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April 1940



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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

Unit [illegible] Date and Time.—From [illegible] To [illegible]

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	1 Apr 40		Hot Weather Approaches.	
			Today is the 1st April and the new month has been ushered in by a burst of hot weather, that has caused some discomfort to the troops, who have not yet been issued with summer dress of shirts and shorts and many of them are sweltering in thick winter uniforms. No change in diet has been effected yet and heavy food to which we are accustomed is not proving conductive to physical wellbeing in this climate.	
			Postal Rates.	
			The following is an excerpt to an administrative instruction issued today. "Arrangements have been made whereby letters (not air mail letters), packets, parcels, printed matter, books and periodicals will be sent to AUSTRALIAN addresses bearing AUSTRALIAN stamps. Current rates are shown in para 3 below (of appended). To addresses outside AUSTRALIA, PALESTINE stamps are to be used."	
			Drill.	
		0645	This morning at 0645 hrs H.Q. personnel paraded for drill before breakfast. A further parade was also held at 1500 hrs for batmen who were unable to attend the earlier parade owing to the nature of their duties. This drill parade will be held daily in order to keep the personnel of H.Q. up to a reasonable standard of efficiency in squad drill and small arms training.	
			Visit of High Commissioner.	
			Routine Orders today states that H.E. Sir Harold McMICHAEL will visit A.I.F. camps on Friday 5 Apr 40.	

D.7335/5.39.—C.1738.

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Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

Unit _____ *Date and Time.—From* _____ *To* _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	2 Apr 40		SPORTS AND AMENITIES OFFICER.	
			Lieut A.A. EVA of the 2/1 Bn, 16 Aus Inf Bde, had been appointed AMENITIES OFFICER for the Division.	
		2000	Pictures.	
			Headquarters personnel attended pictures at GAZA RIDGE tonight.	
TEL AVIV	3 Apr 40		SPORTS FACILITIES - TEL AVIV.	
			The people of TEL AVIV are doing all in their power to provide leave facilities for the members of the A.I.F. "AUSTRALIA HOUSE", the leave hostel, was opened a fortnight ago. In Routine Orders today it is announced that the MACCABI SPORTS CLUB, TEL AVIV is providing even greater facilities for leave personnel a gymnasium, basket ball pitch, table tennis, boxing, tennis, football and athletics.	
			SHOPPING FACILITIES - TEL AVIV.	
			The following is an extract from Routine Orders today:	
			"Certain shopkeepers in TEL AVIV have voluntarily placed themselves under the supervision of the General Merchants Association and have bound themselves to afford all members of the A.I.F. visiting TEL AVIV every facility in respect of reasonable prices and courteous service.	

D.2113/5.29.—C.4784.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA : JULIS	5 Apr 40		Visit of H.E. High Commissioner.	
			This morning Sir HAROLD McMICHAEL, High Commissioner for PALESTINE visited JULIS Camp and inspected the battalions of the 16 Aus Inf Bde at training. Later he drove down to Divisional Headquarters at GAZA when he lunched at the Officers' Mess.	
	6 Apr 40		Cricket.	
			This afternoon the Div H.Q. team played the PALESTINE POLICE at GAZA Airport. The match resulted in a win for Div H.Q.	
			Intelligence Summary.	
			The following is an excerpt from the weekly Intelligence Summary:	
			"The week under review has been a particularly quiet one from all points of view. H.E. the HIGH COMMISSIONER of PALESTINE, Sir HAROLD McMICHAEL paid a visit to all A.I.F. Camps in this area on Friday 5 Apr.	
	7 Apr 40		Sunday - and a completely uneventful day.	

D.2137/3.39.—C.4734.

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Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

Unit _____ Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	8 Apr 40		Sporting Material.	
			Through the agency of the AUSTRALIAN COMFORTS FUND cricket sets are now available for all units. This will satisfy a long felt want and is yet a further evidence of the fine work done by the A.C.F.	
	9 Apr 40		Headquarters personnel attended pictures at GAZA RIDGE tonight.	
	~~10 Apr 40~~		~~I.Os. visit to RAS ES SUMEIRA~~	
			Capt G. McC. WALKER, the Divisional I.O., accompanied by Lieut R.R. VIALL, went to RAS ES ZUMEIRA to inspect the police post there. They also interviewed the Mukta at TEL EL MILH.	

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Army Form C.2118 (adapted.)

Unit ..... *Date and Time.—From* ..... *To* .....

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	11 Apr 40		A letter was received today from H.E. Sir HAROLD McMICHAEL K.C.M.G., C.M.G.,D.S.O., the HIGH COMMISSIONER after his visit to units on 5 April. The following is an extract:-	
			"It was a great pleasure to me to have this opportunity of seeing your magnificent troops at work and the sight was a really inspiring one which I will never forget."	
			GERMAN VIOLATION OF DENMARK AND NORWAY.	
			News was received today of the German invasion of DENMARK and NORWAY.	
			PROMOTION.	
			The following Serjeants have been promoted to the ranks of W.O.II	
			Sjts, CHRISTIE, HARRIS, MEREDITH, REES, SPRIGHT, TONGE.	
	13 Apr 40		Conference.	
			A conference of Q.Ms. was held in the office of the D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div to discuss the preparations of new camps.	
			Intelligence Summary.	
			The following is an extract from the weekly Intelligence Summary. "This week has been a quiet one from a political and security point of view. No incident of significance having occurred, All news, both press and radio is eagerly sought since GERMANY'S violation of DENMARK AND NORWAY. (cont'd)	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	13 Apr 40		cont'd. General indignation has been expressed at GERMANY'S action. The results of the recent naval operation in the North and BALTIC SEAS is taken as an example of BRITAIN'S strength and greatness to act, and is having an excellent effect on the feelings of the community.	
	14 Apr 40		Course. W.O.II B.C.J. MEREDITH left to attend a three weeks course at the P.R.T.D. SARAFAND.	
	15 Apr 40		Road and Village Report. The Div Intelligence Section has commenced on a project of making reports on roads and villages in SOUTHERN PALESTINE. This task will take a fortnight to complete.	
			Transfer of Ordnance Personnel. The transfer of Ordnance Personnel (ORDNANCE BASE DEPOT) from GAZA ROAD and the FD WORKSHOP from QASTINA to BARBARA was effected today.	

D.3151/5.39.—C 4784.

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Unit _____ *Date and Time.—From* _____ *To* _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	16 Apr 40		D.R.L.S.	
			A DPRPLPSP running direct between Adv 6 Aus Div HQ. and ~~OVERSEAS BASE, JERUSALEM, is now in operation.~~	
	17 Apr 40		Visit of Commander in Chief.	
			General Sir ARCHIBALD WAVELL, Commander in Chief, MIDDLE EAST, visited A.I.F. Camps today. The following is the itinery of his visit taken from Routine Orders.	
		0940	Arrive QASTINA - Guard of Honour - views training of Recce Regt.	
		~~1040~~	~~Depart QASTINA.~~	
		1050	Arrive JULIS - Inspect Field Works and Battalion in Defensive position.	
		~~11--~~		
		1150	Depart JULIS.	
		1200	Arrive BARBARA Camp - Inspect BASE ORDNANCE & A.A.S.C. depots.	
		~~1225~~	~~Depart BARBARA Camp.~~	
		1250	Arrive GAZA TOWN (Div H.Q.) Inspect Quarter-Guard.	
		13 00	Lunch at Div H.Q.	
		1400	Depart GAZA.	

P.3187/5.39.—C.4791.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	18 Apr 40		I.S.O.ii Returns.	
			Major R.H. IRVING returned from hospital and resumed duties.	
	19 Apr 40		Air Co-operation.	
			~~One flight of No.6 A.C. Squadron, R.A.F. is now stationed at~~ GAZA and will provide air co-operation for 6 Aus Div.	
	20 Apr 40		Staff Meetings	
			Weekly Staff Meetings attended by heads of services commenced today.	
			Duty Staff Officer -	
			The roster of Duty Staff Officers commenced at Div H.Q. today.	

D.3157/529.—C.4781.

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Unit _____ *Date and Time.—From* _____ *To* _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	21 Apr 40		Training Areas.	
			A Training Instruction has been issued laying down the training areas allotted to 6 Aus Div and attached troops. The GAZA civil district has been sub-divided into two sub-areas :- (a) Div Training Area; (b) Formation and unit training area	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	22 Apr 40		Letter from C-in-C.	
			The fdlowing is an extract from a letter received from ~~Genl Sir ARCHIBALD WAVELL after his visit to the A.I.F. camps~~ :- "I very much appreciated my morning with you yesterday and was very pleased with what Isaw. The men looked well and business-like, and training and administration seemed to be going on good sound lines. ~~There will be some setbacks and difficulties, no doubt, but~~ you have all obviously made a very good start and are putting your backs into it, and tackling your problems with keenness and common sense. Good luck!"	
QASTINA			Move of Fd Post Office :	
BARBARA			The Fd POST OFFICE located temporarily at QASTINA moved to BARBARA Camp. A travelling post office has been established by the Div POSTAL UNIT catering for outward cables and registered letters. SUPPLY COLUMN 6 AUS DIV is to deliver mails to unit postal orderlies.	
			Conference:	
JULIS		1500	The A.D.M.S. held a conference with the C.C. and C.O. of the 2/1 Fd AMBULANCE and all R.M.Os. at the Camp Hospital JULIS. ~~Weekly conferences will be held commencing on~~ 2 May 40 at 1500 hrs at QASTINA and JULIS alternately.	

D.S.S./5.29.—C.6749.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	23 Apr 40		Camp sub-areas named.	
			An Administrative Instruction has been issued in which names are given to each of the camp sub-areas. This has been done in order to avoid the confusion occasioned by calling sub-areas L1,L2, etc., in each main camp.	
			RUGBY.	
			The personnel selected to play in the Rugby Match in SYRIA reported to H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde where they will be able to train together.	
			A Training Instruction issued today gave details of a quantity of publications (training manuals and handbooks) for issue to 6 AUS DIV and attached troops, which have arrived from the WAR OFFICE.	

D.3137/5.39.—C.4784.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	25 Apr 40		ANZAC DAY MESSAGES:	
			The following message was received from the G.O.C., New ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE:-	
			"On the 25th Anniversary of ANZAC all ranks of the second N.Z.E.F. remember with pride the heroic exploits of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps in the Gallipoli Campaign and pay tribute to the First A.I.F. who fought and won imperishable fame on every front in the last war."	
			A message from General IRONSIDE reads:	
			"Please convey the following message to all Australians and New Zealanders serving in your Command. On this the 25th Anniversary of the gallant landing at Gallipoli which has made imperishable the name of ANZAC, I am proud to think that once more men of Australia and New Zealand are standing side by side with ourselves and our Allies in defence of civilisation."	
			A personal message came to Brigadier ALLEN from General WAVELL: "On 25th Anniversary of Australians great exploit at Gallipoli I salute the memory of those brave men. I am proud to have their successors in my command."	
			To this Brig ALLEN replied:	
			"Many thanks for your inspiring message. I am sure the 2nd A.I.F. will never let you down."	

D.3881/3.39.—C.6784.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	25 Apr 40		ANZAC DAY - cont'd.	
			Brig ALLEN also sent a message to the Minister for the Army, ~~MELBOURNE, saying:~~	
			"We, the members of the 2nd A.I.F. now stationed overseas, are commemorating Anzac Day at the gravesides of Australian soldiers in the beautifully kept War Cemetries of Palestine. ~~We realise this is a unique and inspiring occasion and I am~~ impressed by the eagerness of the troops here to pay tribute to the memory of Australians who fell in the Great War, in defence o of the ideals which we are again fighting for."	
			~~These messages express the feelings of all Australians in this~~ land on this day. As was fitting, several non-denominational ~~services were arranged to give opportunity of adequate~~ commemoration and tribute. All were conducted along simple lines and the end aimed at was achieved.	
			SERVICE.	
			At a Dawn Service held at GAZA Military Cemetry personnel within the limits of the available transport attended. The Chaplain and Senior Officer took up a position facing the announcement and all others present then were formed up in ~~therear.~~ At 0430 hrs as first light was breaking Bugler CADD provided by the 16 Aus Inf Bde played Reveille. At its completion ~~Brig ALLEN~~ placed a wreath on the monument and there was a short prayer by the Chaplain.	

D.318/5/39.—C.4784.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
ALL CAMPS	25 Apr 40		Anzac Day - Cont'd	
			CAMP SERVICES.	
			Morning Services were also held in all Camps.	
JERUSALEM.			JERUSALEM.	
			~~A March and Service were held at JERUSALEM.~~	
TEL AVIV			TEL AVIV	
			A March and service were also held at TEL AVIV.	

D.3457/5.29.—C.4794.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	26 Apr 40		Intelligence Summary:	
			The following is an extract from the weekly Intelligence Summary:	
			"During the past week the area has again been quiet both politically and from a security point of view. It has been observed that the Arabs show direct antipathy towards ITALY, ~~whom they fear might enter the war against the ALLIES, and~~ they remain unimpressed by the BERLIN broadcasts."	

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GAZA	29 Apr 40		Brigadier A.A. ALLEN inspects schools:	
			Brigadier A.S. ALLEN inspected the local schools which had been given over for army use, but found accommodation to be entirely inadequate and scandalous. Action is to be taken.	
			Bathing.	
			A reconnaissance for A.I.F. Bathing Areas at GAZA Beach was carried out by Major R.G.H. IRVING with the PALESTINE POLICE.	
			Rugby Success.	
			The Australian Rugby team which went to SYRIA has been successful. This is the first athletic triumph of the A.I.F. and it is hoped that equal success will be attained in other sports.	
			Lunch with Sheikh.	
			Brigadier A.S. ALLEN accompanied by several officers and the A.D.C. Mr. BELL lunched with Sheikh FREIHABU EDDEEN, M.B.E.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BIRASLUJ	30 Apr 40		Artillery at BIRASLUJ	
			The 2/1 Fd REGT moved from CASSINA to the practice camp at BIRASLUJ where shooting practice will be carried out.	

F 3457/2.39.—C.4794.

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War Diary

ADV 6 AUS DIV.

LOCATION STATEMENT NO.4 AS AT 0001 HRS 1 MAY 40.

QASTINA 127126.

6 Aus Div Recce Regt, less C. Sqn. - 39 L.A.D.
2/1 Fd Coy - 42 L.A.D.
2/1 Fd Amb
2/1 Fd Hyg Sec
~~Det 2/1 A. Fd. Wkshop~~
A. Coy 2/4 Inf Bn.

JULIS.119122

H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde
2/1 Inf Bn, less A,B,and D Coys.
2/2 Inf Bn, less 1 Pl. D Coy
2/3 Inf Bn.
2/4 Inf Bn, less A. Coy
J. Sec Sigs 6 Aus Div
45 L.A.D.

BARBARA. 112118

H.Q. A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.
Det 6 Aus Div Amn Coy
Det 6 Aus Div Pet Coy
Det 6 Aus Div Sup. Col.
6 Aus Div Postal Unit
Aus Ord Base Depot. Det 2/1 A Fd Wkshop.

BEIT JIRGA. 109112

A.and D. Coys 2/1 Inf Bn

BIR ASLUJ 128048

2/1 Aus Fd Regt
E Sec Sigs 6 Aus Div
43 L.A.D.

DEIR SUNEID. 106106

C. Sqn 6 Aus Div Recce Regt.

GAZA ROAD. 103103

Sigs 6 Aus Div, less D., E. and J. Secs.
1 Pl B. Coy 2/1 Inf Bn

GAZA RIDGE 102102

2/1 Aus Gen Hosp
2/1 Aus Conv Depot

GAZA TOWN 099101

Adv H.Q. 6 Aus Div
Int Sec 6 Aus Div
D. Sec Sigs 6 Aus Div
6 Aus Div Fd Cash Office
B. Coy 2/1 Bn, less 1 Pl.

JERUSALEM - MERCANTILE BUILDINGS.

Aus Overseas Base.
1 Pl D. Coy 2/2 Inf Bn

TEL AVIV - 78 HAYARKON STREET.

6 Aus Div Pro Coy.

Gavany.
Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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HEADQUARTERS

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIGADIER B. M. MORRIS, D.S.O.

Jerusalem.

58

Mon. 29 Apr. 40

1. DUTIES

ORDERLY SERGEANT

Sgt. M. M. McInerney is appointed to carry out the duties of Orderly Sergeant for seven days commencing from Retreat (1800 hrs) on Mon 29 Apr 40.

2. SYRIA and LEBANON - Service Personnel Proceeding to

It is not intended at present to permit general leave to Syria. Personnel intending to proceed to Syria or Lebanon on leave or on duty will make application to the Staff Captain (Lieut. R. T. Davis) at least 10 days before the intended date of departure.

(A.O.B. 265/1/17)

3. SECURITY - Excursions and trips

It has been brought to notice that excursion trips have been arranged to various places to which service personnel are not permitted to go on account of Security Regulations and in some cases it is proposed to spend a night at places in which no officially approved hotels exist. In the meantime all ranks are referred to Security Instruction No. 3 of 18 Apr 40 and are warned against taking tickets for excursions which are not authorised, by the Military Authorities.

(Force H.Q. GR/Pal/25477/A).

4. MAILS - Franking and Despatch of

Instructions General

Routine Order No. 36 of Fri 1 Mar 40, Appendix A, Para 3, "Definitions" is cancelled and in lieu thereof there is substituted the following :-

3. Definitions

(a) The term "correspondence" includes letters, postcards, parcels and telegrams.

(b) The term "all ranks" includes :-

(i) All officers and other ranks.

(ii) Wives and adult relatives of officers and other ranks.

(iii) Civilians employed by the Army, interpreters, and attached Allied personnel.

(c) The term "civilians" will include all personnel permanently or regularly employed by the Army in offices or elsewhere by H.M. Forces.

(Force H.Q. G/4/GSI : A.C.B. 1754/16).

5. COURT OF ENQUIRY

A Court of Enquiry consisting of the undermentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President may determine for the purpose of considering and reporting on the cost of emergency extension to sanitary, electric and water fittings and similar works at all billets and buildings occupied by H.Q. Aus O/S Base, and to consider the responsibility for damage and cost of repairs, and to report on the means necessary for reducing damage by carelessness and of reducing the cost of repairs by contract.

President - Lieut. Col. J. Mann

Members - Capt. E. B. Wallace

Lieut. H. E. Cole, M.B.E.

R. T. Davis

.....Lieut.

Staff Captain,

Aus. O/S Base.

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIGADIER B. M. IDRRIS, D.S.O.

No. 57

Jerusaler
Sat. 27 Apr 40

1. DUTIES

Orderly Officer.

W.O. II. ULDRICK, F.J., is appointed to carry out the duties of Orderly Officer for seven days commencing from Retreat (1600 hrs.) on Saturday 27 Apr 40.

2. BILLETING

Assistant Billeting Officer - Appointment of -

Lieut. H. E. Gale, N.Z.E. is appointed Assistant Billeting Officer, Jerusalem Area.

3. CORRIGENDA

R/O. No. 56 of 25 Apr 40 Para 1 - "Duties" is amended by deleting the following :-

27/28 Apr. - Capt. G. C. Hadley
28/29 " - " E. B. Wallace

Lieut.
Staff Captain
Aus O/S Base.

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N O T I C E

L O S T

The Air Officer Commanding reports the loss of a valuable fox terrier dog and requests the assistance of Australian troops in having same returned to him.
Anyone finding the dog please report to Staff Captain Aus O/S Base.

Description :-

Wire-haired fox terrier, coloured grey and white.

HEADQUARTERS

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIG'DIER E.M.MORRIS, D.S.O.

No. 56

1. DUTIES — ORDERLY OFFICERS - ROSTER OF

22/23 Apr.	-	Capt. W. Minchope
23/24 "	-	Lieut. S. H. Robison
24/25 "	-	" R. J. Davis
25/26 "	-	" J. Copland
26/27 "	-	" H. H. Gale, M.B.E.
27/28 "	-	Capt. C. C. Hadley
28/29 "	-	" H. H. Wallace

2. ANZAC DAY CELEBRATIONS

(a) Office Staffs.
Skeleton staffs only will be maintained on routine office duty by all Sections on Thurs. 25 Apr 40.

(b) General.
The following services will be held and all ranks other than those on duty are invited to attend. Starting times are indicated :-

(i) 05-50 Dawn Service at Jerusalem War Memorial Cemetery.

(ii) 08-45 Laying of Wreaths at A.I.F. Memorial.

(iii) 10-00 Combined Service - Y.M.C.A. Auditorium.

All ranks are referred to Aus O/S Base Administrative Instruction No. 1.

(c) Dress
Service dress with belts - hats will be turned up.

(d) Arms
Arms will be carried only by the following :-

(i) Personnel detailed to carry arms to conform with Security Regulations; and

(ii) The Guard of Honour.

3. D.R.L.S. A D.R.L.S. running direct between Adv. 6 Aus. Div. [illegible] and Overseas Base, Jerusalem, is now in operation, the time-table being as follows :-

OUTWARD JOURNEY	PLACE	INWARD JOURNEY
Depart 1000 hrs.	H.Q. Adv. 6 Aus Div.	Arrive 1600 hrs.
Arrive 1200 "	H.Q. Aus O/s Base, Jerusalem	Depart 1400 hrs.

No calls are made en route. (Adv.6 Aus.Div.R/O 41 16 Apr. 40).

4. WATER AND LIGHTING - ECONOMY IN
It is the responsibility of all ranks to conserve water and electricity by turning off taps and putting out lights when no longer needed. All ranks are referred to Aus O/S Base R/O 45 of 19 Mar 40.

5. PICQUET - DUTIES OF The picquet on duty will be responsible for turning off all unnecessary lights in all offices and billets.

6. ORDERLY OFFICER - DUTY OF The orderly officer will extinguish all unnecessary lights during his tour of duty of inspection between 2100 hrs. and 2400 hrs. and will caution personnel to extinguish lights before leaving their offices.

7. SEWERAGE - DEFECTS The blocking of pans by excessive use of paper and by the depositing of cigarette boxes, fruit skins etc. therein is causing considerable expense for expert attention, and inconvenience to personnel in the billets. Notice is given that unless carelessness of this type is reduced, consideration will have to be given to the appointment of lavatory picquets from the personnel in respective billets.

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.....Lieut.
Staff Captain - Aus O/S Base.

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIGADIER B. H. MORRIS, D.S.O.

No.55

Jerusalem,
Wed. 17 Apr 40.

1. DUTIES

ORDERLY OFFICERS - ROSTER OF

16/17 Apr.	-	Lieut. R. J. Davis
17/18 "	-	" H. E. Gale, M.B.E.
18/19 "	-	Capt. C. C. Hadley
19/20 "	-	" E. B. Wallace
20/21 "	-	Lieut. L. S. Walsh
21/22 "	-	Capt. A. H. Tinley
22/23 "	-	" W. Kirkhope.

2. PAY PARADES

Pay Books of all personnel are to be handed in to the Cashier's Office (Room 22), not later than 1200 hrs. on Fri 19 Apr 40.

A note must be inserted stating the amount it is desired to draw on Tuesday. Any request for an amount over the fortnight's earnings must be signed by the Officer in Charge of Sections.

Pay will be available at the following times, on Tues. 23 Apr 40 :-

2nd Echelon	--	1030 hrs.
Pay Corps	--	1130 "
Postal	--	1445 "
H.Q. Details	--	1500 "
Provost	--	1530 "

All other ranks pay books will be collected by Orderly Sergeant at 0830 parade on Fri 19 Apr 40, so that they may then be handed in by him to Cashier's Office.

Personnel are again reminded that pay cannot be drawn except on the appointed pay days.

3. DRESS - SUMMER DRESS

(i) All khaki drill shirts issued to personnel for Summer dress have long sleeves and on no account will the sleeves be shortened, but may be rolled to the elbow.

(ii) No buckles are attached to the present issue of khaki drill shorts but buckles will be made available to personnel when they come to hand. In the meantime there is no objection to personnel providing regulation pattern buckles at own expense.

R J Davis

.....Lieut.
Staff Captain
Aus O/S Base.

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIGADIER B.H. MORRIS, D.S.O.

NO. 54.

Jerusalem,
Tues.16 Apr 40

1. DUTIES

(a) ORDERLY OFFICERS - ROSTER OF

15/16 Apr.	-	Lieut.	J. Copland
16/17 "	-	"	R. J. Davis
17/18 "	-	"	H. E. Gale, M.B.E.
18/19 "	-	Capt.	C. C. Hadley
19/20 "	-	"	E. B. Wallace
20/21 "	-	Lieut.	L. S. Walsh
21/22 "	-	Capt.	A. H. Tinley

(b) R/O 53 of Mon 15 Apr 40 Para 1 is amended by deleting the name of 'Capt. G. Cohen' where it occurs therein, and substituting the name 'Lieut. L. S. Walsh' in lieu thereof.

2. CIVILIANS - EMPLOYMENT OF

Civilian employees, other than office staffs, will only be engaged or dismissed from employment by the Camp Commandant. Any complaints by or against these employees will be forwarded to the Camp Commandant only.

3. TRANSPORT - REQUISITIONS FOR

(a) R/O. 29 of 21 Feb 40 Para 2 will cease to apply as from Tues 16 Apr 40.

(b) All officers requiring transport out of Jerusalem Area will requisition for same on A.A.F. G.1.

Requisitions will be submitted to the Camp Commandant (Lieut. H. E. Gale, M.B.E.) 24 hours before transport is required.

Officers requiring transport within Jerusalem Area will requisition for same verbally to the Camp Commandant as early as possible.

In the absence of the Camp Commandant transport matters will be handled by the Transport Corporal (A/Cpl. Grant).

4. 1 AUS. DETENTION BARRACK - COMMAND

As from 15 Apr 40, 1 Aus. Detention Barrack is placed under the command of the Commandant Aus O/S Base.

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.....Lieut.
Staff Captain,
Aus. O/S Base.

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AUSTRALIAN - OVERSEAS - BASE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIGADIER B. M. MORES, D. S. O.

No. 53

Jerusalem
Mon. 15 Apr 40.

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1. DUTIES — OFFICERS OF THE GUARD

14/15 Apr.	-	Lieut.	S. T. Robison
15/16 "	-	"	J. Copland
16/17 "	-	"	R. J. Davis
17/18 "	-	"	H. E. Gale, M.B.E.
18/19 "	-	Capt.	C. C. Hadley
19/20 "	-	"	E. B. Wallace
20/21 "	-	"	G. Cohen

2. BOOTS - REPAIRS TO

Service boots needing repair may be left at the Quartermaster's Store, Room 6, each Monday and Thursday between 0900 and 1000 hrs. Boots left on Monday will be collected on the following Thursday, and those left on Thursday will be collected on the following Monday.

Labels showing Army number, name and section will be firmly affixed to boots for repair.

3. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry consisting of the undermentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President may determine for the purpose of investigating and reporting on an injury sustained on 28 Mar 40 by VX 2331 Pte Crowe H.W. of H.Q. Aus O/S Base :-

President - Capt. E. B. Wallace
Members - Lieut. H. E. Gale, M.B.E.
" R. J. Davis.

4. RATION BOARD - APPOINTMENT OF

In accordance with Military Board Memo No. 12552 para 8 B, the following officers are appointed to be the H.Q. Aus O/S Base Ration Board :-

Members - Capt. W. Kirkhope
" E. E. Dunlop
Lieut. H. E. Gale, M.B.E.

5. DRESS - SUMMER DRESS

Summer Dress will be adopted by Aus O/S Base and attached troops on Monday, 15th April 1940.

Hats, khaki, fur, will be worn with brim down by all ranks from 0800 hrs. to retreat when performing duties entailing continuous exposure to the sun, or when proceeding outside the Area.

Drivers of vehicles with closed cabs may wear other head dress and will carry the hat, khaki, fur, on the vehicle for wear when dismounted. Subject to the foregoing principles, normal orders of dress will be as scheduled below :-

1. GENERAL

(a) From Reveille to Retreat.
Head dress as above, shirt sleeves and shorts (if in possession), boots and stockings.

(b) From Retreat to Reveille.
The arms will be covered to the wrists, and shorts will NOT be worn. Serge or khaki drill jacket will be worn.

(c) In the absence of shirts, shorts and stockings, jacket and trousers will be worn.

2. WALKING OUT

(a) From Reveille to Retreat
Hat, khaki, fur, shirt sleeves and shorts.

(b) From Retreat to Reveille
Normal head dress, serge or khaki drill jacket and trousers.

5. 3. Office Staffs

(a) From Reveille to Retreat

Hats, khaki, fur, shirt sleeves and shorts.

(b) From Retreat to Reveille

Normal head dress, serge or khaki drill jacket and trousers.

6. WIVES AND FAMILIES - PERMISSION TO JOIN HUSBANDS IN PALESTINE

1. Permission will NOT be given to personnel serving in Palestine, TRANSJORDAN and CYPRUS for their wives and families to join them with the exception of such wives and families as were resident in EGYPT, PALESTINE, TRANSJORDAN or CYPRUS before 3rd September 1939 and have a home there.

(Authority - War Office Letter No. 13/General/9575 (Q(M)1) of 17th February 1940)

2. Sections will submit by 15 Apr 40 the No. rank and name of all personnel whose wives are now in Palestine or have sailed from Australia for Palestine. In each case the place of residence or proposed place of residence of the wife will be shown.

3. The subsequent arrival of any wives now on their way from Australia will be notified to the Staff Captain.

(Adv 2 A I F. R/O No. 4)

7. MAILS - FRANKING AND DESPATCH OF Unit Censor Stamp

Reference - R/O NO. 36 of Fri 1 Mar 40. The appointment of Capt. G. H. Norris as holder of Unit Stamp for Aus O/S Base is terminated as from Mon 15 Apr 40.

Lieut. H. E. Gale, M.B.E. is appointed joint-holder with Lt.Col. B. C. Milne of Unit Stamp for Aus O/S Base as from Mon 15 Apr 40.

8. ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES

Capt. G. H. Norris ceased duty as Camp Commandant Aus O/S Base on 15 Apr 40 and Lieut. H. E. Gale, M.B.E. is posted as Camp Commandant Aus O/S Base as from 15 Apr 40.

R. J. Davis ..... Lieut.
Staff Captain
Aus O/S Base

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIGADIER B.M. MORRIS, D.S.O.

Jerusalem.

NO. 52. Wed. 10 Apr 40.

1. DUTIES

ORDERLY OFFICERS - ROSTER OF

9/10 Apr.	-	Capt. C. C. Hadley
10/11 "	-	" E. B. Wallace
11/12 "	-	Lieut. L. S. Walsh
12/13 "	-	Capt. A. H. Tinley
13/14 "	-	" W. Kirkhope
14/15 "	-	Lieut. S. Y. Robison
15/16 "	-	" J. Copland

2. MAILS - FRANKING AND DESPATCH OF

(a) Franking Officers.

Major H. W. King and Captain J. F. McCulloch A.H.C. are appointed as Franking Officers for Aus O/S Base. These appointments are in addition to the Franking Officers appointed by R/O No. 36 of Fri 1 Mar 40 para 3 (c).

(b) Censor Stamp

The D.A.D.P.S. (Capt. C. C. Hadley) has been appointed holder of a Censor Stamp.

3. BASE ORDNANCE DEPOT (Temporary) - GAZA ROAD - CLOSING OF

The A.I.F. temporary Base Ordnance Depot at GAZA ROAD, Milo 70, will be transferred to BARBARA. The GAZA ROAD Depot will be closed against the receipt and issue of Stores during the period, 14/4/1940 to 16/4/1940 inclusive. The Base Ordnance Depot at BARBARA will open on 17/4/1940.

R. J. Davis .....Lieut.
Staff Captain
Aus O/S Base.

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N O T I C E S

Congregation "Emeth W'Emouna" has arranged a traditional public Passover Night Ceremony (Seder) which will take place on Monday night 22 Apr 40. Officers and soldiers of the Jewish faith have been invited to participate.

Those officers and other ranks who wish to attend will notify the Camp Commandant not later than Fri 12 Apr 40 so that a reply may be made to the invitation.

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIGADIER B. M. MORRIS, D.S.O.

No. 51.

Jerusalem
Tues. 9 Apr 40

1. DUTIES

ORDERLY OFFICERS - ROSTER OF

8/9 Apr	-	Capt. G. M. Norris
9/10 "	-	" C. C. Hadley
10/11"	-	" E. B. Wallace
11/12 "	-	Lieut.L. S. Walsh
12/13 "	-	Capt. A. H. Tinley
13/14 "	-	" W. Kirkhope
14/15 "	-	Lieut.S. Y. Robison.

2. PAY PARADE

Pay Parade will be held on Tues 9 Apr 40. Pay will be distributed as follows :-

Pay Corps	-	1200 hrs.
2nd Echelon	-	1430 "
Postal	-	1445 "
H.Q. Details	-	1500 "
Provost	-	1530 " .

Personnel are again reminded that pay can only be drawn at the fortnightly pay parades.

K. J. Davis .....Lieut.
Staff Captain
Aus O/S Base.

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N O T I C E

An afternoon service will be held at the Jeshurun Synagogue in Jerusalem on Wednesday April 24th at 3.30 p.m. for Jewish soldiers. Personnel of the Jewish faith who wish to attend will hand their names in to the Camp Commandant by Wednesday 10 Apr 40.

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIGADIER B. M. MORRIS, D.S.O.

No. 50

Jerusalem.
4 Apr 40.

1. DUTIES

ORDERLY OFFICERS - ROSTER OF

4/5 Apr	-	Capt. A.H.Tinley
5/6 "	-	Lieut. J. Copland
6/7 "	-	" H.E.Gale, M.B.E.
7/8 "	-	" R. J. Davis
8/9 "	-	Capt. G. M. Morris
9/10 "	-	" C. C. Hadley
10/11 "	-	" E. B. Wallace

2. MAILS - FRANKING AND DESPATCH OF

Officers are now permitted to frank their own correspondence. Officers must, however, realise their responsibility for ensuring that this privilege is NOT abused. If it is found in selective censorship that officers are NOT living up to their responsibility, it will be necessary to withdraw the concession and subject officers' correspondence to routine franking. Such action was previously found to be necessary in another Command.

All copies of R/O. No. 36 of 1 Mar 40 Appendix "J" General Instruction are to be altered accordingly.

(Adv. 6 Aus Div R/O. 32 - 1/4/40 para 217).

3. PAY BOOKS

Pay books of all personnel will be handed in to the Cashier's Office (Room 22) not later than 0900 hrs. on Fri. 5 Apr 40. Pay books of O.Rs. will be collected for handing in on first parade on Fri 5 Apr 40.

4. COURT OF ENQUIRY

A Court of Enquiry consisting of the undermentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President may determine for the purpose of investigating and reporting on an injury sustained on 16 Mar 40 by NX 8749 Cpl. McDermott, R. of H.Q. A.O.B. Provost Coy.

President	-	Capt. E. B. Wallace
Members	-	Lieut. H.E.Gale, M.B.E.
		Lieut. R. J. Davis.

R. J. Davis
.....Lieut.
Staff Captain
H.Q. Aus. O/S. Base.

Distribution :-

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NOTICE

There will be a Jewish Service on Wednesday Apr 24th at 3.30 p.m. at the Central Synagogue. Personnel of the Jewish faith who wish to attend will hand their names in to the Camp Commandant by Mon 8 Apr 40.

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Lieut. R.J. Davis.

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIGADIER B. M. MORRIS, D.S.O.

No. 49

Jerusalem.
1 Apr. 40.

1. DUTIES

ORDERLY OFFICERS - ROSTER OF

1/2 Apr.	-	Capt. W. Kirkhope
2/3 "	-	Lieut. L.S.Walsh
3/4 "	-	" S.Y.Robison
4/5 "	-	Capt. A.H.Tinley
5/6 "	-	Lieut. J. Copland
6/7 "	-	Lieut. H.E.Gale, O.B.E.
7/8 "	-	Lieut. R.J.Davis

2. ROUTINE ORDERS - SIGNATURES FOR

Commencing from Mon. 1 Apr. 40 all officers and officers i/c sections in receipt of Routine Orders will sign for same in a book to be produced by the orderly when delivering copies of Routine Orders.

3. BASKETS WASTE PAPER - CLEARANCE OF

The practice of permitting Arab or other native labour to clear baskets w.p. will cease. Officers i/c sections will make the necessary arrangements to have baskets cleared and the contents destroyed daily.

4. MOVEMENT BY RAIL

All military personnel departing from or arriving at HAIFA, LYDDA JERUSALEM, KANTARA, GAZA or TULKARM by rail will report to the Movement Control representative at the station prior to departure or on arrival.

Personnel departing will be at the station thirty minutes before the train is due to depart.

Officers will ensure that their baggage is weighed and ready for loading into the train before the train is due to arrive at the station.

(Force H.Q. G/O 140 of 26 Mar 40)

R.J. Davis
.....Lieut.
Staff Captain
H.Q. Aus O/S Base

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NOTICES

MOSQUE OF OMAR - VISITS BY TROOPS

It has been arranged with the District Commissioner and the Supreme Moslem Council that entrance to the Mosque of Omar will be free for all troops in PALESTINE - provided the following is complied with :-

(i) Application is made to the Staff Captain Military Control JERUSALEM Area Headquarters either in person or by letter stating the number of the party and the date and time of the proposed visit. He will issue a letter which must be taken to the District Commissioner's Office, Jaffa Road, where Mr. Hanubi Bayloun will issue the pass.
(ii) Parties must be of not more than 15.
(iii) Parties must be out of the Area by 1130 hrs.
(iv) There will be no visits on Fridays.

COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA GAZETTE - INSPECTION OF

Extract from Commonwealth of Australia Gazette is available for perusal at Aus O/S Base Post Office.

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AUS. O/S. BASE

2ND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V D. COMD. 2. A.I.F. ABROAD.

Gaza 8 Apr 40

NO. 4

5. WIVES AND FAMILIES - PERMISSION TO JOIN HUSBANDS IN PALESTINE.

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(Authority:- War Office Letter No.13/General/9575 (Q(M)1) of 17th February, 1940)

2. Units will submit through the usual channels by 15 Apr the No., Rank and Name of all personnel whose wives are now in Palestine or have sailed from Australia for Palestine. In each case the place of residence or proposed place of residence of the wife will be shown.

3. The subsequent arrival of any wives now on their way from Australia will be notified to this H.Q.

for.
A/A.A.G. 2 A.I.F. Abroad.

CIRCULATION.

	Initial	Date.
COMMANDANT		
A.A. & Q.M.G.		
D.A.A. & Q.M.G.		
Staff. Capt.		
Cdt.		

Initial and pass promptly

Notice to all Secs 11/4 LOD

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2nd AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

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Signed.....Capt. for
A/A.A.G. 2 A.I.F. Abroad.

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2 A. I. F. ABROAD

ROUTINE ORDERS

By

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN, D.S.O., V.D., COMD. 2 A.I.F. ABROAD

QASTINA L.l. 15 Apr. 40.

No. 3

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3. DETENTION BARRACKS

Approval is given to raising No. 1 Aus. Detention Barracks in accordance with the establishment shown in Aus W.E. IV/1938/66A/1.

Personnel for this unit will be found by transfer from existing units.

(Auth. A.H.Q. C.258 dated 29 Feb.).

4. FIRST REINFORCEMENTS

First reinforcements will be absorbed in units as from the date of this order. They will be posted to sub-units so as to equalise, as far as possible, the strength of sub-units. Personnal in excess of War Establishments will be shown on Field Return of Officers (A.F. W3008) and Field Return of Other Ranks (A.F.W. 3009) as surplus to Establishments.

Signed. G. A. Vasey. Col.

A/A.A.G. 2 A.I.F. Abroad.

CIRCULATION.

Initial

COMMANDANT
A & C.M.G.
D.A.A. & Q.M.G.
Staff. Capt.
C. Cdt.

Initial and pass promptly

SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS.

by

BRIG. A.S. ALLEN, D.S.O., V.D. COMD. 2 A.I.F. ABROAD.

Gaza

29 Apr 40

NO. 5

Part II.

6. CLASS II PERSONNEL. - When a change of Classification is approved the following procedure will be carried out:-

1. Notification will be sent to Officer in Charge Records, 2nd Echelon, 2nd A.I.F. accompanied by Medical Board Papers or other documents.

2. A Class II Register will be kept by O. i/c Records, 2nd Echelon also a record of Civil Occupation.

3. Unit Part II Orders will be issued by O. i/c Records, 2nd Echelon, containing the necessary alteration from Class I to Class II

4. Applications for personnel Class II to fill suitable vacancies in establishments will be made direct to 2nd Echelon.

5. The procedure to be adopted by O. i/c Records, 2nd Echelon will be in the first instance to notify unit direct and a copy of such notification to be sent to Div H.Q. to enable instructions to be issued for transfer to Base Depot or Convalescent Depot pending a suitable vacancy being found.

7. DRESS.- When wearing shorts, stockings and boots, gaiters will also be worn.

So that the gaiters may look tidy the buttons should, if necessary, be moved so that the gaiter fits firmly around the leg above the boot.

Officers may wear short puttees in lieu of the gaiters.

Personnel employed in offices may wear stockings and shoes except when otherwise ordered. Shoes will not be provided at public expense.

G. Wasey.

COL.
A/A.A.G. 2 AIF ABROAD.

HEADQUARTERS

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

SECURITY INSTRUCTION No. 3

(Authority Force H.Q. CR/Pol/15316/G).

Jerusalem
18 Apr 40

1. This Instruction supersedes Aus O/S Base Security Instruction No. 1.

2. AMENDMENTS to this Instruction will be issued as and when necessary.

3. Throughout this Instruction BY DAY means between the hours of Sunrise and Sunset. BY NIGHT means the remainder of the 24 hours.

4. PERSONAL SECURITY MEASURES

(a) IN JERUSALEM all officers W.Os. and Sergeants armed with pistols will carry them at all times. Exception to this provision appear below.

(b) IN URBAN AREAS of towns in which troops are stationed (other than those mentioned in (c) below) officers and other ranks may move about SINGLY and UNARMED whether on foot or in any or private vehicles in those areas which are "IN BOUNDS."

(c) IN THE FOLLOWING TOWNS officers and other ranks will move about in pairs BY DAY ONLY and will carry arms or mallet handles according to the instructions of the local commands :-

LYDDA. HEBRON.

Walking out in these towns by night is prohibited.

(d) LOCAL COMMANDS have authority to issue local instructions regarding

(i) WALKING OUT in rural areas and in towns in which no troops are stationed.

(ii) SHOOTING PARTIES : In all cases where a party wishes to shoot in an area other than that in which they are stationed the senior officer will be responsible for communicating with the H.Q. of the area concerned to discover the size of the escort necessary.

(e) LOCAL REGULATIONS Personnel entering into any area other than Jerusalem Area will ensure that they are at all times familiar with local requirements as to personal security and will see that any such requirements are strictly complied with.

(f) SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS and Out of Bounds Areas for the towns of JERUSALEM, JAFFA, TEL AVIV and HAIFA are shown in Appendices "A", "B" and "C".

(g) Whenever it is stated in these instructions that personnel will move about in pairs an officer or other rank accompanied by his wife will be considered as complying with the order.

5. ROAD MOVEMENTS IN RURAL AREAS

(a) No other ranks whether on foot or in a vehicle will leave the City of Jerusalem without the prior permission of the Camp Commandant (Lieut. H. B. Dale M.B.E.). Attention is directed to R.O. No. 39 of 27 Feb 40 para 6. In the absence of the Camp Commandant the Staff Captain (Lieut. R. J. Davis) will act.

5. (b) The degree of security required for army vehicles motor cycles and private cars by day and by night are shown in Appendix "B". These requirements will be strictly complied with.

(c) Personnel are reminded that travel on a degree two road by night is forbidden.

(d) If a vehicle complying with security requirements by day is so delayed that the journey cannot be completed during the day and different requirements obtain by night, the journey will not be completed by night without contact being made with the orderly officer and any necessary arrangements being made.

6. [illegible]

(a) Between HAIFA, HEDDA and GAZA personnel may travel singly and unarmed.

(b) All personnel travelling by rail from PALESTINE to EGYPT will be armed.

(c) Between PALESTINE and HAIFA parties of not less than two officers or other ranks will travel together; at least two of whom will be armed.

7. [illegible]

Officers using the Club will place their revolvers in the box provided for this purpose on the verandah, and will make mutual arrangements for an officer to keep the key.

8. [illegible]

When bathing at [illegible]

(a) Officers, W.Os. and Sergeants armed with pistols will ensure that Security Instructions are complied with. They will NOT leave their arms in the bathing huts, and will ensure by mutual arrangement that while bathing their arms are safeguarded by another officer, W.O. or Sergeant.

(b) All other personnel will proceed to [illegible] unarmed. This order applies also to drivers of army vehicles proceeding to [illegible]; it is the only occasion on which drivers of army vehicles will be unarmed.

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D.A.A. & Q.M.G.
Aus G/S Base.

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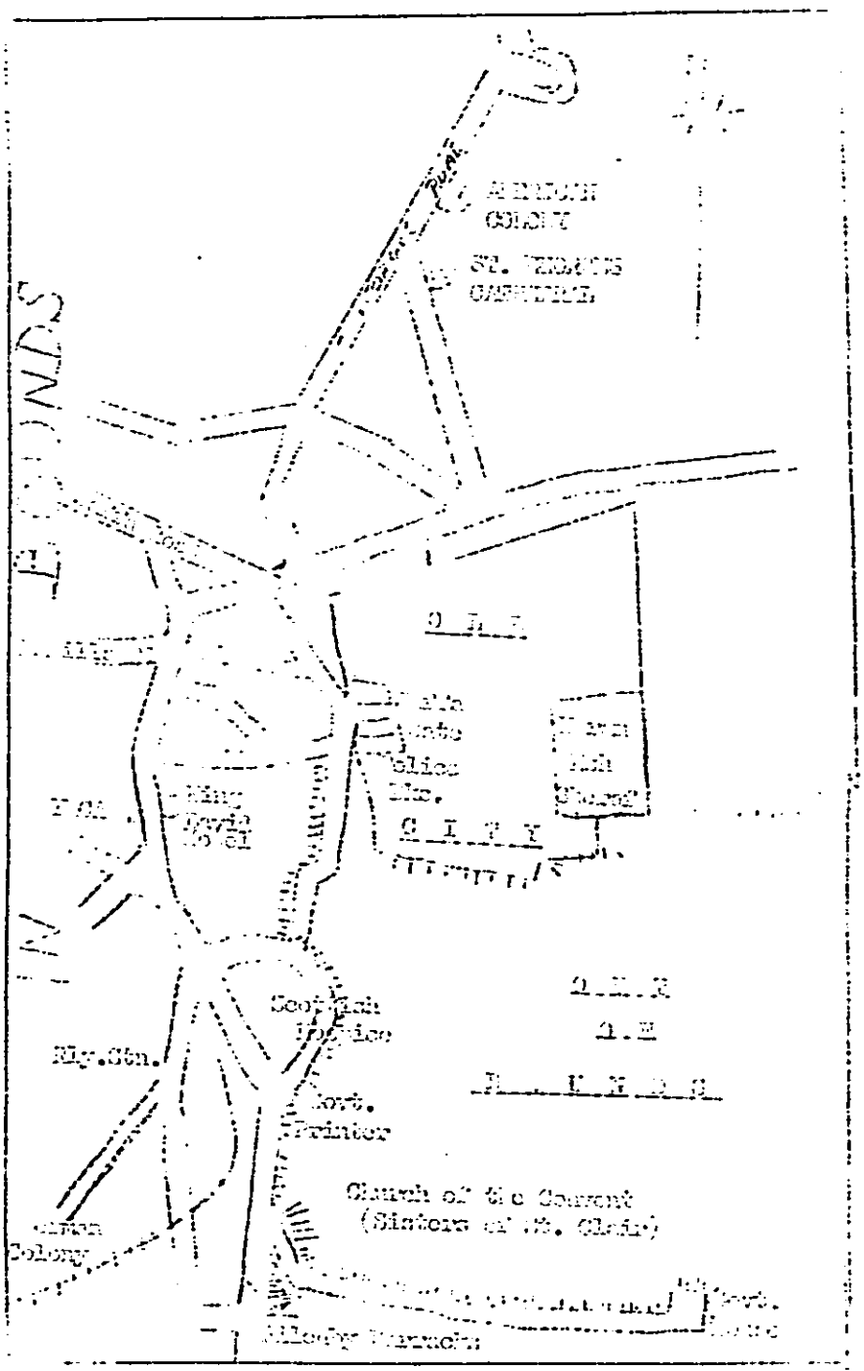
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SECURITY.		MINIMUM ESCORT	
Degree.	Symbol	Normal Journeys.	Convoys.
GRN.	[illegible]	BY DAY - One vehicle or M/C containing one armed man. BY NIGHT - One vehicle containing two armed men or two vehicles or M/Cs each containing one armed man	BY DAY - Each driver armed BY NIGHT - Each driver armed.
AMB.	————————	BY DAY ONLY - One vehicle or M/C containing one armed man.	BY DAY ONLY - Each driver armed.
[illegible]	—o—o—o—o—	BY DAY ONLY - Two vehicles containing four armed men, two of whom must have rifles.	BY DAY ONLY - Driver of each vehicle and one other man on each vehicle armed with rifles.
RED.	/xxxxxxxxxxx	BY DAY ONLY - Two vehicles, each driver armed with rifle. One vehicle will contain one N.C.O., two men and L.M.G. mounted.	BY DAY ONLY - As for Security GREEN plus escort truck with one N.C.O. two men and L.M.G. mounted.
PINK	UNSURFACED ROADS	When it is proposed to travel over any roads not shown above the Commander of the Area in which the road lies will be consulted as to the scale of escort required.	

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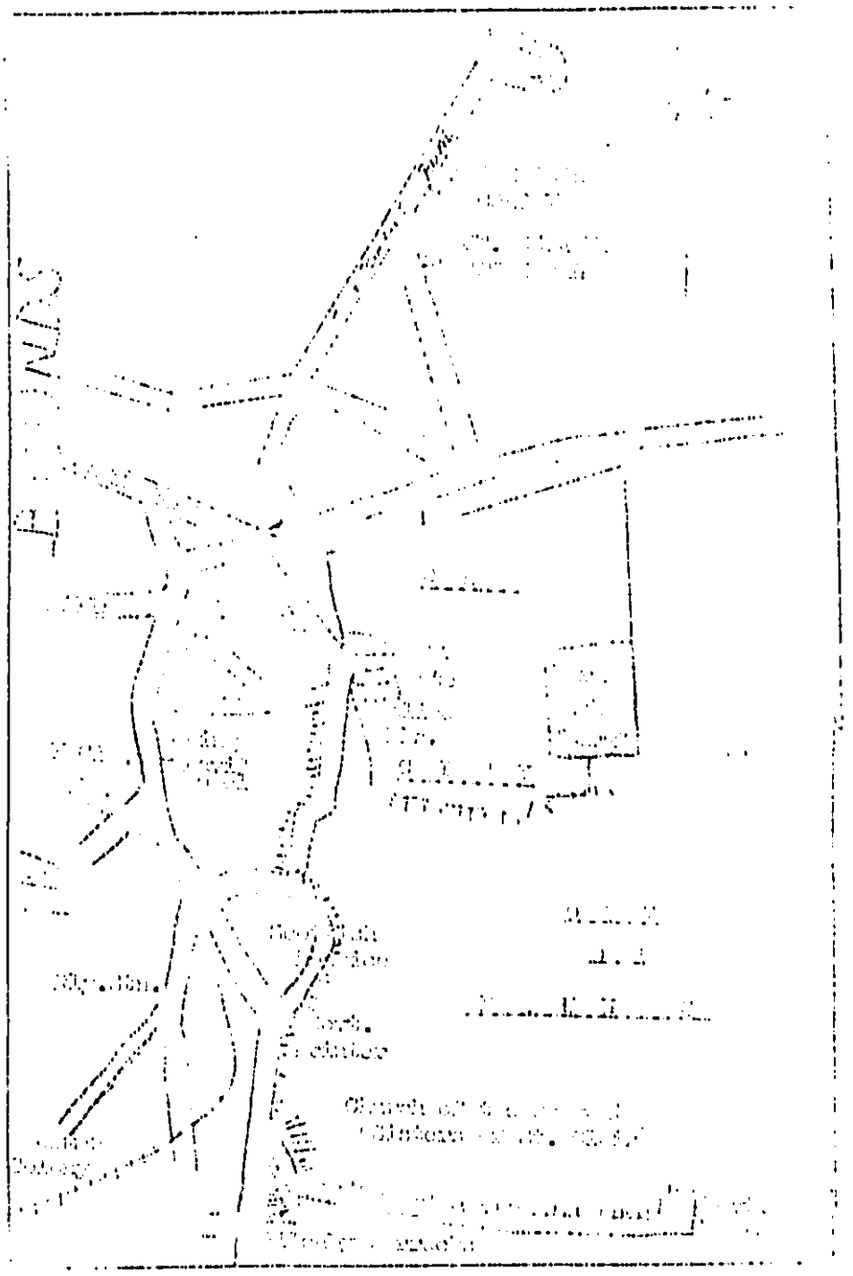
OUT OF BOUNDS AREA - [illegible]

The area enclosed by the blue border [illegible] the combination on the South by the [illegible] road, and on the South by the [illegible] Road, is out of bounds to all ranks.



CONDITIONS UNDER WHICH IT IS OUT OF BOUNDS

1. The [illegible] road is closed by 1130 hrs. daily. On Public Holidays the [illegible] is closed.
2. No food or drink will be purchased or consumed.
3. All bars and cafes are OUT OF BOUNDS.
4. Cycling is PROHIBITED over the [illegible].

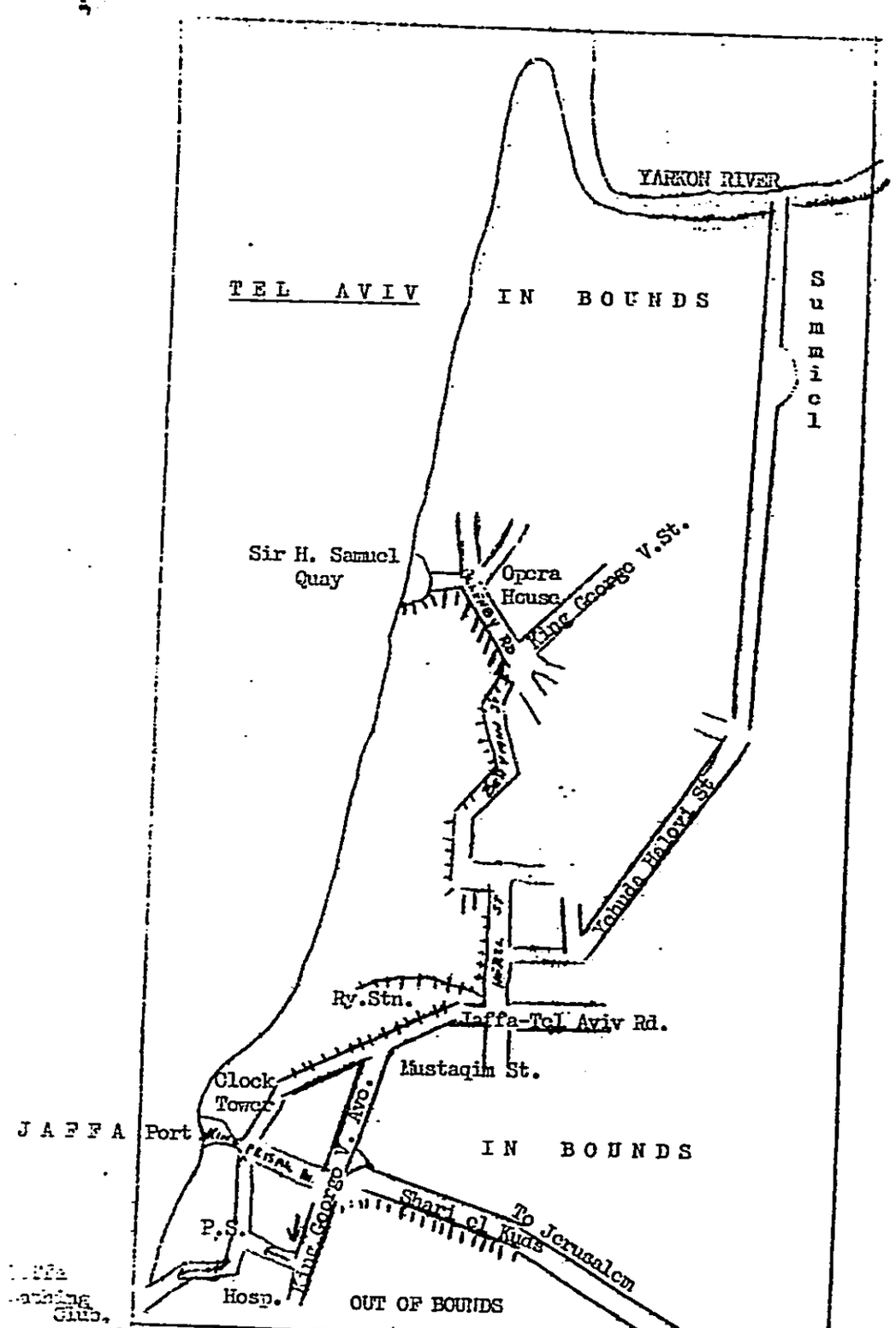


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OVERSEAS BASE SECURITY INSTRUCTION NO. 3.

OUT OF BOUNDS AREA - JAFFA and TEL AVIV.

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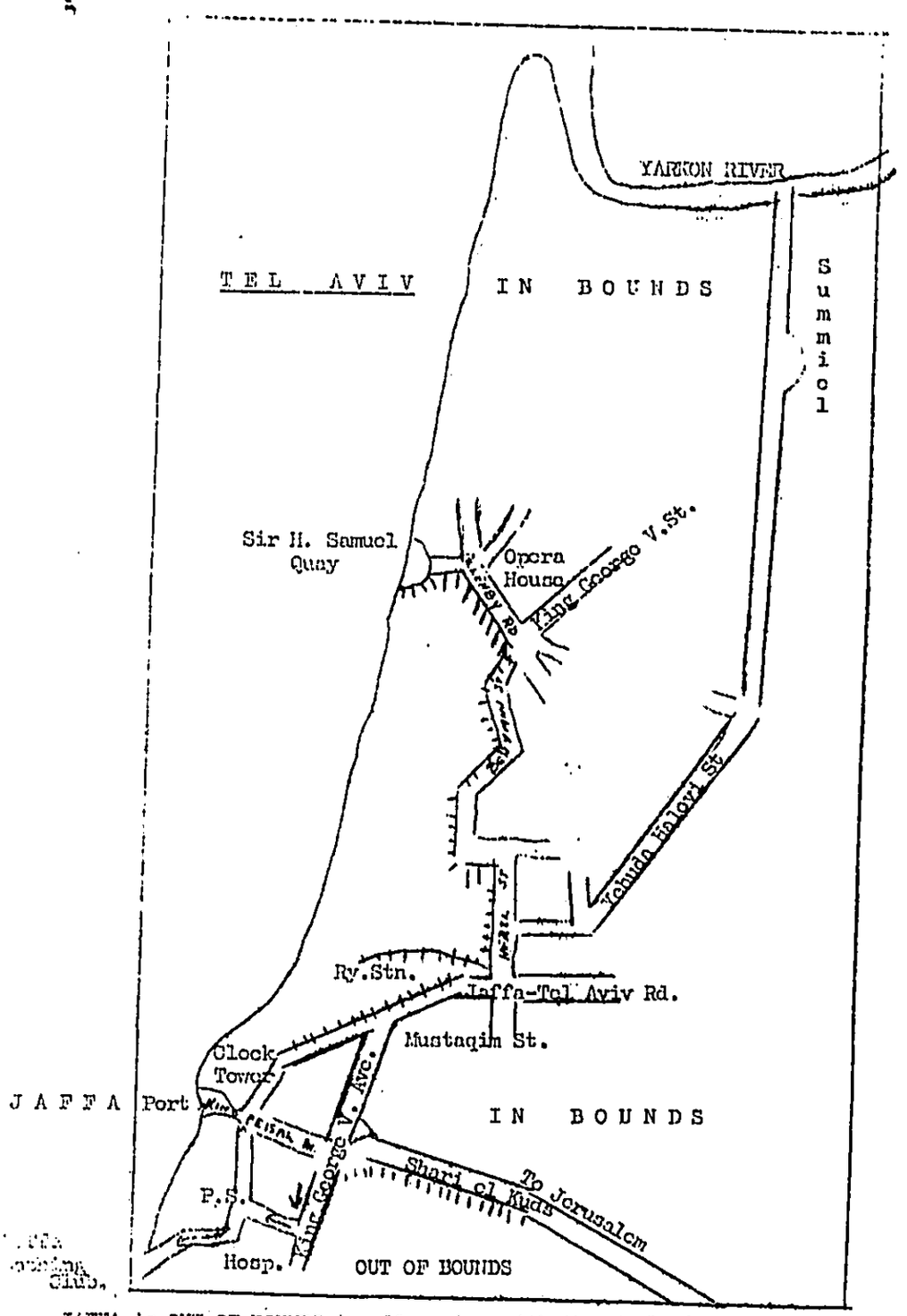
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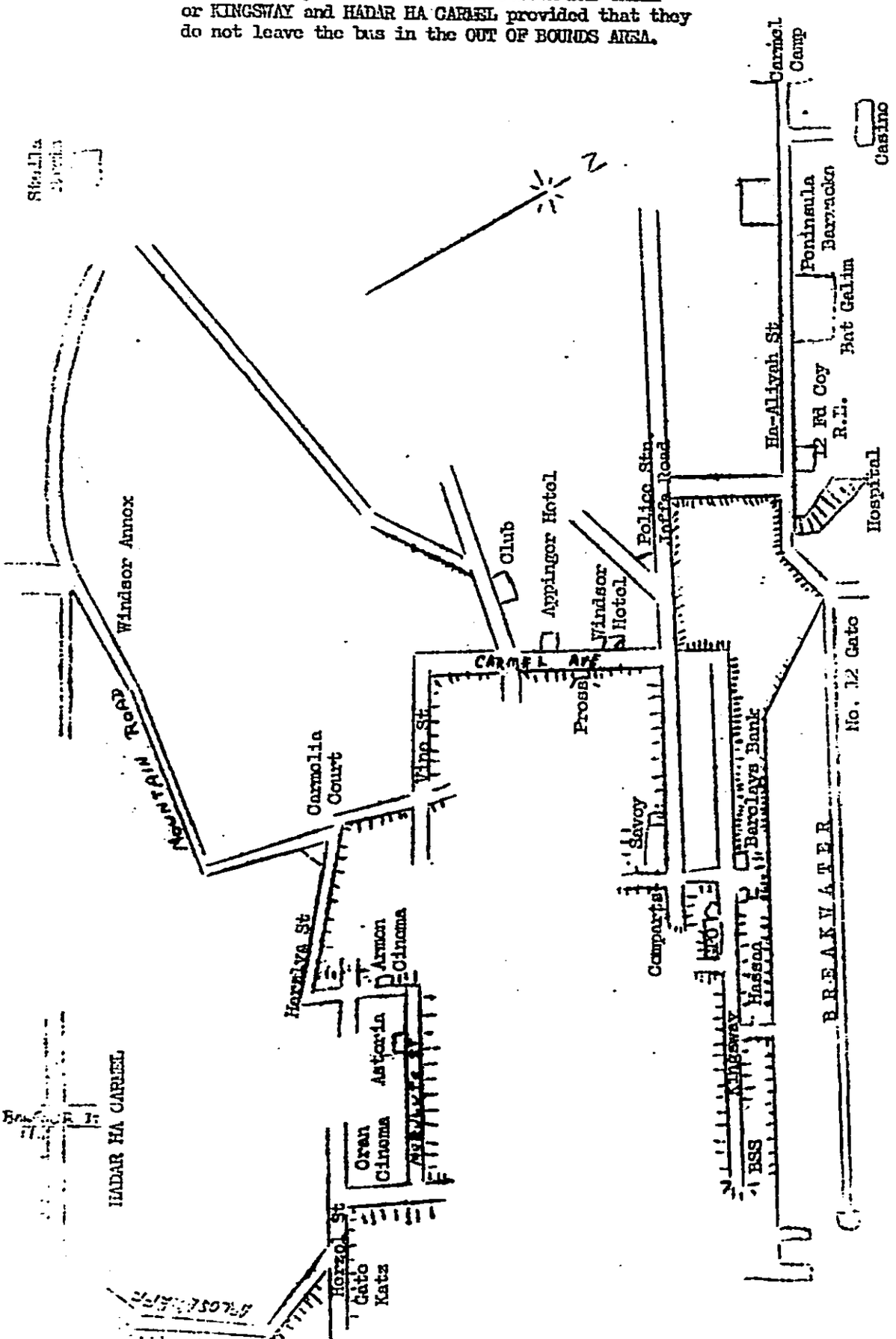
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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE SECURITY INSTRUCTION NO. 3.

OUT OF BOUNDS AREA - HAIFA.

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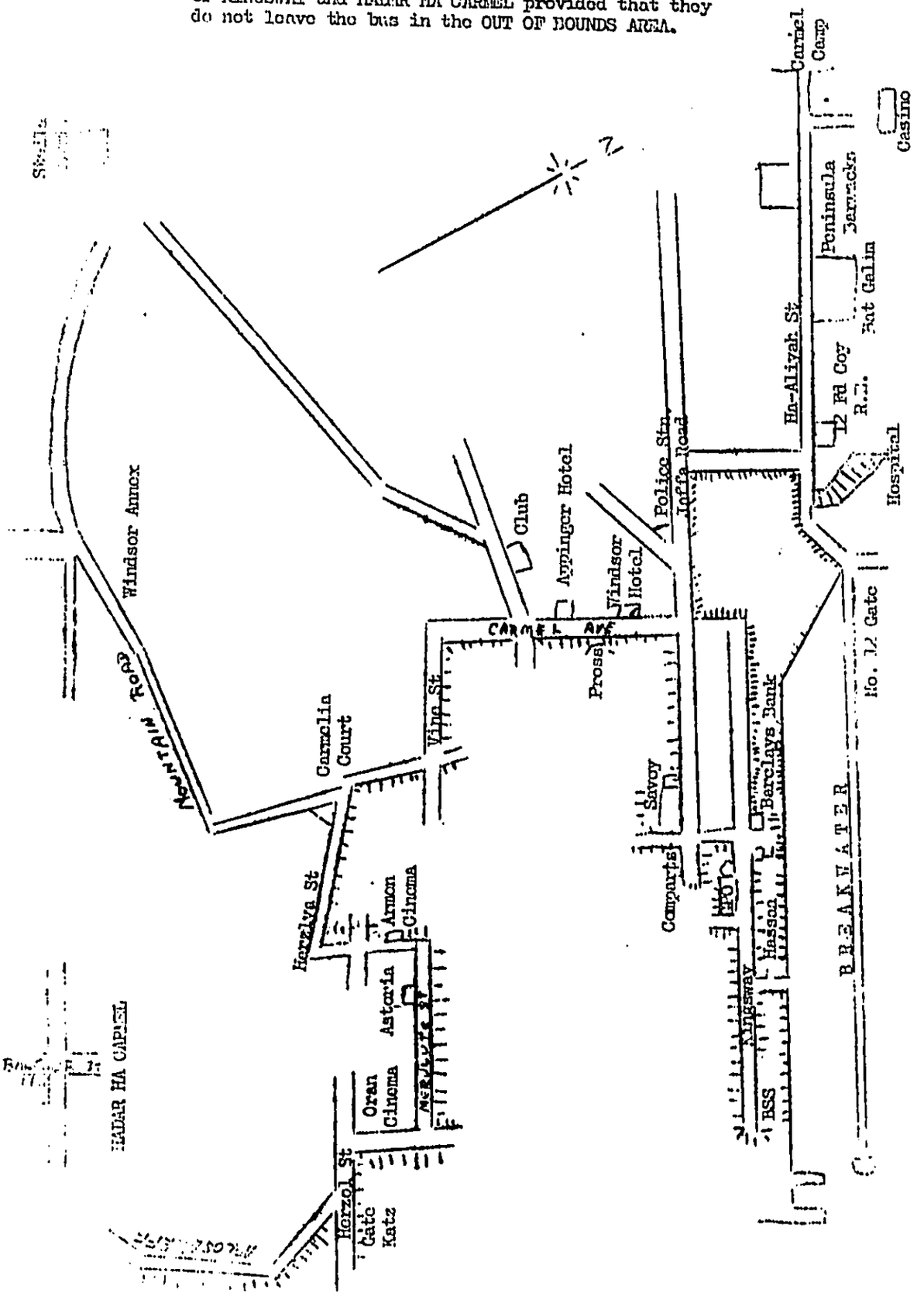


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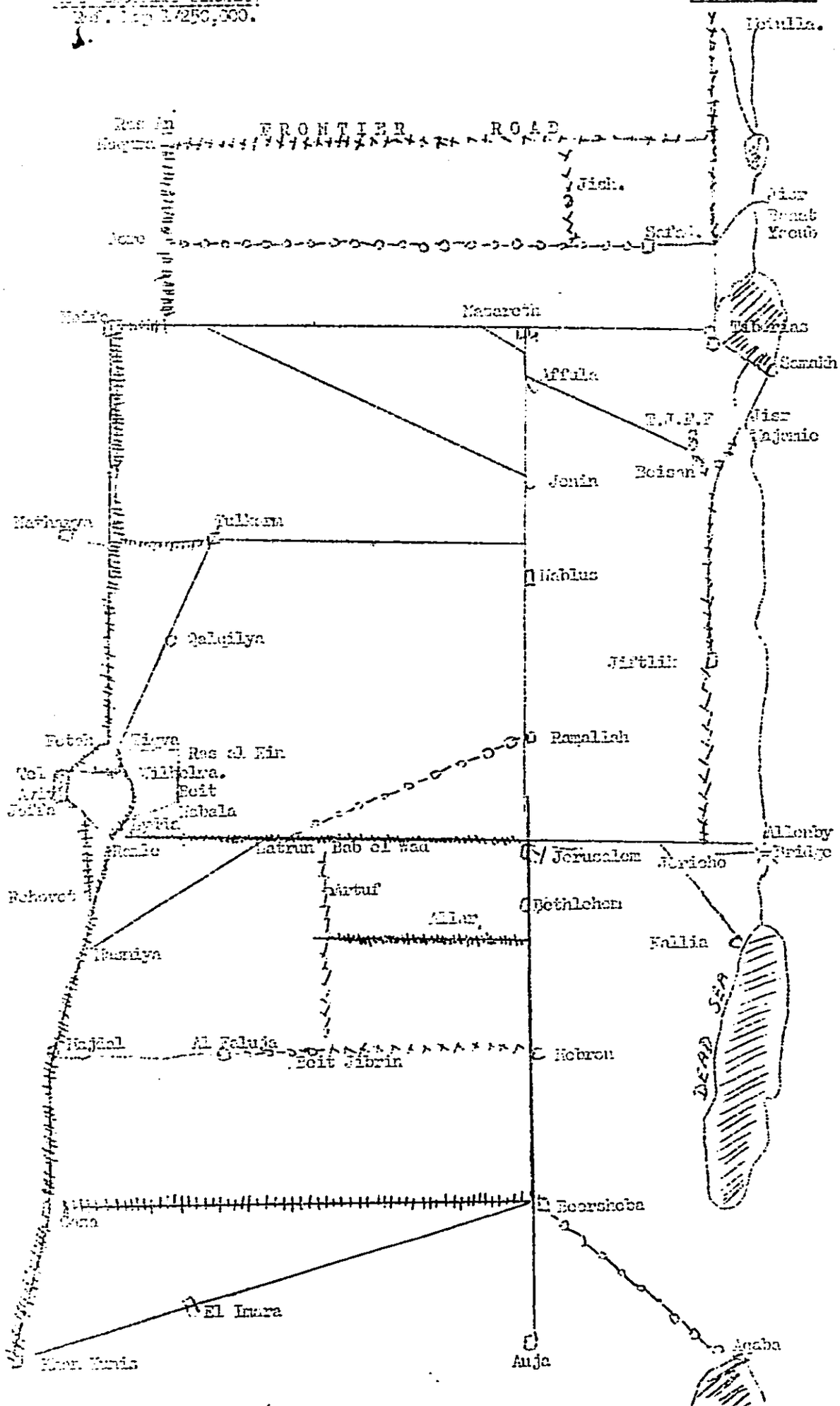
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APPENDIX "D".


FRONTIER ROAD
Jish.
Safed.
Nazareth
Tiberias
Semakh
Affula
Jenin
Nablus
Qalqilya
Jiftlik
Ramallah
Ras el Ein
Beit Nabala
Latrun
Bab el Wad
Jerusalem
Jericho
Allenby Bridge
Hurtuf
Bethlehem
Hebron
Beersheba
El Imara
Auja
Aqaba
DEAD SEA

Dead Sea

SECRET.

ADV 6 AUS DIV.

LOCATION STATEMENT NO.3 AS AT 0001 HRS 1 APR 40.

QASTINA 127126

6 Aus Div Recce Regt - 39 L.A.D.
2/1 Fd Regt - 43 L.A.D.
2/1 Fd Coy, less 3 Secs - 42 L.A.D. - 2 Secs KISHON, 1 Sec AL JURA
Det Sigs 6 Aus Div, J, E & C Secs Sigs 6 Aus Div.
H.Q. A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.
Det 6 Aus Div Amn Coy
Det 6 Aus Div Pet Coy
Det 6 Aus Div Sup Col
2/1 Fd Amb
2/1 Fd Hyg Sec
6 Aus Div Postal Unit
~~6 Aus Div Pro Coy less 4 Secs~~
Det 2/1 A. Fd Wkshop

JULIS 119122.

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

BARBARA. 112138. BARCOL.

2/1 Inf Bn D Coy

DEIR SUNEID. 106106 SUNCOL

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

GAZA ROAD. E03103

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

GAZA RIDGE. E02102

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

GAZA TOWN 099101

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

JERUSALEM - MERCANTILE BUILDINGS.

Aus Overseas Base

TEL-AVIV. - 78 HAYARKON STREET

6 Aus Div Pro Coy, ~~4 Secs.~~

G. Wary. Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

DISTRIBUTION.

Adv 6 Aus Div	15
16 Aus Inf Bde	6
Ord Base Depot	2
2/1 Aus Gen Hosp	3
Aus Overseas Base	10
Force H.Q.	10
Sigs, Sarafand	5
File	2
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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza — 1 Apr 40

NO. 71

GENERAL STAFF.

209. CONDITION OF ARMS. - Cases have been reported to this H.Q. of personnel arriving at schools of instruction and other extra regimental establishments with arms in a dirty or inefficient state.

Instructions will be issued to ensure that the arms of all personnel being despatched to extra regimental employment, are in a satisfactory condition.

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

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

210. TRANSPORT BY RAIL. - All applications for the carriage of personnel, stores and supplies by rail will be made to Adv H.Q. 6 Aus Div if of a general nature and to R.T.O. GAZA if of a local nature.

211. RAILWAY TIME-TABLE.- Commencing on 1 Apr the train to and from Egypt will run to the following daily time table:-

TO EGYPT.			FROM EGYPT.		
EL MAJDAL	dep	1208 hrs	EL KANTARA EAST	dep	2320
GAZA STATION	arr	1235	GAZA STATION	arr	0428
	dep	1245		dep	0438
EL KANTARA EAST	arr	1730	EL MAJDAL	arr	0512

212. SLEEPING BERTHS ON TRAINS. - Officers travelling by rail on duty at night are entitled to a sleeping berth if such is available on the train.

Sleeping berth tickets are not to be included on any rail warrant issued but will be paid for by the Officer who will claim a refund through the Div Paymaster. The sleeping berth ticket, which is returned by Wagon Lits to the passenger, will be attached to the claim for refund.

213. MEDICAL - Further to Div R/O 18/40 all cases sent to Camp Hospitals will be accompanied by paybooks and personal gear.

214. CONTAINERS FOR 'FLYSOL' - Units will deliver fortnightly to A.I.F. Base Ordnance Depot, Gaza Rd, a supply of bottles, collected from messes to facilitate the issue of Flysol. Whisky bottles with sealing caps are the most satisfactory.

215. STRENGTH RETURNS.- All units will render a return to reach D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div by 1800 hrs 4 Apr 40 showing:-

Unit.	Officers	W.O's & Sgts.	Rank & File

for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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NO. 32

GENERAL STAFF.

216. VISIT OF HIGH COMMISSIONER. - H.E. THE HIGH COMMISSIONER, SIR HAROLD MacMICHAEL, will visit 2 A.I.F. camps on Friday, 5 Apr 40. A copy of the itinerary has already been forwarded to all units and non-receipt of same should be reported immediately.

217. FRANKING OF CORRESPONDENCE. - Officers are now permitted to frank their own correspondence. Officers must, however, realise their responsibility for ensuring that this privilege is NOT abused. If it is found in selective censorship that officers are NOT living up to their responsibility, it will be necessary to withdraw the concession and subject officers correspondence to routine franking. Such action was previously found to be necessary in another Command. All copies of General Instruction for Field Censorship are to be altered accordingly.

218. POLICE CANTEEN. - Police Canteen GAZA will be open to all ranks from 1600 hrs to 2100 hrs daily. Beer only is to be bought and bottled liquor is NOT to be carried from premises.

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

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

219. ICE. - Ice is issued for the preservation of food only. It will not be placed in drinks nor in direct contact with food.

220. 4-DAY LEAVE TO TEL-AVIV. - Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No. 17 will be amended as follows:-

Para 6 to read:-

	W.O's & Sgts	O.R's
Qastina	1220	1120
Julis	1225	1135
Gaza	1240	1140

Para 7 (a) to read:-

From Qastina	120 mils
" Julis	135 mils
" Gaza	140 mils.

for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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2 Apr 40.

NO. 33

GENERAL STAFF.

225. INDENTS FOR BREN CARRIERS - The following units will indent as soon as possible for Bren Carriers as under:-

Recce Regt.		- 2 Only
" "	(Lieut. Burt)	- 20 Only for proposed Bren Carrier School
16 Aus Inf Bde.	- 2/1 Bn	- 1 Only
	2/2 "	1 "
	2/3 "	1 "
	2/4 "	1 "

Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

222. CLOTH FOR OFFICERS' UNIFORMS. - A supply of cloth, Khaki, Twill 15/16 oz. for the manufacture of officers' uniforms is now available at Base Ordnance Depot. The current rate is 9/8d. per yard and indents for officers requirements on payment should be furnished in the usual way.

223. ORDNANCE - VOUCHERS FOR A.I.F. ORDNANCE DEPOT. - One copy of the issue voucher is sent to the unit (as a packing note) for retention. Two copies follow. One must be returned receipted to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div and one to A.I.F. Base Ordnance Depot.

224. ORDNANCE - CHECKING OUTSTANDING INDENTS. - Quartermasters of all units will report to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div at any time before Friday 5 Apr with all unit indents to check corpleted and uncompleted indents.

225. .455 AMMUNITION - .455 Amn which was issued by D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div to units will not be expended until further instructions are issued.

226. SEATS, REMOVABLE, TUBULAR FRAME. - Units with these seats in their War Equipment Tables will place indents with D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div.

227. DISTILLED WATER & ELECTROLYTE. - Supplies will now be available from Sarafand Ordnance Depot. Units will submit indents through D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div. Units to which distilled water bottles were issued will take their bottles to Sarafand for filling.

228. EMPTY PACKING CASES. - All empty packing cases must be returned to Base Ordnance Depot, Gaza Road. They must not be used as fuel or otherwise disposed of.

229. WORN OUT CLOTHING. - In order to prevent unserviceable clothing and worn-out equipment from getting into the hands of the civilian population, units are instructed to return these to Base Ordnance Depot GAZA ROAD, where they will be disposed of.

230. MISSING PACKAGES. - Empty cases as under have arrived at Base Ordnance Depot:-

(a) Case No.116 marked red, yellow, red with S and red dot.

(b) Case No.118 marked Red, Green, Red, Serial 114.

(c) Case No.113 Red, Green, Red, Serial 114.

(d) Case No. 19 Serial 114

(e) Case No.129 Serial 114

(f) Case marked C.C.S. and a red Cross.

(g) Case A marked Blue, Yellow, Blue Serial 123.

This information may assist units in the search for missing packages.

131. MEDICAL - COLOUR PATCHES - R.M.O's. - R.M.O's will wear the chocolate A.A.M.C. Colour Patch.

for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

NOTICES.

SHOPPING FACILITIES TEL-AVIV - Certain shopkeepers in TEL-AVIV have voluntarily placed themselves under the supervision of the General Merchants' Association and have bound themselves to afford all members of 2 A.I.F. visiting TEL-AVIV every facility in respect of reasonable prices and courteous service.

Such shops bear a sign, as follows:-

UNDER SUPERVISION
of
GENERAL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION.

While discrimination will not be exercised against shops not displaying this sign, all ranks should be advised that complaints against shops belonging to the Association will be investigated by the Tel-Aviv Municipal Corporation. Personnel wishing to lodge a complaint will get in touch with the Hospitality Committee at the Town Hall, Tel-Aviv (Telephone No.4201).

Specimens of the cards referred to are on display at Camp H.Q's and at M.P. Barracks, Tel-Aviv.

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232. TRAINING LOCATIONS. - Signals showing unit location are not reaching this H.Q. by 0930 hrs daily as instructed.

These reports should be signalled to arrive at the correct time and NOT sent by D.R.L.S. or other means as they are unnecessarily delayed.

The first word of the text is TNGLOC.

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

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

233. ICE. -Commencing on Sat. 6 Apr 40 Units will include in the "Sundries" column on the proforma AB55, their daily requirements of ice based on the following scale:

Officers Messes		2 ice units
Sergeants "		2 " "
Mens "	1 - 50 men	2 " "
	51 - 200 "	4 " "
	201 - 250 "	6 " "
	251 - 400 "	8 " "
	401 - 450 "	10 " "
	451 - 600 "	12 " "
	601 - 650 "	14 " "
	651 - 800 "	16 " "

1 Ice Unit = 14 lbs. - 1 Block = 56 lbs.

Delivery will be made direct to unit Q.M's by the Contractor. Q.M's will give an interim receipt on the Contractor's Delivery Docket but will certify as to the receipt of the ice on the AB55.

234. TRANSFERS FROM 2/1 AUS GEN HOSP. - A number of men, all Class I, of 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp desire to transfer to combatant units. Units who have suitable personnel desiring transfer to that unit will arrange direct with O.C. 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp.

235. BOUNDS. - Attention is drawn to Div R.O. 42/40, JAFFA is permanently out of bounds to all ranks.

236. WEARING OF CIVILIAN CLOTHES. - The wearing of civilian clothes except for sports is prohibited.

237. M.T. SPARES. - Part numbers will be given on all indents for M.T. Spares. Where this is not available the W.D. Contract, or Engine No. will be used.

238. DETENTION BARRACKS - COMMITTAL - Copies of a circular setting out the procedure to be adopted when personnel are to be committed to Military Detention Barracks, Jerusalem, have been sent to all units. The procedure described therein will operate forthwith.

A.F's "C" 385, 385(a) and 388 are printed on p.p. 774, 775 and 780 of M.M.L. Pro-formas will be accepted until supplies are available.

Attention is further drawn to the provisions of Force Standing Order G.O. 131/38 particularly paras. 1 and 3.

Lavarack.
Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

NOTICE

SPORTS FACILITIES TEL-AVIV. - The Maccabi Sports Club, Tel-Aviv, has made the undermentioned sporting facilities available to all 2nd A.I.F. personnel on leave in Tel-Aviv:-

1. Use of gymnasium and all equipment from 0900 hours to 1600 hours daily.
2. Use of Basket Ball pitch.
3. Use of Courtyard for open air exercises.
4. Table Tennis room with six (6) Tables
5. Boxing Ring.
6. Use of tennis courts as follows:- Three courts between 1100 hours and 1600 hours daily. One court all day Monday and Tuesday.
7. Use of football ground at Levant Fair together with facilities for football and footrunning, etc. every day until 1500 hours except Saturday.

The loan of Tennis Racquets, granted by the Comforts Fund, and full information can be obtained from 6 Aus Div Pro Coy. Tel-Aviv.

DETENTION BARRACKS

DISPOSAL OF MILITARY CONVICTS & PERSONS UNDERS SENTENCE.

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

Before any soldier under sentence can be received into a detention barrack or prison, whether on first committment, or on removal from another Detention Barrack or prison, the Commandant must receive for him a separate committal in the approved form (A.F "C" 385 for imprisonment, or 'C' 385a for detention) carefully completed in all its parts. The soldiers conduct sheets & medical history sheets will, in all cases be annexed to the committal; the Commandant will receive from the soldier's C.O. such further information as may be required , with reference to the general Character of a soldier under sentence, his standard of education etc.

The following forms will be forwarded with any soldier under sentence.

D.C.M. or G.C.M.

Army form 'C' 385. Order of committment
(If soldier is committed to prison).
Army form 'C' 385a Order of Committment.
(If soldier is committed to detention.)
With the above will be attached if available :-

A.F.B. 122. Field conduct sheet used in lieu of 'B' 120 & 'B' 121. If all are available then all three will be sent.
A.F. 'B' 121. Company conduct sheet.
" 'B' 120 Regimental "
" 'B' 176 Medical History sheet.

Forms for C.Os Award.
Not to exceed 28 days detention.

All the above forms will be sent, with the exception of 'C' 385 and 'C' 385a which will be replaced by.

Army form 'C' 388 Form of committment to Detention Barrack by Commanding Officer.

Form numbers quoted the English, All Conduct & Medical history sheets must be forwarded by the conducting H.C.O. and will be returned on the release of the soldier under reference.

Soldiers committed to detention barracks will, unless sentenced to, or recommended for discharge from the Army, take with them the following articles in addition to the full kit of clothing and necessaries according to the scales specified in the clothing regulations, and all soldiers should be in possession of sufficient cleaning materials to meet their requirements during their sentence.

Mounted Service :- The articles of equipment laid down for " marching order" on the man, with exception of rifle, revolver, and pouch.

Dismounted Service

The articles of equipment laid for " marching order " except rifle Bayonet, & scabbard.

Before despatching prisoners to detention barracks Jerusalem O.C. Units will ascertain by telegram, from Superintendant concerned, whether accomodation is available. In addition to the forms mentioned a ful inventory of the soldiers kit and personal gear will be taken, this will accompany the Soldier under sentence to the Detention Barrack where it will be checked both on admission and release.

RELEASE OF S.U.S.

Separate arrangements will be made for each release, to meet local security orders etc. by the D.A.P.M. and unit will be notified accordingly. On being released the man will, if from an outlying unit, be taken by an escort to the D.A.P.M. where he will be billeted until the arrival of his unit escort; if however he is of a local unit the escort can be sent direct to the Detention Barrack.

The released soldier will receive writ'en orders on Form C.397 (orders for man released from detention)

The escorting H.C.O. will return to the unit all forms submitted on the Soldier's committal with the exception of committal forms and other data on the character of the soldier while under detention.

O.C. Units will be notified on Form C 394, (Memorandum) two or three days before soldiers release in order that transport may be arranged to convey soldier to his unit,

Prisoners committed to or discharged from the detention barracks in Defence department transport only, and not in any public vehicle.

Escorts :- KRo 1935. Para. 726

The escort of a soldier will, as a rule consist of 1 N.C.O (Not below the rank of Cpl.) and one private. But in the case of a soldier for committal, to a detention barrack, the escort should ordinarily be limited to one N.C.O. or a selected private.

When parties of two or more soldiers are to be moved from one station to another, the number of private soldiers to form the escort ne Not in ordinary cases exceed half the number to be escorted.

Note. In cases where local security is needed escorts will be larger.

Orders for release

Orders for the release of a soldier under sentence before the normal time of release must be made out by a competent Military authority on one of the following forms.

D.C.M. or G.C.M.

Army form :- 'C' 389. Order of release (Imprisonment)
" " 'C' 389a " " " (Detention)

C.O.s Award.

Army Form :- 'C' 390 Form of releasing order in case of detention C.Os. Award.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza — 5 Apr 40

NO. 35

GENERAL STAFF.

NIL.

Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

239. COMFORTS. - An issue by Australian Comforts Fund of the articles shewn hereunder will be made through Supply Col. A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div on 5 Apr 40.

Cigarettes - 1 packet per man
Fruit - 1 tin to every three men.
Golden Syrup - 1 " " " six "

240. RECREATION - There will be a meeting of all Chaplains and Y.M.C.A. representatives in the Y.M.C.A. Hut at H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde at 1000 hrs Mon 8 Apr 40.

241. SULLAGE WATER, DRAINAGE OF - 1. The Drainage of sullage water from camps is dependent on correct supervision of the grease traps provided.
2. In order that these traps should funotion correctly it is essential that the straining material should be removed daily and burnt.
3. Officers Commanding units will ensure that this is done.

242. MEDICAL - Cases for consultation with specialists at 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp should arrive by 0930 hrs so that they may be returned to units the same day. Mid-day meal should be carried.

Cases from Qastina will report on Tuesdays and Thursdays and from Julis on Wednesdays and Fridays. Such cases need not travel by ambulance and Camp Comdt Qastina and 16 Aus Inf Bde Julis will arrange transport.

243. HYGIENE AND SANITATION. - Matters of hygiene and sanitation are becoming of increasing importance with the onset of summer. Increased vigilance will be shown in these matters, particularly in the control of fly and mosquito breeding.

The provisions of Force Standing Order 62/38 for malaria will be closely studied and implemented. It is important that steps be taken to prevent chills during the period of acclimatization. Much of the trouble caused by painful backs and gastric disturbances is due to this factor. Attention is drawn to Div.R.O. 183/40 para 1.

Also, sweaters should be worn in early morning and after sundown.

R.M.O's will make an inspection of feet with special regard to Tinea and institute a vigorous campaign of treatment.

244. RECORDS AND RETURNS.- Camp Hospitals will be described in returns etc as "Camp Hospitals". The use of the term C.D.S. for these hospitals in all records, returns and other documents is to be discontinued.

245. DANNERT WIRE.- Indents for Dannert Wire will be submitted on the following scale:-

Each Bn	- 60 coils
6 Aus Div Recce Regt	- 30 coils
2/1 Fd Regt.	- 30 coils.

246. INDENTS FOR TRAINING STORES.- The following is the scale of issue for wiring and trench stores:-

Item	Inf Bde
Pickets long	130 (a)
Pickets short	260 (a)
Barbed Wire :-	
Coils 65 yards	60 (a)
Coils 130 yards	13 (a)
Sandbags	1500 (b)

(a) sufficient for 300 yds of double apron fence
(b) expendable

247. REPLACEMENT OF U.S. CLOTHING. - When replacement of clothing is considered essential by C.O's, indents will be submitted to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div duly certified as set out in Adm Inst No. 14. The U.S. article will be marked with a tag bearing the No, Name, and Unit of the owner, and will be retained in the unit storehouse. Steps are being taken to arrange repairs, or if beyond repair the material will be of use for repairs.

248. INDENTS FOR M.T. PARTS (AUSTRALIAN VEHICLES) - These indents must show Designation and model and Army Registration No.

249. INDENTS FOR TIMBER. - Div R.O. 134/40 is cancelled. Timber will be indented for A.F.G.997 in the usual way.

250. IDENTITY DISCS. - In continuation of Adm Inst No. 5 para 6 the following further instructions are issued:-

(a) "Religion" will be shown as under:-

Church of England	- C E
Presbyterian	- P
Methodist	- M
Baptist	- B
Congregational	- C
Roman Catholic	- R C
Jew	- J
Salvation Army	- S A

(b) Blood group will be shown as under:-

A.B 1
or A 2
" B 3
" O 4

The greatest care and accuracy in marking the blood group is essential as an incorrect marking may result in the death of the individual.

(c) Unit commanders will ensure that indents are submitted to replace any disc wrongly marked and that the latter are destroyed when new discs are issued.

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

SECRET.

ADV 6 AUS DIV.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO.7.

FROM 1800 HRS 30 MAR 40 TO 1800 HRS 6 APR 40:

Copy No. 19.

1. GENERAL. The week under review has been a particularly quiet one from all points of view. H.E. the High Commissioner of Palestine, Sir Harold MacMichael paid a visit to all A.I.F. camps in this area on Friday 5 Apr.

It is evident that the "patching up" of "fassad" between the SHAWA's and the HUSSEINI's in GAZA is only for consumption by the fellaheen, in order to gain a following for each party in the forthcoming municipal elections. Between themselves the enmity is just as great as before. The SHAWA's are doing their utmost to prove to the town's people, the friendliness they have with the military authorities.

2. ROADS. As a result of a cloudburst east of BEERSHEBA, during which 50m.m. of rain fell in 2 hours, three bridges on the road BEERSHEBA - AUJA were washed away at WADI EL ABYAD, 107034 (ref map SOUTHERN PALESTINE 1/250,000). These bridges are at present being replaced by the P.W.D. In the meantime a side-track has been opened and this road is passable to all traffic. Rd BEERSHEBA -ELIMARA-KHAN YUNIS Irish bridge over WADI GHAZZI at 102080 (ref map RAFAH 1/100,000) totally destroyed. Detour on southern side open to all traffic. Rd GAZA- KHAN YUNIS Irish bridge at 088070 (ref map GAZA 1/100,000) has been badly damaged on western side, but is open to all traffic.

3. ECONOMICS. The recent general rains have arrived in time to be of benefit to some crops in this area. Others, however, are in such a bad state that they will reap no benefit. It will have a good effect on all vegetable and melon crops, and also on all fruit trees and orchards generally.

4. SUMMARY.

31 Mar.	2 Arabs arrested while stealing material from BEIT JIRGA camp. 1 revolver, 4 rounds S.A.A., and 1 sword were in their possession.
2 Apr.	2 revolvers, 4 rounds confiscated BEERSHEBA.
4 Apr.	1 suicide BEERSHEBA, 1 case attempted murder GAZA, MAHOMED ISSAFFI arrested, 1 revolver, 4 rounds S.A.A. seized.

5. LOCATION. As notified in our NO.3, with following amendments :

JULIS 119122	2/1 Inf Bn. 2/2 " " 2/3 " " 2/4 " " less C and D Coy.
BARBARA 112118	1 pl. D.Coy, 2/2 Inf Bn.
DEIR SUNEID 106106	1 pl. D.Coy 2/2 Inf Bn.
BEIT JIRJA 109112	1 pl D.Coy 2/2 Inf Bn
GAZA ROAD 103103	1 pl. C.Coy 2/2 Inf Bn
GAZA TOWN 099101	2 pl. C.Coy 2/2 Inf Bn.

6. ARMS. Arms surrendered GAZA district:-

	Rifles.	Revolvers.
GAZA sub-district	3	1
BEERSHEBA sub-district	-	4
Total	3	5

J. O'Connell Walker Capt.
D.I.O. 6 Aus Div.

Distribution:- As for Intelligence Summary No.5.

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BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD . ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza 7 Apr 40

No. 36

GENERAL STAFF.

251. FIELD CENSORSHIP GENERAL INSTRUCTION. - Part I Para 3 (a) Delete the word "Telegrams".

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

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

252. DISCIPLINE WHILST ON LEAVE. - Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.13 para 6 is amended by deleting the last seven words and inserting " detail a senior officer to be in charge of the unit leave party".

253. TELEPHONES D MK V. - Units will submit indents to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div for Telephones D MK.V., in accordance with War Equipment Tables.

254. DISINFECTANTS FOR RESPIRATORS A.G. FACEPIECES. - Units will indent on A.A.S.C. for their requirements in EZAL.

255. INDENTS FOR TRAINING STORES. - Para 246 of R.O. No.35 of 5 Apr is amended as follows:- For "Inf Bde" read "Inf Bn".

256. CURTAINS SANDFLY G.S. - Units will indent for Sandfly nets in accordance with General Order No.13 of 9 Jan 40, para 10.

257. TENTAGE & CAMP EQUIPMENT.- General Order No.13 dated 9 Jan 40 is amended as follows:-

Appendix "B" - Table I - Page 5, Add at end of note (d) in column 3:- "Pickets, angle, short may be drawn in lieu of Pegs, picketing, Mk.II up to 50% of entitlement".

258. DEFICIENCIES IN MAJOR ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT. - Units will submit to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div. a list of the deficiencies in major items of War Equipment, showing quantities, by 12 Apr 40. This information will be forwarded to Force H.Q. who desire it for provision action. In addition detailed indents for all deficiencies in War Equipment will be prepared and forwarded to reach D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div by 17 Apr 40 for provision action by Force H.Q.

for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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Gaza 8 Apr 40

NO. 4

5. WIVES AND FAMILIES - PERMISSION TO JOIN HUSBANDS IN PALESTINE.

1. Permission will NOT be given to personnel serving in PALESTINE, TRANSJORDAN and CYPRUS for their wives and families to join them with the exception of such wives and families as were resident in EGYPT, PALESTINE, TRANSJORDAN or CYPRUS before 3rd September 1939, and have a home there.

(Authority:- War Office Letter No.13/General/9575 (Q(M)1) of 17th February, 1940)

2. Units will submit through the usual channels by 15 Apr the No., Rank and Name of all personnel whose wives are now in Palestine or have sailed from Australia for Palestine. In each case the place of residence or proposed place of residence of the wife will be shown.

3. The subsequent arrival of any wives now on their way from Australia will be notified to this H.Q.

for.

A/A.A.G. 2 A.I.F. Abroad.

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Gaza 8 Apr 40.

NO. 37

GENERAL STAFF.

NIL

J. Williams Capt.
for Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

259. LEAVE TO TEL-AVIV. (1). There are no facilities for troops on four days leave to TEL-AVIV to be paid. They must have the necessary funds before leaving their unit.

(2). An officer must always accompany unit four day leave parties to TEL-AVIV. It is not essential that the officer be on leave and he may return to his unit the same day.

260. CAPES, ANTI-GAS. - Attention is drawn to W.O. Letter 57/General/133 (S.D. 9.c.) dated 21 Feb on the above subject, and copies of which are forwarded herewith to all units.

261. B.S.A. M/C BREAKAGES - Breakages are occuring of the aluminium casing holding the tapered rubber stop for the kick start pedal. Units issued with B.S.A. M/Cycles will remove gear casing, inspect rubber stop and if there is indication of perishing, renew them.

262. TYRES.- Complaints are being received of tyres blowing out on side wall. In all cases this has been caused through striking sharp objects with insufficient pressure in the tyres. The recommended pressures which will be found in all log books are as follows:-

Front tyre - 18 pounds per sq. in.
Rear " - 20 " " " "

These pressures will be checked daily.

263. INDENTS FOR PRACTICE AMMUNITION.- Units indenting for ammunition will show on the indent:-

(a) their full entitlement
(b) amount already drawn
(c) amount required
(d) amount remaining to be drawn.

264. INDENTS FOR CAMP EXPENSE STORES. - In future all A.F. G.997's for Camp Expense Stores will show in Column 2 the numbers of kitchens and messes: Column 3, quantity of Expense Stores on hand.

255. REPLACEMENTS OF EQUIPMENT. - Attention is drawn to Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Instructions Nos. 5 and 14.

Replacements are charged to Australia. C.O's are personally responsible that Government property is properly used and must certify on all indents for replacements that the replacement is:-

(a) to cover fair wear and tear.
(b) to cover damages or losses resulting from the performance of duty and for which no blame is attachable to any individual or individuals.
(c) to cover damages or losses for which some individuals have been held responsible and that punishment and/or stoppages have been made.

for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

The War Office,
London, S...1.

57/General/133(S.D.9.c.)

21st February, 1940.

Painting of Capes, Anti-Gas, with

Detector Paint, No. 2.

Sir,

1. I am directed to inform you that it has been decided to paint a portion of all oilskin anti-gas capes (held in satisfaction of G.1098 scales) with detector paint no. 2, in order to obviate the necessity of using individual detector sleeves when the cape is adjusted.

2. I am to say that the following instructions for this painting should be observed:-

(a) The main panel (i.e. the one on the outside) of each sleeve is to be coated as evenly as possible with detector paint no. 2 (khaki coloured). This should be applied as a thin film by a paint-spray gun or if such spraying equipment is not available, by hand painting with a brush.

(b) If spraying equipment is used a "cut-out blank" to limit the area to be covered by the spray will be necessary. With hand painting such a blank is not needed, but the provision of soft hair brushes 1 inch width will be necessary.

(c) The area to be painted is the strip along the top of the shoulder between the two seams, continued down the outside of the sleeve to a point about 18 inches from the base of the collar, the paint covering the whole top of the sleeve down to a line level with the armpit.

(d) 1 lb. of paint should be sufficient to treat 30 to 32 capes.

Finally, I am to say that stocks of detector paint no. 2 are being made available and I am to request that any difficulties encountered in carrying out these instructions may be brought to my notice.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd) S.C. ALEXANDER,
Captain G.S.
for Major-General,
Director of Staff Duties (Weapons).

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD. ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza — 9 Apr 40.

NO. 38

GENERAL STAFF.

NIL

J Williams Capt
for Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

266. PAINTING OF CAPES, ANTI-GAS, WITH DETECTOR PAINT, NO.2. - It has been decided to paint a portion of all oilskin anti-gas capes (held in satisfaction of W.E. Tables) with detector paint No.2, in order to obviate the necessity of using individual detector sleeves when the cape is adjusted. The following instructions for this painting should be observed:-

(a) The main panel (i.e. the one on the outside) of each sleeve is to be coated as evenly as possible with detector paint No.2 (khaki coloured). This should be applied as a thin film by a paint-spray gun or if such spraying equipment is not available, by hand painting with a brush.

(b) If spraying equipment is used a "cut-out blank" to limit the area to be covered by the spray will be necessary. With hand painting such a blank is not needed, but the provision of soft hair brushes 1 inch width will be necessary.

(c) The area to be painted is the strip along the top of the shoulder between the two seams, continued down the outside of the sleeve to a point about 18 inches from the base of the collar, the paint covering the whole top of the sleeve down to a line level with the armpit.

(d) 1 lb of paint should be sufficient to treat 30 to 32 capes.

Stocks of detector paint No.2 are being made available. Any difficulties encountered in carrying out these instructions will be reported to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div.

267. ITEMS OF EQUIPMENT NOT APPEARING IN W.E. TABLES - Units requiring equipment which does not appear in W.E. Tables, will submit application to H.Q. 6 Aus Div stating reasons for application.

268. TRAVELLING KITCHENS, BODIES & LIMBERS - RETURN OF NUMBERS & REG NOS Units are requested to forward to A.D.O.S. Base Ordnance Depot, Gaza Road, and to S.O.M.E. 6 Aus Div, Gaza by Friday 12 Apr 40, returns of the quantity and registered numbers (W.D.No.) and state whether complete, of all travelling kitchens, bodies and limbers, held by them.

269. REPLACEMENT OF BADGES AND TITLES "AUSTRALIA" - Replacement of badges and titles will be made only on payment.

270. MATERIAL FOR BOOT REPAIRS. - Units in Julis will NOT indent for sides of leather, but will indent for the following:-

Soles, plain, prs.
Lifts, heels, prs.
Tip fillers, prs.
Heel tips, iron, prs.
Nails for heel tip
Hobs, lbs.

Copies of W.O. Letter 54/Gen/8808/057 relating to hobbying have been forwarded to H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde for distribution and action.

271. CONFERENCE OF Q.M.'s - A conference of Q.M's will be held in the office of D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div on Sat 13 Apr 40. The preparation of new camps will be discussed.

272. RETURN OF BLANKETS TO BASE ORDNANCE DEPOT - All units which have not returned blankets brought by them from Australia will do so forthwith. These will be held as War Equipment by Base Ordnance Depot. See Adm Inst No.5.

273. MESS EQUIPMENT.- All mess equipment in excess of that issued by Sarafand Ordnance Depot will be returned to A.I.F. Base Ordnance Depot forthwith, as difficulty is being experienced in obtaining supplies for incoming A.I.F. units.

274. INDENTS - Units must place indents well ahead of the date on which the stores are required. At least seven days are required between the date of the indent and the issue of the stores. Continual requests to obtain stores "over the counter" are a cause of friction, and it delays the issue of stores to those units which have shown the necessary prevision.

275. INDENTS FOR AMMUNITION. - Four copies of Indents will be submitted to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div as amn is now supplied from Sarafand.

276. INSPECTION OF NATIVE PERSONNEL.- MEDICAL. - All native personnel employed by units and institutes will be medically examined for infectious disease weekly. Sub-area Commandants will make the necessary arrangements.

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

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza 11 Apr 40

NO.39

GENERAL STAFF.

NIL

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

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

277. PAY. :- Personnel will not be sent to the office of the Div. Paymaster to be paid. Any special payments, such as for personnel proceeding on leave, will be made by representatives of the Div Paymaster on their visit to Camps.

278. TRAFFIC CONTROL, GAZA. - 1. The only traffic which will use the road in front of Adv H.Q. 6 Aus Div is that which is for Adv H.Q. or the Guard Coy. Other traffic to or through Gaza will use the road which runs at the rear of Adv H.Q.

2. The road in front of Adv H.Q. 6 Aus Div is a one way traffic road in a westerly direction for all vehicles, including motor cycles, other than cars.

3. Motor cyclists who have occasion to visit Adv H.Q. 6 Aus Div will ensure that the engines are not kept running any longer than necessary.

279. CLOSING OF TEMPORARY BASE ORDNANCE DEPOT, GAZA ROAD. - The A.I.F. temporary Base Ordnance Depot at Gaza Road, kilo 70, will be transferred to Barbara. The Gaza Road Depot will be closed against the receipt and issue of stores during the period - 14 Apr 40 to 16 Apr 40 inclusive. The Base Ordnance Depot at Barbara will open on 17 Apr 40.

280. PALLIASSE STRAW. - Units will lodge a separate indent for palliasse straw on Saturday, 13 Apr. 40 for delivery Wednesday, 17 Apr 40. The scale of issue will be 7 lbs. per man; Appendix "A" of Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.2 is amended accordingly.

281. GREASE TRAP STRAW. - The issue of fresh straw for use in Grease-traps will cease on receipt of palliasse straw on Wednesday, 17 Apr 40. Old palliasse straw will be used. Units will ensure that the straw used is of sufficient length to prevent damage to sullage pits.

282. COST OF CABLES. Numerous requests to remit money to Australia on behalf of individuals are being received with the direction that these be remitted by cable, the cost of which is to be borne by the individual. In addition, alterations to allotments are being requested on the same basis.

There is no objection to this procedure but such cables cannot be sent at "E.F.M." rates and their cost often represents a very considerable proportion of the amount remitted.

In view of the rapidity of air mail it is recommended in the interests of the individual, that this method be used, only really urgent cases being dealt with by cable.

283. MESSAGE FROM H.E. THE HIGH COMMISSIONER. - The following extract from a letter received from H.E. The High Commissioner after his visit to units on 5 Apr is published:-

> "It was a great pleasure to me to have this opportunity of seeing your magnificient troops at work and the sight was a really inspiring one which I will never forget."

284. MEDICAL. - All units will render a return to reach this H.Q. by 1800 hrs 17 Apr 40 showing the number of personnel of all ranks who have not yet been Blood Typed. Nil returns are required.

285. STANDING ORDERS FOR DRIVERS M.T. VEHICLES (WHEELED) & MOTOR CYCLISTS. Booklets of Standing Orders for Drivers of M.T. Vehicles and Motor Cyclists will be issued to units, together with copies of the Highway Code, if obtainable. Failing this, instructions compiled for and applicable to A.I.F. Drivers and vehicles will be made available. These instructions must be strictly observed and adhered to.

286. TELEPHONES D. Mk.III. - All units will submit to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div a return of Telephones D.Mk.III according to War Equipment Tables by 15 Apr 40.

287. BOTTLES, DISTILLED WATER. - All units holding bottles, distilled water, are asked to forward return of number held to S.O.M.E. 6 Aus Div by 15 Apr 40.

288. REPAIRS AND RECOVERY. - Adv 6 Aus Div R.O. 171/40 is amended to read as follows:- "L.A.D's and Army Fd. Wkshops will render a fortnightly return in duplicate to H.Q. Adv 6 Aus Div on the pro-forma shown in Adv 6 Aus Div R.O. 171/40, but repairs will be grouped by units. Work performed since arrival in Palestine will be included in the first return."

289. REVOLVERS .455 in. on issue. - Units will forward to D.A.D.O.S. Adv 6 Aus Div by 14 Apr 40 a return showing numbers of officers and other ranks armed with .455 in. Revolvers.

for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO.8

From 1800 hrs 6 Apr 40 to 1600 hrs 13 Apr 40.

Copy No.18.

1. GENERAL. This week has been a quiet one from a political and Security point of view, no incident of significance having occurred. All news, both press and wireless, is eagerly sought after in this district since Germany's violation of Denmark and Norway, and general indignation has been expressed at Germany's action. The results of the recent naval operations in the North and Baltic Seas is taken as an example of Great Britain's strength and quickness to act, and is having an excellent effect on the feelings of the community.

2. POLITICAL. FAKRI NASHASHIBI'S recent visits to this district in Feb and Mar are now understood to have fallen rather flat and there is little hope of his getting much support for his new party. The reason for this apparently being that a considerable portion of the inhabitants are Majlisists, and do not favor a scheme which will place a former oppositionist at the head of the Palestine Arabs.

Rumours are current that a Federation of Arab States is to be formed, consisting of Syria, Palestine and Trans-Jordam to be headed by EMIR ABDULLA. The idea is favoured, but EMIR ABDULLA is not over-favoured for the leadership, because he has never assisted the Arabs, and must first show his worth before being accepted as their leader.

3. PROPAGANDA Jewish propaganda pamphlets were found in JULIS Camp on 1 Apr, and in QASTINA Camp on 11 Apr. Copy of pamphlet is attached.

4. ROADS. Owing to rains mentioned in my W.I.S.No.7 the Western approach to the bridge on road BEERSHEBA - RAS AS ZUWEIRA I3970695 (ref sheet BEERSHEBA 1/100000) has been half washed away and unless repaired before next rains will allow the at present undamaged concrete portion to subside.

5. SUMMARY. 8 Apr.-JEWISH propaganda pamphlets distributed JULIS.
9 Apr -1 case attempted murder GAZA) no political
10 Apr -1 case murder BEERSHEBA) significance
11 Apr -JEWISH propaganda pamphlets distributed QASTINA.

6. LOCATION. as notified in our W.I.S. No.7 with the following amendments :-

JULIS 119122	2/2 Inf Bn. 2/3 " " - less B and C Coys.
BARBARA 112118	1 pl B Coy 2/3 Inf Bn
DEIR SUNEID 106106	1 pl B Coy 2/3 Inf Bn
BEIT JIRJA 109112	1 pl B Coy 2/3 Inf Bn
GAZA ROAD 103103	1 pl C Coy 2/3 Inf Bn
GAZA TOWN 099101	C Coy 2/3 Inf Bn less 1 Pl.

7. ARMS. Arms surrended GAZA District

	Rifles.	Revolvers.
GAZA Sub-district	-	1
BEERSHEBA sub-district	2	-
Total	2	1

G. McConnell Walker Capt.
D.I.O. 6 Aus Div.

Distribution as for Intelligence Summary No.7.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza 13 Apr 40

NO. 40

GENERAL STAFF.

NIL.

E. Williams Capt
Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

290. AUS. COMFORTS FUND. - The following distribution of Comforts from the Aus Comforts Fund will be made by A.A.S.C. with the rations on 15 Apr. -

1 Packet Cigarettes per man.
1 Tin fruit per 3 men
1 Tin golden syrup per 6 men.

291. DRESS. - When wearing shirts, without jackets, neither ties nor ribbons of decorations and medals will be worn.

292. MEDICAL - Cases for tonsillectomy will now be sent to 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp through Camp Hospitals. Six cases may be admitted at once. From then onwards cases will be sent for E.N.T. consultation and notification of date of admission will be given by 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp.

293. ACCOUNTING FOR WAR EQUIPMENT - All receipts of war equipment from British and Australian sources will be entered in columns ruled up in the war equipment table headed "British (or Australain) Supply" and showing date of receipt and Voucher No.

294. LOSS OF STORES BY THEFT. - Indents by units for replacements to cover theft must be accompanied by statement to show:-

(a) action taken to safeguard the stores.
(b) the circumstances under which the theft occurred.
(c) the action taken by the unit to recover the stores and to allocate blame for negligence in safeguarding the stores.
(d) why an individual or individuals of the unit should not make good the loss.

295. TRANSFER OF VEHICLES - Units originally issued with vehicles that have since been called in and re-issued to other units will adopt the following procedure:-

Issue and Receipt Voucher A.G.F.1033 giving full particulars to be completed in triplicate.

These will be signed by the units now holding the vehicles and distributed as follows,

Original, to be retained by Unit
Duplicate, to unit now holding vehicle
Triplicate, to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div by Friday 18 Apr 40.

T/Brig for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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G. S. I N S T R U C T I O N.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS FOR GAZA RANGE.

Units using GAZA RIFLE RANGE must strictly adhere to the following SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS.

1. Firing position MUST ONLY be on Target side of Main Wadi. This means that a greater range than 300 yards cannot be obtained.

2. Firing must be at right angles to line of Targets, NO oblique firing being permissible.

3. Sentries will be posted on high features 100 yards to each flank of Range.

4. A RED FLAG will be placed on hill immediately in rear of Targets.

5. Firing on SUNDAYS NOT permitted.

J. W. Wilson Capt
for Major.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

Distribution 'A'.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

GAZA.

15 Apr 40.

VISIT TO 2 A.I.F. CAMPS BY

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF MIDDLE EAST - WED 17 APR

Gen Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief, Middle East, will visit 2 A.I.F. Camps on Wed 17 Apr.

ITINERARY

0940 hrs	Arrive QASTINA. (Meet C.O. Recce Regt at Recce Orderly Room). Received by Recce Regt Guard of Honor. Views training of Recce Regt.
1040 hrs	Depart QASTINA.
1050 hrs	Arrive JULIS. (Meet Bde Comd and B.M. at Bde H.Q.) Inspect Fd Works and Bn in defence position.
1150 hrs	Depart JULIS.
1200 hrs	Arrive BARBARA Camp. (Meet Lt-Col Stinson and Lt-Col Loveridge at Orderly room, BARBARA). Inspect Base Ord and A.S.C. Depots.
1225 hrs	Depart BARBARA Camp.
1250 hrs	Arrive GAZA TOWN (Div H.Q.) Inspect Quarter Guard.
1300 hrs	Lunch at Div H.Q.
1400 hrs	Depart GAZA.

O. Williams Capt
for Major,
G,S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

Distribution:
List "B".
Copy for Lt-Col Stinson, Base Ord Depot.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza. 16 Apr 40.

NO. 41

GENERAL STAFF.

296 D.R.L.S. - A D.R.L.S. running direct between Adv 6 Aus Div H.Q. and Overseas Base, Jerusalem, is now in operation, the time-table being as follows:-

OUTWARD JOURNEY	PLACE.	INWARD JOURNEY.
Depart 1000 hrs.	H.Q. Adv 6 Aus Div.	Arrive 1600 hrs
Arrive 1200 hrs.	H.Q. Aus Overseas Base Jerusalem	Depart 1400 hrs

No calls are made en route.

297. FLAGS ON VEHICLES. - Unit distinguishing flags will NOT be worn on the radiator of vehicles.

298. UNATTENDED MOTOR VEHICLES. - The following extract from Standing Orders for Drivers of Mechanical Vehicles (Wheeled) and Motor Cyclists 1937, is republished,

"When on duty with vehicles or motor cycles, drivers will not leave them unattended, except when this is unavoidable in exceptional circumstances, e.g., accidents, reporting for duty, etc.

When there are two drivers with a vehicle, one of them will always remain with it.

Motor cycles when unavoidably left will always be secured with the padlock and chain provided for the purpose.

The driver is responsible for any damage which may occur to his vehicle when he is absent himself, and should therefore make the best arrangements possible for the protection of the vehicle when he has occasion to leave it unattended."

Cases of vehicles being left unattended in Jerusalem and Tel-Aviv have been reported. This practice is to cease.

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

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

298 USE OF A.A.F. F20

When using A.A.F. F.20 in place of A.F. G997 for indents, the number on which the indent is based will be endorsed on the Form.

299. CANCELLATION.- Div R.O. 290/40 is amended in line three to read "16 Apr" in place of "15 Apr"

300. DISINFECTING OF RESPIRATOR FACEPIECES. - Units will indent on A.A.S.C. for IZAL on the scale of 1 gall IZAL per 550 respirators. The solution will be made up as follows:- 3 parts IZAL to 100 parts water. Three galls of this solution will be used for 100 Facepieces.

301. WATER COOLERS. - Indents are to be submitted for Water Coolers on the following scale:-

(a)	No.1 Aus Gen Hosp. 600 Beds.	12	small
(b)	No.2 Aus Gen Hosp	4	"
(c)	Camp Hospitals (5)	5	" (1 each)
(d)	No.1 Aus C.C.S.	2	"
(e)	No.1 Aus Conv Depot	3	"
(f)	No.1 Aus Special Hosp	2	"
(g)	Field Ambulances (3)	3	large (1 each)
(h)	Camp sub-areas. (30)	1	" each

302. FORCE PRINCIPAL GENERAL ORDERS. - Copies of Force Principal General Orders 1938-39 amended and revised to 31 Dec 39 are issued with this order to all units. These orders are to be read in conjunction with Force Standing Orders vide Div R.O. 179/40.

Lt Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 22

POSTAL SERVICES

GAZA.
16 Apr 40.

1. With the occupation of new camps, Mails, other than Registered letters, will be collected and distributed by Sup Coln A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.

2. Commencing 22 Apr 40 Camp Post Offices will be closed and 6 Aus Div Postal Unit will establish:-

(a) A Field Post Office located temporarily in QASTINA Camp and moving to BARBARA Camp, and,
(b) A Travelling Post Office catering for Outward Cables and Registered Letters.

3. The following procedure will apply to the collection and distribution of Unregistered Letters, Parcels and Packages:-

(a) Inward Mails.

(i) Incoming mails will be collected in bulk and delivered to the Field Post Office under arrangements made by Postal Unit 6 Aus Div.
(ii) Sealed bags addressed to units will be passed by 6 Aus Div Postal Unit to Sup Coln 6 Aus Div accompanied by receipt forms, in triplicate, for the bags addressed to each unit.
(iii) The Loader i/c Supplies will give a receipt on the original "receipt for mails' form and will retain the duplicate and triplicate copies.
(iv) At Delivery Points, Loaders will hand over Sealed bags to Unit Postal Orderlies and will obtain a receipt on both the duplicate and triplicate copies. Duplicates will be returned to 6 Aus Div Postal Unit and Triplicates to Sup Coln 6 Aus Div.

(b) Outward Mails.

(i) Unit Postal Orderlies will hand over sealed bags containing unregistered outward letters, parcels and packages to Loaders at Delivery Points.
(ii) Each Unit Postal Orderly will prepare in triplicate a "receipt for mails" form showing the number of bags handed over. Loaders will give a receipt on original form which will be retained by Unit Postal Orderlies. Duplicate and triplicate forms will be handed to Loaders.
(iii) Sup Coln 6 Aus Div will deliver outward mails to Field Post Office in BARBARA Camp. Loaders will obtain receipts on both duplicate and triplicate lists. Duplicates will be retained by 6 Aus Div Postal Unit and triplicates by Sup Coln 6 Aus Div.

4. (a) The closest liaison will be maintained between:-
(i) 6 Aus Div Postal Unit and Sup Coln 6 Aus Div, and,
(ii) Unit Postal Orderlies and Unit Q.Ms.

(b) Unit Q.Ms will be responsible for notifying Unit Postal Orderlies in ample time of the approximate hour of arrival of Sup Coln vehicles, On no account will Sup Coln vehicles be kept waiting.

5. Units located at BARBARA Camp will operate direct with 6 Aus Div Field Post Office under arrangements made by O.C. 6 Aus Div Postal Unit.

6. Travelling Post Office will visit camps in accordance with the following schedule:-

(a) Monday	(GAZA TOWN	(b) Tuesday	(BEIT JIRJA
Wednesday	(GAZA RIDGE	Thursday	(JULIS
Friday	(GAZA ROAD	Saturday	(QASTINA
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In Deir Suneid and Qastina Camps Registered Mail and Outward Cables will be ready for collection by Travelling Post Office at 1330 hrs. In all other camps such mail matter will be ready by 0830 hrs.

7. Travelling Post Office will handle all outward Cables and inward or outward Registered Letters or Packets. It will visit Unit Orderly Rooms in accordance with the schedule shewn in para 6 above for the following purposes only:-

(a) To deliver Incoming Registered Articles to Unit Postal Orderlies.
(b) To receive from Unit Postal Orderlies letters for Registration and Cables for outward transmission.

Travelling Post Office will NOT accept or deliver other Mail matter of any description.

8. Stamps, both Australian and Palestinian, will be sold by all A.A.C.Is and by the Travelling Post Office.

9. Duties of Unit Postal Orderlies include:-

(a) The responsibility for distribution of all registered or unregistered letters, parcels, packages and newspapers after they have been handed over to them by Sup Coln or Travelling Post Office.
(b) They will sign for all registered articles etc handed to them.
(c) Postal orderlies will enter in Army Book 426 particulars of all registered articles received by them for delivery, and they will obtain a signature in these books for each item before parting with it.
Where possible, each registered letter should be delivered by the postal orderly direct to the addressee, and the latter's signature obtained in Army Book 426.
Responsibility for registered articles received from 6 Aus Div Postal services restswith the postal orderly who signs for them, until he, in turn, obtains a valid receipt for them.
(d) Registered correspondence which cannot be delivered will be endorsed as directed in para 13, and returned without delay to 6 Aus Div Postal Services, a signature being obtained for each item.

10. Commanding Officers are responsible that the instructions contained on the cover and pages 1 and 2 of Army Book 426 are fully understood and carried out by postal orderlies.
Where a postal orderly is changed, steps should be taken to ensure that he hands over the Army Book 426 in use, together with any registered letters not signed for therein to his successor. (until AB 426 is available, AB 425 will be substituted).

11. Postal orderlies, who should be carefully selected men, will be furnished with written authority signed by their Commanding Officers, to receive mails from 6 Aus Div Postal Services.

12. Unit H.Qs. will record the addresses of all personnel on detachment or otherwise absent from the unit. Correspondence for such personnel will be re-addressed carefully, in accordance with instructions set out in para 13.

13. Mail for personnel absent from the unit will be handled by Unit Postal Orderlies as follows:-

(a) If the addressee's address is known, mail will be clearly readdressed (in red ink) accordingly.
(b) If the addressee's address is NOT known, mail will be endorsed "Left.....Unit. Address unknown.".
(c) If the addressee is in hospital, but the name of the hospital is NOT known, they will be clearly endorsed with the word "Hospital" (in red ink) in the top left hand corner on the addressed side of the envelope.
(d) If the addressee is deceased or [illegible] be endorsed "Deceased" or "Missing", as the case may be, in the top left-hand corner of the address, the endorsement being signed by an OFFICER, and his rank stated.
(e) If the addressee is NOT known to belong to the unit to which the article is addressed, it will be endorsed "Unknown in

All re-directions and endorsements will be initialled and dated and all earlier re-directions or endorsements will be struck out.

All undelivered correspondence will be re-directed or endorsed as described above and handed back without delay to the 6 Aus Div Postal services in the normal way.

14. Commanding Officers are responsible that all Mail Bags are returned to 6 Aus Div Postal Unit with the least possible delay and that Mail Bags are NOT used for purposes other than the conveyance of mails.

15. Any cardboard labels on mail bags received by postal orderlies will be destroyed as soon as the bags have been opened.

16. 6 Aus Div Postal Unit will NOT accept correspondence which does NOT conform with censorship and franking regulations.

G. Wasley

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

Distribution.

List "B".

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 23

ANZAC DAY 1940.

The following arrangements will be made for Anzac Day:-

DAWN SERVICE AT GAZA MILITARY CEMETERY.

1. Personnel within the limits of the transport available may attend. Unit transport may be used for this purpose. Units will advise by 22 Apr, through the normal channels, the number who will be attending and the number of vehicles being used.

2. The time-table for this service will be as under :-

0415 hrs.	Assembly - details of this will be notified on receipt of the returns asked for in para 1.
	Chaplain and Sen. Offr. take up position facing monument. Others attending form in rear - details later.
0430 hrs.	Reveille - bugler provided by 16 Aus Inf Bde. On completion of bugle call Brig Allen places wreath on the monument. Short prayer by the Chaplain. Last Post sounded on the bugle. Those present file past the monument in single file and individual wreaths (if any), laid at the base.
	After filing past those present disperse to their vehicles and return to Camps.

MORNING SERVICES IN CAMPS.

3. (a) These will be arranged by the Comdrs. Qastina, Julis, and Barbara Camps at a time suitable to the camps. The form of the service will be as decided by Camp Comdrs.

(b) For personnel of H.Q. 6 Aus Div (incl Guard Coy), 6 Aus Div Sigs and 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp the morning service will be held at Gaza Military Cemetery in accordance with the following time-table:-

1030 hrs.	Two Markers from each unit report to D.A.A.G. 6 Aus Div at entrance to the Cemetery. A band from 16 Aus Inf Bde to report at same time and place.
1050 hrs.	Units march into Cemetery on to markers.
1100 hrs.	Lord's Prayer. Hymn "Abide with me" Prayer for the fallen by the Chaplain. Address by the Chaplain. Hymn "Recessional" Benediction Last post - bugler provided by 16 Aus Inf Bde. Two minutes silence. Reveille. National Anthem Troops march off

MARCH AND SERVICE AT JERUSALEM.

4. A march and service is being organized in Jerusalem. The following representatives of 6 Aus Div will attend:-

QASTINA CAMP .. 125 All ranks
JULIS CAMP .. 125 All ranks, plus one band.

Lt-Col. M.A. Fergusson, M.C. will command the column for the move to and from Jerusalem by bus and the det during the march.

The detachment will arrive at Russian Compound at 1000 hrs and will be ready to move off with the remainder of the march. Lt-Col Fergusson will arrange to make a recce and get into touch with H.Q. Aus Overseas Base prior to 25 Apr.

Buses to convey the personnel will be ordered through A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div by Camp Comdrs.

DRESS. - Service dress with belts - no arms except for security purposes and these will be handed in to the armoury Aus Overseas Base on arrival at Jerusalem.

On completion of the service personnel may be granted leave in Jerusalem up to 1730 hrs.

MARCH AND SERVICE TEL-AVIV.

5. A march and service is being organized in Tel-Aviv. The following representatives of 6 Aus Div will attend:-

Julis Camp	125 All ranks plus one band
Barbara Camp	50 all ranks
Sigs 6 Aus Div	25 all ranks
Adv H.Q. 6 Aus Div (incl Duty Coy)	25 all ranks
2/1 Aus Gen Hosp	25 all ranks

16 Aus Inf Bde will detail a Lt-Col to Command the column for the move to and from Tel-Aviv by bus and during the march.

DRESS. - Service dress with belts - no arms except for security purposes and these will be handed to 6 Aus Pro Coy on arrival at Tel-Aviv.

On completion of the service personnel may be granted leave in Tel-Aviv up to 1800 hrs.

Other details of this march will be issued to the units concerned later.

6. On completion of the services in Camps vide para 3 the programme for the remainder of the day will be the same as for Sunday

7. Normal one day leave to Jerusalem and Tel-Aviv is cancelled for 25 Apr.

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

Gaza
17. 4. 40

DISTRIBUTION LIST "B"
Duty Coy, Gaza.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza 17 Apr 40

NO. 42

GENERAL STAFF.

303. DUTY STAFF OFFR - DIV H.Q. - The roster of Duty Staff Offrs at H.Q. 6 Aus Div will be issued weekly by G. Branch. This duty will be performed as from Sat 20 Apr 40.

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

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

304. DISTRIBUTION OF CANTEEN PROFITS. - So as to enable the distribution of A.A.C.I. profits to be made on a pro rata basis units will forward to the Chief Paymaster, 2 A.I.F. on the first of each month, a return showing the average strength of the unit for the preceeding month, calculated from Parade States.

Returns for the months of February and March will be forwarded by 20 Apr.

Returns will be certified correct by the O.C. or Adjutant.

305. ECONOMY LABELS. - Envelopes will be fastened only with gummed Economy Labels on which all addresses will be written. By using fresh labels, envelopes can be used repeatedly and supplies will be conserved.

306. ADM. INST. NO. 21 - AMENDMENTS. - The following amendments will be made to Adv 6 Aus Div Adm. Inst. No. 21 :-

(i) Appendix "B" - Serial 12
For "2/1 Fd Coy" insert "2/3 Fd Coy"

(ii) Add to para 2 (c):-

"O.O. Sarafand will provide the Q.M. of each unit drawing stores with a copy of the Issue Voucher before he leaves Sarafand."

for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza.
17 Apr 40

DUTY STAFF OFFICER H.Q. 6 AUS DIV.

1. The roster of duty staff offrs at 6 Aus Div will take effect from Sat 20 Apr 40. Duties will change daily, except Sundays, at 1700 hrs. Duty will change on Sun at 0830 hrs.

2. HOURS OF DUTY.

(a)	Mon to Sat.	1700 - 0830 hrs next day
(b)	Sat.	1300 - 0830 hrs Sun.
(c)	Sun.	0830 - 0830 hrs Mon.

3. ORDERS FOR DUTY STAFF OFFRS.- The duty staff offr is personally responsible that he is immediately available in GAZA by telephone at any hr during the day or night throughout his tour of duty, and that the clerk on duty and the signm on duty at the GAZA Signal Exchange is kept informed of the telephone number or extension at which he will be found.

He will notify his telephone number (or extension) to the Signal Exchange on coming on duty and will notify any change from time to time as they occur.

4. CHANGE OVER OF DUTIES. - (a) Offrs wishing to change over duties will not do so without prior reference to G. Branch. This applies also to offrs who will be absent on duty.

(b) The Duty Staff Offr whose name is shown on the roster will be responsible for informing the clerk on duty and the signal exchange of the name and telephone whereabouts of the offr relieving him, and the time during which the relief will last.

5. PREFIXED CIPHER TELEGRAMS.- Outside normal office hours, if the A.A.& Q.M.G. or G.II. are not available, prefixed cipher telegrams will be delivered by the Cipher Officer (or Cipher N.C.O. on duty) to the Duty Staff Offr so that action required may be taken. In the event of an unprefixed cipher telegram becoming IMPORTANT owing to delay in transmission, it will be so prefixed. Cipher telegrams (which will always be delivered in envelopes) will bear the degree of priority clearly marked on the envelope.

6. ACTION BY DUTY STAFF OFFR. - Outside normal office hours the Duty Staff Offr will be shown any prefixed cipher or signal message, important letter, or situation report which contains anything of an unusual nature.

He will then:-

(a) Take action, if necessary, and if it is within his capacity to do so.

(b) If unable to take action himself, inform the Senior member present and the branch or department concerned.

7. SECURITY.- On no account will the above orders permit of the contents of cipher or other documents containing military information being read over a civil telephone line.

Maj.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

Distribution:-
All Offrs on H.Q. Adv 6 Aus Div.
H.Q., B.F.P & T.J.
A/District Commissioner - Gaza
D.S.P. Gaza
Spare (G File) 5
} for information.

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Gaza 18 Apr 40

NO. 43

GENERAL STAFF.

NIL

Lieut in Capt for Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

307. ARMS. - Units will forward a return to reach this H.Q. before 23 Apr 40 showing Regd. No. and make of private pistols in possession of any personnel. The name of the owner will be included and NIL returns are required.

308. ICE CREAM - Ice cream will only be purchased from A.A.C.I's in Camps. The practice of purchasing Ice Cream from casual vendors, or permitting these people to sell their goods in camps will cease forthwith.

309. WATER CARTS. - Vehicles towing water carts or field kitchens will not exceed a speed of 12 m.p.h.

310. LISTS AND INDENTS OF DEFICIENCIES IN WAR EQUIPMENT. - The lists and indents called for in Adv 6 Aus Div R/O 258 will not include equipment for 1st or 2nd Reinforcements.

311. EQUIPMENT FOR BREN GUNS (G.O. 103 of 1 Mar 40)

Units issued with "Sights, fixed line, Bren" will indent for:-

Sec A.1	For each "Sights, fixed line, Bren"
Cases Binocular W.E. Patt.37	1
Carriers case binocular W.E. Patt 37	1
Braces W.E. Patt 37 right	1

312. ORDNANCE ISSUE VOUCHERS. G.982 - Ordnance Issue Vouchers G.982 will be signed by Q.M's or Receiving Officers, in ink or indelible pencil on each copy. Black lead pencil or carbon signatures will not be accepted.

313 ARMBANDS FOR SWEEPERS - Units desiring armbands for sweepers will provide them from Regimental Funds.

314. FLYTOX - Flytox will be supplied on indent by A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.

315. TRAVELLING KITCHEN - The following items from a travelling kitchen are missing:-

LIDS, BOILER 1; COVERS, FIRE, 1.

Any unit holding these items spare, please forward information to S.O.M.E 6 Aus Div H.Q.

Lieut in Capt for, Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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Gaza 19 Apr 40

NO. 44

GENERAL STAFF.

316. AIR CO-OPERATION, TRAINING.- One flight of No.6 A.C. Sqn, R.A.F., is now stationed at GAZA and will provide air co-operation for 6 Aus Div.

Applications for air co-operation will be made through this H.Q. and suitable forms for this purpose are forwarded under separate cover.

317. A.I.L.O. DUTIES. - Units will submit by 27 Apr 40 the names of offrs who have been trained in A.I.L.O. duties. Returns will show rank, name, regt, courses attended (giving date) and practical experience, if any.

Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

318. ADMINISTRATION - GAZA MILITARY AREA. - No personnel will accept invitations to attend locally arranged meetings to adjust civil disputes etc, without prior approval from Div. H.Q.

319 MEDICAL - A.D.M.S. will hold a conference with C.O. and Q.M. 2/1 Fd Amb and all R.M.O's at Camp Hospital Julis on 22 Apr at 1500 hrs. Until further notice, weekly conferences will be held, commencing on Thurs 2 May at 1500 hrs at QASTINA and JULIS alternately.
These conferences will be attended by C.O. and Q.M. 2/1 Fd Amb and R.M.O's of the camp at which the conference is held.

320. MEDICAL - R.M.O's of units will give a course of four lectures on First Field Dressing and Hygiene and Sanitation to all officers before the end of April.

321. EQUIPMENT LOST FROM TRANSPORTS.- Units will forward to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div by 26 Apr 40 a list of all packages and details of their contents set out in vocabulary sections.

322. SUPPLIES - LIME -

(a) Lime Unslaked: Supplies of lime unslaked will be supplied by A.A.S.C. as required.

(b) Chloride of Lime: Chloride of lime is an Ordnance Supply and will be indented for in the usual way.

for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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LEAVE TIME-TABLE NO.4.

PERIOD 21 APR 40 to 4 MAY 40 (Both Dates Inclusive)

1. Responsibility for detailing O's C. Parties, for ordering buses and for subdivisions between sub-areas, will be assumed as follows:-

(a) In QASTINA Area by Camp Commandant, Qastina.
(b) " JULIS " " 16 Aus Inf Bde.
(c) " BARBARA " " A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div
(d) " GAZA " " 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp.

2. Until move of A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div to BARBARA Camp is complete Leave quotas shewn under the heading "BARBARA" may be completed from A.A.S.C. personnel remaining in QASTINA Area.

3. Personnel from the three camps in the Gaza Area will be sub-divided as under:-

	4 day leave	1 day leave.
GAZA TOWN	4	8
GAZA RIDGE	9	18
GAZA ROAD	12	24

4 Day Leave.

1 Day Leave.

Date	To	From	Maxim. No	To	From	Maxim. No.
21 Apr	Jerusalem	Julis	50	Jerusalem	Qastina	75
	Tel-Aviv	Qastina	50		Barbara	25
					Gaza	25
				Tel-Aviv	Julis	125
22 Apr	Jerusalem	Qastina	50	Jerusalem	Qastina	50
	Tel-Aviv	Julis	50		Barbara	150
					Gaza	50
				Tel-Aviv	Julis	250
23 Apr	Jerusalem	Julis	50	Jerusalem	Qastina	250
	Tel-Aviv	Qastina	50	Tel-Aviv	Julis	250
24 Apr	Jerusalem	Qastina	50	Jerusalem	Julis	250
	Tel-Aviv	Julis	50	Tel-Aviv	Qastina	250
25 Apr	Jerusalem	Julis	50	(Nil - Vide Adv 6 Aus Div Adm.		
	Tel-Aviv	Barbara	50	(Inst No. 23 para 7)		
26 Apr	Jerusalem	Barbara	50			
	Tel-Aviv	Julis	(25	Nil		
		Gaza	(25			
27 Apr	Jerusalem	Julis	(25			
		Gaza	(25	Nil		
	Tel-Aviv	Julis	50			

Leave Time Table No.4 - 2 -

Date	4 Day Leave To	From	Max. No.	1 Day Leave To	From	Max. No.
28 Apr	Jerusalem	Julis	50	Jerusalem	Julis	125
	Tel-Aviv	Qastina	50	Tel-Aviv	Qastina	75
					Barbara	25
					Gaza	25
29 Apr	Jerusalem	Qastina	50	Jerusalem	Julis	250
	Tel-Aviv	Julis	50	Tel-Aviv	Qastina	50
					Barbara	150
					Gaza	50
30 Apr	Jerusalem	Julis	50	Jerusalem	Julis	250
	Tel-Aviv	Qastina	50	Tel-Aviv	Qastina	250
1 May	Jerusalem	Qastina	50	Jerusalem	Qastina	50
	Tel Aviv	Julis	50		Barbara	150
					Gaza	50
				Tel-Aviv	Julis	250
2 May	Jerusalem	Julis	50	Jerusalem	Qastina	250
	Tel-Aviv	Barbara	50		Julis	250
3 May	Jerusalem	Barbara	50	NIL		
	Tel-Aviv	Julis	25			
		Gaza	25			
4 May	Jerusalem	Julis	25	NIL		
		Gaza	25			
	Tel-Aviv	Julis	50			

Gaza
19 Apr 40

for Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

ADV 6 AUS DIV.

AMENDMENTS TO ADV 6 AUS DIV ADM INST. No.23.

ANZAC DAY.

1. So that personnel of all denominations may participate in both DAWN and Morning Services to be held on Anzac Day, 25 Apr.40, the undermentioned amended services will be substituted for those shewn in paras 2 and 3 (b) of Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.23.

2. DAWN SERVICE

0430 hrs — Reveille.- Bugler provided by 16 Aus Inf Bde. On completion Senior Officer places wreath on the monument.

Last Post.- Sounded on bugle.

3. MORNING SERVICES IN CAMPS.

1100 hrs

Hymn - Abide with me
Address - by a selected officer.
"Recessional"
"Last Post"
Two minutes silence
"Reveille"
National Anthem
Troops march off.

for, Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

Gaza
20 Apr 40

Distribution List "B"

Duty Coy, Gaza.

2ND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMDG. ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza 20 Apr 40.

NO. 45.

GENERAL STAFF.

323. CENSORSHIP.- Ref Annexure to G.O. 162, Field Censorship, General Instructions - "Method of Censorship" - 2 (G), Units may employ the aid of official interpreters when franking correspondence in a "foreign language". (G.S.I. C.4/21)

Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

324. RAIL FARE DUE.- On 9 Apr 40 a Sgt. Major Burwell travelled without a ticket from Kantara East to El Majdal.

The unit to which this W.O. belongs will issue a warrant immediately and forward it to this H.Q.

325. DRESS.- Sleeves of Khaki Shirts which are worn with shorts will not be cut short. By day they will be rolled up; but, if worn after sundown, they must be fastened at the wrist.

Lt. Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

NOTICE.

During the Passover period, between 22 Apr 40 and 29 Apr 40, no Bread, Beer or Spirits will be sold in TEL-AVIV.

6 Aus Div

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BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMDG. ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza 22 Apr 40

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NOT TO BE PUBLISHED.

GENERAL STAFF.

326. D.R.L.S. (6 Aus Div Area.) - Ref Div R.O. No.149 dated 16 Mar 40, the D.R.L.S. will run daily in accordance with the following Time-table from and incl Wed 24 Apr 40:-

OUTWARD JOURNEY -	PLACE & PICKING-UP POINT	- INWARD JOURNEY
Dep. 1100	QASTINA D.R.L.S. OFFICE L.2	Arr. 1718
Arr. 1112	JULIS	Dep. 1706
Dep. 1117	Orderly Room, 16 Aus Inf Bde	Arr. 1701
Arr. 1130	BARBARA	Dep. 1648
Dep. 1135	Orderly Room, A.A.S.C.6 Aus Div.	Arr. 1643
Arr. 1140	BEIT JIRJA	Dep. 1638
Dep. 1145	R.E. DEPOT	Arr. 1633
Arr. 1200	GAZA ROAD (KILO 70)	Dep. 1618
Dep. 1205	Ord. Room SIGS ADV _ AUS DIV.	Arr. 1613
Arr. 1208	GAZA RIDGE	Dep. 1610
Dep. 1213	Ord. Room, 2/1 AUS GEN HOSP.	Arr. 1605
Arr. 1218	GAZA TOWN, SIGNAL OFFICE	Dep. 1600

327. SECURITY OFFICERS. - Units will submit through the usual channels, the names of the Security Offr appointed vide M.M.I. Pamph. 2 Sec III(i).

328. SECURITY. - Instances are reported of personnel leaving addresses with shops in which are associated the name of the unit and its location. All ranks will be informed that the ONLY address they can leave, whether in JERUSALEM or elsewhere in Palestine, is :-

NO.....Rank.....Name..... Unit.....

Army Postal Service,

PALESTINE.

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

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

329. COMPLIMENTARY. - The following copy of a letter received by the Brig. Comd from Lieut-General Sir Archibald Wavell is published:-

"I very much enjoyed my morning with you yesterday, and was very pleased with what I saw. The men looked well and business-like; and training and administration seemed to be going on good sound lines.

There will be some setbacks and difficulties, no doubt, but you have all obviously made a very good start and are putting your backs into it, and tackling your problems with keenness and common-sense.

Good luck."

330. RUGBY MATCH - SYRIA. - The following personnel who have been selected to play in the above match will report to H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde Julis by 1100 hrs on TUESDAY 23 Apr 40.

H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde will arrange for necessary quartering and rationing :-

Team -	Capt. Dunlop	[illegible] Overseas Base.
	Capt, Hackson	2/1 Bn
	Capt Loughlan	2/4 Bn
	Lt. Hassett	2/3 Bn
	Lt. B. Travers	2/2 Bn
	Lt. W. Travers	2/1 Bn
	Sgt. Campbell	2/2 Bn
	Pte Maxwell	2/2 Bn
	Drv. McElhone	A.S.C.
	Pte McIver	2/3 Bn
	Pte Featherstonehough	2/1 Fd Regt
	Pte. Matchett	Recce Regt
	Pte Wand	2/1 Bn
	Pte Long	A.M.C.
	Sigmn Dunbar	Sigs
Reserves-		
	Pte Evans	2/2 Bn
	Pte Kenelly	2/2 Bn
	Pte Stewart	2/1 Bn
	Pte Bennett	2/1 Bn

for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO 4.

ALLOTMENT OF TRAINING AREAS

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

6 A.I.F. TRAINING AREAS.

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

2. This area is subdivided into two sub-areas
(a) Div Training Area.
(b) Formation and unit training areas by camps as detailed in para 3 (see also attached sketch).

3. Allotment of Training Areas within the Formation.

(a) Div Training Area (Area A)
The area bounded on the NORTH and EAST by the GAZA Civil District boundary and the TRANSJORDAN border; on the SOUTH-WEST by the EGYPTIAN border and on the WEST by the line from 12931154 - all incl IRAQ al MANSHIYA 12951128 - RUHAMA 12681009 - TRIG 185 11620942 - TEIL ABU HUREIRA 11300877 thence road to EL ESH SHELLALE 10150800 thence line of WADI GHAZZA to coast at 09050969 - thence coast to 07560816, is reserved for Div Training and for exercises conducted under Div arrangements.
It will on NO account be used for subordinate or unit training exercises without permission from Div H.Q.

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

Formations and units located in:-	Training Area The area between the WESTERN limits of Div area (see para 3(; above) and the co ; with NORTHERN and SOUTHERN limits as follows:-
(i) Camp CASTINA (Area "B")	Northern limits GAZA Civil Boundary. Southern limits all excl line of WADI from 13301170 through JALADIYA 12631223 to DEIR DARAS 12601256 thence road to incl ISDUD 11801282 - coast at 11331305.
(ii) Capt JULIS (Area "C")	Northern limits Southern limits 3(b)(i). Southern limits all incl road from IRAQ al MANSHIYA 12951128 - IRAQ SUWEIDAN 12101174 - BEIT TIMA 11581146 - AL MAJDAL 11101199 - AL JURA 10791196 - EL MILDRA 10701159.
(iii) Camp BARBARA " DEIR SIRSA (Area "D")	Northern limits Southern limits 3(b)(ii). Southern limits all incl road from RUHAMA 12951000 to point 11801056 thence line of WADI HESI to coast.
(iv) Camp DEIR SUNSED (Area "E")	Northern limits Southern limit 3 (b)(iii). Southern limits all incl road from PK 108 at SUNSET to TRIG 207 10900990 - thence line to excl BEIT HANUN 10601035 - coast at TRIG 22 10010035.
(v) Camp GAZA ROAD (Kilo 70) Camp GAZA RIDGE) GAZA TOWN (Area "F").	Northern limits Southern limits 3 (b)(iv). Southern limits all incl WADI GHAZZI from EL ESH SHELLALE 10150800 to coast at 09050969.

MOVEMENT OUTSIDE CAMP TRAINING AREAS.

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

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

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

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

TRAINING BEYOND 6 AUS DIV LIMITS.

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

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

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

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

SECURITY MEASURES.

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

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

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

(i) In camp training areas (vide para 3(b) above) Two men armed with rifles will accompany each Coy or equivalent unit; with 50 rds secured in a cloth bandolier.
(ii) 6 Aus Div Training Area (vide para 3(a) above). The equivalent [illegible] per coy or equivalent unit will be armed with rifles and L.M.G.; 50 rds per man carried secured in a cloth bandolier. Ammn for LMG to come from the 1000 rd box (see (iii) below).
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(iv) No other ball ammn will be carried.

ACTION WHEN BLANK AMMN IS CARRIED.

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

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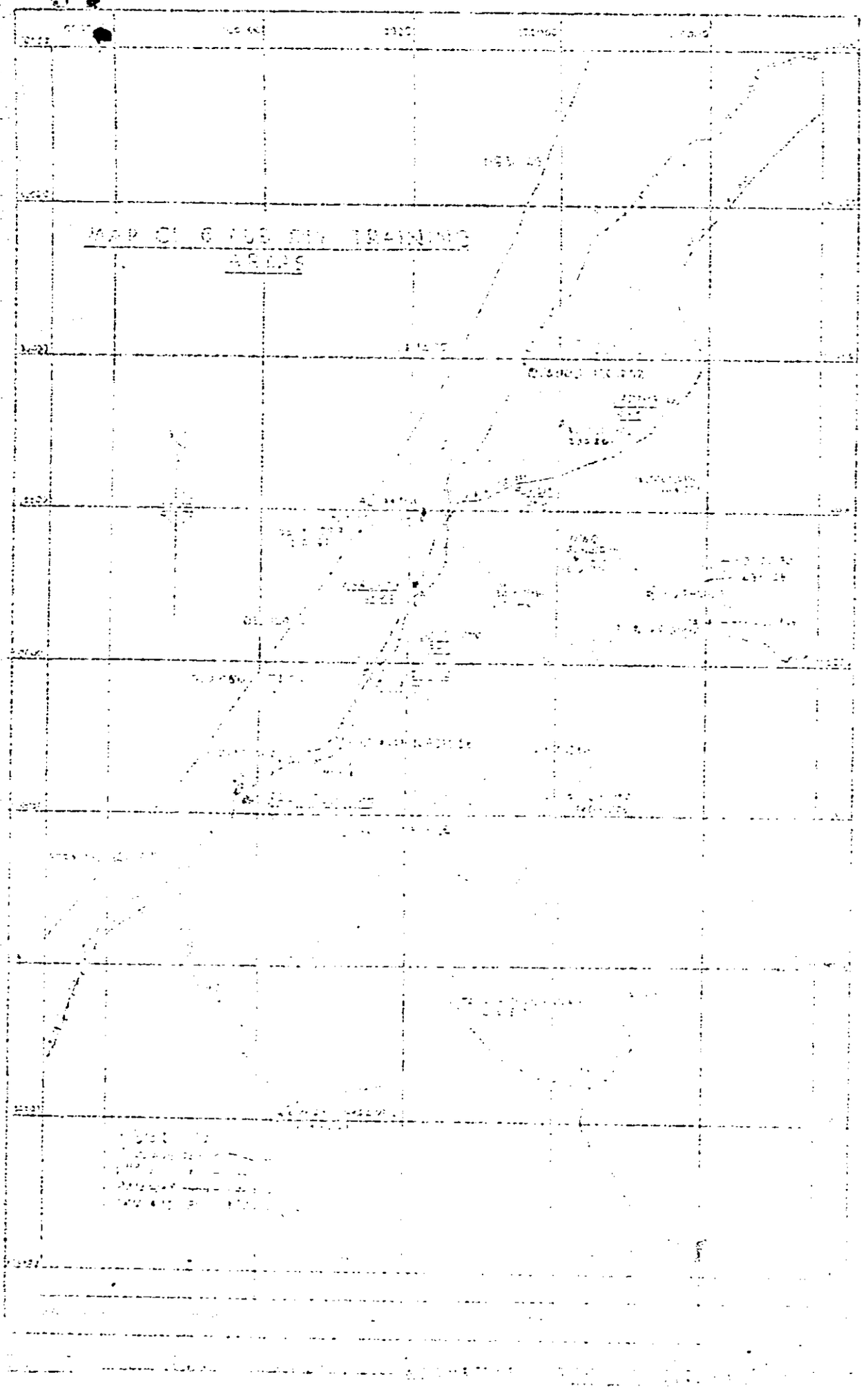
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GAZA.
21 Apr 40.

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6 AUS DIV

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO 4.

ALLOTMENT OF TRAINING AREAS

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(ii) Capt JULIS (Area "C")	Northern limits Southern limits 3(b)(i). Southern limits all incl road from IRAQ al MANSHIYA 12951128 - IRAQ SUWEIDAN 12101174 - BEIT HIMA 11581146 - AL MAJDAL 11101189 - AL JURA 10791196 - SH HMADNA 10702132.
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(iv) Camp DEIR SUNEID (Area "E")	Northern limits Southern limit 3 (b)(iii). Southern limits all incl road from pt 185 at WADI AIN to TRIG 10900990 - thence line to excl BEIT FARUN 10601056 - coast at TRIG 22 10001036.
(v) Camp GAZA ROAD (Kilo 70) Camp GAZA RIDGE) GAZA TOWN (Area "F").	Northern limits Southern limits 3 (b)(iv). Southern limits all incl WADI GHAZZI AREA BIR ESH SHELLALE 10150800 to coast at 09950969.

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Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

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EFM BRIGADIER ALLEN AIF JERUSALEM.

STATE PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE TASMANIAN BRANCH RETURNED SOLDIERS LEAGUE SEND CORDIAL GREETINGS TWENTYFIFTH ANNIVERSARY ANZAC STOP CONFIDENT SAME ILLUSTRIOUS AND INDOMITABLE SPIRIT PER) MEATES NEW A I F AND THE TRADITIONS INSPIRED BY APRIL 1915 IN SAFE KEEPING WITH YOUR BOYS

MULLEN STATE PRESIDENT.

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CABLE.

TO: MINISTER FOR THE ARMY
VICTORIA BARRACKS
MELBOURNE

23/4

FROM: AUSFORCE

We, the members of the 2nd AIF now stationed overseas, are commemorating Anzac Day at the gravesides of Australian soldiers in the beautifully kept War Cemeteries of Palestine stop We realise this is a unique and inspiring occasion and I am impressed by the eagerness of the troops here to pay tribute to the memory of Australians who fell in the Great War, in defence of the ideals which we are again fighting for

ALLEN.

2ND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza — 23 Apr 40

NO.47

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED.

GENERAL STAFF.

331. FIELD CENSORSHIP - GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS.- A ruling on the interpretation of the word "civilians" as laid down in 3 B(iii) of the above instructions is given below:-

(1) The term civilians will include all personnel permanently and regularly employed in offices, by H.M. Forces.

(2) In the case of the N.A.A.F.I. this term will include counter staff also.

(3) Units will ensure that a scheme is in readiness which will rapidly include all other employees not under the category in para (1) should the occasion arise.

(4) It is realised that difficulty will be experienced in enforcing these instructions. Units are therefore instructed to warn all such employees of the regulations in force regarding censorship and posting and that any infringement of these instructions brought to light by the Civil Postal authorities or any other source, may entail dismissal.

Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF

332. RECOMMENDATION FOR MEDICAL BOARDS.- The procedure of recommendation for Medical Boards will be as follows:- The R.M.O. of the Unit will complete in detail Parts 1, 2 and 3 of A.F. B179 and forward it to A.D.M.S. 6 Aus Div., who will approve or recommend further procedure. Units will indent for a supply of these forms, a small quantity of which may be obtained, as a temporary measure, from 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp.

333. DRESS.- Summer Dress will be worn as from 23 Apr 40.

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

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6 AUS DIV

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO 5

PUBLICATIONS.

GENERAL.

1. Advice has been received that a quantity of publications for issue to 6 Aus Div and attached troops have arrived from the War Office.

2. It is NOT known whether the full scale will be available for issue, but where this is NOT the case, issue will be made on a pro rata basis.

SCALES OF ISSUE.

3. (a) All manuals are issued to units as a pool for further issue by C.Os. Four general scales are in force:-

Scale A - One copy to bns and independent coys.
" B - "A" plus copies for Sqn, Coy etc offices.
" C - "B" plus copies for offrs.
" D - "C" plus copies for NCOs down to and incl Cpls.

The numbers under these scales, for Australian units, are shown in Appx "A" attached.

(b) Military Training Pamphlets, Engineering Pamphlets, Specimen S.Os. and Army Training Memoranda are issued on a scale laid down by the War Office, details of which are NOT known.

APPLICATION OF THE SCALES OF ISSUE.

4. Publications listed in Appx "B" attached are classified as "F.S.R.", "All Arms", "Manuals Peculiar to the Arms" Series and Handbooks. The Capital letter appearing opposite each publication indicates the maximum scale of issue that can be expected, as modified by "Remarks".

CARE OF PUBLICATIONS.

5. (a) It is notified that the publications to be issued represent all that can be expected for some considerable time; no pool is being held at Div H.Q.

Formations and units will therefore make judicious use of the publications issued and should retain their own pool for emergency purposes.

(b) Publications are NOT to be considered in any way a "personal" issue and steps will be taken to ensure that personnel leaving the unit, on secondment or casualty, return the publications on issue to them to the unit pool, before departure.

Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

GAZA.
23 Apr 40.

Distribution.
List "A"
Spa re (G Branch) 20..

SHEET 1. APPENDIX 'A'.

6 AUS DIV and ATTACHED NON-DIVISIONAL TPS.
DETAILS OF SCALES A - D FOR TRAINING MANUALS
AND HAND BOOKS.

SERIAL NO.	FORMATION OR UNIT	SCALES A	B	C	D	D SGTS ONLY
	6 AUS DIV					
1	H.Q. 6 AUS DIV	1	2	27	43	37
2	INT SEC 6 AUS DIV	1	2	4	13	12
3	HQ 16 AUS INF BDE	1	2	12	25	22
4	HQ 17 AUS INF BDE	1	2	12	25	22
5	HQ 18 AUS INF BDE	1	2	12	25	22
6	HQ 19 AUS INF BDE	1	2	12	25	22
7	HQ RAA 6 AUS DIV	1	2	8	9	9
8	HQ RAE 6 AUS DIV	1	2	9	13	12
9	HQ ASC 6 AUS DIV	1	4	11	19	13
10	6 AUS DIV RECCE RT	1	5	36	133	70
11	2/1 Fd Regt.	1	7	41	145	83
12	2/2 Fd Regt.	1	7	41	145	83
13	2/3 Fd Regt	1	7	41	145	83
14	2/1 FD PK COY	1	2	5	22	12
15	2/1 FD COY	1	2	7	36	14
16	2/2 FD COY	1	2	7	36	14
17	2/3 FD COY	1	2	7	36	14
18	SIGS 6 AUS DIV	1	4	26	86	53
19	6 AUS DIV RECCE REGT SIG SEC	0	1	3	4	4
20	2/1 BN.	1	6	40	147	85
21	2/2 BN	1	6	40	147	85
22	2/3 BN	1	6	40	147	85
23	2/4 BN	1	6	40	147	85
24	2/5 BN	1	6	40	147	85
25	2/6 BN	1	6	40	147	85
26	2/7 BN	1	6	40	147	85
27	2/8 BN	1	6	40	147	85
28	2/9 BN	1	6	40	147	85
29	2/10 BN	1	6	40	147	85
30	2/11 BN	1	6	40	147	85
31	2/12 BN	1	6	40	147	85
32	6 AUS DIV AMM COY	1	2	13	67	33
33	6 AUS DIV PET COY	1	2	11	55	30

SERIAL NO.	FORMATION OR UNIT	SCALES A	B	C	D	D SGTS ONLY
34	6 AUS DIV SUP COLN	1	2	18	100	53
35	(2/1 FD AMB	1	2	14	44	32
36	(2/2 FD AMB	1	2	14	44	32
37	(2/3 FD AMB	1	2	14	44	32
38	(2/1 FD HYG SEC	1	2	3	14	7
39	6 AUS DIV FD CASH OF.	0	1	2	13	7
40	6 AUS DIV PROV COY	0	1	3	23	11
41	6 AUS DIV POST UNIT	0	1	2	9	4
42	(39 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
43	(40 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
44	(41 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
45	(42 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
46	(43 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
47	(44 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
48	(45 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
49	(46 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
50	(47 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
51	(48 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
52	(49 L.A.D.	0	1	2	3	3
	NON DIVISIONAL UNITS					
53	(A.I.L SEC	1	2	4	4	4
54	(2/5 A/TK REGT	1	3	33	138	72
55	(HQ CORPS SIGS	1	2	6	9	9
56	(HQ NO1 COY SIGS	1	2	4	7	6
57	(HQ NO2 COY SIGS	1	2	4	7	6
58	(COMD. SEC	0	1	2	8	4
59	(D.R. SEC	0	1	2	5	3
60	(W/T SEC	0	1	2	8	4
61	(LINE M'TCE SEC	0	1	2	6	4
62	(OPERATING SEC.	0	1	2	6	4
63	(MECH CABLE SEC	0	1	2	6	4
64	(TECH M'TCE SEC	0	1	2	5	3
65	A/TK REGT SIG SEC	0	1	2	9	3

SERIAL N O.	FORMATION OR UNIT	SCALES A	B	C	D	D SGTS ONLY.	
66	M.G. BN	1	5	35	132	84	
67	DIV AMN SUB PK	1	1	8	49	22	
68	DET CORPS SUP CLM	0	0	0	2	0	
69	DET " TPS AMN CLM	0	0	0	2	0	
70	DET " " " SUB PK	0	0	0	2	0	
71	2/1 C.C.S.	1	1	13	29	24	
72	2/1 A.FD WHSHP	1	1	13	100	78	
73	DIV SEC ORD FD PK	1	1	4	10	7	
	L. of C. UNITS.						
74	HQ AUS O/SEAS BASE	3	10	42	100	100	if available
75	INF & GEN BASE DEP	1	3	10	25	25	
76	1 AUS GEN HOSP	1	2	26	52	50	
77	2 AUS GEN HOSP	1	2	38	85	79	
78	1 CONV DEPOT	1	2	13	31	29	
79	ADV DEP MED STORES	1	1	2	5	3	
80	DENTAL UNIT	1	1	2	5	3	
81	ORD STORE COY	1	3	5	13	10	

I. F.S.R. SERIES.

APPENDIX 'B'

	Scale		Remarks
Employment of Air Forces with the Army in the field	B.		
Field Service Pocket Book:			
Pamphlets Nos 1 to 11	D(a)	(a)	Down to sergeants only.
" No 9A	B(b)	(b)	Certain units specified in the list printed in the pamphlet receive a wider issue
" No 12			
Field Service Regulations:			
Volume I	C		
" II	C		
" III	B		
Military Intelligence in the Field:(Pamphlets Nos 1 - 3)	B		
Manual of Movement (War)	B		
Protection againstGas and Air Raids	B		
Pamphlets Nos 1 - 3	D		

II. ALL ARMS SERIES.

Ceremonial	B (c)	(c)	Plus 3 per company
Driving & M'tenance for Mechanical vehicles: Wheeled	C (d)	(d)	Plus 14 & 2 per coy in mechanised and non-mechanised units respectively.
Tracked	B (z)	(z)	Plus 35 for R.A.C. infantry motor battalions, & R.A. regiments with tracked dragons.
Elementary Drill (all arms)	D (e)	(e)	Plus 25 per battalion.
Field engineering Vol I(allarms)	B (f)	(f)	Scale C admissible if required (See under part III for Royal Engrs.Scale C requested.)
Horsemastership,Equitation and animal Transport	B (g)	(g)	For horsed units.Plus 2 per squadron.
Notes on Map reading	D (h)	(h)	Excl officers;Plus 50 per Bn.
Map reading,Photo reading and Field Sketching	B (f)		Scale B requested.
Physical Training 1937	A		
Signal Training(All arms)	B (j)	(j)	Plus 6 per battalion
Small arms Training Vol I	D (k)	(k)	For all pamphlets with which unit is armed; Recce Regt((Bren,A.Tk Rifle,Rifle,Pistol Webley ,455. Inf Bns - as for Recce Regt plus Vickers HMG in Carrier Gp.
Small arms Training: Vol II (for Lewis Gun)	D (l)	(l)	For Units so equipped. See Appendix'A'.
" V,S.A.Range Regulations	A		
Training Regulations	C		
Notes on prevention of damage to manoeuvre areas	C		
Notes for Instructors on the Principles of Instruction	D		

III. MANUALS PECULIAR TO THE ARMS.

	Scale for arms concerned.	Scale for other arms	Remarks.
Cavalry (Horsed)	D (m)	A.	(m)Plus 50 per rgt. (Req.for Recce Rgt)
Cavalry Section leading Cavalry Training(Horsed)	D	A.	(Nil required)
Royal Armoured Corps. Crew Drill for vehicle with which equipped	D		(Armed Scout Carriers)

MANUALS PECULIAR TO THE ARMS (cont)

TANK TRAINING. Vol II. Parts I,II & III, in a common binder,each part consisting of a series of Pamphlets Part I (Gunnery) Part II(Range Practices,Part III(Weapons)	D.	Not required.

ROYAL ARTILLERY.
(a) A.A.&C.D. Branches not incl.
(b) Field Branch

Artillery Code	D	
Arty.Survey,Manual of,Part I	B (n)	(n)Survey units 1 per surveyor plus 10%
do. do. " II	B (n)(p)	(p)Plus 12 per regt.
Artillery Training:		
Vol I Pamphlets 1 - 7	D (B)x	(x) Nos 3 - 6 Only
Vol II Gunnery	D	
Gun drill for equip.with which armd.	D	
Flash-spotting, Manual of	A (n) (y)	

ROYAL ENGINEERS.

Engineer Training	D A.	
Fiels Engineering		
Vol.I (all arms)	D (p)	(p) see under"all arms"
Vol.II (R.E.)	D	
Military Engineering		
Vols II to VIII (Vol III in 2 pts.-Pt II series of pamphlets on Equipments for Bridging).	D. (a) (q)	(q)Vol III to Cpls also.
R,E,Pocket Book	C.	

ROYAL CORPS OF SIGNALS

Signal Training		
Vol I, War & Training	C. A (s).	(s)Royal Armoured Corps scale B.Applies to Recce Regt)
Vol II,in 3 pts., with Supplement to Part II.	D. A (s).	
Vol III, a series of pamphlets on equipments	D (a)(r).A(r) (s)(t).	(r) Plus 1 per instrument on charge. (Aus pattern 1 & 9 sets on charge.
Vol IV,Construction & maintenance of Lines	D(a). A(s).	(t)R.E.vol III only)
Vol V, Signal Office organisation & procedure	D(a). A(s).	

INFANTRY.

Infantry Section Leading	D(u)	(u)Plus 56 per Bn.
Infantry training	D. B.	

ROYAL ARMY SERVICE CORPS

Ammunition Handbook for R.A.S.C.	D(a)
R.A.S.C. Training	
Vol I.Training & War	D(a)
Vol II. Supplies	D(a)
Vol IV (b) & (c)	C

HANDBOOKS.

Gun Handbooks for equipment(s) with which Unit is armed.	A+	+Plus 15 per battery. (18 pr.& 4.5 How)
Range Tables,Part I,for equipment(s) with which Unit is armed	A+	
Range Tables, Part II	D	
Artillery Instruments		2 per battery of equipment with which armed.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO.27.

NAMES OF CAMP SUB-AREAS.

1. In order to avoid the confusion occasioned by calling Sub-areas L.1, L.2 etc in each main camp, it has been decided to give names, as set out in Appendix "A", to each unit sub-area, except H.Q. Sub-areas. These latter will be known as "H.Q. Lines, Julis, etc."

2. When it is necessary to refer to a Sub-area it will be described as "GELLIBRAND (or as the case may be) Lines"; whereas the whole camp will be referred to as "QASTINA, etc Camp". The use of L.1, L.2, etc will be discontinued.

3. Arrangements are in hand for the painting of notice boards for each sub-area.

for Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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Distribution: List "A"
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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO.27. -

APPENDIX "A"

ALLOCATION OF NAMES TO SUB-AREAS. -

Camp.		Name Allotted.	
QASTINA	L.1	FOOTT	Lines
	2	CHAUVEL	"
	3	CANNAN	"
	4	MACLAGEN	"
	5	BRAND	"
JULIS.	L.1	MONASH	Lines
	2	GODDARD	"
	3	GELLIBRAND	"
	4	HOBBS	"
	5	LEANE	"
BARBARA	L.1	COXEN	Lines
	2	WISDOM	"
	3	ROSENTHAL	"
BEIT JIRJA			
	L.1	GLASGOW	Lines
	2	LEGGE	"
	3	ROYSTON	"
	4	GRIMWADE	"
	5	ELLIOTT	"
DEIR SUNEID			
	L.1	BRIDGES	Lines
	2	ANDERSON	"
	4	BURGESS	"
KILO 70	L.1	SQUIRES	Lines
	2	HERRING	"
	3	RYRIE	"
	4	HOLMES	"
	5	HEANE	"
GAZA RIDGE			
2/1 Aus. Gen Hosp		HOWSE	Lines
2/2 " " "		FEATHERSTONE	"
2/1 C.C.S.		BARKER	"
2/3 Aus Spec Hosp		WILLIAMS	"

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ADV 6 AUS DIV.

Copy No. 18

Weekly Intelligence Summary No. 9.

FROM 1800 HRS 13 APR 40 TO 1800 HRS 19 APR 40.

1. GENERAL - This week has been a quiet one from the political and security point of view. The celebration of NEBI MOUSSA on Wed 24 Apr obtained very little support from the population of GAZA. The feast of EL-MOUULED caused no disorders or disturbances.

2. SUMMARY.- 14 Apr. Safe stolen from camp QASTINA.
15 Apr. 1 case accidental death, GAZA.
17 Apr. Inter-family quarrel at KHAN YUNIS no one seriously injured.
19 Apr. 12 lbs explosives, 3 empty .303 cases in house HEMMA HAJ MOHD ZAKOOT of IRAQ EL MANSHIEH.

3. LOCATION.- As notified in our W.I.S. No.8 with the following amendments:-

JULIS 119122	2/1 Bn less B. Coy 2/2 Bn 2/3 Bn 2/4 Bn less A. Coy
BARBARA 112118	A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div. Aus Base Ord Depot
BEIT JIRGA 109112	A. Coy 2/4 Bn, less 1 Pl.
DEIR SUNEID 106106	B. Sqn Recce Regt 6 Aus Div
GAZA ROAD 103103	Sigs 6 Aus Div 1 Pl. B. Coy 2/1 Bn.
GAZA TOWN 099101	B. Coy 2/1 Bn less 1 Pl.
JERUSALEM 171133	1 Pl. A. Coy 2/4 Bn.
QASTINA 127126	6 Aus Div Recce Regt, less B Sqn.

4. ARMS. - Arms surrendered GAZA District.

	Rifles.	Revolvers.
GAZA Sub-district	-	1
BEERSHEBA Sub-district.	14	1
	14	2

G. McConnell Walker
Capt.
D.I.O. 6 Aus Div.

Distribution:-

16 Aus Inf Bde	Copy No.1
6 Aus Div Recce Regt	" " 2
2/1 Fd Regt	" " 3
Force H.Q.	" " 4 - 6
Jerusalem Area	" " 7
1 Hamps, Hebron	" " 8
D.C. Gaza	" " 9
A.D.C. Beersheba	" " 10
Police, GAZA	" " 11-15
S.S.O. JAFFA	" " 16
Aus Overseas Base	" " 17
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RADIO ADDRESS By Brig. A.S. ALLEN, D.S.O., V.D.,

On 25th April 1940.

1. I want to talk to you tonight about Anzac Day; to tell you something of how this Day is commemorated in Australia; what it stands for, and what it means in Australia's national life.

NAME 2. The name ANZAC originated in the desire to obtain a short and convenient name for the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps. Well ! We finally decided to use the first letter in each of the chief words in the name of the Corps; result :- ANZAC. This name afterwards was also given to that part of Gallipoli where the Corps landed, and to one of the beaches there.

LANDING 3. On the 25th April 1915 (Twenty five years ago today) the Anzac Corps, comprising Australian and New Zealand troops, who had been training for months previously in Egypt, landed at dawn in Gallipoli, supported by the Royal Navy.
For a considerable period prior to this, ships of the Royal Navy and French Warships, had bombarded the ~~fronts~~ of the Dardanelles in an endeavour to force a passage and reach Constantinople.

For various reasons this had been unsuccessful, and it was finally decided to carry out a combined military and naval operation.

The Task of the Anzacs was to effect a landing near Gíba Tipe, and advance inland across the Gallipoli peninsula towards Mardos. English Troops were landing at the same time at Cape Hflles at the Southern extremity of the Gallipoli peninsula.

Owing to the previous naval operations, and the fact that our Military Forces lay in Mudros Harbour in Lemnos Island for a considerable time, our projected operation was anticipated by the Turks, who disposed their military forces to meet it, wherever it might come.

By sheer tenacity and courage, however, the Anzac Corps succeeded in effecting a landing, and holding their position for several months against tremendous odds.

History tells us that this achievement, by the Anzac Corps, was worthy of the best traditions of the British Army; that the Anzacs won lasting fame, and set up a standard of bravery, determination and resource, for all who follow them. They were accepted as equal to the best fighting forces of the British Empire.

Esprit de Corps. 4. Having won their spurs in this action, the Anzacs continued during the rest of the war, to enhance their reputation as soldiers.

A tremendously fine ~~Esprit~~ Esprit de Corps developed during these years, which culminated in what is now known as the Anzac spirit. This "spirit" has, during the past 25 years, welded the Australian and New Zealand Nations into one solid outpost of

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the British Empire, and it is unthinkable, that in the event of further fighting in this, or future wars they will not again be United, and fight side by side.

TURKISH ARMY

5. I would like here to pay a tribute to the Turkish soldier for his bravery and determination. He was a hard fighter. As in sport we like our opponents to play the game and play it hard, so in all our actions against the Turks they fought in that way.

I must say that

We are very pleased indeed to know that the Turks are our friends in this war, and hope that they will be fighting alongside us this time.

ORIGIN OF ANZAC DAY.

6. Having attained its majority inthe family of the British Commonwealth of Nations, Australia desired to commemorate the occasion; and the particular date chosen as its national day was the 25th April, which was the day that Australia as a nation - at war to the last man and last shilling - received her baptism of battle.

ANZAC DAY IN AUSTRALIA.

7. I would like to emphasize that Anzac Day is in no way regarded as an occasion for celebration.

We commemorate the day, we do not celebrate it,

There is a big difference.

To my mind there is nothing about War that calls for celebration, in the gay, triumphant sense.

Let me say further, there is nothing on the Earth so completely devoid of glamour as War.

SO MAKE NO MISTAKE THEN ABOUT THE SPIRIT WHICH PROMPTS SUCH UNIVERSAL HOMAGE OF ANZAC DAY IN AUSTRALIA.

It is not a day of flag-flapping and acclamation. It is a day filled with quiet. In actual fact it is an "In Memoriam" day.

Behind it all is the aim to emphasise the lessons taught and learned in a conflict which we of the British Commonwealth of Nations thought we had good reason to believe would never be repeated.

but
Well ..... you all know that was not to be.

For reasons precisely similar to those that caused the last upheaval - a madman's overweening appetite for power - we have again been plunged into war.

And now again we are commemorating Anzac Day in the same unhappy circumstances that surrounded the commemoration of the first.

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The first anniversary of Anzac Day was in 1916 - the year after the landing at Gallipoli. Primarily it was held as a memorial service to the men who ~~had fallen in the Peninsular campaign~~ fell here.

But as the years went on and Australia's part in the war widened, the significance of Anzac Day widened, too. It became a memorial to Australia's part in the whole War; a symbol of her sacrifice in all those four years of 1914-18.

Now it has become Australia's truly National Day, as firmly fixed in the calendar as Christmas Day and Good Friday.

It is a solemn tribute to those Australians who were levelled in battle; a thanksgiving for those who were spared to return - and a gesture of gratitude to them all.

One great thing about Anzac Day is that it is kept completely free from any political association. It rises above all factional interests. It is not exploited in any form whatever. No sectarian ~~flavor~~ one intrudes upon it, and it has a truly religious flavour.

All the churches take a very active part in observing the day. I doubt whether there is a single church in the whole Australian continent in which there is no service ~~held on this day~~ has been held today.

And so the commemoration is on a thoroughly undenominational basis. The one text of all services is the Anzac tradition and the one wish expressed in all prayers is for peace.
~~Nationally~~ Nationally it is specially the great day in the year for the Anzac soldier himself.

This fellow, I might say, is getting on in years. In many cases he has entered the grandfather stage; in most cases he's going a bit grey.

But no matter how old he is, or how far out in the back country he may be settled, he rarely fails to take time off for Anzac Day .... even when he can't afford another holiday in the year.

Here is a story that will illustrate for you the tremendous pull Anzac Day still has on the ageing chap who answered the call last time.

Out in the north west of Australia in the rugged Kimberley district there is an old soldier prospecting for gold more than 300 miles from the nearest township.

~~This town~~ which is called Halls Creek, one of Australia's remotest outposts.

Every year this "Digger" packs his horses a few weeks before Anzac Day and makes his way into Halls Creek to attend the Dawn Service held by a handful of miners and cattle-drovers.

This trip is the only concession he now makes to civilisation.

And
~~He's~~ .../

and he's made his annual pilgrimage for years over country more rugged than your blue Judean Hills.

I expect he was there in Halls Creek this morning, doffing his dusty old felt hat to the memory of the comrades he had to leave behind him - some of them in your own beautiful war cemeteries here, some of them in France.

In my own State of New South Wales there are scores of men who travel each year hundreds of miles from their outback sheep stations, farms and country towns, so that they can stand before the Cenotaph in Sydney at Dawn - and REMEMBER.

I might mention here that the Returned Soldiers League of Australia is a powerful force in Australian life ~~today~~. It has headquarters in all cities, and I'm glad to be able to say that all its activities are devoted towards enterprises of a thoroughly national character. Its work includes looking after the Returned Soldier who falls on evil times; the education of soldiers' children and the helping of soldiers' widows.

~~XXX~~
Britain's peace efforts had no more staunch supporter than the Returned Soldiers' League of Australia. But now the gage of battle has been taken ~~up~~ up again, the Empire has not a stronger supporter ~~of its War aims than we Australians~~.

You must excuse the little diversion. I can never let an opportunity slip by without telling people about the Australian Returned Soldier. To me he's always the really Important Australian.

And now to get back to Anzac Day.

In ~~Adelaide~~ Sydney and Melbourne - I mention these two cities because I know them better than the others and, in any case, they are typical of the rest - the Dawn Services are attended by crowds of 50,000 and upwards. While in Sydney, at the forenoon open air service, held after the march through the streets, I have seen crowds of up to 300,000 people, assmebled to pay homage to our fallen comrades.

But these public commemoration services are not the only tributes paid in Australia.

In the several military hospitals in Australia, after 22 years of peace, there are still some hundreds of returned soldiers who have not walked since the day they were carried from the battlefield to the dressing station.

They will never walk; ~~and~~ nor these men, from their beds and with the nurses standing beside them, observe the day. You might think these men would have bitter thoughts these days. They haven't, not

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I visited many of them just before I left Australia. They were disappointed certainly. ~~But only~~ disappointed because they couldn't be in it again. But they charged me with the task of completing the job that they thought they had completed in the last war. ~~There were~~ The sons of many of them are under my command in Palestine today.

We Australians in Palestine are proud to have taken part in these services today. They could not have been ~~xxxxxxxxxxxx~~ held in more appropriate surroundings. It has been an experience which none of us will ever forget.

OUR PRESENCE HERE AGAIN

8. From what I have said you will be satisfied in your minds that, Australia is a peace loving country. She does not look for war. She is nevertheless determined ~~xx~~ to play her part again, with all the resources at her disposal to help to win this war and to ensure a lasting peace for the world. We are again in the middle East, and again at war with Germany to fight for the same ideals, decency, freedom and honour among nations, which animated the first A.I.F. twenty five years ago.

We have reaffirmed in our hearts the determination to fight for those ideals with the same high courage and strength that ennobled the deeds of the Australian soldier in the years 1914 to 1918.
Whatever the future holds no one can say, but I know that whatever is to come, the great traditions established by the original Anzacs will be safe in the hands of the 2nd Australian Imperial Force.

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ANZAC DAY - TEL AVIV. 25 APR 40.

The following arrangements are made for ANZAC DAY, 25 Apr 40 at TEL AVIV:-

1. PERSONNEL.

The following personnel will attend from 6 AUS DIV.

JULIS CAMP	:	125 all ranks and ONE band.
BARBARA CAMP	:	50 all ranks.
SIGS 6 AUS DIV	:	25 all ranks.
ADV H.Q. 6 AUS DIV (incl Duty Coy)	:	25 all ranks
2/1 Aus Gen Hosp.	:	25 all ranks.
		250 plus one band.

2. O/C PARTY.

Lieut.Col. P.A. Parsons V.D., 2/4 Bn., will be in command of party and in charge of the convoy to and from TEL AVIV and during the march. He will be responsible for conduct of troops during stay in TEL AVIV.

3. SECURITY.

(a) 16 Aus Inf Bde. will detail a picquet of 1 Offr, 2 Sgts, 2 Cpls. and 20 O.R's, exclusive of above party. Picquet will travel in a bus with convoy. They will NOT take part in the march.

(b) Attention is drawn to Adv 6 Aus Div Admin. Instn. No 13.

4. DRESS.

Service Dress with belts. NO arms will be carried except for security purposes.

5. MOVEMENT.

(a) FORWARD JOURNEY.

Buses to convey personnel to TEL AVIV will be arranged for by ADV H.Q. 6 AUS DIV.
16 AUS INF BDE will arrange for ONE 30 cwt. lorry for carriage of band instruments.

(b) Buses will call at the following camps at the following times. Troops will be ready to embus when buses arrive.

JULIS CAMP	: 0915	6 Buses 1 - 30 cwt lorry.	
BARBARA CAMP	: 0900	2 Buses	
SIGS 6 AUS DIV	: 0825	1 Bus	
ADV 6 AUS DIV H.Q.	: 0815	1 Bus	
2/1 AUS GEN HOSP	: 0815	1 Bus	
		11	One 30 cwt lorry

Total vehicles 12.

(c) RENDEZVOUS.

Buses will rendezvous on GAZA- JERUSALEM ROAD at JULIS CAMP facing NORTH. All will move as a convoy.
O/C Convoy will arrange for a marker to be in attendance at JULIS CAMP to halt buses.
CONVOY WILL MOVE at 0920 hrs and proceed to TEL AVIV.

6. ASSEMBLY AREA.

(d) Troops will debus on SEA FRONT at bottom of ALLENBY ROAD.

(e) Arms will be handed over to 6 AUS DIV PROV COY. at ASSEMBLY AREA.

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7. GUIDES.

Guides for march etc. will be provided by 6 AUS DIV PROV COY. They will meet convoy on entering TEL AVIV at SARAFAND ROUNDABOUT, and guide it to ASSEMBLY AREA.

(f) RETURN JOURNEY.

Personnel will embus at POLICE BARRACKS HAYARKON STREET, TEL AVIV, at 1830 on 25 Apr 1940 for return to camps.

8. PROGRAMME.

Details of Programme given hereunder.

9. BUSES.

After troops have been debussed on arrival at TEL AVIV, buses will proceed to AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS CLUB and park ina space to be allotted, until troops embus for LEVANT GROUNDS. After troops have debussed at LEVANT GROUNDS, buses will be under control of O/C Party.

PROGRAMME.

For Anzac Day at TEL AVIV 25 Apr 40.

1.	1025	Arrive TEL AVIV, led by guides from 6 AUS DIV PROV COY, to debussing point at bottom of ALLENBY RD. ON SEA FRONT.
2.	1035	March to DISENGOFF CIRCLE.
3.		Salute to be taken in ALLENBY ROAD,
4.	1100	Service at DISENGOFF CIRCLE. Hymn - Abide with Me. Address - by a selected officer. "Recessional". "Last Post". Two minutes silence. "Reveille". National Anthem. Troops march off.
5.	1115	The Mayor will welcome the official party. Opening of the AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS CLUB. While the Official Party, the Mayor and party, are inspecting the buildings, the troops taking part in the march will be served with a fruit drink.
6.	1145	Official Party will visit the Memorial Pillar at the Hayarkon River and place there a wreath to the memory of the Australian Soldiers who fell in the last war.
	1145	Troops will be taken by bus to the "Levant" grounds ready for the lunch provided by the TEL AVIV Hospitality Committee.
7.	1230	Reception Luncheon given by the Mayor, councillors and other representatives. To be attended by the Official Party, Troops taking part in the march, and other invited guests. Troops will be dismissed after luncheon at "Levant" grounds.

22 Apr 40.

GAZA.

G. Wasey Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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2ND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza 24 Apr 40

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Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

334. RUGBY MATCH - SYRIA. - Personnel listed in Div R.O. 330/40 will embus in JULIS Camp at 0730 hrs 27 Apr 40.

335. SWITCHBOARD U.C. & LINES. - Units entitled to this store by their T.E. Tables, will submit indents to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div for their authorised numbers.

336. MEDICAL - WATER DUTIES - TRAINING OF PERSONNEL - Ref Div R.O. 92/40 a refresher course will be conducted by O.C. 2/1 Fd Hyg Sec, commencing 24 Apr, on Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Six instructional periods will be conducted. Arrangements will be as per D.R.O. 92/40.

337. SANITATION - REMOVAL OF SULLAGE WATER. - A sullage removal plant consisting of one force pump and three 400-gallon tanks all mounted on lorries is held on charge by O.C. R.A.S.C. Southern Palestine, for the removal of sullage water from camps as required. A second unit will shortly be available.

Units will notify Camp Commandants when removal of sullage water is required. Camp Commandants will arrange with O.C. R.A.S.C. Southern Palestine, to make available the pumping plant.

Should this plant not be available, the services of the conservency contractor will be utilised, as previously.

Lt Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

ANZAC DAY MESSAGES: - The following message has been received from the G.O.C., NEW ZEALAND EXPEDITIONARY FORCE:-

1. "On 25th anniversary of Anzac all ranks of the Second N.Z.E.F. remember with pride the heroic exploits of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps in the Gallipoli campaign and pay tribute to the First A.I.F. who fought and won imperishable fame on every front in the last war."

2. A suitable reply has been despatched.

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6 A U S D I V. Apr 25 40.

GENERAL STAFF CIRCULAR NO 1.

CINEMA PROJECTORS AND TRAINING FILMS.

FILMS AVAILABLE.

1. Silent films listed in Appendix 'A' are auxiliaries for allotment to 6 AUS DIV in conjunction with other formations in PALESTINE. Priority in allotment will be given to Schools and Depots.

2. PROJECTORS AND OPERATORS.

Only TWO projectors are available in Palestine at present. ONLY personnel who have previously operated the 16 m.m. Kodascope Silent Projector will be permitted to operate these projectors.

OPERATORS.

3. Each Inf Bde and Div Unit concerned should have TRAINED operators. Inf Bdes and Units will arrange for personnel to be trained as operators; men with experience in operating SOUND projectors should be selected whenever available(see para 5). Arrangements will be made by this H.Q. Names will reach this H.Q. by Wednesday 1 May 40.

APPLICATION FOR USE OF PROJECTORS AND FILMS.

4. In order to ensure that the projectors and films are available when required, units will submit their applications well in advance. It should be remembered that practice will be required in staging the demonstration and time must be allowed for this. On the other hand, projectors and films can only be retained by units for the minimum period necessary to cover the demonstrations.

SOUND PROJECTORS.

5. Advice has been received that FOUR Sound Projectors are to be alloted to B.E.F.& T-F. of which ONE will be allotted to 6 AUS DIV. A TWO-DAY Course for operators will be held at G.RAF/ND before these projectors are issued.

6. SILENT FILMS may be shown on SOUND PROJECTORS; on NO ACCOUNT will SOUND FILMS be shown on SILENT projectors.

R. G. H. Laing
Maj.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

Distribution.
List 'A'
C.1 Bren Carrier School (Drivers)
Other formations & units of 6 Aus Div & Att(20)
Spare (G) Files 5.

APPENDIX 'A'.

DESCRIPTION OF FILM.	16 m.m. No.of Film	No.of Reels	Approx time to show. (mins)
WEAPON TRAINING.			
Drills and duties for the Vickers Machine Gun. (1932) (a)	C 36	4	51
Part I.- Section drill direct (a)	C 36	1	17
Part II -Platoon Drill Indirect (a)	C 36	1	12
Part III - Ground and field duties (a)	C 36	1	11
Part IV - Ground and field duties (a)	C 36	1	11
The Boys Anti-Tank Rifle.(1939) Shows the position for firing, sights and aiming, loading and unloading, holding and firing, the mechanism and cleaning(a)	C 85	4	40
MECHANICAL TRAINING.			
The complete examination of a six-wheeled lorry carried out by an examining officer on the vehicle. (1927 - 28) (a)	C 8	3	60
Decarbonizing and valve grinding. Shows the complete operations in the case of an I.C.engine with all mechanical details (1930)(a)	C 21	1	21
Salvage and/unditching of M.T. vehicles Shows how vehicles are recovered from easy and difficult positions in ditches and valleys(1930)(a).	C 22	3	42
GENERAL.			
War Office experimental convoy. (1933) (a).	C 39	2	25

(a) Lecture notes issued.

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2ND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V D. COMD ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza 26 Apr 40

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GENERAL STAFF.

338. GAZA RIFLE RANGE. - Gaza Rifle Range will NOT be used until further notice.

J.E. Williams Capt.
for Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

339. CAMP COMMANDER, QASTINA. - As from 20 Apr 40, Lieut-Col M. A. FERGUSSON, 6 Aus Div Recce Regt is appointed Camp Commander, Qastina Camp. Div R.O. 142/40 is cancelled.

340. LOCAL PURCHASES.- All future requests for local purchases will be made to A.I.F. Base Otdnance Depot, in writing.

341. LATRINE AND URINE BUCKETS.- Units will make further indents to bring latrine and urine buckets up to establishment. On receipt of these, petrol tins used for the purpose will be removed and destroyed.

342. TASTE REMOVING TABLETS - Units will submit a Return, by 1800 hrs 1 May showing number of tablets held on charge. NIL returns are to be rendered.

243. ACCOMMODATION STORES FOR INCOMING UNITS.- Foster units will advise H.Q. 6 Aus Div of deficiencies in tentage and other important items immediately after drawing stores at Sarafand.

244. ADM. INST. NO. 24 - LOSSES & DAMAGES- AMENDMENTS. Indents for replacement of clothing will be dealt with as set out in Adm Inst No.24 The result of investigation by Coy Comdr in the " Report on Losses & Damages" will, in the case of replacements to cover fair wear and tear, include a statement by the Coy Comdr that he has personally inspected the clothing demanded and found it to be unserviceable.

for Capt
for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

ADV 6 AUS DIV.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 82

ANTI-MALARIAL MEASURES 6 AUS DIV TRAINING AREAS.

Ref Map of Palestine 1 :- 250,000.

1. In general it may be said that malaria is controlled in Palestine except in the Jordan Valley. Nevertheless, malaria is present throughout the whole of Palestine and unless the precautions set out in Force Standing Order 62/88 are taken, there is definite risk of contracting malaria.

2. Some areas are more dangerous than others and should troops be conducting night operations or bivouacing in these areas, drug prophylaxis should be carried out as set out in Force Standing Order 62/88.

3. These areas are as follows:-

A. An area around the mouth of the Wadi Rubin from 121146 to 12801585 and extending inland to Moe Siyona 13101495.

B. An area around the mouth of the Wadi Sugrair from 11801350 to 11801400 and extending inland as far as the railway line.

C. An area along the Wadi Serar extending from Shafma 13201375 to ARTap 13051305

D. Areas along the Wadi Ghazze

(i) Around the mouth from 09000955 to 09451000 and extending inland to 09850985

(ii) An area extending along the Wadi Ghazze from 10200800 to 10350800

E. An area along the Wadi Sharia extending from 10300365 to 1275-0385

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

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BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V.D. COMD ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

Gaza 27 Apr 40.

NO. 50

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GENERAL STAFF.

345. D.R.L. SERVICES. (a) Interference with the scheduled time-table of D.R.L. Services must cease. Sigs have been instructed to order drivers of D.R.L.S. Vehicles to leave despatch offices at the time ordered, whether despatches are ready or not.

(b) All despatches will be bundled, labelled for the various offices of delivery, registered on A.F. B2504, and given a serial number which is entered on the D.R. Docket (A.F. B2501).

(c) A.F. B2501 must be made out in triplicate for each office of delivery one copy is retained by the office of despatch and two will be given to the D.R.L.S. driver.

An amended time-table for the DRLS, GAZA-SARAFAND-GAZA, with picking-up points as given in Div R.O. 326/40, is issued as Appendix "A" attached. This cancels the time-table issued with R.O. 140 dated 15 Mar 40.

346. TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS.- (a) All H.Q. Units must co-operate to relieve the serious congestion which exists on the telephone system in 6 Aus Div Area.

(b) The number and length of calls must be reduced to a minimum. Signals have been asked to report on the following cases:-

(i) Where lines are held unnecessarily long waiting for persons to be called to the phone.

(ii) Where telephone operator's time is wasted by being engaged in conversation or by being requested to take down messages for delivery.

(iii) The telephone will not be used when a message by D.R.L.S., a signal message or phonogram will suffice.

Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

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347. AUDITING OF ACCOUNTS.- Attention is directed to Div R.O. 35/40.

348. SANITATION. - Units will render a report by 1800 hrs on 3 May on the work and efficiency of native sweepers employed in the lines and as to whether they consider that their employment should be discontinued or their numbers reduced.

349. METHYLATED SPIRITS.- Units will render a report by 1800 hrs 3 May showing their weekly requirements of methylated spirits and their reasons for said requirement.

350. ABSENCE - REPORTING OF - G.O. 158/1937 (Force Standing Orders) has been revised and is republished hereunder:-

1. When a soldier has been absent without leave from his unit for more than 12 hours, descriptive returns (A.F. B.124) will be forwarded by his unit to:-

(a) Force Headquarters,
(b) H.Q. British Troops in Egypt
(c) Police Headquarters, Jerusalem.

In addition to the above a signal will be sent to the nearest Military Police Headquarters if anything is known or suspected as to the absentees possible whereabouts. This signal should give enough information to enable the man to be identified stating how the man is dressed.

2. Directly the absentee surrenders, or is apprehended a signal giving very brief particulars will be sent to the three addressees above.

351. PAY - RESTRICTED DRAWING RATE. - When it is necessary to restrict drawing rates in order to liquidate overdrawn paybooks, the minimum rate to which pay may be restricted is 12/6 (Australian) or 500 mils.

352. RATIONS - ISSUE OF FRUIT JUICE. - Commencing on 29 Apr fruit(orange) juice will be issued instead of fresh oranges on a scale of 12 ozs (one bottle) per man per week.

This fruit juice will be issued to the man twice per week, 6 ozs on each occasion. It should be issued at breakfast and is most palatable if served really cold and undiluted with water. It requires no sweetening. It will be sufficiently cold if the bottles are allowed stand in water overnight.

Bottles and crates remain the property of the contractor and are returnable containers. Units will be charged at the rate of 6 mils per bottle and 50 mils per crate for containers not returned.

353. WASTE FOOD.- No contracts will be let by units after 15 May, as a divisional contract for the whole of the camps is about to be let.

354. SPEED LIMIT FOR ARMY VEHICLES. - Attention is drawn to G.O. 597/36 issued as a Force Standing Order. Paras 2 and 3 of that order are to be published in unit orders.

355. WEB EQUIPMENT 1937 PATTERN. - Indents for Web Equipment 1937 Pattern will be submitted in accordance with War Equipment Tables to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div forthwith. When received, the 1908 Pattern will be returned to A.I.F. Base Ordnance Depot on vouchers A.F. G.1033.

The details of Web Equipment 1937 Pattern are attached to these Routine Orders.

A.R. Wilson Lt-Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

ANZAC DAY MESSAGES.

The following messages have been received:-

(1) From Army Melb. :- "On the anniversary of Anzac Day Department of Army extends greetings to all members of A.I.F overseas to whom Australia looks to maintain traditions set by their predecessors."

(2) From General Sir Archibald Wavell :- " On 25th anniversary of Australians' great exploit at Gallipoli I salute the memory of those brave men. I am proud to have their successors in my command."

(3) From General Sir Edmond Ironside :- " Please convey the following message to all Australians and NewZealanders serving in your command on this the 25 Anniversary of the gallant landing at Gallipoli which has made imperishable the name of Anzacs. I am proud to think that once more men of Australia and New Zealand are standing side by side with ourselves and our Allies in defence of civilisation."

APPENDEX "A"
To Div R.Q. 345

D.R.L.S. TIME-TABLE.

GAZA - SARAFAND - GAZA (DAILY TIME-TABLE EXCEPT SUNDAYS)

ARRIVE HOURS	DEPART HOURS	PLACE OF CALL	ARRIVE HOURS	DEPART HOURS.
	0935	GAZA TOWN	1650	
0945	0955	GAZA AIR PORT		
1000	1004	R. T. O.	1641	1645
1007	1012	GAZA RIDGE	1633	1638
1015	1018	GAZA ROAD	1627	1630
1020	1025	GAZA ROAD KILO 70	1620	1625
1034	1037	DEIR SUNIED	1608	1611
1045	1049	BEIT JIRJA	1556	1600
1057	1100	BARBARA	1545	1548
1110	1115	JULIS	1530	1535
1125	1130	QASTINA	1515	1520
1140	1145	GEDERA	1500	1505
1158	1200	REHOVOT	1445	1447
1224	1227	BRITISH P.O. SFD.		
1230		AREA SIG OFFICE SFD.		1415

COMPONENTS OF SETS OF WEB EQUIPMENT PATTERN 1937.

Designation	No. for Each W.O. N.C.O, and Man	Remarks.
SECTION A-1		(a) 2 each man except man with 2 carriers cartridge; 1 each man with 1 carrier cartridge.
Attachments, Brace, W.E. Patt. '37	(a)	
Belts, waist, W.E. Patt. '37	1	
Braces, W.E. Patt.'37, Left with loop	1	(b) 1 each man equipped with binoculars or monoculars.
Right without loop	1	
Carriers, cartridge, W.E. Patt '37	(f)	(c) 1 each rank armed with a pistol except men issued with a case pistol web R.T.C. (ø)
Carriers, Water bottle, W.E.Patt '37	1	
Cases, binoculars, W.E. Patt. '37	(b)	
Cases, pistol, W.E. Patt '37	(c)	(d) 1 each bayonet
Covers, Mess Tin, rectangular	1	(e) 1 each man equipped with compasses
Frogs, bayonet, W.E. Patt '37	(d)	
Haversacks, W.E. Patt. '37	1	(f) 2 each man armed with a rifle except men carrying Binoculars or Monoculars who will have 1.
Pockets, compass, W.E. Patt. '37	(e)	
Pouches, Ammunition, pistol W.E.Patt'37	(h)	
Straps, shoulder, haversack W.E.Patt'37		(g) Machine Gun Bns. 1 each duty W.O.& Sgt. and in addition 11 will be issued as under:-
Left	1	
Right	1	
Tins, Mess, rectangular.	1	C.Q.M.S's 5 Clerks Bn H.Q. 2 No.1 (Signal) Pl. 1 Cpl and 2 M/Cyclists 3 No.2 (A.A.L.M.G) Pl.1 M/Cyclist 1 11
Haversacks, W.E.Patt 08. Modified	(g)	
Web Equipment 08. Pattern Section A-1.		Mech. Cav R.A. R.E. R.C. Signals. 1 each W.O. and Sgt as a provisional scale.
Packs	1	
Straps, web, supporting.	2	(h) 1 each rank armed with a pistol.

(ø) = "Case, Pistol, Web, R.T.C. is referred to in paras 9A 2 (b) and 10 of War Office Letter 54/General/9220 (M.G.O.9A) dated 4th August 1938, as "Individual A.F.V. Equipment"."

WEB EQUIPMENT PATTERN 1937 FOR OFFICERS.

Designation	No for each Officer.	Remarks.
Attachments brace W.E. Patt. '37	2	
Belts, waist, W.E. Patt '37	1	
Braces, W.E. Patt '37		
Left with loop	1	
Right without loop	1	
Carriers, water bottle, W.E.Patt '37	1	
Cases, Binoculars, W.E. Patt '37	1	
Cases, pistol, Web, R.T.C.	1+	+ Officers of Cavalry, Armoured and Light Tank Regts, Royal Tank Corps & and Royal Signals employed with those units.
Cases, pistol, W.E.Patt '37	1++	
Haversacks, W.E. Pattern '37	1	
Pockets, Compass, W.E. Patt '37	1	++ Officers armed with pistols.
Pouches, Ammunition, pistol, W.E. Patt. '37	1	
Straps, shoulder, haversack W.E. Patt '37		
Left	1	
Right	1	
Haversacks W.E. Patt 08 Modified	1	For carriage of papers, message pads and other artic les required for Officers.
Web Equipment Pattern 08.		
Section A-1.		Packs and straps web supporting for Officers in Field Companies, R.E., Infantry Bns will be issued from those held as Mobilisation Equipment for Officers.
Packs	1	
Straps, web, supporting.	2	

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2ND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

ROUTINE ORDERS

BY

BRIG. A. S. ALLEN D.S.O. V D. COMDG. ADV. 6 AUS. DIV.

GAZA. 28 Apr 40.

No 51

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GENERAL STAFF

356. GREEN ENVELOPES. It has come to notice that a number of Units are posting letters in AF W3078 (The Green Envelope) not bearing a Unit Stamp.
Although the Green Envelope does not require franking, a unit stamp holder is responsible for seeing that the sender has signed the certificate on the bottom left-hand corner of the envelope. If this has NOT been done a Unit Stamp holder must NOT apply the stamp.

357. FIELD CENSORSHIP. As certain censorship instructions have been contravened, units will inform all personnel that the Field Censorship General Instructions will have the force of an order.

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

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358. WORK TICKETS - M.T. VEHICLES. No military vehicles will be taken outside unit lines by a driver except when he has in his possession a Work Ticket signed by an authorised person.

359. EQUIPMENT FOR RUN FLAT TYRES. Only the following units will indent for portable robot:- HQ 16 Aus Inf Bde. 2/1 Rec Sec R.A.O.C.
6 Aus Div Recce Regt. 2/1 Fd Regt.

360. ORDNANCE - ISSUE VOUCHERS. In cases where a unit receives copies of issue vouchers, other than the advanced copy, before the stores have been collected, the unit will write to O.O. SARAFAND and ask for the advance copy to be sent to it - for the advance copy is the unit copy.
In the case of HAIFA units will send a signal message.

for Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

ADDENDUM. Adm Inst No 24 Appendix "C". Capt T.H.Vincent will sign vouchers for 2/12 Bn instead of Lieut Maddern.
Capt Dean will sign for 2/1 M.G. Bn ins-tead of Capt Vincent.

Add to para 340 R.Os. No 49 the words "Through D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div.".

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

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Gaza

29 Apr 40

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Part I.

6. CLASS II PERSONNEL. - When a change of Classification is approved the following procedure will be carried out:-

1. Notification will be sent to Officer in Charge Records, 2nd Echelon, 2nd A.I.F. accompanied by Medical Board Papers or other documents.

2. A Class II Register will be kept by O. i/c Records, 2nd Echelon also a record of Civil Occupation.

3. Unit Part II Orders will be issued by O. i/c Records, 2nd Echelon, containing the necessary alteration from Class I to Class II

4. Applications for personnel Class II to fill suitable vacancies in establishments will be made direct to 2nd Echelon.

5. The procedure to be adopted by O. i/c Records, 2nd Echelon will be in the first instance to notify unit direct and a copy of such notification to be sent to Div H.Q. to enable instructions to be issued for transfer to Base Depot or Convalescent Depot pending a suitable vacancy being found.

7. DRESS.- When wearing shorts, stockings and boots, gaiters will also be worn.

So that the gaiters may look tidy the buttons should, if necessary, be moved so that the gaiter fits firmly around the leg above the boot.

Officers may wear short puttees in lieu of the gaiters.

Personnel employed in offices may wear stockings and shoes except when otherwise ordered. Shoes will not be provided at public expense.

G.A. Vasey.

COL.
A/A.A.G. 2 AIF ABROAD.

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361. TOURING IN PALESTINE. - Notices are displayed in the Soldiers' Club and other places in TEL-AVIV advertising Motor Bus Tours to various places in Palestine. As many of these places to which the tours are organized are closed to all ranks by Security Regulations, 2 A.I.F. personnel will NOT join such tours until further notice.

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G. S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

362 RESPIRATORS, ANTI-GAS OF HOSPITAL PATIENTS.- All personnel evacuated to hospital, either British or Australian, must be in possession of their respirator, anti-gas.

363. DANNERT WIRE.- This store is an R.E. supply and demands should be submitted to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div who will scrutinise and pass them to D.C.R.E. Sarafand. (Authority CR/PAL/21980/3/G)

364. DETECTOR PAINT NO.2 AND BRUSHES. - Bulk supplies of Detector Paint No.2 and brushes will be issued on the following scale when capes, anti-gas are taken into actual use in the event of an emergency:-

1 lb. Detector Paint No.2 per 30 capes, anti-gas.
2 Brushes per Inf Coy or equivalent unit.

Further instructions will be issued regarding submission of indents by units.

365. INDENTS.- The practice of units sending indents direct to Sarafand Ord Depot and short circuiting D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div is to cease forthwith. It gains nothing, for the indents are returned and time is wasted and goodwill is jeopardized.

366. MEDICAL - HYGIENE - With the advent of the hot weather, food and insect borne diseases will increase unless every precaution is taken for their prevention.
Attention is drawn to the following sections of "Notes for the Prevention of Diseases in Palestine", which are in the possession of every Unit in Palestine:-

Section "A" - Food
Section "B" - Diseases
Section "D" - Insect and animal pests.
Section "E" - General Measures.

It may be assumed that bowel diseases, either fly borne or due to food poisoning together with Malaria and Sandfly Fever will be the causes of most inefficiency.

The following General Orders (Force Standing Orders) apply:-

66 of 1938 - Protection against Fly borne diseases
78 of 1938 - Sanitary Rules for Cookhouses
209 of 1938 - General Sanitation in Barracks, Camps and Billets.
404 of 1938 - Conservancy and Sanitary Services
245 of 1939 - Prevention of Food Poisoning.
375 of 1938 - Effects of Heat, Prevention of.
62 of 1938 - Anti Malarial measures.
132 of 1940 - Personal Hygiene.

With reference to the above, the following is the source of supply of certain items required:-

(a) Flit Guns and Fly Swatters.
(b) Dyefly Mixture (Previously known as Flysol)
(c) Tanglefoot
(d) Dover's Cream
(e) Cresol

Div Sup Coln.

for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

NOTICE.

A Race Meeting is being held at Beersheba on 4 May. The first race is at 1400 hrs.

Leave to attend this meeting may be granted; but except for those who may be attending in an official capacity, unit transport will not be used. Leave passes will be issued for those who do attend.

The prices of admission are:-

Outer Ground	Free
Enclosure and paddock	250 mils.

H.E. The High Commissioner will be attending.

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GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION NO. 5.

ISSUE OF PASSES TO CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES.

1. GENERAL.- This instruction deals with the method of issue of passes to all civilians employed by 6 Aus Div in camp areas, and to all civilians employed by the Regimental Contractors. It supersedes all previous instructions issued in regard to this subject.

2. Before a pass, on the approved form, can be issued to any civilian, all three sections of the form of application GSI/B/2/38, must be entered in block letters by whoever is appointed by the Camp Commander to do so. The applicant for employment must hand, to such approved person, three unmounted passport size photographs of himself.

3. The Officer filling in the form will make certain that the photographs depict the applicant clearly, and will write the applicant's name, in ink, on the back of each photograph.

4. The form of application with two (2) only of the photographs of the applicant attached to it, will be forwarded to H.Q. 6 Aus Div, who will have the applicant's application scrutinised by higher authority.

5. In the event of the applicant being approved, the unit concerned will be notified and will then have authority to make out a pass on the approved form. The third photograph, in the possession of the unit, will be securely fixed to the pass, and the unit stamp will be placed half on the photograph and half on the pass. The period of validity of the pass will be clearly stated on it.

6. This pass must be produced on demand and can be withdrawn by the unit issuing it in the event of their wishing to terminate the contract.

7. Units will keep a register showing the specific number of each pass issued by them and the name and address of the civilian to whom it has been issued.

8. Those to whom passes are issued must be told that the loss or theft of such pass must be reported to the issuing authority immediately on discovery. Such loss will be reported to camp H.Q. and H.Q. 6 Aus Div immediately.

9. In the event of the applicant being not approved, the unit concerned will be notified. They will notify the applicant that he is NOT approved and must warn him that he is NOT to enter any camp under the command of H.Q. 6 Aus Div.

10. The third photograph of the applicant will, if such applicant is not approved, be sent to H.Q. 6 Aus Div for record purposes.

11. In the event of an applicant who has been disapproved being found at a later date in any camp under the command of 6 Aus Div, such person will be arrested and his arrest reported to the Camp Commander and H.Q. 6 Aus Div. 6 Aus Div H.Q. will be responsible for notifying the police, and such person will be proceeded against for criminal trespass.

12. In the event of a pass being withdrawn by the issuing authority, such withdrawal will be noted in the "Pass Register", and the pass forwarded to this H.Q.

[signature] Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

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29 Apr 40
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SECRET.

COPY NO. 18.

ADV 6 AUS DIV.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO.10

From 1800 hrs 19 Apr 40 to 1800 hrs 26 Apr 40.

1. GENERAL. - During the week under review, again, the area has been quiet both politically and from a security point of view. It has been observed that the Arabs show a distinct antipathy towards Italy, whom they fear might enter the war against the Allies. The population remains unimpressed by the Berlin broadcasts; they mistrust German reticence regarding her own losses.

RAOUF BITAR of JAFFA lunched with MOHAMMED ABU RAHADAN at his house in GAZA on Friday 26 Apr. This visit is suspected to be in connection with the FAKRI NASHASHIBI'S United Party. HAJ ADEL SHAWA was also present.

2. ECONOMIC.- The late arrival of the Government Grant-in-aid and the Agricultural Seed Loan has been a great disappointment to those concerned.

3. SUMMARY. -

20 Apr.	Shot fired by Arab at an Arab at Kilo 26, road QASTINA-JAFFA. Police investigating. No information.
21 Apr.	MOHD ABDUL WAHAB of SAWAFIR ASH SHAMILYA murdered. Dispute over grazing rights.
21 Apr.	One case accidental death - caused by child hammering an old Turkish shell into the ground at SAWAFIR ASH SHARQIYA.

4. LOCATION.- As notified in our W.I.S. No 9 with the following amendments:-

QASTINA	I27126 -	6 Aus Div Recce Regt, less C. Sqn. A. Coy 2/4 Inf Bn.
JULIS	119122 -	2/1 Inf Bn, less A, B and D Coys 2/2 Inf Bn, less 1 Pl. D Coy
BEIT JIRGA	109112 -	A and D Coys 2/1 Inf Bn
DEIR SUNEID	106106 -	C. Sqn 6 Aus Div Recce Regt
JERUSALEM	171133 -	1 Pl. D. Coy 2/2 Inf Bn.

5. ARMS. - Arms surrendered GAZA District:-

	Rifles.	Revolvers.
GAZA Sub-district	-	4
BEERSHEBA Sub-district	13	1
TOTAL	13	5

G McConnell Walker
Capt. Ag
D.I.O. 6 Aus Div.

DISTRIBUTION:

As per W.I.S. No 9