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7861	F3	TOJO	51ST BN	1900 H/1	1948	FROM 1410 NO vis rail + fog NIL to report.
7862	Q 120	ADV. COY	15 BDE	1910	1948	REF of 30 mg 0 1 checkrps instruct all pers. of party 24 Bn other than D boy. rejoin unit 0 Please arrange more party to SUNSHINE via PIL KING. 0 signal details via WAMPIT. RPTD 5 Div
7863	Q 39	1ST COY	WAMPIT	1000 H/1	2110	Ref request for air strike today 0 HQ Banded attacking HEATHS + MARRAM ISLAND 0 NOT possible for further attack your area.
7864	I 145	WAMPIT FORCE	1ST COY	2035	2127	SECRET. SITREP 34 to 2000 H/1 0 SUNSHINE OP. 2550Z BULOLO 1 inch 0605 H/1 0 1 U/I H/1 from SOUTH flying N.W height 7000 ft. 0 1420 H/1 1 U/I H/1 flying N height 2000 ft. 0 C-boy 000MSIS 460455 NADZAB 1 inch H/1 0 1 det. mov arrived 1730 H/1 0 SLO 6 G18 CREEK 525044 13 ft 2 sec H/1 arrived P.M. H/1 0 1730 H/1 WAMPIT received native report that NO JAP def. in fact exist WEST of MARRAM POR. 508511 NADZAB 1/25000 0 JTFPS have two M.M.G. above HEATHS 5945 HEATHS 1/25000 named on map 0 long leaves HEATHS 010530 in each morning for track junction 514500 NADZAB 1/25000 0 large hospital sit at MISSION HOUSE 701407 0 JAP 2 inch 029 Aug 60 JAPS seen BAR MUTSUNE 416545 NADZAB 1/25000 0 NATIVE report. end 0 all informed.
7865	030	24 BN	LDE COY	2100	2145	3 of enemy fire, fight, otherwise destn. everything a matter to HIDEOUT 0 check reserves HIDEOUT 0 you should have received instrs. from taking over.
7866	L 309	BIXA	R. BASSA	2130	2145	Re dental off. 0 1/4 pl. MURPHY pl. SMITH W.P. will be on line.
7867	R 9 61	WAMPIT FORCE	1ST COY	RPTD 1948	2210	if completion W 3007 0 could N.G.F ADM re compilation re compilation be forwarded earliest possible.
2 SEP 1943	7868	0 Boy	15 BDE	1825	0143	SECRET 0 SITREP 154 to 1830 H/1 10 pl 0 NO met. heard during afternoon due to heavy rain 18 pl in force at 762055 0 BULOLO OP. visibility nil
7869	092	ADV. COY	WAMPIT	1530	0143	SECRET 0 SITREP 22 to 1400 H/1 0 15 BDE 1830 H/1 0 15 Bn. patrols continued 057158 on patrol killed 3 JAPS 720993 0 29 BDE to 1200 H/1 0 42 BND 0 enemy cas. R.V.C boys area 31 Aug 44 killed 0 R boy 721953 0 B boy moving 735960 now at 723951 0 C boy moving to no 725952 0 47 BND 0 details of patrolling 0 15 Bn. to 1300 H/1 0 D boy with 1st report repulsed two determined enemy attacks 0 NOT possible count JAP cas 1 killed boy com + 2 1/2 0 1800 wounded 0 C boy now 748965 0 407. com assumes command both boys 0 162 05 Regt. to 1200 H/1 0 NO contact yet 0 B boy moving direction JTFPS permitted 739501 0 1st boy moving same perimeter against difficult opposition cas 1 killed 3 wounded 0 R.F.A. 13 Aug 43 DIV to 1200 H/1 0 night 30/1 hammering SALAMAUVA CHARLIE HILL 0 AM 1 left opportunity 0 harassing fire all informed.

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METEOR report

U/I A/c

A/c came from S flew NW

METEOR reports

6 P38 flew NW 14000 high

8 P38's flew NW 15000 6

D83 and 4 P47 came from S flew N 8000. 2

9 D83 came from S flew NW 3000. 2

1 D83 flew NW 3000 4

heavy bombing heard in NE lasting 10 mins

6 D83 and 4 P47 passed overhead 4000

METEOR

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1 U/I A/c flew overhead going N

1 P39 came from S flew W 15000. 5

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7870	072	1AUST CORPS.	WAMPTT FORCE	1845K1	0143	SITREP 5 to 1000 H/1 @ part 2 and end @ 162 Regt enemy still holding out approx 739953 & on high ground 734956 734954 fighting in progress @ 15 Bu @ C bay arrived 751955 @ D bay encountered opposition on ridge 748962 to 753954 & now pushing 7489915 @ 2D WAMPTT FORCE to 1300 H/1 nil @ NO change. 03 @ Air apt 31 Aug @ village FIRE to HOPON stuffed into fraction destroyed @ FORTRESS bombed SUBMARINE approx 20 miles south of Cape ARCHWAY result NOT observed @ @ lightings @ 1430 H/31 sub. with deck large sighted 0530 South 15210 east course South @ All informed.
7871	077	1AUST CORPS	WAMPTT	1435	0143	you requested air strike today following our plan @ heavy attack HEATHS for 1 noon today @ stuffing attack LABU island NOT before 0830 hrs today @ three attacks cover your demands except actual timing @ suggest you adjust your plans work in with air attack will advise actual times of attacks when known.
7872	1562	24 BA.	H.F.S.	0530		taken off.
7873	1563	BASA.R.	BASAF.	0700		SITREP to 0700 H/2 @ SITNOR.
7874	1310	BEXA	BASA.R.	0645	0650	Strength return.
7875	DR2.	DUDI.	BASA.R.	0600	0730.	Strength return
7876	DR.3.	"	"	0600	0730.	Wampit Aying strength.
7877	J9625	DUDI. HQ.	BASA.R.	0600	0730.	Strength state.
7878	RA 67	NAM. FORCE	D. COY.	0925		VE135505 DR Brown GR of D Coy 24 Bn leads SUNSHINE to main unit today @ ETA 5/9 Sept @ statement re accidental injury taken from soldier and is being fixed.
7879	EL 866	D Coy	15 Bole	0600	0835	SECRET SITREP 155 to 0600 H/2. 16 Pl. NO sounds during night but loud talking at first light.
7880	EL 867	"	"	"	"	Sec. state.
7881	1146	WAM. FORCE.	1st WAM Corp. Syst.	0805	0820	SECRET SITREP 254 to 0800 H/2. SITNOR.
7882	085	1. Corp.	WAM FORCE.	2200 H/1	0935	AMRON MISSION bombed by 12 LIBS HY smoke observed from large fires as a/c left target area. KURISU village accurately bombed by 8 LIBS. no. of mines buildings destroyed. NEW LABU IS. bombed by 11 FLYING FORTRESSES with unobserved results. Demos & installations at BURGEN BAY bombed by 7 MARAUDERS bombing target area. 12 MITCHELLS on barge search bombed & strafed plantation & buildings REIN BAY & 4 barges at CAPE BTGA SLAW KSI

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7882.	cont.					1 set on fire others damaged. 4 Lightnings. OP reports increased nightly barge traffic LAE-SALAMAUVA.
7883.	Q 812	WAM FORCE.	1. Coy.	0852.	1028.	WE Inf Bn tropical. 11/12 C/2 does NOT show arrangement. please advise number allowed. Lance ranks
7884	DC 2.	DUDI.	BASA 2000.	0700	1028	Daily Sick. 4 ORs 3 rash 1 ring worm.
7885.	0 85	1 Coy.	2nd WAM FORCE.	2200K/1.	1048.	SITREP 4 to 2000K/1. 5 dust Div to 1400K/4. Active patrolling continues all areas. Arty engaging opportunity target + harassing enemy. 162 US Regt NE rpt NE contact with Coy A last reported 1930K/31 in action approx 737954 Coy C. now closing on Jap perimeter 737954. Coy C. holding out. 15 Bn. morning 1 sep. D Coy at 748965 repulsed 2 enemy attacks. C Coy have now joined D Coy. 2. WAMPIT FORCE to 0800K/1. No change. Air ops 1 sep. ALEXISHAFEN Township. Jet dump bombed + strafed by 19 Libs. probable 42 MITCHELLS many fires started. some buildings destroyed direct hits on 5 barges. all informed.
7886	M 393	15 dust Div	2nd WAM FORCE.	0800	1048.	See stack.
7887	091	1 Coy	WAM FORCE.	0220	1000.	6 air message 08489 not 08439.
7888	E 2	To 30	WAMPIT F.	0700		Nil to report
7889	Q 813	WAM. F.	1 AUST. CORP	1057		Avn return.
7890	NSA1	ANGAU HARBOUR	PAINTER ALAN BASA	1131		How many carriers are required for weekly line how many loads remain of reserve.
7891	I 1565	24 Bn	11 FS	1430		Meteor report
7892	DF 85	1 AUST CORP	WAM. F.			SITREP 6 to 2000K/1 0.5 Div to 1400K/1. Active patrols continue all areas @ Arty engagements 60 plus being despatched harassing enemy @ 162 US Regt @ No contact with Coy A last reported 1530/31 in action approx 737955 @ Coys C & I now close on Jap perimeter 737948 where pocket still holds out @ 15 Bn @ element 1 sep D Coy at 748965 repulsed 2 enemy attacks @ C Coy has now joined D Coy @ 20 WAMPIT to 0800K/1 @ No change @ 30 Air ops 1 sep Alexshafen town barracks harbour and dumps bombed and strafed by 19 Libs and 42 Mitchells today fire started some buildings destroyed direct hit claimed 5 barges @ end part one part two pellets part two and final @ AMRON mission bombed by 12 Libs. by smoke observed from large fires so A/C left target area @ KARISA village accurately bombed by 8 Libs, 15 of 16 buildings destroyed @ NEW LAE 15 bombed by 11 FF with unobserved results @ dump area installations at BORSEN BAY bombed by 7 MAURAUDERS. Bombs in target area @ 12 MITCHELLS on barge search bombed and strafed plantations and buildings REIN BAY and 4 barges at Cape BOGAILANAK one set on fire others damaged @ 4 @ Lightnings @ OP reports increased nightly barge traffic LAE-SALAMAUVA @ all informed.
7893	EL 871	D Coy	24 Bn	1200	1405	SECRET SITREP 156 to 1200 K/2 @ 18 PL nothing further to report @ MAHORO O.P. nil report.

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7894	EL869	D Coy	24 Aug 0945	1435		16 Pl. reports 0700 to 0800 K/2 @ 5 trees felled EAST of enemy town 68502302000 from town the moving down gully SE. from town town to investigate.
7895	EL870	D Coy	24 Aug 1135	1452		Ref my EL869 16 Pl. patrol moved SOUTH 30 yds EAST 40 yds then N.E. 20 yds @ saw clearing in timber @ heard loud sounds of chopping NO mt @ deduction @ clearing fire lane. down gully SOUTH of enemy town @ returned WEST and observed fencing wire running parallel with EAST WEST track and approx 20 yds SOUTH of track @ wire tied around trees and about 1 foot off ground wire leads EAST to enemy town @ followed wire WEST 30 yds and a coil 30 yds in length JAP foot prints along SOUTH side of wire
7896	I1566	BASA	BASA	1530		PASSWORD from 1700 hrs. NOEL.
7897	I1567	24 Bn	11 F.S.	1730		METEOR report.
7898	095	1AUST CORPS	5DN RPID WAMPIT F.	1200	1800	Estimated 80 JAPS killed during Coy A action 31 Aug 1st @ High ground 739955 to 740955 now held by Coy I F 4 B @ Coy I F in contact with enemy estimated strength 250 in area 737954 02 @ WAMPIT FORLE to 0800 hrs @ NO change @ 03 @ night @ 1200 hrs 2 Des Regs 5000/12000 ton transport 75 miles N.N.W (BITAPE) course 200 @ 1015 hrs 20 small ships & barges from COPE SAINT GEORGE to 40 miles west course west @ 0930 hrs 3 barges FIN SCHAVEN @ All informed.
7899	089	1AUST CORPS	5DN RPID WAMPIT F.	1845	1800	make requests for air support to 1AUST CORPS other matters certify being dealt with.
7900	155	7070	5DN RPID WAMPIT F.	1400	1800	0700 to 1400 considerable much activity WERBS ECHOFFS VALUUM @ fine explosions & water sprays @ PE HARBOUR allied fire bombed LFE fine bombs fell VALUUM WOLD PT inlet heavy @/D near 17/17 hours ref photo map 0304 LFE 136112 via heavy and 132122 four heavy
7901	EL869	R-BASA	R-BASA	1900		SECRET SITREP to 1900 hrs @ 4 N.CO'S 140R now staged at MUMUNG 4 or 5 days work on SUNSHINE - MARKHAM RD. @ ENGRS @ out of communication with REAR BASA.
7902	I1568	R-BASA	R-BASA	1830		ASWR @ SUNSHINE 0700 hrs mil mil mil 1830 hrs 11y fog early morning Lt. wind N.E. very cloudy in EAST all day elsewhere scattered thunderstorm in 3rd late afternoon vis fair.
7903	EL877	D Coy	15BDE RP102438	1920	2025	number of files from BUSBARR 694052 40 BUKUPP 701045 and at NEW WAMPITU 685049
7904	X490	1AUST CORPS	WAMPIT FORLE	1700	2007	ref. map. 2487 29 Aug @ substitute 7065 gas for 7605 gas @ carb. all informed.
7905	EL876	D Coy	15BDE RP102438	1835	2025	with patrol left 14015 cont. @ out 0800 hrs in 1800 hrs route along high feature square 6503 0504 then EAST to NEW WAMPITU 685049

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7906	EL876	D. Day 24 BN	ISAPD RPTDUBN	1830	2025	SECRET SITREP 157 to 1830 H/2 O sound of talking & chopping enemy post. 685023 from 1525 H/2 MALOLO O.P. 1915 H/2 O only fire 6 shells on 753017 O smoke from 3 fires at 763050 from 1330 H/2 to 1500 H/2. See At Left.
7907	I149	WAMPIT F.	17905T 5-DIV	2015	2150	SECRET sitrep 37 to 2000 H/2 O 24BN O Ding BORNE patrol lasting 1 1/2 mins heard from 554217 WADD 1 inch direction 554217 not stated O 1850 H/1 1 pl 7 pl A. boy arrived FIRM BASE 554217 plus relay O 174572 1 sec 12 pl B. boy arrived PARTED 2. 272212 ROMMER 1 mit O all informed.
7908	7/9	TOJO	5 DIV. RPTD WAMPIT FORGE	1930	2150	1400 hrs to 1900 hrs continued host activity indistinguishable object south end of dome.
7909	I150	R. BNSA	ELECTRICIAN BNSA	2215	2250	advice received that requests for air strikes to be made to 1 ADST. CORPS.
7910	I147	WAMPIT FORGE	17905T CORPS	1710	2200	SECRET SITREP 36 to 1700 H/2 O B boy 1205 H/1 patrol north side BUANG river CONTACTED enemy ambush 632242 WAGO 1 mit O enemy strength 200 CAS estimated 57 FPS killed OMAN 1 killed O C la WINDOW OP with 49 NADZAB 1 mit O 900 H/2 + 1100 H/2 land explosion heard TAE O all informed.
7911	034	R. BNSA	R. BNSA	2145	2250	ref DO. MARKHAM ing BIVAS + ADV BNSA I 148 O AKGATU further advise that 10 LABU natives/strangers are those captured by P.1B between BWARIP MARKHAM PT & long O thought they may pass through WAMPIT VALLEY on either side or on raft O if possible they must be comprehended by not allowed to escape.
7912	0814	WAMPIT F.	17905T RPTD R. BNSA DUDI	2026	2250	request 6 fullphones 6 spare buggies re provided for urgent O.P. purposes if possible please drop GABENSIS
7913	I1570	24BN	WFS	0530		meteor report.
7914	L312	BIXA	R. BNSA RPTD R. BNSA	06-5	0605	strength return.
7915	I1571	R. BNSA	R. BNSA	0700		SITREP to 0700 H/3 O 0204 10 pl A/C came from SOUTH flew off north. approx 20000.
35 SEP 1943	I1572	24 BN	WFS.	0630.		METEOR REPORT.
7917	EL678	Play 24BN	15805T 24BN	0601	0831	SECRET SITREP 158 to 0600 H/30 16 PL nil report O HODLIS patrol out 0600 K/3 sounds from engine similar A/C last OP from 0510 K/3. At 0550 K/3 unable to identify distance fires reported in SITREP 157 O very bright at BUSAMA and BUKUAP from 1830 K/2 to 1945 K/2 4 smaller fires between BUSAMA and BUKUAP from 1845 K/2 to 1926 K/2.

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O.P. LOG SHEET.

2354 0515 METEOR report.
 2355 U/I plane from S to N 10000
 0545 U/I plane N to S
 0605 METEOR report
 0815 planes heard circling in NW. U/I
 0835 number U/I planes circling in N
 0945 The BRIGGS arrived PER. HALL
 1015 2 B 24 seen in E going W 14000 8 mile
 1040 heavy bombing heard in E lasting 10 mins
 1042 14 B 24's seen in N heading W 15,000. 10
 1055 7 B 24's passed overhead going S 14000
 1100 2 P 47 from N to S 15,000 . 2
 1115 METEOR report.
 1245 1 DC 3 from NW to S 10000 ft 6.
 1340 2 P 38 S to N overhead 4000
 1415 METEOR report
 1420 1 B 17 passed overhead going N 12000
 1545 1 B 17 from N heading SE 15,000 . 3

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7918.	DR6	DUDI REAR.	24BN	0600.	0725	Strength State.
7919	JG116	DUDI	24BN	0600.	0725	Strength State.
7920.	EL879	D Boy 24BN.	1580E mad 24 BN.	0600.	0844	Strength State.
7921	—	ARNOLD TSIHITSIH	24BN	2200 H/2.	0935 K/3.	NGARANENO. Station report 1 man has appendicitis can your MO. advise him. @ advise
7922	I151	WAMPIT Force.	1AUST Corp mad. REAR BASA.	0801	0844.	SECRET SITREP AO 0800 K/3 @ SITNOR. @ all inf.
7923.	DR. 7.	DUDI. REAR	BASA REAR. mad ADV BASA	0600.	0835.	WAMPIT Staging @ BN. 1.0R. @ other units R.W.W. 3 OR's YMCA repe. 1.0R. 82 DUDI. 1 off. 1.0R.
7924	Q21	1AUST CORPS.	5 DIV. WAMPIT Force.	1430K/30	0914 K/3.	SECRET @ time to be used 1AUST CORPS will be EASTERN STANDARD. time taken from F.B.C. time signal.
7925.	NJ2.	ANGAH MODO.	ADV BASA mad. MARKAM.	0825.	0930.	Guard placed RARI losing TIME RARI track.
7926.	DR. 8.	DUDI.	BASA. REAR mad. BASA. fwd.	0700.	0955.	Daily sick return @ 4 OR's @ 2 rash, 1 yuoande. 1 ringworms.
7927	RQ64	24BN.	Records OFFICE. LOC AREA. mad. Aust Corp. ADV BASA. BAKA	1030.	—	V285781 Pte. ARNOLD. RE. killed in action K/1.
7928	F7.	1010	5 DIV. mad 24BN	0730.	1055.	1300 At 0600 vis nil 0650 one barge moved S. 1 mile and returned smoke from TARI barge moved harbour.
7929	I1573.	24RIB.	11 Fighter SECTOR.	1115.		METEOR REPORT
7930.	O 8592	NG FORCE	WAMPIT FORCE.	1055 H/2	1135 K/3	NO Ack received operation instr number 92 @ all inf.

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7931	1 AUST WAMPIT Corps. FORCE. 0104 1 AUST Corps WAMPIT FORCE.	2215K/2	1135K/3	SITREP. 8 A0 2000K/2 0 1 0 5 AUST DIV no FURTHER report received 0 2 0 WAMPIT FORCE A0 0800K/2 NO change 3 0 air ops 2 Sept 0 BORGEBAY 3 barges bombed and strafed considered unserviceable 0 CAPE GLONCESTER runway bombed by 7 flying FORTRESSES 9 MIRAUDERS hit scored 1 flying FORTRESS lost bombers claim 2 enemy S.L.S. destroyed LAE 0 JACOBSEN VOCO point and town area bombed by 5 flying FORTRESSES results unobserved 0 WEWAK shipping bombed and strafed by 16 MITCHELLS one 7000/8500 AOW vessel one 2000/4500 AOW vessel hit left burning and sinking one 5500/7000 AOW vessel hit left burning probably sinking 0 3 MITCHELLS lost 0 bombers claim 6 enemy S.L.S. destroyed 5 probably 0 interceptions 0 WEWAK 4 1 LIGHTNINGS intercepted approx 25 enemy fighters 9 destroyed 1 probably 0 additional 15 LIGHTNING intercepted approx 12 enemy fighters 5 destroyed 2 probably own losses NIL 0 all in
7932	1133. WAMPIT REAR FORCE. PASA.	2021	2035	SECRET SITREP. 28 A0 2000K/30 0 24 BVD 0 1730K/30 - 2 Sect 11 PL arrived WAMPIT 307381. WAIMEI 1" 0 1500K/30 14 PL now at DOMSIS 459456 NADZAB 1" 0 0810K/30 1 det mortar left PARTER 2 for LEGA 521210 WAGO 1" 0 1925 A0 1840K/30 barges moving LAE - SALAMAU heard from LEGA 0 number not known 0 All informed.
7933	EL 881 D Coy 24 BN 15 DDE Lt Col 24 BN.	1105	1200.	109 wireless set remaining with Coy HQ rear details 604009 0 unadvisable to bring by charger so fwd postn.
7934	A131. 1 AUST Corps WAMPIT FORCE.	1140.	1200.	of CORPS RD 5 0 amend AUG A0 SEP 0 all informed.
7935	TSILI-TSILI FORCE.	2000K/31	0325K/1	SITREP. 132 A0 2000K/31 0 Mc CALLS. OP. 0 All day fire burning across WATUT VALLEY mouth on N side of MARKAM 0 appear to be one large fire 0 B. & D. Coy NO change 0 A Coy 7, 8 ARMY HQ SITNOR 0 patrol from GPL to REST HOUSE out 0700K/31 in 1500K patrolled through TIOBER W side WATUT from MARILINANO 0920K/31 in 1830K/31

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1040K/1

SITREP 858 A0 1000K/1 @ 1 AUST CORPS A0 2000K/31 @ 5 DIV A0 0800K/31 @ Active patrolling continues @ they active @ WAMPIT FORCE A0 0800K/31 @ Patrol at SUGARLOAF 612 258 heard considerable barge movement nights 27/28 Aug @ BENA FORCE A0 2000K/31 @ enemy patrol seen 16 in strength near MARRAWASSA @ AIROPS @ nil @ SHIPPING SIGHTINGS @ 1115K/31 6 barges 10 mls off shore FINSCHAFFEN and ROOKE IS. @ 1120K/31 1 5000/1000 ton vessel heading FINSCHAFFEN from ROOKE IS. @ all inf

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WAMPIT 2000 FORCE

2145K/1

SITREP 859 A0 2000K/1 @ 1 AUST CORPS A0 1000K/1 @ 5 DIV A0 2000K/31 @ COASTAL AREA @ enemy still holding out at approx 739953 and on high ground 734956 @ fighting in progress @ para 15 BN made contact with enemy from 748962 to 753964 @ have dug in at 742965 @ 29 BDE @ enemy positions have been located at 725957 728958-730957 @ 42 BN night flank now at 728956 @ 47 BN patrol reports enemy posn 713967 to 718969 @ SALAMAWA AREA @ 15 BDE patrols reports indicate that enemy has been reinforced @ enemy constructing def posns at 712012 and from 706007 to 710009 @ 714007 @ patrolling continues with our patrols in ascendancy @ AIROPS 1 SEPT @ ALEXISHAFEN shipping dumps and township area bombed strafed by 19 LIBERATORS 42 MITCHELLS @ buildings fired and explosions started @ one grounded A/C destroyed direct hits 5 barges @ AMRON mission bombed by 12 LIBERATORS target covered by heavy smoke @ KURISHI village bombed by 8 LIBERATORS target covered with heavy smoke 15 of 16 buildings destroyed @ LABU IS. bombed by 11 FORTRESSES results unobserved @ BORGEN BAY 2 ton dumps and installations bombed by 7 MARRAUDERS results unobserved @ REIN BAY 12 MITCHELLS strafed plantation buildings @ 3 barges bombed strafed CAPE BOGAS ALAWISKI @ SHIPPING SIGHTINGS @ 1200K/1 2 destroyers 5 9000/12000 ton Aps 75 miles NNW AITAPE course 700 @ 1155K/1 submarine going north 05 30 mins S 182 11 mins E divd on approach our A/C @ 0115K/1 20 small ships and barges between CAPE ST GEORGE and pt 5 mls W course 270 @ 0930K/1 8 barges FINSCHAFFEN @ all inf

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7938	I 1574	24BN		1415	-	METEOR REPORT.
			11 Fighter SECTOR			
7939	I 1575	WAMPIT Force.	111st CORPS NGF ADV BASA	1510		Received 125 each of LAE-MALAHANG 1" No 10,000 Shells I and II on 1/29 AUG.
7940	RI 173	NGF	WAMP FORCE	1905	1640	From Public Relation. NGARANENO photographs disappointing I 1527 being fuded today.
7941	I 1576	BASA	BASA. BIKA ANGAU FOAM S&SMM	1645		password from 1700 hrs. CAMBERWELL
7942	1579	24BN	111 Fighs.	1715	-	METEOR REPORT
7943	I 152	WAMPIT FORCE	111st CORPS	1615	1815	BOSAMANG native reported following to 17NGFW MAPOS @ JAP concentrations at MATOH 7040W SALAMAU 1/25000 from where daily patrol 2000 to mouth of BUANG river @ NO INFAN of it. at BUANG @ JAP garrison SALAMAU relieved by first hrs during past 2 weeks @ native labor evacuated @ NEV garrison arrived at night by destroyer & barges @ All info. native only.
7944	SIGS 6246	A.W.V Sgt.	24BN	1800	1815	Equipment for 1050 being flown to WAMPIT @ can you arrange carriers urgently @ Please advise.
7945	FB	1050	5 DIV RPTD W.F	1500	1815	0700 to 1600 much activity at ECHOFFS WE BBS transport to end of drone 1035 to 1100 number of A/R raised WAE 6 thick bombs dropped direct hits on TERRACE approx 13 buildings destroyed 1 thick S.W of drone NO damage @ future heavy water A/A new A/A power up. photomap 6304 @ 128123 heavy 17/17.
7946	I 1577	R. BASA	R. BASA	1830		ASWR @ 0645 hrs 0715 hrs 14y fog vis nil 0815 hrs 1830 hrs 14y fog early morning scattered cloud light breeze in afternoon from N.W vis fair
7947	036	WAMPIT	111st	0729	1840	no op. mstr 93 actual this 11.0.
7948	I 15778	R. BASA	R. BASA	1900		Sent Supp to 1900 hrs 11.0. by OSITNORD EMGRS @ unable to contact otherwise SITNOR.

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7949	I153	WAMPIT FORLE CORP RPTD WAMPIT F.	26 23	2185	SECRET SITREP 39 to 2000 H/3 @ 24 BN DC by N GARRANENO O.P. WTSN NADEFB 1 inch 1100-1130 H/3 MICHELLS 8P47 bombed & strafed from NORTH of MARKHAM over O fire burning at 468 525. 416 547 564548 " 420 564 " 415518 " 511570 NADEFB 1 inch O stick 14 bombs hit GABMATSUME MISSION B. by BUANG AREA SITNOR to 0745 H/3 NO further report all informed.	
7950	037	WAMPIT F.	N.S.F.	2065	2130	NO. of mtn 92 received this H.P.
7951	R965	R. BASA ALL. App.		2145		Log will render butifiate of offhd. auditor for month of Aug stating that books of log have been audited & that personnel in logs have been issued with intelligence of goods brought from vmtk funds & that records of values are available for inspection and have been prominently by posting on log notice boards
7952	RQ 66	R. BASA BINA RPTD A. 13/17/43		2155		VX 142077 Rk FALL J V136243 Rk TRINOR G.W. one selected for relief at T050 15 Sept O will be ready to leave SUNSHINE by 10 Sept.
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7953	I1580	24BN	11 FS	0530		Make report.
7954	L312	BIXA	BASA	0655	0655	Strength Return
7955	-	Legs	H.F.S.	0712	0715	Observed at 1st light from legs was 20 barges moving down the coast from LAE to SALAMAUVA. Sky firing was heard from same direction as the Buang Mouth
7956	-	Legs	H.F.S.	0715	0715	all but six of the barges sunk or sinking
7956	AIR FLASH	from MAPOS	0730	1200 ft	12000 ft	flying in & easterly direction. 8000 ft 17/c 15000 ft. flying same direction
7957	I1592	24 BN	Flight	0815		METEOR. report.
7959	I154	WAMPIT FORLE CORPS REAR BASA		0845	0812	Secret Sitrep 39 to O 800K/4. BUANG area. Observed and heard from LEGIA 521210 WTIME 1 inch at first light 20 barges moving down coast from LAE to SALAMAUVA. Sounds of heavy gun fire heard from same direction. Later report states all except 4 barges sunk. 0730 20 u/l. a/c. flying EAST over MAPOS. 412197. WAGO E at 12/15000 ft. all informed.
7959	DR11	JUDI	REAR	0600	0900	Sta. state.
7960	DR10	"	BASA	0600	0900	Sta. state.
7961	DR12	"	BASA	0700	0915	Daily Sec Return.
7962	JE 617	"	BASA	0600	0915	Sta. state.

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7963	RQ 67	R-BASA DUDI	10/4		For BUILDER. I. BASA. Cigarettes now in canton Bulolo. May Builder I. BIKA and minor 2 sign cash requisition for £30. to purchase same
7964	R 817	WAM FORCE	1800	0835	attn return.
7965	818 I 155	"	1130	1030	Ref Sitrep 39 to 0800K/4. NIR LEGA should be read 521211 WAGO 1 an. NOT WRIME.
7966	I 1583	R-BASA	1130	-	Meteor.
7967	R 818	WAM FORCE	1000	1120	Secret. Request further droppings GABKENSIS Two EW Two NA.
AIR FLAS IT			1320		1 ZLKE at 20000ft flying S to SW over MATPOS.
7968	038	WAMF	1476	1545	Secret 0 concerning May always instns 0 Z day adv. to same day and time and day mentioned in body of message 08489 of 23 aug 0 not day following.
7969	062	DUDI	1510	1545	Strength state. Killed V 235909 Pte BOOTHROYD OH. V R109116 Cpl GRAY HT 0. Wounded V 117868 Sgt BOYLE LC V 137163 Pte NASHUSEN LW. inflicted by Jap Army traps 0 GSW. in both legs V X 57051 Lt Col CHIBOS FS GEN in left side V R104540 Pte WHITBY LW.
7970	0122	1st Lt Capt WAMF	0100K/4	1540/4	Sitrep 10 to 2000 K/3 0 10 5 Amst Div to 0800 hrs 0 night 2/3 sept C+D Coy 15 Am repulsed further enemy attack 0 active concentration 2 sets on area 779971 and 724973 very effective 0 2 0 Wamit force to _____ Patrol B Coy 24th Bn contacted enemy sent from 6322+2 my WAGO " _____ Japs killed 0 30 enemy air 0 1255K/3 12 tons dropped MORABE harbour No damage 0 4 0 air obs 3 sets. 0 Capt GLOUCESTER 0 18 MITCHELLS 9 MAAADDERS bombed and strapped runway and store area fire started 2 barges strapped just west of Cape BERHAUDS 0 18 LIBS accurately bombed LAE terrace and vic buildings destroyed 0 5 LIBS bombed suspected enemy HQ LAE. 9 MITCHELLS bombed & strapped GABMATZUNG buildings destroyed. NARAKAPOR house strapped & possible area strapped fire started. YALW bombed and destroyed. MUNUM village strapped huts destroyed. 2 FFS. bombed & strapped LABU 0s and JACOBSENS. all informed.
7971	H 8	BIKA	1030	1350	credit Post's funds. Unable furnish certificate for AUG. Auditor absent on duty fwal area. On his return certificate will be submitted immediately.
7972	U 1	MARK	1000	1635	At night 3/4 Sep. 11, 13 14 PEs. 1 det mor in posn MARKHAM PT. area 15 PE. in reserve. 0530 K/4 14 PE moved from 565426 with 13 PE in Sp.. Progress delayed area honeycombed by booby traps vic 568429 cas 1 K 3 W 1 W remaining on duty posns 0900 K/4. 13 PE moving west of barricade approx 568431. 13 PE moving WEST of barricade NORTH along CAMP track towards barricade approx 56429. 0900 K/4 by shelling bombing over LAE. 0905-0910 K/4 by bombing old HEATHS not observed.

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7973 I1586 A.BASR F.BASR 1830 ASWR @ 0615 hrs nil nil nil 1845 hrs fog early morning scattered cloud during day light
breeze from WEST vis. fair

7974 I1589 R.BASR F.BASR 1900 SECRET SITREP to 1900 H/4 SITNOR.

7975 I1587 BASR ELECTRICIAN Boys 1820 Def. MR Good @ Transfer first letter F to J.

7976 06 MARK BASR RPT'D DUOI 1710 2000 SECRET Sitrep to 1700 H/4 @ further to U/3 @ 14pl after moving west of barricade penetrated into JAPS lanes of fire up to 5 yds long cut probably yesterday after ref 568433 @ Lt Col CHILDS and 3 ors penetrated forward to JAP camp 569483 not seen since @ 13pl not successful in covering was 14pl which is pinned down by auto fire @ JAP pt. 5 M.G. released by grenades @ sea to date 1 killed & wounded JAP cap known 12 killed to date 14 of 14pl reported back to DEEPCREEK by 1700 H/4 having escaped singly from ambush @ 1320 H/4 mortar fired 20 bombs into JAP camp & ambush from @ NO word from YOUNG who left look out 1200 H/4 to war. Lt Col CHILDS & party @ hand to hand fighting continuing.

7977 I158 WDMAT INSTL. FORCEPT. WDMAT F. 2020 2058 SECRET SITREP 41 to 2000 H/4 @ 74BN @ C Coy. MARKHAM PT. sea @ 1320 H/4 mortar fired 20 rounds into JAP camp 569433 HEATHS 1/25000 & ambush from 568431 @ enemy from 5 M.M.G. released with grenade @ 14pl struck freshly cut lines of fire at 568433 @ by 1700 H/4 14 pers. of 14pl had returned to DEEP CREEK @ known cap ENEMY 12 killed or 2 killed & wounded @ B Coy BUING fatal @ 0013 H/4 9 bursts from point 5 M.M.G. heard direction BUING RIVER mouth @ all informant.
1 JEEP reached top of ZENAC dome to-day.

7978

7979 03 MARK BASR 1300 1600 14pl pinned down by strong enemy force est. at least 50 strong. entrenched in fox holes @ large fields of fire cut by JAPS @ hst. from JAP defensive from 588436 @ Lt Col CHILDS wounded & both legs not able to evacuate him covered by JAP fire.
ambush defat.

7980 I1587 2480 H.F.S 0520

7981 07540 R.BASR F.BASR 0700 SETREP to 0700 H/5 @ SITNOR

7982 L315 BIRD BASR R. 0645 0653 Strength return

7983 - TIMNE BASR 0857 Strength return

7984 X/2459 CSO WDMAT H.F. FORCE 1430 0950 Route all signal traffic VIA BULOLO and RWW to MORESBY until further notice.

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0515 METEOR REPORT

0645 14/1 plane came from S circled overhead then went N

0650 1 B25 came from S went N 2000 ft

0750 1 B25 seen W going NW 12000 3

0805 5 P38 seen in W going NW 14,000 5

0815 METEOR report

0830 25 natives passed OP going N

0920 1 B25 seen in S going SE 12000 4

0945 1 WIRRAWAY came from NW went SE 9000 2

0950 16 P47 passed overhead going NW

0955 36 B25 passed overhead going N 12000

1005 4 P47 seen in W going N 10,000 5

1015 16 P47 seen in W going N 12000 6

1020 23 B24 seen in W going NW 13000 1

1040 1 P38 seen in W going N 16000 3

1043 3 B17 seen in W going S 16000 6

1047 24 B25 with fighter escort going S 14000 5

1050 1 B25 passed overhead 9000

1053 1 B25 seen in W going S 12000 4

1055 9 natives passed OP going W

1100 6 B24 and 1 B25 passed overhead going S 15000

1115 METEOR report

1119 1 DC3 came from NW went SW 9000 3

1120 6 B25 seen in W going S 12000 5

1121 5 B24 passed overhead going S 16000

1140 5 B25 seen in N going S 14000 5

1150 4 B25 came from S went NW 12000 7

1412 1 B17 seen in W going S 14000 8

1415 METEOR report

1650 5 B25 going SE 14000 12

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7984	08590	NGF	WAMPIT FORCE	1130K/2 1300K/4	SITREP. 860 A6 1000 K/2 @ 1 AUSTRALIAN CORPS A6 2000 K/1 @ 5 DIV A6 1400 K/1 @ COASTAL area @ para 15 BN at 748965 reinforced @ reported 2 enemy attacks @ ref SITREP 857 @ no report from right flank 1 BN 162 REGT last report 1830K/31 in action approx 737954 @ pocket enemy holding out 737948 being attacked @ other areas @ active patrolling @ ARDPS 1 SEPO 12 BEAUFIGHTERS strafed 4 barges at KAILAI plantation and BROWN IS. 3 left burning @ fuel dumps set on fire @ lights A/P posns at MALMAL mission silenced @ SHIPPING SIGHTINGS @ ref convoy SITREP 859 4 med sized vessels observed entering WEWAK HARBOUR. 2315K/1 @ all inf.
7985	TSIKI FORCE.	CG AIR FORCE.	NGF.	2109K/1 0729K/2	SITREP 133 A6 2000 K/1 @ A Coy SITNOR NO reports on patrol 9 PL A6 rest COMPACK HOUSE. @ B Coy contacted D. Coy patrol 1130K/31 near WAFIA REST HOUSE and do so daily. OP. PROPHEROS HILL reports fires across MARKAM. natives lightning hunting fires @ C. Coy patrol to MORUM report village deserted @ continue SITNOR D Coy 17 PL patrol report ONGA landing ground fit now for lights A/C @ patrol crossed MARKAM RIVER. at junction MARKAM WATUT RIVER. and crossed 100 yds upstream otherwise SITNOR. @ proceeding AMAIMI today returning SEP. Abind.
7986	51592	24 BN.	HF. S.	1115	METEOR report.
7987	PF1	ROCKS FORCES	BASA REAR.	0600	1117. strength state.
7988	PF2	P. FORCE	BASA REAR.	0600	1117 WAMPIT staging @ BN 1 OR. @ other units AW. W 3 OR's YMCA. 1 OR.
7989	PF4	P. FORCE	BASA REAR.	0700	1117. sick Return.
7990	9829	WAMPIT FORCE.	AUST CORPS.	0857	1117 Amm Return.
7991	5160	WAMP FORCE.	AUST CORPS REAR	0808	1130. SECRET SITREP 42 A6 0800 K/5 @ BUANG area @ 2330 A6 2340 K/5 sounds of explosions thought to be gun fire followed by explosions direction LAE reported from LEGA. 521210 WAGOI @ ALL informed.
7992	006	BUILDER BASA.	MINER ADYBASA	1140	1330 1 Bpl THISTLE WHITE will consider after action.

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2383	0515	Met report				
4	0545	411 a/c overhead plus S.				
5	0620	by gun f heard in E			16 mi	
6	0815	met report				
7	0900	Bomb heard in E				
8	0920	9 B25 seen in E flying S		14000		
9	0925	4 P47 passed over going S		10000		
90	1000	1 B25 in W		15000	7	
1	1010	1 Warraway overhead		10000		
2	1045	P38				
3	1115	Met report				
4	1230	1 P38 from SE going NN		16000	9	
5	1415	MET report				
6	1430	1 B25 to N		12000	10	
7	1615	1 B17 in W		16000	5	
2398	1630	3 P38 from NW heading S		8000ft		

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2499 2481	0515	Met report				
	0630	1 411 a/c overhead				
	0815	Met report				
	0820	115 passed O.P. going N				
	0845	No of 411 a/c came from S went W.				
	1020	9 B24 circled over went S		15000		
	1025	1 B17 from S went N		10000	7	
	1027	3 P47 " " " N		15000		
	1030	3 B24 " N " S		10000		
	1040	9 DC3 " S " N		6000	3	
		4 P38 " " "				
	1045	20 B25 " N " S		12000	3	
	1048	8 " " N " S		10000	2	
	1052	4 B25 " N " S		10000	2	
		4 P47 " " " S				
	1115	Met rep				
	1210	12 P38 " N " S		12000	5	
	1235	1 B25 " S " W		12000	5	
	1325	fire 20° O.P. 1 mile				
	1415	Met report.				

A.S.W.P.

0610 0720 14y fog vis had
 0820 1830 fog early morn scat clouds
 during day. Lt SW wind Thunder in S
 vis fair

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overcast 7000 5 2c Hera 8000 8 scat Haze 6000 7

2470	0515	Met report				
	0600	411 a/c from S to N				
	0810	411 a/c " S to W.				
	0515	Met report				
	0900	1 B17 " S to N		16000	3	
	0950	9 DC3 + P47 overhead to NW		10000		
	1050	1 B17 in E going S		16000	3	
	1055	3 B24 from N to SW		16000	4	
	1000	3 B24 in E going S		14000	4	
	1105	2 Boomerangs going E		12000		
	1115	Met report				
	1116	3 B24 from N to S		15000	6	
	1444	3 P38 in S going NW		16000	4	
	1145	3 B24 overhead " S		15000		
	1210	3 DC3 from N going S		2000		
	1256	3 P47 from N to S		15000		
	1310	6 DC3 " N to S		3500		

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7993.	IR462)DWD)	BASA w/rdy Ad MARK	1300.	1330	SECRET SITREP 314 A0 1330K/5 window 1030K/5 bombing heard direction NARAKAPA R 1030K/5 strafing by allied A/C along N bank and beyond river 1045K/5 NEW LABUIS strafed by large number of allied A/C comms still out with BOBS and BEYOND.
7994	U 8	MARK. BASA	1140	1355.	L/tye ADLINGTON reported DEEPCK 1100K/5 with 5 others. reported the GOODALL killed in fog ambush. reported cleared lanes of fire behind which were well constructed def posns with logs 18 in high in front of trenches. cleared lanes of fire from approx 567430 to 568432 with .5 MMG believed situated 567430. known cas to date 1 killed 5 wounded. 26 offrs 8 ORs missing. mortar pl. sighted para tps landing vic is NADZAB. fly strafing bombing vic island and NORTH bank. 1040-1110.
7994	51593	24BN	1420	-	METEOR REPORT
7995	Q820.	WAMPITISALUST FORCE INFBDE	1430	1530	SECRET @ ref 5 AWST DIV @ 120 @ phase advise details mvt all pers in 24BN in your AREA other than D Coy
7996	G821	DY BASA DWD R DWD R. BASA RETTA BASA	1445	1535	phase advise particulars of definitely known cas.
7997.	K161	ADV BASA	1612	1650	For electrician @ The practice of concluding SITREPS with words "OTHER WISE SITNOR" isn't correct @ Infer in SITREPS must cover all OP's @ time of closing and the above words will not be used.
7998	IR622	DUDI BASA w/rdy R MARK	1540	1625	SECRET SITREP 315 A0 1500 K/5 1500 K/5 comms esp BOBS and BEYOND @ QNG AR ANENO OP. 0630 K/5 shelling heard direction LAE 1035 K/5 approx 300 Allied A/C over area (C) MITCHELLS and Rossens bombed NORTH side of river followed by fighters who laid down smoke screen for followed by 150 transports flying at approx 500 ft large number of paratroops dropped in vic @ CABMATZUNG and NADZAB. ELG @ 1135K/5 8 hrs landed allied troops near mouth of ERAP river who started to build bridge across MARKAM river 1415K/5 12 barges loaded with troops moved from CHIVASING to SHELTONS crossing pulling into S bank @ 1145K/5 rifle shots heard. VIC headwaters of ERAP river @ 1145 K/5 large firs VIC HEAT AS, smoke rising to approx 5000 ft 1412K/5 coloured parachutes dropped on NADZAB ELG @ 1525 K/5 bridge across MARK almost completed @ 1530K/5 9 barges loaded with troops moving downstream from

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VIC SHELDONS. crossing KIRKS OP 1420 K/S 3 MMG and 12 rifle shots heard
VIC CHWASHING village.

7999 I1594 24BN 11FS 1735

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8000 0146 186ST WAMPIT CORP 24007/4 1825

Wampit zone to 0800 K/4 0 first light & left 20 barges moving along coast LAE to SALAMAUVA 0
later unconfirmed reports indicate 16 sunk 04 0 Air Ops 7 Sept 0 12 Beau fighters strafed 15 barges
ANNEN PD with cape back - barge bay. hope gaulle barge ~~Shoreland~~ 14 trucks trucks & ASMATT
0 1 barge smoking, 1 truck destroyed 3 damaged 0 night night 3/4 Sept 6 CRTALEANAS bombed
UNFANANU LDYANU & RADOPO ordnance fires & explosions seen 4 Sept 0 LAE FIRE 70 24
LIBERATORS heavy bombed enemy gun forms NEAN CALEDONIA near WEBBS believed
submarine damage 0 also bombed SOCO ~~ordnance~~ area S.E. of LUNAMMAN & bridges
over BUTIBUN river fire started bridge probably destroyed 0 9 MITCHELLS bombed
HOPOI ship & ~~of~~ BUHEM river 0 9 MITCHELLS bombed & strafed pos. & dump area 0
preliminary report fighter interception indicates 2.5 enemy life destroyed report
NOT complete 0 all informed

8001 2062 FO. Mgt. 29 Nov 1130 1825

V129130 RIPP signal if member on strength or movement.

8002 011 WAMPIT 186ST CORP 1645 1830

RETREP to 1500 H/5 0 further info. to hand action ~~WAMPIT~~ c bay 24BN MARKHAM PT
174 10 ft mated STAP forms at first light moving around barracks completely surprising
enemy were being killed in sleeping quarters ~~STAP~~ form 14 ft occupied under enemy truck
but STAPs quickly occupied alternate forms. 0 new enemy forms opened up behind
the sea cutting off all attempts reinforcement 0 13 ft by logs of 10-18 inches
in height 0 ~~was~~ was enemy ~~known~~ killed 18 believed ~~slain~~ slain 0 OWN 200 2 killed
6 wounded 2 offrs. 800 missing) ~~part~~ in trucks lost part of message
14 ft fought enemy off until 1400 H/4 when forced to retire as enemy held higher
posns & were raining hand grenades on our ops 0 contacting enemy until more details
near fresh STAP defensive form 0 this role consistent with instructions MPT. FREDY
that form. was not to be taken of by losses involved 0 form cannot be taken chiefly
by in enemy forms capable of holding up to 200 at least all beaches protected.
Oly logs up to 18ms high 0 see enemy ~~known~~ killed 18 believed ~~slain~~ slain 0 OWN 200
2 killed 6 wounded 2 offrs. 800 missing

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8003	7595 R-BASA R-BASA	1830	ASWR.
8004	71596 R-BASA R-BASA	1900	SITREP to 1900 H/S @ SITMOR.
8005	9233 COMM R 24 Bm BULLDOG	1855 1920	For Lt. Col. SAINT SMITH CRE 1st Aust Army Bn @ N.G.F. signal received 96426 reads quote H.Q. "2 plus 2/9 Aust. Army field base will NOT repeat NOT move to SUNSHINE area until completion add base - BULLDOG @ 0800 will be continued forthwith.
8006	AIR. FLASH	2000	1 up flying over LFE.
8007	9230 AREA WAMPIT comp. FORCE BULLDOG	1420 2130	For Lt. Col. SAINT SMITH CRE 1st Aust Army Bn @ further to our 9233 @ N.G.F. 504509 reads N.G.F. 4230 cancelled @ 2/9 Aust. Army field base, it will remain present task until further orders from H.Q. N.G.F. @ 1 pl will carry out task SUNSHINE MARKHAM road set out G.O. 1030
8008	9824 R-BASA R-BASA	2125 2220	Confirmation of cas. killed VX136413 PTE GOPDALL F.J. missing believed wounded AK 57501 CHILDS. F.S. M. missing VX104187 Lt. Young M.J. VX109006 Sgt. GRAY M.D. VX104402 Sgt. BETSON. P. VX104448 PTE. HELLENS. W. V260513 Pte. DEARLY. R.R. VX109006 Pte. SULLIVAN. J. V255944 Pte. WALTER J.F. V269119 Pte. RAMSDALE. R.N. wounded V2117868 Sgt. BOYLE L.C. VX104549 Pte. WAT WHITBY. L.A. G.S.W. Sgt. side. V296142 Pte. SHAW. W. G.S.W. finger left hand. V127161 Pte. WITSHUSEN S.M. V270016 Pte. HAWKINS P.E. promotion in field 4 left. Sgt. BLUNDELL H.W. to acting/SGT.
8009	H63 WAMPIT SERV. Sgt.	2030 2220	SECRET. SITREP to 2000 H/S @ 24 Bm OB by BUANG AREA OOP. 542223 WAF60 1 inch 00925 H/S 8 destroyers 2 subs 7 long barges seen approx 8 miles off shore inland East of LFE then turned south disappeared 1200 H/S @ 6 boats @ NGARENEND of 417517 NADZAB 1 inch @ 0630 H/S shelling heard direction LFE @ 1035 H/S allied APC out. 500 over MARKHAM following a smoke screen laid down by fighter APC approx 150 APC planes dropped large number paratroops in. NADZAB + GABMATSONG ELGS. @ 1135 H/S 3 boats landed allied H/S near mouth ERAP river @ 1145 H/S large fires HEATHS smoke rose 5000 ft. @ 1415 H/S 17 barges seen allied H/S down MARKHAM to vic. SHELDONS CROSSING 392517 or south bank @ 1600 paratroops dropped NADZAB ELG. @ 1530 H/S 9 barges with H/S moving east from SHELDONS left to vic. 419528 @ 1630 H/S 2 parties 50 each moving to 395523 direction 66 MOSUNG @ 1750 H/S several barges H/S towards GABMATSONG @ 1600 H/S paratroops south ERAP disembarked barges to south bank @ MARKHAM Pt. @ 1740 H/S 134

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8009 (CONT)					15 pls. contacted JAPS at 5674280 14 pl. pers. holding track junct. 563428 02 M.C. fire heard vic 5654310 ACR informed.
8010	042	WRMPIT 1805T F. 20RPS	4120	2307	SECRET @ 24 BN MARKHAM pt. area contacting JAP. A.P. mines @ Request info re de-loading. likely fusillade & magnetic types to be forwarded as soon as possible.
8011	EL894	P. Boy 15 BDE 24 BN RPTD 24 BN	0600 1/4	0032	SECRET SITREP 161 to 0600 1/4 flashes from ship & explosions seen on coast at TAE 15 pl. nil report.
8012	EL893	B. Boy 15 BDE 24 BN RPTD 24 BN	0530 1/4	0032	TEN light and 21 smaller boats anchored off from TAE port.
8013	EL895	D. Boy 15 BDE 24 BN RPTD 24 BN	0635 1/4	0032	AFC store at 613013 destroyed by fire all rations destroyed including 2 days S.W.P. awaiting by boy line to FWD port @ three days for held by each pl at 0650 1/4 fire started at end of hut used as sleeping quarters by A.S.C. representatives & spread to main building
8014	EL912	B. Boy 15 BDE 24 BN RPTD 24 BN	1101	0032	SECRET SITREP 163 to 1200 1/5 @ GRANT patrol out 0600 1/5 @ object seen MALAGOWAN and sea East of MALAGOWAN @ 1135 1/5 approach & own shots heard on 787035 NO report GRANT patrol @ 16 pl. nil report RECKIE patrol.
8015	0825	WRMPIT 1805T F. RPTD 24 BN	2230	0032	SECRET @ further to 0818 request following dropping GABENSIS by 8 Sept @ TWO planes EUROPEAN TWO fast planes native 250 3 inch MOR. HE. @ plane advise.
8016	EL911	D. Boy 15 BDE 24 BN RPTD 24 BN	1110	0350	1100 1/5 HOLLIS patrol in @ route north along high feature 6503. 6502 then me to 665025 Muncaster village 695044 @ null village NOT identify occupied @ NO enemy observed in area.
8017	EL908	D. Boy 15 BDE 24 BN RPTD 24 BN	0601	0350	SECRET @ SITREP 164 to 0600 1/5 @ 0545 1/5 two meta launches moved E around N. end of SH2 AMUDU peninsula @ HECKIE patrol out 0530 1/5
8018	EL895	D. Boy 15 BDE 24 BN RPTD 24 BN	0600	0350	Strength stat.
8019	11039	15 BDE WRMPIT F.	1146	0350	L. C. ASBY 2626 of departed this area contact SHINE 5 left @ staying MISSIM POLIMONG. BIRNIE. POWERHOUSE @ etc. POWERHOUSE 9 left @ WRMPIT FORCE will arrange meet party POWERHOUSE at onward mt @ advise date of arrival

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8020	EL918	D Day 24 BN	15 BDE RPTD 24 BN	1709	0350	VX 131	PTE MILLS J.G. evacuated to M.S.P. HOTEL.
8023	EL917	D Day 24 BN	15 BDE 24 BN	1705	0350	VX 103995	Lt. BASTAN H.M. arrived this H.Q.
8024	EL853	D Day 24 BN	15 BDE 24 BN	1230	0350	SECRET	SITREP 159 to 1730 M/3 @ 16 fl chopping heard during morning @ NO. tree falling 1155 M/3 dense cloud of smoke from E slope of high feature at approx 687040 @ deduction burning off. from native garden @ smoke still rising from 1320 M/3.
8025	EL886	D Day 24 BN	15 BDE 24 BN	1552	0350		ref gear seth 15/23 of 12 aug @ stat. completed & forms being returned today
8026	EL892	D Day 24 BN	15 BDE 24 BN	1220	0350		ref my setup 160 @ time first seen at 696050 1925 M/3 @ at 695044 1955
8027	EL891	D Day 24 BN	15 BDE 24 BN	1821	0350	SECRET	SITREP 160 to 1830 M/3 @ 1625 M/3 JAPS swimming in numbers from 3 to 12 swimming at mouth ANISI creek 712044 @ 2250 M/3 explosions possibly from grenades thrown in water 3 JAPS swam to pts of explosion deduction killing fish JAPS last seen entering scrub at S. of ANISI creek 712044 @ 1700 M/3 boats containing 5 bodies moved from 696052 to ODEAS REEF 698053 3 JAPS swam in vic. of boats @ 1735 M/3 boat turned 696052 & swimmers at 712044 left water when flare was heard in distance 1700 M/3 to 1735 M/3 smoke observed 794052 @ 1816 M/3 fires seen at 696050 @ 1825 M/3 fires seen at 685044 @ both fires still burning @ 16 fl @ junction pl. NO report.
8028	EL905	D Day 24 BN	15 BDE 24 BN	1659	0350	YX 24161	MR DEBNEY arrived this H.Q. 1630 M/4
8029	EL902	D Day 24 BN	15 BDE 24 BN	1618	0350	JACKSON	patrol in @ result unable to contact track leading E from enemy pos at 685023 @ NO track in area from approx 683024 to 688024 @ country heavily timbered providing NO observation @ LEE KIE out 0600 M/5 to find & cut enemy h of c from 685023
8030	EL909	D Day 24 BN	15 BDE 24 BN	0600	0350		Strength Return
8031	EL913	D Day 24 BN	15 BDE 24 BN	1251	0350		1245 M/5 @ 16 fl report rifle burst & over shots from E of posn. 685023 @ several shots passed W through trees above own tps at 684023

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8032	EL884 24BN	D Coy 15BDE 24BN	1320	0850	1300 H/3 JACKSON pl moved N from 684023 @ object seen over north & N.E on enemy forms. 685023
8033	EL907 24BN	D Coy 15BDE 24BN	1131	0830	SECRET SITREP 133 to 1830 H/4 MAHORO O.P @ 1330 H/4 one J.F.P. moved N down beach out track to ASINI creek 704038 1615 H/5 2 J.F.P.s moved E along track 707038 @ 1815 H/4 WALLACE patrol in @ report track cleared 686036 @ NO enemy movt. disturbed SE. of track.
8034	EL899 24BN	D Coy 15BDE 24BN	1201 H/4	0950	SECRET SITREP 162 to 1200 H/4 STEVEN STEPHENS patrol to MAHORO track out 0630 H/4 WALLACE to see OLD MAHORO track & track junction 686037 out 0630 H/4 JACKSON & HOLLIS pl. NO report.
8035	EL901 0110	WAMPIT CORP FORCE	1130 H/2	0350	SITREP 9 to 1000 H/3 @ 1 @ 5 DIV to 2000 H/2 @ on patrol active in all areas @ J.F.P. form. located 712996 @ on Apr 718961 @ on high ground to W. & N. W. 747966 @ patrol 15 BN cleared J.F.P. forms 754963 @ 2 @ WAMPIT Force NO further report @ 3 @ str ops @ 2 left @ additional results WEWAK @ 1 gun boat left burning 1/1500 2500 ton vessel received direct hit result unobserved 150-100 ton vessel & beached junk left burning @ all informed.
8036	EL897	24BN	11.F.3	0530	Meteor Report.
8037	EL898	R. BASA R. BASA		0700	SITREP No 0700 H/6 @ SITNOR.
8038	EL896	R. BASA R. BASA		0645 0700	Strength Stat.
8039	EL899	24BN	11.F.5.	0815.	METEOR.
8040	EL922 24BN	D Coy 15BDE R. 24BN	0601	0850	SECRET @ SITREP. 107 NO 0600 K/6 @. 16 PL mil report @ GRANT and STEPHENS patrols NO report @ BEST patrol out 0630 K/6 @ route NE. @ village 685044 then EAST @ BUSAMA 694-052 @ object seen BUSAMA and track LAE-SALAMAH.
8041	EL923 24BN	D Coy 15BDE D Coy 24BN	0600	0910.	Strength Stat
8042	EL895	WAMPIT CORP FORCE	0820	0917	SECRET SITREP 44 NO @ 800 K/6 @ NGARRANEND O.P. 417517 NAOZAB reported 0840 K/6 explosions direction DWARPA 449-522 thought possibly grenades @ 110 K/6 further explosions with rifle shots same direction @ 0125 K/6 burst fire gap by MMC VIC NAOZAB EL.G @ all informed.

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8643	PF9	P. FORCE BASA REAR.	0600	0930	WAMPIT staging @ BN. 1 OR. @ other units AWW 30's YMCA 1 OR. PACK TRANSPORT @ 1 OR
8644	PF10	P FORCE BASA REAR.	0600	0930	SICK RETURN.
8645	PF8	P FORCE BASA REAR.	0600	0930	Strength state.
8646	I166	W. FORCE I A CORP R. BASA.	0905	0950	SECRET SITREP 45 A 0900 K/6 @ 0855 K/6 message received from LEGA M/R 521210 WAGD1" from 2120 to 2130 K/6 intensive barge activity from SALAMAUA to LAE.
8647	Q826	W. FORCE I A CORP	0903	0950	AM.N. return
8648	Q827	W. FORCE I A CORP R. BASA.	0910	1000	SECRET further to Q818. Q825 request 10 drums & 3 single cable to be dropped GABENSIS by 8 SEP.
8649	Q828	W. FORCE I AUST CORPS.	1000	1035	I AUST CORPS signal @ 56 instructions all 24 BN personnel your area except D Bay be returned to unit @ only 2 officers 26 OR's being returned @ Please advise location and movement @ all personnel this unit required urgently.
8650	I1600	W FORCE I AUST CORPS.	1030	-	C Bay 24 BN reports 1 gap hoy gun firing VIC HEATHS @ further parties following first opportunity.
8651	RQ68	24 A.I.B RECORDS OFFICE. NG.L.O.C R. I AUST CORPS ADV BASA DUOI.	1055	-	VX136413 PEE. GOODHALL. FJ killed in action K/4 @ following reported missing in action K/4 NX57501 Lieut CHILDS. F. H. VX104167 Lieut YOUNG. M. J. VX104402 L/CPL BETSON. R. VX104448 PEE HELLENS. W. V260513 PEE DELACY. R. R. VX109416 PEE SULLIVAN. J. V255944 PEE WALKER. J. A. V269119 PEE RAMSDALL. R. N @ following wounded in action K/4 VX117868 Sgt BOYLE. L. C. VX104540 PEE WHITBY. L. A. V296142 PEE SHAW. W. V127162 PEE WASHWSEN. H. M. V260016 PEE HORKINS. R. E.
8652	RQ69	24 A.I.B. 15 A.I.B.	1045	-	Reported missing in action K/4 @ NX57501 Lieut CHILDS. F. H. VX104167 Lieut YOUNG. M. J.
8653	I1601	24 A.I.B. II. F.S.	1115	-	METEOR. Report.
8654	W14	MARK SMITH FORCE R. BASA. DIXA.	1021	1215	Mortar staff BUANG MOUTH keep up harassing fire incl TWO" mortar can used DAMBI VICKERS if wanted replace with SUNSHINE spare.
8655	EL979	D. Bay 24 BN	1553	1910	See report.
8656	I1605	R. BASA I A. BASA	1830		ASVR.
8657		PAIR FLASH	1954		1 off A/L own WINGS O.P flying S.E.

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8055	0165	1 AUST CORPS	NGF	2225	1230	<p>SITREP 14 to 2000 K/5 @ 5 AUST DIV to 0800 K/5 no change @ 2 @ 7 AUST DIV to 1200 K/5 1745 K/5 2/2 pioneer BN established KIRKLANDS dump @ our parachute troops landed NADZAB area @ NO enemy air interception @ 1030 K/5 A/C A lights report our troops crossing MARKAM river from south bank vic JUNC WAMPIT river @ 3 @ 9 AUST DIV to 1350 K/5 adv 26 BDE (remains covering beach head with) reported @ 1200 K/5 958 443 @ NO contact with enemy @ 20 BDE remains covering beach head with det vicinity RUMEM river @ 24 BDE departed concentrated area 0930 K/5 according to plan @ 1600 K/5 @ ADV HQ 9 AUST DIV at ALUKI 889 725 @ 40 WAMPIT FORCE to 0800 K/5 afternoon 4 SEPT C 60y 24 BN resisted enemy MARKAM point area killing 12 @ END of part 1 para 2 follows</p>
8056	0830	W. FORCE	7 AUST DIV R. 1 AUST CORP	1212	1237	<p>SECRET for purpose of evacuating casualties can pour barge at night available to pick up wounded DEEP CREEK M/R. HEATHS. 1/25 000 562 433 and come to NORTH bank MARKAM for evaluation AIR from NADZAB @ Please advise ETA barge DEEP CREEK.</p>
8057	06263	AWW TSILI TSIAI	24 BN	0955	1230	<p>Eqpt for delivery LAE flour DULOLO today @ charger there not working @ Can you send one on loan from PARTER or WAMPIT or as far fwd as possible, urgency cannot be stressed @ Please advise.</p>
8058	0831	WAM.F.	AWW. Zili Tali	1338	1400	<p>Charger available @ taken over by Sgt LEWIS 2/2 Pioneer now at Kirklands awaiting transport across river @ please acknowledge and arrange transport. Ref Sig. 6263</p>
8059	I160Y	a4 gr.	11 F.S.	1430		<p>Motor report</p>
8060	CG29	AWW Guelo	24 gr.	1435	1455	<p>Ref our Sig 6263 @ message should read equipment for delivery LAE op flour DULOLO today.</p>
8061	0165	Part 2	and final	2225	1458	<p>part @ 5 @ air ops 5 sep. @ 9 Mitchells bombed and shrapnel CAFE GLOUCESTER dispersal area A/A posn and dump areas 2 serviceable are destroyed on ground hits claimed A/A posn fires started @ 3 Bostons laid smoke screen for paratroops NADZAB later shrapnel LABU ISLAND @ 23 Liberators 1 Fortress bombed HEATHS. @ house & defence completely @ 60 Mitchells bombed and shrapnel NADZAB-NARAKAPOR-YALU-GABSONKER MACS CAMP and LABU ISLAND covering paratroops landing @ All informed.</p>
8062	052785	16F	NAM.F.	2744/00	9548/6	<p>for a @ 05 ref BOOTS patrol @ all available being despatched air flight 0900 30 Aug.</p>
8063	0853Y	NGF	NAM.F.	1530/31	1548/6	<p>I 125 of 30 Aug. @ reference number quoted by you not known @ please check.</p>

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8664	RQ70	24 Aug	D Coy	1545		req our RQ by 2 Sep @ VK135505 Pte BROWN G.R. returned SUNSHINE from BRANCH CREEK contrary to orders @ he has been ordered to return and left SUNSHINE PM today for POWERHOUSE @ date named arrival HOTE 12 August.
8665	0165	1st Lt	NSP.5 749 BUS WAM. FORCE	2227/5	1600 ^{h/6}	SITREP 14 to 2000K/5 @ 1 @ 5 DIV to 0800K/5 @ no change @ 2 @ 77 DIV to 1200K/4 @ 1845K/4 2 1/2 hrs from Lt. KIRKLANDS Amtr @ morning 5 parachute paratroops landed NADZAB area @ no enemy air interruption @ 1030K/4 a/c in light report over the crossing MARKHAM R from SOUTH bank via junc WAMPIT R. @ 9 @ 9 Div. to 1350K/5 @ ADV 26 Gde continues westwards @ 1200K/5 fwd elements on general line 841459 858443 @ no contact with enemy @ 20 Gde remain cover beach head with det via BUHEM R. @ 24 Gde. to 0930K/4 according to plan.
8666	I1603	Basa	AM. Unit etc	1640		Password from 1700 hrs MATERIAL.
8667	E2925	D Coy.	24 Aug	1105	1650.	1845K/6 GRANT patrol in @ after contacting enemy Amtr from 687035 patrol moved EAST crossing CK running NORTH SOUTH in square 6803 @ moved N along CK thence W recovering CK @ heard large number of voices on OLD MOLOLO track @ crossed NE 200 yds and again heard voices @ unable to observe mut voices @ unable observe mut owing to dense nature of undergrowth @ returned S along CK thence W to O.P. 672032 @ observation @ enemy in posn covered open th along narrow spur LMG sited on both sides of track covering track and gullies on E & W sides of slopes of spur @ deduction enemy in strength from Amtr from N to CK junc 687036 @ no enemy SE of OLD MOLOLO track.
8668	I1604	24BN	11FS	1715.	-	METEOR. Report.
8669	I1605	R. PASA	D. PASA	1835	-	ASWR. report.
8670	I1606	R. PASA	A. PASA	1900.	-	SECRET SITREP. AD 1900K/6 @ SITNOR.
8671	I167	WAMPIT FORCE	1 POST CORP RPTD 6014	2020	2103	SECRET SITREP 46 to 2000K/6 @ 24 EN @ L. Coy. MARKHAM P.A. @ night K/5/6 JAP gun observed approx 593040 NADZAB incl 00904K/6 number of fus. on log drifted south to north bank MARKHAM opposite MARKHAM PT. @ patrol to 568433 along river track now NO mut. JAP ambush. 70 JAPS further East @ 1230K/6 & 1415 K/6 patrolled to edge enemy field of fire heard voices NO. mut seen @ 1700 - 1720 K/6 muts fired 40 bombs into JAP camp @ ambush force @ NGARENENO O.P. 67517 @ morning K/6 planes landed tractor tracks jeep & trailers NADZAB drone fired shells landed vic NGASAWAPUM 01245 K/1500 K/6 explosions heard direction WARRAPOR @ PM K/6 Japs crossed to NORTH bank MARKHAM in barges 9 canoes landed vic GABMAZUNG @ all informants.

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8672	RQ71	WAMPPT FORCE	1763T CORP RPTD A-0000	2150	up on RA 16/43 of 19 Aug to N.G.F. @ application compassionate leave VX104489 Pte O'BRIEN F.J. @ soldier's wife now seriously ill @ could reply be expected soon.
8673	RQ72	A-0000	all logs	2150	In order to expedite delivery of mail will BUILDERS obtain from all personnel who so desire authorities for postal orders to forward on reg. mail @ authorities to be sent RA-13175A alternatively authorities may be sent to some person in this area to pick mail up.
8674	Q83	WAMPPT F.	LATE OP. RPTD REARPORT	2500	2500 256 back load U.S. battery charges replacement on way.
8675	EL935	D Coy 24 BN	15 ADE 24 BN	1825 0005	16 ft. @ Kelly patrol out 1030 17/6 in 1820 17/6 @ moved S.E. from 684 023 to small prison running S. from enemy form 685023 @ moved N along prison to trip wire reported in log. EL 970 of 2 Sept @ patrol crossed wire @ observed three strand fence 4 ft. high spanning E-W distance between fence 15 yds @ 3 rd fence 5 strand high 5 1/2 ft 10 yds from 2 nd fence @ 15 yds from top of spur @ At 1700 17/6 patrol observed enemy pill-box on ridge @ voices heard from behind pill-box @ own Mps threw grenades in direction of voices @ enemy approx 20 moved towards pill-box @ unit fired on by own Mps enemy returned fire with L.M.G. @ grenades @ car enemy unknown own hill observation @ sentry not posted at these times @ trees fell down gully to allow open space between 2 nd & 3 rd fence @ give fields of fire @ 2 platforms observed in trees @ deductions C.P. for sniper posts @ enemy grenade exploded at feet of own Mps @ loud explosion but no damage.
8676	F10	3050	N.G.F. RPTD WAMPPT F	2100 0005	isolated shots heard vic. 581381 NADZ7B 1 inch last 2 days request 2 further patrol boys for guard.
8677	51607	2430	11 FS.	0530	taken report.
8678	0178	1108T CORP	WAMPPT F	1040 0605	SITREP 15 to 1000 17/6 @ 1 @ pl 42 Bn occupied enemy form 726965 @ B Coy 15 Bn unsuccessfully attached enemy form 751964 @ 2 enemy attacks 760963 repulsed @ 2 @ 7th Aust Div to 2000 17/5 @ no further report @ 3 @ 9th Aust Div 1730 17/5 @ 1700 17/5 forward Mps 26 Bde carried out attack up front advance BUHEM river from east to TRUD @ WAMPPT FORCE to 1500 17/5 @ own Mps engaged with enemy form MFRKHAM POINT area in accordance with their role @ All informed.
8679	L317	BINA	A. BANA	0005 0000	Strength Return

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8680.	I1609.24DN.	11 FS.	0830.	-	METEOR REPORT.
8681	I169	NAM. F.	1 AUST COPT OR 0830	0850	SECRET SITREP 47 to 0800K/7 @ 2230K/6 Jp. 5 MMG at 567431 NAD" together with rifles opened up on unknown target @ 2250-2400K/7 Jp by gun at HEATHS fired in easterly direction @ 0530K/7 Lt. Neill A/C on barge heard by LAE @ 0610K/7 our MMG fired deceptive fire on to NEW LABU IS from 566437 all informed
8682	PF 15	Pack Four Base	0700	0853	Strength state.
8683.	P.F. 14.	DUDI. R. BASA. R. R. BASA. F.	0700.	0910.	WAMPIT Staging @ BN 10R. @ other units AWW. 30R's YMCA KOR. pack type 1 off 10R.
8684	Q936	A. BASA. R. BASA.	0850.	0910.	confirmation of casualties to report killed V235909 Pte. BOOTHROYD A. wdd. VX12239 Pte. COOPER CW. missing VX109422 Pte WILSON. H. J.
8685.	Q837	W.FORCE 1AUST CORPS	0900.	0937.	AMN return.
8686.	-	-	-	-	No of W/I A/C flying NE from over MAPOS 0935K/6.
8687	0203	1 AUST COPT NAM. F.	2350	1003	Second part @ LAE area @ 17 KIBS 6 F.F. bombed Jacobsons buildings destroyed large fire started @ 47 Mitchells bombed straggled MALAHANG PLANTATION and runway @ bombs accurate smoke and dust prevented observing results. @ one 100 ton vessel bombed 32 miles EAST CAPE ST GEORGE nil hits @ All informed.
8688	V23	MARK. admin base	0905	1020	O'BRIEN to remain at Adv BASA for BHQ experience pending NCF decision
8689	RQ73	24 Apr. Records office NG 47C. BASA.	1030		V235909 Pte BOOTHROYD ● killed in action K/4 @ VX109422 Pte WILSON H.J. missing in action K/4 @ VX122398 Pte COOPER CW. wounded in action K/4.
8690	I1610	24 Apr 11 FS.	1130		MET. report.
8691	0203	1 AUST COPT NAM. FORCE	2835	1125.	Part 1 Op 2 parts Sitrep 16 to 2000K/6 @ 10 5 Aust Div to 0800K/6 @ no change @ 2 @ 7 Aust Div to 1400K/6 @ 1000K/6 HQ. 7 DIV arrived TSILI TSILI @ 1300K/6 planes commenced landing NADZAB strip @ 309 Div to 0815K/6 @ night 5/6 Div 24 Bde landed according to plan @ supplies and stores as planned for whole force landed @ 0030K/6 patrol reported 100 Japs moving EAST across BUNGA R. @ - PL attacked these Japs SINGAVA plantation forcing withdrawal @ Bn in pursuit @ H.Q. 26 Bde APO 846435 @ 4 @ WAMPAT FORCE to 2000K/5 @ action continued to MARK Pt area @ 50 enemy air activity @ Afternoon 5 Sep enemy attacks on 9 Div causing slight cas @ 60 air ops 6 Sep. @ 9 Mitchells on large search along LEPSIUS Pt. LANGEMAK BAY attacked 1 lugger 2 barges lugger damaged.

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8692	-	-	-	1335	-	6 fighters flying 15000 to 20,000 ft flying S. over D'AVI B I single engine/c may have been Jap or Thunderbolts.
8693	I 170	WAMPIT FORCE	NGE.	1320	1345.	file containing message I 125 of 30AUG destroyed.
8694	Q 840.	24BN. RWW TSILI TSILI.		1322	1404	This unit possesses only 1 bay charger @ cannot possibly be spared @ B boy P.I.B also possesses bay charger but advise that it must move with them @ Will endeavor to change O.P. bays at WAMPIT.
8695	I 1611.	24BN.	11 F.S.	1420.	-	METEOR. REPORT
8696	Q 841	WAMATIA CORPS FORCE		1400.	1425	SECRET @ ref Q 818 Q 825, Q 827 request droppings be made @ ENSIS not later than 9 SEPT @ please advise
8697	EL 938.	D Boy 24BN.	15BDE R. 24BN.	0600.	1454	Strength. State.
8698	EL 940.	D Boy 24BN.	15BDE R. 24BN.	1110	1507.	Outline plan for AMBUSH @ posn to be occupied LAF - SAL track from 685060 to 684067 @ booby traps set at 685060 and 684067 @ MMG and 3 in MORTAR on SE slopes of high feature 688057 covering track from 685060 to BUKALIP 693053 @ Route to amb N along spur in square 6503-6504 thence NE 665055 thence EAST to amb posn.
8699	EL 937.	D Boy 24BN.	15BDE R. 24BN.	0601	1510.	SECRET @ SIT REP 169 to 0600 K/7 @ 16 PL nil report.
8700	A 1447.	15BDE W. FORCE		2300.	1530	Q 828 party under control LIEUT CASEY consisted of following personnel @ A Boy 5. B Boy 7. C Boy 7. HQ Boy 1 off 70's total 1 off 26 OR @ remaining this area and D Boy 18 OR @ Sgt BARSTOW. MMG. PL attached to D Boy 24BN V40701 DWGEE. K. E @ present sick. ADS. ERSKINE CK @ 1 OR. B Boy arrived 003001 5 Sep left for POWERHOUSE via PILIMUNG 6 Sep @ route and ETA of party is in our A 1439 K/5.
8701	RQ 74	WAM FORCE	HQ ANGRAU	1645	-	ref ANGRAU a/c m instr No 15 copy 30 of 2 clog received 7 Sep. ACK. ref DS 629/43-1972 of 4 Sep. etc.
8702	I 1613	"	NGF 1st Lt Corp.	1640	-	Could the following maps be fwded at earliest - 30 each of MUNIM BUSO WOPOL KIRKLANDS and OOMSIS 1:25000; 50 NAD 2 AB lin to 1 mile received 40-day.

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- 8703 R975. W. FORCE NGF. 1700. - ref NGF OP. INSTN no 94 of 24 Aug recd 7 SEP @ ACK.
- 8704 I1614 24BN II. FS. 1710 - METEOR. REPORT
- 8705 R976. W. FORCE IAWST CORPS. 1710 - ref POSTERN CODE WORDS undated recd 7 SEP @ ACK.
- 8706 R977. W. FORCE NGF. 1706. - Signal OP instrn vis sig and fire control codes dated 27 August 43 recd 7 SEP 6 Copies @ ACK.
- 8707 I1615 24BN II. FS. 1900 - SECRET SITREP no 1900 H/7 SITNOR.
- 8708 I1616 24BN II. FS. 1840 - ASSEX.
- 8709 I1617 24BN II. FS. 1840 SITREP to 1000 H/4 @ 1 5AUST DIV to 2000 H/3 @ Active patrolling continues all areas @ 29 BDE @ 15 JAPS killed around hill 725957 @ 1230 H/3 enemy attack on B' boy 42BN repulsed @ 1505 H/3 D' boy 42BN engaged enemy 718967 killing 20 @ 15 BN @ East light 3 left patrol B' boy occupied enemy posts 960963 unopposed @ RFA @ Night 2/3 left SALAMAU LOMANU SCOUT RIDGE near JAW harrasing fire @ effective support given our patrol 15BN area O9 AUST DIV NO comm yet est with DIV @ Report from fighter pilots covering landing up to 0900 H/4 indicate op. proceeding according to plan - without enemy opposition @ 30 Caught fire to 0800 H/3 @ NO change @ all informed.
- 8710 I1618 24BN II. FS. 1840 isolated shots heard @ 581381 NADZAB " 101 mile last two days @ Request 2 native police boys for guard.
- 8711 I1619 24BN II. FS. 2055 SECRET SITREP 48 to 2000 H/7 024BN @ B' boy NGARANENO O.P. 417512 NADZAB 1 mile H/7 41 H/3 A/C landed NADZAB drone @ Supplies dropped @ 1340 H/7 area North of MARKHAM RIVER NADZAB to LAE bombed & strafed @ 0140 H/7 large fire approx 593362 @ BLONDELLS O.P. 562428 dive bombing & strafing HEATHS MARKHAM VALLEY road JAP big gun from 593440 probably hit @ MARKHAM Pt. area @ 0745 H/7 M.M.G. well advanced to edge enemy fire lines 567431 swept back & enemy form JAP replied with big & light m.m.g. causing need to withdraw NO CAS @ 1600/1640 mortar fired 3 rounds at 5 min intervals into enemy camp @ near patrol moved to 567431 fired on by JAPS & withdrew NO CAS @ B' boy 500000 @ 1810 H/6 patrol returned after heavy shrapnel tracks south side BUANG. in pos 564213 to 565210 & at 605225 WAGO in pos @ all informed.

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8712 0B11 DUDI BMSA PIR 1435 2055 strength return.

8713 Q845 WAMPIT 1 FUST FORCE CORP 2053 2125 Def Q8300 if not possible evacuated esp. by barge from DEEP CREEK to request med. out plane evacuate from WAMPITO 0 wounded awaiting evacuation

8714 046 R. BOSA SMITH RPTD BIST-MARK R. BOSA 2015 2145 032 reads as following 0 by first light 0 left you will occupy a position on beach track SALAMAUVA - LAE North BURNS River & day use this track to enemy moving from SALAMAUVA to LAE 0043 required as to what action taking to carry out this order 100 reply yet received 0 answer to 043 will be given immediately together with reason for delay.

8715 Q846 W. F. F. V. W. STILLI 2150 2155 Def Q840 TOJO. Battery charger now working satisfactorily.

8716 EL946 D-boy 15 BDE 24 BN RPTD 24 BN 1801 2230 SECRET 0 SITREP 1700 to 1800 17/7 DRONKER patrol out 1700 17/7 0 object to est. ambush on LAE - SALAMAUVA track via 685060 0 17 fl 0 patrol out 1100 17/7 in 1615 17/7 moved S.E. from 674023 0 object see enemy form 685023 from North slopes of ridge 0 unable to gain observation through dense undergrowth 0 MARORO 0.P. 1530 17/7 to 1610 17/7 6 JAPS swimming at mouth of ASINI CR. 712045 0 1700 17/7 2 trees observed 686036 1715 17/7 3 small boats at 170045 0 1 boat at 764055 0 grenades thrown into water from boats 0 1720 17/7 to 1735 17/7 arty shelling 752018.

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8717 0219 1 FUST CORP WAMPIT FORCE 1326 0230 SITREP 17 to 1000 17/7 0 10 5 FUST DIV 1700 17/7 0 further enemy attack 760963 repulsed 0 20 7th DIV to 2000 17/7 0 forward occupy defensive form covering MADZAB sue 0 no contact enemy 0 night 6/7 17/7 7 FUST DIV 15th 17/7 0 30 9 FUST DIV 1730 17/7 0 20 Bde with HQ. with beach head 923393 now guarding DUE flank & rear with 2/13 13th approx MOPOI MISSION 076 018 unopposed 2/9/8 - via 2 MUSOM 833165 4 track to North 0 2/15 Bn last reported 945365 0 26 BDE HQ. 17-P.O 806435 0 2/23 stubborn resistance & inflicting heavy cas. on small enemy force via SINGPNA plantation 0 2/24 Bn bypassed 2/23 Bn & advanced west along to 802422 maintaining contact with enemy rear guard 0 2/48 13th 0 apt one 0 advance from ALUTER island plantation through thick jungle 0 SINGPUI plantation waterlogged 0 2/13 Bde less 2/32 state FPO via 2/32 13th 885430 0 40 WAMPIT FORCE to 0800 17/7 0 large active SALAMAUVA to LAE report night 5/6 left 0 50 enemy air 0 1000 17/7 5 zeros attached & CV via landing beach 0 1 shot down 0 60 further air ops 6 left 0 1345 17/7 allied fighters intercepted 13/20 enemy bombers & 10/12 fighters over MOON GOLF 0 preliminary report indicates 3 bombers & 10 fighters destroyed 5 bombers 2 fighters 18 destroyed 0 all repaired.

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METREP.
 1 u/i plane came from S went N. unobserved.
 METREP.
 2. P47s came from S went N. 14000 ft. # 3 mls.
 9 A20s. from S to N. 14000 ft. 4 mls.
 1 P38 passed overhead going N. 15000 ft.
 Bombing heard in NORTH.
 8 P47s. came from NORTH, circled overhead, then
 1 P38. from NW ^{went NW} to SE. 15000 ft.
 METREP. 10000 ft.
 2. P38^s seen in SOUTH going EAST 4 mls.
 4 P38^s " " " " 12000 ft. 4 mls.
 2 DC30 " " " " " 10000 ft. 2.2 mls.
 7 " " " " " " 10000 ft. 5 mls.
 2 P47s from SOUTH to NORTH. 10000 ft. 4 mls.
 from NORTH to SOUTH. 15000 ft. 2 mls.
 METREP.
 1 u/i a/c. NORTH to SOUTH. (probably a P47.)

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1415 met report

1500 4 P38 overhead going S 6000

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2490

0515 met report

0816 4 P47 from S going NW 16000

0950 2 P47 " W " S 15000 3

1005 1 P47 " E " W 16000 2

1010 1 P38 " N " S 15000 2

1016 4 P47 " S " N 16000

1040 4 P38 " N " S 16000 3

1055 soundings heard direct SAL 15 mins

1100 2 DC3 " N " S 10000 3

1115 met report

1120 19 DC3 " S " N 12000

8 P47

1350 1 P47 " N " S 15000 4

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2510

0515 meters

0645 011. plane overhead going NORTH.

0815 meters

1045 1 B25 circled SOUTH. then W. 9000ft
2 miles away

1145 1 Jap twin engine plane passed south
going NORTH. 15000ft

1200 6 DC3 in W. going NW. 10000ft 5 miles
away

1201 2 DC3 passed overhead going N. 2000ft

1305 2 DC3 " " SOUTH 8000ft

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8718	I1517	24BN	H.F.S.	0530		Stump Report
8719	I1518	R.B.A.S.A. R.	B.T.S.A.	0700		SITREP to 0700 K/8 @ SITNOR.
8720	Q845	WAMPIT FORCE	MAST CORP RPTD 7AUST DIV	2013	0700	of 9830 if not possible come. see by barge from DEEP CREEK request med. amb. plane evac. from WAMPIT not wounded awaiting evac.
8721	L318		B.A.S.T.R. RPTD P.B.A.S.A.	0645	0700	Strength stat.
8722	I1019	24BN	H.F.S.	0815		METEOR REPORT.
8723	EL 948	D. Boy 24BN	15BDER 24BN	0601	0823	SECRET @ SITREP NO 171 to 0600 @ this at 685056 reported in SITREP 170 last seen 190547 @ BEST patrol in 1930 K/7 @ logs cut to foot lengths and in 2 heaps seen at 685-065 NOT recently used @ NO enemy movt in area.
8724	H.A.3	PECK.F.	B.A.S.A.R. B.A.S.A.F.W.D.	0715	0910	AMN. return.
8725	H.A.1	PECK.F.	B.A.S.A.R. R.A.S.A.F.	0715	0910	Strength leave.
8726	H.A.2	DNDI. R.	B.A.S.A.R. R.A.S.A.F.	0715	0910	WAMPIT strength BN 1 OR. @ other units AWW. 3 OR'S YMCA 1 OR. PACK TPT 1 off 1 OR.
8727	I172	W. FORCE	1AUST CORP	0800	0910	SECRET SITREP. 49. to 0700 K/8. @ SITNOR. all informed.
8728	H.A.4	P. FORCE	B.A.S.A.R. R.A.S.A.F.	0715	0910	SICK RETURN.
8729	N.A. 809	STILLI. F T.S.I.K.I.	SECOND AIR TASK FORCE NGF	1320K/5	1340K/5	NGF SITREP.
8730	XR1882	T.S.I.L.I. FORCE	SAT F.R. NGF	0202K/4	1229K/4	SITREP.
8731	Q8462	NG-FORCE	W-FORCE	1110 K/23	K/7/9	NGF SITREP.
8732	Q8478	NG-FORCE	W-FORCE	2130K/22	K/7/9	NGF SITREP.
8733	Q8471	NG-FORCE	W-FORCE	1135K/22	K/7/9	NGF SITREP.
8734	H.A. 159	T.S.I.L.I. FORCE	W-FORCE	1123K/21	K/7/9	SITREP.
8735	H.A. 153	T.S.I.L.I. FORCE	NGF	2030K/22	K/7/9	SITREP.

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8736.	I 50. I.TSILIF. 2 nd A.P.F. 1615K/20 K/7/9.	SITREP.
8737	O.8462. NGF. W.FORCE. 2200K/21. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8738.	O.8463. NGF. W.FORCE. 2215K/21. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8739.	O.8457. NGF. W.FORCE. 2225K/20. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8740.	O.8451. NGF. W.FORCE. 2206K/20. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8741	O.8442. NGF. W.FORCE. 2210K/19. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8742.	O.8434. NGF. W.FORCE. 1120K/28. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8743.	O.8430. NGF. W.FORCE. 2335K/18. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8744.	O.8408. NGF. W.FORCE. 1215K/18. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8745.	O.8399. NGF. W.FORCE. 2355K/17. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8746.	O.8387. NGF. W.FORCE. 1225K/17. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8747	O.8382. NGF. W.FORCE. 2225K/16. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8748.	O.8370. NGF. W.FORCE. 1125K/16. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8749.	O.8365. NGF. W.FORCE. 231K/15. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8750.	O.8353. NGF. W.FORCE. 1215K/15. K/7/9.	SITREP. NGF.
8751	- TOJO. W.FORCE. 2115. 1145.	Charger urgently required @ please send at once.
8752	Q.847 WAMBATI AUSTRALIAN FORCE CORPS. 0925. 1145.	AMIN return.
8753.	R.978. 24BN. 58/59BN. 1115.	For EGM. from ALDERDICE @ ref 58/59BN signal 0540 of 28 Aug showing 1 offv and 20 OR's reported for duty @ when are remainder of PL signal names.
8754.	1620. 24BN. 11FS. 1130.	METEOR REPORT.
8755.	O.8627. NGF. W.FORCE. 1455K/7. 1224.	Recognition signal for A/C @ Cancel and destroy our G1049 of 29 Aug @ spotting procedure in G1073 of 11 SEP. @ All informed
8756.	O.240. 1 st AUSTRALIAN FORCE CORPS. W.FORCE. 2315K/7. 1233K/8.	SECRET SITREP. 18 to 2000K/7 @ 1 @ 5 th AUSTRALIAN DIV AD 0700K/7 @ no changes. @ 2 @ 7 th AUSTRALIAN DIV AD 1300K/7 @ DIV HQ est 410547 @ patrols to line NARAKAPOR old MANUM 515557 without contact @ 3 @ 9 th AUSTRALIAN DIV AD 0800K/7 @ advance continues @ 2200K/6 leading element BDE had reached TIKEREAN 788435 @ 4 @ Wampit force AD 0800K/7 patrolling MARKAM point area continues @ 5 @ Air drops 7 SEP LAE area @ 24 LIBERATORS bombed Mirace 26 MAIRANDERS bombed area W of runway DIDDYMAS, JACOBS results unobserved @ 18 MITCHELLS bombed and strafed road NADZAB, HEATHS native huts fired @ interceptors 37 enemy bombers 20 of them MOROTSE area 27 fighters destroyed our losses nil @ all enemy A/C jetisoned bombs @ 1248K/8 @ 2315K/7 KITTYHAWK intercepted two OSCAR between LAE and SALAMANA, OSCAR destroyed @ all inf 1233K/8

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87579 1132 MARK. DASA 1200. 1325. SECRET @ send request 1 BDRPS for AIR STRIKE @ 0745K/9 on Jap camp and ambush at MARKAM POINT SPUR @ AREA NORTH from 567429 HEATH 1/25000 to RIVER then EAST along south bank to 572432 then SE to 567429 @ REF POINTS A. KHINAI SPUR 564432 @ B NEW LABU ISLAND @ EST enemy troops 200 no known A/A own troops dispositions KHINAI SPUR and LEDGE 564424 @ Bomb line NOT SOUTH of 567429 NOT WEST of MARKAM point 566433 @ indication of target @ MORTAR smoke on target and G.D. INDICATORS S. KHINAI SPUR @ send air support IMMEDIATE AND REQUEST REPLY HERE AONIGHT stating time of strike so that our troops can vacate posn NOW HELD CLOSE TO ENEMY

8758 11621 24BN 11 F.S. 1430 meteor report

8759 047 WAMPIT 1AIST CORPS FORCE R.MARK. 1330. 1420. MOST SECRET @ request air strike 0745K/9 on JAP. CAMP HEATHS 1/25000 569433 and AMBUSH 568431 @ MARKAM PT SPUR @ Area NORTH from 567429 to river then EAST along SOUTH bank to 572432 then SW to 567429 @ REF points (A) KHINAI SPUR 563432 @ (B) NEW LABU ISLAND @ EST enemy troops 200 @ NO known A/A @ own troops dispositions KHINAI SPUR and LEDGE 564424 @ BOMB line NOT SOUTH of 567429 NOT WEST of MARKAM PT 566433 @ indication of target @ MORTAR - SMOKE on target and gd indicators KHINAI SPUR @ request reply be sent to reach WAMPIT FORCE K/8 stating time of strike so that our troops can vacate posn now held close to enemy.

8760 11622 24BN 11 F.S. 1730. METEOR. report.

8761 11623 R.S.W.R.

8762 11624 R.BASA 17 BPSA 1900 SECRET SITREP to 1900 H/8 SITCOR.

8763 EL967 15 BDE 1657 1930 sick report
RPTD 24BN

8764 0850 2 BPSA 1940 2003 NX 87501 Lt. CHILDS V 255944 Mr WALTER J. F. previously reported missing in action now safe reported 1730 H/8

8765 EL968 15 BDE 1801 2057 Secret @ SITREP 172 to 1800 H/8 @ 16 pl patrol out 1330 H/8 in 1600 H/8 to investigate sounds heard south of posn @ NIL report @ 2/3 and. by patrol due H/8 & 1st pl patrol NO report @ MALOLO O.P. vis nil

8766 R979 24BN RECORDS OFFICER 2100 NX 87501 Lt. CHILDS F.H. V 255944 Mr WALTER J. F. previously reported missing H/4 now returned to unit H/8

8767 R980 24BN 16 BDE 2100 NX 87501 Lt. CHILDS F.H. previously reported missing H/4 now returned to unit H/8

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8766 7174 WAMPIT 1705T.C. 2100 SECRETOSITREP 50 to 2000 H/8 @ 24 BN D²C. by MFRH MFM heard via FDP ambush 568431
 FORCE RPTD 2070 HERTHS 1/25000 @ 0530 H/8 2 shots & explosions some area course NOT known @ 0630 H/8 patrol
 SAUST. D. 100 yds South of ambush heard many voices from top of their cliff @ 1430 H/8 patrol 556433
 VALLEY 3
 fired on enemy party 1615 H/8 2 inch mortar engaged some area result NOT known @ 1730 H/8
 1 off. & 1 car missing since H/4 returned to base @ patrols continue probing enemy defenses @
 locations 1800 H/8 @ in comd H.Q. 567428 @ B bay fwd H.Q. 558433 @ 11415 fls 563433 @
 14 fl plus 4 fl. track June 563428 @ 13 fl 567428 @ mors 563433 @ M.M.O. ne 567428 @
 observations NGMRENEO O.P. 417517 NADZFB 1 inch @ H/8 93 fl. A/c landed NADZFB
 during day @ 1050 H/8 patrol dropped via NO 1757 WAP shots heard shots after @ 1105 H/8
 explosions heard in foothills via @ 1815 H/8 shots heard via ERPA RIVER @
 window O.P. 491449 NADZFB 2 inch @ 1715 H/8 41750 H/8 A/A heard destruction HERTHS @
 All informed.

8767 06493 NGF WAMPIT 1300 2202 Above advise provided ration statement showing ration strength & number of rations held. @
 FORCE CAN Q 6292 of 27 Aug refers @ check

8768 F13 TOJO N.G.F. 1910 2202 fog all day nil report.
 WAMPIT FORCE

8769 0851 BASA BASA 2711 2255 ref Q 850 @ VR57501 Lt. CHILDS F.M. V255944 fls WALKER, J.A. now reported wounded
 FWD REAR in action

8770 0253 1705T WAMPIT 1230 2355 SITREP 19 to 0800 H/8 @ 1 P SAUST DIV & WAMPIT FORCE NO further report @ 20 7th at Dur
 CORP FORCE to 2000 H/8 @ met of A/c by A/c to NADZFB continues @ 309 7th at Dur to 2000 H/70 by rain
 night 6/7 Sept @ 26 BDC important advance along N.W. along BUERP River from mouth vic.
 755469 encountering small FDP parties enroute 26 BDC H.Q. 768447 @ 24 BDC continues
 move west along coast with fwd holding budge lead over BUERP River vic. 758426
 20 BDC extended flank protection by mopping 2/17 Bn to 812488 @ All informed.

8771 F1R F175H 1 UPIAC over PARTEP 0531 heading South. SUNSHINE 0534 still going South.

8772 11625 HFS 24BN 0530 meteor report.

8773 11626 R-BASA R-BASA 0700 9 SEP 1943 SITREP to 0700 H/9 @ 1 UPI A/c flew overhead at 0534 flying South

8774 11627 24BN H.F.S. 0830 METEOR. report.

8775 1319 B1A9 B1A9 R.A. B1A9 0645 0734 Strength. Spec.

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8776	Q283	1 ANST. CORP	W. FORCE	2340K/8	0735K/9	MOST SECRET @ Our airforces all ready committed 9:5 EP @ most improbable to comply owing to close proximity of our troops.
8777	Q45	AREA C BULLDOG	W. FORCE Rptd. 24BN.	1040K/7	0810K/9	MESSAGE CEM. 0646 from NG.F. SEP. 6. quote: pass to Col. COVER. CE. work prog SHIN SHINE & MARKAM. SEC of ROAD. informing all responsible comd off to ensure urgent delivery @ CINC has issued specification on direction from reliable source which SPRINT SMITH will adhere that no off's troops natives move from BULLDOG W/ road work until complete @ additional labour on DACKWARD see when possible to bring food to uniform early complete date @ hope this achieved 22 nd SEP. any off's troops putting MAXIMUM effort in final lap in sure change in ADM from RABINHOLO. do not interfere with efficient work ANGAH OVERSEAS BULLDOG for comp. extension road now your responsibility dispoon pro. enable bottleneck eliminated earliest.
8778	Q854	ADV BASA	REAR BASA	1000	1035	V296192 Pte SHAW. W. previously reported wounded in action now reported wounded self inflicted K/4
8779	Q853	WAMPIT FORCE	1 ANST COOP	0936	1035	Ann. return. no change.
8790	A124	DUDI food	BASA rear Rptd BASA food	0730	0800	NX57501 Lt Childs C. previously reported missing believed to have GSW both legs no longer missing now wounded GSW. Left R foot. V355945 Pte WALKER J.A. previously reported missing now longer missing now wounded. G.S.W. R arm Reg. Date of both woundings K/4
8781	M.413	15 Fd Amb.	24A.1B.	0600	1130	Strength state.
8782	R.M.2	DUDI Food	Rear Basa	0715	0930	Strength state. Lt Childs C. Pte Walker J.A. taken on strength.
8783	HA7	PECK FORCE	BASA Rear	0715	0935	daily sick return.
8784	HA.6	PECK Force	Basa Rear	0715	0935	Wampit staging on. strength state.
8785	IR.636	DUDI	Basa Food	0700	0935	SECRET SITREP 326 to 0700 K/9. Simon
8786	I.177	WAMPIT FORCE	1 ANST CORP	0803	0855	SECRET SITREP 51 to 0800 K/9. During night K8/9 several rifle shots & burst LMG from Jap ambush heard. All informed.
8787	HA5	PECK Force	BASA REAR	0710	0855	Strength state.
8788	U35	MARK	Basa.	0705	0855	Secret Sitrep 40, 0700 K/9. 0800 K/9 several unexplained rifle shots & burst of LMG fire from Jap ambush. No patrol out.
8789	Q855	Adv Basa	Rear Basa	1030	1135	NX57501 Lieut Childs F.H. previously reported missing in action now wounded in action GSW. Left calf right foot. V355944 Pte Shaw W. previously reported missing in action now wounded in action GSW. right arm right leg K/4.
8790	EL960	Dlog	24BN	0600	1155	Secret Sitrep 173 to 0600 K/9 Bulob O.P. 1930 K/8 fire seen 45/11 707037. 1930 K/8 large number red lights seen on bearing 102 degrees magnetic. 1935 K/8 red very lights same direction
8791	Q858	WAMPIT FORCE	1 ANST CORP	1104	1205	Please advise E.T.A following reinforcement off's allowed to Lieut. TOMKINSON BLETCHLEY EDWARDS RAMM. STEINHEVER.
8792	Q857	ADV BASA	Small Force	1100	1215	Please advise number & description of controlled stores or destroyed by enemy action

8793	Q245	W4U Area Comm Bulldozer	WAMPIT FORCE	1040 K79	0730 K19	require 50 ton supplies @ M.P. daily rate delivery CENTRE CAMP by 9 SEP and 100 tons by M.P. 1 delivery daily mid Oct @ Anticipate work CORSE CAMP extension mainly native labour Cordaroy adequate improvisation @ Area commd supplies nasid NOT from main road @ 79 natives withdrawn recently from cpl 2/9 fld Coy on 23 1/2 / 24 1/2 for present with LIEUT CYLOS see pack type Coy now completed works beyond 24 1/2 miles @ ensure this pl 2/9 fld Coy and pl 1st Coy do NOT move upon completion - @ required date return via BULL DOG for plane provision @ unquoh @ for BROWN from HAWESBURY @ have advised units Bulldozer @ centre camp.
8794	1147	W.FORCE	1 Coy R. ADV. BASA.	1105	1250	of our Out of 8/8 requesting air strike @ strike essential to enable capture of our own MARKHAM joint without extravagant loss @ our attack K19 and further daily patrols show Jap forces strength 200 strong by entrenched barricaded across top of ridge with fields of fire cut through jungle making attack without support most costly @ mortar fire NOT adequate as many bursts on mounds @ No arty available @ down launch in attack following air strike with more own arty 100 yds rear of target @ desire strike 0700K/10 same target identification as previous request @ if strike not available same requested advise when available.
8795	E2	58/59 BN	24 BN	1030	1340	for ALDERDICE from EGAN @ will reply to your message RA 70 by letter.
8796	M1218	MDSWON	24 BN	0900	1240	amb trailer has been arranged for @ 3rd good with delivery today.
8797	EL961	1 Coy 24 BN	1500E 24 BN	0660	1340	strength leave.
8798	0280	1 Aust Corp.	Wam F.	2330/8	1340	STIREP 20 to 2000K/8. 1. 5 Aust Div to 0800K/8. Our patrols active. Our arty continuing harassing fire. 2. 7 Aust Div to 1200K/8. Air transportation of 2/25 Bn to NADZAB continues. Practical recce for NO movement MARKHAM VALLEY Rd NADZAB - HEATHS also NO movement HEATHS. 3. 9 Aust Div to 1630K/8. 26 Bde has continued its move WEST without opposition. By 1600K/8 forward tps 2/24 Bn have reached 720470 and 2/23 Bn 734477. 2/4 1st Coy under Comd 26 Bde N.W. from 748493. Simultaneously 24 Bde with HQ last reported at 794223 have moved along coast track WEST from BUREP River 2/23 Bn reached 761413 and 2/43 Bn 770420. 2 25 pdrs landed mouth BUREP River night 7 Sep. part 2 follows - 2nd & last part. OP0280. 4. WAMPIT Force to 0700K/8 No change. 5. Air Ops 8 Sep LAE AREA. 14 Libs 10 Fortresses from DIDDYMANS & area NW LAE. runway. 10 Fortresses 3 marauders bombed CHINA town building destroyed. 6 Libs bombed 500 yards N.E. JACOBSENS. 4 Marauders bombed WEBBS. 12 Mitchells bombed and strafed Road VALU to JACOBSENS bridge at heaths destroyed. SAFAMAUA 6 Hostons bombed and strafed coastal track LARUIT South All informed.
						METEORREPORT.
8799	11629	24 BN	NFS	1430		amend B 2554/9 delete all references to 4296 142 Pte SHAW. W. and substitute 4256948 Pte WALKER. J.A. wounded in action @ S.W. right arm right leg.
8800	9359	R. BASA. MARKHAM	RDSA	1325	1530	of 430K/9 reads Cpl. GEORGE E was wounded K/9 left wrist confirm that this is VK109115 Pte GEORGE N.C.
8790	4360	ADV. BASA. MARKHAM	MARKHAM REAR BASA	1440	1530	

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7827	JG 614	DUDI	BASARAR RPTD BASA.	0700	0845	Strength state of Coy fwd 2 offs 99 or's detached, 1 off 16 or's attached troops 7 offs 105 or's
7828	JG 615	DUDI	BASAREAR	0701	0845	WAMPIT staging return of bn nil other units 15 fld 1 off 3 or's arrival 3 or's AMC HYGIENE 1 or OSAREPRESENTATIVE 1 or.
7829	J 143	WAMPIT Force.	1 AUGST Coy RPTD BASA.	0805	0913	SECRET SITREP 23 AO 0800K/10 SITNOR all informed
7830	EL 855	D Coy 24BN	15BDE RPTD 24BN	0600	0913	Strength state of AX nil and nil AY nil and nil AZ nil and nil B nil and nil C 4 and 120 D. nil E. nil F 2 and 10 G 1 and 10 NO change.
7831	EL 854	D Coy 24BN	15BDE RPTD 24BN	0601	0913	SECRET SITREP 152 AO 0600K/1 LOOKER PL nil report OLECKIE patrol NO report.
7832		KIRKS.	11 FS.	0930	0935	1 MITCHELL flying E from KIRKS along valley height 400
7833		BADENSE	11 FS.	0930	0935	1 MITCHELL engine trouble
7834	08	5 DIV.	15BDE WAMPIT FORCE HQ WAU	2359	0817	SECRET SITREP 20 AO 2000K/31 15BDE AO 1900K/31 58/59 BN D A Coy moved fwd to 7199850 patrol activity continued throughout day 29BDE AO 1930K/31 42BN from action by A adv C Coys today est that Japs have line mutually spl LMG posts from 725958 to 728959 and thence 730959 A and C Coys now in position 728956 one PL B Coy 720951 and one PL with D Coy 42BN 31 digged 1 or killed 1 off 9 or's wd 47BN patrol from B Coy have est that line of Jap LMG posts run from 713967 to 715969 B Coy now at 715964 patrol 3 hrs attacked pillbox 710967 killing 4 Japs patrol at 713967 killed 5 Japs continued below message.
7835		PARTEP.	BASAREAR	0955	0956	JUH A/C flying N and W of PARTEP description straight ahead edge shore fuselage long tail intake engine.
						15 BN AO 1800K/31 B Coy arrived 757955 at 1240K/31 D Coy pushed fwd up ridge running from 749.962 to 753.954 against 2 positions and now digging in for night 31/8 at 748965 once reveals enemy holding position on high ground above Coy battle HQ 15BN 751955 RAA 3 Ault Div AO 1900K/31 considerable Jap movt SW and SALAMAUA unfield range more effectively Jap gun posts and likely sup dumps LOKANN engaged 800 rds when halton enemy posts 713964 engaged 3 direct hits top and entrance dugout and locations sea pillboxes can now be spotted

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162 US regt A0 1830 K/31 O A Coy now astride track running E. W at approx 747954 and severe fighting in progress O about 20 Japs are 100 yds to SE in well organized posn with at least one LMG and MORTAR O another estimated 20 Japs are on saddle to W at 734956 O unknown number Japs on knoll near 734954 O the track to June is also covered O NO supplies have been delivered A0 Coy in last 24 hrs although late report states B. Coy patrol 30 well equipped moving A0 JAP perimeter estimated 100 yds past O P A Coy O B Coy now at 730952 and killed 2 Japs near saddle O patrol from E by moving A0 contact I Coy killed 2 Japs and cut wire O I Coy and patrol K Coy now at approx 737947 O 15 PDE A0 2100 K/31 O 2/7 BN O Patrol reports indicate Area N of ARNOLDS CREST 710997 strongly reinforced by enemy constructing strong Jap positions on high ground enemy forces located at 722012 O 706007 in force 710009 and east to 714007 O patrol killed 10 Japs and wdd others O A Coy contacted location 709995 O Beech patrol moving along track in vicinity ambushed our cas, killed 4 wdd O B Coy O 12 PL 707994 O 58/59 BN O new patrol located enemy digging in at 722982 on spur running NW O E. Coy with under command 9 PL 24 BN and composite PL 24 BN 707991 O 15 BN O Casualties O Boys 24 Aug 210 killed 1 off, killed 9 o's wdd O all inf.

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7836	11557	REAR BASHA	Fighter SECTOR	1130	-	METEOR report
7837	1059	1 AUST CORPS	16 Fyld 5 DIV 7 DIV 9 DIV WAMPIT FORCE	2300	1030	SITREP 4 A0 2000 K/31 O 1 O 5 DIV VO O 1800 K/31 O active patrolling continues O Army active 2 O WAMPIT FORCE A0 0900 K/31 O patrol at SUGARLOAF 612258 heard considerable barge movt night 27/28 Aug O J O LAE 3 barges arrived LAE O 4 A/C landed LAE airfield operations 31 Aug 2 O 9 MITCHELLS searched SAIDOR hit sighting O all inf.
7838	950	1 AUST CORPS	WAMPIT FORCE 1945	1945	1050	ref Q 51 31 August O attempts dropping these areas successful owing weather 9 A/C dropped loads at anticipated completing drop as per Q 51 on Sept 1.

1930 K/30 O 40 air A0 FINSCHAFEN O

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7839	041	1 AUST CORPS	NGF Ad 1355 5 DIV 7 DIV 9 DIV WAMP FORCE.	1030	20 progress WAMPIT FORCE no further reports received @ 30 air ops 64 LIBERATORS bombed HARBORIT drome 6 liberators bombed TADJI TRIPSO miles WNW BX results NOT observed 15500/7000 son vessel bombed approx 290 north NE magnetic @ 1 destroyed bombed and strafed 12 miles SW BUKA passage @ 15500/7000 son vessel bombed approx 280 miles N NASSAU is hit all 3 attacks @ all inf.	
7840	EL857	D Coy 24 BN	24 BN	1834	1030	ref appreciation leave VX 138491 pte GREENEDM @ balance of 4 days some leave due to 31 Dec 42 plus 16 days accumulated to 131 August 43
7841	F11	TOJO	3 DIV WAMPIT 24 BN WAMPIT FORCE	0710	1030	August 31 @ 0835 8 bursts MG fire direction MARKAM POINT 1000. 2 bursts from same @ 0850 6 P38 A/C and unknown number BOSTONS strafed LABU and coast lets no activity observed night 31 and 1 @ 0600 1 barge arrived LABU.
7842	0667	24 BN with 58/59 BN	24 BN	0930	1030	Strength 2 and 38 hospital @ nominal roll of personal food.
7843	026	WAMPIT FORCES	1 AUST CORPS	1040	1130	signal received on 23 August to re D.R. No 08489 @ 050 referred to 08439 of 23 August @ Please Clarify.
7844	082	ADV 5 DIV	15 BDE WAMPIT FORCE.	0900	1135	SECRET @ SITREP 21 to 1800 K/1 @ nothing further to report @ all inf.
7845	0809	WAMPIT FORCE	1 AUST CORD	1330	1357	MOON secret three planes dropped WAMPIT three planes dropped GABENSIS estimated recovery 90 per cent.
7846	EL852	D Coy 24 BN	24 BN	1202	1335	seize @ sunset 153 as at 1200 K/1 @ 16pt received 18pt 685033 @ 18pt moving back 672033 @ Malolo O.P. visibility nil.
7847	I1538	24 AUST INF BN.	WAMPIT SECTOR.	1430	-	METEOR reports.
7848	08570	NG FORCE	24 BN	1030 K/30	1330 15/31	SITREP 54 to 1000 K/30 (-) 5 DIV @ no further reports 2000 K/29 @ patrol 2/7 INDEP Coy contacted @ BENAFORCE to BRONA killing 7 wounding 1 @ AIRDPS 29 August @ enemy vicinity 2 barges strafed and destroyed 2 miles W of Cape @ GASMATA bombed shipping sightings @ 0740 K/30 nine barges LAE BEECHY @ 1 hospital ship 29 miles NW CAPE SIEMENS course 15 degrees @ HARBOUR @ 1358/30 all inf.

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7849	08578	NG Force	24 BN	2300 K/30	1330 K/1	SITREP 854 Ao 2200 K/30 D 1 AUST CORPS no report O PIKUT. 55 Aug O DAGUA airfield bombed by 17 LIBERATORS O at least 14 grounded A/C destroyed O large fires and explosions started O BHT airfield bombed by 4 LIBERATORS with unobserved results O TADJI strip 40 miles N.W BLT bombed by 6 LIBERATORS with unobserved results O one 5500/7000 ton vessel bombed approx 290 miles NNE KAVIENG NIL hills O destroyer bombed and strafed approx 12 miles SW of BUKA PASSAGE NIL hits O SHIPPING SIGHTINGS O nil all inf.
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7850	08583	NG Force	24 BN	2340 K/31	1330 K/1	SITREP 857 Ao 2200 K/31 D 1 AUST CORPS Ao 1000 K/31 D 5 DIV Ao 2000 K/30 COASTAL area O 162 US regt O right flank 1 BN adv Ao line 747-965 - 741959 O 3 BN captured JAP posn 727948 but enemy still holding out 200 yds Ao N O 29 BDE O 42 BN attack on hill 725957 unsuccessful O patrolling continues N and E of hill O 15 BDE O 47 BN captured pillbox 716967 O party advanced Ao 716968 after making opposition 714968 O SALAMAHUA area O regrouping of units continues O AIROPS 31 Aug O villages LAEF AO HOPOI strafed 2 considered destroyed O one B24 bombed submarine approx 10 miles south CAPE ARCHWAY NEW BRITAIN vessel submerged results not seen O SHIPPING SIGHTINGS O 1430 K/31 sub with deck cargo sig. yawing 05 degrees 30 mins S 152° 10 mins E course S. O all inf.
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7851	R960	24 AUST I B Coy	D'Boy 24 BN	1515		- Confirmation of rank has been approved for VX 109130 Bpl LESLIE TB. Ao date from K/31.
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7852	R959	REAR BASA	ADV BASA DIKA BIXA DUPI	1437		following personal have dental appts for 8 Sept O require Ao be SUNSHINE by 5 SEPT O VX 113002 Pte RANKINS. R V40502 Pte SMITH. W.P. VX 117873 sig JONES. K. S. VX 136241 sig HERALD. R. T VX 104418 CRIGHTON. V. E V40585 L/Cpl. MURPHY T.H. O please advise or not whether personal can be fixed. SUNSHINE in
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7852A	0809	WAM.F	1 AUST COMP Mita New BASA	1330	1357	MOST SECRET.
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7853	08580	NG Force	24 BN	1100 K/31	1330 K/11	SITREP 856 AO 1000 K/31 @ 1 AUST CORPS AO 2000 K/30 @ 5 DIV AO 2000 K/29 @ Coastal area @ 162 REGT @ patrol 1 BN located abandoned TAP in area at 736955 @ 137 MM gun and quantity rifles and eqpt captured @ 3 BN @ after overcoming slight enemy resistance adv 300 yds N from 736946 @ AIRDPS 30 destroyed @ CAPE GLOUCESTER runways bombed considered unserviceable @ 8 or 9 barges attacked BORGEN BAY 4 or 5 destroyed or damaged @ 5 or 6 barges attacked MAPE River 3 destroyed 2 badly damaged @ 1.5500/7000 ton vessel bombed approx 280 miles N of NUSSAU Is Nil hits @ SHIPPING SIGHTINGS @ 0710 K/31 7 barges LAE HARBOUR @ all inf
7854	C0604	NG Force	WAMPIT FORCE.	0500 K/1	1618.	No 27 SITREP NOT rptd NOT received by 1 AUST CORPS @ Please attend CYPHER no record of SITREP 31
7855	I1660	R. BRSA	R. BRSA	1825		BSWR @ Light SUNSHINE 0630 hrs nil nil nil 1815 hrs very overcast most of day. rain from ERST in the afternoon light wind from ERST via floor.
7856	F2	TOJD	5 DIV RPTD WAMPIT F.	1410	1820	0905 smoke from TARI 0910 explosion in LAE harbour caused water to rise approx 300 ft 1000 ft 1030 heavy units bombed via MARRHAM RR. to TARI no evacuation except TARI RT. @ Light PECK advised instant re R/T understood.
7857	072	1st Inf. Inf.	R.G.F. 6.7.9000 WAMPIT F.	1210	1830	SITREPS at 1000 K/1 5 DIV to 2000 K/31 @ KRDE @ patrol reports indicate enemy surfaces & concentrations defenses from 71207 to 706007 to 714007 patrolling confines with own patrols in the vicinity @ 2900E 042 BN area @ further action has been taken enemy from 725957 728955 @ and a bay known in para 728956 0470N area @ Patrol reports enemy from 713967 to 718969 @ details of reports.
7858	I1661	R. BRSA	R. BRSA	1900	1825	SECRET SITREP AO 1000 K/1 @ P 255026 reports @ 0605 K/11 up to 17c come from south flow NW approx height 7000 ft. @ 1420 K/11 10/11 13c flow overhead going North approx height 20000 ft. @ ENGRS @ Rd now feasible to 252075 BOLLO 1 inch @ At present gravel being spread from RLTHES.
7859	056	1 AUST CORPS				Please inform all fms. 24 BR. you and other than 072 are moved to which @ P 255026
7860	I140	WAMPIT F.	1st Inf. Inf.	1900	1925	SECRET @ R.G.F. C0604/1 @ SETREP rptd @ QUOTE @ SITREP to my angle @ serial 31 rptd 31 NOT rptd.

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constructing strong Japs posns on high grd enemy forces located at 722012 (.)
706007 in force 710009 and EAST to 714007 (.) Patrol killed 10 Japs and wounded
others (.) A coy corrected location 709995 (.) recce patrol moving along track
in vic ambushed our cas 1 killed 4 wounded (.) B coy (.) 12 pl (.) 707994 (.)
58/59 bn (.) recce patrol located enemy digging a t 722982 on spur running NW (.)
C coy with under cmd 9 pl 24 Bn and composite pl 24 bn 717991 (.) 15 Bn (.) cas
D coy 24 Aug one CR killed one officer killed 9 ORs wounded all informed.

2266	L 308	BIXA	BASA	0645	0730	Strength return.	Adjt
			REAR			rptd ADV	
2267	JG614	DUDI	BASA	0700	0730	Strength return.	
			REAR			rptd ADV BASA	
2268	IR601	DUDI	BASA	0700	0730	SECRET SITREP 301 to 0700 k/1 (.) SITNOR	I.O.
			FWD				
2269	IR 12	BIXA	BASA	0730	0730	SECRET SITREP (.) to 0730k/1 (.) SITNOR	
2270	I 143	WAMPIT	1 AUST	0805		SECRET SITREP 33 to 0800k/1 (.) SITNOR (.) All informed	Sig
			FORCE			CORPS rptd	
2271	II1556	REAR	ADV	0700	0817	SITREP to 0700k/1 SITNOR	I.O.
		BASA	BASA				
2272	H 1	BIKA	ADV	0750	0817	Strength return	Adjt
			BASA				
2273	Phone	DUDI	BASA	0835	0840	1 U/I A/C flying WEST over DEX 0835	
2274	JG618	DUDI	ADV	0816	0912	BUILDER 1 BASA Batran and ELECTRICIAN arrived 0812 hrs	
			BASA				
2275	EL854	D Coy	15 BDE	0600	0912	SECRET SITREP (.) 151 to 0600k/1 (.) LOCKER pl NIL report (.) LECKIE patrol NO report	I.O.
			rptd 24 BN				
2276	Q 807	WAMPIT	1 AUST	0935		Ann return.	R.S.M.
		FORCE	CORPS				
2277	O 25	ADV	DUDI	0920		for BUILDER 1 BASA (.) Pte RUSSELL departing first light 4 Sept	Sig.
		BASA					
2278		DUDI	BASA		0912	Ann return	
2279	Phone	KIRKS	BASA		0955	10 FORTRESSES flying NORTH over Camp 5 10000 ft	R.S.M.
		OP					I.O.
2280		BASA			0955	3 U/I A/C SOUTH to NORTH circled WEST long nose straight leading edge short fuselage upswept wings inline engines (Mr ROBINSON later identified them as THUNDERBOLTS)	
2281	Phone	KIRKS	BASA		0958	1 MITCHELL flying EAST from Camp 5 along valley hieght 400 ft reported from camp 12 having engine trouble.	
2282	-	-	-		1055	Pte NORMAN H. left for DEX (SAFE HAND).	
2283	Phone	WAMPIT	BASA		1050	1000-1015 6 planes dropped both at WAMPIT and GABENSIS (3 each) - 90% WAMPIT. few recovery indicated	
2284	O 20	1 AUST	NGF	1455	Lo35	progress WAMPIT NO further report received (.) air operations (.) 1 Aug 4 LIBERATORS bombed AVROBUT drome 6 LIBERATORS bombed TADJI Strip 50 miles WEST NW BX results NOT observed 15400/8000 ton vessel 1 bombed 190 NORTH NE map nedic (.) 1 destrayer bombed and straffed 12 miles SW BIKA passage (.) 15500/7000 ton vessel bombed approx 180 miles NORTH NASSAU IS nil hit all 3 attacked all informed	File ??
		CORPS	rptd 5 DIV				
		WAMPIT	FORCE		31/8		

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.
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FROM: 1st Lt. J. H. MOPO Originator's Number: 591228 Date: 2/20 In Reply to Number: 16

(Write horizontally)

SECRET. 3 boats to be used from base
 on 20/21/42 5802990 fighting patrol
 in command of the 7th will operate
 from this position of fighting patrol
 with day out over night so as maximum
 time will be spent on enemy
 and harassing tactics on enemy
 anti-aircraft to be suggested
 as rubber boat is available
 available these boats will be
 boat to be used in case of
 stopping you from getting to the
 coast of you MUST react as
 all cost to examine beach for foot
 MUST ascertain whether landing area
 being beach as to of course for
 reports of route from 591228 by
 easiest route to 020238 and thence
 to beach of you personally will lead
 patrol and use half open forces of
 boat arrived MOPO & PO advise
 when you received boat and
 and details the patrol leaves
 do NOT move on this secret patrol
 until boat arrives

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 BY ANY MEANS (EXCEPT WIRELESS)

THIS MESSAGE MUST BE SENT IN CYPHER
 IF LIABLE TO INTERCEPTION OR TO FALL
 INTO ENEMY HANDS.

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 ORIGINATOR MAY DELETE "EXCEPT" AND
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8812	OSS	WIMMPT FORCE H	3100H	2100	2307	Request 12 coffees AAFVY 3121 be forwarded by air as soon as possible. Previous request for same NOT complete
8813	PF21	R-BASA	R-BASA	2100	2255	Sgt. #0 DECROFT leaving DEX 11/10
8814	Q86	R-BASA	ZENAG RPTD B1A MARK	2250	2359	Cpl. FULLER will move immediately to MARK.
8815	I1633	2413N	WFS	0530		Meteor Report
8816	I1634	MARK	WFS	0810		Meteor Report
8817	Q137	1AUS CORP	WF	1650/9	0815	unable to drop your area 10 SEPT. Advise exact urgency prior your request. ACK.
8818	L321	B1YA	BASA	0645	0755	Strength Return
8819	I183	WAM.F.	Good House B1Y B1A all Cops.	0802	0845	SITREP 58 to 0800K/10 SIPNOB all informed.
8820	HA11	Sick leave	return	0730	0918	Amv return
8821	HA9	"	"	"	"	Sick return
8822	HA8	"	"	"	"	Strength state
8823	HA10	"	"	"	"	NAMPIT STAGING ON.
8824	Q119	1AUS CORP	WAM.F.	1115K/8	1010K/10	Inquats referred to in your 841 not received this HQ. will endeavour to arrange dropping as requested on 9 SEP or earlier.
8825	E6973	D Coy	24th	0601	1010	SECRET SITREP 175 to 0600K/10 016 Pl. nil report, no patrol reports.
8826	Q865	WAM.F.	Good House WAM.F.	0925	1052	Ref QX270 9 Sep. When possible desired to move fwd the SWPA in preference to FORO 4 days SWPA held NAMPIT + fwd. After dropping one day requested to collect 2 days carry fwd. Large number rations still held ZENAG but on a/c lack of ltr very little can be moved fwd daily. Request dropping GABONIS early as possible.
8827	Q866	WAM.F.	"	0958	1052	Amv. return
8828	RM7	DUBI fold	Base	0820	1110	Strength state
8829	RM8	"	"	0930	1110	Sick return
8830	E6974	D Coy	24th	0600	1150	Strength state
8831	Q6494	1AUS CORP	WAM.F.	1100	1150	SECRET all coffee ground and packed by Bushells after 31 Dec is to be immediately withdrawn from issue to the sub held in suspense pending further instructions. Action will immed be taken to ensure that no such coffee is consumed by the. Any on issue to units will immed be returned to supply depot. All informed.

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SER. No.	ORIG. No.	FROM.	To	T.O.O.	T.O.R.	
8832	Q297	1 AUST. CORP	WAM. F.	125009	1155/10	SITREP 21 1000K/9 @ 5 AUST DIV to 0800K/9 @ 8 AUST Coy 47 Bn attacked N.W. spur above 712965 NOT successful @ 14 Japs killed @ A Coy 15 Bn - drove enemy from E. ridge LOKANU spur @ standing patrol now at 763963 @ 2 @ 7th AUST. DIV. to 2000K/8 @ 503 paratro Regt has continued extensive patrolling to general line camp DIDDOYMAN. OLD MUNUM NARAKAPOR without contact or sign of enemy @ PIB patrol CHIVASING area also made no contact @ 30 9 DIV 2030K/8 @ encountering small air parties enroute fwd tpo 24 Bde reached BUSU river 1700K/8 @ leading elements of 26 Bde approaching the river area 7146 @ Patrolling has continued E to Mt BUKAVA 0940 where evidence proposed patrolling job abandoned camp by barge 4 Sept @ 40 WAMPIT FORCE no further report @ all informed
8833	Q267	WAM. F.	3600.DHOUND	1055	1222	Q119 requests contained in sigs referred to in Q841 as follows @ 250 mortar 3" H.E. 10 drums D3 single cable 5 dog dogs lamp electric.
8834	EL-966	D. Coy.	24BN.	1510	0935	LOOKER. PL not yet in posn moving EAST from high feature 6705. Encountered dense jungle type of undergrowth. No track discovered weather low mist. Vis NIL. Still 1000 yds from coast at 0800K/9.
8835	EL-972	D Coy	24BN.	2100.		Revised location statement as to 1800K/9. Coy HQ plus mm9. det. mortar ^{det} 660033 sub sec 661032. sub sec 665029. 16 pl 680023. 1 spl. left 1. sec 677057 8 pl. left 2 sec. 613013. sec 621018. sec 616013. m.s.p. 620018. 2/6 and Sun ^{RT} 621018. Coy HQ. near details 604009.
8836	I 1636	WF.	11 F.S.	1430		inter Report.
8837	0331	1 ACof.	W.F.	2130/9	1415	SITREP 22 to 2000K/9. ① SDN. to 1400K/9. 42BN. captured CHARLEY HILL. sq. 7295. ② TDM. to 1300K/9. Concentration of 2/31 BN. at NADZAB. Completed. ③ 2/25 BN. patrolling MUNUM to YABU & SE. No contact. TAC. R. 0730K/9. No wpt seen MARKHAM RD. from YABU to 650418. ④ 9 DIV. to 1945K/9. the advance towards LAE. The leading BN of 24 BDE have crossed BUSU River near coast. Expected 26 BDE will ^{reach} BUSU tonight. ⑤ WAMPIT. FORCE. to 2000 K/9. our patrol continues to harass enemy in MARKHAM PT. area. ⑥ Air OPS 9 SEPT. 9 MITCHELLS. attacked barges WALDEBAY. and barges REESE PT. fortification point and NATIVE HUTS. BONGA strafed. all informed.
8838	L322	B'YA BASA-R.		1330	1440	VX. 117979 Ptu MOORE requires dental treatment (NINE extractions) advise when this man can be accepted
8839	RQ82	R. BASA	LAE OP. RPTD 17. BASA	1650		VX142007 Ptu HALL J. VX136243 AM TRINOR G.W left SUNSHINE A.M 10 left as reliefs @ ETA 15 Sept.
8840	I 1637	24BN	11 F.S.	1730		inter Report

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8841	Q6522	NG.F. W.FORCE 1515 AUSTCORPS.	0605.	ref my Q 6493 still no reply our repeated request for ration statements ACK.
8842	I1638.	REARBA SF. A.BASA		A.S.W.R.
8843.	I1639.	A.BASA A.BASA 1930 1900		SECRET SITREP. A0 1900K/10.0 SITNOR.
8844	I320.	AUST CORPS. WAMPIT FORCE 1952 1/4	1955.	MOST SECRET NOT able to arrange AIR STRIKE until 7 AUST DIV in posn to obtain HEATHS.
8845.	H48.	MARK BASA-PAD 1826. R.R.BASA.	22 1004.	LT. ER. ROBINSON to report MARK FORCE forthwith.
8846.	J170.	W.FORCE NGF 1320K/7	2148K/10.	file containing message I125 of 30 August destroyed.
8847.	O336.	AUSTCORP. W.FORCE 1245.	2310.	SITREP 23 A0 1000K/10 010 5 DIV no further report @ 20 7 DIV A0 2000K/9 @ patrolling continued by 2 p 5 th BN SE from YALO and by PIB N of camp DIDDY patrol A0 TALERANE 191599 and WAWIN 287635 no enemy contacted @ 3BN 503 parachute Regt withdrawn and concentrated NADZAB area @ anticipated new strip available for use 11 SEP @ 30 9 DIV A0 2000K/9 @ some enemy fire during advance across BUSU river near coast 2/4 JNO Bay advancing N along BUSU RIVER from 700509 @ our arty 771 449 engaging strong point @ 40 WAMPIT FORCE A0 0800K/9 no change @ 50 further AROPS 9 SEPT 12 MITCHELLS attacked ALEXCHAVEN runway and 20 barges along coast ALEXCHAVEN SAIDOR @ lightning shaped sugar DOSE point.
8848.	O326.	AUSTCORP 7 DIV. R WAMPIT FORCE	0800. 2310.	WAMPIT FORCE at one bay in contact with caps estimated 200 strong in prepared defensive posn at MARKAM POINT @ indicate what action you intend this force take cooperate your attack your attack on HEATHS @ we can turn on air strike if required.
8849.	I1640.	W.FORCE HFS.	0830.	METEOR Report
8850.	I1641	W.FORCE A.BASA 0900.		SECRET SITREP A0 0700 K/H @ SITNOR.
8851		W.FORCE	0757	MOST SECRET.
8852	I1642	2900 HFS.	0830	Mark Defol.

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8853	0358	TRUST CORP	WAMPIT FORCE	0350	0945	MS as jet NO strike available
8854	065	7POST DIV	WAMPIT FORCE APTD TRUST CORP.	2130	0945	2/2 Pioneer Bn less 2 boys will be moving down bank MARKHAM river on 11 Sept @ Josh to prevent TAPS at MARKHAM PT. from crossing river & entering HEATHS.
8855	1184	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOOD HOUND	0304	0945	SECRET SITREP SS to 0900/7 @ SITNORD all informed.
8856	077	WAMPIT FORCE	TRUST CORPS APTD BNSP DUDI	1345	0945	O.P. on KUNMI SPUR 563428 HEATHS 1/25,000 reports probably M.M.G. (VICKERS) fired from approx S. 955444 also by only from WFE O.P. please advise frequently from of friends of NORTH of MARKHAM this way.
8857	0146	TRUST CORPS	WAMPIT FORCE APTD BNSP	2110	0945	NO reply yet received to my 0137 of 9 Sept @ please expedite
8858	1112	PELT FORCE	BNSP REAR	0730	0945	Strength stable
8859	1114	PELT FORCE	BNSP REAR	0730	0945	Sick return.
8860	1115	PELT FORCE	BNSP REAR	0730	0945	Strength return
8861	1324	BNSP	BNSP REAR	0645	1002	Strength return.
8862	0883	R BNSP	MARKHAM BNSP	1100		LIEUT. E. R. ROBINSON, being discharged. M.S.P. today. Will move 1300 H/17. M.O. advised NO prolonged marching therefore trip will be made fairly easy stages.
8863	0872	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOOD HOUND APTD 7POST DIV	2010	1125	Only 1 off 26 ors being returned to 24 Bn @ please advise if remainder or to be returned also
8864	0871	WAMPIT FORCE	7POST DIV	2200	1125	Please advise if 7POST DIV can arrange evacuation est. of WAMPIT FORCE from DEEP CREEK or BYARRIR by target plane
8865	0869	BNSP	DUDI APTD REAR. BNSP	2130	1125	advise number of magazines & spare parts lost. of your PF 20.
8866	050	WAMPIT FORCE	TRUST CORPS APTD BNSP	0840	1142	This force controls KUNMI SPUR via MARKHAM PT. 4 O.P. est. 563428 HEATHS 1/25,000 gives excellent view of valley N of MARKHAM PT from NARRAPOR to HEATHS plantation & surrounding country @ considered suitable city O.P. @ city officer could cross from N side HEATHS or SHEEDONS.
8867	1113	PELT FORCE	BNSP APTD BNSP-PWA	0730	0900	Sick return
8868	0873	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOOD HOUND	1101 0873	1120	Sick return.

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8869	RM12	DUDI	BASA.R	0830	1143	Strength state.
8870	RM13	DUDI	BASA.R	0825	1142	Sick return.
8871	AIR FLIGHT	O.P.			1153	Twin engine JPP bomber 15000 flying N from S looks like a SALLY RPTD. PARTER, ZONER.
8872	I1644	24BN	11 F.S.	1430		action report.
8873	0351	1 AUST COMPS	WAMPIT FORCE	2350	1410	Part 1 of 3 parts @ SITREP 24 to 2000 H/10 @ 10 3RUST DIV the 3rd phase in the battle for SFLA MFWA WEDGE won with the breaching of the enemy @ line of defense in the town @ organized defence consisting of a series of strongly prepared posts on spur a knoll that by reason of great precipitous slopes tend themselves to defense @ 3rd run roughly from 704494 to N.W. to the track junction on second ridge at 740954 & 742959 through CHARNEY'S to Hunai spur with a network of subridges from N.E. of Hunai spur on spurs & knolls in area south of FRANCISCO RIVER @ on night our troops have taken ridge running from 764964 to 748997 & all advancing up to O.P. track @ on second ridge they have driven enemy as far as 753973 & are still advancing
8874	051	WAMPIT FORCE	1RUST CORPS	1135	1410	No advice received for req. for air strike 40 @ as intended moving 1 PL plus int. sec. M.M.R. fourth at approx 568433 HEATHS @ 25000 with engage track running to HEATHS for N bank of Markham 583434
8875	I1645	BASA.R	BIRA. QM.	1545		Password
8876	RM14	DUDI.FWD.	BASA RPTD BASDFWD	1250	1545	NX6612 Lt. BARBER. E. killed in action by land mine 1115 hr.
8877	060	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOOD HOUND	1306	1545	046. @ 138 NOT received.
8878	RM16	DUDI.FWD.	R.BASA	1412	1610	PL GEORGE. NE. PTE. HIGGINS. MM. Stretcher cases. evac. from FWD area
8879	U.O.O	WAMP.FORCE	7.AUS.DIV	1115	1610	FOR. ARTY. COMDR. HAVE IN OWN AREA AT APPROX 562428. HEATHS .1-25000. Excellent O.P. overlooking HEATHS. Plantation and surroundings. Likely arty O.P. Suitable for W.T.

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8880. RB 84. R. BASA. MARK. P. BASA. 1435

Following personnel arrived SUNSHINE. LIEDT. CASEY. BIKA personnel. SGT COWAN. D.C. 1. PL. SGT WILLIAMS. J. 3. PL. 4. SGT BURFORD. JN (TAYLOR). CPL. CH. PARKER. KD. CPL. McSULLIVAN. E. S. 2. PL. PTE RUSSELL. ES. 1. PL. McGEE. KE. (44. D.M.M.). BORI. CPL TAGO. JN P. SAKER. R. PL MITCHELL. H (Cook) PTE BELL. G. HL. PTE. RAPPELL. RW. PTE JOHNSTONE. HF. BIKA. CPL DOWNING. I. PTE PATTERSON. HE. PTE HALLS. PRE. PTE WILLIAMS. I. PTE PERRY. J. PTE LLOYD. M. J. DUDI. PTE PERRY. W. (R.P.). PTE GALE. ES. (30). PTE HEMMABORROW. D. V. (INT). Please advise where these personnel are to be used and where.

8881. F. 1646. #73. 2400. 1730.

unclassified report.

8882. I. 1647. R. BASA. F. BASA. 1016.

A.S.W.R.

8883. EL 986. D. BOY. 15 BDER. 0601. 1805. 2400. 2400.

SECRET SITREP 177 NO 0600 K/JH 016 PL missing men not yet returned 0 2 PL moving EAST along NEW MALOLO track in endeavour to establish standing patrol at Junc new and OLD MALOLO track.

8884. OS 1008. 102 FD. D. ALLUMYS. 1515. 1805. W. P. W. SUNSHINE. F. P. P.

advise per signal to this depot by 1800 hrs 13 Sep. no of bootmakers on strength 0 NIK RETURNS NOT required.

8885. D. 051. 1 ANST CORP. W. FORCE. - 1806.

PART. 20 North West of scout Ridge they have advanced. to 745968 and are pressing on to NUKVURO In the centre they are pushing down the spur running north from CHARLES HILL 0 further west the enemy has been driven from his defence NE of KUNTA SPUR and our troops now holding KENNEDY'S CROSSING and are pushing on to the knoll 787380 they can have been inflicted In the enemy 0 in area NE. KUNTA SPUR 130 dead have been counted apart from those decomposed 0 In CHARLES HILL 80 dead have been counted 0 much eggs have been captured including 3 75MM and 1 1.05 MM gap guns found along BEACH N of LOANU on the high ground W of small ship our troops are attacking E at 718985 N at 70003 0 our army by direct and constant counter-attack harassing 400 lines of comm and its counter by work has played a notable part in the action that now been crowned with and has enabled the victory to be 0 minimum casualties on our side.

8886. @6522. NSF. W. FORCE. 1350. 1848. R. 1 ANST CORPS.

ref my G 6493 still no reply our repeated request for rations started 0 etc.

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8887	F.16.	TO10.	CAPT PECK. WAMPIT F	0900.	1848.	yes 3 boys much appreciated @ still require smaller food.
8888.	Q351.	1ANSTCORP.	WAMPIT FORCE.	-	1905.	PART 3. and final part @ 2/25 ANST INF BDE has continued moving SE from YALLI and is reported in contact small enemy ambush VIC of WHITTAKER'S 588463 @ 2/23 BN enroute MUMHIN river from NARAPOR @ 30 g AUST DIV @ 6200K/10 @ they rain night 9/10 SEP. delayed most troops across BHSU bridge, report is being brought back to river mouth so enable further troops to cross then also further N where 26 BDE need for fordable crossing on various slight enemy shelling of medium gun VIC old YALLI 72605 @ 40 WAMPIT FORCE. @ 1000K/9 @ NX 6612 Lieut BARBER E.C. killed in action K/11 Active patrolling M. POINT area continuous @ all day
8889	RQ86	24 Bn.	Records Office NS 40/C Area 1 and 2nd and 3rd Bn.	1910		NX 6612 Lieut BARBER E.C. killed in action K/11
8890	RQ87	"	15 Bde	1910		NX 6612 Lieut BARBER E.C. killed in action K/11
8891	EL989	D Coy 24 BN.	15 BDE. R. 24 BN.	1900K/10.	2000K/11	SECRET @ SITREP. 176 @ 1800K/10 @ WINTLE PL @ 2 sections under WINTLE attached enemy post 685023 @ from the South gained track cut enemy sig wires but met heavy fire from EAST remaining section under WHITEHALL attached enemy post from @ came under heavy fire all sections unable to advance further @ enemy post approx 200 yds long pill boxes each end and connected with track which has been made in a corn punch @ enemy post wind on North S side of ridge casualises enemy known killed, missing 2 BARLING PL moved E along MALOLO TRACK @ 673037 observed booby traps & freshly made footprints @ PL CMDR moved off track NE to rec area @ proposed launch attack on area EAST of BOOBY TRAPS at first light 11 SEP @ LOOKER. PLO Recceing area 684065 to be in post @ 600K/11 @ all inf.
8892	EL989	D Coy 24 BN.	15 BDE. R. 24 BN.	0930	1945.	BARLING PL @ 1 sec on NEW MALOLO TRACK WEST of suspected enemy ambush post 673037 @ remaining section under BARLING incised post on N side of track object to attack enemy post from EAST @ WINTLE PL @ 2 OR missing on 10 SEP returned safely @ one SECTION @ STAMING PARK on track WEST of enemy post 685023 @ remainder of PL moving EAST along NORTH slope of ridges @ object gained and cut enemy L. of C. @ all inf.
8893	EL987	D Coy 24 BN.	15 BDE. R. 24 BN.	0600.	1945	strongest base.
8894	EL990.	D Coy 24 BN.	15 BDE. R. 24 BN.	1035.	2005.	ref our TL 623 of 14 Aug 43 stated VX 139 350 PFC JONES. J.W. taken off & list @ returned from A.D.S. MISSIM 1700 K/14
8895.	EL993.	15 BDE. R. 24 BN.	D. Coy 24 BN.	1110.	2005.	VX 120 987 PFC STEVENS. J.P. and VX 84597 PFC CRUMP. C. reported missing in our EL985 of 10 SEP now reported @ returned safely to PL.
8896	EL985	D Coy 24 BN.	15 BDE. R. 24 BN.	1945K/10	2015.	killed in action 10 SEP VX 129 551 PFC. FAIRBANK. D.C. shot in life ample @ missing same action VX 84597 PFC CRUMP. C.A. and VX 120 987 PFC. STEVENS. W.R.

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8897	EL991	D Coy 24BN	15 BDER. 24BN	1038	1955	VX 73869 Pfc. MCGLINNESS. A. J. evacuated from MS-P NOTE to ADS. ERKINE. CK.
8898	EL996	D Coy 24BN	15 BDER. 24BN	1860	1959	SECRET SITREP 170 to 1800K/11 @ 16 PL. @ LECKIE patrol no report @ intentions of patrol to find L. of C. cut sig wire then moved along track and enemy posts @ PL comdr report 2 sec under BASELL moved to contact enemy on NORTH and attack enemy posts E lost direct @ Has ordered PL to move inland EAST along MALOLO till contact is made and force enemy from posts @ LOOKER PL no report.
8899	A1312	7th ART DIV	W. FORCE R. 1st ART CORPS	1428 K/7	2025 K/11	at present cannot send craft downstream below NARAKAPOR @ successful ferry present across river at any point above NARAKAPOR @ will this assist @ glad to evacuate from NAZABO @ phase advise.
8900	9875	W. FORCE	BLOOD HOUND	1905	2040	SECRET @ ref 9867 @ only two thirds scale. A. 3" mortar bombs H.E. in fwd area @ request 250 bombs be included in next dropping as soon as possible @ Lack native labour precludes supplying in quantity from rear.
8901	EL998	D Coy 24BN	15 BDER. 24BN	1925	2047	3 PL attacked enemy ambush post on MALOLO track from W & N @ Enemy did NOT reply unable continue attack first light 12 SEP @ Cas enemy unknown on mt
8902	1187	W. FORCE	BLOOD HOUND R. 5th ART DIV. R. BASA. D Coy 24BN	2020	2110	SECRET SITREP 56 to 2000K/11 @ 24BN @ B Coy BUANG AREA 2330K/10 5 heavy explosions heard BUANG RIVER MOUTH @ 0730K/11 patrol left from BASE 594235 WAGOI with mortar det. to set post on coast NORTH of BLIANG @ B. Coy MARKAM PT AREA @ 1115K/11 patrol to 100 yds W gap camp struck landmine cas 1 offr killed @ 1230K/11 patrol to 568431 observed enemy post 15 mins NO mt seen @ 1630K/11 attack on river ambush post by 2 PLS with mortar support NOT successful @ when mortar opened up enemy vacated post moved fwd and pinned down our mps along cleared fwd lanes of fire @ 1705K/11 two platoons with mtv support moved direction enemy barricades 568429 @ 1730K/11 reached 567430 without opposition @ Cas enemy unknown on mt @ cas 2 killed @ observations @ NGARENEND. OP. 417517 @ 0127-1010K/11 arty fire heard NE of OP. @ 1920-1125K/11 rifle shots in foothills NORTH of OP. @ 1305-1700K/11 heavy arty fire direction NE. @ 1327-1800K/11 MMG and rifle fire in foothills @ 1550K/11 lf and such mt on road vic DABMATSUNG @ K/11 explosions VIC LAE @ 1420K/11 bombing heard direction NARAKAPOR @ MARKAM PT. OP @ 0930K/11 MMG and rifle fire NORTH of MERTHS @ 225 pds VIC NARAKAPOR engaged MERTHS area @ all inf.
8903	AQBE 34	A. INFAN	Records office M.G. L. of AREA 2nd ART CORPS ADV. BASA. D Coy 24BN	2250	-	VX 139961 Pfc. FASHAM. DE W. killed in action K/10.

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8904	T1002	UN-FORCE	R.F.S.	0500	-	METEOR. report.
8905	51649	EAR. BASA.	BASBA.	0700	-	SECRET SITREP No 0700 K/12 @ 0125 K/12 1 U/1 A/C heard in SW.
8906	AM19	DUDI	BASA	0710	0945	Strength Return
8907	5100	AIR FLA	SH		0950	U/1 A/C SUNSHINE. O.P. traveling N. 12000.
8908	RM.12	DUDI	BASA-R.	0855	0945	TR 5359 Lt. RICHARDS B.W. killed in action. 11/12
8909	AM17	PECH FORCE	BASA-R.	0700	0945	Strength Return
8910	AM19	PECH FORCE	BASA-R.	0700	0945	sick report.
8911	AM16	PECH FORCE	BASA REAR	0700	0945	Strength Return.
8912	L32L	BIXA	BASA REAR.	0645	0945	Strength Return.
8913	I 133	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOODHOUND RPTD S. POST DIV	0326	0945	SECRET SITREP 57 to 0800 M/12 @ 24 RM C Bay @ MARKHAM. PT area @ 1830 M/11 fire sighted on NORTH bank MARKHAM river at approx 573436 @ 1900 M/11 4 rds mortar onto STP para 568433 @ 0530 M/12 two pls continued advance using log frames to traverse mine fields @ 0630 M/12 reached approx 568431 without opposition @ SUNSHINE AREA @ 0705 M/12 U/1 A/C heard in SW. @ all informed.
8914	AM18	PECH FORCE	BASA-R.	0700	0945	Ann. Return.
8915	9877	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOODHOUND	0900	0950	Ann. Return.
8916	-	BASA	3 PLBT DIV	0915	0950	Strength Return
8917	RM.20	DUDI FWD	BASA.	0800	0950	U260016 Pte. MOKINGS P.E. wounded in action & left. right B.W. Left side R. arm he remained on duty. was cas. reported.
8918	R989	24 POST REAR.	REAR BFILE	1040		TR 5359 Lt. RICHARDS. B.W. killed in action 11/12.
8919	R990	24 BN	15 POST REAR.	1040		TR 5359 Lt. RICHARDS B.W. killed in action 11/12
8920	I 651	WAMPIT FORCE	M.G.F. RPTD 1400T COMES	1045		Tracing paper stock now exhausted @ can you supply.
8921	I 109	BASA FWD.	BASA-REAR.	1021	1055	For ELECTRICIAN @ Mf. staffing @ More than attack HEMBY BIRA. confirmed @ have HEMBURROW at war until WHITE T reaches

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8921	I1652	24BN	N.F.S	1130		action report.
8922	0367	1705T CORP.	N.G.F RPTD WAMPIT FORCE	1305	1120	SITREP 25 to 1000 H/11 @ 1 @ 5 POST. DIV 2000 H/11 @ despite heavy rain causing landside general adv. which began on 9 Sept continued yesterday & our fwd Hqs reached the line FRANCISCO RIVER by 1930 hrs @ attempts to cross are being impeded by flooding of river N. of river enemy counter attacked with out success vic 718935 @ our Hqs occupied further posts at 715000 @ 2 @ 7 POST DIV to 2000 H/10 @ A.P. 25 BDE # 2/3rd. Bn reached MUNUM @ patrolling towards HEATHS continues @ 3 @ 9 POST DIV to 0750 H/11 @ heavy rain continued to prevent further crossing of BUSU river which is still using @ fwd Bn 24 Bn has bridgehead rectangle bounded by 406 Northy & 340 backing side @ enemy from encountered JAP strong Hqs 741403 destroyed @ JAP counter attacked on left flank was repulsed 40 JAPS killed @ when for Bn group landed RED BEACH @ 1000 H/11 @ WAMPIT FORCE to H/10 @ active patrolling continued all informed.
8923	RQ 91	ANSA. REAR	DUDI FWD	1130		V 260016 Pte HORNINGS P.E was reported wounded to Records Office.
8924	Q 399	1705T CORP.	N.G.F RPTD WAMPIT FORCE	2255	1250	SITREP 26 to 2000 H/11 @ 1 @ 5 POST DIV @ 830 H/11 fwd Hqs had crossed FRANCISCO river unopposed at 90740988 & reached STANIMAU FARE DROME @ 2 @ 7 POST DIV to 1440 H/11 enemy party engaged vic JENYAS 589463 @ enemy killed 400 300 3 @ 9 POST DIV to 0800 H/11 @ patrolling had continued N of WONDIA bridge 6854 @ enemy killed vic BUNGA & BUREP river mouth @ no damage @ some JAP car. in school attacks EAST bridgehead BUSU river 7073 10/11 Sept. 14 2nd regt. arrived RED BEACH @ WAMPIT FORCE NO further report @ all informed.
8925	Q 51008	102 FOM WAV		1800	1215	Advise per signal to this report by 1800 hrs on 13 Sept. number of boatmen on strength @ with return NOT required
8926	EL4	D. Coy 24 BN	1500E RPTD 24BN	0826	1228	8 pl 1st stepped on land mine which failed to explode @ land mines have been uncovered & marked @ pl moved through 2 JAP posts which had been vacated & are continuing East along MULOLO track @ 0825 H/12 @ 1st badly wounded by land mine @ pl now 500' on track East of PASINI CA @.
8927	EL1	D. Coy 24 BN	1500E RPTD 24BN	0600	1235	SECRET @ SITREP 179 to 0620 H/12 @ 16 pl with report @ 8 pl @ 0130 H/12 @ moved East along MULOLO track for 1 hr. @ unable give M.R. @ crossed 5 trip wires & observed straight stretch of beach on narrow spur @ Is likelihood of land mines being hid & too dark to move off track recommenced moving fwd at 0530 H/12 @ NO further report.
8928	Q 825	WAMPIT FORCE	1705T CORP	2230	1236	SECRET @ further to 0818 request further draftings CARRIERS by 8 Sept @ two planes native 250 3 inch MOR H.E. @ plane advice
8928	EL2	D. Coy 24 BN	15 DIV 1500E 24BN	0600	1236	Strength state

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8929	061	MARKIT FORCE	17057 RPTD DVI BASA	1100	1240	please advise earliest air strike & for city support available @ on attacks 11/11 11/12 supported by mortars NOT successful @ Bay cas 2 coffers killed 1 or missing off wounded 20 ors cas @ all pls. now sound by sgts enemy still continuing from 568429 to 568433 HEATHS 1/25.000 @ Unable to advance without by cas unless strong air for city support available to assist.
8930	062	MARK	BASA	1102	1310	Dispatch earliest LT. CASEY 1 Sgt. 5 ors DUDI 12 H. BASA to MARK FORCE advise departure & ETA
8931	R992	R. BASA	MARK FWD BASA RPTD DUDI	1355		Lt. CASEY SGT BRACK Sgt. GOODWIN Pts WILLS, THOMPSON, PERRY WHITECROSS GTFE leave for DUDI 1400/12 @ ETA FWD DUDI 10 left @ Mrs PARCUTT HEMBURROW leave 1400/12 for PARTEPO Sgt. COWAN Pte RUSSELL leave 1400/12 to join OVERSEER @ ETA 14 left
8932	RM 21	DUDI CWD	BASA R.	0915	1410	V 321359. Pte HAIR. K. wounded in action 9.5.40. L. Gas. Remaining on duty.
8933	R993	WAM Force	102 FOD	1405		reply to O.S. 1008. VX 121867. Cpl BURROWS. CTE. right boot water 2 y BN. Stationed SUNSHINE. at present in M.S.P. SUNSHINE.
8934	I1653	24 Bn	115.5	1420		nuclear Report.
8935	R.994	REAR BASA	MARK RPTD F. BASA DUDI	1505		inf. on R.992 @ amend @ BALE to read Pte PATTERSON @ the GITLE is S/B attached to DUDI & moving to-day
8936	I1654	BASA	BASA 9th 24th	1530		password MURIEL.
8937	I1655	24 Bn	1175	1720		nuclear Report
8938	V.66	Mark	Basa DUDI DIFA	1544	1710	Capt DUELL. moving DIFA forthwith as 2ik Capt ROBINSON. to report BUILBERT. BASA. upon Capt DUELL'S. arrival. DIFA. Capt BONBERRY. Command MARK. Force as from 1100/12.
8939	O.399	1st Inf Corp	W 7.	0940	1710	evacuation enemy. evacuating SALAMAUVA area probably using coast track. Repair all possible up from BUANG. patrol of movement.

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8940.	I1656	REAR.BASA.	ADY. BA SA	1830	-	RS.W.R.
8941	I1657.	BASA.	BIKA BIXA DUDI BIFA PH	1900.	-	LOC STAFF.
8942	061.	ADV.BASA.	15 F SMITH ROAD MARKAM REAR.	1745.	1946.	MOST SECRET.
8943.	9350.	ADV. BASA.	REAR BASA.	1653	1925	If soldier charged for S.W. under AA19(2) court inquiry must be held first to declare wound SW @ If charged under predecessor AA40 for negligence court may be dispensed with @ Please advise if court being held your area.
8944	I192.	W. FORCE.	BLOODHOUND R 5AUST DIV REAR.BASA.	2030.	2120.	SECRET SITREP 58 A6 2600K/12 @ 24PM OP Bay MARKAM. PT area @ 0730K/12 attacked on gap from 558431 NOT successful @ soft grad neutralized mark and our troops met by heavy fire @ Ops withdrawn and dug in 567428 @ our cas, 1 off killed, 10R wounded @ enemy ambush 568432 comprises pillboxes of logs with 15mm fire slits @ No further movement @ 1800 K/12 @ OBSERVATIONS @ NGAREMENO OP. 407 517 @ 0800 - 1030 K/12 explosions and heavy smoke observed LAE @ 1430 - 1500K/12 shots heard NORTH of direction N of MARKAM @ explosions and smoke 564456 @ K/12 - 106 A/C landed NADZAB @ MARKS O.P. 304482 - 1505K/12 - 12 boats moved down MARKAM @ WINDOW OP 491429 @ 0500 K/12 explosions heard VIC HERTHS @ 1200 K/12 explosions VIC-LAE @ 1430K/12 explosions heard VIC-TAP VILLAGE 564431 @ 1700K/12 explosions VIC HERTHS and NE of OP @ all inf.
8945	468.	MARKAM.	BASA.R. BIKA BIXA.	2000.	2150	if not already done ensure total two PLS two det mtrs at SMITH force @ send one PH BIXA plus 1 det mtrs to obtain this total @ remaining PH BIXA occupy DAMBIANA.
8946	A36.	PACK-TPT	BASA FWD.	2130.	2150.	M/R HUN GULF special location as at 1200 K/12 - 273149.
8947	L170.	WAMPIT FORCE.	1AUST CORP R. DUDI BASA.	2020	2150	serious shortage signed gear particularly torch gear batteries @ can something be done to alleviate posn.
8948.	Q58.2	W. FORCE.	7AUST DIV.	2300.	2355.	FOR AD1 from LD WAMPIT FORCE arriving morning K/13 by canoe from CAELDONIS.
8949.	I1657.	W. FORCE.	11 F.S.	0530.	-	METEOR. REPORT
8950.	I1659.	REAR-BASA.	ADV. PHA.	0700.	-	SECRET SITREP A6 0700 K/13 @ SITNOR.
8951	438	BIXA	BASA R. RPTBODY.	0440	0907	Unsig. Note
8952	I1660	2A DIV	11-F.S	0830		Notes Report

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2520. 0515 METREP.
 0615 One B25 N to S overhead 12,000.
 0815 METREP.
 0840 8 DC3s. 4 P47s seen in WEST, going NORTH. 9000 2.
 0845. One B25 seen in W. going N 10000. 2.
 0930. 9 DC3s. 4 5 P40s. going N 9000.
 0940. 1. u/i. plane passed overhead going N.
 1000. 8 DC3s 5 P47s. seen in W going NW 12000 - 5.
 1003. 10 B24s passed overh. going N.
 1022. 9 DC3s passed overh going S. 15000 8000.
 1023. 3 B24s passed overh. heading N.
 1035 4 P39s. 15000 " " " " 13000.
 1115 METREP.
 1140 8 DC3s seen in W going SW 10000 - 5.
 1205 2 DH moths from S. - went NW 4000 - 3.
 1206 5 P39s. from N. circled, went W 16000
 1315 6 P47s. S to N 15000 - 3.
 1330. 16 DC3s 4 4 P47s seen in W going NW 10000 5.
 1415 METREP
 1445. 7 DC3s 4 6 P47s N to S 10000.
 1510 9 DC3s 4 8 P47s S to N 10000 - 3.
 1520 4 P47s S to N 18000 overh.

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8953	Z193	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOOD HOUND RPTD REAR. BPSA	0812	0843	SECRET SITREP 59 to 0800 H/13 @ SITNOR @ all informed.
8954	A.M. 23	DUDI	BPSA R. RPTD BPSA.F.	0700	0940	Strength state.
8955	A2389	7AUST. DIV	WAMPIT FORCE	1210	0940	Ref your signal of 10 Sept @ with ferry car from Swainp 441523 to NAD 27B for evac. by air @ please advise ETA @ hope to be able evac your car from DEEP CREEK - from HERRITS shortly.
8956	NR1. PECH FORME	PELT FORCE	BPSA.R. RPTD BPSA.F.	0730	0940	Strength state
8957	NR. 2	PELT FORCE	BPSA.R. RPTD BPSA.F.	0830	0940	Strength state.
8958	RM. 11.	DUDI FWD.	BPSA.R. RPTD.F.	1605	0950	VX 109116 bpl GRAY H.D. VX 109416 PTE SULLIVAN J. reported missing now reported killed in action & left.
8959	M04	24 BN	DDMS	1700	1014	Left stat.
8960	Q73	1AUST CORP.	7AUST. DIV	1620	1034	arrange help. WAMPIT FORCE informed out of way bank of MARKHAM @ if activities mean NOT available commo. possible through 5AUST. DIV.
8961	I1661	24 BN	M.F.S	1930		See next page action report.
8962	Q884	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOOD HOUND	1059	1114	Amv. Return
8963	AQ95	24 BN	RECORDS OFFICE	1125		VX 109116 bpl. GRAY H.D. VX 109416 PTE SULLIVAN J. previously reported missing 11/4 now reported killed in action 11/4.
8964	U73	DUM F.	BPSA	1050	1155	required 2 fire net campfy. mks urgently.
8965	RQ96	R. BPSA.	R. M.O. BPSA.	1200		if you XZY returns to DDMS 3 DIV @ this unit now under 1AUST CORPS @ suggest return unit D.D.M.S. 1AUST CORPS unless your instructions are to contrary.
8966	I1662	24 BN	M.F.S	1430		action report.
8967	Q155	1AUST CORPS	M.G.F. RPTD WAMPIT FORCE	1915	1225	following signal received from WAMPIT FORCE quote Q865/10 in reply to Q137/9 @ refers @ XZY/19 where possible desired to issue food SWFR in preference to F.O.R @ 4 days SWP held WAMPIT FWD @ after dropping one day required to @ 2 days going fwd @ large number actions still held ZENRE but on account of lack D regarding @ Spt rooming can be moved fwd daily @ request dropping @ BREN 815 as soon as possible @ request drop @ BREN 815 be arranged

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8968	Q165	1 BUST CORPS	WAMPIT FORCE	1155	1225	if your request to have 155 fuse for 3 inch mortar smoke made safe to drop you are advise 15 1/2 fuse can not be made safe @ purpose in future send 150 fuse made safe believeid 20 DRACHMCE pellets instead 12 DRACHM pellets assured for 152 fuse in 3 inch mortar smoke bomb.
8969	I194	WAMPIT FORCE	7 BUST DN	1230	1340	will report to you our daily SITREPS as to 0800 & 2000 hrs @ can you reciprocate.
8970	Q167	1 BUST CORPS	WAMPIT FORCE	1553	1415	wampit force will submit a daily ration state showing rations held at 2359 hrs daily state showing amm held at the same time @ returns will be submitted to 1 BUST CORPS.
8971	EL26	D Coy 24 BN	15 BDE RPTD 24 BN	0730	1435	Boy H.A. & 18 pl moving last along MALOLO track to MALOLO.
8972	EL27	D Coy 24 BN	15 BDE RPTD 24 BN	1215	1435	Boy H.A. & 18 pl arrived MALOLO.
8973	RQ97	R.BASA	R.M.O. BASA NDUDI.	1525		Ref dentures of Pte Cooper C.W. handed to you 2 months ago at DUDI. Could infer be given as to whereabouts. Soldier now evacuated W.A. liable to go fwd Moresby.
8974	EL28	D Coy.	24 BN.	0600	1530	Ref our W. 2006. of 13 Sept. 43. para A7. 1. O.R. died of wounds. V255654. At WATTS. M.P.
8975	V-75	MARK	MARK Basa near	1340 1340	1530	advise 117 AGN. the C.O. gives approval of application of 14 days sick leave or any other leave which has accumulated for V.K. 104465 - cpl. MACKAY. S. T.
8976	O.109	7 DIV.	WAMP FORCE.		1550.	SITREP. 17. to 0800 K/13. Beachhead report 1700 K/12. 40-50. beached LAKATOIS. between 620420 and LABU. ISLAND. otherwise SITNOA.
8977	EL.28	D Coy.	15 BDE.	0601	1550.	SITREP. 181. to 0600 K/13. 8 pl moving NORTH. along track from 695040 to MALOLO. 16 pl returning OP at 661032 report no. enemy observed East of high feature at 685043.
8978	R. BASA	R.BASA	A.BASA BIXA	1600		V. 40344. Cpl DOWNING. I. V270815 Mc LLOYD. MT. V. 320415 PERRY. J. VX68561 WILLIAMS. I. 4 BIXA. V. 285457 JOHNSTONE. H.F. VX. 122399. RAPPALL. AW of BORI. left near BASA. 1320 K/13. reporting advance BASA. ETA AM 14 Sep.

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8979	EL23	D Coy	24Bn.	0600	1711	Strength return.
8980	EL11	"	"	1457.	1717	VX 141611 Pte DEBNEY F.C. evac to NUMS POST for dental treatment. VX138492 Pte CARLISLE. WH to X list was evac beyond MSP HOTEL. over 7 days. VX 43140 Lieut THOMAS J.K. returned to Coy for MSP HOTEL. VX135505 Pte BROWN G.P. arrived HOTEL from 24 Bn.
8981	EL 8	"	"	1330.	1717	LOOKER reports NO track. returning owing to bad health of troops.
8982	EL 6	"	"	0940	1717	Barges left Isthmus ref 727016 0750k/12. 1 barge moved South. the other N.E. around peninsular and headed towards SAMOA Hbr.
8983	EL 7	"	"	1300	1717	8 Pl. progress very slow owing to land mines on track. Unable to give accurate map ref owing to nature of country. Move through good unoccupied def. posns. still progressing No further report.
8984	EL 12	"	"	1615	1717	LOOKER Pl reported in 1545. can find NO trace of track. WINTLE reports enemy posn clear and is moving forward along track. 8 Pl reported arrived at vacated Jap camp. approx 680037
8985	EL 13	"	"	1845	1717	4 fires observed vic. 680174. first fire began 1830. all still burning.
8986	EL 15	"	"	1801	1717	SECRET SITREP 180 to 1800k/12. 8 Pl. 1600k/12. Reported Jap camp clear. pushing forward No report since 1630k/12. 16 Pl. Jap posn clear. pushing down track using Jap sig wire for comm. Blind land mine encountered by 8 Pl. has been exploded. Track now clear.
8987	EL 21	"	"	2230	1717	L/T re est. with 8 Pl. Pl now at approx 695040. NO enemy observed. 3 landmines found at Jap camp, also rice, amm and clothes. L/T to Coy Hqs by Jap sig wire.
8988	EL10	"	"	1444	1717	VX 70719. Cpl GRANT A. J.M. evac to MSP HOTEL. Diarrhoea. 11 Sep 43.
8989	EL 9	"	"	1400	1717	WINTLE moved forward. Found first def posn unoccupied. consider it vacated 1130 hrs. approx Moving forward. waiting further report.
8990	EL 17	"	"	1825	1717	Ref by EL 4 of 12 Sep. 1 OR badly wounded by land mine. V 255654. Pte WATTS M.P. since died of wounds 12 Sep.
8991	0 88	7 Div	WAM	F. 0155/12.	1717.	Ref 1 Aust Corp. 0375 11 Sep. 2/2 Pnr Bn contacted Jap patrol 572437. Bn now at 569458. 12 Sep. Pnr Bn will contact and come under Comd 25 Bde to advance on HEATHS
8992	0407.	1 Aust Corp.	Wamp Force.	1410/12.	1717.	SITREP 27 to 1000k/12. 1. 5 Div to 2000k/11. Further crossing cere made over FRA FRANCISCO River at 730987. and 741988. by 1300k/111. SALAMAU was occupied up to and including the Isthmus. The enemy is still held in holding frontage on the general line 720011 to 702006. where he occupies well prepared posns. 2. 7 Div to 0800k/12. counter attack HEATHS continues. Patrols have moved down headwaters BUMBUB successful. from YALU NORTH to Camp DIDDY and WEST to ERAP River. No enemy seen. 1553k/111. Patrol inflicted casualties Jap patrol 572437. No arrival NADZAB 11 Sep.

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8993.	PART 2.	1 AUST CORPS.	WAMPIT FORCE.	-	17	PART 2 @ 3 bn patroling reg at MANUM under comd 25BDE @ 30 9 AMST DIV 10200K/11 further rain and high surf 11 Sep @ fwd BN/4 BDE outside creek 779400 and patrolling WEST @ 111 gaps dead counted and quantity eqpt captured @ further by 24BDE crossing BUSO near coast using punts on ropes @ further attempts by 26BDE to cross further North hindered by enemy MMG fire @ 20 BDE been relieved by 4 BDE and moving W 17 SEP 10 BU REP RIVER area as DIV reserve @ our arty active against target LAE VIC to include airfield @ 40 WAMPIT FORCE no report @ all informed.
8994.	0287.	1 AUST CORPS.	WAMPIT FORCE	1900 K/9	1815K/13.	details required following earliest by DRZ. S. @ 3 copies relevant TOPOGRAPHIC will be dropped by next ration.
8995	W77	WAMPIT FORCE	1 AUST CORPS R. BASA 7 DIV 0401	1647.	1825	contact made by us across MARKAM with 2/2 pna BN @ messages from them as follows quote WAMPIT FORCE Y LUVA our posn. 573436 and 585 434 and 589440 patrol out towards 597 427 and 612 433 unquote @ this force reported giving own and enemy desposn MARKAMPT.
8996.	I1064	REAR-BASA.	ADV. BASA.	1830	-	A.S.V.R.
8997	0424.	1 AUST CORPS.	NGF 5 BUNTON 7 AUST DIV. 9 AUST DIV	0015K/13.	1925.	SITREP 25 10 2000K/12 @ 10 5 DIV 10 0800K/12 @ our tips continued moving north towards KEBA and by 2000K/11 had reached 734017 @ PIPERCUB A/C landed SHALAMAU aerodrome 13 Sept @ 20 7 DIV no further report @ 30 9 DIV 10 0800 K/12 DIV HQ 789438 @ 2 BNS 24BDE now W of BUSU RIVER with fwd element at 734006 and 729 496 @ 26 BDE still seen river crossings @ 40 WAMPIT FORCE 10 2000 K/11 @ standing patrol being est N. DUANG RIVER mouth first of 2 parts K/13.
8998.	06549.	N.G.F.	1 AUST CORPS WAMPIT FORCE 7 AUST DIV.	1240K/11	1948K/13	SECRET @ HQ 7 AUST DIV advised NGF @ LA that 7 AUST DIV can provide rations and amm for WAMPIT on SOUTH bank MARKAM if WAMPIT FORCE liaise with that HQ @ urgently advise this HQ if dropping still required @ will continue arrange pending advice
8999	RQ100	24 Bn.	Rec. office NA hope	1955		VX136412 Pte WATTS M.P. Med of wounds received in action K/12.
9000.	I195	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOOD MOUND 2 AUST DIV R. BASA 7 AUST DIV TSILI TSILI @ Bay 240N.	2015.	2105.	SECRET SITREP 60 10 2000K/13 @ 24 BND @ (Bay MARKAM area @ 115K/13 V/S comm set with 2/2 prior BN @ posns given as 573436, 585 434 589440 @ 1100K/13 13 PL now at 524 433 @ 1500K/13 MMG at 567 427 engaged target NEW LABU ISLAND result not known @ no enemy mov seen to 1500 K/13 @ OBSERVATIONS @ GNARDNEYO OP 417517 0915- 1100 K/13 shots heard foothills NORTH of OP @ 1105K/13 Arty fire heard NE. YAHU @ 4/13 140 A/C landed NADZAB @ RIARE OP 504482 1400K/13 20/C strafed strafed LAE @ 0810-0925 K/13 explosions and smoke VIC rd NW of HEATHS @ 1320K/13 Arty fire in NE @ 1325K/13 explosions heard direction 7 PP village @ 1530 1545K/13 MITCHELLS bombs & strafed VIC NEW LABU ISLAND incl E of pag village @ D'Bay @ DUANG AREA no further report @ all informed.

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- 0515 meteor Report
- 0815 " "
- 0830 18 DC 3. overhead N. 10000ft
- 0840 18 DC 3. E P 47. 1. Beaufort. S to N. 10000ft overhead
- 0900 18 DC 3 overhead N. to S. 8000
- 0905 11 P. 885 S to N. 16000. 2 miles away
- 0915 12 U/I planes Bellman W going S.
- 0927 4 P 47 overhead N. 15000ft 2 miles away
- 0955 24 DC 3. 10 P 47s over going S. 12000ft
- 1030 10 DC 3. overhead S. 12000ft
- 1045 8 P 40. from E went W. 18000. 2 miles away
- 1115 meteor Report
- 1130 10 DC 3. over S. 10000ft
- 1137 2 DC 3. in W going S 6000 ft 2 miles away
- 1340 130 natives en route to Kwatomane
- 1415 meteor Report
- 1440 17 DC 3. over S.E. 6000ft
- 1520 8 B. 250. in W going NW 13000ft 4 miles away
- 1535 10 DC 3. 7 P 47 overhead 9000ft
- 1600 1 P 28 seen in E going S 16000ft 2 miles away
- 1615 10 B 75 going S. 1400 2 miles

- 0515 Meteor Report
- 0800 North to WEST U/I planes 12000
- 0815 Meteor Report
- 0820 explosion heard towards W/E
- 0840 21 DC 3 south to North overhead 10000 4 P 47s 14000
- 0930 18 DC 3 North to South overhead 10000 4 P 47s 14000
- 0935 18 DC 3 south to North overhead 10000 4 P 47s 12000
- 0940 8 P 47s south to North overhead 14000
- 1050 south to North U/I plane in w direction
- 1015 explosion heard towards W/E
- 1016 20 DC 3 North to South overhead 9000 4 P 47 12000
- 1026 13 DC 3 North to South 1 mile 10000. 4 P 39 14000
- 1115 meteor report
- 1245 16 DC 3 south to North overhead 13000 4 P 39 15000
- 1435 Meteor Report.

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2527	0700	0/1 A/C	round O.P. then flew N	
	0515	Met		
	0740	18 DC3	S to N	10000
		6 P39	"	12000
	0810	17 DC3	"	12000
	0815	Met		
	0816	Met	heard towards L	
	0830	18 DC3	S to so	12000
		4 P39	"	15000
	0835	4 DC3	N to S.	10000
	0835	14 "	S to N	"
	0850	35 -	N to S	12000
		15 P47	"	15000
	0955	17 DC3	"	9000
		5 P49	"	14000
	1050	3 B17	"	17000
	1101	5 B24	"	16000
	1112	1 P38	SE to NW	15000
	1205	4 P38	S to N	16000
			"	6000
	1215	4 DC3	"	12000
	1330	5 -	"	
	1415	Met		
	1507	3 DC3	"	500
	1530	2 "	"	6000
	1545	3 DC3	N to S	8000
	1600	1 DC3	N to W	5000

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9000	W77	MARK.	ADV. BASA R. DUDI. REAR.	1623.	2000.	C of I declared VX 109115 Pfc. GEORGE. NC. wilfully wounded himself to avoid military service & confession and statement on way & proceed as outlined my H65 appoint officer to take summary. If evidence which can be documentary & GEORGE to be placed under close arrest although guard at bedside not necessary told him at SUNSHINE at all costs.
9002	Q887.	ADV. BASA MARK	MARKAM R. NEAR. BASA.	2050	2007	in case SIW essential that court inquiry summary evidence be completed in presence both accused and witness.
9003	I1665.	24 BN.	IFSECTOR.	0520.	-	METEOR. Report. 14 SEP 1943
9004	W82	W. FORCE.	NGF. R. AUST CORP.	0025.	0510.	CAPT D.V. PECK left WAMPIT K/12 expected to cross MARKAM K/13 and contact 7AUIT DIV same day & No report yet received so please continue arrange dropping unless otherwise advised & when details of arrangements with 7 DIV completed would appreciate water for ration down to DEERCRK. This considered safe as our troops control both sides MARKAM to at least 56 grid.
9005	H80.	W. FORCE.	AUST CORP R. AUST DIV BASA.	2035.	0510.	OP reports MITCHELLS today bombed + strafing NEW LABU IS & as previously reported no mvt has been seen on ISLAND lately now believed uninhabited can you advise date possible airstrike MARKAM PT using bombing in preference of strafing.
9006	I1066.	REAR BASA.	ADV. BASA	0700	-	SECRET SITREP to 0700 K/14 @ SITNOR,
9007	I1066 7	24 BN.	IF S.	0830	-	Meteor Report
9008	RM25	DUDI FWD.	BASA. R.	0745	0825	Strength State.
9009	NR3.	PECK FORCE	A. BASA RPTD. BASA	0600	0833	Strength State
9010	H97	WAMPIT FORCE	BASA RPTD AUST DIV ALL LOGS	0828	0923	SECRET SITREP 61 to 0800 H/14 @ 24 BN @ C. by MARKHAM PT. area @ 2300 H/13 to 0100 H/14 H and harassing mortar fire into JPP. ambush camp MARKHAM PT @ Result not observed @ Heavy fire from NORTH of river during night into HEATHS area @ B by BUANG area @ 1405 H/13 patrol returned F. B 594235 WAGO 1 mile pt to within 1500 yds of coast NORTH side of BUANG river @ IMPOSSIBLE carry mortar + amm. further @ 0600 H/13 from form 624235. 21 mortar bombs fired between 635 242 & 635 235 @ Result NOT observed @ All informed.
9011	Q888	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOOD HOUND	0733	0956	Amn. Return
9012	0112	7 DIV	WAMPIT FORCE	0950	1040	2/2 prisoner on now under comd. 25 Bde @ allotted following task 13 left @ patrol to HEATHS @ patrol along south bank NARIASERA water to 612427 thence to 013432 @ primary role remains to prevent enemy joining MARKHAM RIVER.
9013	EL33	Dlog 4600	15 BASA RPTD 70 B-	1801	1040	SECRET SITREP 182 to 1800 H/13 @ by HQ. + 18 pl arrived at MALOLO 1215 H/13 @ 29 Bde contacted by HQ. 18 pl + 16 pl moved to 698046 @ 16 pl arrived 698046 at 1715 H/13 @ by HQ. near Secret 661032 NO enemy sighted.
9014	EL31	Dlog 24 BN	24 BN	1718	1040	Sick report

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9015	EL37	D. Day 24 BN	15 RDE RPTD 24 BN	0601	1040	SECRET & SITREP 183 to 0600 H/14 & all available personnel preparing to return to O.P. 669052 to carry food stores @ NO enemy observed night 13/14 left.
9016	EL32	D. Day 24 BN	15 RDE RPTD 24 BN	1710	1040	VX 140 180 aft SHEARN. R.R. attached F.17. c.c. was M.S.P. HOTEL 12 left @ this condition
9017	91	WAMPIT LD of 7 DIV	15 RDE CORPS RPTD WAMPIT	1645	1150	LIDSON with 7 DIV completed @ have sited zone @ 6869 @ Dropping will now NOT be required
9018	I1668	24 BN	11 FS	1130		minor report
9019	H/3	R.M.O	BDSAR	1000	1200	Dentures were NOT handled handed to R.M.O by COOPER
9020	MR 6.	PECK FORUS	R. BASA	0900	1200	credit to 31 Dec 42 5 days credit to 31 Aug 43 16 days total leave due 21.
9021	9891	WAMPIT FWD	BIXA RPTD SMITH FORCE BASA R	1130	1200	BUILDER 2 moving to BIXA in route SMITH FORCE H/14 @ Lt. SMITH will remain from base pending arrival of BUILDER 2.
9022	R. 101	24 BN	15 RDE RPTD	1150		Lieut CASEY & 2800s arrived H/0
9023	17877	VIC LOFC	24 BN RPTD NQR	1234/9	1205	advise V206491 Ode REBECCA father dangerously ill @ hospital
9024	9883	ADV. BASA	ADV. RPTD BASA	0920	1250	of man charged with S.I.W. C.A.F.1 must be held in presence of accused.
9025			ADV. RPTD R. BASA	1255	1120	understood about R/c staffing beach TRIPK Salamona for @ own the operating Board R.
9026	U65	MARK	BASA RPTD BIXA DUDI	1510	1340	transfer of GEORGE initials & number not known from DUDI to BIXA @ he is to be tried by Capt. F. WELLEN for S.I.W. Major & Major authorize to conduct orderly room @ removal for summary of evidence which will be provided from this area.
9027	4880	ADV. BASA	MARK RPTD BIXA DUDI R. BASA	1655	1400	of soldier charged for S.I.W. under AF 18(2) court inquiry must be held first to determine if charged under prejudice AF 40 for negligence court may be dispensed with @ please advise if court being held your area.
9028	672	MARK	BASA RPTD	0700	1400	an investigation officer has been appointed in this area to obtain signed statements from persons concerned @ NO c of 1 @ this sufficient and can evidence obtained be sent back to be dealt with by c of 1 @ see also my U65.
9029	PA 4	PECK F.	BASA RPTD ADV. BASA	2005	1400	V22130.2 Lt EVARRAN. E. accidental @ S.W. post 1410 H/13 @ summary of incident will be taken by OVERBER when EVARRAN arrives at DEX.

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9030	Q846	AM BASA	MAN BASA	1310	1418	In Lieut CHILOS from MINER @ Please accept my apologies for not visiting you whilst you were at PART 2 @ I was not informed of your being there.
9031	RH17	BASA PWA	BASA MAN	1908/4	1418	VX 135507 Pte WHITEACRE E.H. Killed in action @ death caused by G.S.W. & chest
9032	UBS	MARK	BASA MAN	0818	1426	Q883 Does not answer U72. Has Capt to be held in can in investigation off appointed by CO fwd report on finding @ Treat as urgent
9033	RQ 102	24 BN	Records Office HQ 2 of C. area Aptd. Tech. Corp. BASA DUDLI	1450	-	VX 135507 Pte WHITEACRE E.H. Killed in action W/11.
9034	EL41	P. Coy RPTD 24BN	WAMPIT FORCE	0825	1455	W/ P/O S/pl VX 70719 S/pl GRANT. A. J. V. understudy to S/pl. TONKIN @ GRANT absent at M.S.P. HOTEL undischarged available return to BN. M.C.
9035	RQ 103	24BN	P. Coy 24 BN Aptd. A. BASA	1505	-	VIC P of C. S. V 206431 Pte REBECCHI. A. F. father dangerously ill @ Hospital
9036	RQ 104	24. BN	79 PCH	1520	-	Please inform VV 122398 Pte COOPER. E. W. as follows @ R.M.O states dentures NOT handled to him
9037	0459	170ST CORPS	A.G.F. WAMPIT FORCE	0015	1530	Dir to 0800 11/13 NO CHANGE @ 2 @ 7 AUST DIV to 2200 11/12 @ During 12 left fwd Hqs. 25 BDE show enemy from 2 posns. via WITTAKERS 588463 reflecting loss & capturing equipment @ 119. 25 BN 569492 @ support only 555528 @ patrols along M. PARK 119M reached 584433 @ NO contact @ 30 @ 9 AUST DIV to 0800 11/13 @ night 12/13 left further only including 155 M.M. gun landed @ Fwd Hqs NO change @ 5 @ Air @ 13 left @ WEWAT Area @ 21 LIBERATORS bombed BAGAUR BUT aircraft approx 18 Hrs burning on ground @ 9 intercepting enemy fighters probably destroyed by bombers 3 destroyed 1 prob. damaged by fighters @ 1 Pte out 12 MITCHELLS bombed straggled TARI and to W. all informed.
9038	039	WAMPIT FORCE	A.G.F. RPTD 170ST CORPS	1425	1535	Further to my U82 of 0025 11/14 @ as from 1500 11/14 7 AUST DIV landing arrangements this force BWARIP 440523 NADZAB 1 inch @ Droppings WAMPIT may therefore be discontinued
9039	RQ 105	A. BASA.	MARK Aptd. ADV. BASA	1540	-	if you U72 UBS @ 0880 ADV BASA @ legal pow. absent @ opinion now is that @ of 1 can be despatched with @ report of investigating off. sufficient @ signal statements can be used but orig. sig. signed by witnesses MUST be forwarded earliest after report investigating off. new charge can be held in a orderly room held @ suggest by phone @ adjourned for taking summary @ witnesses statements can be included in summary @ need to be secured in lieu of witnesses appearing @ signal sent BLOOD HOUND requesting clarification whole matter @ arrangements need to be held secured W/11 7-10 days after arrival or longest if possible @ secured can not be held SUNSHINE indefinitely some M.C. present.

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1946	RQ106.	WAMPIT FORCE	3800 NWH113 R.A.S.BSP.	1845		for L.S.O. several cases S.I.W. have occurred 24 BND in each case investigations under GRO 392/43 proceeding but C.O. not able conduct orderly Room being in operational area and under S.I.W. cases moving back LoC to hospital liable to be evacuated MORESBY C. Co. be authorised to appoint offr to hold orderly Room and authorise SUMMARY Evidence to be taken alternatively can C.O. direct by signal Summary to be taken without actually holding orderly Room Please advise by signal action to be taken inform required urgently as S.I.W. cases will not be in area long.
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1947	9672.	REAR. BMSA.	ADV BMSA	1900		SECRET SITREP No 1900 K/14 SITNOR.
1948.	9180	P. ST CORPS.	NGF. 7A DIV. WAMPIT FORCE	1650 K/13	1900/14	In view state present negotiations and disposal portion WAMPIT FORCE to mouth BHANG river desir drop proceeding.

1949	MS45.	1AUSTCORPS.	WAMPIT FORCE.	1320N/13	1900K/14	Deserts TOMKINSON, BLETCHLEY, EDWARDS, RAMN, STINTIARSI. P. posted and for operational reasons will NOT now be assuming duty 24AUST INF. BNO No reinforcements offrs and hand over HQ if shortage of offrs submit by signal number rank name suitable WO's and NCO's in accordance with GRO A604 para 2A for consideration OP225 to follow quick as possible
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1950	0444	1AUSTCORPS.	NGFA. 5AUST DIV. 7AUST DIV. 9AUST DIV. WAMPIT F.	K/13.	1900K/14.	SITREP 29 to 1400 K/12 OIC 5 Aust DIV to 2000 K/12 The peninsula post and town of SALAMAHUA are now in our hands the enemy has been routed and the remnants of his force are being drawn NORTH of our troops are in close pursuit by 2000K/12 the enemy was already N of line running E and W through ASINI 708038 much eqpt has been taken 20 1AUST DIV to 2200 K/12 during 11 SEP further troops 25BDE arrived NADZAB A/A gun in posn. KAIA PIT strip recently cleared 030 9AUST DIV to 2000 K/12 2/3rd BN 24BDE arrived crossing WUSU night 12/13 SEP 20BOE less 2/17BN W. BUSH river area 9/41 and moving APO 8544 our patrol successfully ambushed small Jap parties KUNDA bridge our artillery active against enemy posn near MALAHANG and LRE drone 1200 K/12 459 bombers bombed general area BUREP river some casual damage 40 WAMPIT force to 0800 K/12 further advance made by our troops against Jap defence post MARKAM PTAMA.
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1951	RQ107.	24. A. LB.	080924DN	1930.	-	Your EL623 was NOT received have following rejoined Bay VX 106307 A/Sgt BURTON. T.S. VX 137563 Pte MILLS. F.C. have following been listed VX 117870 Pte. DUNCAN. W. J VX 115544 Pte Willis. G.K. VX 73869 Pte. MCGHINNESS. F.J. sick personal & listed must be shown in AY on W3006 and advice sent to this HQ, showing number name and date of your EL11. Other died VX 138492 Pte CARLISLE. W.H go to M.S.P. NOTE.
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1952	RQ107.	REAR. BMSA.	DUP1 RPTD. WAMPIT FORCE.	2030	-	following personnel were evacuated to MORESBY K/13 and transferred to unit x list VX 127162 Pte. WASHLSEN. H.M. VX 104540 Pte. WHITBY. L.A. VX 117888 Sgt BOYLE. L.C. VX 122398 Pte. COOPER. C.W. please amend records accordingly.
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1953.	F18.	5050	ARNOLD. R.W. B. R.W. BACE	1930	2049.	have been 9 days without a battery charger have done our best to do a good job can you do anything.
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1954 9054	I199.	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOODHOUND R. SAUNDON REAR. DASA.	2030	2132.	SECRET SITREP 62 to 2000 K/14 @ 24BN @ B. Coy MARKHAM PT area 1100K/14 1 det mtv moved to 559433 for regn shoot @ night K/13-14 launch engines heard E of MARKHAM PT time not stated @ 1600 K/14 patrol to within 200 yds jap posns saw NO mtv @ nothing further to report to 1800 K/14 @ OBSERVATIONS @ window O.P. 490450 - 0910 - 1015 K/14 MG fire VIC HEATHS @ 1215-1225 K/14 smoke from LAE dome @ 1222K/14 fire on coast EAST of LAE @ GNARENEND OP 417520 1030 K/14 stops in foothills N of O.P. @ 1130 K/14 MITCHELLS bombed LAE area @ 1340-1350K/14 mtv fire headwaters ERAP river @ 1445 K/14 4 boats supplies from NADZAB to mouth WAMPIT @ KIRKS OP 304.682-1130 K/14 only fire direction LAE @ B. Coy HQ cloud down PARTER reported DAMBI 358183 WAGO 1 inch ball inf
9955	I1673.	WAMPIT FORCE	IFF SECTOR	0530.	-	METEOR REPORT. 15 SEP 1943
9956	Q195	W. FORCE R.NGF.	1 AUST CORP	2300K/14	0535K/14	presume that at the time your U 82 you had not received PECKS P1 question in my @ 188 @ PECK stated dropping not required and R.NGF. has been requested cancell @ present posn is that drop is definitely off @ advise your view immediate.
9957	I1673.	REAR. DASA.	ADV. DASA.	0700.	-	SECRET SITREP to 0700K/15 @ 14/1 A/c circled area at 0055K/15 then flew NORTH.
9958.	Q895.	ADV. DASA.	REAR. DASA KIRK. DUDI.	2210	2320	slippers BUILDER DASA fwd K/14 courier @ slippers will be fwd soon as material to hand.
9959 9060	Q994.	ADV. DASA.	MARK. R. DUDI. BIKI.	2210.	2320	slipper painter advises mine detector cannot be procured upon K/16 @ pioneer instructed in use will accompany @ in case NOT available suggest contact 7 DIV.
9060	-	WAMPIT-F.	57/60 DIV.	0655.	0725.	OP report 57/60 DN WAMPIT connection with 7 AUST DIV not effective @ could P.O. GODDARD call at Wampit gain today.
9061	L313	BIYA	A. DASA	0650	0810	Strength Akur
9062	492	MART	DASA R. DUDI	0646	0810	SECRET SITREP to 0630K/15.
9063	RQ109	Rear Base	MARK	0840		On Builder ID my BLOODHOUND M545 of 4/15 @ 920604 2A reads @ if report oppo not readily available candidate who has not attained 31st birthday serving outside mainland is declared theatre ops who has proved capability for leadership in ops may be commissioned even though not qualified OCTU.
9064	I200	NAM Base.	Bloodhound	0830	0910	SECRET SITREP 63 to 0800K/15 @ 24 BN @ C Coy MARKHAM PT. area K/14 134 3rd a/c landed NADZAB @ 2035K/14 Single a/c dropped bombs in LAE @ 2400 - 0400K/15 10 rds mov harassing enemy ambush @ after first two rds explosions similar crackers heard from JAP posn @ 2330K/14 @ 0535K/15 motor engines heard approx EAST of MARK. PT @ 1700 K/14 sub sec M removed from RIVER TRACK 567433 to LOOKOUT. 567427. NADZAB 1 in. BUANG AREA. NO further report. SUNSHINE AREA Ref may BULDO. I: 242005. 0055K/15 14/1 a/c circled overhead then flew NORTH. PARTER 2 272212. ROAMER 1 in. 0110K/15. distant sound of a/c. in SW. all informed.

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9065	U93	WAM FORCE	BASA	0815	0910	see my USA of 1415K/14. stores landed BWARIP if possible DEEP CK. preferable to dropping. stores landed K/14 junc river. WAMPIT-MARKHAM.
9066	Q 896	WAM FORCE	Bloodh.	0810	0930	Ann return.
9067	K4	Budday BASA	MINER NA BINA	0625	1012	During absence myself and builder on ops Capt. RA CARROL sign all returns etc on our behalf.
9068	0494	1AUSI COB	NAM. F.	1120K/14	1018	no shipping contemplated as your ops may be endangered.
9069	096	7 DIV	NAM F.	1500K/12	1018	2/2 Burd. at present patrolling in area track junction 584435 and track towards HEATHS.
9070	I1675	24 Bn	11 FS	1130		METEOR report
9071	RQ100	NAM. F.	15 Bn all from 58/59 Bn	1130		YX 111284 Chaplain ENGLISH J.C. is shown as attached to 24 Bn @ they they cease to attack him @ can Batman be obtained from 58/59 Bn. and VISS 619 Re RYAN F. returned to 24 Bn
9072	Q477	1 Aust Coy	NAM. F.	1344K/14	1213	SITREP 31 to 1000K/14 @ 5 + 9 Divs no further report @ 2 @ 7 Div to 2000K/130 K/13 further the arrived NADZAB @ 2/25 Bn engaged enemy during K/13 near WHITTAKER'S bridge 591457 and in area 599458 @ enemy cas HEATHS area to K/13 approx 100 was at @ 2/2 Bur Bn. now under command 25 Bde patrolling to vic HEATHS where contact made @ 2/23 Bn patrol via NAIRMSERA CK. to MARKHAM RD at 617433 @ patrol to 6 miles N. of ERAP RV. saw no enemy @ 30 WAMPIT F. 2130K/13 @ personal comm 1st 2/2 Bur Bn across MARKHAM Rv. from vic MARK. Pt where our ops are encircled jk loss. All informed.
9073	EL48	D Coy	24 Bn	1831	1334	SECRET SITREP 184 to 1830 K/14 @ Coy personnel employed carrying stores from near Coy HQ. to adv Coy HQ. at 698046
9074	0827	adv. S Div	NAM. FORCE	1040	1340	SECRET fwd immed. your dispos @ 15 Bn moving along coast towards LAE intention to follow S bank MARK. R. @ present dispos 15 Bn B.H.Q. 642120 A Coy 640110 B Coy 629145
9074	EL 47	D Coy	15 Bn 24 Bn	1435K/14	1355K/15	VX 139563. M.E. MILL J.C. and NX 163307 sig GOULD. J.W. rejoined from M.S.P. NOTE. Sig GOULD malaria and NOT PVD as originally stated.
9075	I1676	24 Bn	11 FS	1430		MET REP.

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9076	Q 897 Wam Force	Wam Force	1315	1355	SECRET no WO NCO 24 Bn suitable appointment commissioned rank excluding 3 offrs killed 1 missing, posted str. offrs 24 Bn. 33. deficiency - 6 reinft. offrs. detail as follows. 18 available duty duty WAMPIT FORCE. one Coy H.Q. 5 PIs including 8 offrs one at 20 att. 15 Bde. total available duty with unit 25. further two det two evac. one school 1 X list 1 light duty. request return to unit X 48421 Lieut M.B. Kennedy, X list inst. ARD CANUNBARA. DAMS 4791. 5 Aug refers. ref AA 177/43 8 Sep. request posting Lieut BALDWIN urgently request deficiency WE be filled OCTU graduates.	
9077	0490.	1 AUST Corp	Wam Force	2200/14	1605	Sept 32 to 2000 K/14. 5 DIV. to 0800K/14. 13 Sept. 29 BDE. Continued pursuit NORTH of SALAMAU. minor opposition Cape. 4 guns well 2 - 155mm found BOKHAP area. all unserviceable. Fwd thro new at river crossing 658093. 7 DIV. to 1300K/14. morn. 14. Sep. 25 BDE. Captured HEATHS. advance continues. 9 DIV. to 0800K/14. 13 Sep. Fwd thro 24 BDE advancing WESTWARDS. overcame two enemy positions on coast track and occupied dump at 721392. Enemy driven from NEW YANGA. Last night BDE on general line NEW YANGA to 727406 to coast at 721392 advance continues. Night 13/14 Sept. 2/17 BN. relieved 2/32 BN WEST of mouth BUSU River. Night 13/14 Sep. 26 BDE. Continued crossing BUSU River about 714684. Enemy opposition. Bde to continue advance on KAMKAMUN-BUTIBUM. SAWMILL. 704445 end MALAHANG strip. 20 BDE. less 2/17 BN. now moving towards BUREP. river. arty supported advance and registered from NORTH end MALAHANG forest strip and sawmill. 7044. WAMPIT. FORCE. No further report. 5 air ops. 14 Sep. LAE area 5 MITCHELLS bombed EDWARDS. TACOBSENS. Steep road EAST EDWARDS. Building hit. Barge search SEPIK. River. CAPE. GOURDON. PT. Thence CAPE GLOUCESTER. 14 barges bombed results unobserved.
9078	0145	7 DIV	WAM. F.	0817	1714	SITREP 21 to 0800K/15 0 No further reports 0 all informed
9079	I201	WAM. F.	5 DIV, MARK BIXA	1553	1714	SECRET dispans.
9080	066.	ADV BASA.	MARK. R. BIXA R. BASA.	1630.	1810.	SECRET for BUILDERI basa 0 BUILDER 2 now HAPOS does not consider further mot tps supplies to BUANG necessary in view also 5 DIV 0827 0 please advise.

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9081	0/119.	7 AUSTRALIAN	WAMPIT FORCE.	2/30K/13	1810K/15.	Sitrep 15 to 2000 K/13 @ 25 DPE to 1900 K/13 @ number 25 BN @ in contact near WHITTAKERS bridge 591457 and in area 599458 @ engaged enemy strongpoint 13 Sept @ enemy cas HEATHS area to date approx 100 @ our cas light @ 2/23BN area 505468 @ patrols on S flank reached HEATHS when contact made with patrol 2/2 PR BN @ 2/21BN in reserve 568494 @ 2/2 PR BN to 0600K/13 patrol to HEATHS 13 th patrol to MARKAM RD at 612 433 left bank NAIRNSERAK @ est vis comm WAMPIT FORCE @ 3BN 503 parachute inf reverted to cond 503 parachute inf 0600K/13. PART 2 follows.
9082	I1678.	REAR. BASA	FWD. BASA.	1820.	—	175 VI. R.
9083	I1679.	RE " "	" "	1900	—	
9084	I232.	7 DIV	1 AUSTRALIAN CORPS R. WAMPIT F. 5 DIV.	1646.	1930.	ref YAMAMURY MAKITO 2 BN 62 reg on further interrogation states MARKAM PT evacuation @ PW CAPTURED 14 SEP @ suggest this MIGHT link with motor boat movt EAST from this area 2200 hrs 14 SEP and no movt seen mentioned in WAMPIT FORCE SITREP
9085.	S.201.	WAMPIT FORCE.	5 DIV. WAMPIT FORCE ADV. BASA OVERSEER 2 ind 4.	1700.	1930.	SECRET for signals from sig offr @ have available No 11 set for contact with 15 BN @ have L/T comm to M/R 594 235 WAGO 1 st @ advise if possible to make contact @ if possible advise CALLSIGNS FREQ time @ Am holding 13 DIV cypher keys SERIES FR/1 @ will cooperate to the fullest @ all inf.
9086.	RM26.	DUDI FWD.	DASA REAR. R. BASA FWD.	0645.	1955.	Strength state
9087.	RM27.	DUDI FWD.	" " "	1630.	1930	VX 141600 Pte. GARDONI 3 PR accidentally wounded O.S.W Right foot.
9088.	Q 999	ADV. BASA.	REAR. BASA.	1852	1935.	SGT NORTON sick at PARTEP 2 @ PHO. @ will advise if diagnosed otherwise @ Pte. HIGGINS. MM accidentally wounded has arrived at PARTEP 2 being evacuated K/16.
9089	Q 181	1 AUSTRALIAN CORPS	WAMPIT FORCE.	1947K/13	2005K/15.	12 A/C with parachute and 3 drop WAMPIT force at GARDENSIS on 15 SEP @ 14 days Aust and native rations 4 amm will be included @ all inf. @ ACK.
9090.	Q182.	1 AUSTRALIAN CORPS	WAMPIT FORCE.	2245.	2005.	message P1 received from WAMPIT FORCE begins liaison with 7 AUSTR DIV completed @ have visited your Q 6569 @ droppings will now NOT be required ends @ Q 6569 was for NGF @ please cancel our Q 181 which requested this dropping cancel also memo Q 65 to NGF only @ ACK.
9091	Q196.	1 AUSTRALIAN CORPS	7 AUSTR DIV WAMPIT FORCE	2340.	2005.	advise you reur on WAMPITS request landing his U82 for water MPT rations and amm to DEER CREEK @ could you provide receiving craft supply and stores.
9092	NR.9.	REAR DUDI.	REAR BASA. RPTD. ADV. BASA.	0810.	2005	Sick return.
9093.	NR.8.	REAR. DUDI	" " "	0600.	2008.	Strength Return.
9094	I203.	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOODMOUNT RPTD 5 AUSTRALIAN REAR BASA	2025	2150.	SITREP 34 to 2000 K/15 @ 24 BN @ G. Bay MARKAM PT @ 0715-0725 K/15 falling and chopping heard vic track barricade 567430 @ 1200K/15 patrol along spur EAST of gap post saw no movt @ 2 further patrols during after 10569 429 saw NO movt @ 1700K/15 patrol along river track to 567428 no contact @ NO contact with 2/2 PR BN since 1250K/15 @ OBSERVATIONS @ LOOKOUT @ 567427 @ 124 K/15 smoke on NORTH bank MARKAM OP. NEW LABU ISLAND re NBT started @ 0838 1030 K/15 ALLIED A/C patrolled area HEATHS LAE @ WINDOW DP 490450 0900K/15 Army fire direction HEATHS @ 0935 K/15 MG fire vic HEATHS @ 0935 1045 K/15 bombing and A/ALAE @ drone @ NGARANEND. O.P 417520 1020K/15 HVY explosions heard LAE @ 1300 1625K/15 explosions direction LAE @ 1600K/15 north fire and shots vic head waters ERAP RIVER @ Bay BUANG AREA NO further reports @ all inf.
9095	K6.	BUILDER. 1 DASA.	MINER BASA R. BASA-REAR	1535.	2717	your message Q 797 quoted @ Message Yam only interested in offrs deficient @ how many do I require to complex strength of @ overage to HIGHER formation. Will be cut down to a minimum

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9046	I 145	7th AUST DIV.	WAMPIT FORCE	2125	2150	SITREP 21 to 0800K/15 @ no further report @ all informed
9047	Q900	WAMPIT FORCE	1st AUST CORPS Rtnd MARKAM	2045	2219	ACK.
9048	Q901	W. " "	" " "	2140	2245	ACK.
9049	I 204	" " "	ADV. S. AUST DIV.	2130	2219	Two patrols on Ruce vic mouth BUANG river @ 1530 may contact @ will you keep us posted regularly of locations your Aps and projected moves in IMMED. future.
9050	O 140	7th AUST DIV	WAMPIT FORCE	2130	2345	Part 1 of 2 parts SITREP 20 to 2000K/14 @ 010 258DE to 1530 K/14 @ 25 th PN captured HEATHS @ 2/23rd BN in contact enemy and are reported in area 613 437 @ 2/31 BN VERNONGS. HQ 258DE HEATHS. casualties enemy to date estimated 300 over light @ much enemy eqpt captured HEATHS some new still in grass packing @ 503 parachute inf @ 1 BN 1st PL departed for MORESBY 0930K/14 @ Patrol 1 PL accompanied by 1 sec PIB encountered Jap strongpoint on track 6 hrs IV camp DIDDY.
9051	I 1680	WAMPIT FORCE	11 F. SECTOR	0530	-	METEOR REPORT 16 SEP 1943
9052	L 1100	W. FORCE	LUXA. R. 1st AUST DIV. DASA.	2050	0100	7 DIV I 231 states Jap prisoner informed MARKAM PT. being evacuated can you bring MMG fire to bear on barges moving down river from the PT also inform us of any mvt hold harassing fire on Jap camp 570 433
9053	I 1681	REAR. DASA.	ADV. ANSA.	0700	-	SECRET SITREP to 0700 K/16 @ SITNOR.
9054	I 1682	WF.	11 F. S.	0820	-	water report.
9055	L 334	BASA.	BASA rear	1930	0830	Strength return
9056	L 335	BIXA	BASA	0600	0830	Strength.
9057	L 51	D. Boy	24 Bn	0602	0845	Secret Sitrep to 0600K/15: nil report.
9058	K 7	B.I. Basa.	2nd Basa Rear.	1614 K/15	0910/16	Reps will include the following forthwith: Rifles will NOT be cleaned loaded. Any person found cleaning weapons with live rounds in chamber of or mags will be charged forthwith with neglect. All ranks are warned that neglect of injury disentitles members. No pensions although it may assist in evading war service these accidents are a disgrace to the unit and result in the depletion of our forces when they are vitally needed in the front line.
9059	L 56	D. Boy	24 Bn	1200K/15	0910	I'm prepared to accept inter boy transfer Pte HOLLOW.
9060	K 508	1. Boys	WAM FORCE	1335	0910	5 Div Jps now BUANG river mouth vic 6324. WAMPIT FORCE patrol in BUANG river will move to coast & join these forthwith when contact made WAMPIT FORCE patrol comes under temporary 5ctust Div. Jch.
9061	AK 446	29 Bde	24 Bn	1800 K/15	0910	Units will submit by 1200 hrs. 16 Sep. Recommendations for immediate & periodical awards SALAMAUVA campaign. Recommendations to be submitted in accordance with GRO 56. 3 in 6 duplicate.
9062	L 54	1 Boy	" "	0945 K/15	0910	for CARROLL. Inter boy transfer Pte R D GARR and Pte R L BERTCHI approved.

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9063	R Coy 24 Bn EL 59	24 Bn Bn.	24 Bn	1801K/15	0914	Secret. Sitrep 186 to 1800K/15. A. 11 Coy personnel less two ORs att. adv. H.Q. plus stores less reserve amn now concentrated at 698 046.
9064	1600 0504	1600 1600	WAMPIT FORCE	1310K/15	0930	Sitrep 334 to 1000K/15. 5 Div to 2000K/14. During 14 Sep. 29 Bde. continued moving N of beach. 63115 by overland route + area 6324 by unopposed barge landing. 2. 7 Div to 2000K/14. H.Q. 25 Bde. HEATHS. 2 wds of maintaining contact enemy and adv. in area 613433. Est enemy cas to 14 Sep. 300. Own light. Much enemy eqpt. captured at HEATHS. 1615K/13 Patrol on BOANA track 6 hrs. NTH of CAMP DIDDY encountered 4 ps. 3. 9 Div no further report. 4. Wampit Force. to 0800K/14. Harassing of enemy MARKHAM PT continues. 1405K/13. patrols reached point 1500 yds. from coast N bank BUANG RIVER but difficult country.
9065	EL 52	D Coy 24 Bn	24 Bn	0600K/15	0930	str. state.
9066	0140	TDIV.	WAMP FORCE	2120	1045	Continuation of 9050. Part 2 of last part. Est strength 26 dug in with LMGs 1 patrol holding position night 13/14 Sept. No further report. B. Coy P/B. No changes. enemy. Captured prisoners indicated enemy withdrawing from LAE. to N. coast in vic. S10. Identification Markham Valley Rd. most 115 kept with possible SNLF personnel. engaged EDWARDS. most of Div serials. arrived 14. Sept. M. 364. 366. 382. 388. 390. 395. 406. 409. 410. 412. 414. 416. 443. 444. 446. 450. 460. 489. Total planes loads. 106.
9067	1205	WAMP FORCE	Blackhead R BASO	0835	1045	Secret Sitrep 65 to 0800K/16. C. Coy MARKHAM. Pt. 1855 and 2245K/15. Green flare seen NORTH of MARKHAM. approx HEATHS. 0145K/16. and 0500K/16 motor engines possibly Japs heard vic HEATHS. travelling EAST. then WEST 2330K/15. Loud explosions heard LAE. 2120K/15 - 0130K/16. 20 hrs harassing enemy fire into Jap ambush and camp. WAMP harassing fire into Jap Camp track ambush near intermittently during night. 0230-0200 hrs. surge rifle shots from Jap ambush following WAMP fire. No further report from BOANA. area. PARTER 2 27221 ROMBER. 1 mch 0820/16. one DOUGLAS etc flying NORTH. one engine spluttering.
9068	A172	1AUST CORP.	W. Force	0135	1110	reply RQ106. First question yes. Second Question YES. F9CM yourself if necessary.
9069	A.182	1 Corp	TDIV WAMPIT Force	1135	1110	WAMPIT. Force has urgent problem S. IW cases. If practicable Communicate WAMPIT Force and if desired by WAMPIT Force send legal officer
9070	NR.10	R. DDDI.	R. BASA	0600	1110	Strength returned.

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2607 0515 memo report
 0735 2 B25's NW to SW overhead 14,000
 0812 18 DC3 S to N. 10,000
 0815 MEMOR report.
 0816 3 DC3 N to S 1000
 0820 1 U/A plane 1 mile to N.
 0831 7 DC3 4 P39 circling around O.P.
 0850 14 DC3 S to N 10,000.
 0909 12 DC3 S " " 8000
 0915 2 " " N " S 1000 + 4 P37's
 0925 1 " " 1 P47 N to S 3000
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 1215 3 " " S to N 10000
 1258 4 " " N to S 1000
 1415 memo report
 1445 2 DC3 9000 S to N.
 1715 MEMOR report.

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9071	I/683	24DN	117.5	1120		inter report
9072	RM28	F.DUBI	0700	1120		Strength state
9073	RQ 111	R. BASE	BT BPTSP 2nd of Base.	1150		ref our RQ 105 of K/14. following questions asked BLOOD MOUND. Can CO be authorised to appoint offr. to hold orderly room and authorise summary of evidence to be taken. Can CO direct by signal summary to be taken without orderly room. please advise action to be taken. answers recd. from HQ as follows. "first question yes. second question yes. FGCM yourself if necessary." please advise action required SW:
9074	NR11	DUDI	rear base.	0900	1215	Sick Return.
9075	068	WAM FORCE	1.600	1100	1215	etch.
9076	R902	"	BLOOD- MOUND.	0902	1215	Ann return.
9077	068	NAM.F.	1AUST.C.	1100	1335	K508 ACK.
9078	RM29	DUI	3ASA.R.	0900	1335	SICK return.
9079	U106	MARK.	BASA	1310	1412	SECRET SITREP to 1230K/16 @ SITNOR.
9080	IW	SMITH.F.	ADV. BASA	1115	1458	SECRET SITREP to 1730K/15 @ 0730K/15 patrols of 3NCO 140RS. under Sgt CARLYON left from base 594235 to try and reach coast via SW side of BUANG R. patrol held to FB at 1720K/15 Coast was reached @ patrol reached bank from at 1120K/15 and found it unoccupied. continued on and reached coast 1230 hrs contacted Coy of 15 Bn 299th at 1445 hrs. 635235 examined jpn coastal defences and returned to J.B. at 1720 the AMERICAN ground 301 rifle and jpn equip found at their F.B. and is being pushed on @ 0655K/15 U/1 A/C flying along coast N of BUANG R. 4 bursts of auto fire and 4 bombs were heard to explode 1050K/15 U/1 A/C heard flying N along coast 1052 by bombing and A/A heard direction LABV @ 3NCO 170RS. from 10 @ arrived FB at 1450K/15 @ 0720K/15 Guilder Smith force and Guilder 2 BIXA left for KARESTI @ 1747 Guilder 2 BIXA arrived at F.B. MR patrols following full report of coast
9081	0527	1st Coh	NAM.P.	2245	1522	Part 1 of 2 parts @ SITREP 34 to 2000K/15 @ 01 @ 5 DIV to 0800K/15. ^{change 0700K to 0800K/15.} further the arrived NADZAB 14 sets @ No further reports from jpn the @ 30 9 DIV to 2000K/14 @ 249th continued its move W against strong opposition capturing enemy from MAHANG anchorage 715394 and at village 718399 @ 9th reached 713391 to track jpn 717400 to cross roads 718406 where enemy strong point being attacked last night @ 269th further crossings BSV delayed till darkness by MG fire on bridge @ 19th completed crossing by 2000 hrs with further Bn following @ SITREP 18 to 2000K/15 part 1 @ 259th to 1400K/13 @ 209th in contact near WHITTARRAS bridge 591457 and in area 599458 @ engaged enemy throughout 13 sets @ enemy Cao HEATHS area to date approx 100 @ our cas Lt. 2/23 An area 595468 patrol on SW reached HEATHS where contact made with patrol 2/2 Bn in reserve 569494 @ 2/2 Bn under land No reply to our message re PO GODDARD @ please expedite
9082	0119	2 Div.	NAM.P.	2130	1510	Part 2 and final part @ 209th @ further two Bn crossing BUSU at month night 14/15 set @ 1145K/15 4th and Coy reported approx 100 jpn moving N at 697513 @ 4 @ NAM.P. to 2200K/14 @ patrols to within 200 yds jpn bank from MARK F. saw no mt at 1600K/14 @ 50 sin ops K/15 @ 21 lbs bomb NEWAK-BORAM drums @ 4 grenades at dest. approx 70 enemy fighters intercepted @ our bombers dest 39 probably 13 more @ lightings destroyed 8 and 1 prob. @ 1 lightning dest. @ 495 area @ 8 mortars bomb CHINA TOWN buildings hit 1 Port missing 23 MITCHELLS at fire BOGATIM dump. dest. 14 barges coast ALBHAVEN, FINCHAVEN W Capt GLOUCESTER all informed.
9083	PH	NAM.F.	57/60.	1435	1522	
9084	0527	1 Coh	NAM.P.	2315K/15	1520	

in Reply. Q 508.

see 9081 15/9/43

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9085	RQ 112	R. BASA	A. BASA all Corps	1600		ref BASA AA 180143 of K/4 @ it is advised that credits of regt funds as at 30 Jun. is £661 @ tentative credits at 30 Sep estimated £850.
9086	I75	Co/pt	WAM. F.	2027	1530	P.W.S. 7 Aust Div state MARK PT. evacuated @ can you confirm.
9087	VI05	MARK	BASA.	1300		Where is V296142 Ste SHAW. W.H.
9088	0119	7 DIV	WAM. F.	2130	1510	Part 2 and last part of 0119 from 7 DIV. @ 503 Para of Inf to 1815K/130 3 AM at YALU UPPER patrolling track YALU NADZAB @ 1 AM withdrawn to NOZ strip @ patrol return from 6 miles WEST of RAAP R. reported no enemy seen @ 3 Coy PIB. no change @ 40 from WAM. F. reported enemy on MARK R. 684821 in defensive perimeter area 100-300 yds surrounded by own troops @ air ops 13 SEP @ 8 B25 bombed TIAI and traffick LEKATOIS E of LABU island track along S bank MARKAM RIVER. Ao. East of MARKAM PT @ result not yet known invs of division @ arrival to 13 SEP patrol investigating @ MI-M3 N less M329 M332 M351 @ M396 M401 - M455 M1072 @ total plane load 13 SEP 165 @ all inf.
9089	0527	AUST CORPS.	WAMPIT FORCE	215	1611	re message 9084
9090	EL 50.	D Coy 24 BN	24 BN 1600E	2205	1645	ref my EL 727 EL 70E of 23 Aug 43 and W3006 of 24 Aug 43 @ 1 OR reported missing VX 104514 PCE SMITH N.W. @ amend killed in action @ body discovered and identified 14 SEP 43.
9091	SIGS 4	SIGS 3 AUST DIV	WAMPIT FRPTD. 2900 15 BN.	1511	1645	for sigs @ join WCT group as follows @ 15 BN 830 WAMPIT FORCE 5262 29 RDE GK 66 @ answer in order given @ frequency F24905 K/C3 @ ACK.
9092	096.	7 AUST DIV	WAMPIT FORCE.	1550	1645	ref your W51 2/3 PNR BN at present patrolling in area track junction 584435 and track ends HEATHS.
9093	0155.	" " "	" " "	2131	1655	SITREP 22 to 2000 K/15 @ PART 1 @ 25 BDE to 1330 K/15 @ 2/33 BN in contact. 622432 @ 2/31 BN moving round night to cut rd at bridge 628431 @ 2/25 BN NO CHANGE @ BDE HQ at HEATHS @ 2/2 PNR BN has 4 coys moving down N bank MARKAM river to MARKAM mouth @ 21 BDE to 1815K/15 @ BDE HQ 2/14 BN and 2/16 BN less 3 coys driven NADZAB area @ 2/14 BN moving to BOANA @ DPE HQ 2/16 BN at MACS CAMP 405575 @ 503 para inf @ patrol on BOANA track over ran Japs strongpoint @ enemy withdrew funds BOANA night 13/14 and contact lost @ all inf.
9094	4102.	W. FORCE	BASA. AUST CORP 7 DIV.	1016.	1715.	cond WAMPIT FORCE up DEEP CK 559432 HEATHS 1/25000 @ 0825K/16 for 7 DIV HQ VIA SHELDONS CROSSING ETC. SHELDONS LATE afternoon K/16.
9095	01	MARK	MARK Basa	1350	1830	Impossible in some cases as witnesses of sp. rolls and RMO has to evacuate on account wounds.
9096	EL66	D Coy	1/24 BN	1555	1830	V290256 Ste REGAN T.W. ring wounds (Dick Return)
9097	I1686	R. Basa	a. Basa	1830		ASWR.
9098	I16	"	"	1900		Sitrep to 1900 K/16 @ SIT NOR.
9099	EL70	D Coy	1/24 BN	1801	1912	Next Sitrep to 1800 K/16 @ 1715K/16 18 Pl. moved by barge to SALAMAUVA area
9100	I206	WAM. F.	1st Aust Corp	1825	1912	ack. K508
9101	EL62	D Coy.	1/24 BN	1816	1912	ack return.
9102	EL57	"	WAM. F.	1730	1932	ref your RQ. 45 of 26 Aug @ no AMGAU rep now at DAHO have advised H.Q. 5 DIV. of your request.
9103	EL57	"	24 BN.	1725	1932	ack return
9104	RQ 113	R. Basa	DVDI	1950		Lieut CHILDS F.H. and V255944 Ste WALKER JA evacuated to MORESBY K/16 and transferred to unit x list @ please amend records accordingly.
9105	J108	MARK.	BASA 7 DIV.	1842	1936	SECRET Sitrep to 1800 K/16 @ 1730K/16 15 ll patrol from 567427 to when track 567433 found AUST body approx 567432 not yet identified. Jap track found approx 100 yds W of body no Jap body found @ 1600K/16 15 ll. patrol from LEDGE 564423 located SWAMP track but could not proceed beyond 569428 because of water in LABU SWAMP @ 1510 K/16 lookout 567427 report up A/C on fire crashed into sea approx 10 miles NE of LAE @ 1530K/16 Jap large red flag flying approx 1/2 mile south of MT LUNAMAN landed down.

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9106	0246	FSILI-T	WAM.F.	2000	2015	Both undergoing maintenance and will be out of commission for 3 days.
9107	RQ104	24A4	Records Office NG4 etc area	2010		VX104514 Oke SMITH N.W. previously reported missing 23 Aug now reported killed in action 23 Aug
9108	EL62	D Coy	24/72	0600	2045	Strength state
9109	EL64	D Coy	24/72	0601	2045	Strength state
9110	RQ 113	R Base	Mark	2108		V296142. Pt Shaw WH at present being held MDS WAU. being held until 19 Sep. Please find all witnesses statements for taking summary of evidence. also find witnesses statements all other suspected S.I.W.
9111	0557	1st Coop	WAM.F.	1630	2125	At 1630 to 1600K/16 @ with culmination of TRIDENT recaptured by 9 DIV. from the EAST of DIV from N.W. and 5 DIV from SOUTH LAE fell to our forces early on afternoon of 16 SEP.
9112	I206	WAM.F.	General MPLA	2030	2125	SECRET SITREP 66 to 2000K/16 @ 24/72 @ D Coy BUANG area 1510K/14 9 bursts MMA fire heard on coast NORTH of BUANG R. @ 0650K/15 U/AIC bombed and strafed coast NORTH of BUANG @ 1050K/15 A/C heard flying N followed by Hy. bombing and A/A direction LABU @ 1445K/15 patrol reached coast N of BUANG 635235 and contacted Coy 15/72 @ Jap found along BUANG and defences at river mouth clear of enemy @ US GARRAND and Jap equip found @ C Coy MARKHAM Pt. AREA @ 1600K/16 patrol to swamp track 569428 NO mvt. seen @ 1730K/16 most body found on track approx 567432 NOT yet identified. Jap pack near by @ OBSERVATIONS @ MARKHAM Pt. 0905-1135K/16 explosions + smoke pic LAE. @ 1510K/16 U/AIC crashed in flames into sea approx 1ml. from LAE @ 1530K/16 large red flag flying approx 1/2 mile SOUTH MT LUNARAN landed down @ SHARENEND O.P. 417520 0925-1135K/16 1423K/16 explosions direction head waters ERAP R. @ 1300-1405K/16 arty fire direction LAE @ WINDOW O.P. 490450 1305K/16 Arty fire direction HEATHS @ all informed.
9113	7F193	BUILDERS BIKA	BUILDERS BIKA	2105	2303	will contact GRAHAM. Not same @ advise later.
9114	U111	WAM.F.	1 Coy	2117	2325	Patrols active MARK. Pt area day 16 night 16/17 Sep. to ascertain enemy strength @ rifle shots 0230 and 0300K/16 from amb post show enemy still in occupation
9115	9198	Coy	WAM.F.	1745	0034	ration + strength state
9116	I1687	24/72	11 FS	0530		Meteor report
9117	I1688	A.BASA	A.BASA	0700		SECRET SITREP to 0700K/17 @ SITNOR.
9118	EL71	D Coy 24/72	24 Bn.	0601	0820	Secret Sitrep to 0600K/17. Nothing to report
9119	I1689	24/72	11 FSECTOR	0830		METEOR REPORT
9120	EL72	D Coy 24/72	R-5 DIV 1544ST INF BDE	0823 0600	0830	Strength state.
9121	L336	BIFA	DASARA	0836	0835/17	Strength state.
9122	NR11	ADWDI	A.BASA R.BASA	0700	0900	Strength return 3 and 45 @ WAMPIT staging 6 OR's unit @ for rations only 14.
9123	LI12	MARK 7445T DIV DWOI	DASARA	0615	0900	SECRET SITREP to 0630K/17 @ 0530K/17 night patrol 16/17 SEP to JAP amb post penetrated fire lanes and reached within 50 yds of JAP post on W slopes MARKHAM Pt spur @ no mvt heard @ 0600K/17-15P2 patrol 49567428 to further investigate fire lanes leading to camp track ridge.
9124	AIRFLASH				0955	12 w/i a/c. flying W over MAPOS. Ht. 12,000 ft.
9125	DVDI 2001	BASA	NR12	0830	0940	Daily Sick.
9126	L337	BIXA	BASA	0745	0940	Stk. state.

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9127	I 211	WFM FORCE	BLOODHOUND etc.	0835	0940	Secret Sitrep 1 to 0800K/17. 24. Bn. C. Coy MARKHAM PT area. 0530K/17 night patrol 16/17 Sep. to JAP ambush posts WEST slopes MARKHAM PT spur. no MVT heard. 0600K/17 15 pl. patrol left 567428 NAD2AB 1.1m to further investigate fire lines leading to CAMP track RIDGE. B Coy BUANG ARUA. 2215K/16 LEGA 521210 WAF 1.1m reports. sounds fly explosions appeared to come from sea vic BUANG river mouth. NO a/c heard. all informed.
9128	F23	FOJO	old PTA. WFM FORCE	2100K/16	0940	New relief yesterday fixed one charger. Situation now normal and should last O.K. till new charger arrived. Receiver and transmitter received. New set was greatly appreciated as it has been disheartening to work with defective eqpt.
9129	090	340	Basas	0900	1005	Secret. all sigs ached here. Bloodhound K508 not RPTD builder 2 Basa. Sig under charge. builder 1 Basa BT. Basa moving LF to BUANG mouth K/17. no further comm possible except through 5 Div. further infn follows.
9130	071	"	"	0930	1015	Secret. ref 070. SMITH force, comprised of 7 pl. 10 pl. two det mtrs. one det MMG. following 15 Bn NORTH along beach. Disposn remainder BIXA. Coy H.Q. under CSM one sec 12 pl plus 14 details DAMBI TOKANIN MAPOS area. one sec 12. pl. TIMKONE WAMPIT. please advise disposal.
9131	I 212	WFM FORCE	Y. Div.	0850	1015	Secret Sitrep 1 to 0800K/17. 24. Bn. C. Coy MARKHAM PT area. 0530K/17 night patrol 16/17 Sep to JAP ambush penetrated fire lines and reached within 500 yds JAP from west slopes MARKHAM PT spur 0800 no MVT heard 0600K/17 15 pl patrol left 567428 to further investigate fire lines leading to camp track ridge.
9132	0904	WAMPIT FORCE	BLOODHOUND	0950	1027	Ann. Return.
9133	0930	WAMPIT	BLOODHOUND	0730	1027	Strength Report
9134	0626	744ST DIV	144ST CORPS	0950	1045	Mvt of supplies by water apt to DEEPCK impracticable with craft present held. Have arranged to put 7 to 14 days across river at BWARIP where BWARIP force established and arrange original line through OOMBIS to present location of their HASC representative here today.
9135	F32	FOJO	WAMPIT FORCE	2345K/16	1100	Requests answered by safe hand today. Relief arrived yesterday.
9136	F24	FOJO	NGF. RPTD. W. FORCE	0730	1100	From 1900 to 0700 hrs vis NIL @ NIL to report.

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9137	RM31	DUDI	BASA Rear	1040	1154	VX 104167 Lieut YOUNG M. posted missing 5 SEP now reported killed @ body found 16 Sep identified 17 Sep @ means of identification pay book taken from shirt pocket.
9138	072	W.FORCE	5 AUS DIV RPTD.MAR.	1010	1154	SECRET @ 3 PLS, 2 DET of MTR, 1 det MMG 24 BN BHANG RIVER MOUTH area moving NORTH along BEACH track K/17 no contact 15 BN.
9139	RM32	DUDI.FWD	BASA REAR R.DAJA.FWD.	1100	1154	Sick @ 4 ors one GSW right foot one G.S.W left ear one P.H.O one infected toe
9140	D567	1 AUST CORPS	WAMPIT FORCE.	1211/16	1252/17	SITREP 37 to 2000 K/16 @ 10 5 AUS DIV to 0800 K/16 and WAMPIT FORCE to 2100 K/15 no change @ 20 NO detailed inform of present locations of BDES of 7 & 9 AUST DIV nor of sequence of events leading up to the capture of LAE is yet available @ 30 HIA OPS morning 15 SEP @ LAE area @ 9 bastions bombed and strafed CHINATOWN @ 7 MITCHELLS bombed & strafed EMERY @ 2 MARAWIDERS bombed WEBBS @ all informed
9141	0/548	1 AUST CORPS	W.FORCE	1250 K/16	1252 K/17	SITREP 35 to 1000 K/16 @ 10 5 AUST DIV to 2000 K/15 @ 29 BDE troops continued pursue NORTH during 15 SEP hiding boys and occupying spur 628267 standing patrols being established 726331 @ 20 7 AUST DIV to 0610 K/150 morning 15 SEP advance leads LAE continued 2/33 BN in contact 622432 @ 2/31 BN outflanked to cut road and bridge 628431 @ 2/2 PNRBN patrol continuing move down NORTH bank MARKAM RIVER @ 3 BN 503 Parachute in Regt in contact enemy on BUMBARI RIVER track at 592 530 since early 15 SEP @ 2/14 BN moving to BHANG in support BN 503 Parachute in Regt @ 30 9 AUST DIV to 0800 K/16 @ 24 th BDE @ Night 14/15 SEP 2 nd BN crossed. DWSU @ Move at first light on KOMKANHMO stopping up at BUTKERS in bridge head area continued @ 20 BDE now DIV reserve w of BUSU MONTA @ 2100 K/14 I/E/A bombed ISLAND 746407 @ no damage @ 40 WAMPIT FORCE @ NO change @ all informed.
9142	W113	MARKAM	ADV.BASA R. REAR BASA BIKH	1127	1340	No quadrized BUILDER I BASA absence @ suggest BUILDER 2 BASA as if he cannot be located BUILDER I BIKH decide @ It appears that 10 PL attached 5 DIV will evidently contact 11 PL attached MARK force @ suggest 12 PL be concentrated BIKH area DAMBI, TOKAMIN and await further instructions regarding probable future role and location.
9143	S204	W.FORCE	7 AUST DIV	1410	1425	will have stretcher case at BWARIP 1200 hrs 18 Sept @ please arrange water for evacuation.
9144	RQ116	24-A-1B	RECORDS OFFICER NGF K4C AREA R. 1 AUST CORPS	1430	-	VX 104167 LIEUT YOUNG M.T. previously reported missing K/4 now reported killed in action
9145	RQ117	24 AID	15 BDE			As above
9146	U4E	MARK	BASA TDIV.DUDI	1340	1530	SITREP to 1230 K/17. 1125 K/17. LOOKOUT. 567427 reports 2 barges seen approx 1 mile from shore travelling in direction MARKHAM River mouth. No report from 13 PL patrol into Jap ambush
9147	Ed 1/4	D Coy	24 BN	0810	1540	Coy H.Q. closing 0815 hrs and reopening SAGAMAVA area on arrival
9158	D1691			1730		SECRET

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2628	0515	MetRep.		
	0815	"		
	0900	4 P47A	S to N. overhead	18000
	0910	4 P47A	"	16000
	0920	9 DC3A	S to N.	8000
	1025	1 Boomerang	S to N.	
			1 mile W.	12000
	1130	9 DC3A	S to N.	10000
	1217	2 DC3A	N to S	9000
	1235	9 DC3A	N to S	11000
	1410	2 DC3A	S to NW.	1000
	1415	MetRep.		
	1445	1 B25	N to S.	8000

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9159	RM93	1615	1825	DVDI	BASAR	Oto GARONI J.P. Sketcher case evacuated from fwd area 1330 hrs.
9160	A431	1 Corp	NMA NAM.F.	1135	1913	fwd immediately recommendation following hours towards
9161	F25	TOGO	"	1440	1913	Iron W. large & truck met in LAE vic.
9162	6310	AWW TSILI TSILI	"	1555	1913	No air transport available here at present. Last inspected BULOLO fwd one from there. Would appreciate report on defective charger sent from BULOLO. ref. QX 286
9163	7D28	amst DET PORT MORESBY	3 AUST WAMPIT	0900	1913	Ordinance rfr. SECRET stores shipped AB141
9164	KT 116	7 SC WAMP.	FSD WAD WPK HINTER BASAR	1900	1913	ration.
9165	V115	MARK	BASA	1815	1913	SECRET SITREP to 1800 K/17. No report from patrol in to Jap ambush.
9166	O.506.	1A Corp	W 70a	1100/15	2000	O 124 NAT addressed WAMPIT force. O 146 SITREP. of 4 U.S. Div.
9167	SD 4133	N4F.	WAMPIT force.	2315/21 14	2020/17	Lt Cook WK and CPO. Grandia. WL. USN. proceeding your area to carry out duties involving bomb disposal and ordnance
9168	GEN. 5690	N4F.	W Force	1200/27 14	2000/17	For O.C. SPL 2/14 7d. Coy. Col. TOYER. and 10 other engineers of arriving approx 28 Aug. will proceed WAD and carry out recce of SUNSHINE and MARKHAM Rd. Col. St Smith and Maj Drummond to accompany. Please make all necessary arrangements
9169	O.179.	1A Corp	W 70a	1035/6	2030/17	Personal for Col SMITH. from Gen HERRING. Very pleased your show MARKHAM Rd. Let the boys know keep on carrying them.
9170	O.200.	1A Corp	W.7.	2145/6	2040/17	Awaiting ack. our G.O.7.
9171	I.214.	W Force	Headhead split.	2015	2100	SITREP. 68. to 2000 K/17. B. Coy BUANG River. 1000 K/17. 2 pl. 2 det most 1 det WAD left from Base 594335 way in to proceed N from BUANG River. and contact 15th. C Coy MARKHAM Pt. 10th. prior reported missing K/17 now reported killed 0600 K/17. patrol left for Jap ambush post. NO report from patrol to 1800/17. Observations NGARANE RD. OP. 417520. 1100 K/17. approx 500 lbs moved wad job from to Markham valley rd. 1115-1145. by explosion direction FRAP River headwaters morning. K/17. 70. 7th. pl. landed NADZAB 1340-1545 K/17. Shots direction foothills N of OP. 1920/17. 4 by explosion direction FRAP River. Lookout. 567427. 1125 K/17. 2 barges seen off shore heading direction Markham River mouth. all informed
9172	F.26	TATA	W Force	1800	2100	Patrol req. 24 gals. oil. 4 gals. 4 gals kero if no stocks. - substitute

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9173	I 216	W.F. FORCE	1. chd 604	2215	2315	Your 0200 of 6 Sep received 2145K/17. G 07 NOT received.
9174	I 215	✓	7 chd 215	2025	2315	SECRET SITREP. 2 to 2000K/17. MARKHAM PT. 1800K/17 no word from patrol to jap ambush posns that left 0600K/17. 1125K/17
9175	0577	1AUST CORP	Wampit Force	1422	2330	most secret. Ref photo map. Series 0312. arrangements made 9. 8. 25 Kutchello bomb-strap jap position within area bounded. 187134. 195131. 190126. 186127. over the NOT. find line 183133. 182125. 183120. 187122. 193122. to 200128. Estimated T.O.T. 0800hrs 19 Sep. NOT later than 1000 hrs. 2 green planes from EAST. A/C to arrive completion of attack. No bombs or struffing NORTH - left bank MARKHAM River. Plan for ground attack in your hands.
9176	I 188	24 BN	1175	0530		nuclear report
9177	I 186	R BASA	R BASA	0700		SITREP to 0700 K/18. SITNOA
9178	H 118	W.F. FORCE	1AUST CORPS	0705	0755	MARKHAM PT posn unoccupied & please cancell air strike
9179	H 117	MARK.	BASA 7 DIV. DWDI	0645	0755	SECRET SITREP to 0630 K/18 @ 0650 K/18 @ patrol into jap amb K/17 report posn unoccupied & pushing on Awas LABU.
9180	K 339	DIXA	ADV BASA R. BASA R.	0655	0810	Strength state.
9181	H 116	MARK.	BASA R. DWDI 7 DIV	1825/17	0810	Bomb WAMPIT FORCE PLUS 7 DIV personnel and stores arrived DEEP @ 1830 K/17
9182	EL 79	D Bay 24 BN	15 BDE R 24 BN.	0601	0817	SECRET SITREP 191 to 0600 K/18 @ nothing to report.
9183	NR 13	REAR. DWDI	REAR. BASA. ADV	0600	0838	Strength return.
9184	EL 80	D Bay 24 BN	15 BDE R 24 BN.	0601	0845	Strength state
9185	I 219	WAMPIT FORCE.	BLOODHOUND R. BASA DIV D Bay 24 BN R.B.	0825	0900	SECRET SITREP 69 to 0800 K/18 @ patrol into jap amb posn MARKHAM PT K/17 reports posns NOT occupied & patrol pushing on Awas LABU all inf.
9186	I 185	REAR. BASA ADV. BASA	ADV. BASA	1000	-	H.S.W.R.
9187	NR 14	REAR. DWDI	REAR. BASA	0915	1040	Daily sick return.
9188	RM 34	DWDI FWD	BASA R. BASA FWD	0735	1040	Strength state
9189	H 119	W. FORCE	1AUST CORP R 7 DIV. BASA	0925	1040	Approval sought to close MARKHAM VALLEY OP's at KRKS, NGARENENO and WINDOW.
9190	I 186	24 BN	H.F. Sector	1130	-	METEOR. REPORT.
9191	H 120	W. FORCE	1AUST CORPS 7 DIV BASA DWDI	1220	1305	SECRET SITREP to 0945 K/18 @ 15 PL C Bay 24 BN occupied jap ambush and village MARKHAM PT 0930 K/18, without opposition delousing in field burial dead proceeding.

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0817 11 DC 3. 9000ft overhead S to N.
4 P 295.

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0915 17 DC 3. 9000 overhead S to N.

0925 18 DC 3. 700 S to North
4 P 295

0930. 9 DC 3. 6000ft overhead N to S.

0935 2 P 475. 18000ft S to N.

0945 5 P 475. 18000ft N to S.

1015 11 DC 3. 9000ft N to S.

1030. 2 C.A 12. Beacon range 11000 N to S.

1105 17 DC 3. N to S. 10000ft

1225 16 DC 3. S to N 8000ft 4 P 295

1355 1 DC 3. S to N 8000.

1515 2 DC 3. S to N 6000ft

1530 5 DC 3. N to SE 10000ft.

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9192	073	W.FORCE	BLOOD HOUND 7 ALST DIV 3 BASA	1140	1305	ref H1190 approval requested close TOJO.
9193	0592	1AUST CORP	WAMPIT F.	2150	1330	SITREP 39 to 2000 K/17 @ 10 M.Q. 9 DIV moving 17 left N via 737408 @ 20 NO further report from other formations @ 30 Div Ops 17 left @ village on coast REISS point A NEM NHE Bay & shelled one barge damaged WADE Bay @ all informed.
9194	0/579	1AUST CORPS.	WAMPIT FORCE	0155	1345	Part 2 and last part @ 30 9 AUST DIV to 0800 K/17 @ 24 and 26 BDE'S (BN) LAE area @ 2/4 DMI enroute MINWANGWAN area from 7054 @ 20 DDE MALAHANG area @ 2215 K/16 2 E/A dropped bombs NORTH of HOPOI and in sea @ 140 damage @ 40 WAMPIT FORCE no further report @ all informed.
9195	H121	MARK	REAR BASA.	1216	1405.	Confidential @ supply NO rank full distinction and surnames name relationship home address N.O.K date birth date enlistments CMF - AIF for following LT CHILDS CPL ROBERTSON PTE WALKER J L/CPH WILSON @ supply date birth date enlistment CMF - AIF for Sgt EATON @ reply urgently.
9196	H122	W.FORCE	1AUST CORPS 5 DIV BASA	1240	1405	SECRET SITREP to 1230 K/18 @ 1145 K/18 following occupation JAR ambush and camp MARKAM PT leading PL B. Coy 24BN moving along beach to TARI found fresh gap footprints also quantity of stores and documents @ Delousing of booby traps continuing.
9197	1687	24BN.	RES.	1430	-	METEOR REPORT.
9198	RQ 118	BASA REAR	MARK	1500	-	VX 104504 Cpl. JAMES ALFRED ROBERTSON born 8 Aug 17. N.O.K. wife LT LLEN FLORENCE. 4 WOLSELEY STREET MONT ALBERT. Enlisted C.M.F. 23 Jan 41. Enlisted A.I.F. 24 Aug 42. Particulars of other personnel are with BUDI. In reply U121.
9199	F28	TOJO.	W.FORCE	1330	1530.	are our troops in occupation of MARKAM PT @ ACK.
9200	U123	W.Force	N9F-	1535	1640	Left Gen Edmund HEARING. on behalf of my Bar desire thank you for your message which has been passed on to officer and men SMITH.
9201	0579	1 Corp	W.F	1530/17	1640/18	Sitrep's to 1400 K/17 (1). 5 am air to 2000 K/16. again patrol continues NORTH to LA8U. check and to 585280 on WEST edge swamp. (2) 7 am DTY. 60800 K/17. 21 Bde. HQ. YALU. 2/14 BN en route BODEA passed through Captn DIDDY afternoon 16 Sep. 2/16 BN. moving NORTH of YALU. 25 Bde via. LAE with 25 Bde casualties for whole operation. Killed officer 2. ORS. 39 wounded. off 6. ORS 83. missing 14. Enemy Cas heavy. Just of parts
9202	1168	24 BIN.	WFS.	1730	-	METEOR REPORT.

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9203	0218	7 DIV	W FORCE	1035	1715	F.O.O. at present with 24BN will return to unit as soon as possible.
9204	0217	7 DIV	" "	1055	1735	Wampit force advise MARKAMPT unoccupied by enemy @ attack 19 SEP cancelled @ request cancellation air strike @ 0577 11 th ack
9205	NN16	REAR DNDI	REAR DASA	1615	1719	VX104430 eggs NORMAN EBWIN EATON born 22 nd Feb 1920 AMF March 1939 AIF 23 rd July 1942 N.O.K FATHER EPHRIAN EATON HEALSVILLE RD LILYPALE @ VX113469 PEE WILLIAM DAVID WILSON born 13 July 1915 AMF 2 April 1942 AIF 17 Oct 1942 N.O.K wife OS E. WILSON 872 high st KEW @ V255944 PEE JAMES ALFRED WALKER born 26 March 1923 AMF 13 FEB 1942 N.O.K. father G.A. WALKER 277 MIDDLEBOROUGH Rd. BOX HILL SOUTH.
9206	ADYDASH F221	TOJO R.MARK	ADY DASH	1700	1818	yes
9207	08205	N.G.F.	WAM. FORCE	1645	1835	Copy instns 92 not sent your H.Q. In reply. 037.
9208	ST117	ASC WAM.	REAR BASE	1800	1835	Ration State.
9209	GR396	ASC PART.	PRINTERS	1800	1835	Ration State.
9210	I1689	REAR BASIF	STOW. BASA	1830		ASWR.
9211	I1690	"	"	1900		SITREP to 1900K/18. SITNDR.
9212	RM35	PUDI.F	BASAR. 4th A.S.D.	1531	1920	Lt. CASEY & party 10 on arrived fwd area 1200 hrs.
9213	074	WAMPT F.	7AUST DIV	1841	1920	ACK in reply. 0217
9214	U124	MARK	SPAR. RPTD 57 DIV	1815	1930	SECRET SITREP to 1800 H/18 @ 1500 H/18 a boy fwd H.Q. sent JAP. VIETGE 570423, 14 fl pushing fwd to LABU fwd base est. TARI 609415 H/T being laid from JAP. camp to H/18 @ 1650 H/18 POW believed coolie captured TARI 609415 @ JAP path MARKHAM. He strongly suspected file bases def from with accom. for approx 250 with an aid shelter at 12 ft under ground
9215	12447	7AUST DIV	WAMPT FORCE 2nd 17032	1155	1940	Ref 1AUST CORPS 1182 of 16 Sept self inflicted wound case @ DIV legal offr NOT yet this area @ of assistance denied suggest your contact DARG this H.Q.
9216	0229	1AUST CORPS	WAMPT FORCE	1303	2040	received 17 th Sept @ State requirements
9217	01010	5AUST DIV	1AUST CORPS 4th 7 DIV	2040	2158	P.W. captured by 15BN at LABU now to day states that garrison of 100 left MARKHAM Pt for THE 3PLAMPUT 21700 hrs 16 Sept as ration failed to arrive from LAE & unaware that 3PLAMPUT action by 15BN At least 25 JAPS were killed during the day
9218	0604	1AUST C.	WAMPT FORCE	1225	2155	Sitrep to 1000 H/18 @ morning 17 Sept @ 1 @ 5 DIV to 2000 H/17 fwd base 29 Bde continuing to move north to LABU 7 Japs from 643375 to contact our HQ MARKHAM Pt @ 20 7 DIV to 2000 H/17 25 Bde no change @ 2434 H.Q. YAKU with patrol outbreak 56555 @ 2/14 BN patrolling BORN @ area @ 2/16 BN track gun 587569 @ Bakasine patrolling NO sign enemy @ patrol 5 Bn 50% PARA TROOP up. contacted JAP path 605527 at 1300 H/17 & inflicted cas. @ 2/16 3rd. base landed via KAIAPIT @ comm. established @ exact location NOT known @ further Hqs landed NRDZAS @ 30 9 DIV to 2000 H/17 24 & 26 Bde clearing LAE & 5PL VFAING enemy equi. including many JAP guns @ DIV engines repairing LAE some @ 20 Bde area 7246 7146 @ before moved LAE @ 4 @ WAMPT FORCE @ NO further report @ all informed

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9219	F222	WAMPIT FORCE	2015	2220	Secret Site 77 to 2000 H/18 @ 24 BN @ Labay MARKHAM PT. @ 1500 H/18 food C.H.P. sent JAP valley 570423 14 pl food base sent TARI 609415 pushing food to LABU @ HT being land to TARI @ 1630 H/18 P.M. believed radio captured TARI @ JAP def from MARKHAM pt was strongly full boxed with a/c 250 & air raid shelters 17 ft underground. OBSERVATIONS @ 1000-1155 H/18 & 1430-1630 H/18 by exploring direction ERFP near had water @ 87 H/18 landed. NEDZ PB H/18 @ B. by Buang and @ 1625 H/18 LE 4A 521210 WFBG 1. with report two small craft moving south one turned towards BUANG MOUTH the other continued towards SELAMPUR @ all informed.
9220	F1701	BAPA.R.	0700	0700	SITREP to 0700 H/19 @ SITNOR.
9221	L341	BIYA	0625	0700	strength state.
9222	NK17	REAR 401	0600	0740	strength return for WAMPIT STAGING
9223	H25	MARK.	0644	0740	SECRET SITREP. @ 0630 K/19 @ no further report 14 PL moving EAST from TARI to coast. telephone line laid to 590423.
9224	0830	24 DIV	0936	-	METEOR. REPORT
9225	0825	W.FORCE.	0825	0925	SECRET SITREP 71 to 0800 K/19 @ 24 BN @ C. Coy MARKHAM PT @ 0630 K/19 no further report from 14 PL moving EAST from TARI 609415 to coast @ T/L laid to 590423 @ all inf.
9226	-	MARK.	0900	1024	Co request that his post be sent to WAMPIT. immediately
9227	R1	WAMP FORCE	0835	1024	for supply offer. 14 days rations delivered to BWARI Pless atabrin and tobacco. can you find these commodities. c/c
9228	RM 26	DUDI food	0915	1024	for state.
9229	NR18	REAR DUDI	0930	1024	Daily sick.
9230	Q907	WAMP Force	0950	1040	Ann return.
9231	0604	1. Coy	1250/18	1040	@ 9218. - message rptd twice
9232	CX 1	Doulolo	1030	1055	for int offer from NCO i/c cipher Ref addresses of Siteps. causing much confusion here and at NGF would appreciate a more definite ruling on this matter. please advise
9233	-	Wamp Force	0900	1130	for prisoner sent to you under escort 19 Sep. please interrogate as to whereabouts of bodies of missing ones. three pay books our men found in for posn. No sign of bodies
9234	RQ119	REAR BASA	1345	-	ref cow pistol. being sent by hand of Ste. SHORT. leaving 1400 K/19. ETA WAMPIT. 20 Sep.
9235	RQ120	REAR BASA	1410	-	Please find certified copy conduct sheets of Ptes SHAW GEORGE GARONI CURRAN HIGGINS this HQ earliest
9236	F1703	24 Div	1430	-	Meteor.

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9227 V-126 24 BN 15 Dec. 1440 1530. Ref honors and awards - well recommendations for D Coy. 24 BN. and A Coy. 24 BN troops attached 5859 BN be forwarded from you or will they be submitted by 24 BN.

9238 ST-118 ASC ^{Paulin} ~~Wright~~ 1440 1520 Strength - ratings

9239 I1704 24 BN 11 High 1730 - Meteor Report.

9240. RM-27. DWDI.FWD. BASA.REAR BASA.FWD. 1630. 1830. TX5359 LIEUT RICHARDS.B.W. reported killed message RM18 body found 17SEP indistinctly disc paybook means of identification O VX109416 PFC SULLIVAN T reported killed message RM11 body found 18SEP paybook means of identification O Paybook belonging to VX109416 Epl. GRAY. H O reported killed 10SEP VX109422 PFC WILSON. H.T. V296119 PFC RAMSDELL.R.W. posted as missing found but no trace of bodies.

9241 I1705. BASA.REAR BASA.FWD. 1900. - SECRET O SITREP 10 1900 hrs K/19 O SITREP.

9242 RQ121 R.BASA. DWDI.DIXA RPTD A.BASA. 1910. - all mail bags will be returned forthwith to SUNSHINE O maybe impossible to fwd next mail unless bags to hand as no more bags available.

9243. 0614 1AUSTCORP W.FORCE. 2350K/18 1928/19 SECRET SITREP 41 to 2000 K/18 O 10 5 AUST DIV to 0800 K/18 O fwd Aprs replaced BDE LABEL 1020 7 AUST DIV to 0800 K/18 2/4 IND Coy 994729 1955K/17 with patrols W to VICS ANGAN O NO enemy seen O 30 q AUST DIV to 1500K/18 No change O HQ W.FORCE O 800K/18 O 17SEP our Aprs occupied JAP port MARKAM.PS patrolling mtds LAE O 50 AIR OPS 18SEP O q MARAUDERS destroyed buildings bombing started fires dump area FINSCAFEN-OELDSBACK area O 6 BOSTONS accurately bombed & strafed buildings. CAMI ISLAND O 6 BEH FIGHTERS strafed TALASIA, KAIAMH area fired on 100/170 ton vessel and 1 barge damaged O 3 AEROCOBRAS fired huts near KAMAPIT village LIERATORS on reef bombed FINSCAFEN PT ROCK ISLAND O all inf.

9244. I1706 R.BASA. DWDI.BASA 1920. - ASW.R. O 0630 1415 hvy low clouds and rain 1445. 1830 O hvy scattered clouds to 1400 VIS good except between 1415 and 1445 O slight NORTH wind all day.

9245 RQ122 R.BASA. DWDI.RPTD ADV. BASA. 1930. - 4265473 PFC HIGGINS.M.M evacuated to MORESBY and transferred to unit X list K/19. O please amend records accordingly.

9246 EL86. D Coy 15 BDE 0600 2050. SECRET O SITREP 193 to 0600K/19 O nothing to report.

9247 EL89 " " 0830 2100. VX73869 PFC. MCGHINNESS. A J. transferred to X list evacuated beyond MSP HOTE OVER 7 days.

9248. EL84 " " 1801 2110 SECRET O SITREP 192 1800K/18 D Coy moved from 724012 and now disposed as follows Bay HQ plus MMG and MORTAR det 73207 SPL 731015 16PL 734016 18PL 745019

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- 9249 225 W. FORCE BLOODHOUND R. 5 DIV 2015 2110. SECRET SITREP 72 to 2000 K/19 @ 24 BNO & Coy MARKHAM PT. @ COOLIE P.O.W. sent 7 DIV for interrogation @ 1200 K/19 patrol to NEW LABU ISLAND found no trace recent Jap occupation @ 15 PL at 1600 K/19 reached 635 392 and at 1700 K/19 many shots heard that VIC @ recently occupied Jap post found 630 395 signs hurried evac @ 14 PL at 613 475 for night K/19/20 @ 13 PL in protective post 367 430 571 431, 587 426, with MMG at 530 426 571 431 @ LT laid to 595 421 @ OBSERVATIONS @ 0900 - 10 25 K/19 1130 K/19 explosions direction NHDZAB @ 1300 K/19 12 PIB barges moved down MARKHAM @ 1510 K/19 MG fire direction ERAP river @ K/19 @ 22 Apr A/C landed NHDZAB @ B Coy BHANG patrol no report received @ all inf
- 9250 RQ 123. 24 BN DIST REC MELBOURNE 2125 - your 58545 NOT received @ V265364 PTE ANGENS EA has been A.W.L. from HOME LEAVE since 7 FEB 43 and has NOT returned to unit @ refer to LT T.O. CAMP PELL being soldiers last known unit.
- 9251 RQ 124 R. BASA. MARK RPD ADV. BASA 2145 - burial return Lieut BARBER PEE BOOTHROYD, PCE WHITEACRE each @ no sketch of graves @ could sketches and particulars be made of these any other graves if BRO 14 of 15 SEP @ burial returns being held.
- 9252 0623. 1 AUST CORPS W. FORCE 1230 2210 SITREP H2 to 1000 K/19 @ 1 @ 18 SEP party Japs relieved from MARKHAM post Northwards by fuel troops 24 BDE VIC LABU 2 and at least 25 Japs were killed @ 20 7 Aust Div to 2000 K/19 @ 21 BDE HQ MAC'S CAMP @ 2/16 BN moving via NUM to MAC'S CAMP @ 2/5 BDE MUNKM'S waters with all DIV BDE dump @ 2 monum BNO advanced post YAKH area whole 2/6 IND Coy B Coy barouch KAIAPITO 30 7 AUST DIV to 2000 K/18 no change @ all informed.
9253. I1708. R. BASA. BASA FW. 0700 - SECRET SITREP to 0700 K/20 @ SITNOR. 21 SEP 1943 21 SEP 1943
- 9254 I1709 Bisca Basa 0650 0830 Str state
- 9255 NR19 rear DUD Basa 0700 0845 Str state
- 9256 WAM FORCE 5226 0843 0900 SECRET SITREP 73 to 0800 K/20 24 BN C Coy MARKHAM PT. @ 0600 K/20 no further report from 15 pl who are advancing E to coast 14 PL carrying KAI to 15 pl not yet returned. B Coy BVANG Patrol not yet reported received all informed.
- 9257 NR20 R DUDI. BASA F.R. 0830. 1925 Daily sick return
- 9258 H256. 3 AUST DIV W. FORCE. 1820/16. 0950 K/20 from BREHANY to LT COL SMITH @ Have seen DAWSON who advise that spectacles will NOT be available for at least 2 months @ As he is of no use to you in present state, suggest you make special application to NCF to have him granted leave to proceed MELBOURNE when matter can be adjusted in two days @ he could take recreation leave dur 16 days DAWSON held here waiting reply @ Congratulation to all hands on recent show at the PTO regards.
- 9259 0640. 1 AUST CORP. W. FORCE. 2235/9 1030 K/20 SITREP H8 to 2000 K/19 @ 1 @ 5, 7, 9 DIV to 2000 K/19 No change @ 20 W. FORCE to 2000 K/18 @ patrols East from TARI @ 0609 415 to LABU - @ captured 18 prisoners TARI @ AIR OPS 19 SEP 9 MAWRADERS 12 MITCHELLS attached attached targets FINSCHAVEN 24 LIBERATORS 12 FORTRESSES bombed runways and dumps CAPE GLOUCESTER LARGE fires started runways hit @ all informed
- 9260 NM 25. DUDI. FWD BASA REAR BASA DUDY 0645 1120 strength state.
- 9261 9408. W. FORCE BLOODHOUND. 0945 1110. MMN RETURN.
- 9262 I227. R. BASA B Coy 24 BN 1430. 1530 SECRET @ recommendations and citations for awards your Coy are to be fwd thru HQ IMMEDIATELY @ submit full details of Coy activities subsequent 4 SEP incl @ fwd by quickest means possible special runner suggested @ Documents to be marked SECRET AND CONFIDENTIAL. ACK. 21 SEP 1943 19 SEP 1943

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O.P. LOG.

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Met Rep.

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16 DC3s

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17 DC3s

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N to S 12000.

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1 P38

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0900

18 DC3s

" 10000.

0905

4 P39s

" 10000.

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2 DC3s

N to S 8000.

0920

12 DC3s

N to S 10000.

0925

2 CA 12s

S to N 12000.

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8 DC3s

N to S 10000.

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7 DC3s

" 10000.

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3 DC3s

" 8000.

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17 DC3s

" 15000.

3 P47s

" 18000.

1135

6 P38s

" 18000.

1315

1 DC3

" 10000.

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— — — 1830

Scattered clouds all day. Slight N wind vis excellent. O.P. closing down morning 21 Sep.

ADM HQ WAU
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SALVAGE AND RECOVERY - PARACHUTES, SANDBAGS & CORNSACKS.

1. With the conditions of supply that exist in forward areas, it is essential that care be taken in the handling and salvaging of such items as parachutes, containers used with parachutes, sandbags and cornsacks.
2. It is anticipated that parachutes will be used in increased numbers for supply dropping in near future, and it is essential that the containers and parachutes, no matter how damaged be returned by quickest possible means to Sta Comd's WAU or BULOLO as applicable. All signals reporting results of droppings will include number of parachutes used, number recovered. On no account will any part of container or parachutes be retained by personnel or units.
3. The supply of suitable containers to AASC depots must be maintained and Units must ensure that the maximum number of all bags received with supplies be returned promptly to AASC depots, although it is realized that sandbags and cornsacks etc, are required for various essential purposes by forward Units.

[Handwritten Signature]
LT-COL
ADM & QMG ADM HQ WAU

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LIST "A"

**NOTE - Each Parachute and Container will be serially numbered.
A record of despatch showing serial numbers to be
maintained and info included in daily report.**

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- 9262 0/8739. NG FORCE W.FORCE 1550K/19 1730K/20. 7 adv AF. arrange return TSIKI. TSIKI force with all stores and eqpt to MORESBY area on completion of role under 2 div task force & under command 3 AUSTR DIV on arrival
 @ 3 Aust DIV arrange accommodation @ SAF. advise addresses @ date movement can be commenced and estimated date completion.
9263. Q256. 1 AUSTR CORP 3 DIV RPTD WAMPIT FORCE 2330/19 1730. Delayed @ returning MORESBY Tuesday @ Thom Berk.
- 9264 RM40. Duoli rear Base 1730 1845 All bags received have been returned.
9265. RM39 DHDIFWD. R. BASA. 1715. 1845 impossible to find sketches at present may be days before it is possible @
 W 360 a 123314 POW forms req for some time ago not yet to hand.
9266. 076. W.FORCE BLOODMOUND 1730. 1817 please advise if recommendations for honours and awards 24BN must bear signatures Comds 15BDE and 3DIV.
- 9267 Q260 1 AUSTR CORP VN.FORCE 1200 1725. from PECK for GM @ submit immediately this HQ @ 10 monthly census @ 20 requisition to re-equip unit requesting clothing be made available for collections PORT MORESBY, OCT.
9268. A/2453. 7 AUSTR DIV W.FORCE R 1 AUSTR CORP 0155K/16 1725 1 AUSTR CORPS A/182 of 16 SEP SIN cases @ DIV legal off NOT yet this area @ if assistance being suggest you contact DAF @ this HQ.
- 9269 W-127. W.FORCE 1 AUSTR CORP ADV. BASA 1715. 1940 This force now patrolling MARKAM PT 560433 to LABH NOI 642380 NADZAB 1" @ contacted 15BN 0900K/20 at 643374 @ request warn craft report at LABH NOI for use our patrols in clearing LABH LAGOON of possible enemy @ could advice be given of disposal 2 PL's 24BN temporarily at 5 AUSTR DIV if your R 508 of 15 SEP @ at present located LABH area @ request advise disposal @ Coy 24BN at present at 15BDE SALAMANA area also disposal 7 PL's Coy 24BN at 58/59 BN present whereabouts unknown @ request future orders WAMPIT FORCE
- 9270 0655 1 AUSTR CORP NG.F. W.FORCE 1330. 1940 SITREP 44 to 1000 K/20 @ 1 @ 5 DIV to 0500 K/20 @ 18 SEP W.FORCE patrol contacted first troops 29 BDE @ 19 SEP 6 Japs killed 643387 @ 1 105 MM and 2 - 70/75 MM enemy guns 681092 and 640080 respectively @ 2 @ 1 AUSTR DIV to 0500 K/20 @ 21 BDE @ HQ and 2/16 BN MAC'S CAMP @ 1200K/18 2/14 BN encountered slight opposition juno BUSIP and BUN KOK rivers and at 1500 K/19 BN reported encircled unknown number Japs VIC BOAMA @ 2500K @ 2/25 BN 2/33 BN GAOMATZUNG @ 2/31 BN 2/2 PR. BN MUNUM area @ 19 SEP 2/6 IND Coy occupied KIAPIT killed 20 Japs and driving further fwd to S from KIAPIT @ patrolling continues @ 30 Q DIV no further report @ 40 WAMPIT FORCE to 0900 K/19 no change @ all informed.
- 9271 2Q125 R. BASA. DHDIFWD. 2000 7 W 3190 and W 3314 and 16 Jap SEP both to rear and fwd DUOI @ POW forms not known and none to hand.
- 9272 11709 BASA. REAR ADV. BASA 2030. ASWR @ 0630 Nil, Nil, Nil.
- 9273 1228 W.FORCE BLOODMOUND R. DIV 7 DIV REAR BASA 2015 2105 SECRET SITREP 74 to 2000 K/20 @ 24BN @ 8 Coy MARKAM PT area to 1600 K/20 @ 0620 K/20 returned TARI reported 15 PL spent night K/19/20 at 635392 @ 0900 K/20 15 PL contacted 15BN at LABH IS. 643374 and now in posn at 642374 @ 13 PL at TARI 614413 @ 14 PL moving E from 613415 @ force now patrolling MARKAM PT 560433 to LABH IS. 642380 @ no report since 1600 K/20 @ B Coy QUANG patrol no REPORT received of location @ all inf
- 9274 11710. Basa rear Adv Basa 0705 - SECRET SITREP to 0700K/21. Nothing to report
- 9275 1229 Wamp Force. 1. Chief Coy. 2230 0705 Ref your Sitrep 43 to 0000K/19 message. 0640. ONE PW captured TARI not 18 as shown.

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9276	NR21	R.DWDI	R.BASA R.ABASA	0600	0730	Strength state.
9277	1346	BIXA	" "	0710	0815	Strength state.
9278	1240	W.FORCE	BLOODHD. REAR.DWPT D Coy P.T.P.	0830	0905	SECRET SITREP. 75 TO 0800 K/21 @ SIT NOR @ all informed.
9279	-	-	-	-	0900	SUNSHINE. OP. cloud down @ working party from HQ Coy sent up to collect eqpt.
9280	9109	58/59 BN	5 DIV. 15 BN 24 BN.	0945/21	0945/21	for ADOS @ the following control stores on charge to 24 BN area at present with personal attached to this BN 503/1 - 505/1, 521/2, 333/13, 552/6, 894/2, 989/2, 927/3, 511/1, 508/23 @ they have not been included on our census.
9281	EL100	0 Coy 24 BN	24 BN.	1726/20	0945/21	Sick Report.
9282	EL.97	D Coy	24 BN	0600/20	1030	Setup to 0600/20. waiting to report.
9283	EL.93	"	"	180/19	1020	Setup to 1800/19 Memorial Church service 1000/19. Clean up area. 1400/19. organized swimming parade.
9284	EL.95	D Coy	"	0600/20	1030/21	Strength Returns
9285	A1478	15 Bn	24 BN	1710/20	1030	Recommendations for D Coy will be forwarded by this HQ.
9286	EL.87	D Coy	"	0600/19	1030/21	Strength Return
9287	NR22	DVDIA	R.BASA	0830	1030	Sick Return.
9288	9409	W 7	Bloodhead	0925	1030	Return returns.
9289	977	A28 BASA	See like Basa isue.	1145	1230	Censorship regulations. Sub Units Comd are instructed to ensure all ranks are reminded (even AFCT particularly with regard to following. No mention to be made of CAS until 5 weeks elapsed or CAS officially published. Matters concerning health moral by Regt. or matters tending to lower public morale to be made of use will NOT be mentioned. No mention will be made of impending or actual actions. No mention will be made of areas where action takes place or many other way indicate unit's location. During last week censors have been obliged to make far too many deletions from private mail. Disciplinary action will be taken on any future offenses.
9290	EL231	Warrant Force	Bloodhead	1200	1240	Patrol Mr. X with native guides leaving Tokamu. By 1600 W 7000 near 2.22 for BWSI - village 598165. Object clear area of possible enemy. Organ. M.A.P.O. advised natives reward offered for info concerning enemy.

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4291	0671	1 unit Cof	W. 7.	2305	1330	<p>Sitrep 45 to 2000/20. D. 5 Div and 7 DIV. no further reports. @ 9 Div. to 0800/20. No change. (P) enemy air. 0500/20. River no damage. or Cas. 145/20. 9 enemy bombers bombed VADZAB. drone. enemy fighter patrol of 16. accepted 16 lightnings preliminary report 3 enemy destroyed. 1 probable. 1 lightning lost. Pilot safe. 5 AIR OPS. 19 Sept. DAUMOINIA. YHUL A. 2 bridges 5 vehicles destroyed. 20 Sept. BOYADJIM. DAUMOINIA. 8 fortresses compound MITCHELLS. bombed strip SOUTH endy station destroyed 2 bridges 1 probable - neu. messes 15/20 trucks straped. Autos destroyed YAVULA. 12 huts destroyed bombed & straped BOYADJIM. JETTY. ERWANA plantation bridge barges mouth 9000. River. 21 barges destroyed warehouse direct hit bridge and jetty partially destroyed. 12 huts destroyed small barge jetty attacked. Camp situated. P. 1. BIL. Island. Partially destroyed bridge 1000 river attacked Camp dumps OABOB JONES. WSWH. 2 Sydes Liberators bombed. central WFRGBORN. Strip. 1 grounded & hit. Fires started. 29. 7. intercepting fighters destroyed.</p>
4292	I 1711	RSASA	BIL BIL DUDI	1400		all maps and sketches No longer needed will be withdrawn and returned to this H.Q. forthwith.
4293	V. 139	24BN.	5457	1248	1555	Ref honors and awards. are recommendations for Pt. Coy 24BN. tps attached 5458 Bw being forwarded by you. If NOT would you please do so.
4294	Q 910	From	Bloodhound	1300	1555	From. BLOODHOUND. ref publication officers NIL. return.
4295	EL 108	P Coy.	24BN.	1144	1555	Reply to I 227. ack.
4296	Q 411	WF	Bloodhound	1715	1800	Compassionate leave VX 104725 4/cpl. CRUSE. William John. Recommended 16 days accrued. vacation at leave be granted as soon as possible address next of kin. 20. Rongelap Rd. Caulfield. S.E. 7. Vic. Weight 16 lbs
4297	0685	1 unit Cof	W. 7.	1200	1800	<p>Sitrep 46 1000/21. D. 5 unit Div. to 2000/20. 2/14. Bw. no further Contact enemy vicinity BOANA. (P) 9 unit DIV. to 0800/21. Patrolling up Jap stagglers vic. GOWANJ. 719587 and vic. 650567 Continues. (P) Waupit Jones No further report.</p>

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9290	I171	BASA-R.	BASA.	1902	-	SECRET SITREP A0 1900 K/21 @ 0900 K/21 SUNSHINE OP w/ 255026 DULOLO, "and down".
9291	I171	"	"	1840	-	ASWR @ 0600, 1830 darkness mt. 1830 @ scattered clouds all day vis good slight NORTH-WEST breeze.
9292	I432	W.FORCE.	BLOODHOUND	1950	2010	report from LEGA @ 1815 K/21 20 U/I ships observed HUON GULF @ counted 14 ships firing flashes direction LAE and SARAMAH @ 5 heavy explosions on coast VIC BUANG river mouth @ ships circled and seemed to firing at each other @ 2 A/C thought ZEKIES over Gulf @ 1830 K/21 more ships sighted approaching from SE @ visibility bad.
9293	W130	PHD1	BIXA-BIKA RPTD. BASA M. ARKAMF.	1955	2030	LA reports 20 ships HUON GULF 14 firing same direction LAE some direction SARAMAH, some apparently firing at one another @ time afternoon @ 2 apparent ZEKIES overhead at dusk 5 shells landed vic BUANG river mouth @ BIXA stand by to delay any enemy mvt BUANG and protect LOC PARTER @ BIKA stand by to protect LOC, SUNSHINE KWATAMONE-MAPOS.
9294	L233	W.FORCE	IAUSTCORP 54749 DIV BPSATSILY TSILI. D Boy	2025	2050	SECRET SITREP 76 A0 2000 K/21 @ 24 BN @ B. Boy A0 0800 K/21 14 4 15 PL'S at 642395 @ no reports since 0700 K/21 @ B. Boy @ report from LEGA 521210 WAGOI @ 1815 K/21 20 U/I vessels on HUON GULF 14 seem to be firing @ direction of fire LAE SARAMAH and 5 heavy explosions BUANG river mouth @ vessels circled and appeared to be firing at each other @ 2 A/C thought ZEKIES over HUON GULF @ 1830 K/21 more ships sighted approaching from SE @ all inf.
9295	I171	R. BASA.	ADV. BASA.	0700	-	SECRET SITREP A0 0700 K/22 @ SITNOR. 22 SEP 1943
9296	NR23	R. DWD1	ADV. BASA R. BASA.	0600	0845	Strength return
9297	L348	BIXA.	BASA-R. R. BASA ADV	0655	0845	Strength state.
9298	RQ126	R. BASA.	BIXA-R. DWD1 ADV. BASA.	0950	-	VX109115 Pte. GEORGE N.C. V321302 Pte. CURRAN E. evacuated to MORESBY and transferred to list K/22 @ please amend records accordingly.
9299	NR24	R. DWD1	R. BASA. R R. BASA.	0830	1002	Daily sick return
9300	EL115	D. Boy 24 BN.	24 BN	0601	1002	Strength state
9301	I234	W. FORCE	BLOODHOUND 547 REAR BASA.	0855	1002	SECRET SITREP 77 A0 0800 K/22 @ 24 BN @ B. Boy A0 1630 K/21 @ 1015 K/21 patrol from 13 PL arrived 15 PL area 642374 NADZAD1 from TARI @ 0945 HEATHS 1/25000 @ 1045 K/21 patrol left to return to TARI @ B. Boy @ report from LEGA 521210 WAGOI @ 0200 K/22 unknown number U/I A/C VIC BUANG river mouth @ 0630 K/22 approx 12 U/I fighters A/C flying EAST along BUANG river out to sea @ 0630 K/22 NO sign of shipping or mvt in HUON GULF @ all inf.
9302	EL113	D. Boy 24 BN.	24 BN.	1002 763 K/22	1002 K/22	Ref honours and awards @ Nil return @ Report of Boy activities as for SEP being prepared.
9303	O309	7 DIV.	5 DIV. W.F.	1326/21	1002 K/22	In view of future ops and to save sig traffic it is considered exchange of SITREP no longer necessary.
9304	RM41	DWD1 FWD	BASA-R. R. BASA	0720	1020	Strength state.
9305	RM42	"	✓	0750	1038	3 bodies own troops found K/21 so far have been unable to identify. May be Sgt. GRAY Pte WILSON Pte RAMSDALL whose pay books were reported found message R.M.37. Further attempts to identify this day. Smashed rifle issued to V260513 Pte DELACY R.R. reported missing located butt do. 33107 only recovered.
9306	RQ127	REAR. BASA	BIXA-R. PTD ADV. BASA.	1130	-	VX141600 Pte. GARONI. J.P. evacuated to MORESBY K/19 and transferred to unit & list @ please amend records accordingly.
9307	Q638	7 Div.	Wam Store	2150 K/21	1140	Further 7 days rations Cu and NA will be placed BWARIP 22 Sep. Please arrange pick-up. Habarin & tobacco will be included.
9308	Q912	Wam Store	Blood hound	1015	1215	Ann return.

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9309	0694	1 boys	Wam Force	2355K/21	1215	Sitrep 47 to 2000 K/21. (1) 5 Div to 0800K/21. No change. (2) 7 Div 0800 K/21. Night 19/20 Sep. 2 Jap attacks on 2/6 Indep boy def posn KAIAPIT repulsed. 0605K/20. further attack from NW by est 200 enemy repulsed. counterattacks from by our fps. 1000K/20. gained mission and KAIAPIT village. Enemy retired. approx 120 enemy cas. ours approx 30 all ranks P.I.B. patrolling track W to MANIANG RIVER. (3) 9 Div NO further report. (4) Wamput Force to 0800K/21. No change. (5) air ops 21 Sep TAMI IS. Part one of 2 parts.
9310	-	-	-	0930	1245	part 2 and final of 0694 0 12 Vulture Vengeance 9 MAURAUCLUS 7 positions bombed & strafed KALAL WOPAN IS 0 all buildings damaged or destroyed 0 CAPE GLOUCESTER 0 22 Liberators bombed dump bureau area 0 BOGADJIM DAHMOINA rd 0 16 Mitchells bombed struffed targets BOGADJIM area bridge camps village along rd 0 JETTY PAIPA river damaged 4 bridges destroyed 0 buildings destroyed others damaged 0 BOAK YALLU DAHMOINA 0 rd with struffed 0 1 Mitchell destroyed 0 all inf.
9311	Q913	ADV. BASH	BASHA	1130	1330	FOR BUILDER 2 0 suggestions for distributions canteen goods 0 A canteen goods to be purchased by QM and paid for by cheque from DN regth Funds B distribution to be made to each boy on strength basis incl alt and staging per as at time and date notified in RO'S (C) notice to be published in RO'S to effect that distribution of certain value per man will be made to each man in boy areas include staging personnel on certain time and date (D) on date notified in RO'S boy to make distribution to all personnel incl attach and staging (E) monthly certificate to be rendered by boys stating number of issues have been made to all regts incl alt and staging stating total number pers each issue by boys and value each issue per man (F) boy account to be debited with value each issue in accordance with boys strength at time and date notified in RO'S (G) accounts of det boys NOT incl in issue to be credited with value per man each issue accordingly to strength at time and date of issue (H) when certain type canteen goods in short supply and cannot be issued to every man in at least one boy goods to be held until further supplies available
9312	0699	1 AUST CORPS.	W. FORCE	0900	1416	instructions concentrations 24BN taken by CAPT PECK 0 written instr in march 0 24 BN less fps with 15BDE concentrate NADZAB fourth 0 rear party with stores move BULOLO
9313	9914	W. FORCE	5 AUST DIV	1135	1330	Please advise location and proposed movt all 24BN pers att 5 AUST DIV.
9314	0684	5/59 DIV	24 BN	1430	1810	LTEGAN advises that he has no recommendations to submit.
9315	7174	BASAR	ADV BASH	1840	-	ASW.R.
9316	7175	"	"	1905	-	SECRET SITREP to 1900 K/22 0 Nothing to report:
9317	W. FORCE 4131	W. FORCE	AWM PULOLO	1912	1915	for LtA ARNOLD 0 Sgt YOUNG AWM NGARANENO reached station today ill with malaria and cannot walk 0 suggest immediate evacuation from this area VIA NADZAB 0 will arrange native carriers to MARKAM 0 BEATIE
9318	0702	1 AUST CORPS.	NGF.W.F 5179 DIV	1120	2045	SITREP 47 to 1000K/22 0 10 5 DIV to 2000K/21 0 NO change 0 20 7 DIV to 2000K/21 0 action 2/6 ENID. Day night 19/20 SEP resulted in complete defeat of superior no of enemy 0 HQ 21 BDE and portion 2/6 BN now at KAIAPIT 2/14 BN now at Camp DIDDY 0 30 9 DIV to 2000K/21 0 2/24 BN endeavoring at off large party enemy moving NW VIC 647 265 040 WAMBAT FORCE NO further report 0 50 Enemy air 0 555K/21 3 enemy bombers dropped 12 bombs VIC mouth BUSH RIVER 0 0400K/22 52 bombs dropped 0 BUNA area causing superficial damage to ship and wharf 0 4 vehicles 1th CV destroyed 0 bomb groups damaged 0 cas 0 12 killed 30 wounded 0 60 further air 0 21 SEP 0 10 BNA FIGHTERS 3 BOSTONS attacked GASMATA 0 1 submarine 38 miles SOUTH GASMATA struffed 0 1800K/21 interception LPE near 6 E/A destroyed 1 struffed 0 0. Japsub now lost plot safe 0 all intercept.

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9319	-	Verbal		2000 to 2130	-	Verbal arrangements made with cdtw B.H.Q., PARTEP, re the movement of REAR to PARTEP and fwd. Pns to remain behind with "Q" Staff, to comprise REAR PARTY. Mortars to move off at 0830K/23, and the remainder, under Capt CARROLL, at approx 1330K/23. MUMENG as stopping place, night K 23/24. Unit personnel at MUMENG and ZENAG to be absorbed on the way. Eqpt to be taken - army files, etc., - stationary which may be required from a period of, from 2 to 14 days. "I" intend taking tin trunk containing this eqpt.
9320	I235	Wam Force	4th Bn BASA	2030	2135	Secret Sitrep to 200K/22. 24 Bn. C. Coy. 0930K/22 patrol from 15 Bn passed through lines by recc LABU LAGOON and MARKHAM PT, 0930K/22 15 RE occupied beach def posn. CHAPMANS PLANTATION with pl. H.Q. 642382. 13 RE based TARI 614413. patrolling to beach. Bodies of 3 ORs reported missing K/4 found MARKHAM-PT area. all informed.
9321	Q915	Wam Force	1 Corp 4th NGF	2030	2135	From NGF. Urgently recommend 7 days compassionate 16 days accrued recreational leave VX 104489 Lt Col. F. J. O'BRIEN 24 BN for purpose writing resct of him about to undergo serious operation. Request air movement mainland weight 154 lbs address M of K. 33 ALEXANDER AVE SOUTH YARRA. O'BRIEN moving immediately. ETA BULOLO. 23 Sep.
9322	Q63	1 Corp Wam Force	24 BN	200K/20	2140K/22	SECRET from PECK. Prepare to concentrate unit less 15 BDE 4th NADZAB. unit stores with small rear detail via BULLDOG. 15 Bde 4th VIA SALAMAVA. date not known orders following. further info left by Q 60
9323	Q104	1 Corp Wam Force	24 BN	1820K/20	0600	ref daily SITREP @ BDE subsequently have instructed that SITREP will now be repeated 24 BN. 23 SEP 1943
9324	Q916	W. FORCE	1 AUST CORP	2327	0600	your 960 not yet received @ please repeat.
9325	I2995	NGF	W. FORCE 1 AUST	0445K/20	0600	Despatching tracing paper ORLS 23560 address further request direct Stationary NGF and repeat NGF.
9326	A. 984	1 AUST	W. FORCE	2210K/16	1145K/22	MEL BASE MELBOURNE A5728 of 21 August begins VX 104425 L/CPL CRUISE 24 BN father dangerously ill paralysed @ desires see son @ have recommended ends @ NO further action contemplated this HQ pending your reply.
9327	NR26	R. 0401	BASA. R. ADV. BASA	0600	0900	Strength return.
9328	RM.33	Q401	" "	0650	0900	Strength state.
9329	Q275	1 AUST CORP.	NGF. R. W. FORCE	120K/21	0910	further to NGF O. 681 7 AUST DIV will arrange move to MORESDY of that portion W. FORCE to be concentrated at NADZAB and will advise NGF ytd 1 AUST CORP of number to be moved and ETD.
9340	Q912	W. FORCE	BLOODHOUND	0815	0910	ammo holdings.
9341	F29	TOJO	AWW. K. W. FORCE	1615/22	0910	line arrived today but no charges which left SHINSHINE 10 th @ as previously notified have lasted till expected arrival but now cannot hold out any longer
9342	I296	W. FORCE	BLOODHOUND R. BASA	0845	0915	SECRET SITREP to 0800 K/23 24 BN C. Coy @ 0845 K/23 comm move as far as 638392 approved 0830 K/23 land explosion heard on distance NE @ all inf.
9343	I350	DIVA.	BASA. R. BASA	0830	0915	Strength state.

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9244				0830	MT PL left at 0830 K/23 en route for PARTER.
9245	081	1 Coy	NGF 2/4th WAM FORCE	1500 1121	1055 SECRET. Concentrating Wampit force forthwith for mt as follows. 24 Bn less portion under comd 5 Aust Div and detachment 15 7th Amb & party at NADZAB for mt. PORT MORESBY, detachment 15 7th Amb & 3 Aust Div Pack 5pt Coy SUNSHINE to WAMU for mt as required by NGF. rear party to maintain by weapons and eqpt WAMPIT area pending withdrawal by NGF. request our party 24 Bn be placed under comd 2 base sub-area portion 24 Bn accompanying 5 Aust Div with 15 Bn.
9246	1716	BASA rear	Advt BASA	1300	Party ashore disposal 3 Aust Div Pack 5pt Coy BASA rear closing down 1300K/23. ALL personnel other than rear party moving fwd to MUMENG. en route NADZAB. rear party consists of 2 personnel plus pms in area.
9247				1345	8. B.H.Q. 5 H.Q. Coy personnel LESS rear party left SUNSHINE. O.C. party. Capt. CARROLL.
9248				1800	Party reached MUMENG. Ptes PARKINSON & MICHAELADES sick - dropped out K/23.
9249				24 SEP	Sgt. MITCHELL, i/c. MUMENG Staging Camp, joined Party. 24 SEP.
9250				0850	Party left MUMENG. Ground rd. almost completed on to ZENAG.
9251				1030	ZENAG personnel joined party. ZENAG def closed.
9252				1330	arrived PARTER Staging Camp. B.H.Q. personnel went out bond camp. Party at this time, mainly non-marching personnel, finding much difficulty. Insus. received for H.Q. personnel to go on K/25. "B" Coy to leave P.M. on K/26.
9253				1930	Party left PARTER. 25 SEP.
9254				0815-0845	Party arrived TIMNE. 25 SEP.
9255				1215-1310	Party arrived DEX, some staging at WAMPIT
9256				1615-1730	
9257				26 SEP 0630	Party, consisting of, Sgt. MALONE, Sgt. LANGFORD, & Ptes. LANGTREE, J. RUSSELL and others left for NADZAB en route PORT MORESBY, as adv. guard. When party arrived NADZAB, son role had been altered. 26 SEP.

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				SECRET SITREP 1 to 2000K/37 @ WAMPIT FORCE H.Q. closed. HQ 24 BN opened 413543 NAD2AB 1 inch 1130 K/27 Strength 16 off 338 ORS to 1200K/24 @ 15 BDE HQ NOT yet established NAD2AB	SIGS
				SECRET SITREP 2 to 1800K/28 SITNOR ✓	SIGS
2	I 2	24 BN	1 AUST CORPS 0820 15 BDE	In reply to G 10/10. ACK (Summary of BDE of 4 BOB DUBI area).	SIGS
3	I 3	24 BN	15 BDE 1615	First sheet only of Daily Ingep. Summary number 22 to 2000K/26 received @ could remainder of summary be found.	SIGS
4	I 4	24 BN	1 AUST CORPS 1720	SECRET @ NGF SD/5110, SD/5111 and SD/5112 NOT to all addresses. number cancelled A Coy 57/60 BN now MORESBY in TSILI TSILI force will remain and under comd 3 AUST DN (acknowledged by CAPT ISHERWOOD)	
5	SDSMI	N.G.F.	1 AUST CORPS 1330/26 3 DN 20 BASE SUB AREA, NAD WAMPIT FORCE 1900/27	SECRET @ NGF SD/5110, SD/5111 and SD/5112 NOT to all addresses. number cancelled A Coy 57/60 BN now MORESBY in TSILI TSILI force will remain and under comd 3 AUST DN (acknowledged by CAPT ISHERWOOD)	
6	-			Password to 1700K/29. LILAC. *	
7	-	BIXA	BASA	STRENGTH STATE 29 SEP *	
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9	I 6	24 BN	15 Bde 0810	SECRET SITREP to 0800K/29. SITNOR. ✓	
10	I 7	BASA	BASA 1800	Password to 1800K/30 "LAST" ✓	

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