bde Wkshops	Att HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde Att 2/12 Aust Fd Regt Att Sigs 9 Aust Div Att 2/24 Aust Fd Pk Coy Att 2/2 Aust MG Bn Att 26 Aust Inf Bde
C60 C61	PRO	29745	9 Aust Div Pro Coy less one sec	One sec embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde
C62 C63	POSTAL	29746	9 Aust Div Postal Unit less det	Det embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde
C64 C65	PAY	61210	9 Aust Div Fd Cash Office less det	Det embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde
C66 C67	REFEE	46119	9 Aust Div Reception Corp	Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div
C68	SALV	61195	9 Aust Div Salv Unit	Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div
C69 C70	VIDEO	47852	84 Aust Mob Cinema	

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(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
D1 D2 D3	HQ UNIT	46112	HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde	
D4 D5	ARTY			
D6 D7	ENGRS	46092	11 Aust Fd Coy	
D8 D9 D10 D11	SIGS	49127 45978 45997	29 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec 30 Aust Cipher Sec HQ Sigs 3 Aust Div	
D12 D13 D14 D15	INF	46114 46115 46116	15 Aust Inf Bn 42 Aust Inf Bn 47 Aust Inf Bn	
D16 D17 D18	S & T	48845 48846 48825	16 Aust Sup Depot Pl 19 Aust Sup Depot Pl 3 Pl 154 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	
D19 D20	MEDICAL	46121	7 Aust Fd Amb	
D21 D22	ORD	49041	104 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pl	
D23 D24 D25	ACE	46113 49053	312 Aust LAD 104 Aust Bde Workshops	Att HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde
D26 D27	PRO	46271	12 Aust Indep Bde Gp Pro Pl	
D28 D29	POSTAL			
D30 D31 D32 D33	MISC	46023	3 Aust Div Salv Unit	

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Subject: LOCATIONS REPORT

Adv Hq 2 Aust Corps (ADV)
Feb 44.
a/300/ops.

H Q FORCE (2)
2 Aust Corps Sign
FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area

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1. The following attachments are notified:-

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24.	A Sqn 1 Aust Tk Bn less two tps	Still	Two tps under comm 4 Aust Inf Bde.
28.	Two tps A Sqn		A Sqn less two tps under command 3 Aust Div.
43.	2/12 Aust Pd Bgt	Adv position KILIOIA	
57.	4 Aust Pd Coy	676442	3 Aust Div
62.	25 Aust Comm'g Unit	KILANDA	3 Aust Div
64.	2/12 Aust Pd Coy	KILIOIA	Reverts to 9 Aust Div.
121.	29 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	699409	29 Aust Inf Bde
130.	19 Pl 2 Coy 2/1 Aust Cd Bgt	KILANDA	3 Aust Div
131.	3 Aust Div Comm Coy	moving to fwd area	Dets only. under command 3 Aust Div.
154.	Hq 29 Aust Inf Bde	699409	
182.	B Pl 194 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	721415	29 Aust Inf Bde
263.	3 Aust Div Pro Coy less four secs	FINSCH area	Under comm 3 Aust Div Two secs under FINSCH Base Sub Area, two under Hq.
282 (a)	3 Aust Div Salv Unit	LAS 701403	29 Aust Inf Bde
288	81 Aust Mob Cmn	BATHING G 613659	2 Aust Corps.

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FIGHTER GP (10) PINSON Base Sub Area (11) Base F USASOS rptd (12)
5 Aust Div

FROM: Adv 2 Aust Corps

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(9) ADO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH Base Sub Area (11) Base
F USASOS rptd (12) 5 aust div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2136 5

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(9) ALO 34E FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH Base Sub area (11) Base F
USASOS rptd (12) 5 Aust Div

FROM: adv 2 aust corps

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coy	097452	3	coy	089450
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(5) 29 Aust Inf Bde (6) USF MACV (7) JTF (8) ADV ALAMO CORPS
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FROM : Adv 2 Aust Corps

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Subject: 2 AUST CORPS LOCATION STATEMENT

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Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)

3 Feb 44.

G/496/Ops.

1. Attached as Appendix "A" is 2 Aust Corps Location Statement, by arms and services, as at 2359 hrs 2 Feb 44. Those units which arrived after 31 Jan are shown in Remarks Column - ARRIVED 2 Feb.

2. Please destroy all copies of previous Location Statement and acknowledge receipt on form below.

G. J. Watt Major
for Brig,
GS 2 Aust Corps.

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APPENDIX "A" to Adv 2
AUST CORPS G/496/Opn
of 3 Feb 44.

2 AUST CORPS LOCATION STATEMENT

By Army and Services

As at 2359 hrs 2 Feb 44

Ref Maps 1 : 25000 series

Ser ial (a)	Unit (b)	Map (c)	Location (d)	Remarks (e)
<u>HQ UNITE</u>				
1.	Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps	SATELBERG	613659	Att HQ 2 Aust Corps
2	Rear HQ 2 Aust Corps	LAE	699409	
3	23 Pl F Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	SATELBERG	613659	
4				
5	HQ 5 Aust Div	SCHARNHORST PT	603377	
6	16 Pl D Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	"	602377	1 Pl att 20 Aust Inf Bde 2 Pl att 24 Aust Inf Bde (AUST) 4 Pl att 26 Aust Inf Bde
7	HQ 9 Aust Div	FORTIFICATION PT	608780	
8	A Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt less 1, 2 and 4 pls	"	608780	
9				
10				
11				
<u>INTELLIGENCE</u>				
12	2 Aust Corps			Det att 5 Aust Div
13	2 Aust Corps Sec Int Corps	SATELBERG	613659	
14	1 Aust AAPIU less det	SATELBERG	613659	
15				
16	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
17	Det 32 Sec Aust FSW	SCHARNHORST PT	603377	Sec less det under Comd FINSCHAFEN Base Sub Area
18	ATIS Det No 12	"	604377	
19	Det 1 Aust AAPIU	"	604377	
20				
21	<u>9 Aust Div</u>			
22	B Sec Aust FSW	FORTIFICATION PT	608780	
23				
<u>CAV</u>				
24	<u>9 Aust Div</u>			
25	2/4 Aust Cav (Commando) Sqn	FORTIFICATION PT	629724	

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
ARCT	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u>			
24 25	B Sqn 1 Aust Tk Bn and rear details Bn HQ	BULLA	160207	
	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
26 27	A Sqn 1 Aust Tk Bn	CAPE KING WILLIAM	344311	
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde Gr</u>			
28 29	1 Aust Tk Bn less A and B Sqn and rear details	FORTIFICATION PT	603717	A Sqn under comd 5 Aust Div B Sqn under comd HQ 2 Aust Corps
ARTY	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u>			
30	HQ RAA 2 Aust Corps less det	SATZELBERG	613659	Det at Rear HQ
31 32 33	1 Aust Mob Hq Flt less two deta	LAE	699409	2 Aust Corps LAE One det each with 5 Aust Div and LAE Base Sub Area
	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
34	HQ RAA 5 Aust Div	CAPE KING WILLIAM	602377	
35	G4 Bty 2/14 Aust Pd Regt	SCHARNHORST PT	232188	
36	A Tp 10 Aust Lt AA Bty	CAPE KING WILLIAM	336118	Remainder under Comd FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area
37	5 Aust Svy Bty	SCHARNHORST PT	227194	
38	2/3 Aust Lt AA Bty (Airborne)	"	227192	
39 40 41	9 Det 1 Aust Mob Hq Flt	"	232188	
	<u>9 Aust Div</u>			
42	HQ RAA 9 Aust Div	FORTIFICATION PT	KILIOIA	
43 44 45 46 47 48 49	2/12 Aust Pd Regt	SCHARNHORST PT	227194	Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
50	2/14 Aust Fd Regt less 64 Bty	BATELBERG	618679	64 Bty under comd 5 Aust Div
51	2 Aust Htn Bty less one sec	BATELBERG	618679	One sec MORESBY
52	11 Bty 2/3 Aust Tk A Regt less one tp	BATELBERG	621669	One Tp under comd FINSCHLAFEN Base Sub Area
53	Hq 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	LANGEMAK BAY	612596	Regt less 11 Bty in FINSCHLAFEN area. 11 Bty
54	10 Bty less A Tp 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	BATELBERG	621674	under comd 7 Aust Div. A Tp 10 Bty under comd 5 Aust Div.
55	B Tp 12 Bty 2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt	LANGEMAK BAY	615599	12 Bty less B Tp under comd FINSCHLAFEN Base Sub Area
56	106 Aust Tk A Regt less 23 Bty	FORTIFICAT- ION PT	622738	ARRIVED 2 FEB
	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
57				
	<u>ENIGNS</u>			
	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
58	Hq RAE 3 Aust Div	SCHACHHORST PT	602377	Pending relief by RAE 5 Aust Div
59	4 Aust Fd Coy	LAE	708468	
60	8 Aust Fd Coy	SIO	418437	
61	1 Op Pl 2/1 Aust Mech Eqp Coy	SCHACHHORST PT	225169	
62				
63				
	<u>2 Aust Div</u>			
64	Hq RAE 9 Aust Div	SCHACHHORST PT	225185	Moving to KILIGIA
65	2/3 Aust Fd Coy	BATELBERG	618683	
66	2/13 Aust Fd Coy	SCHACHHORST PT	243175	Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div
67	2/24 Aust Fd Pk Coy	BATELBERG	614653	
68	2/29 Aust Camflg Unit	SCHACHHORST PT	224183	Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div
69				
70				
71				
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
72	A Tp 5 Aust Indep Fd Bqn	FORTIFICAT- ION PT	603717	Att 1 Aust Tk Bn
73				
	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
74	11 Aust Fd Coy	LAE	708410	
75				

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
<u>SIGS</u>	<u>Hq 2 Aust Corps</u>			
76	Hq B Aust Corps Sigs	SATELBERG	613659	
77	Adm Sec B Aust Corps Sigs	"	616668	
78	22 Aust Cipher Soc	"	616668	
79	2 Aust Tech Maintenance Soc	"	616668	
80	Hq 1 Coy B Aust Corps Sigs	"	616668	
81	2 Aust Line Maintenance Soc	"	616668	
82	4 Aust Line Soc	"	395085	
83	5 Aust Line Soc	"	395085	
84	Hq 2 Coy B Aust Corps Sigs	"	616668	
85	5 Aust Op Soc	"	616668	
86	6 Aust Op Soc	"	616668	
87	64 Aust Op Soc	LAE	699409	
88	5 Aust Lt Wireless Soc	SATELBERG	616668	
89	39 Aust Lt Wireless Soc	"	616668	
90	4 Aust DR Soc	"	616668	
91	10 Aust DR Soc	"	616668	
92	33 Aust Wireless Task Soc	"	616668	
93	34 Aust Wireless Task Soc	"	616668	
94	Hq 3 Coy B Aust Corps Sigs	"	616668	
95				
96				
97				
98				
99				
	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
100	Hq Sigs 5 Aust Div	SCHARNHORST	604377	
101	40 Aust Cipher Soc	PT "	604377	
102	8 Aust Inf Bde Sig Soc	SIO	SINGOR	
103				
104				
105				
	<u>9 Aust Div</u>			
106	Hq Sigs 9 Aust Div	FORTIFICAT- ION PT	608780	Dot temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div
107	2/43 Aust Cipher Soc	"	608780	" " "
108	2/12 Aust Fd Regt Sig Soc	SCHARNHORST PT	227194	Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div
109	3 Aust Engr Sig Soc	"	224183	" " "
110	20 Aust Inf Bde Sig Soc	FORTIFICAT- ION PT	585804	
111	26 Aust Inf Bde Sig Soc	SATELBERG	623684	
112	2/1 Aust Beach Sig Soc	SATELBERG	615668	
113				
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
114	4 Aust Inf Bde Sig Soc	SATELBERG	623699	
115	1 Aust Tk Bn Sig Tp	CAPE KING WILLIAM	344111	
116	2/14 Aust Fd Regt Sig Soc	SATELBERG	618679	
117	2/4 Aust Lt AA Regt Sig Soc	LANGEMAK BY	612596	
118				
119				

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
120	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u> Hq 81st Aust Div	LAE	699408	
121	29 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	"	680433	
122	38 Aust Cipher Sec	"	699408	
123				
<u>INF</u>	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
124	Hq 8 Aust Inf Bde	SIO	SINOCR	Tac Hq 175426
125	27 Pl G Coy 2/1 Aust Gl Regt	SIO	175426	Att Hq 8 Aust Inf Bde
126	4 Aust Inf Bn	REISS PT	110452	
127	30 Aust Inf Bn	" "	175426	
128	35 Aust Inf Bn	SCHARNHORST PT	226198	
129	4 Coy PIB	REISS PT	110452	
130				
131				
132				
133				
	<u>9 Aust Div</u>			
134	Hq 20 Aust Inf Bde	FORTIFICAT- ION PT	585804	
135	1 Pl A Coy 2/1 Aust Gl Regt	"	585804	
136	2/13 Aust Inf Bn	"	593789	
137	2/15 Aust Inf Bn	"	588799	
138	2/17 Aust Inf Bn	"	KILIGIA	
139	Hq 26 Aust Inf Bde	SATELBERG	623684	
140	4 Pl A Coy 2/1 Aust Gl Regt	"	623684	
141	2/23 Aust Inf Bn	"	622679	
142	2/24 Aust Inf Bn	"	626684	
143	2/48 Aust Inf Bn	"	619680	
144	9 Aust Div Carr Coy	"	609772	
145	2/3 Aust Pnr Bn	"	616763	
146	2/2 Aust HG Bn	"	627733	
147				
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
148	Hq 4 Aust Inf Bde	SATELBERG	623699	
149	22 Aust Inf Bn	WINDOKAI	553718	
150	29/46 Aust Inf Bn	FORTIFICAT- ION PT	577716	
151	37/52 Aust Inf Bn	SATELBERG	618677	
152	C Coy PIB		KULUNG- TUFU	Moving to PINSCHHOFEN area. ETA 6 Feb
153				
154				
155				
	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
156	Hq 29 Aust Inf Bde	LAE	680433	
157				
158	15 Aust Inf Bn	LAE	699506	
159	42 Aust Inf Bn	LAE	686425	
160	47 Aust Inf Bn	LAE	676431	
161				

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
<u>S & T</u>				
	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
162	HQ Comd AASC 5 Aust Div	SCHARNHORST PT	245174	
163	HQ 4 Aust Sup Depot Coy	"	243175	
164	2 Aust Sup Depot Pl	"	234186	
165	241 Aust Sup Depot Pl	REISS PT	175426	
166	242 Aust Sup Depot Pl	SCHARNHORST PT	234184	
167	39 Aust Indep Bde Gp Tpt Pl & RDI	"	248173	
168	Det 4 Aust Fd Bakery	"	226195	FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area Tps. Under Comd 5 Aust Div for adms only
169				
170				
171				
<u>9 Aust Div</u>				
172	HQ Comd AASC 9 Aust Div	FORTIFICATION PT	612771	
173	2/6 Aust Sup Depot Coy less 29 and 31 Pls	"	609771	29 & 31 Pls embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp
174	2/156 Aust Gen Tpt Coy less B Pl and one RDI	"	608772	Embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp (B Pl and one RDI)
175				
<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u>				
176	Det 4 Aust Armd Bde Coy AASC	"	603717	Att 1 Aust Tk Bn
177	1 Aust Sup Depot Pl	"	624734	
178				
179				
<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u>				
180	18 Aust Sup Depot Pl	LAE	684426	
181	19 Aust Sup Depot Pl	LAE	703403	
182				
183				
<u>MEDICAL</u>				
	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u>			
184				
185	A Coy 2/15 Aust Fd Amb	BATELBERG	628661	ADS at LAUNCH JETTY (FINSCHHAFEN area)
186	10 Aust Fd Amb		LAE NADZAB	
187	2/2 Aust CCS	BATELBERG	612654	
188	2/3 Aust CCS	"	612654	
189	NO S&T Coy	"	612654	Att 2/2 Aust CCS Unit less det under comd
190	Det 11 Aust Malarial Control Unit	"	615651	FINSCHHAFEN Base Sub Area

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
191 192 193	15 Aust Malarial Control Unit	SATELBERG	615651	
194 195 196 197	<u>5 Aust Div</u> 4 Aust Pd Amb loss A Coy 2/15 Aust Pd Amb (loss A Coy)	CAPE KING WILLIAM SCHARNHORST PT	334122 234187	A Coy MILNE BAY A Coy under comd HQ 2 Aust Corps
198 199 200 201	<u>9 Aust Div</u> 2/8 Aust Pd Amb 2/3 Aust Malarial Control Unit 2/3 Aust Pd Amb	FORTIFICAT- ION PT " "	611772 GUSIKA 629729	Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div. Moving to KELANOA
202 203	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u> 106 Aust Lt Pd Amb	SATELBERG	612654	1 Aust Tk Bn Gp att 2/2 Aust COS.
204 205	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u> 7 Aust Pd Amb	LAE	686423	
<u>DENTAL</u>				
206 207 208 209 210 211 212 213 214 215	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u> A Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit C Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit D Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit E Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit F Sec 2/5 Aust Dental Unit B Sec 2/6 Aust Dental Unit HQ 77 Aust Dental Unit D Sec 77 Aust Dental Unit E Sec 77 Aust Dental Unit	FORTIFICAT- ION PT " " SCHARNHORST PT FORTIFICAT- ION PT CAPE KING WILLIAM FORTIFICAT- ION PT SATELBERG CAPE KING WILLIAM	KILIGIA KILIGIA 622672 227196 KILIGIA 332124 626731 622667 332123	ARRIVED - 2 FEB ARRIVED - 2 FEB ARRIVED - 2 FEB Att 4 Aust Fd Amb
216	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u>			

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
217 218 219	<u>5 Aust Div</u> 133 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	SCHARNHORST PT	227193	
220 221 222	<u>9 Aust Div</u> 2/122 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk 2/123 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk 1 Aust Ord Beach Det	PORTIFICAT- ION PT " "	632718 633722 KILIGIA	Rear Details LAE To revert from comd FINSCHHAFFEN Base Sub Area at date to be noti- fied
223 224 225 226 227	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u> 1 Aust Tk Bn Ord Fd Pk 130 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	PORTIFICAT- ION PT "	633724 632726	Passes to comd FINSCHHAFFEN Base Sub Area 030600L Feb
228 229	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u> 104 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	LAE	711426	
230 231 232 233	<u>AEME</u> <u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u> 214 Aust LAD	SATELBERG	616668	Att B Aust Corps Sign
234 235 236 237 238 239 240 241	<u>5 Aust Div</u> 231 Aust LAD 251 Aust LAD 133 Aust Bde Workshop	SCHARNHORST PT " "	227195 226199 227195	Att HQ 5 Aust Div Att HQ 8 Aust Inf Bde Det only main body KILIGIA
242	<u>9 Aust Div</u> 2/58 Aust LAD	PORTIFICAT- ION PT	583806	Att HQ 20 Aust Inf Bde

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
243	2/61 Aust LAD	SCHARNHORST PT	227194	Att 2/12 Aust Fd Regt. Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div
244	2/67 Aust LAD	FORTIFICAT-ION PT	608780	Att Sigs 9 Aust Div. Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div
245	2/72 Aust LAD	SATELBERG	615657	Att 2/24 Aust Pd Pk Coy
246	2/78 Aust LAD	FORTIFICAT-ION PT	632718	Att 26 Aust Inf Bde
247	2/77 Aust LAD	FORTIFICAT-ION PT	627733	Att 2/2 Aust MG Bn
248	2/122 Aust Bde Workshops	FORTIFICAT-ION PT	632718	Rear Details LAE
249	2/123 Aust Bde Workshops	FORTIFICAT-ION PT	633722	Rear Details LAE
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
250	2/83 Aust LAD	SATELBERG	621668	Att 2/14 Aust Fd Regt
251	264 Aust LAD	SATELBERG	622694	Att HQ 4 Aust Inf Bde
252	1 Aust Tk Bn Workshops	FORTIFICAT-ION PT	633724	
253	2/4 Aust Lt AA Workshops less One sec	LANGELLAK KY	612596	One Sec under comd 7 Aust Div
254	130 Aust Bde Workshops		631727	Passes to comd FINSCHAFEN Base Sub Area 030600L FEB
255	209 Aust LAD	CAPE KING WILLIAM	344111	Att 1 Aust Tk Bn
256	263 Aust LAD	FORTIFICAT-ION PT	622738	Att 106 Aust Tk A Regt. ARRIVED - 2 FEB.
257				
	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
258	312 Aust LAD	LAE	661432	Att HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde
259 260 261	104 Aust Bde Workshops	LAE	714425	
PRO	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u>			
262 263				
	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
264	13 Aust Indop Bde Op Pro Pl	SCHARNHORST PT	599379	
265 266				

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	<u>9 Aust Div</u>			
267	9 Aust Div Pro Coy less one sec	PORTIFICAT- ION PT	608780	One Sec embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp
268				
	<u>4 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
269				
	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
270	12 Aust Indep Bde Gp Pro Pl	LAE	LAE	
	<u>POSTAL</u>			
	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u>			
271	2 Aust Corps Postal Unit less dets	LAE	699409	Dets under comd 5 Aust Div and FINSCHLAFEN Base Sub Area
	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
272	8 Aust Inf Bde Postal Det	SCHARNHORST PT	478424	
273				
274				
	<u>9 Aust Div</u>			
275	9 Aust Div Postal Unit Less det	PORTIFICAT- ION PT	608780	Det embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp
	<u>29 Aust Inf Bde</u>			
276	3 Aust Div Postal Unit	LAE	700409	
	<u>PAY</u>			
	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u>			
277	2 Aust Corps Pd Cash Office	LAE	701409	
	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
278	5 Aust Div Pd Cash Office	SCHARNHORST PT	604377	
279	8 Aust Inf Bde Pay Det	"	478424	
	<u>9 Aust Div</u>			
280	9 Aust Div Pd Cash Office less det	PORTIFICAT- ION PT	608780	Det embarked with 24 Aust Inf Bde Gp

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
<u>SALV</u>				
281	<u>5 Aust Div</u>			
282	<u>9 Aust Div</u> 9 Aust Div Salv Unit	SCHARNHORST PT	235187	Temporarily under comd 5 Aust Div
<u>RECEPTION CAMP</u>				
283	<u>HQ 2 Aust Corps</u> 1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	LAE	LAE	
284	<u>5 Aust Div</u> 5 Aust Div Reception Camp	LAE	703406	Moving to FINSCH- HAFEN
285	<u>9 Aust Div</u> 9 Aust Div Reception Camp	SATELBERG	616642	
<u>SCHOOLS</u>				
286	NGF Mob Trg Centre	PORTIFICAT- ION PT	KILIGIA	Under Comd 2 Aust Corps
287	2 Aust Corps Mob Trg Cadre	SATELBERG	613659	
<u>LHQ TPS UNDER COMMAND</u>				
288				
289	Det Public Relations	SCHARNHORST PT	245174	
290	Det ADCS	CAPE KING WILLIAM	345100	
291	24 Aust Mob Cinema		9 Aust Div Area	Att 9 Aust Div
<u>NGF TPS UNDER COMMAND</u>				
292	Det ANGAU	SCHARNHORST PT	604377	
<u>GHQ TPS</u>				
293	GHQ Liaison Party	SCHARNHORST PT	604377	Att 5 Aust Div
<u>RAAF TPS</u>				
294	Det W/T Sec 4 Tac R Sqn	SCHARNHORST PT	604377	Att 5 Aust Div

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
<u>US TFS UNDER COMMAND</u>				
295	532 EB & SR less Coy E	SCHARNHORST PT	603377	Under Comd 5 Aust Div
<u>US TFS in SUPPORT</u>				
296	8 Air Liaison Party 5AF	SCHARNHORST PT	603377	Att 5 Aust Div
297	9 Air Liaison Party 5 AF		613659	Att HQ 2 Aust Corps

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TO :: NGE (2) rear 2 aust corps (3) 7 aust div (4) 4 aust inf bde
(5) 29 aust inf bde (6) USN DREGER (7) PATF (8) ADV ALAMO
FORCE (9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) PINSCH base sub area
(11) base F USASOS rptd (12) 5 aust div (13) 9 aust div

FROM :: adv 2 aust corps 0.2123 3

SITREP	no	73	.	5	aust
div	to	030900L	.	8	BDE
area	.	beach	head	established	163445
.	D	coy	30	bn	162444
.	other	locations	unchanged	.	4
BN	patrol	102451	to	039483	reported
good	beach	NELAU	and	on	return
journey	3	JAPS	in	poor	condition
103452	.	weather	stormy	all	informed

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TO: (1) NQF (2) Rear 2 Aust Corps (3) 7 Aust Div (4) 4 Aust Inf Bde
(5) 29 Aust Inf Bde (6) USN DREGER (7) FATE (8) ADV ALAMO FORCE
(9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) FINCH Base Sub Area (11) Base F USASOS
rptd (12) 5 Aust Div (13) 9 Aust Div

FROM: Adv 2 Aust Corps

0.2119

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SITREP	No	72	.	5	aust	div
to	022100L	8	bde	area	.	2/14
fd	regt	took	over	arty	ops	from
2/12	fd	regt	in	fwd	area	today
.	one	LCM	two	LCVs	were	broached
SINGOR	afternoon 1		feb	probable total		loss
.	cannot	use	SINGOR	beach	present	by
seas	KWAMA	RIVER	in	flood	with	ferry
sunk	KIARI	RIVER	now	140	ft	wide
.	KELANOA	area	35	bn	patrol	to
TIKIAR	had	not	reached	village	at	021500
hrs	and	NMS	all	informed		

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(5) 29 aust inf bde (6) USK DREGER (7) FATF (8) ADV ALAMO
FORCE (9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH Base Sub-Area
(11) Base F USASOS rptd (12) 5 aust div (13) 9 aust div.

FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2117 2

SITREP no 71 (.) 5 aust div to
021300L (.) 8 bde to 011900L (.) 4
bn (.) patrol coast track from 109451 to
075459 killed 1 jap poor condition 098452
(.) patrol along river 109451 to 103441
NMS (.) A tp 23 fd bty
in action SINGOR

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(5) 29 aust inf bde (6) USM DREGER (7) FATF (8) ADV ALAMO
FORCE (9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) FINSCH Base Sub Area
(11) Base F USASOS rptd (12) 5 aust div (13) 9 aust div

FROM: div 2 aust corps 0 2111 2

SITREP	no	70	(.)	5
aust	div	to	020900L	(.)
SITHOR	(.)	weather	stormy	all

informed

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DRIS to (12)
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(5) 29 Aust Inf Bde (6) USN DREGER (7) PATF (8) ADV ALANG FORCE
(9) ALO 348 FIGHTER GP (10) PINSCH Base Sub Area (11) Base F US.SOS
rptd (12) 5 Aust Div (13) 9 Aust Div

FROM: Adv 2 Aust Corps

0.2109

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SITREP	number	69	.	5	aust	div
to	012100L	.	4	aust	inf	bn
to	change	.	owing	sup	situation	due
by	weather	30	aust	inf	bn	remained
at	177426	.	did	NOT	move	to
110452	as	shown	our	sitrep	67	.
natives	report	party	approx	9	armed	JAPS
occupying	village	GUTIMAR	265046	approx	1200	yds
south	from	PAUWANGA	268061	ref	KALASA	.
35	aust	inf	bn	patrol	investigating	
all	informed					

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Subject: CHANGE IN DESIGNATION AUST ANTI-MALARIA
CONTROL UNITS

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps
2 Feb 44
G/490/Ops.

5 Aust Div.
9 Aust Div
4 Aust Inf Bde
29 Aust Inf Bde

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1. It is notified that all units at present designated "AUST ANTI-MALARIA CONTROL UNITS" will in future be designated "AUST MALARIA CONTROL UNITS".

2. The Order of Battle of formations will be amended accordingly.

[Signature]
G/490/Ops.
GS 2 Aust Corps.

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Subject: LOCATION REPORT

Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps (AIF)
2 Feb 44.
G/393/Ops.

NG Force (2)
B Aust Corps Sigs
FINSCHHAFFEN Base Sub Area

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War Diary

Ref Adv HQ 2 Aust Corps G/451/Ops.

1. The following amendments are notified:

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Amended Location</u>	<u>Cond and/or Remarks</u>
45	HQ RAE 9 Aust Div	225185	Reverted to Cond 9 Aust Div 28 Jan.
113	16 Pl D Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	604377	5 Aust Div
216	2 Aust Corps Postal Unit less det	LAE	HQ 2 Aust Corps
220	2 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office	LAE	HQ 2 Aust Corps
226	1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	LAE	HQ 2 Aust Corps

(Signed) J SUMMERTON Capt
for (F H BERRYMAN) Maj-Gen
Cond 2 Aust Corps.

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adv 5 aust div ALAMO FORCE for aust LO → *by hand*

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FROM: adv 2 aust corps 0 2106 1

SITREP	no	68	(.)	5	aust
div	to	011500L	(.)	8	bde
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111452	B	coy	112452	C	coy
108451	D	coy	110450	(.)	NIS
during	day	(.)	35	bn	less
rear	details	area	ref	SCHARNHORST	PT
226198	(.)	311530L	PIB	pl	WASU
killed	JAP	sgt	in	good	condition
285414	(.)	on	body	marked	map
MARKHAM	VALLEY	(.)	8	bde	to
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casualties	21	to	31	jun	both
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FROM: Adv 2 Asst Corps

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SITREP	No	67	.	5	aust
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110452	arriving	311000L	.	30	bn
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311900L	preparatory to		taking	over	adv
from:	4	bn	1	feb	.
NO	further	details	to	hand	.
improvised	folding	boat	ferry	in	operation
crossing	SWANA	RIVER	.	TEATHER	storey
all	informed				

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2. AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 141

(Information from 0930L/28 Feb to 0930L/29 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

5 MAY 1944

1. LAND - ONI AND REEF

5. AUST DIV

8. Aust Inf Bde (ref map 1/25000 REISS POINT, GAUSS POINT and GALLI).

A three-day patrol from A Coy 4 Bn along the TIMBE RIVER from 25 to 27 Feb found 44 enemy dead (including four who had died very recently) in and on route to the village at 128474. These are casualties not previously reported. A Coy 4 Bn returned to KILJON on 27 Feb. PIB patrols killed two Japs in WADILUK on 27 Feb and one Jap at TAPSI on 28 Feb.

There were several changes in the dispositions of 8 Bde. On 28 Feb HQ 8 Bde moved back to KILJON. 35 Bn (less two pls B Coy) were at WILDER POINT with the two pls at INJAL on route to WILDER POINT. 12 Sec 10 Bty 2/4 Lt AL. Regt rejoined the Bty at KILJON.

7. AUSA DEN

On 28 Feb a patrol from 57/60 Bn contacted enemy in strength at CAMP 2. No details of any engagement have been received.

CAPT GLAUCHESTER

27 Feb

A force from the Marines has established a perimeter around IDOKI PLANTATION.

ARAVE

27 Feb

The force advancing along the coast reached the SIGUL RIVER without meeting any opposition. The second force moving from MIELELEK towards DIDMOP encountered approx 50 Japs in prepared positions three miles East of MIELELEK. Five enemy were killed and three wounded.

2. AIR - ONI

28 Feb

ADMIRALTY ISLANDS.

Six Mitchells bombed and strafed installations on LOS NEGROS Island, causing two small fires and damaging houses.

Six Liberators bombed the village, dumps, and jetty at MONOFF. Twelve tons of bombs were dropped, causing a large fuel fire.

ATTACK ON SHIPPING.

One Liberator on recon sighted three unidentified HV at posn 02.17 South 140.52 East (off HOLLANDIA). Two tons of bombs were dropped without apparent damage being caused.

Signed at 1500 hrs.

Good
Major
G3 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

REF ID: A66000

(Introductory period: 01/27 Feb to 09/27/28 Feb 1941)

OPTIONS

1. ~~WAB - ONI~~
5 ~~0000~~ 0000
~~6 0000~~ 0000
27 ~~PQB~~
The force disposed as follows: A Coy MALAMAI, less one platoon (less one pl) TAPRI, and the remainder of the company at KILI 2.

7 ~~0000~~ 0000
27 ~~PQB~~
Patrols were continued on both side fronts. One tp 2/2 Coy (Company) 3rd (less one section) moved from PAITA (the port of call) and of KISIMAI to ITHIRIA.

8 ~~0000~~ 0000
27 ~~PQB~~
Forward elements of the Main moving East along the coast reached KILI PLATEAU without making contact with the enemy.

9 ~~0000~~ 0000
27 ~~PQB~~
Third Coy launched an attack to clear the enemy from the KILI plateau to EIGUL R. Another force, moving East along the KILIMATI DUNEOP track encountered a small enemy position near KILIMATI. They destroyed an MG Post and killed three enemy.

2. ~~IR - ONI~~
11 ~~0000~~ 0000
27 ~~PQB~~
One PT boat was shot down from CAPT IRIS to M.DING destroyed one PT boat and its crew, on the beach at YILIN (5 miles West of KILIMATI). Other patrols did not contact the enemy. No shore land was encountered.

3. ~~IR - ONI~~
27 ~~PQB~~
ADDITIONAL RELEASES
Thirty-two B-29 Superfortresses bombed and strafed LORAN ISLAND (LORAN IS) and targets on LOS VIKTOR ISLAND. Many buildings and a jetty at SILIMI were destroyed and fires started in both island areas.
F-4 PHANTOMS
Forty-four F-4 Phantom II fighters bombed target areas at BORAN. Bombing was carried out accurately, causing explosions and fires; smoke rose and very large ball fire rose to 2000 ft. Forty-five tons of bombs were dropped on the target area. At once a cloud was heavy and dense, five of our aircraft being holed.
The Liberators of this force bombed M.DING with unobserved results.
Two Liberator bombers came from HERRA PT to DOVE POINT strafed and hit the beach and dunes on beach at SURAMARANG. Two or three PT boats were also fired and left burning.

AIR - OMM (Cont)

NEW BRITAIN

Two Airacobras on recon strafed three dhows and one yellow tent at MONTAGU Harbour.

A further two Airacobras on recon RUDIGER PT to CAPE HOSKINS strafed and hit one enemy aircraft on HOSKINS strip. A 60 ft schooner was strafed and damaged offshore at HETAVULU PLANTATION and was observed listing heavily when our planes left the area. In a further attack a large two-cabin launch was left burning about one mile NE of DECEPTION POINT.

Two Thunderbolts on a fighter sweep to CAPE HOSKINS intercepted and destroyed one enemy aircraft without loss.

DELAYED REPORTS

25 Feb

Two Beaufighters on barge sweep UBILI - CAPE HOLMES destroyed two barges in TANWALI BAY.

Stork

Signed at 1640 hrs.

Major
G8 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 139

(Information from 0930L/26 Feb to 0930L/27 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS.

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY
2 AUST DIV

BNQ 2/14 Pd Regt and C Tp 26 Pd Bty rejoined the remainder of the Regt at KELANOA on 26 Feb.
No enemy casualties were reported during the day.

SAIDOR (ref map 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR).
26 Feb

An Allied patrol reached KEPLER POINT (323863) where they made contact with an unknown number of Japs and killed three. In addition 20 enemy dead, apparently killed by arty fire, were found. A recce patrol reached GABUNI en route to MAIBJIG.

7 AUST DIV. (ref map 1/25,000 BOKU R).
26 Feb

There were patrol skirmishes in 15 Bdo area.
The patrol from 2/6 Cav (Commando) Bcn returned from MATELOI 1.

2. SEA - OWN
Night 25/26 Feb

Our PT boats destroyed two Type B barges on the beach at ALEXISHAPEN. They also sank two more Type B barges, empty and moving on an undetermined course, one mile North of CAPE MAYLUN. The barges burned brightly. The PT boats were subjected to 40 mm and small arms fire from the beach.

3. AIR - OWN
26 Feb

ADMIRALTY ISLANDS.

Twelve Liberators accurately bombed MOMOTS. Thirty tons of bombs were dropped causing extensive damage to roadway; further observation of results was obscured by cloud over target area.

All other strikes for 26 Feb were cancelled due to weather.

7/12/44
Major
G8 2 Aust Corps

Signed at 1500 hours.

SECRET

2. AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No. 138

(Information from: 0930L/25 Feb to 0930L/26 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS.

1. LAND - ONI AND TINY

5. AUST DIV

6. Aust Inf Bde (Ref map 1 inch to 1 mile: SINGORKAI)

25 Feb

Seventy-four enemy dead were found by PIB patrols on the track WANDILUK - MOAM. These were the only casualties reported for the day.

Natives report that 10 Japs moved out of NOKOPO on 24 Feb.

There were minor changes only in the dispositions of 35 Bn. Two pls B Coy moved from TAPEI to WANDILUK. One pl D Coy completed the move from BWANA to GALI 2.

SAIDOR (ref maps 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR and POMMEREN DAY)

25 Feb

The American force which captured BILLIN was concentrated in the vicinity of the village. Patrols from another force occupied ISANGUN (424739).

PT boats moving West from SAIDOR reported camp fire smoke along the coast between BAING (271473) and HERWARTH POINT, and also between YALAU (110930) and CAPE RICHY. During this period the only shore fire against the PT boats came from 20 mm and 75 mm guns at SKE PT (4 miles West of CAPE RICHY).

7. AUST DIV (ref maps 1/25,000 KUMBAJUN, MT OTTO, MUBA, PAIPA)

25 Feb

A patrol from 2/6 Cav (Command) Sen reported ORGORUNA 1 and 2, KISA, ASAKI, and KODI clear of enemy, but that the enemy had reoccupied MT LOI 2. The patrol is now at ISARIDA.

A Coy 57/60 Bn moved to a point along the track approx 2000 yds South of PAIPA 2. Patrols from 58/59 Bn moving towards SAIPA 2 reached PAIPA 1. In addition, an OP was established on the 4250 feature 2000 yds West of SAIPA 1. 2 Aust Mtn Bty moved to 65554.

CAPE GLOUCESTER (ref map 4 miles to 1 inch, WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

24 Feb

One Bn of Marines advanced along the coast to a point half a mile beyond CAPE GLOUCESTER. An inland patrol to DULI (X13165) captured five PW.

ARWE

24 Feb

A small Allied force was engaged in mopping up scattered enemy snipers in the HIELEK area. The patrol to ITNE R found two mountain guns and a machine gun but reported no movement seen. Four enemy were reported 200 yds North of LUPIN airstrip.

2. SEA - ONI

Night 24/25 Feb

Off CAPE CREISILLIS an inter-communication signal between our PT boats was answered from the shore in broken English. The patrol observed numerous lights in ULIN DAY.

3. AIR - C.M.

25 Feb

ADMIRALTY ISLAND

Nine Mitchells in armed force to H.M.S. ISLAND bombed the aerodrome. Unobserved results. No activity was reported.

NEW GUINEA

PORT M - At 1207 hrs eighteen Liberators accurately bombed PORT M target areas at W.S.A.. Approx 55 tons of bombs were dropped on the target areas. One direct hit caused explosion resulting in a column of smoke rising to 8000 ft in 10 minutes. Four other explosions were reported, two of which were described as trench hits. Four large fires and numerous smaller fires were also observed.

H.M.S. B.M. - Due to unfavourable weather twenty-two Liberators scheduled to attack PORT M aerodrome attacked secondary targets of H.M.S. B.M. and H.M.S. G.. 65 tons of bombs were dropped; results were generally unobserved.

PORT M - Twenty-eight Mitchells accurately bombed aerodrome area, 35 tons of bombs being dropped. The runway was rendered unserviceable, nine grounded aircraft destroyed and two A.I. positions damaged. Smoke and flames covered the strip and surrounding areas and a large fire was observed SE of the runway.

Further twenty-seven Mitchells attacked A.I. positions South of PORT M aerodrome. Bombing was reported as excellent.

Twenty-one Bostons also bombed and strafed supply and dump areas at PORT M. Bombing was reported as accurate, direct hits being observed on dumps. One A.I. position was knocked out and the target area covered by smoke and dust.

ALXISLIP - Twelve Bostons bombed and strafed air-strips No 1 and 2 at ALXISLIP. The operations hut and one grounded enemy aircraft were strafed and the aircraft burst into flames. One Boston strafed a wireless station in the wooded area NE of ALXISLIP plantation. One of our aircraft was damaged by A.I. fire.

Twelve Thunderbolts strafed ground installations, huts and villages between CAPE GORDON and CAPE CROISILLES. Light A.I. fire was encountered from a position South of MINABUH M. RANGE.

RECCO AND STRAFTING ATTACKS

At 1020 hrs two Recco Airacobras strafed 40 Japs near mouth of G. H. RIVER killing or wounding approx 20. Troops were moving East with no equipment.

At 1410 hrs two Airacobras strafed 10 Japs at mouth of KABEEN RIVER, five of whom were being killed. Three Japs were also killed at mouth of G. H. RIVER and a further two killed whilst crossing the G. H. RIVER. At 1445 hrs Airacobras in Recco strafed 10 Japs (with packs) at the mouth of the G. H. RIVER with unobserved results.

Stewart

Signed at 1540 hrs.

Major
S 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No. 137

(Information from 0900/24 Feb to 0900/25 Feb 1944)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUSTRALIAN DIV
8 Aust Inf Bde
23 Feb

Our patrols found 10 more enemy dead along the track from TAPI to WIDILUK, and a Jap captured one Jap at RUMJOG. D Coy 35 Bn (less one pl) has moved back to GILL 2, and the pl stayed at KAMU en route to GILL 2.

SAIDOR (ref maps 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR and POMMEREN BAY)

On 24 Feb the Allied force moving West along the coast occupied BILIAN and later patrols occupied W.R.I. No contact was made with the enemy.

The attack on SHIMAMU was successful and the village was occupied; five dead Japs were found.

A patrol in the vicinity of SHIM found 50 enemy dead.

A patrol which returned from DEIN (216900) reported that many Japs in poor condition moved West through the village on 22 and 23 Feb. Only 25 per cent were armed. The patrol found no beach defences between DEIN and YIGANON R. Another patrol returning from YALU (110930) reported that many Japs passed through on 22 Feb. No beach defences were found in this area.

The HUBBIT OP report that 25 Japs passed through TIRINIGI on 23 Feb.

7 AUSTRALIAN DIV (ref maps 1/25,000, KUMERAN, MT OTTO, MUWA, PAIPA)
23 Feb

The regrouping of 15 Aust Inf Bde and 16 Aust Inf Bde was completed.

57/60 Bn occupied the area around PROTHERO 1 and 2 with one coy NW along the track at 622640, and 58/59 Bn occupied the KUKIRYO area incl the saddle. 24 Bn is in reserve near GUYE POST. HQ 15 Bde is at 673583.

18 Bde is now dispersed along the LIMP R with two coys 2/12 Bn protecting the left flank; one coy approx 6000 yds NW of KESMAI at 493643 and the other occupying CAMERON'S KNOLL (3000 yds SW of SHIP 2). HQ 18 Bde is at 597554.

HQ 2/6 Coy (Command) Sen is at 611560 with one tp in the vicinity and the other two tps 5500 yds North and 7000 yds NW respectively. A patrol is moving to MATELOI.

The Coy patrol of 6 HQ Bn returned from WATTON on 24 Feb, and 2 Htn Bty moved in and is located at BEBEI.

2. AIR - OWN

24 Feb
NEW GUINEA

ILLDING - Three Liberators bombed air positions at KIRKAR ISLAND with unobserved results.

ALEXISH VET - Five Liberators bombed No 1 airstrip destroying one grounded aircraft. Further observation was not possible due to low cloud.

RECCES - Four Airacobras on a low level recon from HERWORTH POINT to ILLDING reported no air from ERIMA and ILLDING.

DELAYED REPORTS

23 Feb

NEW BRITAIN - Twenty-eight B-24s with escorting Kittyhawks and Spitfires accurately "pattern bombed" the village and personnel areas at PORA PORA (CAPE HOSKINS area). The airstrip is reported as showing no signs of improvement.

FFind
Major

Signed at 1530 hrs.

GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2. AUSTRALIAN CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 136

(Information from 0900L/23 Feb to 0900L/24 Feb 44)

PART I

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5. AUSTRALIAN DIV

8. 1st Inf Bde (Ref Map 1 inch to 1 mile SINGAPORE I)

On 22 Feb PIB patrols killed 37 enemy near WADABO (756494) and 20 more near WADIBUK. Our casualties were one native Sgt wounded. In addition, 35 Bn captured three PW in the MALILJAI area.

Some changes took place in the dispositions of 35 Bn on 23 Feb. Bn HQ, B Coy, and D Coy (less two pls) were at TAPEN. One pl D Coy was at 755565 and the other at GALLI 2.

SAIDOR (Ref Maps 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR

4 miles to 1 inch KIDINGO)

On 22 Feb Allied forces attacked from their bridgehead West of the HOT R. They secured the HOT R mouth and advanced approx 700 yds towards TEPREI. At 1800 hrs they were holding the line 426845 - 414833 - 413430. Enemy casualties in this action reported to date are 42 killed.

Our patrols advanced towards SEIN and MAIBANG, killing two Japs along the GLENNI - SEIN track.

The CP at HUBERT reported that 65 Japs moved through TARIHIGAN on 21 Feb.

On 23 Feb our infantry occupied TEPREI against slight resistance. Evacuated enemy positions indicate that at least two coys had been occupying the area. Fifty enemy dead have been found in the area but the count is incomplete.

Further South our tps attacked SINDILIN but details of this attack have not yet been reported. SEIN was occupied and two Japs killed and three captured. One PW was armed and in good physical condition but the other two were unarmed.

At 0950 hrs 23 Feb approx 80/90 Japs, with packs and camouflaged helmets, were sighted by our aircraft moving West near GOWAR R. 25/30 supply parachutes, apparently empty, were seen on the ground just North of H.SI (WP3079). The inland track from HIB (WP2780) to DAGUR (WP3434) appeared heavily used.

CAPE GLANCHSTER

23 Feb

One coy of Allied tps moving East along the coast reached a point 4 1/2 miles SE of CAPE RAULT and captured four PW. A patrol to a point 2 miles SE KARLAI reported no movement seen.

ARANE

23 Feb

A patrol contacted a small enemy party near HIMELEK; four Japs were killed. A patrol to HUBERT airstrip saw no movement.

2. SEA - OWN

Night 22/23 Feb

Our PT boats made a raid on PORT L. HARBOR (GAROVE IS). They were subjected to heavy and continuous but inaccurate fire from shore Bty's. The guns are believed to have included 47 mm, 40 mm, and 25 mm types and also 81 mm. A possible Radar station was observed.

There were no contacts during the night.

3. AIR - C.M.

23 Feb

SAIDOR AREA

SAIDOR AREA - Ten Vultee Vengeances escorted by Kittyhawks dive-bombed the village of ISORUM and SINDAJEN in direct support of ground troops. Direct hits were scored on both villages.

SINGOR - Twenty-four Vultee Vengeances bombed and strafed the bivouac area at SINGOR. The village was destroyed and the area thoroughly strafed.

WELAK - Seventeen Liberators bombed all positions around WELAK H. AREA. The bombing is reported as excellent.

BURU - Twenty-nine Bostons carried out a low level bombing and strafing attack against the villages and airstrip at BURU (on WELAK RIVER). Hits were registered on the buildings areas on both sides of the strip, which appeared to be in poor condition.

ADMIRALTY ISLANDS

Three Recce Mitchells bombed the personnel areas at KUMBE H. AREA with unobserved results. Little activity was reported on LOS NEGROS IS and both airstrips are considered unserviceable.

NEW BRITAIN

Recce Airacobras strafed buildings in the RUDIGER POINT and THURSTON areas.

DELAYED REPORTS

20 Feb

Twenty-one Bostons on a shipping search on South coast of N. BRITAIN failed to locate primary target and accurately bombed GAWU village.

22 Feb

Twenty-four Vengeances attacked a barge and staging area near the mouth of the WAGGL RIVER (L.D. NG). The target area was well covered with bombs and several fires were started.

PAGE II

4. ENEMY OCB

A new identification in the area West of SAIDOR is 12 Coy, 3 Bn, 239 Regt. 11 Coy has already been identified in the area and it seems probable that the whole of 3 Bn is in the BROOMINDIRI to the East.

Signed at 1515 hrs.

McIntyre Capt.
Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 135

(Information from 0930L/22 Feb to 0930L/23 Feb 1944)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUSTRALIAN DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref Map 1 inch to 1 mile SINGOROKAI).

On 21 Feb a PIB patrol moving towards WANDILUK killed 5 enemy en route. This patrol, together with a patrol from D Coy, entered WANDILUK at 1640 hrs and encountered some enemy opposition. The PIB killed 10 Japs and D Coy 40. Our casualties were one wounded. The track from TAPEN to WANDILUK (approx 5 miles) is very steep and is about 3 feet deep in mud. Natives killed 2 Japs near MALALAMAI.

Total enemy casualties for 21 Feb were 57 killed.

There were several changes in the dispositions of 35 Bn on 22 Feb. Bn HQ and B Coy moved to 7-5565. D Coy was at BWANA less one pl at TAPEN, C Coy at GALI 2 less one pl at TAPEN, and HQ Coy at GALI 2 less HQ Pl (less MMGs) at RUANGE. A Coy PIB was at WANDILUK less one sec at MALALAMAI.

The reference in yesterday's Report to two secs 10 Lt AA Bty at WEBER Point should read Number 2 Sec of A Bty. The sec consists of 3 guns.

2. SEA - OWN

Night 21/22 Feb

There were no contacts during the night. Our PT boats, however, were fired upon by a heavy concentration of shore guns at Cape JUNO. The shore defence is considered to consist of one 75mm, one 37mm, one 20mm and two 13mm guns.

3. AIR - OWN

22 Feb

NEW BRITAIN

Seventeen Liberators and forty Mitchells bombed their secondary target at IBOKI. Several fires were started in the dump and dispersal areas, together with some explosions.

Six Airacobras on recon strafed barges in REIN Bay, AA posts at GAROVE Island and MUMUNDO Plantation.

NEW GUINEA

MADANG - Twenty-four Liberators accurately bombed enemy dumps and personnel areas at MODILON Plantation, destroying a large building and starting fires; observation of damage was difficult owing to the target area being covered in dust and smoke.

Two Airacobras on recon of BAGABAG Island reported several large newly constructed huts on the Island.

Signed at 1300 hrs.

St Ford
Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 134

(Information from 0930L/21 Feb to 0930L/22 Feb 1944)

PART I

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUSTRALIAN DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref Map 1 inch to 1 mile SINGOROKAI).

21 Feb

A patrol of A Coy 35 Bn from MALALAKAI killed 4 Japs, and a D Coy patrol from TAPEN killed 1. In the TAPEN Garden area PIB patrols killed 34 Japs on 20 Feb. A patrol of 2/14 Fd Regt in the KELANOA area found 2 enemy dead on 19 Feb.

There were some slight changes in the dispositions of 35 Bn. B Coy less one pl was at 775602 with one pl at RUANGE. C Coy less one pl was at RUANGE with one pl at TAPEN and D Coy less one pl was at TAPEN with one pl at BWANA. Two sections 10 Bty 2/4 Lt AA Regt were at WEBER Point.

SAIDOR (Ref Map 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR).

21 Feb

One Coy of allied tps without opposition occupied the village 1,000 yds SE GABUMI. Booby traps and enemy equipment were found in the village. HQ of one of our Bns was fired upon by enemy MMGs sited East of GABUMI, and some casualties were suffered. Enemy arty (believed 75 mm) fired smoke and HE from the vicinity of GORIONG (372813).

The bridgehead across the MOT R was extended and now runs from 419832 to 430837, taking in the first ridge West of the river. The enemy is now increasing the pressure on the flanks of this posn.

Our arty effectively shelled enemy at Cape IRIS.

2. SEA - OWN

Night 20/21 Feb

The Cape IRIS PT patrol attacked 3 empty Type A barges moving on an unknown course. Two barges were sunk and the third destroyed on the beach at TAGUR.

A patrol to REIN Bay sank 2 Type A barges and 1 larger barge off Cape BOGUSLAUSKI. The barges were moving West empty and did not return our fire. A possible fourth barge escaped East to the beach.

3. AIR - OWN

21 Feb

NEW BRITAIN

Thirty-seven Liberators dropped 116 tons of bombs on IROKI Plantation, causing explosions and many fires.

NEW GUINEA

SAIDOR AREA - Thirteen Vultee Vengeances with eight Kittyhawks as close escort successfully attacked dump and staging areas at MINDIRI village. Small fires were started and the escort thoroughly strafed the huts in the area.

Nine Mitchells bombed and strafed staging and dispersal areas at the mouth of the SA R (just East of Cape RIGNY).

BOGALJIN AREA - Nine Vultee Vengeances and four Kittyhawks again dive-bombed dump and personnel areas along the enemy L of C at AIYAU village. Most of the bombs are reported to have fallen in the target area causing fires and explosions.

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PART I OPERATIONS (Contd)

3. AIR - OWN (Contd)

One squadron of Airacobras led in by Tac R Doomerangs attacked the enemy defensive posn at REIZEN RIDGE. The bombing and strafing was reported as accurate by ground tps.

SEAWARD REOCES

Eleven Mitchells attacked a convoy 25 miles NW of Cape MATANALEM (NEW IRELAND) from minimum altitude. One 2000/4500 ton cargo vessel, one 1000/1500 ton freighter and a subchaser were left burning and believed sunk, and another subchaser was damaged.

PART II

4. ENEMY OOB

A Jap Second Lieut killed near Cape IRIS was identified as belonging to 11 Coy 3 Bn 239 Inf Regt. This confirms previous reports that 3 Bn had moved to this area.

Signed at 1530 hrs.

Stevord
Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 133

(Information from 0930L/20 Feb to 0930L/21 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUST DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref Map 1 inch to 1 mile SINGORKAI).

20 Feb

A patrol from A Coy 35 Bn moved fwd of GABUTAMON and found a gorge with a rope ladder leading down the cliff face at 709563. At the bottom of the gorge 80 dead Japs were discovered; and it appeared that these had fallen from the rope ladder through weakness. A further 80 enemy dead were counted between KOSIT and GABUTAMON.

A patrol of D Coy from TAPEH to MOAM found 16 dead along the route and a further 16 dead in MOAM village. In addition they killed 10 enemy in the village.

A further patrol of D Coy from TAPEH to 748531 found 16 more enemy dead.

Changes in dispositions of 35 Bn were as follows:-

One pl B Coy moved from RUANGE to BWANA. C Coy less one pl were at RUANGE with one pl at BWANA, and D Coy less one pl were at TAPEH with one pl at BWANA.

A patrol from A Coy 4 Bn killed 2 enemy and captured 2 PW near SINGORKAI.

Total enemy casualties for the day were 12 killed, 208 found dead and 2 PW. This brings the total reported enemy casualties since 12 Feb to 733, being 263 killed, 459 found dead and 6 PW.

SAIDOR (Ref Map 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR).

20 Feb

One Bn of allied troops established a bridgehead on the West bank of MGT R from 425534 to 426837. One Jap was found dead in the area. During the day 3 groups of enemy, the largest group being about 40, were observed at Capo IRIS. This position was accurately shelled by our arty.

At 1700 hrs another allied unit seized and occupied GABIMI. The enemy (estimated strength one reinforced Coy) withdrew to the West carrying their dead and wounded. Extensive defensive installations were found in the village.

Our OP at HAMBIT reported that 122 enemy in small disorganised groups passed through TARIKNGAN on 19 Feb. Most were carrying packs, but only 3 carried rifles. Figures as to the number of Japs who passed through on 17 and 18 Feb are not available. According to a PW, among those who passed through TARIKNGAN were -

Lt-Gen KATAGIRI Shigeru GOC 20 Div
Lt-Gen NAKANO Hidenatsu GOC 51 Div
Maj-Gen MUROYA Chuechi GOC 51 Div Inf
Maj-Gen SHOGE Ryoichi GOC 41 Div Inf
Maj-Gen GOC 1st Convoy Group, Shipping Engrs.

2. SEA - OWN

Night 19/20 Feb

PT boats on patrol in REIN Bay destroyed one Type A barge on a reef in the Bay and also probably destroyed a beached barge.

3. AIR - OWN

20 Feb

KAVIENG

Six Liberators attacked shipping in the KAVIENG area. One 500/1,000-ton merchant vessel was sunk and a 2,000/4,500-ton vessel damaged. A large fire was observed at the main wharf at KAVIENG.

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OPERATIONS (Contd)

3. AIR - OTH (Contd)

TALASEA

Six Liberators bombed the village and dump areas at TALASEA with unobserved results.

ALEXISHAPEN

A heavy attack was made on the secondary target of ALEXISHAPEN by twenty-six Liberators. Seventy-eight tons of bombs were dropped, but observation of results was obscured by heavy cloud over the target area.

HANSA BAY

Nine Liberators attacked AA posns and dumps at HANSA Bay; bombing was reported as accurate. 27 tons of bombs were dropped. One of our aircraft failed to return.

NUBIA

Fifteen Vultee Vengeances with twelve Kittyhawks as escort bombed and strafed the airdrome and plantation at NUBIA, several huts, a church and many buildings were left burning.

RAMU VALLEY

Seven Vultee Vengeances led in by eight Boomerangs attacked targets at AIYUA, scoring four hits on stores and dumps.

BOGADJIM - MADANG AREA

Six Airacobras accurately bombed and strafed REIZEN RIDGE (near KUYAU - 25 miles West by North of BOGADJIM), damaging twenty-five huts.

Five Airacobras bombed and strafed MODILON Plantation and vicinity, also four AA posns nearby.

RECCO MISSIONS

A Liberator on armed recon of Western BISMARCK Sea attacked a three-ship convoy at 02.55 South, 143.30 East on a course of 290 degrees. A 5,500/7,500-ton merchant vessel was capsized and is claimed sunk.

A further Liberator on seaward recon sank a 5,500/7,000-ton merchant vessel 28 miles North of BUT.

Two recon Airacobras strafed AA posns at PETER Hbr (GAROVE Island).

Three Airacobras made a tactical recon of the escape route in the SAIDOR area.

Signed at 1530 hrs.

W. H. M.
Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 132

(Information from 0930L/19 Feb to 0930L/20 Feb 44)

PART I
OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUST DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref Maps 1/25,000 CAUSE POINT and GALI).
19 Feb

Mopping up along the inland tracks was continued. PIB patrols killed 4 enemy at GABUTAMON and 39 at TAPEN. In addition, 2 PW were captured near RUANGR.

There were some changes in the dispositions of our tps moving along the inland track. A Coy 35 Bn less one platoon was at MALALAMAI with the platoon at KUFUKU. B Coy less one platoon was at 802598 with one platoon at RUANGR. C Coy and two platoons D Coy were at BWANA and the remainder of D Coy with A Coy PIB (less one sec) were 400 yds SW of TAPEN. One section PIB was at MALALAMAI.

7 AUST DIV (Ref Maps 1/25,000 MT OTTO, ANUBA, KUMBARUM, PAIPA).
19 Feb

The re-grouping of 15 and 18 Bdes was continued.

24 Bn less two Coys reverted to command 15 Bde and 2/12 Bn less one Coy reverted to 18 Bde.

Dispositions were as follows:-

HQ 15 Bde 673563, 24 Bn - HQ 671991 with Coys at 675593, 673601 KESAWAI, CAMERONS KNOLL and one Coy less one pl at BRIANS HILL with the pl at LAKE HILL; 57/60 Bn - HQ 642659 and Coys at 644665, 643664, 645652, HQ one Coy 638661 with pls at 635662, 624645 and 639662 and the remaining Coy less one pl at 623668 with the pl at 621667; 58/59 Bn - HQ 653666 with Coys at 671634, 653668, 647671, 644665 and 658663.

18 Bde was disposed as follows:-

2/9 Bn 605558; 2/10 Bn - HQ and one Coy 577575, and Coys at 577573, 583575, 575575 and 575577; 2/12 Bn - HQ 552587, with Coys at 542594, 532607, GUYS POST and 546577; one Coy moved to CAMERONS KNOLL.

(Ref Map Stat series 4 miles to 1 inch RAMU).

Patrols from 2/2 Cav (Command) Sqn reported IGOI (WJ2102) and OBSAU (WO 2797) clear of enemy.

CAPE GLOUCESTER (Ref Map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

One Coy advanced along the coastal track to a point 1½ miles East of TAMUNIAI Point and one platoon moved forward from this point to ARIMEGI Plantation. Two PW were captured East of TAMUNIAI Point.

2. AIR - OWN

19 Feb

NEW GUINEA

MADANG - Reece Airbase strafed a possible ammunition dump on the dispersal area at MADANG causing a large fire and several explosions.

HAESA BAY AREA - Fifteen Vulture Vengeances with Kittyhawks as escort scored 4 direct hits on AA posns at HUBIA. The escort bombed and strafed two villages near REMPI Mission. One village was partially destroyed and fires with heavy black smoke were started in the other village.

RAMU VALLEY - Boomerangs led in six Vulture Vengeances on a dive-bombing mission, attacking dump and camp areas at AIYAU village.

BISMARCK SEA

An eight-ship convoy was reported by a Liberator on seaward reeve of West BISMARCK Sea at 1145 hrs posn 03.10S, 151.35 E, (South of NEW IRELAND) course 305 degrees. Four sqns of straffing Mitchells attacked at 1540 hrs. Preliminary reports indicate that the convoy was completely smashed. One corvette was sunk, another damaged, a 5000/7,000-ton freighter

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OPERATIONS (Contd)

2. AIR - OWN (Contd)

BISMARCK SEA (Contd)

possibly sunk, a 2000/4,500-ton/merchant vessel and a sub chaser both damaged by direct hits.

DELAYED REPORTS

18 Feb

NEW BRITAIN

A "Pathfinder" force of five Bostons with fourteen Kittyhawks and twelve Spitfires as close escort attacked GAVUVU village (COMMODORE Bay). Immediately following this strike the village and surrounding enemy dumps, installations and dispersal areas were accurately bombed by twenty-seven Beauforts. On arrival over the target area the latter air crews reported that many fires had been started by the Bostons and the target areas were completely covered with smoke, fires and dust which made accurate observation difficult.

PART 3 TOPOGRAPHICAL

3. A list of new names assigned by 7 Aust Div to topographical features appears as Appendix "A".

Signed at 1700 hrs.

SA Ford

Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

Appendix "A" to 2nd Unit Corps Int Report No. 132

TOPOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Ref Maps:	AMBA	2nd Edition	No 3637
	BOKU RIVER		No 3547
1: 25000	EVAPLA RIVER		No 3685
Series	KOBEN		No 3549
	KUMBAMUN	2nd Edition	No 3672
	PAIPA	2nd Edition	No 3688

ARCHER POST	EVAPLA	503636	
CAMERON KNOLL	AMBA	560699	
CAMP 1	"	529670	
" 2	"	547678	
" 3	"	552692	
CAVALRY SPUR	KUMBAMUN	614567	
CRATER HILL	PAIPA	649668	
DAVITS FOLLY	KUMBAMUN	655635	
DAVIS KNOLL	EVAPLA	540609	
GAP, The	"	594592	
GEARDS GULCH	KUMBAMUN	673624	
GOODWINS SPUR	AMBA	570705	and NW
GRASSY PATCH	KUMBAMUN	686633	
GREAVES HILL	PAIPA	688720	
GREEN SNIPER PIMPLE	"	651642	
HEALEYS OP	AMBA	551701	
HOLCOMBE KNOLL	PAIPA	658663	
HYDE HILL	"	641682	
INTERMEDIATE SNIPER PIMPLE	"	652641	
IOGE FEATURE	EVAPLA	591593	
JERRYS OP	"	575590	
KAROMA CROSSING	BOKU	402759	
KESAWAI	KOBEN	491643	
LANDSLIDE HILL	EVAPLA	536617	
MAIN STREAM	KUMBAMUN	639633	and East
MARSHALLS RIDGE	PAIPA	647674	
McLAUGHLIN'S KNOLL	"	649644	
McCULLOUGH HILL	KUMBAMUN	666595	
McCULLOUGH RIDGE	KUMBAMUN	659601	to 660605
McINTOSH HILL	BOKU	435780	
McLAUGHLIN'S SPUR	KUMBAMUN	662633	
McLENNAN'S CREEK	AMBA	569703	and West
MENZ HILL	EVAPLA	605575	
METCALF KNOLL	"	546607	
NIGGER KNOLL	AMBA	581691	
OLD HILL 4100	PAIPA	647677	
OLD HILL 4200	"	628698	
PINES, The	KUMBAMUN	655597	
PLATEAU, The	"	674618	
SCHEWINDS OP	EVAPLA	580580	
SEARLS PEAK	PAIPA	685642	
SPENDLOVE SPUR	AMBA	556699	
THOROGOODS	KUMBAMUN	675635	
THOMPSONS OP	BOKU	424753	
THOMPSONS RIDGE	EVAPLA	560597	
TWIN HILLS	KUMBAMUN	658631	
WARDS VILLAGE	AMBA	562711	
5500 FEATURE EAST	KUMBAMUN	615626	
5500 FEATURE WEST	EVAPLA	585632	
5800 FEATURE	AMBA	538658	

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2 AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 131

(Information from 0930L/18 Feb to 0930L/19 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUST DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref Maps 1/25,000 GAUSS POINT and GALI).
18 Feb

The advance along the two tracks running inland from the coast by 35 Bn and A Coy PIB continued during the day. On the track inland from MALALAMAI a pl of A Coy 35 Bn entered GABUTAMON, after killing 9 Japs en route. In the village itself, a further 40 Japs were killed and 43 found dead, and a 50mm Mortar was captured.

On the track running inland from GALI 2, a pl of D Coy 35 Bn with a section of PIB moved from BWANA towards TAPEN. In the course of the advance slight opposition was encountered at 752552 and 3 Japs were killed. The pl encountered further opposition at the approach to TAPEN and, after an action which lasted 50 minutes, the enemy suffered 1 offr and 51 OR killed. Our own casualty was 1 wounded. Later the PIB Section killed a further 51 in a garden in the vicinity of TAPEN and found an additional 40 dead in the village.

At last light D Coy less one pl and a pl of C Coy had reached BWANA and C Coy less one pl was at RUANGR. It has now been reported that on 14 Feb AIGAU natives captured 5 Japs in fair condition at MELANPIPI (995112 ref Map 1 inch to 1 mile TIMBE RIVER).

The total enemy casualties for the day were 155 killed and 83 found dead.

SAIDOR (Ref Maps 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR and HANKINA).

16/17 Feb

At 2230 hrs 16 Feb and again at 0330 hrs 17 Feb the enemy attacked the left flank of the Allied tps North of GABUMI. Both attacks were held, but no details are available of the casualties inflicted on the enemy. At 1700 hrs 16 Feb, 4 Japs were found dead just North of GABUMI who had been killed apparently by arty fire. At 1600 hrs 17 Feb, an Allied patrol entered SIBOG from the East and killed 1 Jap in the village. 10-12 unoccupied foxholes were located. One Coy of 128 Regt has moved to WIWAI (394805) and a pl of another Coy has moved to MALANGAI (415825). A third Coy is now disposed between MALANGAI and the coast.

A detachment of 3 Bn 128 Regt has moved into SIBOG area to assist in the attack on GABUMI. The MAMBIT OP reported that 329 Japs passed through TARIKIGAN on 16 Feb bringing the total who have passed through that village since 6 Feb to 3174. The traffic through TARIKIGAN on the morning of 17 Feb was light, but no figures are yet available as to the actual number.

7 AUST DIV (Ref Maps 1/25,000 LOKU RIVER and KUMBARUM).

18 Feb

The relief of 18 Aust Inf Bde by 15 Aust Inf Bde continued during the day. 15 Bde HQ is now situated at 671582 and the Bde has under command 57/60 Bn, 58/59 Bn and 2/12 Bn less one Coy. 18 Bde HQ has moved to 597554 and the Bde has under command 2/9 Bn, 2/10 Bn, one Coy 2/12 Bn, 24 Bn and 2/6 Cav (Commando) Sqn. A patrol from 2/2 Cav (Commando) Sqn reported that ORGORUNA 1, ORGORUNA 2, KISA and SANA are all clear of enemy.

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OPERATIONS (Contd)

2. SEA - OWN

Night 16/17 Feb

No contacts were made by PT boats MADANG - IRIS Point, nor ALEXISHAFEN - DOVE Point.

Night 17/18 Feb

A special mission to WITU Is made recce in heavy and continuous rain of JOHN ALBERT Hbr (GAROVE Is). One signal light was seen on beach. MTBs strafed and mortared the beach. There was no return fire, and no evidence of any enemy activity. One barge, sighted off Cape JUNO, escaped.

Night 18/19 Feb

PT boat patrol to REIN Bay made hill surface sightings. Another patrol in silent approach to OTTILIE Passage (ALEXISHAFEN) heard sounds of a power plant in operation and also Japs singing.

3. AIR - OWN

18 Feb 44

MADANG AREA

Fifteen Vultee Vengeances with Kittyhawks as escort dive-bombed AA posns at MADANG and AMRON Plantation. Some direct hits were scored and small fires started in the dump area at the Plantation.

RECCE

Six recce Airacobras on an opportunity sweep from HERWARTH Point to MADANG strafed an 80-ft power launch at GRAGAT Is. A barge at the mouth of the GUM R was thoroughly strafed and the main house at MODILON Plantation was also strafed.

NEW BRITAIN

Two Airacobras strafed a house at NUMUNDO Plantation whilst on recce from Cape RAOULT to TALASEA.

Signed at 1615 hrs.

Sturton

Major
G8 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 130.

(Information from 0930L/17 Feb to 0930L/18 Feb 1944)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUSTRALIAN DIV

16/17 Feb
The move along the tracks into the hinterland from MALALAMAI and GILI 2 respectively by 55 Bn continued during the day. On the western track running inland from MALALAMAI a pl of A Coy, together with a section of the PIB, has reached 715610 and the remainder of A Coy is at KUFUKU. During the day two Japs were killed and 30 found dead along the track SE of KUFUKU. On the left hand track, one pl of D Coy has reached BWALA. D Coy less one pl, A Coy PIB less one section, and a pl of C Coy are at RULIGE. B Coy and C Coy less one pl have reached 802598. During the day a patrol from the PIB killed five and found 37 dead Japs at BWALA. A heavy machine-gun was found at 782566. A delayed report has been received that on 16 Feb a PIB patrol killed 1 Jap and found 27 dead at BWALA. All the casualties mentioned in this paragraph are in addition to casualties reported in previous summaries.

Since 12 Feb the total enemy casualties have been 58 killed, 168 found dead, and 2 PW taken.

7 AUSTRALIAN DIV

17 Feb

Activity during the day was confined to patrolling but no details are available as to the actual patrols undertaken.

CAPE GLOUCESTER (ref map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN)
16 Feb

An Allied patrol has reached the EL River (XN1989) but has been unable to effect a crossing. A Jap was seen to drown attempting to cross the river. One Coy is being held in reserve to assist the patrol in the event of the enemy being contacted on the East bank of the river once the crossing is effected. PW have informed the Allied tps that the area was evacuated by the enemy on approx 6 Feb. During the day's advance, many dying enemy were encountered. In the GILMIT area the patrol from ARWE has now contacted the small dot of marines left behind at GILMIT. The ARWE patrol made the final stages of the journey by barge up the ITNI River.

2. SEA - OWN

Night 15/16 Feb

Pt boat operations. Accurate 3-inch gunfire was encountered from C.P. TIVILIB. Bright lights were observed at ULIGI Hbr as the Allied boats approached to within 5 miles of the shore. Other lights were seen on KARKAR Is. and at KROMPRINZ Hbr, PUTUKMER Pt, CAPE CROISILLES, and on the coastal road at DOVE Pt. No contacts were made with the enemy.

3. AIR - OWN

17 Feb

NEW BRITAIN

RECOVER - At 0900 hrs the Liberator on shipping route bombed and damaged one 1500/2500 ton vessel in NEW RECOVER IS area.

At 1420 hrs shipping in this vicinity was further attacked by ten Mitchells, resulting in one 1500/2500 ton freighter being sunk, one submarine probably sunk, and a

OPERATIONS - Cont

3. AIR - OWN - Cont

NEW HANOVER - Cont

3500/8000 ton vessel being hit and damaged.

KAVIRIG - Seventeen Liberators again attacked PALUPPI airstrip. Bombing was reported as accurate but results generally were unobserved due to low cloud over target area.

NEW BRITAIN - Fifteen Liberators, failing to locate primary target, attacked secondary target at TALLISEL. Forty-two tons of bombs were dropped but cloud prevented observation of results.

NEW GUINEA

An attack on stores and dump areas along the North shore of BOSTERMAN BAY was made by 31 Bostons and 9 Kittyhawks. Several buildings were strafed and large fires started in fuel dump. Ten tons of bombs were dropped.

Two Airacobras on recon HERWARTH Pt to MADANG strafed three vehicles 1/2 mile below PALPA River. Buildings at BODE Pt and on dispersal area MADANG airfield were also attacked with unobserved results. Planes encountered LMG fire from SW corner of BELLAU ISLAND but sustained no damage.

4. AIR - ENEMY

17 Feb

FINISCHAPEN

At approx 1600 hrs two bombs were dropped in the DREGER HARBOR area, causing some damage and casualties.

5/4/02

Signed at 1530 hrs.

Major.
G8 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 129

(Information from 0930L/16 Feb to 0930L/17 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUST DIV (Ref Map 1/25,000 GAUSS POINT).

8 Aust Inf Bde

16 Feb

A Coy 35 Bn less two pls, together with a section of A Coy PIB left KUFUKU (728620) en route to GABUTAMON. At KUFUKU the PIB Section killed 6 Japs and found 30 dead, and our arty pps killed 2 Japs. A Coy killed 2 Japs at 734632. 60 decomposed Japs were found along the track between GALI 2 and RUANGE, and at RUANGE 3 Japs were killed by PIB.

30 Bn is now concentrated in the KELANOA area where 4 Bn less A Coy and one pl is also located. A Coy 4 Bn is at BUTUBUTU and a pl is at WASU.

SAIDOR (Ref Maps 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR and NANKINA).

14-15 Feb

The advance towards GABUMI by a patrol from 3 Bn 128 Regt has been held up by an enemy posn 400 yards long 1 mile NE GABUMI. Arty fire is believed to have destroyed a Jap MG post one half-mile West of GABUMI.

Allied tps in the SINDAMAN area encountered MG fire 1 mile South of SINDAMAN and arty fire was brought down on the enemy post. No results have yet been reported. The MAMBIT OP reports that 454 Japs left TARIKNGAN on 14 Feb and a further 424 Japs passed through the village on 15 Feb. This brings the total of Japs counted passing through TARIKNGAN since 6 Feb to 2845. On 15 Feb, Allied aircraft raiding TARIKNGAN were subjected to enemy MG fire.

7 AUST DIV

15 Aust Inf Bde (Ref Map 1/25,000 BOKU RIVER).

16 Feb

A patrol from 24 Bn reached ORGORUNA 1 (429790) during the day and reported that both ORGORUNA 1 and ORGORUNA 2 were unoccupied by the enemy.

18 Aust Inf Bde

The relief of 2/9 Bn by 57/60 Bn has now been completed and the former bn is concentrated at GYIS POST.

CAPE GLOUCESTER (Ref Map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

16 Feb

40 dead Japs were found 400 yds East of Cape MENSING (XM9896) and a further 17 dead were found along the coastal track East of the GURISSU R (XM9795). An Allied patrol contacted 8 Japs West of the EL R (XM1989), killed 5 and captured 1 officer and 2 OR. All the members of the enemy patrol were suffering from malnutrition. In the vicinity of ATTULA HILL (the location of which is now given as 3 miles NE of the mouth of the ITNI R) much enemy equipment has been destroyed.

ARAWA (Ref Map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

15 Feb

An Allied patrol to the LUPIN aerodrome and MESELIA made no contact with the enemy but recovered much equipment which had been hidden by the enemy. An Allied patrol estimated that there are 50 Japs at MIELELEK (XM3628).

SECRET

OPERATIONS (Contd)

2. AIR - OWN

16 Feb

NEW IRELAND

KAVIENG AREA - Recce Liberators sighted a large convoy 98 miles NW of KAVIENG which was later attacked by 42 Mitchells. One corvette, a destroyer, a gunboat, 3 freighters totalling between 15,000/19,800 tons were either sunk or left burning and many others damaged.

Thirty-four Liberators bombed KAVIENG Hbr, VOLUPAI village and PANAPEI airstrip starting fires amongst dump areas and damaging the wharf area at KAVIENG. Due to low cloud results were generally unobserved.

GAROVE ISLAND - Eighteen Mitchells accurately bombed and strafed the main harbour area causing fires and explosions amongst the dump areas and destroying some buildings.

NEW BRITAIN

TALASEA - One Liberator bombed the jetty at GARUA Island scoring a direct hit.

CAPE HOSKINS - Five Bostons bombed and strafed the airstrip area with unobserved results.

NEW GUINEA

Seventeen Vultee Vengeances and four Kittyhawks again dive-bombed and strafed the villages on the track from BAMBU to YOGAYOGA.

RECCES

At 2212 hrs 15 Feb at posn 144.07E, 1.13S (WNW of ADMIRALTY Is) a five-ship convoy was attacked by a Liberator on night recce. A destroyer and a motor vessel received direct hits. The motor vessel is believed to have sunk.

At 2305 hrs 15 Feb South of NEW HANOVER, a Liberator also on night recce damaged two freighters each of approximately 1,000 tons.

3. AIR - ENEMY

CAPE GLOUCESTER

At 1000 hrs on 15 Feb two enemy aircraft dropped 2 bombs in the Cape GLOUCESTER area causing no damage.

Signed at 1600 hrs.

S. J. Wood

Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 128

(Information from 0930L/15 Feb to 0930L/16 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUST DIV (Ref Maps 1/25,000 GAUSS POINT and GALI).

8 Aust Inf Bde

15 Feb

35 Bn less three Coys is now at GALI 2 and movement is being made along the inland tracks. A Coy less one pl is at MALALANAI with pl at 735632, moving South to GABUTAMON. Along this route they have found 11 dead Japs. D Coy has reached RUANGE on the move South from GALI 2, and C Coy is moving along the same track and has reached 802598. Each of these Coys has a section of the PIB attached. Another section of A Coy PIB is located at GALI 2, while a PIB patrol to WOTAN 675663 killed 9 Japs. The return of 30 Bn to the KELANOA area continued during the day and the Bn less two Coys is now in that area. C and D Coys reached BUTUBUTU en route to KELANOA by last light. E Tp 64 Bty was withdrawn to KELANOA during the day.

SAIDOR (Ref Maps 1 inch to 1 mile SINGOROKAI and SAIDOR).

13-14 Feb

By last light 13 Feb 1 Bn 126 Regt, had concentrated at YAMI and 3 Bn 126 Regt, moving to GABUMI, at 1600 hrs came under heavy enemy fire at 372783.

On 14 Feb at 1530 hrs an undetermined number of Japs were observed on the West bank of the MOT R at 419832 and at 1630 hrs an enemy posn covering the WIWAI - GABUMI track was located in the vicinity of 373785, which posn is now being attacked by Allied tps. A MG post was also located at 383782. During the afternoon, arty fire was brought down on SILILALING and four Japs are known to have been killed. The Allied outpost at HAMBIT (the exact location of which is unknown) reports that 93 Japs passed through TARIKNGAN heading NW on 12 Feb and that 29 Japs left the same point on the morning of 13 Feb, few of whom only carried rifles. The same outpost reported that a further 453 Japs passed through TARIKNGAN on 13 Feb and 3 officers and 149 OR moved through the same village on the morning of 14 Feb. These Japs were reported to have supplies of native foods only.

7 AUST DIV (Ref Map 1/25,000 BOKU RIVER).

15 Feb

15 Aust Inf Bde

A patrol from 24 Bn en route to MATALOI encountered an enemy ambush posn by an enemy post at 417767. No further details are available.

16 Aust Inf Bde

57/60 Bn moved into the 2/9 Bn area (last reported around KANKIRYO) preparatory to the relief of the latter Bn.

CAPE GLOUCESTER (Ref Map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

14 Feb

A patrol to ATTULA HILL found that area deserted by the enemy, but there was some evidence of a recent evacuation. The Allied force based on GILMIT, less a small patrol, is now moving back overland to AGULUPELLA, and the small patrol left behind will remain at GILMIT to contact a patrol moving West from ARAWE. A patrol from Cape MENSING area is now moving round ROTTOCK Bay.

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OPERATIONS (Contd)

2. SEA - OWN

A delayed report of the activities of Allied PT boats on night 12/13 Feb has now been received. PT boats on patrol were bombed by enemy planes near Cape IRIS. The Allied boats opened fire on the enemy aircraft but no results were observed. 37mm gunfire was encountered from the South side of ULIGAH Hbr and 20mm gunfire from the North side of the same hbr. Three guns fired on the boats from the mouth of the KIER R (WO7396 - ref Map 4 inches to 1 mile MADANG). A gun of unknown calibre also fired on the boats from IRIS Point. The PT boats suffered no damage from any of the enemy land and air activity.

On night 14/15 Feb, two subs were contacted by radar off REIN Bay. Two loaded barges, 60 ft long and apparently of a new type, were destroyed on the reef at KETENGE anchorage (REIN Bay). The coastal patrol was fired on from ENKE Point (East of BOGADJIM).

3. AIR - OWN

14 Feb

NEW BRITAIN

Four Bostons and four Beaufighters on a barge sweep destroyed an open launch near GASMATA.

Twelve Spitfires on sweep to Cape HOSKINS strafed buildings at RANO Plantation.

NEW GUINEA

Twenty Bostons with Kittyhawks as escort carried out low-level attack on the airstrip, harbour area and installations at DAGUA. Two jetties were destroyed, AA posns silenced and fires started. The escort destroyed three of a force of intercepting fighters.

15 Feb

NEW IRELAND

KAVIENG Hbr and the airstrip at PANAPEI were attacked again by twenty Liberators and sixty-eight Mitchells. Three floatplanes in the harbour were destroyed. One 500/1,000-ton freighter and one 5,500/7,000-ton cargo vessel received direct hits and were left burning. The whole area was covered in smoke from large fires and many AA posns were silenced. Four of the Mitchells were shot down by AA fire over the target area.

NEW BRITAIN

Twenty Liberators accurately bombed the village and the airstrip at TALASEA destroying some buildings and two jetties. Twenty-five Beauforts, with a mixed fighter escort of Kittyhawks and Spitfires, bombed enemy dumps, installations and dispersal areas at WUNING Plantation (JACQUINOT Bay).

NEW GUINEA

SAIDOR AREA - Twelve Vultee Vengeances and escorting Kittyhawks dive-bombed the villages BANBU - GWARAWON and North to YOGAYOGA. Bombing was excellent and all the villages were thoroughly strafed.

ALEXISHAFEN - Twelve Vultee Vengeances dive-bombed a staging area and a dump area at VITAR Plantation. Five huts and a large store hut were destroyed.

RECCES

Liberators on seaward recce bombed a convoy of four auxiliary vessels and three cargo ships at 02.20S, 150.20E (South of KAVIENG). One cargo ship received a direct hit and was left sinking.

WEST BISMARCK SEA - A recce Liberator sank a 1,000/1,500-ton freighter at 02.44S, 141.56E (NW of AITAPE).

MADANG AREA - Four Airacobras on a sweep from BOGADJIM - ALEXISHAFEN report AMELE Mission well used and MADANG airstrip now serviceable. Coastal villages were strafed with unobserved results.

Signed at 1715 hrs.

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GS 2 Aust Corps

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2. AUSTRALIAN INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 127

(Information from 0130L/14 Feb to 0150L/15 Feb 44)

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OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND REPT

5 AUSTR DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref Map 1/25,000 GAUSE POINT, GALI and
14 Feb KUMANA RIVER).

The relief of 30 Bn by 35 Bn is now in progress. 30 Bn less two Coy and one Bn are now in the KELANOA area. The tps of this Bn in the forward area are B Coy at MALALAMAI (739651) with C Coy and Pl of B Coy in the WEBER Point area.

35 Bn is disposed with A Coy at MALALAMAI, HQ Coy and B Coy at WEBER Point, C Coy at GALI 2 and D Coy at 802599 moving along track GALI 2 to KUMANA. The last mentioned Coy in the course of its march killed 1 Jap and took 1 PW. During the day C Tp 26 Bty 2/14th Fd Regt arrived at WEBER Point to relieve E Tp 6th Bty.

An AMERICAN soldier at KUMANGANDON (616172) took 1 PW on 13 Feb.

7 AUSTR DIV

14 Feb

The only change reported during the day was that 57/60 Bn is now under command of Aust Inf Bde.

CAPE GLOUCESTER (Ref Map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

12 Feb

An Allied patrol base has now been established at GILMIT (X17964) and a route patrol has moved across the ITNI R from this base to confirm a native report that ATWU HILL (unlocated, but believed to be about 5 miles East of GILMIT) is unoccupied. It was reported on 6 Feb by a patrol from ARAWA that there were 55 Japs in possession of ATWU HILL and that there were approximately 100 further Japs in the near vicinity with the enemy strength increasing. Since that date no further reports have been received.

Another patrol to a swamp area 3 miles North of LAGAN (X17964) found a 3" gun and some ammunition along the trail. The tps in GILMIT area are being supplied by barge from Cape GLOUCESTER, and a further Pl left the Cape GLOUCESTER area on 12 Feb to reinforce the patrol. 3 Bn of Marine Regt has now established a perimeter defensive area in the vicinity of Cape LENSING (X19894). Patrols have operated 5,000 yds to the East of the perimeter.

2. AIR - OWN

14 Feb

ADMIRALTY ISLANDS

Eighty-four B-24s again attacked KOMOTE airstrip. Bombing was reported as accurate, the airstrip being completely covered with bomb craters and definitely unserviceable. Many fires were started in dispersal areas and the jetty at HYANE Hbr was destroyed. Fighter escort strafed 6 European buildings at PAKITAKI Hbr and barges off PA Island.

NEW IRELAND

Forty-two B-24s repeated the heavy strike against the airstrips at KAVIENG and PALLERU. Runways were left temporarily unserviceable. AA positions were silenced and fires started amongst dumps near the strips. Sightings in KAVIENG Hbr included the destruction of one tanker and approximately 20,000 tons of merchant shipping.

NEW GUINEA

Four Thunderbolts carried out a fighter sweep to TADJI. Six serviceable enemy aircraft were observed on the strip. One

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PART I - OPERATIONS (Contd)

2. AIR - OWI (Contd)

NEW GUINEA (Contd)

of our aircraft stricken a large occupied house with unobserved results.

Eight Airacobras on recce BGG/DJH to ALEXISHAFEN reported signs of much activity on the coastal road.

DELAYED REPORTS

13 Feb

NEW BRITAIN

Twelve Kittyhawks dive-bombed installations at GASHATA with unobserved results.

NEW GUINEA

Twenty-four Bostons bombed and strafed TADJI airstrip (NW of WEWAK). 5/7 grounded enemy aircraft were definitely destroyed and 2/1 were possibly destroyed. One 2000/4000-ton freighter and a lugger offshore were strafed from a minimum altitude and left burning.

3. AIR - ENEMY

SINGORAI

At 0140 hrs 14 Feb one aircraft dropped approximately 4 bombs in the vicinity of SINGORAI. There is no report of damage or casualties.

SAIDOR (Ref Map 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR).

At 0534 hrs 13 Feb one aircraft dropped 2 bombs near SUIT (470809) causing some damage. Shortly afterwards, apparently the same aircraft dropped 2 bombs in the vicinity of WILWILAN (576779) without causing any damage.

PARTS II and III

4. HINTERLAND ROUTE - NAMBARIWA - NOKOPO (Ref Maps 1 inch to 1 mile Series).

A full translation of the CO issued "West of SIO" by Maj-Gen SHCCE on 9 Jan 44 and captured at ULAP on 6 Feb has now been received. It shows that the withdrawal to GALI was to be by two columns. The main, or "left", column was to follow the coastal route, but the "right column", consisting of III Bn 238 Regt with a W/T det, was to move wholly inland via a route shown on a map attached to the CO as NAMBARIWA - MELAPIPI - ULAP - EFAITHO - KOYONG - AMELINGAN - NOKOPO - GALI. This "right column" was to be preceded as far as ULAP by 30 Indian Engrs, who would then move to the coast at KIARI leaving III Bn and the W/T det to carry on along the inland route. The march was to commence on 12 Jan.

Comments:

- (a) This "right column" may be connected with the Japs reported by C Coy PIB in the INDAGEN - UBUHU area on 5 Jan. C Coy then learned that native foods were taken to ULAP "where there was a supply base."
- (b) The hinterland route appears to be feasible, though passing over very difficult country. The Jap map does not give full details of the route, but it is thought that the full route may be NAMBARIWA - LEMBANGAIDON - MELAPIPI - ULAP - WARIT - SONGIN - EFAITHO - KOYONG - AMELINGAN - BOKSAWEN - KUMDIRONG - GORGIOK - ISAN - NOKOPO - GALI.
- (c) From this route, there are known tracks running to the coast at KIARI, MALASANGA - NEMAU and BUTUBUTU. In view of the very difficult nature of the hinterland track, it is conceivable that the "right column" may have already moved down, or may later use, one of these tracks to the coast.

Signed at 1715 hrs.

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Major,
GS 2 Aust Corps,

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2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 126

(Information from 0930L/13 Feb to 0930L/14 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUSTRALIAN DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref 1 inch to 1 mile Series).
13 Feb

The Bde is now disposed along the coast from WASU to SEL. Bde HQ is at WEBER Point; 30 Bn less D Coy is situated in the WEBER Point area, with D Coy less one pl at SEURE and one pl D Coy at SEL. 35 Bn less two Coys is also located in the WEBER Point area, C Coy being at GALI 2 and E Coy at KELANOA. 4 Bn less A Coy is located in the WASU area with A Coy at BUTUBUTU.

SAIDOR (Ref Map 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR).

A patrol along the HAINKINA R located an unoccupied Jap bivouac at 497708. Another patrol has reported the presence of approximately 25 Japs at SILILANG (456729). 3 Bn 128 Regt is moving to GABUMI (375777). 2 Bn 126 Regt is moving to SUIT (470809).

CAPE GLOUCESTER

A Coy from 1 Marine Regt left on morning 12 Feb to occupy ROOKE Island.

2. AIR - OWN

13 Feb

NEW BRITAIN

Two Focke Thunderbolts strafed a barge at STETTIN Bay.

NEW IRELAND

Forty-nine Liberators accurately bombed KAVIENG and the airstrip. Many fires were started amongst fuel and dump areas and some grounded enemy aircraft were destroyed. Several small merchant ships and many barges were observed in the Harbour.

ADMIRALTY ISLANDS

Seventy-nine Mitchells with Lightnings as escort again successfully attacked the airstrip at ECOMOTE and dispersal areas. Many small fires were started but aircorws report that the town and airstrip appeared unkept. The Southern end of the airstrip was reported as unserviceable.

NEW GUINEA

MADANG - Eighteen Vultee Vengeances with twelve escorting Kittyhawks dive-bombed SIAR village. The jetty on the Island was destroyed and some fires started. The fighter escort thoroughly strafed MADANG and BOGADJIM whilst returning to base.

3. AIR - ENEMY

14 Feb

At 0320 hrs a single enemy aircraft was over the FINSCHHAFFEN area but was driven off by AA fire. No bombs were dropped.

A night fighter was airborne and unsuccessfully attempted interception.

Signed at 1630 hrs.

SWF

Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2. AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 125

(Information from 0930L/12 Feb to 0930L/13 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5. AUST DIV (Ref maps 1/25,000 LEPSINS POINT, GALLI, GAUSS POINT .
Strat Series 4 miles to 1 inch, LAE).

8. Aust Inf Bde

On 11 Feb a PIB patrol from GALLI 2 (809615) to RUANGE (790573) killed two Japs in poor condition at 802602 and six more Japs, armed, fully equipped and in good condition, near RUANGE village. The two day patrol from 4 Bn to ULAP (883541) (LM9120) area reported that there were no signs of occupation of the Mission since the last patrol was in the area. To the SE of ULAP the patrol killed five Japs armed and in good condition near DUWI (LM9626). In SIO area native police captured four enemy, including one cpl.

On 12 Feb HQ 30 Bn with A and C Coys moved to 794630. C Coy 35 Bn relieved A Coy 4 Bn at 795627 and the latter Coy returned to BUTUBUTU. A PIB patrol moved from ROINJI (883541) to RUANGE and thence to WEEER Point. In route six Japs were killed and one taken prisoner.

7. AUST DIV (Ref map AMUEA 1/25,000).

12 Feb

There was slight contact with the enemy at PAIPA 1. A patrol from 24 Bn towards enemy positions at 563708 contacted enemy at 560708 and after a sharp clash, occupied the posn. The patrol later withdrew.

2. AIR - OWN

NEW BRITAIN

Two Focke Airacobras strafed an uncamouflaged barge at ELEONORA Bay and a cabin power launch off RUDIGER Point.

NEW GUINEA

SAIDOR - Twelve Vultee Vengeances again attacked the villages of YOGA YOGA, TARIKNGAN and GWARAWON with unobserved results.

WEWAK - Catalinas on night recon possibly sunk and certainly badly damaged a 3,000-ton freighter in WEWAK Harbour.

PART II

3. JAPANESE TYPE A BARGE

Experience on the North Coast of NEW GUINEA has shown that this type of barge has been efficiently designed for sea-going work, and can operate efficiently in seas which drive our own small type assault craft to shelter.

FM 1207

Signed at 1915 hrs.

Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2. AUSTRALIAN MILITARY REPORT No 124

(Information from 0910L/11 Feb to 0911L/12 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - ON AND OFF

5 AUSTRALIAN DIV

8 AUSTRALIAN INF Bn

On 10 Feb a P13 patrol killed 1 further 29 Japs and took 1 prisoner.

On 11 Feb there was no material change in the situation. One PW was captured at SIBURUBU. The platoon D Coy 30 Bn moved to SEL, otherwise there were no changes in the dispositions of our troops.

SAIDOR (Ref map 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR).

10 Feb

A patrol observed enemy at SIBILALING (452728) and subsequently natives reported that there are more than 200 Japs in the area.

Allied patrols report that 150-200 Japs are occupying defensive positions astride the SIBILALING-SIBURUBU (453750) track at the YAWI R. Four new pill-boxes were observed at this point.

Comment: These positions represent the keypoint on the evacuation route. It is only by maintaining control here that the enemy can evacuate his troops by passing SAIDOR.

A later report states that 1430 Japs have passed through TARIKUNGAN during the past 6 days and that further parties are moving through the village. Our outpost confirms the destruction of KOKORUA and TARIKUNGAN on the airstrike, and reports that the enemy have fled from the villages.

7 AUSTRALIAN DIV

11 Feb

In 18 hrs. another our troops patrolled to AMUSON and also west down the KIRIATIA R.

CAPE GLOUCESTER (Ref map 1 inch to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

10 Feb

A patrol from BAMBAL (XM8693) along the inland trail to KOKORO and thence along the coastal track to a point one mile East of Cape MENSING killed 16 Japs and took 6 PW. In addition, 52 Japs were found dead along the track. PW stated that they were moving to YARIAL (near Cape LAOHE).

2. AIR - ON

11 Feb

NEW IRELAND

Forty-six Liberators carried out a successful bombing mission against targets at KAVIENG. 155 tons of bombs were dropped on the airstrip and AA positions, and amongst dump areas. Four grounded enemy aircraft were probably destroyed. 11 European buildings were damaged and several large black fuel fires were started, followed by many explosions. One Liberator was severely damaged in village at GAROVE Island on the return journey.

NEW BRITAIN

Two P-51 Mustangs started a "dash" power launch at TALASIA.

NEW GUINEA

SAIDOR - Five Vulture Vengeances and four Kittyhawks successfully bombed villages along the enemy's line of retreat at YAWI, KOKORUA, TARIKUNGAN and GWA LAOHE. The two former villages were completely destroyed and native buildings at GWA LAOHE were left burning.

Signed at 1515 hrs,

W. J. M. D.
Major

SS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 123

(Information from 0930L/10 Feb to 0930L/11 Feb 44)

PART I

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUST DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref map 1/25,000 GAUSS POINT).

10 Feb

Contact with the SAIDOR Forces mentioned in yesterday's Report took place at 706675 (to the East of YAGOMI). At last light, 30 Bn dispositions were: D Coy SEURE (677700), with a patrol forward to the American Post at SEL, Bn HQ 681697, B Coy 693687, A Coy 695685, C Coy YAGOMI. E Tp 64 Rd Bty was at 796626.

No enemy movement was seen during the day.

On 9 Feb PIB killed 18 enemy and took 1 prisoner.

Enemy casualties from 21 Jan to 10 Feb were 226 killed, 21 PW, and 209 found dead as far West as GALI 2. In addition, a large number of enemy dead, conservatively estimated at 800, were found forward of GALI 2.

7 AUST DIV

10 Feb

No change is reported in this area.

2/10 Bn came under comd 15 Aust Inf Bde.

2. SEA - OWN

Night 8/9 Feb

There were no contacts during the night.

Night 9/10 Feb

Our PT boats destroyed one Type A barge on the beach at ERIMA. The barge had its ramp down and appeared to be unloading. An enemy plane circled the area after the action but failed to locate the PT boats.

3. AIR - OWN

10 Feb

NEW BRITAIN

Six recon Airacobras strafed 4 European type buildings in the TALASEA area.

A further two Airacobras strafed and destroyed a barge at the mouth of the TALIX R (GASMATA).

Twenty-six Beauforts with Kittyhawks and Spitfires as top cover carried out another attack on dumps and personnel areas at the mouth of the AMGEN R.

NEW GUINEA

BORAM

Forty-three Liberators bombed the airstrip and dispersal areas at BORAM. Due to low cloud and poor visibility, results were not observed.

ALEXISHAFEN

Five Liberators, unable to locate their primary target at BORAM, accurately bombed ALEXISHAFEN strip No.2 and started small fires in store areas to the West of the strip.

MADANG

Ten Liberators also unable to locate their primary target at BORAM bombed MADANG village and store dumps near ~~the harbour~~; some buildings received direct hits and small fires were started.

An opportunity sweep by two recon Airacobras from HERWARTH Point to ERIMA Plantation resulted in a large quantity of stores being thoroughly strafed at the ERIMA jetty. Pilots report the road North from BOGADJIM to be in good condition with signs of continuous activity.

PART I (Contd)

4. AIR - ENEMY

Night 10/11 Feb

Two enemy aircraft were over the FINSCHAPEN-DREGER Harbour area but were driven off by our AA fire. It is reported that no bombs were dropped.

PART III - TOPOGRAPHICAL

5. NOKOPO-KEWIENG AREA

(Ref maps 1 inch to 1 mile SINGORKAI and NANKINA).

Tao R on 7 Feb reports that the positions of CUA, NOKOPO and ISAN and the position of the track connecting KEWIENG, CUA and NOKOPO on the 1 inch maps is incorrect. The positions which have been fixed by the pilot appear in the Sketch Map in Appendix "A".

Comment:

The positions appearing on the existing maps agree with the information contained in Terrain Study No.59; but, as the maps, so far as they refer to the particular area, have been drawn from oblique photographs, it is possible that the positions of the villages mentioned were then fixed by reference to the Terrain Study, which might be inaccurate in this regard. No photographic coverage of the area in question is held at this HQ.

Signed at 1700 hrs.

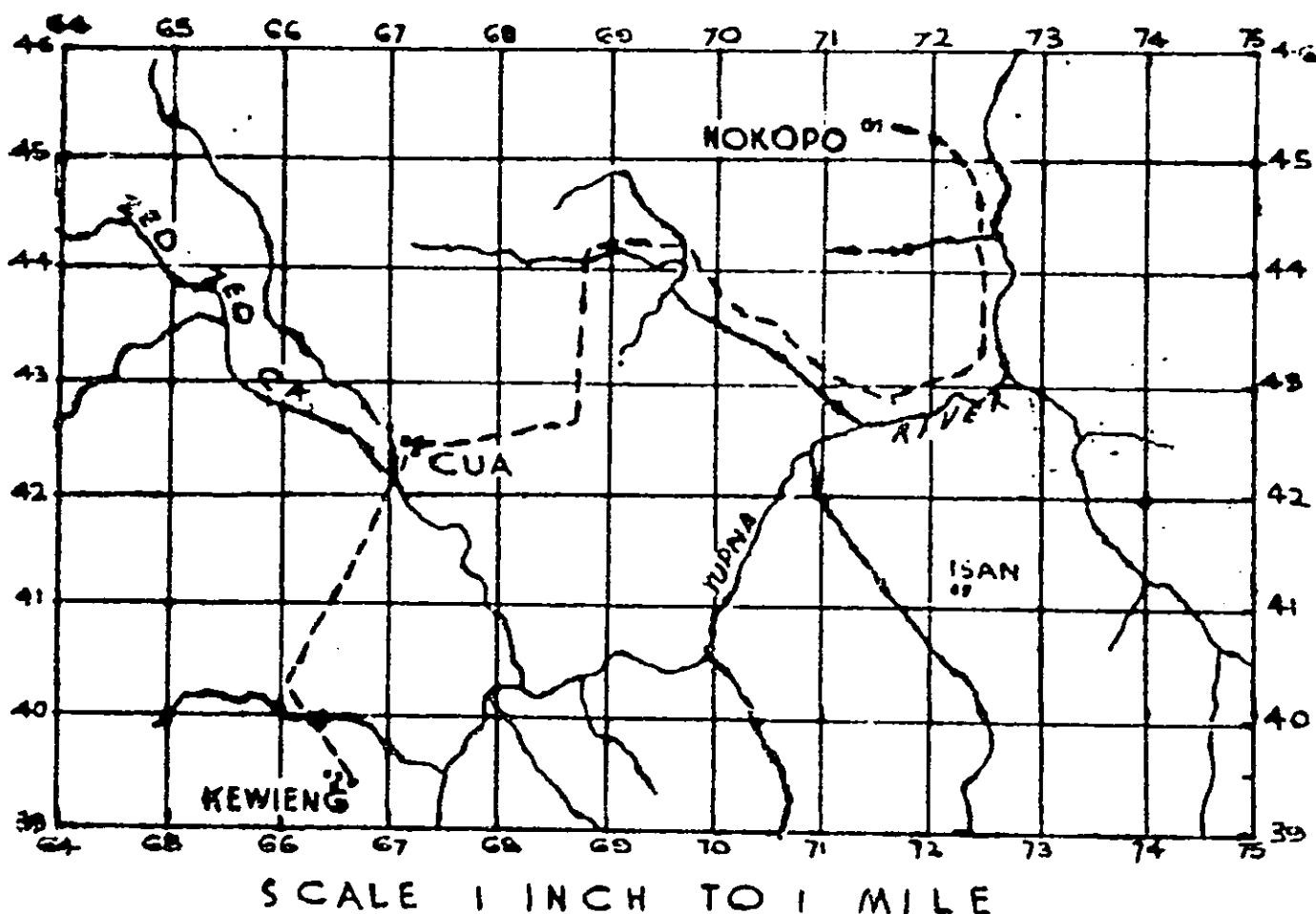
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APPENDIX 'A'

NOKOPO - KEWIENG AREA

REF MAPS SINGORKAI & NANKINA 1 inch to 1 mile



SECRET

2. ARMY CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No. 122

(Information from 09301/9 to 09301/10 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LSD - CMI AND ARMY

5 ARMY DIV

8 Feb (Ref map 1/25,000 GAUSS POINT)

9 Feb

Our forward troops advanced against slight opposition to within 2 miles of the allied forward elements East of SAIDOR.

At last night 30 Bn dispositions were: C Coy 722654, D Coy 727649, E Coy 729647, A Coy less one pl 731647 with one pl at 735647, and Bn HQ at 728648.

Other dispositions were: A Coy PIB 793628, HQ 8 Bdo 724628 and A Coy 4 Bn 795626. Three guns from 64 Fd Bty were in action at 796627.

During the day 25 enemy, all armed and in good condition, were killed and 5 PW taken. It is also reported that 100 enemy were found dead along the track West of GILI 2.

7 ARMY DIV (Ref maps 1/25,000 MT OTTO and AMURA)

9 Feb

57/60 Bn less two Coys were concentrated at 603562 and the two Coys at KTSALAI.

A patrol from 2/9 Bn contacted a patrol from 24 Bn at GOODWIN'S SPUR (573698). 2/10 Bn were relieved by 58/59 Bn and concentrated at GRYS POST.

CAPE GLAUCESTER

8 Feb

The patrol to the South reached GILNIT and reported that the village shows no sign of recent occupation. Guns, arm and boats found on West side of ITNI R appeared to have been left there for some months.

Our patrol East of BORGEL BAY reached the vicinity of KOKOPO.

ARAYE

8 Feb

A patrol to the airstrip found 25 Japs occupying positions on the strip. A patrol in the DIDMOP area saw no movement.

2. AIR - CMI

9 Feb

Weather prevented heavy strike scheduled for BORAM.

SAIDOR AREA

Twenty-three Bostons bombed and strafed enemy positions and personnel areas in MENDIRI village; the attack was carried out from minimum altitude and small fires started in the village along the sea shore.

DELANTA RIVER

NEW BRITAIN

7 Feb

Sixteen Kittyhawks accurately bombed and strafed enemy defensive positions and dump areas at the mouth of the AMGEN river, starting small fires.

8 Feb

Eighteen Corsairs with Kittyhawks and Spitfires as escort bombed the dump areas at AMGEN R starting two large fires.

2. AIR - OVI - Cont.

NEW BRITAIN - Cont.

Six Beaufighters carried out barge sweeps between LOLOBUN IS, SAN REMO, KANDOKA and KAPIURA R. To the West of TALABEA four barges of various types were strafed and badly damaged. Two of the barges were loaded and freshly camouflaged.

W. J. D. D.

Signed at 1700 hrs. Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

STOP PRESS

1. WEST DIV

The coastal track between SIO and SAIDOR has now been cleared of enemy.

A few days ago, an Aust liaison party moved by sea to SAIDOR and thence East to the American outpost at YAGOMI to await the arrival of Aust forward elements advancing West.

At 1030 hrs 10 Feb, contact was made by our forward elements with the Aust liaison party and two American enlisted men from the SAIDOR garrison.

SAIDOR (Ref map 1" to 1 mile SAIDOR).

Enemy movement North from TARIKIGAN (470620) towards YOGAYOGA (447652) along the evacuation route was observed as follows:

6 Feb - 40 Japs left TARIKIGAN and an estimated 25 remained.

7 Feb - 191 left; of these 70 with packs and rifles were organized as a unit.

8 Feb - 223 marched North - 195 were marching as an organized unit.

9 Feb - 38 Japs had moved out by 0900 hrs; later small groups varying from two to fifteen were observed.

Natives report that sick Japs have been staying in villages for about two days but that other troops only remain overnight in a village.

A patrol observed smoke suspected of being from Jap fires in both GABUTUMON and MOAM (725540) villages.

SECRET

2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 121

(Information from 0930L/6 Feb to 0930L/9 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUSTRALIAN DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref maps 1/25,000 LIPSINS POINT, GALI and GAUSS POINT).

8 Feb 30 Bn continued its advance along the coast and reached WEBER Point. Parties of Japs were encountered, and a total of 1 Jap officer and 43 OR were killed and 4 PW (one of whom spoke English) were captured.

Light opposition was encountered at 784635. One pl 30 Bn attacked, killed 5 Japs and took two PW. Our losses were two wounded. At GALI 2, 11 Japs were killed and 2 PW taken. Other Japs were killed en route.

A P15 patrol along the track GALI - RUANGE (791573) - GALI 2 reached the vicinity of the village at 825540.

At last light the dispositions were: 30 Bn HQ 795627 with B Coy at 784636, C Coy 793633, D Coy 794627 and A Coy 809614. A Coy 4 Bn was at 885543.

29 Aust Inf Bde (Ref maps 4 miles to 1 inch LAE and MARKHAM).
7 Feb

Extensive patrolling was carried out by the Bde during the week ended 7 Feb. 15 Bn and 42 Bn patrolled the area between SINGAGA Plantation and the MONGI R. Patrols were also made by 15 Bn from BOANA (LR5072) to MUSON (LR6856) along the foothills of ERAP R; and from KASANOBE (about LR7277) to BUNGALUMBA (LR7770). All the patrols reported that no Japs were seen.

7 AUSTRALIAN DIV

15 Aust Inf Bde (Ref map 1/25,000 AMUBA).

8 Feb

A patrol from 24 Bn contacted a strong enemy posn at 563708 and casualties were suffered by both sides in the ensuing engagement. No further details are available.

18 Aust Inf Bde

Patrolling continued throughout 9 Feb without any contact being made.

WANTOAT AREA (Ref map 4 miles to 1 inch MARKHAM).

The patrol from 6 MG Bn reached YUDAN (LQ9998) without any enemy being seen.

ARAWA (Ref map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

6 Feb

An Allied patrol to LUPIN strip saw 4 Japs on the strip and encountered 15 Japs along the track to MESELIA (XM4322) but no further details are available. A patrol towards GILMIT (XM7864) reported the presence of approximately 300 Japs 6 1/2 miles East of GILMIT and that the strength of the enemy in the area is increasing. The enemy is digging in and erecting buildings, and has established an outpost at the GREEN R (5 miles East of GILMIT).

CAPE GLOUCESTER (Ref map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

7 Feb

An Allied patrol landed at ALAIDO (XM8291) and moved to the GURISSU R (XM9894) without seeing any Japs. A PW was captured 1 mile North of RILLEN (XM7476).

SECRET

OPERATIONS (Contd)

2. SEA - OVI (Ref map : inch to 1 mile POMEREN BAY).

On night 7/8 Feb our PT boats were fired on by a shore battery at KULILA (130919). This is the first report of the presence of a battery at this point. Lights were observed on the shore at BOGADJIN, ERIMA and MELAMU.

At 2200 hrs radar contact was made with 3 unidentified planes at 145°06'E, 5°15'S, (approx 10 miles North of KULILA) but the PT boats were not observed.

3. AIA OVI

8 Feb

NEW BRITAIN

Two P-51 Mustangs on opportunity sweep from Cape RAGULT to TALASEA strafed 6 large buildings at TALASEA, scoring many hits.

NEW GUINEA

Two P-51 Mustangs strafed large camouflaged tank at AUELE village.

MADANG

Twenty-four Mitchells bombed and strafed targets in the MADANG area from minimum altitude. Bombing was reported as excellent with direct hits on dumps and supplies which started many fires.

ALEXISHAPEN

Twenty-three Bostons bombed and strafed dump and personnel areas at ALEXISHAPEN, destroying the harbour jetty and starting small fires in township and to the NE of No.2 strip.

Signed at 1740 hrs.

5/1/02
Major,
GS 2 Aust Corps.

SECRET

2. AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 120

(Information from 0930L/7 Feb to 0930L/8 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUST DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref maps 1/25,000 LEPSIUS POINT and PESCHEL POINT).
7 Feb

The advance along the coast continued without opposition being encountered and at last light the fwd tps of 30 Bn were at 858557.

A 4 Bn patrol from 208417 to ULAP Mission killed 6 Japs along the track.

Tac HQ 5 Aust Div opened at SINGORAKAI at 1800 hrs.

SAIDOR (Ref map 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR).

6 Feb

A number of Japs were observed in the vicinity of WIWAI (395805) and arty fire was brought down on them. Allied patrols operating in NANKINA R valley reported 35 Japs at LANGANI (429697) and that at 0900 hrs 10 of them armed with rifles, were moving towards YOGA YOGA. Two prisoners were captured at 1100 hrs on the East bank of the YAUT R; one belonged to 238 Inf Regt, but had not been with that Regt since 10 Jan.

Tac/R reported seeing 15/25 Japs about 400 yds West of GABUTAMON at 0940 hrs. Natives report that Japs are moving from GABUTAMON to NCKOPO.

7 AUST DIV

15 Aust Inf Bde (Ref map 1/25,000 KOBEN and AMURA).

7 Feb

24 Bn continued to harass the Jap posn at 562712. 57/60 Bn less two Coys is now at KOROPA (440709) with one Coy at ISARIBA (426723) and one Coy at KESAWAI I (455679).

18 Aust Inf Bde (Ref map 1/25,000 AMUSON).

A patrol from 2/10 Bn reached AMUSON (698738), without seeing any Japs. 58/59 Bn has now come under comd 18 Aust Inf Bde and is located at GUYS POST.

Native reports indicate that the Japs withdrew from KANKYRIO down the KASENAU R.

A report was received that there were parties of Japs in the vicinity of WAITOAT (LMO706 - ref map 4 miles to 1 inch MARKHAM) and a pl of 6 MG Bn was flown to KAIAPIT to investigate.

2. SEA - OWN (Ref map 1 inch to 1 mile POMMERN BAY and SAIDOR).

Our PT boats operated during night 6/7 Feb without making any contacts. Our boats were fired on by 70mm gun from HERWARTH Point (198917) and by a 40mm and a 70mm gun from SINGOR (335853).

3. AIR - OWN

7 Feb

NEW GUINEA

RAMU VALLEY - Eleven Vultee Vengeance dive-bombed KEBU village and a bridge over the GORI R, scoring direct hits amongst buildings in the village and on approaches to the bridge.

Bad weather prevented further operations.

4. AIR - ENEMY

7 Feb

PIINSCHAFEN

At 1450 hrs an enemy aircraft dropped one bomb near the DREGER airstrip. There were no casualties reported.

Signed at 1530 hrs.

SF 1012
Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 119

(Information from 0930L/6 Feb to 0930L/7 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUST DIV

8 Aust Inf Bde (Ref maps 1/25,000 LEPSIUS POINT and PESCHEL
6 Feb POINT).

A further advance of approx 3 miles was made during the day without any opposition being encountered. The fwd elements of 30 Bn crossed the URAWA R and at last light had reached 901554. A 4 Bn patrol from KIARI South to 275401 saw no enemy. A Coy 4 Bn and A Coy PIB are now located at 978511.

2/14 Pd Regt less Tac R HQ and 64 Bty (which are with the fwd tps) is now concentrated in the KELANOA area.

SALDOR

A member of 78 Regt who was captured in SEL-SEURE area on 5 Feb confirmed the native scout's report of two 75mm guns at GABUTAMON and further stated that the bulk of 20 Div was either in or West of GABUTAMON on 29 Jan.

7 AUST DIV (Ref map 1/25,000 AMUBA).

15 Aust Inf Bde

6 Feb

Patrols from 24 Bn made minor contact with the enemy in the vicinity of 567705. 57/60 Bn is now moving back from the KETOBA area to the EVAPIA R.

18 Aust Inf Bde

A patrol from 2/10 Bn contacted a Jap posn containing MGs at 585714 and some casualties were inflicted on the enemy.

ARAYE (Ref map 2 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

Now enemy posns near the LUPIN Aerodrome were located on 6 Feb; approx 25 Japs in small groups were observed on North and South sides of the Aerodromes. Enemy activity has been reported at WASUM (XN6732) and AMGORING (XN8126).

2. SEA - OWN

Night 5/6 Feb

Our PT boats on patrol were heavily engaged by shore batteries on both sides of Cape CROISILLES. No damage was sustained. There were no contacts during the night.

3. AIR OWN

6 Feb

ADMIRALTY IS

Twenty-five Liberators accurately bombed MOMOTE airstrip and installations starting several fires. 83 tons of bombs were used in the attack.

NEW GUINEA

MADANG AREA - Eleven Liberators bombed MADANG airstrip and township with unobserved results.

Six Liberators bombed ERIMAHAFEN and the Plantation. One large flash in the target area indicated a direct hit on a possible ammunition dump.

NEWAK - Six Bostons and sixteen Kittyhawks bombed and strafed shipping round MUSCHU Island. A direct hit was received by one lugger, one gunboat was damaged by a near miss. A power schooner which was strafed, later exploded.

BARGE SWEEP

A sweep from BOGIA to Cape CROISILLES was carried out by eleven Mitchells. Many small bridges and supply dumps along the enemy L of C were hit; 4/5 barges were destroyed at BUNABUN Harbour, and 5/10 Japs in the vicinity were killed by strafing.

4. AIR - ENEMY

ERIMAHAFEN - At about 2300 hrs 6 Feb four enemy aircraft dropped 12 bombs near DREHRE Harbour. No damage or casualties are reported.

Signed at 1545 hrs.

M. B. Smith Capt
Major.
OS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 118

(Information from 0930L/5 Feb to 0930L/6 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUST DIV (Ref maps 1/25,000 LEPSIUS POINT and REISS POINT).

8 Aust Inf Bde

5 Feb

30 Bn advanced along the coast to ROINJI 1 (952559) without meeting opposition. 2 PW, who were in good condition having been fed by the natives, were taken at 986508. 12 dead Japs were found near BUTUTUTU (995532). At last light dispositions were: 30 Bn adv HQ 992533, B Coy 954558, C Coy 975546, D Coy 995533 with rear Bn HQ and HQ Coy at 996532. The HQ 8 Bde moved up to 996528.

During the advance on 4 Feb, 50 dead Japs were found along the track between 110452 and NEMAU and a PIB patrol killed 11 Japs in the vicinity of 010435. A dump containing a quantity of engr stores was located at NEMAU and a mountain gun captured at 019490.

SAIDOR (Ref map 1 inch to 1 mile SINGORKAI).

Native scouts report that the track MALALAMAI - GABUTAMON is being used extensively by the enemy and that 2 large guns are installed at GABUTAMON. One covers the GABUTAMON - MALALAMAI track and the other a track leading North of GABUTAMON to YAUT R at 705655.

7 AUST DIV

5 Feb

15 Aust Inf Bde

The two pls 57/60 Bn which were isolated have now rejoined the Bn after having beaten off an enemy attack and inflicted some casualties. Our casualties were light.

18 Aust Inf Bde (Ref map 1/25,000 PAIPA).

Patrols to PAIPA 1 (594705) and toward AMUSON made no contact with the enemy.

CAPE GLOUCESTER (Ref map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

A patrol to HAMIRAMUNGA (XM8593) area killed 3 Jap stragglers and contacted a well-equipped enemy patrol consisting of 5 men; 3 were definitely killed and the remaining 2 probably killed.

ARAVE (Ref map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

A patrol toward GILNIT encountered strong enemy opposition in the vicinity of XM8559. Another patrol reported that the enemy was in considerable strength at DIDMOP (XM4935) and further investigation is proceeding.

2. SEA - OWN AND ENEMY

At 2326 hrs on 4 Feb our PT boats sighted a possible submarine in position 04.21 S., 145.55 E., (approx 10 miles North of KARKAR Island).

3. AIR - OWN

5 Feb

NEW BRITAIN

CAPE HOSKINS Forty-four Liberators dropped 129 tons of bombs on the Cape HOSKINS airstrip and amongst dispersal areas to the West of the strip. Many of the bombs fell in the target area, starting many small fires.

GASHATA A single Liberator accurately bombed LINDENHAFEN Plantation.

SECRET

OPERATIONS (Contd)

3. AIR - OWN (Contd)

NEW GUINEA

HAUSA BAY AREA. Twenty-four Bostons carried out a low-level bombing and strafing attack against shipping in BOAIA Hbr and against installations at the Northern end of the Hbr. One small lugger received a direct hit and sank, and many buildings on the foreshore were destroyed.

Eight Mitchells bombed AWAR Plantation destroying four large buildings. Two AA posns were silenced and fires were started amongst dump areas.

Twenty-seven Mitchells attacked shipping in the HAUSA BAY Harbour from minimum altitude. One 1500/2500-ton freighter and three barges were sunk. Two enemy aircraft were destroyed on the strip and several dumps at CONDOE Point received direct hits, starting many fires.

Three recon Mitchells sank a 5500/7000-ton freighter off MUSCHU Island. The ship exploded and it was presumed that it was carrying gasoline. 150 barges of various types were seen in and around the Island.

DELAYED REPORTS

4 Feb

Sixteen Kittyhawks dive-bombed store and personnel areas at the mouth of the AMEN R (GASMATA). Bombs were reported to have fallen in the target areas.

4. AIR - ENEMY

SAIDOR

4 Feb

At 0017 hrs on 4 Feb a single enemy plane dropped 6 bombs near the airstrip and 9 small fragmentation bombs near a searchlight posn 1000 yds SE FANGGER. There was no damage or casualties.

Signed at 1700 hrs.

McBoutten Capt
Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUST CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 117

(Information from 0930L/4 Feb to 0930L/5 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUST DIV (Ref map 1/25,000 REISS POINT and SCHARNHORST POINT).

6 Aust Inf Bde

4 Feb

30 Bn led the advance and reached SARI R at 1600 hrs. Last light dispositions were: A Coy 014493, B and C Coys 018489, D Coy 024488 and Bn HQ 021488. A Coy PIS moved up to 021488. No enemy movement was seen during the day. 4 Bn less A and D Coys returned to WASU; A Coy remained at 024488.

In the NAMBARIWA area, one PW was captured by native police at 491415.

The patrol from 35 Bn reached GUTIKIAR (ref map 1 inch to 1 mile KALASA, 265043) where they saw six Japs. One Jap was killed and two wounded, but the wounded and remainder of the party escaped. Two dead Japs, also maps and documents, were found in the village.

7 AUST DIV

15 Aust Inf Bde

During night 3/4 Feb the enemy counter-attacked B Coy, 57/60 Bn near WATELOI 2 and isolated two pls. Further details are not yet to hand.

18 Aust Inf Bde

On 4 Feb there was patrol activity only.

CAPE GLOUCESTER (Ref map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

On 3 Feb a patrol moved down the track running South from NATAMO to AISALMIPUA (XM7179) & found nineteen dying Japs without medical aid. Jap graves were found.

2. SEA - OWN

Night 3/4 Feb.

There were no contacts during the night.

3. AIR - OWN

4 Feb

NEW GUINEA:

MADANG - Two recon Airacobras strafed a small supply ship in BOSTREM Bay. A further two recon Airacobras strafed two barges at mouth of the GOGOL R and one barge exploded.

Twenty-nine Mitchells carried out a low-level attack on supply dumps and personnel areas, causing large fires.

ALEXISHAFEN - Forty-two Mitchells bombed and strafed the airstrip areas and dumps. One enemy aircraft on the ground was destroyed. Fires were started amongst the dump areas.

MARIENBERG - Forty-six Bostons attacked the village and store buildings near the SERIK R. Many buildings were completely gutted and large fires were started.

WEWAN AREA - Another large attack was carried out by fifty-six Liberators with 2 a/c of Thunderbolts as escort against the airstrips of BUT and DAGUA. BUT airstrip was left definitely unusable. Tremendous fuel fires and explosions resulted from many direct hits on scattered fuel dumps, and one very large fire was started at the Southern end of DAGUA airstrip. AA was moderate and one Liberator exploded after receiving a direct hit. The fighter escort shot down one enemy aircraft over the target area.

In all these operations a total of 383 tons of bombs was dropped.

Signed at 1500 hrs.

W. J. Ford
Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS IN ALLIGATOR REPORT No. 116
(Information from 0900L/2 Feb to 0900L/3 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - COM AND REIN

1 AUSTRALIAN DIV (ref maps 1/25,000 REISS Point and PESCHER Point).
8 Aust Inf Bde.

On 2 Feb a beach head was established at 163445. D Coy 30 Bn moved to 163444; there were no other changes in dispositions. A 4 Bn patrol moved from 109451 to 089435 and reported that there is a good beach at NEMAU (055457). On returning the patrol killed 3 Japs in poor condition at 103452.

On 3 Feb 30 Bn advanced to 086431 and 4 Bn were concentrated at SINGOR. An enemy barge with hull unserviceable but with two serviceable diesel engines and one 20 mm dual purpose AA gun was found at 111453 on 1 Feb.

SAIDOR (ref map 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR)
1 Feb

The enemy attacked an allied position at SINGOR (444750); the result of the encounter is not yet known.

Natives report that there is a large number of enemy at HOKOPO. On 2 Feb a prisoner was captured at YAKOMI.

On 3 Feb 40 to 50 Japs were observed by allied patrols in area 394799. Parties of three and later seven Japs were seen at 388798. Several small fires were observed at 385793.

Recco aircraft reported tracks MALALAMAI - TAPEN were heavily used and enemy were seen just South of GALUTAKON (708580). From this vicinity plane drew small arms fire.

7 AUSTRALIAN DIV (ref maps 1/25,000 BOKI R. and PAIPA).
2 Feb

15 Aust Inf Bde.

After dispersing a party of enemy, 57/60 Bn occupied MATALOI 2 (471804).

16 Aust Inf Bde.

Patrolling by our troops continued. One 75 mm Type 41 gun minus breach block was found at 647575.

CAPE GLOUCESTER
2 Feb

Severe storms restricted patrolling activities. All rivers in the area are flooded.

ARANE
2 Feb

A patrol found an enemy position 2500 yds north of the airstrip.

2. AIR COM

3 Feb

NEW BRITAIN.

Four Airacobras on a sweep between CAPE GAFFERE and TALASEA strafed two 'launch type' barges approx 60' long at TAILWALL BAY and a barge off ICKI PLANTATION.

NEW GUINEA
BOGADJIN

Two Airacobras strafed and set fire to a truck three miles SW of BOGADJIN.

NEW GUINEA

Following the recent air reinforcement of the NEW GUINEA sector, a large force of 53 Liberators, 15 Mitchells with an escort of 61 Lightnings and 48 Thunderbolts, attacked the airstrip at BUT, DAGUA, BORAN and WITAK.

SECRET

OPERATIONS (Contd)

2. AIR OWN (Contd)

WENAK Area (Contd)

The enemy was surprised and 60/65 aircraft, mainly fighters, were either destroyed or damaged on the ground. Our fighters accounted for a further twenty-one enemy aircraft in the air without loss to our force. Many A/A positions were silenced and the damage amongst stores, dumps, and personnel areas was reported as "terrific". Fires up to 2000 feet were visible when our aircraft were 40 miles from the target areas. WENAK airstrip, where the main concentration of enemy aircraft was based, was rendered unserviceable.

Three Liberators also accurately bombed BELIOV ISLAND, AAR PLANTATION and NOBANOB MISSION.

3. AIR - ENEMY

2 Feb
KELANOA

Between 0300 hrs and 0525 hrs enemy aircraft made a recce of the DALLMAN R upstream from the mouth and also of the KELANOA area.

FM Good

Signed at 1630 hrs.

Major,
GS 2 Aust Corps.

SOUTH OF SAIDOR

Late information received states that from reliable native sources it is reported that 200 Japs spent night 2/3 Feb at WAMUK, (a village between GUMBAION (556479) and DAMBU (573515), but not marked on NASKENIA sheet 1 inch to 1 mile series). This enemy party is stated to have moved from NOKOPO on 2 Feb without food, but accompanied by a long line of natives.

SECRET

2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 115

(Information from 0930L/2 Feb to 0930L/3 Feb 44)

PART I

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUSTRALIAN DIV (Ref maps 1/25,000 REISS POINT and PESCHER POINT).

On 1 Feb a 4 Bn patrol moved along the coastal track from 109451 to 075459, killing one Jap in poor condition at 098452. A patrol along the river from 109451 to 103441 saw no movement. A Tp 23 Fd Bty was in action at SINGOR.

On 2 Feb rough seas and the recent heavy rain imposed delay in the forward area. The KWAMA R is in flood and KIARI R is now 140 feet wide. SINGOR beach cannot be used owing to the rough seas.

A patrol from 35 Bn towards GUTIKIAR (ref map 1 inch to 1 mile KALASA, 265048) saw no enemy.

SAIDOR

1 Feb

Allied arty laid down concentrations on the enemy occupied area at TETEREI.

It is reported that the enemy is continuing to evacuate troops from GALI area through TAPEN, and it is again stated that he is using NOKOPO as a resting place prior to crossing the mountains to the NW. A PW captured on 30 Jan estimates that it will take the enemy one month to evacuate the troops to the West of SAIDOR along the route being used.

7 AUSTRALIAN DIV (Ref maps 1/25,000 PAIPA, AMUBA and BOKU R).

2 Feb

18 Aust Inf Bde

One coy 2/10 Bn patrolling West down MINTJIM R cleared PAIPA 2 and reached 608695 without meeting opposition. Elaborate enemy installations were found abandoned.

A patrol from 2/12 Bn reached 582689 without contacting the enemy.

15 Aust Inf Bde

57/60 Bn again patrolling towards BIRI occupied a posn near MATELOI I.

A patrol from 24 Bn inflicted casualties on an enemy party at 583712.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA

EILANDEN R AREA

At 1617 hrs 30 Jan 8 Japanese barges loaded with troops attempted to land and attack our outpost near the river mouth (200 miles NW of MERAUKE). The first wave consisted of three barges. All enemy troops were killed. The further five bargeloads apparently succeeded in effecting a landing, and attacked both banks of the river, but the attack was held. At 0755 hrs 31 Jan the enemy was still attacking our outpost. We suffered no casualties to 0910 hrs 31 Jan.

At 1330 hrs 30 Jan, four Kittyhawks attacked four Jap 40-ft barges at a point 20 miles NW of EILANDEN R mouth. All barges were left smoking and in a sinking condition. (Note - It is not known whether the time given is correct and it is thought more likely that our air attack took place on morning 31 Jan. (GHQ Sitrep 562)).

CAPE GLOUCESTER

1 Feb

Patrols at AGULUPELLA report that on 28 Jan enemy estimated strength 700, evacuated the area by the inland route to BORGEN Bay and thence to Cape GAUFFRE. A patrol from NATAMO

SECRET

OPERATIONS (Contd)

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY (Contd)

CAPE GLOUCESTER (Contd)
reached ALAIDO (six miles NE NATAMO) and killed six Jap stragglers. The former HQ 65 Div was found at NAKAROP.

ARAWA
1 Feb

Allied tps patrolled to the North and East, and reconnoitred the mouth of SIGUL R. Arty shelled enemy installations near URTINGALU in the airstrip area. A patrol reports that the enemy has withdrawn from the airstrip 2,500 yds to the North.

2. AIR OWN

2 Feb

NEW GUINEA

Twenty-two Liberators dropped 72 tons of bombs on ALEXISHAFEN strip No.2 and dispersal areas nearby. Considerable damage was done to the strip. Two unidentified enemy aircraft were destroyed on the ground and large fires were started.

NEW BRITAIN

Twelve Mitchells on a barge sweep Cape GAUFFRE to REIN Bay destroyed two barges West of Cape RAOULT. There was no interception and all our aircraft returned to base. Heavy weather prevented further operations.

3. AIR - ENEMY

ARAWA

On night 1 Feb the enemy twice raided the area inflicting some casualties.

Signed at 1635 hrs.

St Ford

Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 114

(Information from 0930L/1 Feb to 0930L/2 Feb 44)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUSTRALIAN DIV (Ref maps 1/25,000 REISS POINT and PESCHEL POINT).

8 Aust Inf Bde

The dispositions of 4 Bn at last light 31 Jan were as follows: Bn HQ 110452, C Coy 108451, D Coy 110450, A Coy 111452, B Coy 112452. Bde Tac HQ moved up to 176426. Our tps saw no movement during the day. 35 Bn were concentrated at 226198 (ref map 1/25,000 SCHARNHORST POINT). At 1530 hrs PIB killed a Jap sgt in good condition at 285414. On his body was found a marked map of the MA KHAM Valley.

There was no change in dispositions on 1 Feb. A correction to the location of 30 Bn places it at 177426 and not 110452.

Enemy casualties for the period 21 to 31 Jan inclusive were 76 killed, 85 found dead and one PW. (Ref map 1 inch to 1 mile KALASA).

In the KILANCA area a party of nine armed Japs are reported by natives to be occupying the village of GUTIKIAR (265048) about 1200 yds South of PAUKWANGA (268061).

SAIDOR (Ref map 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR).

1 Feb

At 0330 hrs the Allied outpost at SIBOG (444750) was attacked by an unknown number of enemy.

At 1500 hrs our aircraft were subjected to MG fire from TETEREI (422848), and at 1520 hrs our arty engaged this point. During the day arty shelled an enemy MG emplacement 1000 yds North of MALANGAI (413825). It is reported that YAGOMI is not occupied by the enemy.

Native scouts report that the enemy is continuing to move South of TAPEN but their destination could not be ascertained. Other reports state that there is a considerable number of Japs at KOKOPO and that the enemy troops are resting here before crossing the most difficult portion of the evacuation route.

Natives report that on 31 Jan a small party of enemy entered an unnamed village on the West bank of YAWI R at 431764. Between 1800 hrs and 2000 hrs 31 Jan 380 points of rain fell in the area.

7 AUSTRALIAN DIV

15 Aust Inf Bde (Ref map 1/25,000 BOHU R).

1 Feb

A patrol from 57/60 Bn contacted enemy near KOKA (462798) and the enemy then withdrew. Our forward tps were moving towards MATALOI 2.

18 Aust Inf Bde (Ref map 1/25,000 KUMBARUM, PAIPA and AMUBA).

Patrols from 2/9 and 2/10 Bns reached 633639 and 634671 respectively without contacting enemy.

A patrol from 2/12 Bn found a small party of enemy at approx 585691.

Our tps are consolidating the poms recently captured. There is no report, however, indicating whether the enemy is still holding the poms on the Southern slope of the feature North of KANKIKYO.

Enemy killed in the recent attack up to 1 Feb are 220.

CAPE GLOUCESTER (Ref map 4 miles to 1 inch WESTERN NEW BRITAIN).

31 Jan

It is reported that the enemy have withdrawn from NIAPUA (XM6782) and AGULUPELLA (XM6382) to Cape GAUFFRE BAY. Natives report that the area from GILNIT (XM7864) to AGULUPELLA is clear of enemy.

SECRET

OPERATIONS (Contd)

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY (Contd)

ARAWA
31 Jan

A patrol encountered an enemy party of 12 enemy with 3 LMGs and 1 HMG in prepared positions on the airstrip.

2. SEA - OWN

Night 1/2 Feb

No contacts were made. A light was observed at GALI and the area then strafed.

3. AIR - OWN

1 Feb

VANIMO

At 0405 hrs two Liberators on night recon sank one of two 1500-ton freighters off VANIMO.

BOGADJIM

Six recon Airacobras on opportunity sweep from MARAKUM - BOGADJIM to ERIMA Plantation strafed villages and bridges with unobserved results.

NEW BRITAIN

Two recon Airacobras from Cape MESSING to TALASEA Hbr strafed a barge and 20/25 enemy troops swimming off MONGA MONGA Point. 300 head of cattle/observed in the open West of ISOKI Plantation. were

Signed at 2000 hrs.

W. H. W. H.
Major
GS 2 Aust Corps

SECRET

2 AUSTRALIAN CORPS INTELLIGENCE REPORT No 113

(Information from 0930L/31 Jan to 0930L/1 Feb 1944)

OPERATIONS

1. LAND - OWN AND ENEMY

5 AUSTRALIAN DIV (Ref maps 1/25,000 PESCHEL POINT and REISS POINT).

6 Aust Inf Bde

At 1500 hrs 30 Jan 4, Bn had reached 156457 and were moving towards MALASANGA 2. About 30 dead Japs were seen along the track SINGOR to FINDE R. 30 Bn were concentrated at SINGOR. The HQ Bde also moved forward to this point. A PIB patrol which led the advance killed one Jap at 156456 and 3 Japs at 155457. Another PIB patrol under a native Sgt reached ULAP Mission where they killed one Jap. Six others were killed along the track.

On 31 Jan 4 Bn continued the advance and reached 110452 at 1000 hrs. 30 Bn had moved forward to the same area by 1900 hrs. The weather is reported to be stormy and our tps are using an improvised folding boat ferry to cross KWAMA R.

SAIDOR (Ref map 1 inch to 1 mile SAIDOR).

30 Jan

A patrol moving East from SIBOG (1443750) encountered two Japs. Natives report that there are several Japs near WABOL (1470742). Our tps observed AA MG fire from the vicinity of Cape IRIS as our aircraft strafed that area.

To the East, natives report that there is a small Jap camp one mile North of JAMUTAMON (708550). Our outposts at YAGOMI observed 20 Japs at mouth of YAUT R and 10 more 1000 yds inland from the mouth.

7 AUSTRALIAN DIV

18 Aust Inf Bde (Ref maps 1/25,000 KUMBARUM, PAIPA and BOKU RIVER).

30 Jan

The regrouping of the Bde was completed and units were disposed as follows:- 2/9 Bn: HQ at PROTHERO 2, and Coys at 646674, 646676, 646666 and 644565; 2/10 Bn: HQ and one Coy less two pls at 657553 with pls at 670653 and 658662, Coys at 654666 and PROTHERO 2, and the remaining Coy less two pls at 670637 with pls at 673640 and 678637; 2/12 Bn: HQ at PROTHERO 1, one Coy PROTHERO 2, two Coys less two pls 634663 with pls at 625667 and 646677, and the remaining Coy at GUYS POST. Bde HQ is at 673579.

15 Aust Inf Bde

27/60 Bn carried out a successful raid in strength against enemy positions near ORGORUNA. At 1330 hrs the forward tps without opposition occupied ORGORUNA 2. The advance continued towards ORGORUNA 1 along the main track with one Coy making an outflanking move from 435780. Slight opposition was encountered from the village during the advance but the enemy withdrew before our tps occupied the area. Our tps continued to advance and by last light had occupied KISA which showed signs of a hasty evacuation. Our tps are now dug in at KISA. Strong positions had been prepared by the enemy in all villages, and much food and stores were found abandoned.

2. SEA - OWN

NIGHT 30/31 JAN.

Our PT boats did not sight any enemy craft. There were rough seas and heavy rain during the night.

SECRET

OPERATIONS (Contd)

3. AIR - OWN

31 Jan
NEW GUINEA

Twelve Mustangs bombed and strafed ELIGAN village silencing three AA posns and destroying bridges at KEIGAR and AMUGIO.

RAMU VALLEY

Five Vultee Vengeances destroyed a bridge over the GORI R with four direct hits. The approach to bridge No.6 on the BOGADJIM Road was also badly damaged.

FIGHTER SWEEP

Four Thunderbolts strafed TANOKAT village (MUBIA) also a barge along the coast.

Airacobras on recon from BOSTREM Bay to BOGADJIM and at ALEXISHAFEN strafed gasoline trucks and an enemy fighter on ALEXISHAFEN strip.

Two further recon Airacobras strafed three trucks near BOGADJIM.

DELAYED REPORTS

NEW BRITAIN

23 Jan

Sixteen Kittyhawks carried out an offensive sweep from TOVAL to Cape HOSKINS; two enemy aircraft on the Cape HOSKINS strip and AA posns were strafed.

29 Jan

Twelve Kittyhawks on a barge sweep from MUELA village to Cape HOSKINS strafed European buildings at UBILI and a large open boat at the mouth of a small river in JACQUINOT Bay.

Signed at 1640 hrs.

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