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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

H. Q. 6 AUST DIV. MAY 1940

GAZA. 7 May 40. Reinforcements. A most secret message was received giving warning of the probable diversion of h the convoy in view of the grave situation.

Cricket Team. The A.I.F. Cricket team touring Egypt, emplaned at RAMLE in to transports provided by C.I.C., Middle East. The team included 2 H. Q. 6 Aust Div personnel - W.O.11 N.A.Harris, and Pte. V. Smith.

Gas Training. Instructions were issued to ensure that the information gained from the M.E.T.S. Unit Gas Course would be promulgated through the Div. (Training Inst 8)

8 May 40 Native Shops. R.M.O.s of units are to carry out weekly inspections of all native shops in Camp Areas and report on their conditions to A.D.M.S., 6 Aust Div.

Artillery Practice. Maj. R.G.H. Irving, (G.S.O.11) visited the 2/1 Fd Regt at the Arty Practice Camp at BIR ASLUJ. He inspected them carrying out shooting practice and later expressed the opinion that the officers needed further practice and experience.

9 May 40 D.R.L.S. A new D.R.L.S. time table came into force for runs between camps, to provide speedier delivery of mail.

Arrival of 2nd Convoy. Comprehensive instructions were issued to cover the anticipated arrival of 2nd Convoy in the GAZA area and the system whereby they obtain supplies. A system of foster units has been arranged to introduce the new units to their camps. (Admin Inst 33/5)

10 May 40 Invasion of Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg. Rumours were current all day as to the advent of GERMAN invasion of BELGIUM, HOLLAND and LUXEMBOURG. Talk was prevalent of public dissatisfaction in England with the conduct of the war and the possibility of changes in the Government.

Cricket. The A.I.F. team won its first match at CAIRO. The two Div H.Q. members distinguished themselves - W.O.11 N.A. Harris played a very good innings to score 44 and Pte. A.V. Smith kept wickets brilliantly and scored 11 not out, also.

11 May 40 Arty. Range Recce. Maj. R.G.H. Irving, G.S.O. (11) accompanied by the Staff Captain, R.H.A. 1 Cav Div carried out a reconnaissance for a suggested alternative artillery practice range. The site suggested is south and south east of BIR AS SHELLALE, south of grid line 0800, Rafah Sheet 1:100,000.

Conferences. Staff Conference at 0830 hrs. Q.M.S. Conference at D.A.D.O.S. Office 1000 hrs.

12 May 40 Sunday. Troops have day off and spent swimming and on domestic tasks.

Course - Sjts I.R.C. Brown and K.H. Stevens left to attend a F.R.T.D. course at Sarafand.

13 May 40 2nd Convoy. All ranks are eagerly awaiting the arrival of the new convoy. Foster units are ready in the camps to welcome and assist the incoming units as - units of the British Army did for the First Flight troops.

14 May 40 The A.I.F. Boxing team defeated New Zealand by 5 contests to 4 in the boxing matches in Egypt. (Notices in Div R.O. No.63.)

Div Concert Party. The Div Orchestra has been chosen and will commence practicing with the Concert Party.

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H. Q. 6 AUST DIV.

GAZA. 14 May 40. 2nd Convoy. The date of arrival of the 2nd Convoy and dis-embarkation orders have been received and detailed instructions were issued to camps - (Admendments to Admin Inst No.35)

15 May 40 Officexx Quarters. The various offices of H.Q. 6 Aust Div moved to their new rooms to make space available for the incoming officers on the 2nd Convoy. Word was received that their arrival had been delayed 24 hrs.

16 May 40 Detention Barracks - 1 Aust Detention Barracks opened at ZION Convent, Jerusalem.
Anti-Fly Measures - Instructions were issued on action to be taken to combat flies in billets and Camps.
Local Security Arrangements were made for the Div to take over protection of the El ARISH Railway Bridge. This is to prevent sabotage and represents the first time the 2nd A.I.F. will carry out war duties in a foreign country. (Operation Inst No.1.)

17 May 40 A.I.F. News. The ninth issue of the A.I.F. News published today advises that future issues of the paper will be 8 pages set up on linotype printed on a rotary press, instead of the present Roneo-ed edition. The paper will cost 5 mils in future and from now on, the A.I.F. abroad will have a weekly paper, properly published for the troops.

18 May 40 Arrival of 2nd Convoy.
This morning, the first trainload of troops from the 2nd Convoy passed through GAZA. At 0815 hrs. Div H.Q. personnel on the Convoy arrived in town. Unfortunately a Khamseem was blowing, making it unpleasant for the fully equipped troops. The men were trasnported by bus to Div H.Q. where they stacked their kits, handed in their rifles at the Guard Room and then had a hot meal. They were then shown their billets and proceeded to settle in. In the afternoon they were xxxxdx issued with shirts and shorts and except for a certain air of curiosity, were indistinguishable from the " veterans " of the first flight.
G.O.C.'s Arrival.
Maj-Gen I.G. Mackay, C.M.G. D.S.O. V.D., G.O.C. 6 Aust Div, accompanied by his A.D.C., Lt. J.D. Pilcher, arrived at GAZA today by 'plane from PORT SAID.

19 May 40 The remainder of the 2nd Convoy passed through GAZA during the day.
Post X. The EL ARISH, SINAI, Railway Bridge guard, consisting of 1 Officer and 35 O.R.s from 2/2 Bn took over from a Coy of the Egyptian Army. For Security reasons it is known as POST X.
Conference -
Maj-Gen MACKAY had a conference with Gen GIFFARD at JERUSALEM, today.
Congratulations
The following message was received from Rt. Hon. Mr. Stanley Bruce, High Commissioner of Australia -
" To General Mackay. Please convey following message to your troops. Congratulations on your safe arrival in the Middle East. You have come to take your stand with Britain and her Allies. With great traditions of the First A.I.F. to inspire you, I am confident that you will play an honourable part in achieving final victory ".
Maj-Gen MACKAY made suitable reply on behalf of the 2nd Convoy. (Notices to Div R.O. No.66)

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H. Q. 6 AUST DIV.

GAZA. 20 May 40 Health and Hygiene. At a parade of all H.Q. personnel, Maj. SAXBY,DA.D.M.S., gave a lecture on conditions in PALESTINE from the medical point of view, and stressed the necessity of hygiene precautions. A. P.T. parade is to be held each morning at 0645 hrs for all Div H.Q. personnel.
G.O.C. visits Camps. Maj-Gen MACKAY drove to JERUSALEM and on his return, visited various A.I.F. Camps.

21 May 40 Conference. The G.O.C. 6 Aust Div went to LYDDA to attend a meeting with Gen WAVELL. A Conference of Q.M.s was held in the Conference Room, H.Q. 6 Aust Div.
Exercise. Lt-Col R.G.H. Irving, G.S.O.(11) and Capt. C.C.F. Spry, G.S.O.111(0), left to attend a 3 day tactical exercise being carried out by the 6 Div. These officers are to act as umpires in the scheme and the 16 Aust Inf Bde are taking part.

22 May 40 G.O.C. at Exercises. Maj-Gen I.G. MACKAY visited the 6 Div exercise to form his opinion of the efficiency of the 16 Aust Inf Bde in action.
Holiday Camps. As unbroken periods of intensive training is considered inadvisable, holiday seaside camps are being arranged. (Admin Inst No.40)
Cricket Team. The A.I.F. Cricket team returned from its Egypt tour.

23 May 40 G.O.C. inspects H.Q.
The G.O.C. spent the day in GAZA and inspected the various offices and billets of Div H.Q. in GAZA.
Blackout. Preparations were made for the blacking out of all vehicle lights, as a general blackout throughout the country is anticipated. (Admin Inst No.42).

24 May 40. Local Attitude. The weekly intelligence summary states that although all is quiet and the Arabs are watching developments on the Western Front, yet propoganda is being spread by word of mouth. The substance is that should the Allies lose the war, it would be better for the Arabs, as GERMANY would banish all Jews. If the Allies win, GREAT BRITAIN will give preference to the Jews. (W.I.S. No.14).
Guards. As a protection against sabotage, guards are to be placed on all water supply apparatus. (Div R.O. para 479).

25 May 40 Cricket. A match was played between two teams representing the 1st and 2nd flights respectively. The 1st Flight won by a narrow margin.
A.I.F. Officers' Club. The A.I.F. Officers' Club held it first official function - a Thé Dansant at the Club rooms. The function was well attended by members of the A.A.N.S., officers in the GAZA area and various representatives of the local British Community. (Notices Div R.O. No.70).
G.O.C. Inspection.
Maj-Gen MACKAY visited the Australian Camps.

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H. Q. 6 AUST DIV.

GAZA. 26 May 40 Day of Prayer. As His Majesty, The King, had requested that this day be set apart throughout the Empire as a Day of Prayer, arrangements were made accordingly.

All Div H.Q. personnel paraded and marched to the C.M.S. Hospital Chapel under Capt. I. G. Webster, the Camp Commandant, and a simple, yet somehow impressive service took place. At its conclusion, the parade marched past Maj-Gen MACKAY, who took the salute from the steps in front of Div H.Q. buildings, and afterwards addressed the men. In his talk he emphasised the necessity for all ranks to endeavour to obtain the highest degree of efficiency. He also pointed out that although the majority of Div H.Q. personnel were employed in clerical work, they should never forget that they were soldiers, so not neglect to maintain soldierly qualities, such as smartness of dress and bearing. (Div R.O.s 480/1).

Blackout. A practice blackout was put into operation between 2030 and 2130 hrs.

27 May 40 Presentation of Baton. This afternoon, Maj-Gen MACKAY, presented a Drum-Major's Baton, which had been brought from Australia for the 2/1 Bn. This baton, the gift of the Lord Mayor of Sydney to the 2/1 Bn, was entrusted to Maj-Gen Mackay, to be suitably presented.

Post K. The Egyptian Army has once more taken over the responsibilities of this Post.

28 May 40 Communications. Wire telegraphy has now been established between GAZA and JERUSALEM in place of the present wireless link. Preparations are being made to install TELEPHONES between Div H.Q. and each Camp.

Lecture on Discipline. Maj-Gen [illegible] gave a lecture to officers of the Division, on the need for greater discipline throughout the Division. He pointed out that undisciplined troops were an indication of the efficiency of the officer in charge of them. Laxity over small matters showed a tendency to disregard instructions generally and must be rigidly followed up.

29 May 40 Demonstrations in Egypt. The G.O.C. left for CAIRO to attend the military demonstration being given by the British Army.

Security Measures - GAZA Town. - A new definition on the " Out of Bounds " areas in GAZA town and a recapitulation of local security instructions has been issued. These give the troops slightly freer movement in the town.

30 May 40 Divisional Sign on Transport.

It was notified today that the sign of the 6 Aust Div to be placed on transport will be a kangaroo, over a horizontal boomerang, both in white on a square black back-ground.

31 May 40 Blackout Precautions. Steps were taken today to ensure a complete blackout in all Div H.Q. offices, should the necessity arise. All office windows were covered with blankets or painted over with black paint.

Security of Information - This morning in TEL AVIV, various copies of secret documents were found amongst waste paper in the possession of Arabs. This paper is believed to have been recovered from Div H.Q. wastepaper baskets by Arab workmen and sold instead of burnt.

Co-operation with Police. Lt. R.R. Vial and W.O.II. Tonge in co-operation with the C.I.D. GAZA, set a trap to apprehend Arabs pretending to sell firearms to troops as a blind to pump them, for information. The men were apprehended, but no charge could be sustained against them.

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by

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Gaza — 8 May 40

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NIL.

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

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405. DISTRIBUTION BY AUS COMFORTS FUND. - The following goods supplied by Aus Comforts Fund was distributed by A.A.S.C. with the rations on 7 May:-

1 Packet Cigarettes per man
1 Tin Golden Syrup per 6 men
1 Tin Fruit per 3 men.

406. BILLETING PROCEDURE - The attention of all formations and units occupying billets is drawn to G.O. 339/38 (F.S.O.) - Billeting Procedure, and particularly to Para 3 - Arrangements for Acquisition of Billets.

Each Camp area and each area of land occupied permanently or semi-permanently as a rifle range, bivouac site, special training area, etc. is regarded as a billet.

Instances have arisen in which units in occupation have been unable to certify bills owing to failure to keep Billet History Sheets.

407. CHAIRS FOR MESSES. - Units may indent for chairs for officers' and Sgt's messes as under:-

Officers' messes - One per officer
Sgts' messes - One per five members.

(CR/PAL/15802/10/Q)

408. TRANSPORT FOR INCOMING UNITS. - A temporary allocation of vehicles for incoming units is necessary to cover the period before a final allocation is made. This temporary allocation is now being prepared, but in the meantime Foster Units will provide officers now in Palestine who are acting as representatives of incoming units and living in the new camp sites with a vehicle as required.

409. AMENDMENT. - Addendum to R.O. No.51 of 28 Apr 40. For "Adm Inst No. 24", substitute "Appendix C to Amendments to Adm Inst No. 21".

410. 1937 PATTERN WEB EQUIPMENT.- To assist units in indenting for the above equipment, instruction is being arranged at Sarafand Ord Depot. In addition copies of the pamphlet on the equipment have been issued to Camp Commanders, QASTINA, JULIS and BARBARA.

411. EXCHANGE INDENT VOUCHERS A.F. G.1032. - These vouchers may be used for M.T. parts. The indents must:-

(a) show a unit reference No.
(b) be signed by a unit officer on the BROWN AND GREEN copies before being submitted.
(c) show the W.D. No. of the vehicle in the space provided.

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

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412. D.R.L.S. (a) All previous references to D.R.L.S. are cancelled. D.R.L.S. will run in accordance with the diagram attached with effect from Mon 13 May 40.

(b) All runs are DAILY, except that ONLY the internal run QASTINA - GAZA - QASTINA (shown in green) will be made on Sundays.

(c) D.R.L.S. stops 5 mins at each call (except at SQUIRES LINES - 10 mins) and has been ordered to leave on time whether despatches are ready or NOT.

(d) The procedure listed in the notes on the diagram will be strictly adhered to.

413. OPERATORS - CINEMA PROJECTORS. - Ref General Staff Circular No.1 Para 3, names of operators for cinema projectors WILL be forwarded immediately.

414. FLIGHTS OF ARMY PERSONNEL IN R.A.F. AIRCRAFT. - Cases have been occuring of officers arranging passages in service aircraft through other than authorised channels.

This practice will cease and applications will be made in future ONLY as outlined in Force Standing Orders, General Order 331 of 1938.

The provisions of para 6 of this order will apply to flights authorised for training purposes in Army Co-operation Aircraft affiliated to formations.

415. TRAINING PROGRAMMES.- (a) All formations and units will submit to this H.Q. not later than 1230 hrs on Wednesday of each week a syllabus of training to be carried out during the following week.

(b) This information is required for transmission to Force H.Q.

(c) In respect to Regt/Bn etc or higher formation training (exerc both with and without troops to be included) the following details are required:-

Date.	Unit or Formation.	Subject of Exercise.	Area.	Time Commencing.	Approx time to end.

416. SECURITY - Individuals, having cause to stay at Hotels or Clubs, outside Palestine will only give the following details in the Registers.

Rank and Name
Nationality
Occupation (i.e. officers or members of H.M. Forces)

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417. RUN FLAT TYRE EQUIPMENT - Units with vehicles fitted with Run Flat Tyres will send in a return to S.O.M.E. 6 Aus Div by 10/5/40 stating whether the following equipment was issued with the vehicle.

Gauge, pressure Tyre, low recording.
Valve remover, Part No. MT/I/NIV.1539.

NIL RETURNS ARE REQUIRED.

418. EXPENDABLE STORES. - Replacements of expendable stores will be indented for on A.A.F. G.997. Broken parts will be returned on A.F.G. 1033 to Sarafand Ord Depot.

419. BREN GUNS= Units will indent on D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div for their full entitlements of Bren Guns.

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

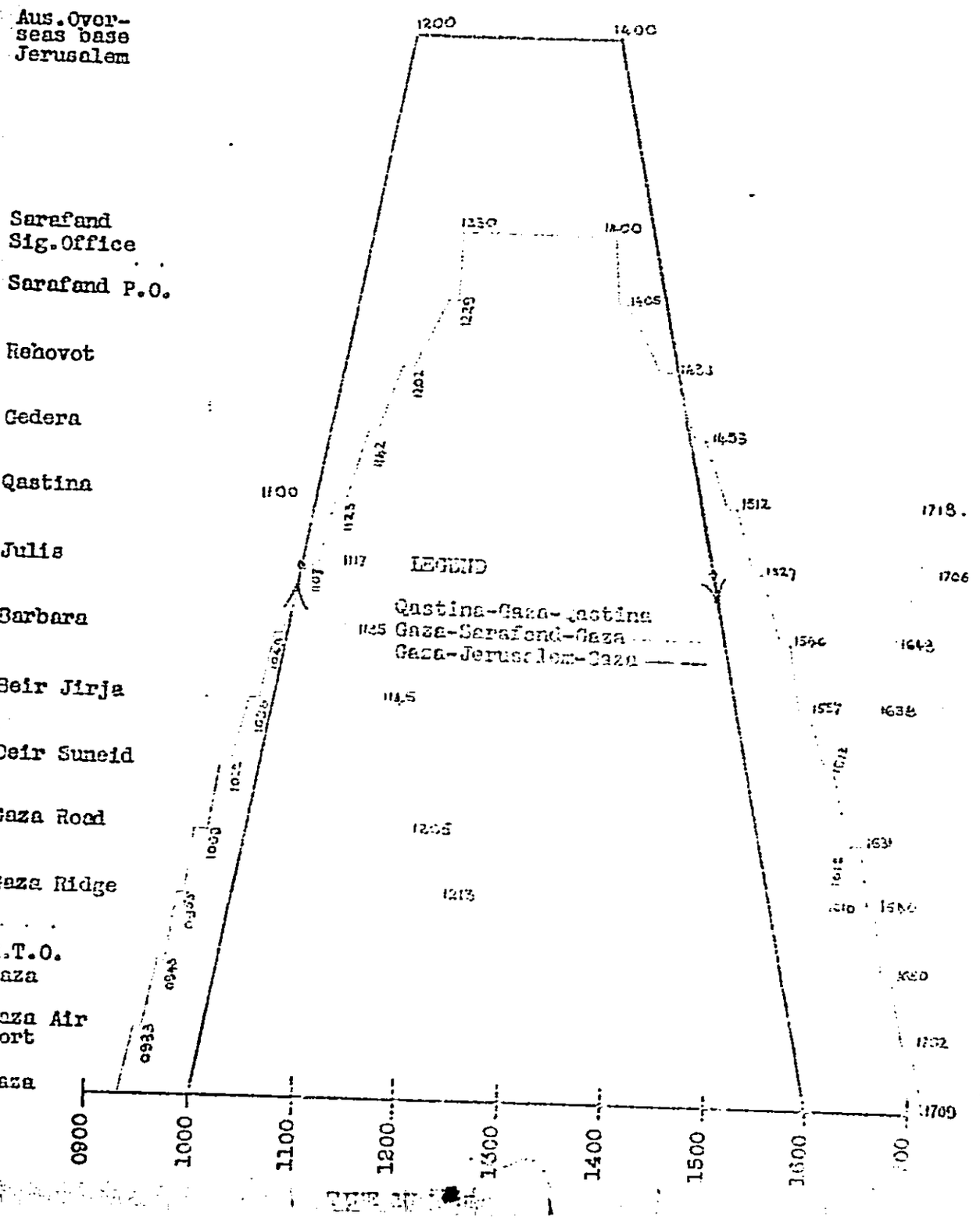
D. R. L. S.

The D.R.L.S. calls at Camps and Establishments in Accordance with this diagram.

Notes: (i) All despatches will be bundled, labelled for the various offices of delivery, registered on A.F. B2504 and given a serial No. which is entered on the D.R. Docket (A.F. B2501)

(ii) 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 or motor cyclist.

(iii) D.R.L.S. vehicles will remain at shopping places only in accordance with their Time Table and drivers and motor cyclists have been instructed to leave offices at the times laid down whether despatches are ready or not.



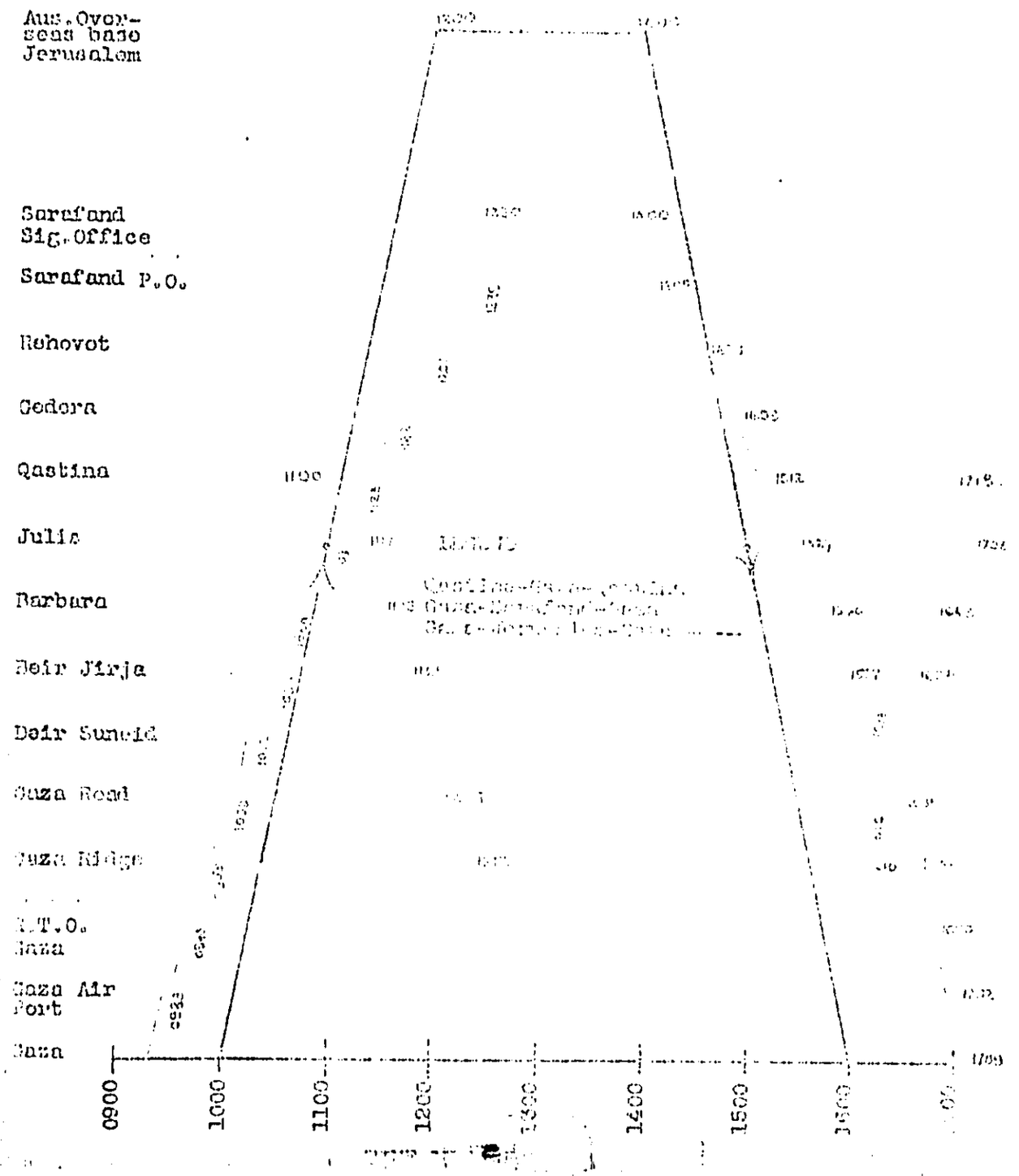
Schedule 2

The Police Posts will be open [illegible] hours to receive [illegible] of appeal.

Notes: (i) All despatches will be marked [illegible] at the [illegible] offices of delivery, postal [illegible] and given a serial No. which is [illegible]

(ii) A.F. 2530 must be made out in triplicate for each office of delivery; one copy to remain in the office of origin and two will be given to the [illegible] despatches are made.

(iii) D.M.T.P. vehicles will run as per [illegible] in accordance with every time table [illegible] eyelets have been inserted to [illegible] and down whether despatches are made or not.



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420. CAMP PUBLICATIONS. - A.H.Q. Melb has asked that six (6) copies of any camp magazines or publications, issued after embarkation, be sent to them for war historical records.

The necessary copies of any such publications should be forwarded to this H.Q. for transmission to Aust.

Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

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421. CHANGE OF CAMP NAME. - Owing to the kilo stones on the GAZA Road having been changed, the camp previously known as Kilo 70 will, in futur be known as KILO 89.

422. RESPIRATORS, ANTI-GAS, SPECIAL FITTINGS. - Nominal rolls of personne who, owing to some physical abnormality, cannot be fitted with respirato will be forwarded to this H.Q. by 7 Jun 40.

423. REPAIR OF BOOTS - ANKLE. - Reference Div R.O. 79/40 para (b). The following are the prices for labour for repair of boots, ankle, on which 10% is to be deducted:-

Half sole and heel	2. 6
Half sole only	1. 10
Heeling only	1. 0
Heel tips & fittings	1. 0

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424. UNIT SECURITY OFFRS. - Ref Div R.O. 327/40, units who have not supplied this information will do so at once.

425. CAMP SECURITY OFFRS. - To arrange the necessary co-ordination of Security measures in Camp Areas, the following will co-ordinate the work of Unit Security Offrs:-

GAZA RIDGE	MAJOR G. MAITLAND, D.C.M.	1 Aus Conv Depot
KILO 89	CAPT. NADEBAUM	Sigs, 6 Aus Div.
BARBARA	LIEUT J.E. MARSH	H.Q. A.A.O.C. 6 Aus Div.
JULIS	CAPT. LOVELL	H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde
QASTINA	LIEUT.A. ROBERTS	6 Aus Div Recce Regt.

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G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

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426. COMPENSATION ORGANIZATION. - The following compensation officers have been appointed in accordance with Adv 6 Aus Div Administrative Instruction No.24A dated 18 Apr 40:-

(a) Brigade Compensation Officers.

Area B	- Lt-Col	R.G. Hutchinson,	6 Aus Div Recce Regt
Area C	- Lieut	E. Jay	H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde
Area D	- Capt.	C. Bowser	A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div
Area F	- Capt.	T.H. Nadebaum	Sigs 6 Aus Div.

(b) Unit Compensation Officers.

6 Aus Div Recce Regt	- Lt-Col R.G. Hutchinson
2/1 Fd Regt	- Maj. J.F. Howard
2/1 Fd Coy	- Capt. H.B. Murn
Sigs 6 Aus Div	- Capt. T.H. Nadebaum
2/1 Bn	- Capt. W.G.A. Baines
2/2 Bn	- Capt. W.B. Caldwell
2/3 Bn	- Lieut J.A.Y. Denniston
2/4 Bn	- Maj. W.H. Houston
A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.	- Capt. C. Bowser
2/1 Fd Amb	- Capt. Zimmerman
2/1 Fd Hyg Sec	- Capt. R. Drummond
2/1 Aus Gen Hosp	- Capt. R.H. MacDonald

427. FLY TRAPS. - The formalin fly-trap referred to in pages 143 and 144 and Appendix 14, Army Manual of Hygiene and Sanitation, is useful in combating the fly nuisance. These traps should be improvised under unit arrangements in consultation with O.C. 2/1 Fd Hyg Sec.

428. U.S. TUBES AND TYRES. - These will be returned to A.I.F. Base Ord Depot.

430. BLANKETS.—INCOMING UNITS. - Sarafand Ord Depot have issued two blankets per man. Blankets brought from Australia by incoming units will be retained by them.

431. REPORTS ON LOSS, DAMAGE, ETC. (ADM INST NO.24)(a) Where replacements are made from unit stocks, the indents and covering reports may be rendered at the end of each month. The reports must, however, be prepared at the time the issue is made or investigations instituted.

(b) Units are omitting to attach copies of the Report on Losses etc, when a Court of Inquiry has been convened. The report should be submitted and under "C.O's Decision" enter "Court of Inquiry ordered".

432. FOSTER UNITS.- Vouchers received from British Ord Depots for incoming Units will be held by Foster Units until incoming unit Q.M's arrive; but where an officer representative of the incoming unit has been appointed under Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.21, this officer will be given the vouchers to receipt. The original will then be passed to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div and the duplicate and triplicate will be returned to the Depot. The unit copy is the advance copy.

433. TRAINING STORES.- Hydrogen and balloons for A.A. Hosepipe Practice are now available on indent.

434 MEDICAL.- All units will render by 1800 hrs on 17 May, a return of numbers of personnel who have not had tetanus toxoid inoculations.

435. MEDICAL CONFERENCE.- R.M.O's Conference will be postponed until further notice.

436. MEDICAL BOARD.- R.M.O's may obtain A.F. B.179 on request from 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp until unit receives supplies on indent from Stationery Depot.

437. PICQUETS' LUNCHEONS - Picquets proceeding on duty with leave parties should carry a cut lunch with them, unless the unit concerned makes other arrangements.

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

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438: 6 AUS DIV RECCE SIG SEC. - This Sig Sec will rejoin 6 Aus Div Recce Regt as from 20 May 40.

439. DESTROYING DOGS IN CAMPS.- (a) Attention is drawn to the F.S.O. "Rabies - Preventive Measures" issued under General Order 413/37 in which it is laid down that all stray or unauthorised dogs will be destroyed under unit arrangements or handed over to the local police or Municipal authorities.

(b) Camp Commanders will report by 20 May 40 the various methods which units have used to destroy dogs in accordance with the above F.S.O.

(c) In the event of "shooting" being a method the information will include the weapon that was used.

O.E. Williams Capt
A/Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

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440. DIVISIONAL CONCERT PARTY - The following personnel have been selected to form 6 Aus Div Orchestra and will report to S/Sgt Sherriff at Barbara on 17 May 40 at 1000 hrs. Units will arrange transport. They will be attached to 6 Aus Div Sup Coln, Rosenthal Lines, for quarters and rations:-

NX.9861	P. Mapstone,	2/2 Bn
NX.1367	H.E. Marion,	2/2 Bn
VX.1900	A.A. Dickinson,	Amn Coy, A.A.S.C.
NX.4250	J. McCauley,	2/3 Bn
NX.2626	C.J. Baird	2/1 Bn.
NX.2076	E.A. Seaborn	2/4 Bn
VX.1969	J. Taylor	H.Q. A.A.S.C.
NX.9842	J.W. Holt	2/1 Bn

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

NOTICE.

A.I.F. CRICKET TEAM IN EGYPT.- To date the A.I.F. Cricket Team has played two matches in Cairo. The first game resulted in a win for the A.I.F. team and in the second match they were defeated by a team from the Gezira Sporting Club.

A.I.F. BOXING TEAM IN EGYPT.- Australia defeated New Zealand by five contests to four in the boxing matches in Egypt. The following are the results. (Australians mentioned first in each case).

Featherweights : Pte Ball (8.9) lost to Pte Miller (8.11) on points.
Lightweights : Pte Herron (9.9) beat Pte Roderick (9.7) on points.
Pte McGurran (9.8) beat Pte Porter (9.9) on a Tech. K.O.
Welterweights : Pte Allen (10.6) beat Pte Windybanks (10.6) on points.
Pte Tullipan (10.7) beat Pte Richardson (10.7) on points
Middleweights : Pte Shoebridge (11.4) was outpointed by Gr.McMahon (11.4)
Pte Bickley (11.1) beat Pte Scott (11.2) on points
Light Heavyweights: Cpl Stevens (12.3) lost to Pte Withell (12.4) on pts.
Heavyweights : Capt. Loughran (14.4) lost to L/Cpl McHugh (14.7) on a Technical K.O.

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by

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

Gaza 16 May 40.

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NIL

for Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

441. TRAVELLING ON DUTY. - All claims for travelling and meal allowance will contain a short statement of the duty performed and will be signed by C.O. as the person incurring the expense.

442. AMENDMENT TO 6 AUS DIV ADM. INST. NO.34. - Appendix "A" of this Administrative Instruction is amended to read:-

TANGLEFOOT - 1 lb per 100 men per week.

443. ARMBANDS - NATIVE SWEEPERS.- Adv 6 Aus Div Administrative Instruction No.4, para 3(b) is amended to read 'yellow' instead of 'green'. Units will take steps to issue Native Sweepers with Yellow Armbands forthwith.

444. CONFERENCE OF QUARTERMASTERS.- A conference of Q.M's will be held in the Conference Room H.Q. 6 Aus Div on Tuesday 21 May 40 at 1600 hrs.

445. INDENTS ON A.I.F. BASE ORD DEPOT.- Only two copies of indents are required by Base Ord Depot. It is waste of forms to submit in quadruplicate.

446. HELIOGRAPHS & STANDS.- Units will report immediately on receipt of these orders

(a) the authorised number
(b) stocks held

of Heliographs 5-in Mk V. and Stands lamp or Heliograph "A" Mk.III. This information is required by Force H.Q.

447. DRESSINGS, FIELD. - Units will indent for their entitlements in Field Dressings. These will be held in unit stores to replace those on issue to the troops when ordered.

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

NOTICE.

LOST RIFLE. - Rifle No.K.267 has been found by the Police. Any unit having this rifle on charge will notify D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div.

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448. CENSORSHIP - UNDEVELOPED COLORED FILMS (Ref Div R.O. 386).

(a) Enquiries have been made in Egypt and elsewhere and it has been found that there are no facilities for developing these films.

(b) Formations and units will warn all ranks that colored films must not be sent out of the country.

(c) Individuals should be advised not to purchase such films.

449. CENSORSHIP - A case has recently occurred where troops serving abroad have caused a notice to be inserted in an Australian newspaper requesting pen friends.

It is desired that the attention of ALL RANKS be directed to the provision of Field Censorship General Part I para 9 which prescribes that it is forbidden to insert advertisements or letters in any publication inviting correspondence with strangers.

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

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

450. BOXING RINGS.- For the preservation of boxing rings units will indent for Oil, preserving, wood, on the scale of 10 Gallons per ring, on D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div.

The issue of one tarpaulin U.S. per ring is authorized. Units will indent as above.

451. SNAKES.- Snakes are becoming prevalent and Units will take the necessary steps to instruct personnel in the use of Snake-bite outfits. One such outfit has been issued as a sample and units will procure others as required. All parties proceeding into the field should carry a Snake-bite outfit.

There is only one venemous snake in this area, the VIPERA LIBETINA, which has the common characteristics of the viper class, a broad triangular, but flattened head and short tail, olive coloured with brown markings, forming a zigzag pattern on the back, and growing to a length of three feet.

Camp Comds will make arrangements direct with Major Mackerras, 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp for his collection of snakes to be on display at camps and will arrange that all officers view this for purpose of identification of snakes.

In a case of snake-bite, the routine treatment will be followed and if possible the snake killed for the purpose of identification.

Should the snake be considered venemous, an injection of ANTI-VENINE will be given, but as supplies of this substance are limited, the snake must be brought for identification if possible.

The risk of snake bite is no greater here than in Australia and to be effective, Anti-venine should be given as soon as possible after the bite.

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

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452 CENSORSHIP STAMPS.(a) All Censorship Stamps are to be checked to ensure that their serial numbers are clearly impressed on letters.

(b) All stamps defective in this respect are to be reported to this H.Q. for replacement.

(c) Pending replacement the serial numbers are to be inserted in the appropriate space.

Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

453. TYRE REPAIRS - MOTOR CYCLE. - Units having Motor Cycles on charge which are deficient in repair outfits will indent in quadruplicate for one clamp, vulcanising and four patch and heat units.

454. B.S.A. MOTOR CYCLES.- Units with B.S.A. Motor Cycles on charge will indent for the following items of equipment:-

1 Parts List	-	Part No	LV6CT/
1 Instruction Hand Book with lubrication chart	-	" "	LV6CT/

455. WEB EQUIPMENT 1937 PATTERN.- A representative from each unit entitled to Web Equipment will attend Sarafand Ord Depot at 1100hrs Tuesday 21 May 40 to receive instruction in Indent procedure and fitting of equipment.

456. WORK TICKETS. - (a) Attention is directed to Div R.O.24/40

(b) All work tickets will be completed and signed by an officer or responsible N.C.O. before the vehicle leaves the Unit Vehicle Park

(c) In cases where the destination is uncertain, a description of the duty will suffice, but the necessary signature will be included.

(d) The responsibility for the issue of properly completed work tickets rests with the Officer i/c Transport in each unit.

(e) Disciplinary action will be taken in every case of non-compliance with this order.

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

NOTICE.

The following message has been received from SIR S. BRUCE, High Commissioner for Australia:-

"To General Mackay. Please convey following message to your troops: Congratulations on your safe arrival in the Middle East. You have come to take your stand with Britain and her Allies. With great traditions of the First A.I.F. to inspire you I am confident that you will play an honorable part in achieving final victory."

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Gaza — 21 May 40

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GENERAL STAFF.

NIL.

for Lt.-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

457. BROADCASTING ENGINEER. - The services of a broadcasting engineer are required temporarily. Any unit having a qualified man will submit his name to Div H.Q. by 26 May.

458. SANITATION. - Personnel from 2/1 Fd Hyg Sec will be attached to all newly arrived units for duty as advisers on sanitation. One S/Sgt will be attached to H.Q. 17 Aus Inf Bde and one to Camp H.Q., Kilo 89, and a L/Cpl to each of the following lines - At Kilo 89, Holmes and Squires; at Deir Suneid, H.Q.; at Beit Jirja, Glasgow, Elliott, Royston, Grimwade and Legge; and at Qastina, Maclagan.

They will report by 0930 hrs 22 May. Term of duty- 3 weeks. Rationing and accommodation will be provided by units to which they are attached, except in the case of H.Q. Lines, Deir Suneid, where own rations and accommodation will be found. These personnel will carry their own bedding.

459. SWILL - i.e. KITCHEN REFUSE. - S. Azzouni of Ramle has agreed to remove all swill from the various camps from Qastina south to Gaza Town incl. The conditions are as follows:-

(a) The swill, which will be separated into WET and DRY, will be placed by the Military personnel of the camp concerned, into covered bins and marked accordingly.

(b) The Wet Refuse will be removed in covered drums in carts and the dry refuse in covered carts.

(c) The bins and drums are to be kept clean to the satisfaction of the Military Sanitation Authorities.

(d) The swill shall be removed once daily at times laid down by the Camp Commandants of the various camps.

(e) The rate to be paid to the Military Authorities shall be 10 mils per man per month.

Every effort will be made by the Units to see that the kitchen refuse is separated properly so that the dry refuse is not rendered valueless to the contractor, because the amount to be paid represents three to four times the amount previously collected.

The money is to be paid to this H.Q. monthly and then allotted to unit funds.

460. CONSERVANCY - The conservancy contract for all camps from Qastina south to Gaza Town incl. has been relet to S. Azzouni of Ramle at new rates and altered conditions. A copy of the contract will be forwarded to all units.

461. EXPENSE STORES.- Adm Inst No. 38 para 4 is amended as follows:- Until further notice all expense stores will be indented for on D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div except Kerosene, Disinfectants and Flysol, which are A.A.S.C. supply.

462 -COURSES IN SANITATION AND WATER DUTIES. - Courses of lectures-demonstrations in (a) "Sanitation", (b) "Water Testing" and (c) "Sanitation in Cook-houses" will be conducted by C.O. 2/1 Fd Hyg Sec at Bridges Lines, Deir Suneid, for recently arrived units.

The days and hours are as follows:-

(a) Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 1330 - 1600 hrs
(b) Tuesday and Saturday, from 1330 - 1600 hrs
(c) Tuesday and Friday from 0830 - 1100 hrs.

Course (a) which will commence on Fri 24 May, will consist of nine (9) sessions and will be attended by all sanitary duty personnel.
Course (b) which will commence on Sat. 24 May, will consist of six (6) sessions, and will be attended by all water duty personnel.
Course (c), which will commence on Fri 24 May, will consist of six (6) sessions and will be attended by one cook from each kitchen. This cook will then be made responsible for the sanitation of his kitchen.

Units will send to 2/1 Fd Hyg Sec a nominal roll of personnel who will attend each course, by 1530 hrs 25 May.

Transport will be arranged by the Corps Commanders concerned.

463. GAS OIL - SCALE OF ISSUE. (a) Units supplied with oil-burning ovens should use Gas Oil as necessary in lieu of fuel wood and coal, on the basis of,

1 pint oil = 1 lb coal plus 3 lbs wood.

(b) The scale of Gas Oil for hot water systems will be 4/5ths pint per man per week. Reports on the employment of this scale will be submitted by units to Deputy A.D.M.S. 8 Aus Div by 5 June 41.

464. REPLACEMENT OF KHAKI DRILL. - No report on losses, Damages, etc. is required when replacements on personal is ordered by the C.O.

465. FLANNELETTE AND COTTON DRILL. - Unit Quarter Master will submit through D.A.D.O.S. 8 Aus Div, [illegible] for requirements in the above items.

466. BOOT REPAIRS. - Boots requiring heeling are to be so marked before delivery to the boot repairer.

467. DETENTION BARRACKS. - 1 Aus Detention Barracks opened on 15 May 41 at Zion Convent, Jerusalem. Command and Reserve, as set out in Div F.O. 336/40, is unchanged except that applications for accommodation will be addressed direct to 1 Aus Detention Barracks.

[signature]
for Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 8 Aus Div.

Issued.

Hanna Risharat, Contractor, has established an office at Kilo 7½.

LOST. - One sleeping valise marked W..... MAJOR G.H. O'BRIEN. If this is in possession of any unit please [illegible] this H.Q.

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Gaza — 22 May 40

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GENERAL STAFF.

NIL.

Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

468. CANCELLATION - "Leave Time-Table No.7" issued on 21 May 40, covering the period 26 May 40 to 8 Jun 40, is cancelled. Leave Time-Table No.8 covering the same period will be issued shortly.

469. CASUALTY RETURNS.- As from 22 May 40, A.I.F. Form 1 will be substituted for Army Form W. 3006.

(b) A.I.F. Form 1 will be completed by all units and detachments, including units attached to other units, to 0900 hrs daily and copies will be forwarded as under:-

(i) One copy to Camp Commanders.
(ii) One copy direct to "Officer i/c Records, 2nd Echelon, Aus Overseas Base, Jerusalem.
(iii) One copy retained by unit for reference.

(c) After noting contents, Camp Commanders will forward copy of A.I.F. Form 1 referred to in sub-para (b)(i) above to H.Q. 6 Aus Div by first available D.R.

(d) Supplies of A.I.F. Form 1 have been distributed to all units.

470. TELEPHONE CALLS. - As lengthy telephone calls have been causing services delay and congestion on lines, in future all telephone calls will be limited to 10 minutes duration.

The switchboard will report any personnel who exceed the Stipulated Period. Even if various extensions are spoken to on the one exchange the above will hold. Officers will consider the advisability of dealing with subjects by letter or signal in preference to using the telephone.

471. CAMP RECEPTION STATIONS.- In future camp Hospitals will be designated "Camp Reception Stations".

472. TRAVELLING POST OFFICE. - Administrative Instruction No.22, paras 5 and 6 are amended as under:-

'Units at Barbara Camp deal direct with Field P.O. Barbara.'

'In order to keep the Postal Services within the limits possible with the present transport, the Travelling Post Office will visit each Camp twice weekly in lieu of three times weekly as at present, in accordance with the following schedule:-

	Morning from 0830 hrs	: Afternoon from 1330 hrs.
Mon & Thurs.	Gaza Town Gaza Ridge	Kilo 89
Tues & Fri	Deir Suneid	Beit Jirja
Wed & Sat	Julis	Qastina

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

NOTICE.

A The Dansant will be held at the A.I.F. Officers' Club, GAZA. from 1700 hrs to 2000 hrs 25 May 40. Officers who are not yet members of the Club are invited to attend. The GAZA Police Orchestra will be in attendance.

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Gaza

23 May 40.

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NOT TO BE PUBLISHED.

GENERAL STAFF.

NIL

O. Eastman Capt.
for Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

473. ORDERLY ROOM SERGEANTS. - All Orderly Room Sergeants shown in War Establishments as "To be left at Base" will be transferred to 2nd Echelon, Aus Overseas Base, Jerusalem, forthwith. Units will communicate direct with 2nd Echelon, Aus Overseas Base regarding transport and dates of transfer.

474. CARRYING OF LIQUOR ON THE PERSON. - Div R.O. 162/40 is repeated:-

"All ranks are forbidden to carry bottled liquor on the person whether in camp or on leave."

475. MARKING OF RESPIRATORS.- Units will indent for Discs Identity Red No.2 for attachment to the corrugated tube of the respirator. To conform with the personal identity disc, no indication of the unit or corps will appear on the disc or on the respirator haversack. Commanding Officers will ensure that any unit markings already made on any such haversacks are rendered illegible.

476. MESS EQUIPMENT FOR OFFICERS' & SERGEANTS' MESSES - 2nd CONVOY. - All mess equipment issued by Base Ordnance Depot to Officers' and Sergeants' Messes of 2nd Convoy will be returned on A.F.G.1033 to that Depot not later than 30 May 40. Any deficiencies will be charged against the unit concerned. - Ref 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.38, para 16.

477. LAMP, AIMING, Mk.III - RETURNED BY PALESTINE POLICE. - One Lamp, Aiming, Mk.III, confiscated from a house at OEIRA has been handed in to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div by the Palestine Police. Unit Q.M's will check issues of Lamps Aiming Mk.III and report any recent loss to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div.

E.W. Woodward Maj
for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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NO. 70.

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478. REF. TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO.6 - AIR DEFENCE.- (a) Camp Comds.will indent on D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div for sand-bags on the scale of 1000 bags per "Lines".

(b) One gas chamber is to be erected in each camp area. The issue of 12 blankets per Bde for this purpose is approved and indents for requirements should be forwarded to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div.

479. SECURITY. - Camp Comds will arrange for guards to be posted for the protection of all water supply apparatus and equipment in their camp areas.

for Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF. -

480. DAY OF PRAYER. - By request of His Majesty The King, Sunday 26 May 40 is being set apart throughout the Empire as a Day of Prayer. This request will be honored throughout the A.I.F. and it is the wish of the G.O.C. 6 Aus Div that personnel of all denominations should be given the opportunity of attending voluntary services in addition to the normal Church Parades.

481. CHAPLAINS.- (a) So that personnel may attend Church Parades conducted by Chaplains of their own denominations, the following temporary changes in the allocation of chaplains to camps will be made on 25 May 40:-

Chaplain F.R. Burt	from	Con Depot to A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div
Chaplain E. Sullivan	"	Con Depot to Base Ord Depot
Chaplain J.A. Quinn	"	19 Aus Inf Bde to 17 Aus Inf Bde
Chaplain G.P. O'Callaghan	"	2/3 Fd Regt to 16 Aus Inf Bde
Chaplain F.M. Pierce	"	Con Depot to 19 Aus Inf Bde.

(b) Arrangements for move will be made by units concerned.

482. M.O's CONFERENCE.- A conference of R.M.O's of recently arrived units and of officers of 2 Aus Fd Amb will be held at H.Q. 2 Aus Fd Amb, Legge Lines, Beit Jirja, at 1430 hrs 27 May.

483 CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES.- Units will render a return by 1800 hrs 29 May of the number of civilians legitimately employed in lines as on 14 May 40 for the purpose of computing the Conservancy Contractors Account.

484. FOODSTUFFS - ILLEGAL DISPOSAL. - It has come to notice that considerable quantities of tinned and other foodstuffs from unit stores or kitchens are being sold or illegally given to local inhabitants. Commanding Officers will ensure that this practice is stopped.

485. POOL ARMS & AMN.- Units in possession of Pool Arms and Amn (as defined in F.S.O. 554/36) will return them forthwith to O.O. Sarafand on A.F.G. 1033. All vouchers from the issuing units will be cleared and returned to these units.

486. R.E. FITTINGS, CAMPS. - Units are forbidden to move any fittings and fixtures provided by engineer services in camps. This includes, shelving, plate racks, cupboards in cookhouses, electric light bulbs, paving slabs, locks, Army track and Hessian canvas. Attention is directed to Div R.O. 381/40.

487. JEWISH SERVICES. - (a) Commencing 1 Jun 40 Jewish Divine Services will be held as under on the FIRST Saturday in each month:-

(i) 0830 hrs DEIR SUNEID
(ii) 1030 hrs JULIS

(b) Jewish personnel from GAZA TOWN, GAZA RIDGE, KILO 89 and BEIT JIRJA will attend the service at DEIR SUNEID. Personnel from BARBARA and QASTINA will attend the service in JULIS Camp. Unit transport may be employed.

(c) Camp Commanders DEIR SUNEID and JULIS will arrange accommodation for a maximum of 50 personnel.

H. S. Woodward Maj
for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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488. DISTRIBUTION LISTS. - Distribution lists "A" and "B", vide Appx "A" attached, will be taken into use as from this date. This cancels Div. R.O. 385/40.

489. JAFFA RANGES - SPECIAL RULES FOR MORTAR RANGE.- (1) The Senior Officer present will be responsible for all Mortars firing on the Range.

(2) The maximum number of Mortars to fire at any one time will be:-

In the near firing point area..... 2.
In the forward firing point area..... 4.

(3) (i) No targets will be engaged closer than the following ranges:-

3-inch Mortar.

(a) High explosive and smoke ..... 600 yards
(b) Powder filled ..... 300 yards

2-inch Mortar.

(a) High explosive and smoke ..... 250 yards
(b) Powder filled ..... 100 yards

(ii) In the forward area the maximum permissable range on sights of 3-inch Mortar is 1200 yards.

(4) Before firing takes place, the Aircraft Warning Sign will be made clearly visible, and the red flag will be hoisted.

(5) Unexploded bombs will be located, marked by red flags, and reported to the Camp Commandant, Weapon Training Camp, on return to camp. These flags may be drawn from the Camp Commandant.

Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

490. CLASS II. PERSONNEL. - (a) All personnel classified Class II by Medical Boards will be transferred to Inf and Gen Base Depot as under:-

From JULIS Camp on 27 May 40.
From QASTINA and BARBARA Camps on 28 May 40
From All other Camps on 29 May 40.

(b) The following articles will be transferred with each man:-

Blankets
Web Equipment
Water Bottle
Rifle (or Revolver)
Bayonet (if issued)
Respirator
Steel Helmet
Personal Kit and Necessaries.

(c) Unit transport will be employed and Casualty Returns will be rendered.

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490. (cont.)

(d) Conduct Sheets and all personal records held by the Unit will be transferred with each man to Inf and Gen Base Depot, who will acknowledge receipt.

(e) Personnel classified unfit and any personnel for return to Australia will be transferred as above.

491. SPORTS MEETING.- A meeting of all Unit Sports Officers will be held at H.Q. 6 Aus Div on 27 May 40 at 1600 hrs.

492. MOVEMENT CONTROL. - Attention is directed to Div R.O. 206/40 on the above subject. - Commanding Officers will ensure that personnel travelling by train are instructed accordingly.

493. DRIVING LICENCES. - Civil licences are required to drive Private Motor Vehicles in Palestine. Military licences are not sufficient. F.S.O. (G.O.) 548/38 refers.

494. ANTI-MALARIAL COURSE. - (a) R.M.O's, as under, and O.C. 2/1 Fd Hyg Sec, will attend a course of instruction in Anti-Malarial Duties to be held in JERUSALEM and HAIFA between inclusive 3 Jun 40 and inclusive 6 Jun 40. Instructions regarding move and accommodation will be issued by A.D.M.S. 6 Aus Div. direct to officers concerned:-

R.M.O	2/1 Fd Regt.
"	2/1 Fd Coy
"	2/3 Bn
"	2/4 Bn
"	2/5 Bn
"	2/6 Bn; also
O.C.	2/1 Fd Hyg Sec.

(b) C.O. 2/2 Fd Amb will arrange for Medical Officers to relieve each of the above mentioned R.M.O's by 1400 hrs 2 Jun 40. R.M.O. Inf and Gen Base Depot will relieve O.C. ~~2/1 Fd Hyg~~ Sec by the same hour.

495. ABSENCE WITHOUT LEAVE.- (a) All units will render a weekly return to reach this H.Q. by 1800 hrs on Wednesdays showing personnel who were Absent without Leave for a period of seven days or more as at 1800 hrs on the previous Monday. First returns required on 29 May 40. NIL returns will be rendered.

(b) The following information will be included:-

Name and Number
Date absence commenced
Description (Sufficient to assist in identification)
Possible whereabouts.

This information need only be supplied on the first occasion on which personnel are included in this return. On subsequent occasions the Name and Number only will be repeated.

(c) Included in this return will be a statement shewing names of any personnel recovered, and date of return to unit.

(d) Procedure for Reporting Absentees as set out in Div R.O. 350/40, reprinted in "Principal Divisional Routine Orders", remains in force.

J. W. Woodward Maj.
for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

APPENDIX "A" TO DIV R.O.488/40.

	Formation or Unit.	List "A".	List "B"
1.	6 Aus Div Recce Regt.	1	5
2.	H.Q., R.A.A. 6 Aus Div	1	2
3.	2/1 Fd Regt.	1	~~3~~ 4
4.	2/2 Fd Regt.	1	~~3~~ 4
5.	H.Q., R.A.E. 6 Aus Div	1	2
6.	2/1 Fd Coy	1	1
7.	2/2 Fd Coy.	1	1
8.	Sigs 6 Aus Div.	1	~~1~~ 3
9.	16 Aus Inf Bde	1	~~5~~ 26
10.	17 Aus Inf Bde	1	~~5~~ 26
11.	Camp Comd. Kilo 89	1	~~5~~ 26
12.	H.Q., A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.	1	7
13.	2/1 Fd Amb.	1	~~1~~ 4
14.	2/2 Fd Amb.	1	~~1~~ 4
15.	2/1 Fd Hyg Sec.	1	1
16.	6 Aus Fd Cash Office	1	1
17.	6 Aus Div Pro Coy.	1	~~1~~ 2
18.	6 Aus Div Postal Unit	1	1
19.	2/1 Aus Gen Hosp.	1	1
20.	2/2 Aus Gen Hosp.	1	1
21.	2/1 C.C.S.	1	1
22.	2/1 Conv. Depot	1	1
23.	Det 2/1 A. Fd Wkshop	1	2
24.	Aus Overseas Base	1	~~5~~ 6
25.	Inf and Gen Base Depot	1	1
26.	Aus Base Ord Depot	1	1
	FOR INFORMATION :-		
27.	Force H.Q.	~~2~~	~~2~~
28.	D.C.R.E. Gaza Area	1	1
29.	Gen. File	1	1
30.	"G" File	1	1
31.	"Q" File	1	1
32.	"I" File	1	1
33.	War Diary	2	2
34.	Spare	3	3
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by

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Gaza 25 May 40

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496. ALLOTMENT OF CODE NAME.- Ref Code Names List XI, the code name allotted to 18 Aus Inf Bde will be used for Camp Comd. Kilo 89.

497. DUTY COY - GAZA. - 17 Aus Inf Bde will arrange to take over Duty Coy, GAZA, as from 1000 hrs 1 Jun for nine (9) weeks. Period of duty of Coys detailed for this will be for three weeks. The duties include close protection Gaza Aerodrome.

(b) Duty Coy will report with full War Equipment Scale of Small Arms Weapons.

(c) A.A.S.C. will arrange necessary tpt on demand from 17 Aus Inf Bde.

Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

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

NOTICES.

LOST AND FOUND.

(a) Lost. - Black Universal Kit-bag, stencilled "VX10745 A.H.C. 138"

(b) Found.- White Sea Kit-bag marked "B.E. JONES, Serial No.132" containing articles of clothing, some of which are marked "1460".

(c) Units concerned will communicate with O.C. Det 6 Aus Pro Coy, 78 Hayarkon Street, TEL AVIV.

AUSTRALIAN SOLDIERS' CLUB,-TEL AVIV.

The Australian Soldiers' Club, located at 109 Hayarkon Street, Tel Aviv, offers the following facilities to A.I.F. personnel on leave in that town:-

Meals at reasonable prices. - Light refreshments, Ice Cream, Tobacco,etc.
Reading Room - Writing Room - Recreational facilities - Lounge Rooms.
Change Rooms and showers (free) - Hot Baths for small fee -
Bathing Costumes on hire.

All ranks are invited to visit the club and make use of the facilities available.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS.

by

MAJ-GEN. I.G. MACKAY, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., G.O.C. 6 AUS DIV.

GAZA. 26 May, 40.

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ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

COURT OF INQUIRY.

(a) A Court of Inquiry, composed as under, will assemble at 1000 hrs. 31 May, 40 at Military Police Barrack, 78 Hayarkon St. Tel-Aviv, for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon:-

(i) Accident to Vehicle No. 03763 on 1 Mar. 40.
(ii) Theft of money from safe at M.P. Barracks Tel-Aviv between 1900 hrs 22 May, 40 and 1200 hrs. 23 May, 40.

(b) Camp Commander Kilo 89 will detail one Field Officer, as President, and two Captains, as members, to report as set out in sub-para (a) above. Transport will be arranged by Camp Commander Kilo 89.

(c) O.C. Det. 6 Aus. Pro. Coy. Tel-Aviv, will arrange accomodation and for the necessary witnesses to attend.

AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY.

C.O's will arrange for any Aus. currency which has not been converted to Palestinian currency to be collected and credited in the pay book of the individual concerned. Such amounts may be drawn on the next or any subsequent pay day. Any regimental funds held in Aus. currency will be paid into the credit of regimental trust a/c's.

F.W. Woodward, Maj
COL.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 AUS. DIV.

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GENERAL STAFF.

498. REF. TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO.7. - para 4 (d) - As anti-tank mines and connected stores were not delivered as early as expected the date on which personnel should complete their training has been extended to 8 June.

O.F. Williams Capt
for Lt-Col.
G. S. 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

499. WEB EQUIPMENT - 1908 PATTERN. - All units who had not already done so before 5 May and all units which have arrived since that date, will report quantity of 1908 Pattern Web Equipment held by them, to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div by 1 Jun 40.

500. INLAND LETTER RATES. - Inland letter rate for Palestine has been increased to 7 mils for 20 grams, and 5 mils for each additional 20 grams.

501. SAND-BAGS. - Scale of issue of sand-bags for Field Regts., R.A.A., is 1500 per Regt. Authority to be quoted is CR/PAL/21980/3/G.

502. DRESS, OFFICERS. - When wearing shorts and shirts Officers will wear either a Sam Browne or web belt.

503. TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS - REPORTING. - (a) Commencing 27 May 40, Initial Reports on Traffic Accidents will be rendered to this H.Q. by letter and NOT by telegraph or signal.

(b) 6 Aus Div Administrative Instruction No.7 will be amended in line 2 of para 1 to read "letter" in place of "telegraph".

F.W. Woodward Maj
for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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MAJ-GEN I.G. MACKAY C.M.G.,D.S.O., V.D., G.O.C. 6 AUS DIV.

Gaza 29 May 40

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504. DUTY COY - GAZA. - (a) Ref Div R.O. 497/40. Camp Kilo 89 (2/4 Bn) will take over Duty Coy GAZA as from 1000 hrs 1 June for three (3) weeks.
(b) 17 Aus Inf Bde will arrange to take over from Camp Kilo 89 at 1000 hrs 22 June for a period of nine (9) weeks.
(c) A.A.S.C. will arrange necessary transport on demand from Camp Comd Kilo 89.

505. STANDARD TIME.- From midnight (G.M.T.) on 31 May to midnight (G.M.T) 30 Sep, summer time will be observed in Palestine.
During this period the time in Palestine will be three hours ahead of G.M.T, instead of two hours as at present.

506. SECURITY.- (a) The railway bridge over WADI GHAZZA 094096 and GAZA Ry Sta. are both under armed police guard.
(b) All ranks should be warned that the area around the railway bridge is out of bounds.
(c) Failure to observe a challenge from the guard may result in injury.

507. CODE NAMES.- Units will NOT use code names in phonogram messages.

D.E. Williams. Capt.
for Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

503. UNFULFILLED INDENTS- Unfulfilled Indents on Aus Base Ordnance Depot. submitted prior to 20th March 1940 are hereby cancelled. Fresh indents are to be submitted to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div for any outstanding stores.

509. FLY TRAPS. - Units will submit to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div indents for fly traps on the following scale:-

One each per Dining Tent
" " " Mess Tent
" " " Cookhouse

Three per ration stand.

D.A.D.O.S., SARAFAND, will issue as traps become available.

510. RESPIRATORS, ANTI-GAS - ISSUE TO ACCREDITED CIVILIANS. - Units to which accredited civilian representatives of Dept of Information, Comforts Fund, Red Cross, Y.M.C.A. and Press, are attached, will arrange to issue them with Respirators, Anti-Gas. Necessary indents will be submitted to D.A.D.O.S., 6 Aus Div.

511. ARRIVAL UNIT EQUIPMENT, STORES, 2ND CONVOY.- As all unit equipment, stores, etc., have now arrived units will submit a return reporting any deficiencies by 3 Jun 40. NIL returns are required.

512. COTTON FLY NETTING.- Reference Adm Inst No.37 para 4. When indenting for Cotton Fly Netting units will specify numbers and types of tents and exact number of standard pieces required for (a) doorways (b) windows (c) ventilators.

F.W. Woodward Maj
for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

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Gaza 30 May 40.

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GENERAL STAFF.

513. AERIAL SIGNALLING STRIPS, Mk.I and I+. - Units will submit a return to this H.Q. by 3 Jun 40 Showing quantities of Aerial Signalling Strips Mk.I or Mk.I+ held. NIL returns are required.

514. ROAD MOVEMENT.- Attention is directed to M.T. Pamphlet No.23 Part III Convoys are still moving at too great a density. In future movement of convoys by day will not exceed 20 v.t.m.

515. PASSES FOR CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES. - Ref General Staff Instruction No.5(a) This will be read to include all civilians engaged by any organization or body who are working in any camp of 6 Aus Div.
(b) Camp Comds will ensure that application forms for all civilians in camp areas are forwarded to this H.Q. with the least possible delay.

516. CENSORSHIP. - Examination in Australia of mail despatched from A.I.F. Palestine, has shown that censorship by unit franking officers generally errs on the side of leniency. Obliteration of text is NOT sufficient, excision by cutting out must be resorted to when deletions are necessary.

Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

517. LEAVE.- Commencing 1 Jun 40, four-day leave parties to TEL-AVIV will embus in unit lines at approximately 1600 hrs, depending on the distance of the camp from Tel-Aviv. This is to permit of full loading of buses for both journeys.

518. A.A.C.I. STAFF - ACCOMMODATION IN TENTED CAMPS. - Except for the manager, A.A.C.I. staff may be accommodated in tents as arranged by O.C. Lines. The rooms vacated by such staff may be allotted by O.C. Lines as additional recreation space, or for storage of valuable equipment.
Demands for minor structural alterations, such as partitions or shelving, consequential on such re-allotment, will be submitted to H.Q. 6 Aus Div.

519. TRANSFERS TO INF AND GEN BASE DEPOT. - Ref R.O. 490, units will advise Inf and Gen Base Depot before despatch of any personnel, forwarding at the same time a nominal roll of the draft. All personnel will carry the unconsumed portion of the day's ration. Inf and Gen Base Depot will report to H.Q. 6 Aus Div any failure to carry out the provisions of this order and of R.O. 490.

520. OIL BURNING SOYER STOVES.- Until further notice Kerosene will be used in the above stoves. Units will indent on A.A.S.C. for kerosene in lieu of Solar Oil, and on the same scale.
As the result of present experiments, a revised set of instructions for the care and use of these stoves will be issued shortly.

521. ENGINEER SERVICES - NATIVE WORKMEN.- Workmen, who have been issued with a pass from R.E. Services, or who carry a pass countersigned by R.E. Services, will be permitted to enter camp areas on duty.

522. RAIL TPT. REQ. BOOKS (PASSENGERS) - Units, which previous to the arrival of 2nd Convoy, had Rail Tpt Req Book (Passengers) in their possession, will now hand these over to the Camp Comd of their area.

Camp Comds will forward a return to this H.Qs. by 7 Jun 40, showing the number of books finally held and the serial nos. of each book.

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

NOTICE.

LOST.- At Kantara, Rifle No.61836, left on H.M.T. Y.1. Any unit in possession of this rifle will communicate with 2/2 Aus Fd Amb.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

by

MAJ-GEN. I. G. MACKAY, G.M.C., D.S.O., V.D., G.O.C. 6 AUS DIV.

Gaza 31 May 40

NO. 77

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GENERAL STAFF.

523. "SUMMER TIME" RUNNING OF TRAINS. - (a) Trains in Palestine and Kantara-Rafa trains will run to Palestine time on present published timings. Time Tables will NOT be altered.
(b) "Summer time" is not being introduced in Trans-Jordan or Sinai and therefore trains on Kantara-Rafa Ry will run one hr ahead of Egyptian local time.
(c) Trains between Amman and Deraa will be run one hour ahead of Trans-Jordan local time, but time tables have been altered to adjust this.

Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

524. RED CROSS STORES.- Red Cross stores will only be issued on requisition by the Commanding Officer of a Medical Unit. Where considerable expense is involved the requisition will be referred to A.D.M.S. 6 Aus Div.

525. A.I.F. BASE ORD DEPOT - ENQUIRIES. - Units enquiring at A.I.F. Base Ord Depot regarding the progress of issues must quote their indent numbers and dates.

526. JEWISH SERVICES.- Jewish Divine Services will be held on 1 Jun 40, at 0830 hrs in DEIR SUNEID, and at 1030 hrs in JULIS Camp. Attention is directed to Div R.O. 487/40 in which detailed instructions are given. On arrival in camps personnel will report to Camp H.Q. for direction.

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

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H. Q. 6 Aus Div - Routine Order

No.37/40

by

Capt. I. G. Webster, Camp Comdt, H.Q. 6 Aus Div.

PART 1.

DUTIES. 1. Daily duties personnel will be detailed according to roster by L/Cpl. J. P. Maguire, H. Q. 6 Aus Div., and will mount at REVEILLE each day.

CHURCH PARADES. 2.(a)All personnel of H. Q. 6 Aus Div, Details H. Q. A.I.F., 6 Aus Div Intelligence Section, A. I. L. Section, Field Cash Office and Attached, will attend Church Parades at 1030 hrs on SUNDAY, 26 May 40 as follows :-

Church of England - At C. M. S. Hospital Chapel, 1030 hrs.
R. C. At A.A.C.I. Canteen, 1030 hrs.

(b)All personnel except those on duty or on approved leave of absence will fall-in under W.O.1. F. Coyle, H. Q. 6 Aus Div on roadway between Field Cash Office and H.Q. Billets at 1010 hrs SUNDAY 26 May 40.

DRESS. Khaki S.D., slacks and belt - No side-arms.

VOLUNTARY SERVICES. 3. The following voluntary service will be held on Sunday 26 May 40 :-
Church of England - At A.C.C.I. Canteen - 0730 hrs.

DAY OF PRAYER. 4. By request of His Majesty The King, Sunday 26 May 40 is being set apart throughout the Empire as a Day of Prayer. It is the wish of the G.O.C. 6 Aus Div that all personnel of all denominations be given the opportunity of attending voluntary services in addition to the normal Church Parades.

JEWISH SERVICES. 5. Commencing 1 June 40 Jewish Divine Services will be held on the first Saturday in each month as under :-

0830 hrs - DEIR SUNEID.
1030 hrs - JULIS.

Jewish personnel from GAZA TOWN will attend the service at DEIR SUNEID. Transport will be supplied by H. Q. 6 Aus Div.

SICK PARADES. 6. Daily Sick Parades will be held each morning at R.A.P. in Signal Office Building at 0830 hrs. Only very urgent cases will be treated during the day, but further special treatment may be given at 1300 and 1800 hrs if Medical Officer instructs accordingly.

TRANSPORT. 6(a) M.T. vehicles on charge to H.Q.6 Aus Div will not under any circumstances be moved from M.T. Park unless the driver is in possession of a Work Ticket signed by the Tpt. Sgt, H.Q. 6 Aus Div or N.C.O. on duty.

(b)Requisitions for tpt for normal every day running will be made direct to Sgt. J. Lawrie, Tpt. Sgt. H.Q.6 Aus Div, but requirements of M.T. for all day trips and longer will be made direct to and approved by Capt. I.G.Webster, Camp Comdt, H.Q. 6 Aus Div.

(c)Individuals requiring transport will give the following details when placing requisition.

1. Name of Officer ordering.
2. Time and place of reporting.
3. Ta sk and number of passengers.
4. Anticipated time of return.

TRANSPORT. 7.(d) On completion of task allotted, all drivers will report immediately to Transport Office, for checking in and issue of further instructions.

(e) Vehicles will not be parked outside H.Q. Main Building or Camp Comdt's Office, but will be placed in M.T. Park at rear of Sergeants Quarters until further required.

(f) Vehicle Speeds. H.Q. Adv 6 Aus Div R/O 49/11 (30/4/40) is repeated.

SPEED OF VEHICLES - Speed limits for army vehicles are :-

1. Within towns and municipal boundaries, Cars, Motor Cycles 8 and 15 cwt trucks - 25 miles per hour.
   30 cwts lorries and upwards - 20 miles per hour.
2. Outside towns and municipal boundaries 8 and 15 cwt trucks - 40 miles per hour.
   30 cwt lorries and upwards - 30 miles per hour.

Breaches of the above instructions will be regarded as a serious offence and dealt with accordingly.

BLACKOUT. 8(a) The Civil Authorities in GAZA are carrying out a "Black Out" on SUNDAY 26 May 40 from 2030 hrs to 2130 hrs.

(b) All military personnel in GAZA TOWN will participate.

(c) All lights will be extinguished before 2030 hrs except where essential duties are being carried out.

(d) Officers in charge of duties personnel will ensure that all windows in rooms or rooms occupied are effeciently screened.

(e) "All Clear" will be sounded by Duty Coy Bugler at 2130.

(f) The Camp Comdt will make an inspection of that part of the town occupied by military personnel, between 2030 and 2130 hrs.

CARRYING OF LIQUOR. 9. All ranks are forbidden to carry bottled liquor on the person, whether in the billets or on leave.

LEAVE. 10. Complete details of leave to JERUSALEM and TEL-AVIV have been posted on Notice Board in No.1 Billet (north side of roadway) Personnel are advised to read carefully the information posted before applying.

(b) Personnel should note that 4 days leave to Tel Aviv will not be available to personnel quartered in GAZA TOWN before Sunday 2 June 40. Single day leave to Tel Aviv will not be available until 6 June 40.

Capt.
Camp Commandant ~~H.Q.~~, 6 Aus Div.

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No. 38/40

by

Capt. I. G. Webster, Camp Comdt, H.Q. 6 Aus Div,

GAZA.

27 May 40.

PART I.

AUSTRALIAN CURRENCY. 1. Personnel who still have Australian currency to be converted to Palestinian are to hand the amount held together with their pay-books to the Field Cash Office, where the necessary credit will be entered. The amount in credit may be drawn on the next or any subsequent pay day.

INLAND LETTER RATES. 2. Inland letter rate for Palestine has been increased to 7 mils for 20 grams and 5 mils for each additional 20 grams. Personnel are advised to make quite certain the correct postage is attached to all inland letters.

MEDICAL INSPECTION. 3. All personnel of H. Q. 6 Aus Div, Div Intelligence Section, A. I. L. Section and attached, with the exception of 2/2 Duty Coy (who will make their own arrangements) batman, cooks and orderlies serving at the Officers' and Sergeants' Messes are to parade on roadway facing Field Cash Office at 0700 hrs, 28 May 40. Batmen, cooks and orderlies will parade at 1100 hrs outside R.A.P. office. It will be considered a serious offence if any person FAILS to attend Medical Inspection Parades.

PERSONNEL DESPATCHED TO HOSPITAL 4. The following instruction will be observed when any member of H. Q. 6 Aus Div, Div Intelligence Section, A.I.L. Section or Attached Personnel is evacuated to hospital :-

(a) Orderly N.C.O. will supervise evacuation from the lines, accompany patient in the ambulance and hand over A.A. Form A.46 on arrival at I/A.G.H.

(b) UNIVERSAL Kit Bag will accompany personnel to Hospital.

(c) SEA Kit Bag, personal equipment, great-coat etc., will be returned to H. Q. 6 Aus Div Q.M. Store under supervision of Orderly N.C.O. and a RECEIPT in the man's name obtained from C.Q.M.S. Woods, H. Q. 6 Aus Div.

(d) Equipment and personal gear will be redrawn from Q.M. Store after discharge from Hospital.

LIGHTS OUT. 5. All other ranks except W.O.'s ra Sgts and those holding late LEAVE PASSES are to be in bed at LIGHTS OUT each night. Any man found out of his billet after 1015 hrs will be dealt with.

MESS PARADES. 6. Personnel will NOT proceed independently to their messes, but will FALL-IN and march as a formed body under the command of Orderly N.C.O.

I. G. Webster Capt.
Camp Commandant H. Q. 6 Aus Div.

6 AUS DIV

GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION NO 10.

POSTINGS OF INTERPRETERS.

1. Owing to reorganisation of accommodation for 6 Aus Div it is necessary to alter the postings of interpreters attached to units.

2. New postings are as follows:

Camp	Lines	Unit	Interpreter
GAZA TOWN		H.Q. 6 Aus Div	L. Abcarius
		Int Sec 6 Aus Div	J. Andria
GAZA RIDGE	HOWSE	2/1 Aus Gen Hosp	M. Dubrovsky
	FETHERSTON	2/2 Aus Gen Hosp	J. Kitzinger
	BARBER	2/1 C.C.S.	Leo Merkin
KILO 89	H.Q.	Camp Comd Kilo 89	Simon Calis
	HERRING	2/4 Bn	E. Salman
	RYRIE	2/8 Bn	Shukri Batarsi
	HOLMES	2/11 Bn	F. Ankiri
	SQUIRES	Sigs 6 Aus Div	F.T. Falah
DEIR SUNEID	H.Q.	H.Q., R.A.A. 6 Aus Div	A.M. Entevy
	BRIDGES	Inf and Gen Base Depot	Leo Koshayan
	ANDERSON	2/1 Fd Regt	M. Sawabina
	BURGESS	2/2 Fd Regt	E. Albina
BEIT JIRGA	H.Q.	H.Q. 17 Aus Inf Bde	E. Schtakleff
	GLASGOW	2/5 Bn	M. Rubinstein
	ELLIOTT	2/6 Bn	David Batarsi
	ROYSTON	2/7 Bn	B. Zeit
	LEGGE	2/2 Fd Amb	A. Marmorasch
BARBARA	ROSENTHAL	H.Q., A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div	B. Stern
	WISDOM	6 Aus Div Amn Coy	I. Amber
	COXEN	Aus Base Ord Depot	P. Salim
JULIS	H.Q.	H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde	R. Awad
	MONASH	2/1 Bn	J. Krikorian
	GODDARD	2/2 Bn	E.S. Saad
	GELLIBRAND	2/3 Bn	S.C. Zaboura
	LEANE	2/1 Fd Amb	Hanna Batarsi
QASTINA	FOOTT	H.Q., R.A.E. 6 Aus Div	M.S. Sanders
	CHAUVEL	6 Aus Div Recce Regt	F. Dakhil

3. Alterations to initial postings.

Interpreter	from	To
Hanna Ba-tarsi	2/8 Bn, Kilo 89	2/1 Fd Amb, Julis
Shukri Batarsi	2/1 Fd Amb, Julis	2/8 Bn, Kilo 89
Simon Calis	2/2 Fd Regt, Deir Suneid	Camp Comd, Kilo 89
M.S. Sanders	2/1 Fd Coy, Qastina	H.Q., R.A.E. 6 Aus Div, Qastina
E. Albina	Sec Guard, Deir Suneid	2/2 Fd Regt, Deir Suneid

Last na med units will arrange for the transport of interpreters and baggage to their lines.

4. Units named in para 2 will be responsible for accommodation, feeding, and discipline of the interpreters attached to them. Where there is more than one unit per sub-area, the interpreter will serve these units as well as that to which they are attached.

/5. This

5. This instruction will come into force from date hereof.

GAZA
~~26~~ 27 May 40.

Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

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6 AUS DIV

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GAZA
~~28~~ 27 May 40.

Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

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6 AUS. DIV.

GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION No. 11.

SECURITY MEASURES - GAZA TOWN.

1. This instruction supersedes G.S. Instruction No. 3 of 21 Mar., 40, and will be read in conjunction with Palestine Security Inst. No. 3 and General Staff Inst. No. 8.

2. General - GAZA is an Arab town and entirely Moslem. The customs of the Moslem are different from those of the European but, none the less, MUST be respected. In this connection the two most noticeable characteristics are religious fervour and the segregation of their womenfolk. Familiarity with them can only result in lack of respect.

3. Area in Bounds - Appendix "A" to this instruction shows the area in bounds to all ranks. This includes the GAZA Military and billeting areas, and the roads leading to them from the main roads; the main shopping street West of the railway line with a number of side streets to the North and South of it occupied by the bazaar; the road QASTINA - GAZA - KHANYUNIS, where it passes through GAZA Town; the road GAZA - BEERSHEBA - GAZA AIRPORT, to the limit of the Airport and the shopping street crossing this road at a distance of 668 yds. from the railway line, the limits being the first cross streets to North and South of the main road.

Also included is the road from GAZA to the sea coast, and the area known as NEW GAZA situated on the sand dunes West of the old town, commencing at the Western side of the public playing field; the road skirting GAZA on the South-West of the town, commencing at the foot of the slope on the road to the sea shore and joining the GAZA - KHANYUNIS road to the South of GAZA.

4. Out of Bounds - All areas and roads not specifically mentioned in para. 3 or shown in Appendix "A" are out of bounds. These areas are residential only. The Police Station, Police Barracks, and all mosques are out of bounds. All cafes, bars, wineshops and hotels are out of bounds until such time as adequate hygienic and other measures have been taken when further instructions will be issued. That section of NEW GAZA in which the A.I.F. CLUB is situated is out of bounds to other ranks.

5. Notices - Notices will be placed in side streets leading off the main shopping street (known as MUKTAR street) past which NO MEMBER of the A.I.F. will go. When certain cafes and bars are placed "in bounds" they will display a notice to this effect.

6. Leave - All ranks situated in GAZA who are NOT on duty are permitted in the "in bounds" area from completion of duty to 2130 hrs. daily. Passes are not required for this period. O.Rs. will return to Military areas by 2130 hrs. nightly. Late leave passes may be granted until 2315 hrs.

7. Arms - Arms will only be carried when on duty requiring the carrying of arms. Officers, N.C.Os. and men will NOT carry arms when walking out.

8. Transport to Sea Shore - At the present time buses leave for the sea bathing area from the main "Suq", or market place, every half-hour. Swimming will only be carried out in that section of the beach reserved for the A.I.F.

9. All ranks will, at all times, co-operate with the Civil and Military Police.

Distribution List B
and Special.

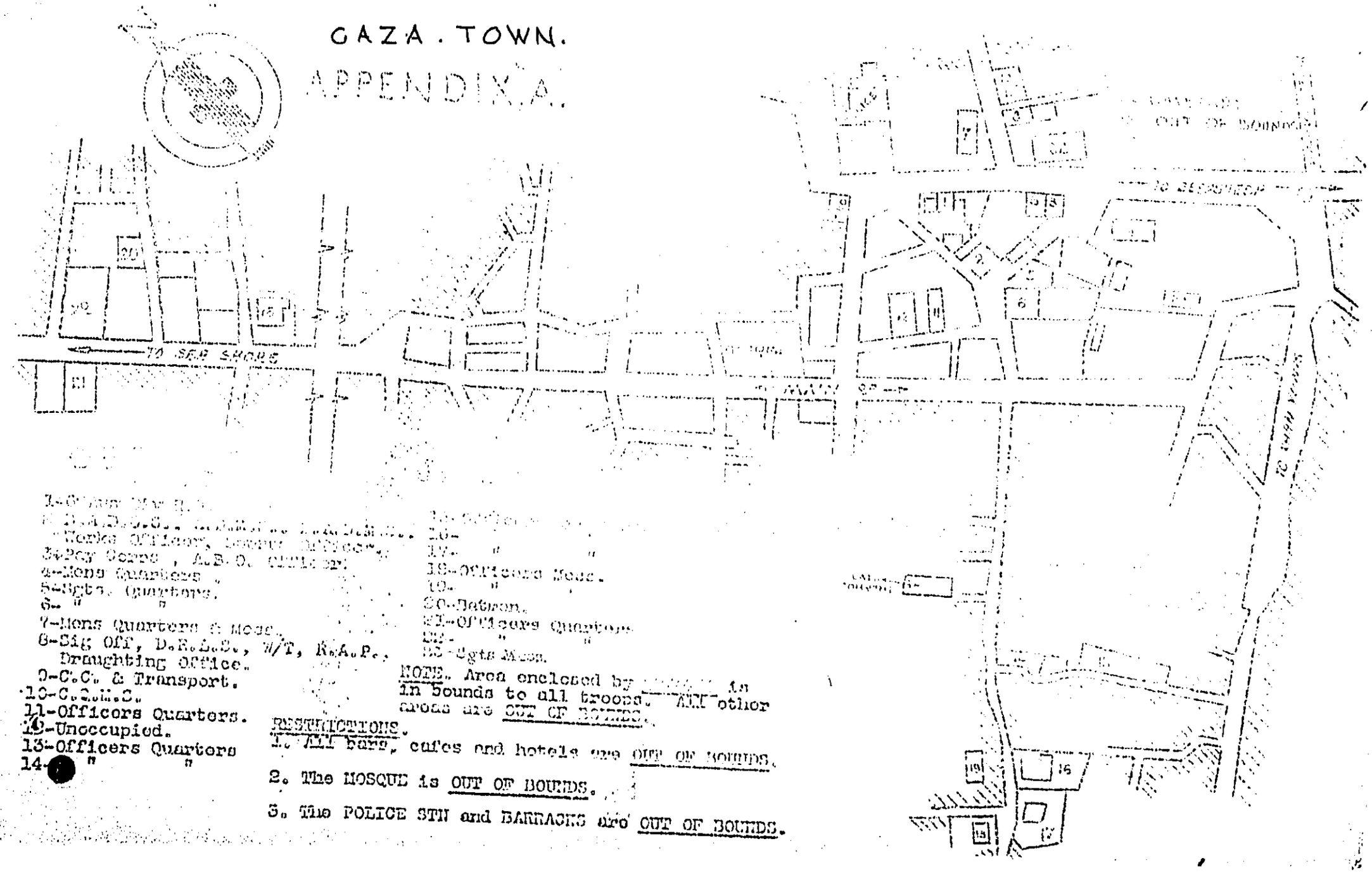
GAZA
29 May, 40.

J. McConnell Walker Capt
for Lt-Col.
G.S., 6 Aus. Div.

GAZA . TOWN.

GAZA. TOWN.

APPENDIX A.



1-C[illegible]
2-D.A.D.O.S., [illegible]
Works Officers, Labour Offices.
3-Pay Corps, A.B.C. Office.
4-Mens Quarters.
5-Sgts. Quarters.
6- " "
7-Mens Quarters & Mess.
8-Sig Off, D.R.L.C., W/T, R.A.F., Draughting Office.
9-C.C. & Transport.
10-C.E.M.S.
11-Officers Quarters.
12-Unoccupied.
13-Officers Quarters
14- " "
16-
17- " "
18-Officers Mess.
19- "
20-Detail.
21-Officers Quarters.
22- "
23-Sgts Mess.

NOTE. Area enclosed by [illegible] is in bounds to all troops. ALL other areas are OUT OF BOUNDS.

RESTRICTIONS.

1. ALL bars, cafes and hotels are OUT OF BOUNDS.

2. The MOSQUE is OUT OF BOUNDS.

3. The POLICE STN and BARRACKS are OUT OF BOUNDS.

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6 AUS. DIV.

GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION No. 12

REGISTRATION OF CAMERAS AND CONTROL OF PHOTOGRAPHY.

1. The following instructions will come into force from receipt, and will apply to all ranks under the command of 6 Aus. Div., including all personnel at Schools and Courses of instruction in PALESTINE. This instruction cancels all previous instructions regarding photography, including Confidential Circular W.97, of 1 May, 40.

2. Comds. all units will arrange immediately for ALL cameras in the possession of all ranks to be registered. The register will contain the following information:-

No. Rank. Name. Unit. Make of Camera. Maker's No. (if any.) Description (i.e., type, film size.)

3. Any Officer or O.R. acquiring a camera subsequent to the publication of this instruction will notify his Comd. immediately of all particulars set out in para. 2 of this instruction.

4. At the same time arrangements will be made so that these cameras can quickly be collected if it should prove necessary. In certain eventualities the order "Collect Cameras" will be issued. All cameras will then be immediately collected, and will be sent for safe custody to Officer i/c 2nd Echelon, JERUSALEM.

5. Photography of the following is prohibited:-

MILITARY VEHICLES OF ALL SORTS
TANKS
SIGNAL EQUIPMENT
ARTILLERY WEAPONS
DEFENCES
AIRCRAFT
SHIPS OF ANY KIND

When photographs are being taken special care must be exercised to ensure that none of these prohibited subjects should appear in the background of any picture taken.

6.(a) Orders for the developing and printing of films will only be placed with approved firms, a complete list of whom is contained in Appendix "A" to this instruction. Contracts will only be placed with persons on this list, and in every case C.Os. will obtain in writing from the photographer -- the actual owner of the business -- a statement to the effect that all work for H.M. Forces will be performed on the premises, and that none will be sub-let to other firms or contractors. C.Os. will arrange for the inspection of the premises by Security Offrs. and Regtl. Police at irregular intervals to ensure that these persons are not departing from their undertaking. Any queries should be referred to G.III(I) 6 Aus. Div.

(b) In no circumstances will photographers listed in Appendix "B" be employed.

Please return to INT SEC

7. The processing of non-colour cine films will not be carried out in this country, and if it is desired to have such cine films processed and developed the following procedure will apply:-

(a) The film will be done up in two covers.

(b) The inner cover will be addressed to Messrs. Kodak Ltd., CAIRO, and the full postage will be affixed to this cover. A certificate will also accompany the film, to the effect that no subjects of military value have been taken in this film.

(c) The outer cover will be addressed to the Deputy Chief Field Censor, JERUSALEM, who will make arrangements for such films to be passed to EGYPT for processing.

8. As it has been found that there are no facilities for processing and developing coloured cine films either in PALESTINE or EGYPT, such films will NOT be used, and will NOT be sent out of the country.

9. All ranks are again reminded that exposed and undeveloped films or plates will NOT be exported from PALESTINE, with the exception of the cine films mentioned in para. 7.

10. All ranks must realise that the use of cameras is a privilege. Contraventions to the above instructions may lead to the withdrawal of this privilege. Any infringement of the above instruction will be severely dealt with.

Distribution List B
and all Schools of
Instruction.

GAZA
28 May, 40.

J. McConnell Watkin Capt
for Lt-Col.
G.S., 6 Aus. Div.

APPENDIX "A" to G.S. INSTRUCTION No. 12.

The following are approved photographers and contracts for photographic work will only be let to these photographers:-

JERUSALEM

1. Art Photo House,
   Julians Way.

2. H. Crushkes,
   Art & Press Photo Studio,
   New Russian Building,
   Jaffa Road.

3. Mesrop Yergatian,
   (Photo Diana)
   Princess Mary Avenue.

4. John Toumayan,
   C/- A.S.P. E.T.Cosgrove,
   Palestine Police H.Q.

5. L.A. Robitschek,
   Photographic Institute,
   43 King George Avenue.

6. A.G. Aghabekian,
   London Studio,
   New Russian Building,
   Jaffa Road.

7. G. Eric Matson,
   American Colony Photo Dept.
   P.O.B. 34.

JAFFA -- TEL-AVIV

1. Rebuwen Grose,
   12 Herzl Street.

2. M. Kaufmann,
   74 Allenby Street.

3. Photo Lev,
   2 Brenner Street.

4. J. Rabinowitz,
   Express Photo House,
   1 Nachlath Benjamin St.

5. Photo "Erda",
   1 Brenner Street.

6. Joshua Rahman,
   55 Nachlath Benjamin St.

7. Photo Simon,
   Allenby Street.

8. European Photo House,
   56 Allenby Street.

9. Photo Hofmann,
   51 Allenby Street.

APPENDIX "B" to G.S. INSTRUCTION No. 12.

Under NO circumstances will the following be employed, or allowed any facilities for sale of photographic apparatus or work:-

(i) JERUSALEM

1. J. Solomon
2. P. Ch. Baltintestor
3. A. Yeshkely
4. Photo Sport (Near Citadel)
5. Photo Europe (Zion Square)
6. G. Krikerian
7. C. Raad

(ii) TEL-AVIV

1. Film Star Carley
2. Dr. Karl Totschek

(iii) The following, although ostensibly working independently in Military Camps, are actually either working for, or financed by, Dr. Karl Totschek:-

Wilhelm Sinaiberger) Hilary Goldberg)		Approval issued to 2/1 Fd. Amb. dated 21/5/40. Passes to be withdrawn immediately. Were employed by Shoulman at QASTINA.
Max Petruska	-	BIRSALIM
Schlesinger	-	KIRKUR
Maiman	-	Uses car inscribed A.I.F. photo service.
Pfeiffenkopf	-	Was agent for Laufer in JULIS.
Laufer	-	Bought business owned by J. Holzer, known as PHOTO JACK.
J. Holzer HANS (HEINZ) LICHTENSTEIN		10 King George St. TEL AVIV

Any passes issued to above will be withdrawn immediately.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

Headquarters,
6 Aus Div,
GAZA.

15 Jul, 40.

ADDITION TO GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION No. 12
APPENDIX "B", PARA (iii)

8. HANS (HEINZ) LICHTENSTEIN, 10 King George Street, TEL-AVIV.

H.H. Berryman
Colonel,
G.S., 6 Aus Div.

Distribution -
List "B" (All Units 6 Aus Div)
All Schools of Instruction.

6 AUS DIV SECURITY

GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION NO 13

DIVISIONAL, UNIT AND BRIDGE SIGNS

1. General Staff Instruction No 7 dated 6 May 40, will be varied in the following particulars.

2. Divisional Signs. (a) It is notified that the 6 Aus Div Sign will be a Kangaroo over a horizontal Boomerang, both in white on a square black background. This sign will be stencilled forthwith on all vehicles allotted 6 Aus Div (whether of Australian or British manufacture).

(b) Action to remove this sign from vehicles allotted to Non-divisional or corps etc units will NOT be taken at present.

3. Attached is a War Office letter summarising the instructions relating to the subject of vehicle marking. The standard vehicle markings allotted in Appx "B" to that letter will be taken into use forthwith.

4. Allotment of Inf Bde Colours. Inf Bde colours are allotted as under:-

16 Aus Inf Bde	-	RED
17 Aus Inf Bde	-	GREEN
19 Aus Inf Bde (2/4, 2/8, 2/11 Bns)	-	BROWN

5. Tactical signs are permitted in addition to the three other signs.

J.G. Hilliard
Lt-Col.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

GAZA.
30 May 40.

Distribution:
List "B".
D.A.D.O.S. (2)

Secretary Military Board (2))
1 Aus Corps (2))- for information. (By air mail)
Maj-Gen H.D.Wynter, CMG, DSO,)
C/o Australia House

(2)

7. In conclusion I am to add that divisional, unit and tactical signs, and bridge signs when published may be put on vehicles at the direction of Commanders, but all such signs must be on vehicles before they proceed overseas.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.

(Sgd) L. Daryl Hickes, Major-General.
Director of Staff Duties (Weapons).

57/Overseas/273 (S.D.11.)
(Amended).

THE WAR OFFICE
LONDON, S.W. 1.

SECURITY

12th April, 1940.

Sir,

1. I am directed to refer to this office letter 54/Artillery/1216 (S. D.2) dated 30 May, 1939, on the subject of vehicle marking and to say that it is now desired to summarise the instructions relating thereto.

2. To ensure efficient traffic control, the following signs are necessary:-

(a) Divisional Sign.
(b) Unit Sign.
(c) Bridge Classification Sign.

Separate instructions regarding Bridge Classification signs will be issued in the near future. The latter will, however, be fitted on the off side of the vehicle between the off side edge of the radiator and the outer edge of the off side mud guard.

3. In the case of other units, the design of tactical signs is left to the direction of regimental etc commanders, subject to any orders as to standardization that higher commanders may think fit to impose. Such signs, however, if placed on the front or rear of the vehicle, must be limited to one in front and one in rear, and must not interfere with any of the signs mentioned in paragraph 2 above. Tactical signs on the sides of vehicles are preferable. Corps, divisional or brigade numbers, regimental crests or titles and battery etc numbers cannot be permitted.

4. Divisional signs have been allotted in this office letter 54/Artillery/1216 (S.D.2) dated 21 October 1939 (as amended) and will shortly be published in booklet form. The Division sign will be stencilled on the near side front mudguard on all types of vehicles which have mudguards. In the case of vehicles without mudguards, the divisional sign will be painted in a position corresponding as nearly as possible to the near side front mudguard.

5. (a) The unit sign will consist of a plate painted with the unit serial number in white on a background coloured to denote the brigade or arm of the service to which the unit belongs.

(b) Each vehicle will have two removable coloured plates fitted with permanent frames. The size of the plates will be approximately 9½" x 8½". The fitment of plates will differ with varying types of vehicles and cannot be standardised. The method of provision of these plates is laid down in this office letter 57/Vehicles/8271 (O.S.6) dated 18 Mar 40.

(c) Unit serial numbers have been standardised for Corps troops and divisions and are enumerated in Appendix "B" to this letter. Those for units destined for G.H.Q. or army troops or for the L. of C. will be allotted overseas.

(d) Unit serial numbers will be painted on the plate in white and will be as large as possible, the remainder of one side of the plate being painted with the colour laid down in Appendix "B". The reverse side of the plate will be coloured khaki with "PASS" stencilled on it in white letters. By reversing the plate it will thus be possible to indicate to M.T. in rear that a vehicle is out of action and should be passed.

6. (a) Corps troops will utilise the corps sign allotted in this Office letter No 54/Artillery/1216 (S.D.2), dated 21 October 1939 (as amended), but no signs corresponding to corps or divisional signs will be used by G.H.Q. troops. The colours for various arms of G.H.Q. and corps troops will be as shown for the divisional units in Appendix "B".

(b) To distinguish G.H.Q. and Corps troops from divisional units, plates will be marked as follows:-

Corps Troops White horizontal 2" bar above serial number.
G.H.Q. Troops White horizontal 2" bar below serial number.

/7. In

Appendix "B" to War Office Letter
No 57/Overseas/273(S.D.11)
dated 12th April, 1940.

STANDARD VEHICLE MARKINGS FOR CORPS TROOPS

Serial No.	Unit(s).	Colour
1.	H.Q., Corps	BLACK
	H.Q., Corps Arty.	RED AND BLUE horizontal
	Employment Pl.	BLACK
	Corps Sec Int Corps.	BLACK
2 - 6	Spares for H.Q.	
	-R.A.-	
7.	H.Q., Corps Med Arty.	RED AND BLUE horizontal
9 - 10	A. Fd Regts.	" " " "
11.	Spare for Arty Units.	" " " "
12 - 13	Med Regts (How).	" " " "
14 - 15	Spare for Arty Units.	" " " "
16.	Survey Regt.	" " " "
	-A.A.-	
17 - 19	Spares for A.A. Units.	RED AND BLUE vertical
20.	Lt A.A. Regt.	" " " "
21 - 22	Spares for A.A. Units.	" " " "
	-R.E.-	
23.	H.Q., Corps Tps Engineers.	BLUE
24.	Fd Pk Coy.	"
25 - 27	A. Fd Coys.	"
28.	Corps Fd Svy Coy.	"
29 - 30	Spares for R.E. Units.	"
	-R. Sigs.-	
31.	Corps Sigs.	BLACK
32.	Spare for Signal Unit.	"

NOTE for Signal Sections and L.A.Ds. Signal Sections and L.A.Ds. which are attached to Inf Bdes or Arty and other units, will adopt both the serial no and the colour of the formation or unit to which they are attached.

	-M.G. Bns.-	
33.	Spare for M.G. Bn.	RED
34 - 36	M.G. Bns.	"
37 - 38	Spares for M.G. Bns.	"
	-R.A.S.C.-	
39.	H.Q., R.A.S.C. Corps	RED AND GREEN diagonal
40.	C.T. Amn Coy.	" " " "
41.	C.T. Sup Col.	" " " "
42.	Corps Amn Pk.	" " " "
43.	Corps Pet Pk.	" " " "
44.	Indian Animal Tpt Coy.	" " " "
45.	Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy.	" " " "
46.	R.A.S.C. Secs for Animal Tpt Coy	" " " "
47 - 48	Secs Sup Personnel Coy.	" " " "
49 - 52	Spares for R.A.S.C. Units.	" " " "
	-R.A.M.C.-	
53.	M.A.C.	BLACK
54.	Fd Amb.	"
55.	Fd Hyg Sec.	"
56.	All Mobile Bath Units.	"
57.	Spare for R.A.M.C. Unit.	"
	-R.A.O.C.-	
58.	Ord Fd Pk.	BLACK
59 - 61	A. Fd Wkshops	"
62 - 64	Spares for R.A.O.C.	"
	-Pay.-	
65.		
67.	Fd Cash Offices.	BLACK
70.		
	-A.M.P.C.-	
66.	A.M.P.C. Coys.	BLACK
	-Provost.-	
68.	Pro Coys.	BLACK

Serial No	Unit(s).	Colour
	-Postal.-	
69.	Corps Postal Unit.	BLACK
	-Salvage.-	
71.	Corps Salvage Units.	BLACK.

N.B. Spare numbers will ONLY be allocated by reference to G.H.Q. (S.D.) or the War Office, as and when required.

Standard Vehicle Markings for DIVISIONS.

1.	H.Q. of Divs.	BLACK
	H.Q. Div R.A.	RED AND BLUE horisontal
	H.Q. Div R.E.	BLUE
	H.Q. Div R.A.S.C.	RED AND GREEN diagonal
	Employment Platoon.	BLACK
	Sec Intelligence Corps.	BLACK
	-R.A.C.-	
2.	Div R.A.C.	BLACK
	-R.A.-	
3 - 5	Fd Regts.	RED AND BLUE horisontal
6.	A. Tk Regt.	" " " "
	-R.E.-	
7.	Fd Pk Coy.	BLUE
8 - 10.	Fd Coys.	"
	-R.Sigs.-	
11.	Div Sigs.	BLACK
	-Inf.-	
12.	H.Q. Senior Inf Bde.	RED
33.	Senior Inf Bde A.Tk Coy.	"
13 - 15.	Senior Inf Bde Inf Regts.	"
16.	H.Q. 2nd Inf Bde.	GREEN
34.	2nd Inf Bde A. Tk Coy.	"
17 - 19.	2nd Inf Bde Inf Regts.	"
20.	H.Q. Junior Inf Bde.	BROWN
35.	Junior Inf Bde A.Tk Coy.	"
21 - 23.	Junior Inf Bde Inf Regts.	"
	-R.A.S.C.-	
24.	Div Amn Coy.	RED AND GREEN diagonal
25.	Div Pet Coy.	" " " "
26.	Div Sup Col.	" " " "
	-R.A.M.C.-	
27 - 29.	Fd Amb.	BLACK
30.	Fd Hyg Sec.	"
	-Provost.-	
31.	Div Pro Coy.	BLACK
	-Postal.-	
32.	Div Postal Unit.	BLACK

NOTE for Signal Sections and L.A.Ds. Signal Sections and L.A.Ds. which are attached to Inf Bdes or Arty and other units, will adopt both the serial no and the colour of the formation or unit to which they are attached.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION No. 14.

Headquarters,
6 Aus. Div.,
GAZA.

31 May, 40.

SECURITY INTELLIGENCE

INTRODUCTORY:- The following has been received from Force H.Q. on the subject of Security Intelligence:-

"Recent experience has revealed that insufficient attention is being paid to the question of security. The following note has therefore been drawn up for information of all ranks and is to be read in conjunction with Military Security Instructions 1926.

1. SECURITY OF INFORMATION:

It is essential that every precaution be taken to prevent leakage of military information to any person not entitled to share it, including other officers and men. Every person who is entrusted in an official capacity with any military information must assume that such information is of interest to the enemy and must remember that to repeat it to persons not already in possession of the information increases the risk of its reaching the enemy. The commonest sources of leakage are enumerated below:-

(a) Loose discussion of official matters in messes, institutes, offices and barracks, may lead to a disclosure or forecast of troops' own or their friends' impending movements or destination.

(b) Similar loose discussion of military or official matters in public places (cafes, bars, etc.) where it can be overheard by listeners.

(c) Civilians, especially contractors, camp followers, etc., are fruitful sources of leakage. They are often in a particularly good position to obtain information of impending movements and dispositions and, even if they do not themselves realise the importance of what they learn, they are liable to repeat it as a harmless piece of news. It is of the greatest importance that such persons should be trusted only with such information as is absolutely necessary, and that at the last possible moment. Particular care must be taken that forms of tender, contract, etc., do not disclose in advance such details as the numbers of troops, etc., expected in a given area.

(d) There is evidence that knowledge of impending or projected movements has been spread by gratuitous information, emanating from such establishments as Ordnance and Supply Depots, R.E. Stores, etc., in the form of explanation that certain stores are not available for issue because they have been earmarked for another particular purpose. It must be remembered that such explanations must neither be given nor asked for.

(e) No information (except through regular official channels) should be given to any person connected with the press or a publicity organisation. Press items which may in themselves appear to reveal nothing of consequence, can often be pieced together with other information and furnish an enemy with valuable indications of our intentions. Any discussions with members of the press must therefore be limited to matters not of a military nature.

(f) Carelessness in the safeguarding of secret documents, ciphers and codes; omission to exercise due care in destruction of drafts, unnecessary copies of orders, and neglect of a systematic destruction of obsolete documents, is a definite source of danger. Recent cases have come to notice in which officers have failed to lock up papers of importance when absent from their offices.

(g) The study of important official papers in the presence of unauthorised persons, and even titles of official files lying on office tables often afford unauthorised persons (being interviewed, etc.) an opportunity of overlooking and learning matters which they are not entitled to know.

(h) Excessive telephone, telegraph, cable and wireless activity may often indicate places of importance for spies to work in. It is to be remembered that telephones are often "tapped" and quite recently a receiving instrument obviously used for this purpose was discovered at the foot of a telephone standard near a main road in Palestine.

(i) Very often undesirable persons posing as friends or philanthropists seek acquaintance of officers and other ranks with the object of acquiring military information which they could impart to an enemy. The greatest care in choice of friends is imperative, and the name and particulars of any assumed friend or stranger displaying inquisitiveness in regard to military matters should at once be reported to higher authority. Certain known undesirable characters have actually approached officers of this Headquarters with this object quite recently.

2. All members of H.M. Forces should remember that the disclosure of military secrets or information is an offence against the Military Secrets Act, and an offender is liable to trial by Court Martial."

Distribution:
List B.

GAZA
31 May, 40.

Lt-Col.
G.S., 6 Aus. Div.

Army Form L 1391
(Palestine) Part 2.

WAR ECONOMY

All articles of Stationery are now costly, and difficult to obtain whether from the U.K. or locally. This applies particularly to paper, the world production of which has diminished so much as to make any waste of it a matter of real gravity. The need for care and saving in its use must therefore be brought home to all ranks, and any Economy Instructions which may from time to time be issued must be strictly complied with. No attempt must be made to build up stocks in excess of a six-weeks' supply.

THE FOLLOWING NOTES ARE INTENDED TO HELP UNITS IN EFFECTING THE SAVING WHICH IS ESSENTIAL.

Group

1 **Paper, Blotting.** 1 sheet pinned to a writing table is permissible: 2 sheets are excusable if the table is rough: 3 sheets, or more, are waste.

5 **Paper, Duplicating.** Consumption of this has been very high, and must be reduced, for it is one of the hardest papers to obtain. Both sides must be used whenever possible, and foolscap must never be used when quarto will do. Two circulars can sometimes be got onto one stencil, either foolscap or quarto, and the paper can then be cut or torn in two. Distribution lists should be gone over carefully before copies of a circular are run off, and only a minimum number of spare copies should be made.

6 **File-covers, gussetted** (6-12) should be used only when **File-covers, plain** (6-22) will not do.

12 **Stencils.** Only foolscap stencils are issued for rotary duplicators, but either foolscap or quarto duplicating paper may be used with these. Typewritten matter should be so laid out, on the stencil, that the smaller size of paper may be used whenever possible. Both foolscap and quarto stencils are available for flat duplicators: the foolscap size should never be used when the quarto size will serve. Margins and spacing should be as given under **Paper, Type.**

15 **Paper, Type.** The smallest size that will suffice for the letter to be typed should always be chosen, and in this connection attention is drawn to the new small size (4¾ x 7¼ in.) which is now available both thick (15-11) and thin (15-31), with carbons (2-11) to match. Care in the layout of the typing, particularly that of the heading and the signature, will often make it possible for a smaller sheet to be used than had at first been thought necessary, and it is to be remembered that if a sheet one size smaller than another is used a saving of about 30% of paper will result. Margins must never exceed 1 inch, and 5 spaces are enough for paragraph insets: single spacing is the rule, with double spacing between paragraphs. Both sides of thick paper should be used so far as possible. When a letter is sent in duplicate, with the object of getting a reply on the back of the duplicate, both copies should be on thick paper. Typing should NOT be done on both sides of thin paper, because it makes both sides difficult to read, and this is false economy.

11 **Paper, Writing.** Buff is cheaper than cream. No quarto is available: if the matter to be written does not fill a sheet, the unused portion at the bottom should be torn off: if the sender forgets to do this, the recipient should remember.

22 & 23 **Envelopes.** Economy labels are to be used whenever possible. Gummed envelopes should, therefore, be asked for in small quantities only. A large envelope must never be used where a small one will do.

21 **Books, Exercise.** These are useful, and cheap: they can often be made to do instead of larger and more expensive books.

Books, S.O. (and Books, Army). A large, thick, and expensive bound book should never be asked for, or used, where a smaller and cheaper book will serve the purpose. Nor should a book with many headings printed in it be used for recording only a few items. It is not uncommon for registers of various kinds to be begun in costly books and then to be abandoned after a few pages have been filled. No more than reasonable foresight ought is required to avoid this, but if it should happen the book must not be discarded, but should be utilised for some other purpose.

O.P.P. 10143—1000—8-4-40

Name of Unit_____

Consignment wanted by (insert date)_____

Code Gp.	Code Item	Description	Quantity in stock	Quantity required	Quantity issued (Leave blank)
1	21	Blotting, Pink, Demy	Shts.		
2	11	Carbons, Type, 4¾ × 7½	"		
2	12	" " 6½ × 8	"		
2	13	" " 7½ × 9½	"		
2	14	" " 8 × 13	"		
2	64	" Hand, 8 × 13	"		
5	12	Duplicating, 7½ × 9½	"		
5	13	" 8 × 13	"		
5	14	" Blue 8 × 13	"		
5	15	" Pink 8 × 13	"		
6	12	File-covers, Gussetted	"		
6	22	" Plain	"		
7	21	Labels, Economy.	No.		
7	42	" Manilla. 2¾ × 4¼ ...	"		
9	12	Millboards, 8½ × 13½	"		
10	13	Sectional, tenths, 13½ × 16½ ...	Shts.		
10	14	" " 8½ × 13½ ...	"		
10	33	" " 17½ × 22½ ...	"		
12	25	Stencils, No. 11, F'cap Flat ...	"		
12	27	" No. 11a, Q'to " ...	"		
	61	" No. 10, F'cap Rotary ...	"		
	11	Type, Thick B, 4¾ × 7½ ...	"		
15	22	" " 6½ × 8 ...	"		
15	23	" " 7½ × 9½ ...	"		
15	25	" " 8 × 13 ...	"		
15	31	" Thin D, 4¾ × 7½ ...	"		
15	42	" " 6½ × 8 ...	"		
15	43	" " 7½ × 9½ ...	"		
15	45	" " 8 × 13 ...	"		
17	21	Wrapping, Brown, 22½ × 29 ...	"		
		WRITING, FOOLSCAP, 8 × 13			
	11	Plain. Single, Buff	"		
	13	Ruled, R.A., " "	"		
18	32	Plain, R.A., Double, Cream... ...	"		
18	34	Ruled, R.A., " "	"		
18	42	Plain, R.A., Single, "	"		
		Ruled, R.A., " "	"		
		Plain, " "	"		
18	72	Plain, R.A., Single, 4¾ × 7½ ...	"		
18	84	Ruled, R.A., Double, 9¾ × 15 ...	"		
22	27	Envelopes, 5 × 4, P. & Gd. ...	No.		
22	39	" 8¼ × 3¾, " ...	"		
22	44	" 9¼ × 4⅛, " ...	"		
22	66	" 5 × 4, Economy ...	"		
22	78	" 8¼ × 3¾, " ...	"		
22	83	" 9¼ × 4⅛, " ...	"		
23	71	" G. Brown, 10 × 8 ...	"		
23	81	" " 11 × 9 ...	"		
23	87	" " 16 × 12 ...	"		
23	96	" Kraft. 15 × 10 ...	"		
28	33	Books, Exercise, Plain	"		
28	35	" " Squared	"		
28	37	" " Wide Ruled ...	"		
28	66	" S.O. 129, Indexed	"		
28	67	" " 12½, ...	"		

Code Gp.	Code Item	Description	Quantity in stock	Quantity required	Quantity issued (Leave blank)
28	68	Books, S.O. 127, Indexed	No.		
28	69	" " 129, ...	"		
28	71	" " 130	"		
28	72	" " 135	"		
28	73	" " 136	"		
28	75	" " 136A	"		
28	77	" " 137	"		
28	78	" " 189	"		
30	52	Brushes, Gum, Small	"		
30	81	" Type, Cleaning	"		
30	83	" " Dusting	"		
35	33	Cord, Sisal	Balls		
35	41	" Sealing, thin brown	"		
38	12	Fluid, Cleansing, for Diaphragms	Bots.		
38	13	" Correcting, for Stencils ...	"		
38	14	" Developing, " ...	"		
39	11	Erasers, Rubber, No. 1	No.		
39	17	" Type, Small	"		
41	11	Gum Arabic	Ozs.		
42	51	Ink, Dupl., Flat	Tubes		
42	61	" " (Water) Roneo, Rotary	Tins.		
42	63	" " Ellams, Rotary ...	Tubes		
42	68	" " Gestetner, Rotary ...	"		
42	85	" Stamp, Violet	Bots.		
43	22	" Powders, B.-Black	Tins.		
43	25	" " Red	"		
44	13	Inkglasses, R. Fountain	No.		
46	35	Pads, Stamp, Violet	"		
47	14	Paper Fasteners, Wire	Bxs.		
48	11	Pencils, Blue	No.		
48	14	" Red	"		
48	28	" Copying	"		
48	26	" Thick Black	"		
48	75	" H.B.	"		
49	11	Penholders, Universal	"		
50	12	Pens, No. 1, M. Relief	"		
50	17	" No. 2, M. Waverley	"		
55	11	Sealing Wax, B	Stks.		
59	15	Tags, India, 1 in.	No.		
60	43	Tape, White, Medium	Pcs.		
63	63	Ribbons, Imperial, ½ in.	No.		
63	72	" Oliver, 7/16 in.	"		
63	81	" " 9/16 in.	"		
64	12	" Remington, ½ in	"		
64	22	" Royal, ½ in.	"		
65	31	Oil, Typewriter	Bots.		
68	33	Drawing Pins, Steel	Bxs.		
69	16	Paste, Office	Jars		
69	46	Pins	Ozs.		
69	62	Portfolios with Tapes	No.		

Indent for Stationery, S. O. Books & Army Books

Army Form L 1391
(Palestine) Part 1.

Required by (insert date) 194

GPP. 16143—1000—8.4.40

Title of Unit, and full address to which supplies are to be sent. (Block letters)

INSTRUCTIONS—TO BE READ CAREFULLY.

1. This form will be used for demanding a six-weeks' supply of Stationery and Books. Since, however, a Unit's rate of consumption may vary, indents need not be submitted at exact six-weekly intervals: indents for a further six-weeks' supply will be submitted when the state of a Unit's stock in hand renders this necessary. Commanding Officers are responsible that only the minimum necessary stocks of stationery are held, and that excessive consumption is checked.

2. In submitting indents for a six-weeks' supply, care should be taken to include all the various items likely to be wanted during the period, so that the need for supplementary indents for only a few articles may be avoided.

3. Should a supplementary indent be unavoidable, an ordinary letter (in duplicate on **thick** paper, and giving the code-numbers of items) will generally suffice. A Unit should, in most cases, be able to work out its needs far enough ahead for a signal to be unnecessary. Demands by telephone will be accepted only in cases of great urgency.

4. Indents for Army Forms **only** will be made on A.F. L 1350 (Palestine). It should normally be sent in at the same time as A.F. L 1391 (Palestine), to cover the same period, in order that both Stationery and Army Forms may be issued in one consignment.

5. Both parts of A.F. L 1391 should be completed, and sent to Printing & Stationery, Force H.Q., if possible 15 days before the consignment is needed.

6. Part 1 will be retained by P. & S., and Part 2 will be returned to the indenting Unit with the consignment, showing the quantities issued. A blank A.F. L 1391 will be sent, at the same time, for the next indent.

7. Paper of all kinds will be demanded by sheets: the terms "reams", "quires" and "packets" will not be used.

8. Any items not printed overleaf (particularly Army Books) should be demanded on the blank lines left for the purpose, or on a continuation-sheet of plain paper, in duplicate: code-numbers should be given whenever possible.

9. Army Books should be demanded by number only: e. g. A.B. 236. No further description is needed.

10. The "quantity in stock" **must** be stated for each item demanded.

11. All wooden boxes sent by P. & S. to Units must be returned, with their lids, as soon as possible. Failure to return boxes promptly is likely to delay the despatch of the next consignment demanded.

PLEASE READ THE NOTES ON WAR ECONOMY PRINTED ON PART 2.

CERTIFICATE.

I certify that this indent has been examined in detail, that all the items demanded are necessary, and that the quantities, both "in stock" and "required", are as stated.

Signature ..

Date .. 194 Commanding ..

Observations by indenting Unit.
(to appear both on Part 1 and on Part 2).

Observations by P. & S.

TO BE FILLED IN BY INDENTING UNIT

Officers on clerical duty
Clerks
Female Typists

Typewriters
Rotary duplicators
Machine
Machine
Flat duplicators
Others

Name of Unit.....

Consignment wanted by (insert date).....

Code Gp.	Code Item	Description	Quantity in stock	Quantity required	Quantity issued (Leave blank)
1	21	Blotting, Pink, Demy	Shts.		
2	11	Carbons, Type, 4½ × 7½	"		
2	12	" " 6½ × 8	"		
2	13	" " 7½ × 9½	"		
2	14	" " 8 × 13	"		
2	64	" Hand, 8 × 13	"		
5	12	Duplicating, 7½ × 9½	"		
5	13	" 8 × 13	"		
5	14	" Blue 8 × 13	"		
5	15	" Pink 8 × 13	"		
6	12	File-covers, Gussetted	"		
6	22	" Plain	"		
7	21	Labels, Economy, ...	No.		
7	42	" Manilla, 2½ × 1½ ...	"		
9	12	Millboards, 8½ × 13½	"		
10	13	Sectional, tenths, 13½ × 16½ ...	Shts.		
10	14	" " 8½ × 13½ ...	"		
10	33	" " 17½ × 22½ ...	"		
12	25	Stencils, No. 11, F'cap Flat ...	"		
12	27	" No. 11a, Qto " ...	"		
		" No. 10, F'cap Rotary ...	"		
		Type, Thick B, 4½ × 7½ ...	"		
15	22	" " 6½ × 8 ...	"		
15	23	" " 7½ × 9½ ...	"		
15	25	" " 8 × 13 ...	"		
15	31	" Thin D, 4½ × 7½ ...	"		
15	42	" " 6½ × 8 ...	"		
15	13	" " 7½ × 9½ ...	"		
15	15	" " 8 × 13 ...	"		
17	21	Wrapping, Brown, 22½ × 29 ...	"		
		WRITING, FOOLSCAP, 8 × 13			
		Plain, Single, Buff	"		
18	13	Ruled, R.A., " "	"		
18	32	Plain, R.A., Double, Cream... ...	"		
18	34	Ruled, R.A., " "	"		
18	12	Plain, R.A., Single, "	"		
18	14	Ruled, R.A., " "	"		
		Plain, " "	"		
18	72	Plain, R.A., Single, 4¾ × 7½ ...	"		
18	84	Ruled, R.A., Double, 9½ × 15 ...	"		
22	27	Envelopes, 5 × 4, P. & Gd. ...	No.		
22	39	" 8½ × 3½, " ...	"		
22	44	" 9½ × 4½, " ...	"		
22	66	" 5 × 4, Economy ...	"		
22	78	" 8½ × 3½, " ...	"		
22	83	" 9½ × 4½, " ...	"		
23	74	" G. Brown, 10 × 8 ...	"		
23	81	" " 14 × 9 ...	"		
23	87	" " 16 × 12 ...	"		
23	96	" Kraft, 15 × 10 ...	"		
28	33	Books, Exercise, Plain	"		
28	35	" " Squared	"		
28	37	" " Wide Ruled ...	"		
28	66	" S.O. 129, Indexed	"		
28	67	" " 124, ...	"		

Code Gp.	Code Item	Description	Quantity in stock	Quantity required	Quantity issued (Leave blank)
28	68	Books, S.O. 127, Indexed	No.		
28	69	" " 129, ...	"		
28	71	" " 130	"		
28	72	" " 135	"		
28	73	" " 136	"		
28	75	" " 136A	"		
28	77	" " 137	"		
28	78	" " 189	"		
30	52	Brushes, Gum, Small	"		
30	81	" Type, Cleaning	"		
30	83	" " Dusting	"		
35	33	Cord, Sisal	Balls		
35	41	" Sealing, thin brown	"		
38	12	Fluid, Cleansing, for Diaphragms	Bots.		
38	13	" Correcting, for Stencils ...	"		
38	14	" Developing, " ...	"		
39	11	Erasers, Rubber, No. 1	No.		
39	17	" Type, Small	"		
41	11	Gum Arabic	Ozs.		
42	51	Ink, Dupl., Flat	Tubes		
42	61	" " (Water) Roneo, Rotary	Tins.		
42	63	" " Ellams, Rotary ...	Tubes		
42	68	" " Gestetner, Rotary ...	"		
42	85	" Stamp, Violet	Bots.		
43	22	" Powders, B.-Black	Tins.		
43	25	" " Red	"		
44	13	Inkglasses, R. Fountain	No.		
46	35	Pads, Stamp, Violet	"		
47	14	Paper Fasteners, Wire	Bxs.		
48	11	Pencils, Blue	No.		
48	11	" Red	"		
48	28	" Copying	"		
48	26	" Thick Black	"		
48	75	" H.B.	"		
49	11	Penholders, Universal	"		
50	12	Pens, No. 1, M. Relief	"		
50	17	" No. 2, M. Waverley	"		
55	11	Sealing Wax, B	Stks.		
59	15	Tags, India, 4 in.	No.		
60	43	Tape, White, Medium	Pcs.		
63	63	Ribbons, Imperial, ½ in.	No.		
63	72	" Oliver, 7/16 in.	"		
63	81	" " 9/16 in.	"		
64	12	" Remington, ½ in	"		
64	22	" Royal, ½ in.	"		
65	31	Oil, Typewriter	Bots.		
68	33	Drawing Pins, Steel	Bxs.		
69	16	Paste, Office	Jars		
69	46	Pins	Ozs.		
69	62	Portfolios with Tapes	No.		

Indent for Army Forms ONLY

Army Form L1350
(Palestine) Part 1.

Required for use during the month of 194....

GPP. 9029—1000—6.2.40

Title of Unit, and full address to which supplies are to be sent.

(Block letters)

CERTIFICATE. I certify that this indent has been examined in detail, that all the forms demanded are necessary, and that the quantities, both "in stock" and "required", are as stated.

Signature

Date.....194 Commanding.....

NOTES & INSTRUCTIONS.

1. Both parts of this form should be completed, and sent to the Printing & Stationery Detachment, Force H. Q., by the 15th of the month ***before*** that in which the forms demanded are required for use.
2. Part 1 will be retained by the P. & S. Det., and Part 2 will be returned to the indenting Unit with the consignment, showing the quantities issued. A blank A. F. L 1350 (Palestine) will be sent, at the same time, for the next monthly indent.
3. Columns 1 to 4, inclusive, must ***all*** be filled up by the indenting Unit. Columns 5 & 6 are for the use of the P. & S. Det., and must be left blank.
4. Forms should be listed in alphabetical and numerical order. One line should be enough for each item.
5. While Commanding Officers are expected to keep quantities as low as is compatible with full efficiency, and to check any excessive consumption, they are asked to see that all the different Army Forms which they are likely to require are included in their ***monthly*** indents, and thus avoid the need for ***supplementary*** indents.
6. Should a supplementary indent be unavoidable, it may, if small, be submitted in duplicate, as a letter: if many items are required, this form may be used, the word "supplementary" being prefixed to the headings.
7. Indents will always be filled so far as the stocks held by the P. & S. Det. permit. ~~Items of which no issue can be made in one month should be indented for again in the following month, if still required.~~
8. Stationery. S. O. Books, ***and Army Books*** should be indented for on A. F. L 1391 (Palestine).

WAR ECONOMY.

9. Army Forms are costly, and supplies from U. K. are small and irregular. The need for the greatest care and saving in their use must therefore be brought home to all ranks, and any Instructions as to Economy which may be issued from time to time must be strictly complied with. No attempt must be made to hold a larger stock than is allowed: *i. e.* one month's supply.
10. Attention is drawn to King's Regulations, 1935, para. 1633, under which all "nil" returns will be made on plain paper, and NOT on printed forms.
11. Where several copies of an Army Form have to be made out, it is often possible to make some of them on plain paper: and where the number of entries to be made on a large and expensive Army Form is small, a saving can sometimes be effected by using plain paper even for the original, and putting "In lieu of A. F. so-and-so" in the top right-hand corner.

Observations by indenting Unit.
(to appear both on Part 1 and on Part 2).

Observations by P. & S. Detachment.

INDENT FOR ARMY FORMS ONLY

Name of Unit (Block letters) .....

(1) SHORT TITLE OF FORM	(2) Army Form Letter	(2) Army Form No.	(3) Quantity in stock	(4) Quantity required for month	(5) Quantity issued (leave blank)	(6) Leave blank

Leave blank, for use by Printing & Stationery Detachment.

Indent filled by ..... Date 194

Indent for Army Forms ONLY

Army Form L1350 (Palestine) Part 2.

uired for use during the month of ..... 194 .....

GPP. 5699—1000—6.2.40

Title of Unit, and full address to which supplies are to be sent.

(Block letters)

CERTIFICATE. I certify that this indent has been examined in detail, that all the forms demanded are necessary, and that the quantities, both "in stock" and "required", are as stated.

Signature .....

Date ..... 194 Commanding .....

NOTES & INSTRUCTIONS.

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11. Where several copies of an Army Form have to be made out, it is often possible to make some of them on plain paper; and where the number of entries to be made on a large and expensive Army Form is small, a saving can sometimes be effected by using plain paper even for the original, and putting "In lieu of A. F. so-and-so" in the top right-hand corner.

Observations by indenting Unit.
(to appear both on Part 1 and on Part 2).

Observations by P. & S. Detachment.

INDENT FOR ARMY FORMS ONLY

Name of Unit (Block letters) .....

(1) SHORT TITLE OF FORM	(2) Army Form Letter	(2) Army Form No.	(3) Quantity in stock	(4) Quantity required for month	(5) Quantity issued (leave blank)	(6) Leave blank

Leave blank, for use by Printing & Stationery Detachment.

Indent filled by ..... Date 194

COLLECTION OF STATIONERY, ETC.

9. Consignments of Stationery, etc. will not be available for collection within 7 days from the lodging of the indents. Units will notify P. & S. Det. at least 48 hours before they can collect the consignments.

PRINTING.

10. The printing of any Stationery, S.O. Books, Army Forms, and Army Books, must be be authorised by this H.Q.

ECONOMY OF TRANSPORT.

11. Except in urgent cases, special trips will not be made to collect stationery. Advantage will be taken of transport already proceeding to Jerusalem on duty.

STATIONERY BOXES.

12. Units are recommended to paste Part I of A.F. L.1391 inside the lid of their War Stationery Box to serve as a catalogue of stationery items. The spare Part II should be posted up to show the notes on War Economy. The need for this economy is all the greater now that Scandinavia is involved in the war.

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

Gaza
7 May 40.

Distribution List "B"

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6 AUS DIV.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO.31 -

PRINTING & STATIONERY.

GENERAL.

1. Normal distribution of Stationery, Army Books and Forms will be made on a six-weekly demand. Indents will not be submitted on any fixed date in the month.

2. Indents for a further six-week's supply will be made where the state of the stock in hand renders this necessary.

3. Supplementary demands rendered within the six-weeks period will be avoided as much as possible. Should they have to be rendered, however, they may be submitted in duplicate on ordinary typing paper.

INDENTING.

4. All Units will indent for stationery direct on PRINTING & STATIONERY DETACHMENT, JERUSALEM.

INDENTS.

5. All indents will be signed by a responsible officer of the Unit. Indenting forms are:-

A.F. L.1391 (Palestine) for Stationery S.O. Books and Army Books.

A.F. L.1350 (Palestine) for Army Forms.

A set of these forms is attached to this INSTRUCTION and attention is drawn to the notes and instructions printed on them. The attached set will be used for the first six-weekly indent. When the Stationery, etc is collected from P & S. Det. Jerusalem, a set of indent forms will be forwarded with the stationery to cover the next six-weekly indent. This procedure will follow with each successive indent.

6. Typewritten sheets, in duplicate, may be attached for articles not listed on A.F. L.1391 (Palestine), but where these are not covered by existing authority, the authority must be first obtained through the usual channels.

7. As A.F. L.1350 was printed when monthly indents were the rule, the following alterations will be made to the Form, and it will be taken to conform generally with A.F. L.1391:-

DELETE: Required for use during the month of.

and SUBSTITUTE: Required by (insert date) 19....

DELETE: Para I. A.F. L.1350 for instructions contained in paras 1 and 2 of this Instruction.

DELETE: All references to monthly indents.

and SUBSTITUTE: 'Six-weekly indents'.

8. The second sentence of Notes and Instructions No.7 on A.F. L.1350 is cancelled. If any items asked for on an indent are not included in the consignment issued, they will be issued WITHOUT FURTHER DEMAND as soon as stocks are received by the P. & S. Det. Units will not demand them again in their next indent unless a further quantity is required. This paragraph applies to Stationery, etc., as well as to Army Forms.

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6 AUS DIV

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 32

L E A V E

1. Adv 6 Aus Div Administrative Instructions Nos. 9 and 17 are cancelled. Attention is directed to Adv 6 Aus Div Administrative Instruction No. 13 "Conduct of Troops Whilst On Leave."

2. The following types of leave are dealt with in this Instruction :-

(a) 4-day Leave
(b) 1-day Leave
(c) Sunday Leave
(d) Individual Leave
(e) Bathing

3. Personnel will only be sent on organised leave in accordance with "Leave Time Tables" issued by this H.Q. as required.

4. (a) PASSES:

All O.Rs. proceeding on leave will be in possession of A.A.F. A.96 signed by Coy etc Comdrs. Pro-formas may be used. All passes and pro-formas will bear the unit stamp.

(b) DRESS:

All O.Rs. will be inspected before proceeding on leave. Service or Summer Dress will be worn according to current R.Os. Equipment and side arms will NOT be worn. Personnel wearing Summer Dress on leave will carry cardigans which will be put on after nightfall.

(c) PAY BOOKS:

All O.Rs. will carry Pay Books whilst on leave. These will be produced as evidence of identity if demanded by M.Ps. etc.

(d) PAY:

All ranks must be in possession of the necessary funds before proceeding on leave. On presentation of Leave Pass, Chief Paymaster, Aus Overseas Base, JERUSALEM, will issue pay to personnel on 4-day leave in JERUSALEM, but credits as shown in Pay Books will not be exceeded. Pay will not be issued to personnel on 1-day leave in JERUSALEM, or on 4-day or 1-day leave in TEL AVIV or elsewhere.

5. BOUNDS:

(a) Force Security Instruction No.3, which has been issued to all Units, sets out the Bounds to be observed in JERUSALEM and TEL AVIV. Before Leave Parties depart it will be the responsibility of the O.C. Party to ensure that all ranks are familiar with these instructions.

(b) The following Div R.Os. are repeated :-

(i) 131/40. The King David Hotel, JERUSALEM is partly Force H.Q. and the remainder has been taken over as an Officers' Club. It will not, therefore, be visited by Other Ranks on Leave.

(ii) 235/40. JAFFA is permanently out of bounds to all ranks.

/5. (c) All cafes

5. BOUNDS - Cont'd.

(c) All cafes and licensed premises are out of bounds unless notices to the contrary are displayed in, or on, the building.

(d) Certain cafes and licensed premises are in bounds to certain ranks only. All ranks will conform strictly with such instructions.

(e) In other places, which may be visited under conditions set out hereunder, all ranks will be warned to pay strict attention to notices etc limiting areas which may be visited.

6. DUTIES OF CAMP COMMANDERS:

Camp Commanders will be responsible for:-

(a) Sub-allotment of Camp Leave Quotas between units.

(b) Ordering the necessary buses in accordance with para 7 below.

(c) Notifying the proper authorities in JERUSALEM, TEL AVIV, etc, as set out in para 17 below.

(d) The observance of security measures.

(e) Detailing a senior officer as O.C. Leave Party on every occasion.

(f) Detailing picquets to accompany Leave Parties, vide Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.13 para 7.

7. TRANSPORT:

(a) Buses for leave parties (other than 4-day leave parties to JERUSALEM) will be hired only from Messrs. Salameh Bros, the official contractors. A representative of this firm is located with H.Q. A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div. 24 hours notice will be given.

(b) O's C. Leave Parties, are responsible for payment of fares prior to departure of leave parties.

(c) Contract prices for return fares from Camps to TEL AVIV and JERUSALEM are shown in Appendix "A" attached. These fares are based on the assumption that each bus carries 25 personnel. Every endeavour will be made to ensure that each bus carries its full complement.

(d) Transport arrangements for 4-day Leave Parties to JERUSALEM are described in para 11 (d) below.

(e) Unit transport will NOT be used for personnel proceeding on leave.

(f) Prices for buses required for destinations shown in para 21 will be agreed upon direct between C.O. and the Contractor.

8. DEBUSSING POINTS:

Leave Parties will debus as follows :-

(a) IN JERUSALEM: One day leave parties will debus at the RUSSIAN COMPOUND near H.Q. Aus Overseas Base.

(b) IN TEL AVIV: At Military Police Barracks, 78 Hayarkon Street.

/ 9. SECURITY.

9. SECURITY:

(a) All officers are responsible for enforcing Regulations conta' in Force Security Instructions No.3 and any Security Instruction. issued subsequent to the issue of this Administrative Instruction.

(b) One man in each bus will carry Rifle, Equipment and 10 rounds of S.A.A. On arrival these will be deposited for safe custody as under :-

TEL-AVIV - Military Police H.Q.
JERUSALEM - H.Q. Aus Overseas Base.

It will be the responsibility of the O.C. Leave Party to see that the above requirements are carried out.

10. PICQUETS:

Sternght of Picquets required for 1-day leave parties is laid down in para 7 of Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.13.

11. 4-DAY LEAVE TO JERUSALEM:

(a) The Australian Comforts Fund has established the "Australian Soldiers' Club" in the Fast Hotel, JERUSALEM. Accommodation is available for 200 all ranks.

(b) 4 Officers, 5 Sjts and 41 O.Rs. arrive and depart daily in accordance with "Leave Time Tables" which are issued by this H.Q. as required.

(c) All personnel remain at the Aus Soldiers' Club for four consecutive nights returning on the morning of the fifth day after departure.

(d) Transport is arranged by Aus Comforts Fund so that departure time from Camps is approximately 1330 hrs.

(e) Costs for the four days including sight-seeing and transport thereto are :-

Officers	2750 mils
Sjts	1750 mils
O.Rs.	1500 mils

(f) Camp Commanders will detail one officer as O.C. Leave Party. This Officer will collect the amounts set out in sub-para (e) above, from all personnel prior to departure and will be responsible for handing over the correct sum to the representative of the Aus Comforts Fund on arrival.

(g) Blankets will be provided at the Aus Soldiers' Club. Personal kit including soap and towel should be carried.

12. 4-DAY LEAVE TO TEL AVIV:

(a) Certain Hotels and a Restaurant known as "The Australian Soldiers' Club", have been approved for use by personnel on 4-day leave in TEL AVIV. Accommodation has been arranged for 200 personnel. No other hotels will be used for sleeping accommodation.

(b) Parties, comprising 4 Officers, 5 Sjts and 41 O.Rs. will spend four consecutive nights in TEL AVIV arriving at approximately 1600 hrs daily and departing at approximately 1330 hrs on the fifth day after arrival.

/ 12. (c) On arrival

12. 4-DAY LEAVE TO TEL AVIV - Cont'd.

(c) On arrival in TEL AVIV, all ranks will report to O.C. 6 Aus Div Pro Coy, 78 Hayarkon Street, for allotment to Hotels.

(d) Costs for accommodation and meals for the fourdays are :-

Officers	-	Single Room 2200 mils, Shared room 2000 mils.
W.Os & Sjts	-	1100 mils
O.Rs.	-	1000 mils

Returns fares, as shown in Appendix "A" are additional to the above costs.

(e) Os.C. parties will collect the above mentioned sums from all ranks prior to departure from camps. On the morning of the day of return from leave they will be responsible for the payment of Hotel Managers and of the Manager of the Soldiers' Club. O.C. 6 Aus Div Pro Coy will assist and money may be deposited with him for safe custody.

(f) One Chaplain is stationed permanently in TEL AVIV and will also assist the O.C. Leave Party in settling accounts. He will also advise personnel on leave in that town regarding approved sight-seeing trips and local amusements.

(g) Parties will proceed daily in accordance with Leave Time Tables issued by this H.Q.

(h) Div R.O. 259/40 para 2 is reprinted:

"An officer will always accompany 4-day leave parties to TEL AVIV. It is not essential that he be on leave and he may return to his unit the same day."

(i) The Australian Comforts Fund has opened Tearooms at 25 Ben Yehuda Street, TEL AVIV, where A.I.F. personnel on leave in that town can receive a cup of tea and biscuit free of charge. A Lounge and writing room is also available. This is under the control of an Australian Ladies Committee.

13. 1-DAY LEAVE JERUSALEM OR TEL AVIV:

(a) The maximum numbers that may go on 1-day leave to either JERUSALEM or TEL AVIV are 250 all ranks.

(b) These numbers are exclusive of the picquet as set out in Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.13.

(c) Parties will be sent in accordance with Leave Time Tables issued by this H.Q. leaving at approximately 0830 hours.

(d) Parties will leave JERUSALEM by 1730 hrs and TEL AVIV by 1830 hrs each day.

14. SUNDAY LEAVE:

(a) Owing to the fact that personnel of many British Units can only obtain leave on Sundays the maximum number that may be sent to JERUSALEM or TEL AVIV from 2 A.I.F. units is 125.

(b) Picquets, which are additional to the above mentioned figure, may be reduced in proportion. Minimum strength of picquet will be 1 Officer, 1 N.C.O. and 6 O.Rs.

(c) Parties will be sent in accordance with Leave Time Tables issued by this H.Q.

/15. INDIVIDUAL LEAVE

15. INDIVIDUAL LEAVE:

At the discretion of Commanding Officers, individual leave may be granted to a limited number of personnel under the following conditions :-

(a) Not more than 3% of a Unit may be on leave at any one time. In the case of units whose establishments are less than 60 personnel, two individuals may be sent together.

(b) Unit transport will NOT be employed.

(c) Personnel will not be authorised to remain out of camp overnight without prior reference to this H.Q. and unless it has been previously ascertained that accommodation at one of the approved Hotels or Hostels is available, or unless the Commanding Officer has approved of the address at which it is proposed to stay. All such addresses will be recorded in Unit Orderly Rooms.

(d) All personnel will be in possession of properly completed Leave Passes, vide Para 4 (a) above. All such passes will be signed by C.Os. or Adjutants.

(e) Passes will normally expire at 2359 hours. Any passes issued to expire after that time will be endorsed "SPECIAL".

(f) All regulations regarding Bounds and Security will be strictly observed.

(g) The maximum number permitted to be in JERUSALEM or TEL AVIV on any one day will not be exceeded. This implies that personnel will only be sent to TEL AVIV or JERUSALEM when the Unit's turn for leave to either town is shown in the Leave Time Table. Personnel, within the limits set in this para, may remain in or visit these towns after departure times described in para 13 (d).

(h) It will be impressed on all ranks that individual leave in PALESTINE is a privilege and not a right.

16. NUMBERS:

It is pointed out that the number of men permitted to go on leave is entirely at the discretion of C.Os., providing the number does not exceed the maximum figure laid down.

17. MAINTENANCE OF ORDER:

It is the duty of all Officers and N.C.Os. in a leave party to assist, if necessary, in maintaining order in the Town being visited and also during outward and inward journeys. It must be realised that failure to do so constitutes an offence. The continuance of leave privileges will depend on the maintenance of good order and military discipline.

18. NOTIFICATION:

(a) Camp Commanders will notify by signal either :-
(i) D.A.P.M. JERUSALEM, or
(ii) D.A.P.M. TEL AVIV

at least 24 hours in advance, of the numbers and times of arrival of all leave parties.

(b) In accordance with Force Standing Orders 16/1940 as re-issued 19 April 40, Camp Commanders will, in the case of 4-day Leave Parties, supply the following additional information by letter

/direct to

18: NOTIFICATION - Cont'd.

(b)(cont'd.)
direct to D.A.P.M's, to arrive 24 hours in advance of the arrival of the party.

(i) Name and Number.
(ii) Period of Leave.
(iii) Address while on leave.

The addresses referred to in sub-para (iii) will be either care Aus Soldiers' Club, Fast Hotel, JERUSALEM. Or C/- 6 Aus Div Pro Coy, 78 Hayarkon Street, TEL AVIV.

19. BILLETS.

Only the approved Hotels, Hostels, etc. described in paras 11 and 12 and 15 will be used by personnel remaining on leave overnight in JERUSALEM or TEL AVIV.

20. BATHING.

(a) Commanding Officers may divert 1-day leave parties to the bathing beaches described in para 2 of 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.30. Though in this case the restriction as to numbers does not apply.

(b) When a party is so diverted, D.A.P.M. JERUSALEM or TEL AVIV will be informed by signal 24 hours in advance that the party shown in the Leave Time Table will NOT arrive.

(c) Commanding Officers may also send parties to bathing beaches on any day after parade hours at their own discretion. Attention is directed to para 3 of 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.30.

(d) No restriction is placed on the numbers of personnel who may be sent to bathing beaches.

(e) Camp Commanders will be responsible for the application of Safety Pretautions as described in para 6 of 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.30.

(f) Transport arrangements will be made by C.Os direct with the contractor. Unit transport will NOT be used.

21. OTHER DESTINATIONS - 1-day PARTIES:

(a) Arrangements have been made with the Maccabi Sports Club, REHOVOT, to use their arena, playing fields, swimming pool, etc. Units desiring to avail themselves of these facilities will give seven days clear notice to the Sports and Amenities Officer at this H.Q. so that arrangements can be made.

(b) Commanding Officers are at liberty to organise sight-seeing tours to:-

JERICHO & THE JORDAN
BETHLEHEM & THE DEAD SEA.

Transport arrangements will be made direct with the Contractor and the services of Chaplains should be enlisted as Guides.

Units sending leave parties to these destinations will notify D.A.P.M. JERUSALEM 24 hours in advance of the departure of the party.

(c) As the need for stringent security measures becomes progressively less, additional leave resorts will be thrown open. Units will, however, appreciate that, apart from Holy Places, PALESTINE does not contain many Pleasure Resorts as we know them in AUSTRALIA. Units will therefore endeavour to

/organise

21. OTHER DESTINATIONS - cont'd :

(c) (cont'd.)
organise their own amusements as far as possible and make every use of beaches, playing fields, etc. for inter-unit matches, meetings and competitive sports.

22. LEAVE BEYOND PALESTINE:

Consideration is being given to the granting of individual leave beyond the boundaries of PALESTINE. A separate Instruction will be issued when arrangements are complete.

23. Every clause of this Administrative Instruction will have the force of an order.

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

GAZA
13 May 40

Distribution List "B"

APPENDIX "A"

ADV 6 AUS DIV ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 30

RETURN FARES

FROM	TO JERUSALEM	TO TEL AVIV
GAZA TOWN	240 mils	140 mils
GAZA RIDGE	240 mils	140 mils
GAZA ROAD (KILO 89)	240 mils	140 mils
DEIR SUNEID	240 mils	140 mils
BEIT JIRJA	240 mils	140 mils
BARBARA	240 mils	140 mils
JULIS	205 mils	135 mils
QASTINA	195 mils	120 mils

The above fares are based on the assumption that complete bus loads of 25 personnel are travelling. In fairness to the Contractor every endeavour will be made to complete bus complements.

THESE FARES ARE SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

OF CONTRACT RATES AFTER 1 JUNE 40. ..

AMENDMENTS.

to

6 AUS DIV ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 33

1. Para 28. Line 5, for "2 grammes" read "10 grammes".

2. APPENDIX "A"

   (a) Opposite DEIR SUNEID Camp, BRIDGES Lines, insert "Inf and Gen Base Depot".

   (b) Opposite BARBARA Camp, WISDOM Lines, delete "Inf and Gen Base Depot"

3. APPENDIX "B" Is amended to conform to the amendments to Appendix "A"

AMENDMENT.

to

6 AUS DIV ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 34

Para 2, Sub-para(2)

Opposite DEIR SUNEID Camp, BRIDGES Lines, for "2/1 Fd Park Coy" read "Inf and Gen Base Depot",

War Diary

6 AUS DIV.

SECRET

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 33.

Arrival and Accomodation of 2nd Convoy in GAZA Area, PALESTINE.

Ref Map 1/100,000 Series GAZA; and PALESTINE Motor Map 1/500,000.

REAR PARTIES ON SHIPS.

1. The following personnel will not disembark at KANTARA, but will proceed in the ship and disembark at PORT SAID.

(a) All members of A.A.N.S., Masseuses & V.A.D's.
(b) All sick unfit to travel by train.
(c) A rear party of 1 off. & four N.C.O's per unit to assist in checking unit equipment when landed at PORT SAID.
(d) The officer per ship mentioned in para 2.
(e) 1 N.C.O. & 2 O.R. 2/2 Aus Gen Hosp as stated in para 3.

EQUIPMENT USED ON TRANSPORTS.

2. Certain training stores, clothing, hospital stores & S.A.A. were issued to O.C. Troops each ship in Aus. O's C. Troops will arrange for all these stores to be collected into suitable groups prior to the disembarkation at Kantara. They will also detail an officer, in addition to rear party officers, to accompany these stores to Port Said, where a member of the A.A.O.C. will come aboard. This officer is to be in possession of the Aus issue vouchers for these stores. The A.A.O.C. representative will check and take over the stores from the officer detailed.

STORES 2/2 AUS GEN HOSP.

3. All stores of 2/2 Aus Gen Hosp are being stored in PORT SAID and will NOT be brought to PALESTINE. C.O. 2/2 Aus Gen Hosp will detail one N.C.O. and two O.R's to remain in PORT SAID with these stores. Their duty will be to assist in the safe custody of the stores and to attend to their maintenance.

METHOD OF ARRIVAL IN PALESTINE.

4. Troops will arrive by rail from KANTARA. Stores are unlikely to reach GAZA Area for some days. Officers will bring their camp kit on the train with them.

With the exception of personnel of H.Q. Aus Overseas Base and 2/8 Bn, who will detrain at MAJDAL and personnel of H.Q. 6 Aus Div A.I.L. Sec, 2/2 Aus Gen Hosp and 2/1 C.C.S./who will detrain at GAZA, all personnel will detrain at a railway stopping place immediately alongside their camp. Members of the A.A.N.S., Masseuses and V.A.Ds will NOT disembark at KANTARA but will proceed to PORT SAID from where they will travel to GAZA by ordinary train. Sick unable to travel will disembark at Port Said and be evacuated to MOASCAR Gen Hosp.

& 2/1 Conv. Depot

CAMP SITES.

5. (a) With the exception of H.Q. 6 Aus Div and H.Q. Aus Overseas Base, units are located in a series of seven large camps each of which is divided into three or more "Lines" each of which accomodates a major unit or two or more small units. Each of these lines is named as set out in Appendix "A". A key plan of the camps is set out in Appx "B". H.Q. 6 Aus Div is in GAZA Town and H.Q. Aus Overseas Base is in JERUSALEM.

(b) The names of camps and the allotment of units to them for all units of A.I.F. are set out in Appx "A". In the case of some of the smaller units it will be seen that either part of their "Lines" is already occupied or that other units are still to arrive in the 3rd Convoy. In the latter case the allocation of accomodation must be based on this.

MOVEMENT FROM DETRAINING PLACES.

6. (a) Personnel who detrain at GAZA and MAJDAL Railway Stations will be moved to their camp by M.T.

(b) Personnel who detrain elsewhere than at GAZA & MAJDAL Railway Stations will march to their camps. Transport will be provided for baggage.

CAMP COMMANDERS.
7. (a) The following are appointed Camp Commanders:

GAZA RIDGE	C.O. 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp
KILO 89	C.O. 2/11 Bn.
DEIR SUNEID	C.R.A. 6 Aus Div
BEIT JIRJA	Comd 17 Aus Inf Bde
BARBARA	C.M.S.C. 6 Aus Div.
QASTINA	C.O. 6 Aus Div Recce Regt

(b) Where more than one unit occupies the same lines in a camp the Camp Comd will appoint an O,C. of these lines.

ACCOMODATION.
8. Certain essential buildings e.g. cookhouses, washing places, offices, stores, institutes(see para 12) and officers' and sgts' messes have been erected. The remainder of the accomodation is tented. Buildings must not be wrongly appropriated. A plan showing the layout of each 'Lines' and the purpose of buildings therein will be available at the H.Q. office of each Lines.
The types of tents will vary in different camps. Advance Parties of units will advise the number of personnel to be allotted to tents. All tents will have been erected before arrival of units, by units of Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADVANCE PARTIES.
9. All items of camp equipment will be in unit lines and except for certain units will have been taken over by an officer of the unit marching in. These officers have been selected by Adv 6 Aus Div from amongst those officers who have been attending courses in PALESTINE. All units will arrange for their own A.Qs to take over the stores as soon as possible.
A small detachment of an Australian Unit is in each of the camps and will remain for three clear days after arrival of 2nd Convoy units in camps. The officers, N.C.O's and men of these detachments are available to give assistance in assimilating local information, methods and customs. These detachments will be attached for rations and accomodation and will march out on the fourth day.

RECEPTION IN CAMPS.
10. Attached as Appendix "C" are Instructions for Os C Trains, which give full details of the action necessary at detraining places and up to the time of arrival in camps.

BLANKETS.
11. Included in the stores which will be found in Unit Lines are two blankets per man. These with the one carried by the man complete the issue scale of three per man.

CANTEENS AND INSTITUTES.
12. The Australian Army Canteen Institute, known as A.A.C.I. will have established an institute in each of the lines being occupied, other than H.Q. Lines, in each camp. Managers of these canteens will have been appointed prior to arrival of units.

RECREATION ROOMS.
13. There are two recreation rooms in each Lines. These will have been provided with tables & chairs by the Aus Comforts Fund.

GUARDS.
14. Guards, vide 6 Aus Div G.S. Instruction No 6, para 6, will be mounted as soon as possible after arrival.
A guard room with accommodation for prisoners is erected in one Lines in each Camp Area.

SECURITY.
15. Attention is drawn to 6 Aus Div G.S. Instruction No.6, particularly para 10. Any tendency in the early stages for men to wander away from camp singly must be stopped.
After arriving in unit camps units will carry out an inspection of all

all

rifles and pistols on issue to personnel.

PASSES FOR EMPLOYED CIVILIANS.

16. Civilians employed in camps will NOT be in possession of passes when units arrive. Camp Commanders will arrange for applic-ations from these civilians to be submitted to H.Q. 6 Aus Div not later than third day after arrival. Copies of application forms will be sent to Camp Commanders on day of arrival. Full details regarding this are set out in 6 Aus Div G.S. Inst No. 5.

INTERPRETERS.

17. Arrangements have been made for an interpreter to be provided for each Lines, incl H.Q. Lines. These will be sent to units by H.Q. 6 Aus Div after arrival of units in camp.
In accordance with the terms of their agreement interpreters are entitled to be treated as Sgts. The conditions of employment of interpreters will be issued later.

COMPENSATION.

18. The area surrounding the camps is under close cultivation and the crops will not be cut until about the end of June.
A compensation organization is established which consists of :-
Area Billeting Officer at H.Q. 6 Aus Div.
Bde Compensation Officers at H.Q. Aus Inf Bdes and R.A.... 6 Aus Div.
Unit Compensation Officers with each Lt-Col's Command.
and other units as may be necessary.

Unit Compensation Officers will be available for ordinary regtl duty. Instruction in their duties to the above will be given under arrangements to be notified later.
It is important that movement of units, tpt, and individuals through crops be confined to a minimum essential for training purposes. Neglect of this will only lead to claims for compensation.

MEDICAL.

19. A camp hospital is established at each Camp. Sick requiring admission to Hospital from units will be evacuated to these hospitals, where normally patients will be held for only one or two days. The staff of 1 Offr, 6 O.Rs and patients of these camp hospitals will be rationed and fed under arrangements made by Camp Comds.
Sick who cannot be treated or maintained in Camp Hospitals will be evacuated to 2/1 Aus Gen Hospital GAZA RIDGE.

DOGS.

20. Rabies is prevalent in Palestine and consequently no dogs are to be kept in camp. All ranks are to be warned against trying to attract stray dogs, of which there are many.

SUPPLIES

21. Instructions regarding supplies are issued separately in 6 Aus Div Administrative Instruction No. 34.

TRANSPORT.

22. The following transport will be available in camps under the control of the Camp Comd. An A.S.C. Officer will be in charge of the vehicles:-

GAZA RIDGE	1 Car or Van 1 3-ton hired lorry.
KILO 89	2 Cars or Vans 2 3-ton hired lorries.
DEIR SUNEID	3 Cars or Vans 1 3-ton hired lorry

BEIT JIRJA	2 Cars or Vans 5 3-ton hired lorries.
QASTINA	Local transport, as required, will be made available by Camp Comdr.

This transport is apart from that required for transporting tps and baggage from GAZA Station to GAZA RIDGE and from MEJDAL Station to QASTINA and is intended for local running only..

GUARDS ON OTHER LINES.

23. Foster units will continue to find guards on unoccupied lines until the fourth day after arrival of units. On that day they will be relieved by Guards detailed by Camp Comds except at DEIR SUNEID where the foster unit will remain until arrival of the 3rd Convoy. These Guards will be merely for the protection of the Camps and Stores therein. They will have no responsibility as regards drawing or accounting for stores,

TRAFFIC CONTROL.

24. The rule of the road in Palestine is keep to the right; Speed limit on camp roads 15 m.p.h. All ranks particularly drivers M.T. are to be informed. Every consideration will be given to stock and animals using the roads. The use of the horn is essential in Palestine. The main road GAZA-QASTINA is in many places in a bad state of repair and in these areas great care must be exercised.

SUMMER CLOTHING.

25. An issue on the following scale will be made by Aus Overseas Base on the day after arrival in camp of units:

Shorts,K.D.,prs	2
Shirts,khaki	2
Stockings,khaki, prs	2

Full supplies of stockings have not been received and it is probable that the available stocks will not permit of an issue of even one pair per man. Personnel not issued with stockings will wear socks which will be worn rolled over the tops of the boots.
All necessary indents will have been prepared by Aus Overseas Base.

CURRENCY.

26. It is important that all Australian currency be exchanged for Palestinian currency at the earliest possible moment. To enable this to be done and at the same time enable immediate purchases to be made at A.A.C.I. which will NOT accept Aus currency, exchange offices will have been opened in unit lines as under:-

Camp	Location of Exchange Office	Units for which exchange effected.
GAZA RIDGE	Pay Office of 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp	All units arriving in camp.
KILO 89.	Pay Office 2/11 Bn.	All units arriving in camp.
DEIR SUNEID	Office of 6 Aus Div Pro Coy	All units arriving in camp
BEIT JIRJA	Pay Office 2/2 Fd Regt	2/2 Fd Regt.
	Pay Office 2/5 Bn.	2/5 Bn.
	Pay Office 2/6 Bn.	2/6 Bn.
	Pay Office 2/7 Bn.	2/7 Bn.
	Bde H.Q.	(17 Aus Inf Bde H.Q. (2/2 Fd Coy. (2/2 Fd Amb.
BARBARA	Office Div Pet Coy	All units arriving in camp
QASTINA	Pay Office 2/8 Bn	2/8 Bn.

These exchange offices will be open from the time of arrival of the units they serve until 1800 hrs that day and from 1000 hrs to 1800 hrs for the next two days. Units will ensure that by that time all Aus Currency, both personal and regimental, has been changed.

Foster units will arrange for an armed man to be on duty at each exchange office whilst it is open.

INTERCOMMUNICATION.

27. (a) Telephone exchanges will have been erected at all camps and will be manned by units as shown:-

KILO 89	Sigs 6 Aus Div
DEIR SUNEID	H.Q. R.A.A.
BEIT JIRJA	H.Q. 17 Aus Inf Bde.

These exchanges provide for intercommunication within Camps and, through GAZA TOWN, between camps and with military telephone system of PALESTINE. Arrangements are to be made for these exchanges and the telephones which will be found in most unit lines to be manned on a 24 hour basis as soon as units arrive in camp.

(b) The whole of the system has been installed and will be maintained by PALESTINE Posts and Telegraphs. No unauthorised extensions will be made nor will installations be interfered with.

(c) Details of daily D.R.L.S. Service are set out in Div R.O. 412/40 dated 9 May.

(d) Unit code names will be used in all signal messages. Code cards will be issued to units as soon as possible after arrival in camps.

MAIL.

28. All outward mail will be franked and censor stamped within units and will be delivered to vehicles of Sup Coln for delivery to 6 Aus Div Postal Unit, BARBARA Camp. Mail for despatch by sea need not be stamped; but full postal charges for Air Mail letters must be paid by the sender. The charge for air mail to Australia is 60 mils per 2 grammes (1/3 oz). Stamps are available in A.A.C.I. institutes.
Inward mail will be received by 6 Aus Div Postal Unit who will arrange for its delivery to units with daily supplies.
Full instructions regarding mail are contained in 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No. 22.
Rules for Censorship in PALESTINE form an attachment to 6 Aus Div G.S. Inst No. 8.

ORDERS & INSTRUCTIONS.

29. Copies of 6 Aus Div Principal Divisional Routine Orders issued between 18 Feb. & 5 May as well as copies of all Divisional Instructions which are still current will be found in the office of every unit.

REGTL. CONTRACTORS.

30. In Palestine a system of Regimental Contractors is in force. The contractor provides various services including barbering and laundering at agreed prices and pays a percentage rebate to the unit. So that these services may be available when units arrive a temporary contract for a period of two months has been entered into for all new units arriving. A copy of the contract will be available in unit lines.

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

GAZA.
9 May, 40.
Distribution - List "B".

LOCATION OF UNITS. APPENDIX "A".

A.I.F. in PALESTINE.

Name of Camp.	Name of Lines.	Units.
GAZA TOWN	-	Adv H.Q. 1 Aus Corps. H.Q. 6 Aus Div. 6 Aus Fd Cash Office. Adv Adm H.Q. A.I.F.
GAZA RIDGE	HOWSE	2/1 Aus Gen Hosp. Adv Depot Med Stores.
	FETHERSTON	2/2 Aus Gen Hosp. 3, 4, and 5 Spec Dental Units. #
	BARBER	2/1 C.C.S. 2/3 Aus Spec Hosp. (personnel) 2/1 Conv Depot.
	WILLIAMS	2/3 Aus Spec Hosp (Wards Only)
KILO 70	H.Q.	H.Q. 18 Aus Inf Bde. Sig Sec. L.A.D.
	HERRING	2/9 Bn.
	RYRIE	2/10 Bn.
	HOLMES	2/11 Bn.
	SQUIRES	Sigs 6 Aus Div - less Inf & Arty Secs. 2/3 Fd Amb.
	HLANE	2/1 M.G. Bn. and L.A.D.
DEIR SUNEID	H.Q.	H.Q. R.A.A. 6 Aus Div. H.Q. R.A.E. 6 Aus Div.
	BRIDGES	2/1 Fd Park Coy. 42 L.A.D. 2/3 Fd Coy. 2/1 Fd Hyg Sec. 6 Aus Div Pro Coy.
	ANDERSON	2/5 A.Tk Regt. Sig Sec. L.A.D.
	BURGESS	2/3 Fd Regt. Sig Sec. L.A.D.
BEIT JIRJA	H.Q.	H.Q. 17 Aus Inf Bde. Sig Sec. L.A.D.
	GLASGOW	2/5 Bn.
	ELLIOTT	2/6 Bn.
	ROYSTON	2/7 Bn.
	GALLWAY	2/2 Fd Regt. Sig Sec. L.A.D.
	LEGGE	2/2 Fd Coy. 2/2 Fd Amb.

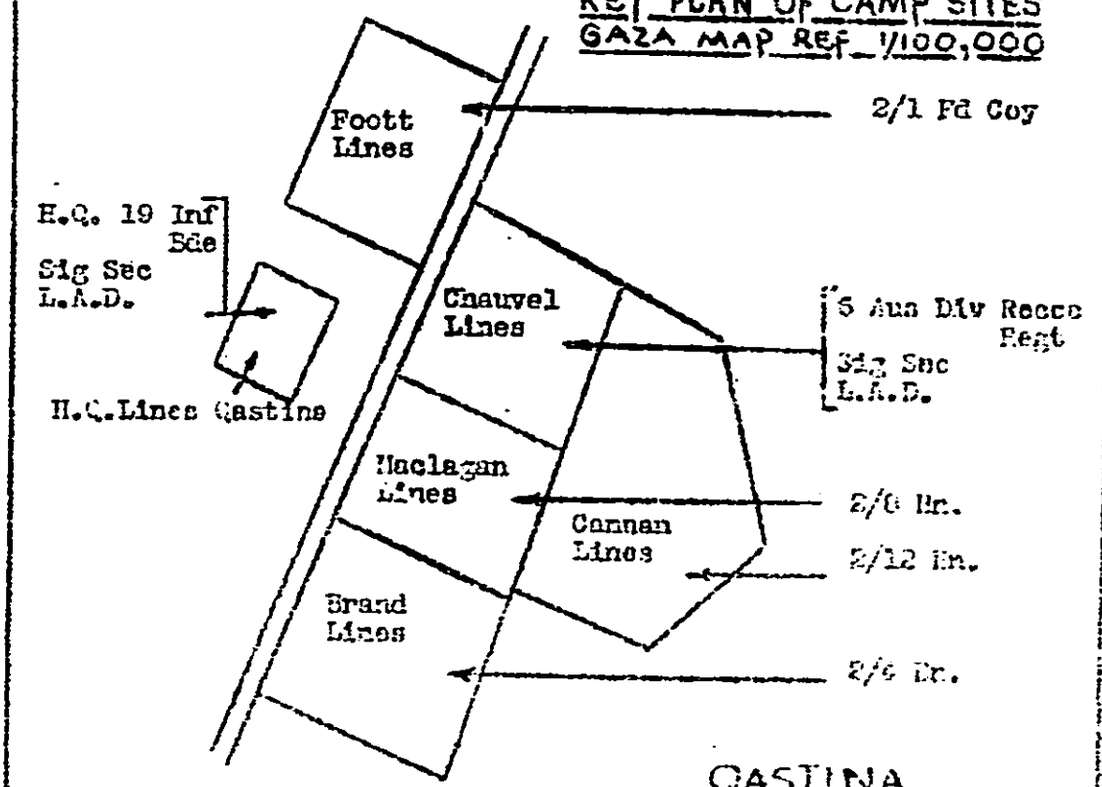
Name of Camp.	Name of Lines.	Units.
BARBARA	ROSENTHAL	H.Q. A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div. Div Sup Coln. Div Pet Coy. 6 Aus Div Postal Unit.
	WISDOM	Div Amm Coy. 6 Aus Div Amm Sub Pk. Inf & Gen Base Depot.
	COXEN	Aus Base Ord Depot 2/1 A.Fd Wkshop. Div Sec Ord Fd Park.
JULIS	H.Q.	16 Aus Inf Bde. Sig Sec. L.A.D.
	HONAN GODDARD GELLIBRAND	2/1 Bn. 2/2 Bn. 2/3 Bn.
	HOBBS	2/1 Fd Regt. Sig Sec. L.A.D.
	LENNE	2/1 Fd Amb.
QASTINA	H.Q.	H.Q. 19 Aus Inf Bde. Sig Sec. L.A.D.
	BRAND HAGLAGAN CANNAN	2/4 Bn. 2/8 Bn. 2/12 Bn.
	CHAUVEL	6 Aus Div Recce Regt. Sig Sec. L.A.D.
	POOTT	2/1 Fd Coy. (Also R.E. units for training).
GAZA AERODROME	-	A.I.L. Sec.
JERUSALEM	-	H.Q. Aus Overseas Base.

Temporarily until allotted by SDO to camp hospitals.

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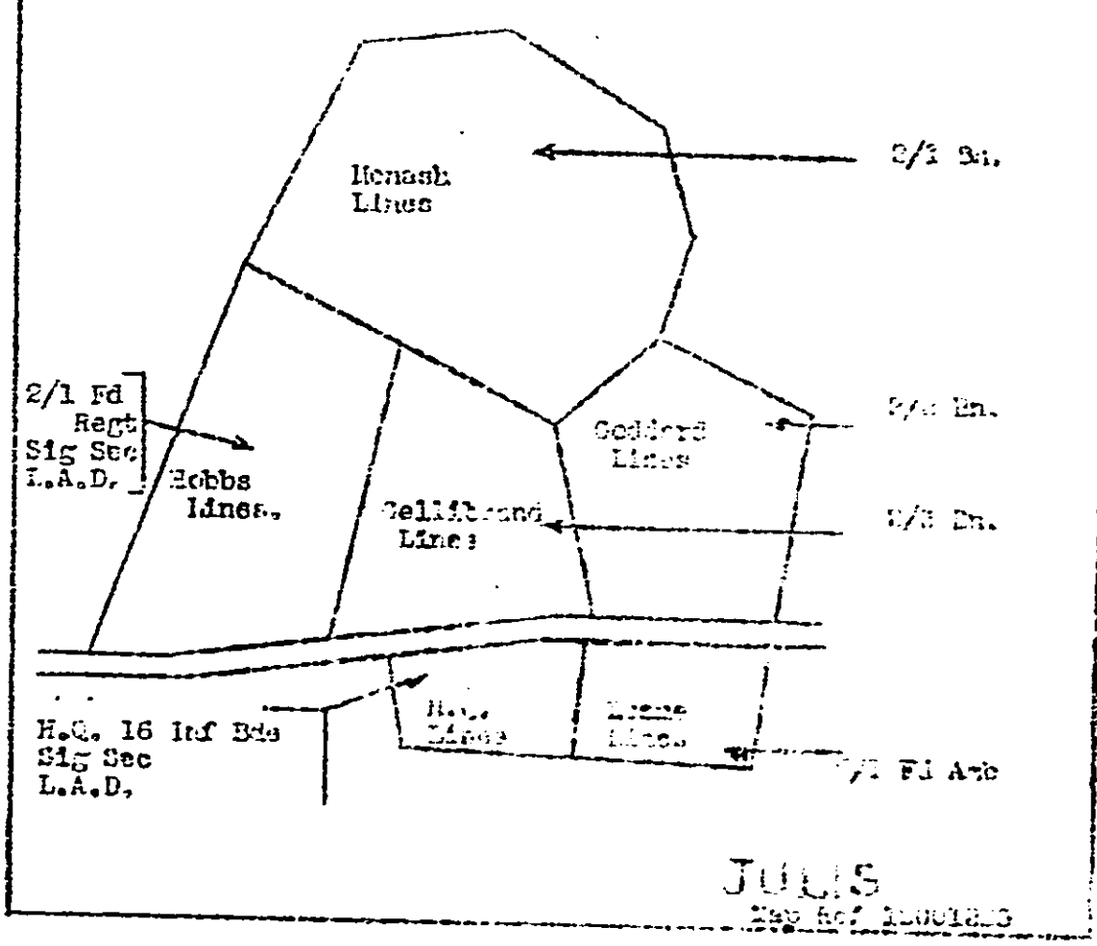
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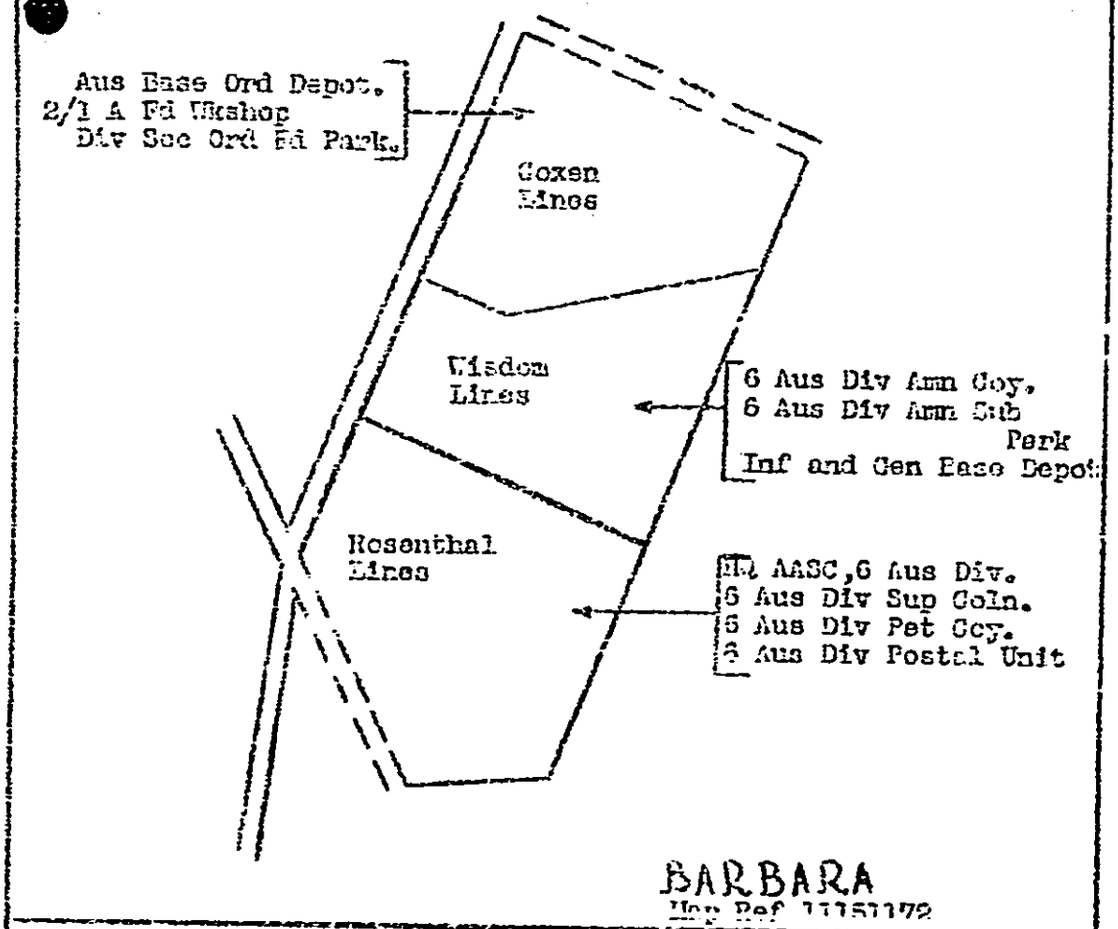
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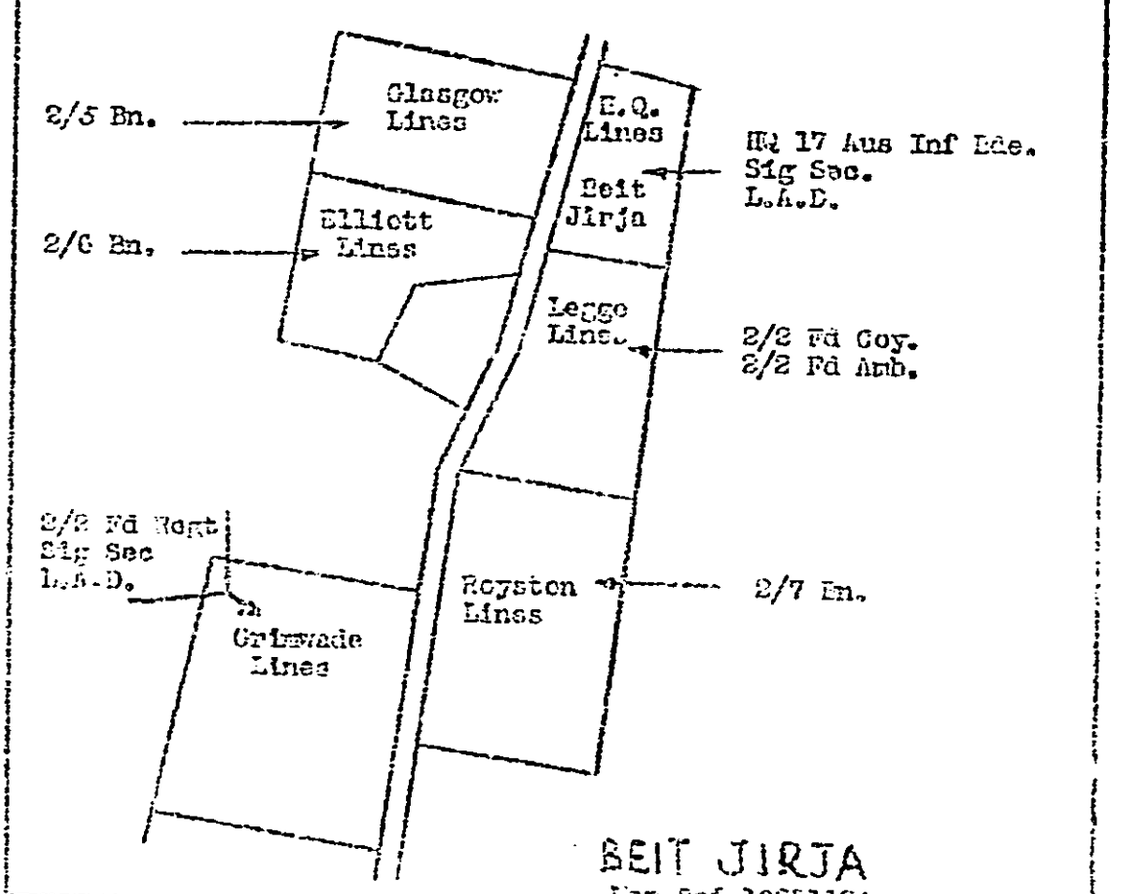
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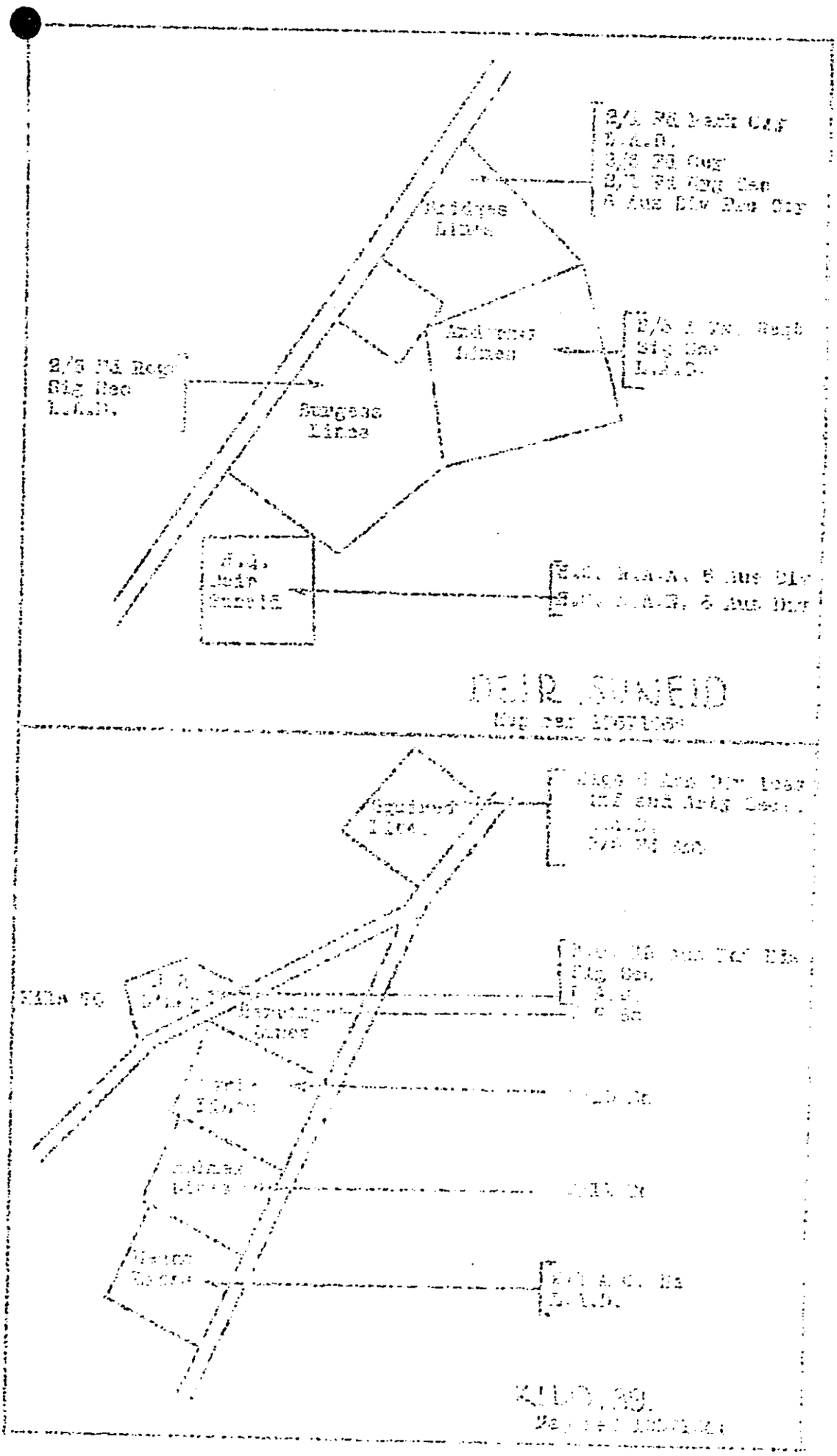
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APPENDIX "C"

INSTRUCTIONS TO O's C. TROOP TRAINS 2ND CONVOY.

GENERAL.

1. The first scheduled stop in Palestine will be at GAZA for 5 minutes for trains proceeding NORTH except when personnel are detraining at GAZA.

2. The duration of the journey from KANTARA to GAZA is approx. 5 hrs.

3. The distance from GAZA to MAJDAL is approx 24 kilos or 20 mins straight run.

4. On leaving GAZA personnel in trains will prepare themselves for detrainment.

MEDICAL.

5. Sick requiring evacuation will be cleared at GAZA when a medical officer and ambulance cars will be in attendance.

BAGGAGE.

6. The following principles will apply to the stowing of kit bags, but the R.T.O. KANTARA will give detailed instructions for each train.

(a) In trains which are complete with one unit or units detraining at the one destination, kit bags will be stowed in the vans of the trains.

(b) In all other cases kit bags will be taken by personnel into the compartment.

(c) In all cases the sea kit bag will be taken by personnel into the compartment.

(d) Officers' kit will be placed in the van. When there is more than one unit on the train arrangements for separate stowing must be made.

DETRAINMENT.

7. In all cases detrainment of personnel and baggage will be carried out as quickly as possible. Troops will detrain and fall in with their backs to the train on a line to be indicated by the reception officer.

UNITS MOVING BY M.T. AFTER DETRAINMENT.

8.

H.Q. 6 Aus Div 2/2 Aus Gen Hosp 2/1 C.C.S 2/1 Conv Depot A.I.L. Sec	Detrain at GAZA
H.Q. Aus Overseas Base 2/8 Ba.	Detrain at MAJDAL

UNITS NOT MOVING BY M.T. AFTER DETRAINMENT.

9. All other ranks will detrain at points along the railway line adjacent to their camp areas. Those points will be clearly marked by a board showing the name of the camp. (vide Appx. "A")

PROCEDURE DETRAINING POINTS.

10.(a) At all detraining places units will be met by an R.T.O., a Reception Officer and guides.

(b) Their functions are:-

R.T.O. - is in charge of everything to do with the train and detrainment.

RECEPTION OFFICER - takes over responsibility once the personnel are clear of the train and is in charge of embussing or movement.

GUIDES.- will lead Units to their lines.

(c) As soon as the R.T.O. has reported to you that he is ready for the men to detrain (but not before) personnel will detrain with full equipment and kit bags that are in their possession.

(d) As soon as all personnel have detrained at the last stopping place, the officer, who will have been detailed at KANTARA to take over the train, will inspect it with the R.T.O. or his representative.

BAGGAGE PARTIES.

11.(a) A baggage party will be told off beforehand to handle officers' kits and all baggage other than in the possession of personnel. This baggage party will immediately proceed to unload baggage etc. from the train into the load carrying vehicles.

(b) Baggage parties will travel in the compartment nearest to the van of the train and will move with the baggage lorries to unit lines.

(c) On arrival in unit lines they will proceed to unload the vehicles immediately.

(d) A baggage officer will be appointed for each unit whose duty it will be to ensure that baggage etc. is loaded into the correct vehicles. He will familiarise himself with the units destination.

BUS MOVEMENT FROM GAZA AND HAJDAL STATIONS.

12. (c) All personnel will take into the bus with them both kit bags and equipment.

(b) Officers and men will be told off in parties of 24 each of which will form a bus load.

(c) When the whole train load is reported to you as being told off, you will order bus parties to move off. The senior of each bus load will ensure that his complement get into the foremost vacant bus allotted to his unit.

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6 AUS DIV ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No. 34.

ARRIVAL OF SECOND CONVOY.

SUPPLIES.

1. INDENTS.- Indents for supplies will be submitted by indenting Units (see para 2) 72 hours in advance.
They will be lodged at the H.Q's. office of each camp by 0800 hrs daily and will be collected under arrangements made by A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.
AB 55 will be used. Supplies of these will be available when Units reach Camp. Demands will be for the number of rations required, NOT for quantities of Commodities.
Indents for supplies for consumption on the day of arrival and the three following days will have been submitted by A.S.C. 6 Aus Div. prior to arrival of Units. Hence the first indents will be submitted by Units on the day following their arrival for supplies for consumption on the fifth day.
2. INDENTING UNITS.- (1) Each Lines in each Camp (See administrative instruction No. 33, Appendix "A" for allotment of Units to Lines) is designed to cook for one unit, consequently where more than one unit occupies the same Lines, one unit will be responsible for indenting for rations for all units in the Lines. The indenting unit will call on other units for cooks and labour as may be necessary.
(2) Signal Sections and L.A.D's. will be rationed by the unit with which they are accomodated.
For the purpose of rationing the following will be indenting units.

Camp.	Lines	Indenting Unit.
Barbara.	Coxen	A.I.F. Base Ord Depot.
	Wisdom	6 Aus Div Ammn Coy.
	Rosenthal	H.Q. A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.
Beit Jirja.	Legge	2/2-Fd Amb.
Deir Suneid.	Bridges	2/1 Fd Park Coy.
	H.Q.	H.Q.R.A.A.
Kilo 89.	H.Q.	H.Q. 18 Aus Inf Bde.
Gaza Ridge.	Howse	2/1 Aus Gen Hosp.
	Fetherston	2/2 Aus Gen Hosp.
	Barber	2/1 C.C.S.

In each Lines there is only one Officers' Mess and one Sergeants' Mess. O's. C. Lines will arrange for the staffing and conducting of these messes.

3. Ration Scale is attached as Appendix "A".

4. SYSTEM OF SUPPLY.- Supplies will be delivered daily to indenting units in their own lines by Sup. Col. 6 Aus Div.

5. MEAT RATION.- All meat supplied will be frozen. It will normally be partially thawed only on receipt by units, who must ensure that thawing is completed before cooking. In the hot weather there is a risk of sweating. Meat should be hung and surplus moisture wiped off.

6. ICE. - Ice will be delivered daily to units, unless climatic conditions render it unnecessary, from April to October inclusive. Units will include in the "sundries" column on the ration AB 55, their daily requirements of ice in terms of "Units" based on the scale shown in Appendix "A".

7. DETACHMENTS.- When units are required to find detachments for Guards etc., the feeding of this detachment will be the responsibility of the unit. The only exception will be the detachment at H.Q. 6 Aus Div, Gaza. This detachment will be rationed by H.Q, 6 Aus Div.

8. FUEL, LIGHT ETC.- The scale of issue of fuel, oil, disinfectants etc. is shown in Appendix "A".

APPENDIX "A" TO 6 ~~HUS~~ DIV ADMINISTRATIVE INST. No. 34

RATION SCALE.

	ozs.	
Bread	16	or Biscuits 12 oz.
Meat Frozen	14	or Pres. Meat 10½ oz.
Fresh Vegetables	16	or Dried Peas or Beans or Lentils 4 oz.
Onions	3	
Potatoes	12	
Bacon	2	
Butter	2	
Cheese	1 1/7	
Dried Fruits	2	
Tea	¾	
Sugar	4	
Salt	½	
Jam	2	
Milk	3	
Pepper	1/100	
Mustard	1/100	or Curry Powder
Meat Loaf	4/7	(4 ozs. Weekly)
Salmon	6/7	(3 ozs. twice weekly)
Herrings	6/7	(3 Ozs. " ").
Flour or)		
Rice or)	2	
Oatmeal)		

Fresh Fruit 8 ozs. twice weekly or 12 ozs. Fruit Juice once weekly.
PLUS One penny halfpenny (6½ mils)

ICE:

Officers' Messes	.....	2 units.
Sergeants' "	.....	2 "
Men's "	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 Unit = 14 lbs.
1 Block = 56 lbs.

FUEL:

Coal..... 1 lb per man per day (when supplies available)
Wood..... 3 lbs " " " "
Kero..... ¾ pint per lamp per day.
Methylated Spirits:
Hospitals .....5 gallons per week
Fd Amb .....1½ " " "
Units with a R.M.O. ..... 1 quart " "

PALLASSE STRAW: 7 lbs per man each 32 days.

DISINFECTANT:

Cresoli	(1 quart per 100 men in camp per week.	
	(1 gallon " " " " billets " "	
Flysol.....	1 pint per gun per week	
Tanglefoot.....	½ lb per 100 men per month.	
Dovers Cream.....	2 oz. per man per month(in malarious areas only.)	
Kerosene.....	1 gallon per 100 men per week(in billets only for debugging)	

9. PETROL & LUBRICANTS. - Daily deliveries of petrol & lubricants will be made direct to unit lines by 6 Aus Div Petrol Coy. AB 55's endorsed "Petrol" will be lodged with the ration indents 24 hours in advance of required delivery. Demands will be made in multiples of the following:

Petrol	-	4 Gallons.
Oil	-	5 Gallons.
Grease	-	7 Lbs.
Brake Fluid	-	1 Gallon.

When it is necessary for a unit to draw petrol or lubricants from British Units it must be clearly shown on Army Form G825 (supplied by issuing unit) the correct designation of the Aus Unit and not merely Aus Division. The G825 must be forwarded to H.Q. A.S.C. 6 Aus Div accompanied by an explanation as to the necessity for drawing petrol or lubricants from the British Unit.

10. RETURNABLE CONTAINERS. - (a) All containers delivered by the A.S.C. are returnable. Units must exercise care in handling containers and return them to the A.S.C. immediately they are emptied. Petrol tins must be opened by removing the seal and must not be punctured elsewhere.
(b) Fruit Juice, Bottles and Crates. -
Bottles are chargeable @ 6 mils each.
Crates " " @ 50 " "
These will be collected each Sunday by Sup Col A.S.C.

11. ACCOUNTING. - Each indenting unit will complete daily A.F.W.3809, "Daily Ration Strength Return" and immediately following the Saturday of each week A.F.W.3810 "Comparison of "Daily Ration Strength" with rations drawn". A.F's W.3810, together with Unit AB 55's will be forwarded not later than the Tuesday of the following week through the normal channel to the S.Sup.O.

12. OFFICERS' AND SERGEANTS' MESSES.- No commodities additional to the daily standard ration will be issued to these messes. The numbers in such messes will be included in the total unit demands submitted in unit AB 55, and the unit will issue the relative proportions of receipts to messes concerned. Any additional requirements of messes must be obtained under their own arrangements.

13. CASH ALLOWANCE.- The cash allowance of 6½ mils/per day is designed to provide commodities not included in the ration and is to be spent through A.A.C.I. who will supply all requirements provided 24 hours notice is given and the commodity is available in Palestine.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 35.

INSTRUCTIONS TO FOSTER UNITS
FOR 2nd CONVOY.

1. GENERAL - The object of this instruction is to set out the tasks of Foster Units so as to ensure the 2nd Convoy arriving in their Camps and settling down with the maximum of speed and the minimum of discomfort

2. DATE AND TIMES OF ARRIVAL. - The date of arrival is not yet known; but the first day of arrival is expected to be 16 May. The order of arrival is not yet known; butunits will arrive on two days. The first train each day will arrive at GAZA at approx. 0600 hrs and the last about 1400 hrs.

3. STORES AND TENTAGE. - These will have been drawn by all foster units by 10 May. All tents are to be erected by 12 May.

4. RATIONS. - Indents for rations are being prepared by A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div. Rations for consumption on the day of arrival of units will be delivered to foster units on the preceeding day. The meat issued will consist of preserved meat and meat loaf. Otherwise the ration will be normal.

5. FIRST MEAL. - Foster units will arrange to have a meal appropriate to the hour of arrival ready for units one hour after arrival in Camp.

Cooks, who will be provided by foster units, will use the equipment of the incoming unit for this meal. On its completion all this equipment will be cleaned and laid out ready to be taken over by the incoming unit.

Officers' and Sgts' messes will draw their food from th men's kitchens. Incoming Units will be responsible for collecting this from these messes. In this connection tea is NOT being served at GAZA as with the 1st Convoy.

6. PREPARATION OF EQUIPMENT.- To facilitate checking by incoming units, stores will be packed conveniently. Only essential stores will be distributed throughout the Lines. These include cooking gear for first meal, tables and forms in messes, any equipment from Ordnance or Aus. Comforts Fund for A.A.C.I. or recreation rooms, and latrine buckets.

All cooking utensils will be thoroughly cleaned before the arrival of units. All Ice containers are to be made fit for use. The first delivery of Ice will be on the day before arrival of units.

7. DETRAINMENT - (a) The detrainment places of certain units are:-

H.Q. 6 Aus Div A.I.L. Sec 2/2 Aus Gen Hosp 2/1 C.C.S. Special Dental Units.	GAZA
H.Q. Aus Overseas Base 2/8 Bn	MAJDAL

(b) For all other units the trains will be halted at the respective camp sites and personnel and baggage will be detrained there.

8 MOVE FROM DETRAINMENT PLACE. (a) For the units mentioned in para 7(a) buses for personnel and lorries for baggage will be arranged by this H.Q. to move them to their camp sites.

(b) For other units personnel will march to their own Lines. Transport for baggage will be provided by foster units from the transport provided in each camp, vide Adm Inst No.33. This transport must be waiting at the detrainment place prior to the arrival of the train.

(c) Guides will be provided at detraining places or debussing places by foster units to lead personnel, by the best route, to their lines.

9. STRENGTH OF FOSTER UNIT PARTIES. - On the day; but prior to the hour, of arrival of units, the strength of foster unit parties will be reduced to one officer and one section or its equivalent, exclusive of cooks, i.e. One N.C.O. and seven men in each lines.

Foster unit Q.M's will also remain. Cooks will march out after cleaning up after the first meal.

These parties will remain for three clear days and march out on the fourth day. They must be fully conversant with the lay-out of the Lines and be prepared to act as advisers to the incoming units. They will be rationed and accommodated by the incoming units, but foster units are responsible for seeing that the accommodation selected is likely to be suitable to the incoming unit.

10. TRAFFIC CONTROL.- As far as possible units will reduce traffic on the road GAZA-QASTINA South of the road to MAJDAL R.S. during the arr[illegible] of units, and the subsequent arrival of their baggage.

11. CONSERVANCY SWEEPERS. - Foster units will engage six conservancy sweepers per lines.

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8 May 40

Distribution List "B" for
Units now in Palestine.

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ADDENDUM TO ADM INST NO. 35.

INSTRUCTIONS TO FOSTER UNITS.

1. Units of 2nd Convoy will arrive in the GAZA Area on 18 and 19 May 40, in accordance with Appendix "A", Railway Time Table, attached.

2. Foster Units, except 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp will ensure that a reception officer is present at the detraining point at least half an hour before the time of arrival of trains. The reception officer at GAZA will be Capt MORRIS, Adv 6 Aus Div.

3. This H.Q. is unaware of allotment of 40 and 46 L.A.Ds to Units. These L.A.Ds will detrain as shown in Appendix "A". If 46 L.A.D. is not in its correct camp 2/1 Fd Coy will arrange to send it by road to its proper camp after having provided a meal. 40 L.A.D. will be sent by road from GAZA to its correct camp by the reception officer GAZA.

4. C.R.A. 6 Aus Div and Cond 17 Aus Inf Bde will arrive by air at GAZA Aerodrome. Foster Units will arrange for one of the cars detailed in Adm Inst No. 33 para 22, to be at the Aerodrome to pick up these officers. Time of arrival will be notified later.

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GAZA.

15 May 40.

Distribution - List "B".

ARRIVAL OF 2nd CONVOY - 1st DAY

APPENDIX "A"

UNIT SERIAL NO.	UNIT	OFFRS	O/Rs	TOTAL	DETRAINING POINT	TIME OF ARRIVAL	TIME OF DEPART.	REMARKS
142	2/7 Bn	40	803	843	BEIT JIRJA	0815	0900	
134	H.Q. 6 Aus Div	11	97	108	GAZA STN	0815	0850	Personnel By bus to GAZA TOWN) Tpt
170	A.I.L. Sec	1	6	7	"	0815	0850	Personnel by bus to GAZA TOWN) arr-
191	3 Special Dental Unit	1	4	5	"	0815	0850	Personnel by bus to GAZA RIDGE) eng-
195	2/2 Aus Gen Hosp	25	200	225	"	0815	0850	Personnel by bus to GAZA RIDGE) ed
135	H.Q. 6 Aus Div R.A.A.	4	20	24	DEIR SUNEID	0915	0930)	)by Div
136	" " " " R.A.E.	2	31	33	"	0915	0930)	HQ.
138(a)	Dets 6 Aus Div Prov Coy		9	9	"	0915	0930)	
139(A)	Comdr 17 Inf Bde, B.M, & Batmen.	2	2	4	GAZA for BEIT JIRJA		)	
148	6 Aus Div Pet Coy A.A.S.C.	5	231	236	BARBARA	0945	1010)	Transport provided by foster unit vide 6 Aus Div Admin.
141	2/6 Bn.	40	813	853	BEIT JIRJA	1120	1200)	Instn. No. 35 para 8.
156	2/1 C.C.S.	11	95	106	GAZA STN.	1145	1200	Personnel by buses arranged by Div H.Q.
138	6 Aus Div Pro Coy	1	53	54	DEIR SUNEID	1220	1240)	
150	46 L.A.D.	1	11	12	"	1220	1240)	Transport for baggage by foster units vide 6 Aus Div Admin.
139	H.Q. 17 Aus Inf Bde	5	63	68	BEIT JIRJA	12 45	1300)	Instn. No. 35 para 8.
140(a)	2/5 Bn		1	1	"	1245	1300)	Personnel by buses to QASTINA
143(b)	Dets 2/8 Bn	2	40	42	MAJDAL	1315	1355	Tpt arranged by Div H.Q.
133	H.Q. Aus Overseas Base	7	84	91	"	1315	1355	Personnel by buses to JERUSALEM Tpt arranged by Div H.Q.
140	2/5 Bn.	30	799	829	BEIT JIRJA	1530	1615)	
196	Inf & Gen Base Depot	7	60	67	DEIR SUNEID	1620	1635)	
137	2/2 Fd Amb.	12	250	2 62	BEIT JIRJA	1640	)	Transport for baggage provided by foster units vide 6 Aus Div Admin Instn No. 35 para 8.
144	2/2 Fd Coy.	8	248	256	"	1640	)	

ARRIVAL OF 2nd CONVOY - 2nd DAY.

APPENDIX "A"

UNIT SERIAL NO.	UNIT	OFFRS	O/Rs	TOTAL	DETRAINING POINT	TIME OF ARRIVAL	TIME OF DEPART.	REMARKS.
143(c)	2/8 Bn	38	771	809	HAJDAL	0730	0800	Personnel by buses to QASTINA) Tpt
192	4 Special Dental Unit	1	3	4	GAZA STN.	0815	0830	A.G.H. Surgeon to detrain at) arr-
								GAZA. Personnel by buses to) ang-
140	40 L.A.D.		10	10	GAZA STN.	0815	0830	GAZA RIDGE.) ed
								Personnel to be moved by bus) by
153	2/2 Fd Regt	29	594	623	BUIT JIRJA	0905	0945	to correct camp.)Div HQ.
175	2/11 Bn.	40	823	863	KILO 89	1105	1145	
137	2/1 Conv Depot	7	40	47	GAZA STN.	1145	1200)	
193	5 Special Dental Unit	1	4	5	"	1145	1200)	Personnel by buses to GAZA RIDGE
195(a)	Medical Details Aus						)	Transport arranged by Div H.Q.
	Gen Hosp.	7	29	36	"	1145	1200)	
145	Dets Sigs 6 Aus Div	1	31	32	KILO 89	1205	1220)	
186	Dets 2/1 H.G. Bn.	2	67	69	"	1205	1220)	
138(b)	Dets 6 Aus Div Prov Coy		16	16	DEIR SUNEID	1235	1300)	Transport for baggage provided
177	Sec 2/3 Fd Coy	1	68	69	"	1235	1300)	by Foster Units vide 6 Aus Div
148(a)	Dets 6 Aus Div Pet Coy						)	Admin Inst No. 35 para 8
	A.A.S.C.	2	52	54	BARBARA	1315	1330)	
133(a)	H.Q. Aus Overseas Base	2	8	10	HAJDAL	1335	1345	Personnel by buses arranged by Div H.Q.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No.37

ANTI-FLY MEASURES IN BILLETS AND CAMPS.

1. GENERAL.

Anti-fly measures fall under two headings:-

(a) Those for the prevention of contamination.
(b) Those aimed at the destruction of the fly and its breeding places.

2. WIRE MESH.

Wire mesh which is a R.E. supply is very limited. The works service may therefore adopt other means of fly proofing places where food is prepared and consumed.

The co-operation and assistance of units is desired.

3. CANE & BEAD CHICKS.

The provision of wire mesh in doors has not been successful owing to the damage caused by men using the door. Authority has been given for the provision of cane and bead chicks for fly exclusion in doors, in huts, and in billets. The supply is limited.

Demands for this service will be submitted to Div H.Q. giving the number and sizes of doors effected.

4. COTTON FLY NETTING - SQUARE MESH.

This is Ordnance supply. It is required for all doorways, windows, and ventilators of tents where food is prepared or eaten and is not intended primarily for hutted construction or billets, the fly exclusion from which is detailed in paras 2 and 3 above. Force H.Q. are arranging for the preparation of standard pieces for various types of tents.

Indents will be submitted on D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div for the number of pieces required specifying the numbers and types of tents in use as dining tents and A.A.C.I. restaurants. Instructions concerning hanging of nets will be issued later.

Every effort will be made by all ranks to prevent damage of these cotton mesh fittings, but where damage beyond unit repair has occurred indent for replacement will be submitted forthwith.

Wire gauze and/or cotton mesh cannot be provided for huts or tents used for other purposes except where specially authorised by Div H.Q.

5. DIAGONAL PATTERN COTTON FLY NETTING.

In the event of wire mesh netting not being available for huts and billets where food is eaten or prepared, diagonal mesh or square mesh cotton will be provided and placed in position by Works Services in lieu.

6. MISUSE OF CURTAIN - SANDFLY.

Curtains - Sandfly - are at present difficult to obtain in sufficient quantities and will on no account be cut up for use on anti-fly measures in lieu of the above methods.

7. FLY DESTRUCTION

(i) Fly Swatters - Fly swatters are an ordnance supply. If not already done units will indent on D.A.D.O.S 6 Aus Div for these in accordance with the following scale

Messes.

Officers & Sgts. - 2 per tent or room used for dining.
2 per tent or room used as an ante-room.
Mens' Messes - 2 per tent or room used for dining.

Miscellaneous.

Hospitals (incl Camp Hospitals)	-	1 per bed
Recreation Rooms	-	2 per recreation room
Cookhouses	-	2 per cookhouse
Food preparation rooms	-	1 per food preparation room
Q.M. Stores and Rations	-	1 per Q.M. Store & Ration Tent
Offices	-	1 per office, or tent used as an office.

Fly swatters are to be replaced monthly between 1st Apr and 31 Oct and twice during the remainder of the year. Units will submit indents accordingly. This amends instructions contained in Adv 6 Aus Div Amd Inst No. 5 para 9

(ii) Tanglefoot

The issue of Tanglefoot is now:-

1 lb. per 100 men per month.

This amends instruction contained in 6 Aus Div Adm Inst. No.34 Appendix "A".

(iii) Flit Guns

Flit Guns are an Ordnance supply. Units will submit indents on D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div on the scale of 10% per unit and for Camp and General Hospitals on 10% of beds.

(iv) Fly Traps

A pattern of fly trap for cook-houses has been issued to certain troops for trial. If successful, orders will be issued for manufacture in bulk through Ordnance and units will be told when to indent on on local D.A.D.O.S.

(v) Preventative Measures.

All personnel and in particular sanitary personnel will look out for places in unit lines where the fly can breed, and deal with the cause to the best of their ability.

Such places are:-

(a) Rubbish bins which are badly maintained.

(b) Accumulation of food or dirt, however small, near cookhouses.

(c) Accumulation of manure.

(d) Defective or badly looked after latrines.

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16 May 40.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 40.

LEAVE - HOLIDAY CAMPS.

1. As it has been considered advisable to avoid unbroken periods of intensive training the maximum leave facilities have been granted since the arrival of the first convoy in Palestine.

It is realised, however, that as many men who are on the minimum drawing rate are unable to accumulate the necessary funds to permit of four days leave in Jerusalem or Tel-Aviv.

2. For the above reason the G.O.C. 6 Aus. Div. has decided that it is highly desirable to establish holiday seaside camps forthwith. These camps are as follows:-

(a) AL. JURA. Control vested in Camp Commander Julis.
(b) 103'13 " " " " " BEIT JIRJA.
(not yet completed and not to be used until authority granted from this Headquarters.)

3. The organization of such camps will be left in the hands of Unit Commanders, but the following principles will be observed:-

(a) Complete Units or Sub-Units are to be sent for a period up to one week.
(b) All arrangements regarding rations, cooking, latrines, security and transport will be the responsibility of the Unit Commander who will also decide whether tents will be taken or if the bivouac system will be employed.
(c) Camp Commander, JULIS, will ensure the co-ordination of Sanitary arrangements by the allocation and marking of Sanitary areas.
(d) During a Unit's or Sub-unit's stay in a holiday camp, parades and fatigues should be reduced to a minimum. Every effort will be made to encourage men to relax and to get away from the normal routine of military life.
6 Div Sports and Amenities Officer will arrange for concert parties to visit holiday camps and Chaplain should organize sing-songs and other impromptu entertainments. Unit sporting equipment - medicine balls, footballs, etc. should be taken.
(e) Arrangements will also be made by units for a branch of the Unit A.A.C.I. to accompany sub-units to holiday camps.

4. Applications for use of AL. JURA beach will be made through Camp Commanders to Camp Commander JULIS; and to Camp Commander BEIT JIRJA for beach 107 when available.

5. It is to be noted that a hut has been erected at AL JURA for use by Mixed Bathing Parties. This hut is reserved for the exclusive use of daily parties. Also that WADI SUKREIR will NOT be used for Holiday Camps.

[signature]
Lt.-Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 AUS. DIV.

GAZ..
22 May, 40.

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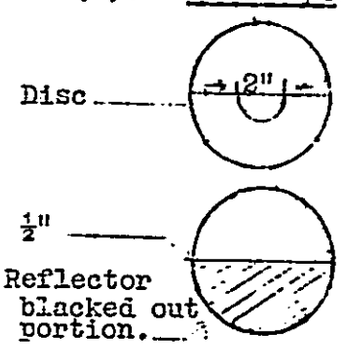
ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO.42

SCREENING OF VEHICLE LIGHTS "A" AND "B" AND A.A.S.C. VEHICLES.

1. GENERAL - Preparations will be made FORTHWITH by all units for the screening of vehicle lights of "A", "B" and A.A.S.C. Vehicle in accordance with the following methods:-

2. PROCEDURE.- The following methods will be used:-

(a). Headlamps. - The OFF-SIDE headlamp will not be used and will be disconnected by removing either the lead or the bulb.



The NEAR-SIDE will be fitted with an opaque cardboard disc placed between the removable lamp front and the body of the lamp. A semi-circular orifice 2" dia. will be cut in the centre of the disc. See sketch.

The lower half of the reflector will be painted with a matt black paint up to ½" above the horizontal centre line of the reflector. See sketch.

(b). Side lamps of vehicles fitted with head-lamps. - The light exit will be reduced to an ⅛" dia. hole pierced centrally in an opaque cardboard disc fitted between the lamp front and the body of the lamp.

(c). Tail-lamps. - The red light exit will be reduced to ½" dia. circular orifice pierced centrally in an opaque cardboard shield fitted behind the red glass. All other light exits will be completely screened.

(d) Stop lamps, reversing lamps, fog lamps, will be disconnected.

(e) Dash lamp - will be obscured.

3. MOTOR CYCLES. - Motor Cycle lamps will be treated as above.

4. MATERIALS. - Materials required for the service will be obtained as under:-

(a) PAINT. - A.F.G.997 will be submitted to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div. The number of vehicles to be treated will be shown in the establishment column. The 'Quantity Required' will be left blank.

(b) CARDBOARD.- will be obtained under unit arrangement.

F.W. Woodward Maj
for Col.
A.A.& Q.M.G. 6 Aus Div.

Gaza
23 May 40.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 43

STATIONERY - ECONOMY IN THE USE OF - REGULATIONS.

1. TYPING

(1) Both sides of the paper will be used; the left margin will not exceed 1 inch, and the right margin will be as small as possible except on the obverse where the margin will be on the right. Carbon paper (both typing and pencil) will not be discarded until completely worn out.

(11) Whenever correspondence is received in duplicate from formations and units necessitating replies, and the duplicate is not otherwise required, the reply will be made on the reverse side of the duplicate copy; the obverse of the original being used as a file copy.

(111) Typewriter ribbons will only be discarded when it is no longer possible to use them. To lengthen the life of ribbons, typists will type, on alternate days, on the upper and lower portion of the ribbons, i.e. by moving the colour change lever into the blue or red positions on the typewriter.

2. CARE OF TYPEWRITERS.

Typewriters will be cleaned daily before the commencement of work; the frictional parts will be oiled very sparingly when necessary. The use of excess oil causes typewriters to clog, owing to the adherence of paper fluff, dust, particles of erasers, etc. Typists should move the carriage of their typewriter to the side of the machine before using the eraser so as to allow the particles of rubber and paper fluff to drop outside the machine and not into the type unit. Typewriters will be covered up at lunch time and again at the end of the evening session.

3. USE OF ENVELOPES.

Economy labels will be used for closing envelopes which do not contain Secret, Security or Confidential correspondence or documents.

4. SCRIBBLING PADS AND DRAFT PAPER.

The reverse of obsolete forms, letters and orders will be used for rough drafts and scribbling pads. Unused paper of any description will NOT be used for these purposes.

5. DUPLICATING.

It is observed that excess quantities of unimportant forms and notices are produced, and that full sheets are often used for small forms, etc. Duplicating will only be resorted to for the production of important forms and notices and then only the exact number required will be taken off. Half of quarto sheets will be used whenever possible. Both sides of the paper will be used for lengthy circulars; this is possible by allowing the top part of the sheet to dry before putting it through the machine for the second time. Care will also be exercised in the use of other duplicating materials so as to avoid waste.

6. PACKING CASES, WRAPPING PAPER, etc.

All packages wrapped in paper will be carefully opened and the brown paper and string put aside for future use.

All packing cases containing printing, stationery, etc will be retained by units for future use.

STRICT ECONOMY AT ALL TIMES IS ESSENTIAL.

G.W. Woodward for COL.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 6 AUS. DIV.

GAZA.
24 May, 40.

6 AUS. DIV.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 44.

PRESERVATION OF TENTS.

1. GENERAL.

(a) The attention of all units is drawn to the necessity for care and preservation of tentage. Appendix "A" attached is forwarded for guidance in this matter.

(b) It must be impressed on all ranks that during this time of emergency, when it is imperative that valuable stores should be conserved, it is the duty of every individual to ensure that public stores are not damaged owing to wanton neglect or misuse.

2. DISCIPLINE.

Failure to observe instructions issued to prevent the misuse of tentage will be regarded as an offence against discipline.

3. DAMAGES.

On return of tentage, damages which are considered to be due to unfair wear will be a charge against the unit concerned.

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GAZA.
25 May, 40.

6 AUS DIV.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 45.

FANS for SUMMER 1940.

1. GENERAL.

The scale of Fans for permanent buildings, billets, and tents, with electricity installed, is attached as Appx. "A".
Fans are an Engineer Services Supply and will be installed as they become available. Units will not indent.

2. HOSPITAL WARDS.

Installation of fans in tents used as Hospital Wards is authorized, one desk fan per tent pole. It is not authorized in any other tent.

3. TYPE.

If ceiling or exhaust fans are not available, or cannot be installed for any other reason, desk fans will be supplied on a scale of 1½ desk fans to each ceiling or exhaust fan permitted.

4. PRIORITY.

The order of priority as fans become available is :-
(a) Hospitals, Reception Stations, Dental Rooms.
(b) Other Units.

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30 May, 40.
GAZA.

APPENDIX. "A".

SCALE OF VENTILATION FOR BUILDINGS OTHER THAN HOSPITAL BUILDINGS.

Palestine Scale for Permanent Buildings, Billets and Huts in Plain Stations.

SUMMER. 1940.

Building, Rooms, etc.	Scale of Fans.	Remarks.
MESSES.		
Mess and ante rooms, Officers; mess rooms, Sjts.	1 Ceiling Fan per 400 Sq.Ft.	
Office.	1 Portable Fan.	
BARRACKS FOR BRITISH TROOPS.		
Cookhouse.	1 Ceiling Fan or exhaust fan.	
Food Preparation Room.	1 Ceiling Fan or exhaust fan.	
REGIMENTAL BUILDINGS:- BRITISH TROOPS.		
Guard House-Guard Room.	1 Ceiling Fan per 400 Sq. Ft.	
-do- Guard Detention rooms.	1 Ceiling Fan per 400 Sq. Ft.	
-do- Single Detention Rooms.	1 Wall plug for room in passage or Verandah for portable fan.	
Medical Inspection Block- Medical Inspection Room.	1 Portable Fan..	
Dispensary.	1 Portable Fan.	With minimum
Offices.	1 Ceiling Fan per 400 Sq. Ft.	of one fan per working room.
Shops.	1 Ceiling Fan per shop.	Only when occupied by British Personnel
INSTITUTES FOR BRITISH TROOPS.		
Restaurants.	1 Ceiling Fan per 400 Sq. Ft.	A.A.C.I.
Billiard and Games Room.	1 Ceiling Fan per 400 Sq. Ft.	
Reading and Writing Room.	1 Ceiling Fan per 400 Sq. Ft.	
Soldier's Room.	do.	
Restaurant Bar.	1 Ceiling Fan.	
Beef Bar and Store.	N.A.	
Office.	1 Portable Fan.	
Common Room.	1 Ceiling Fan per 400 Sq. Ft.	
Grocery Shop.	1 Ceiling Fan per 400 Sq. Ft.	
Ration Shop.	do.	

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WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO.12

From 1800 hrs 3 May 40 to 1800 hrs 10 May 40.

1. GENERAL - As before, the week under review has been a quiet one from both the security and political point of view. As expected the surrender of firearms has decreased considerably since the rewards offered have been withdrawn.

2. LOCAL. - FAKRI BEY NASHASHIBI paid a three day visit to GAZA on 4 May staying with his cousin GHALEB NASHASHIBI. He lunched with SAADI SHAWA and, on 6 May, with TEWFIK EL KARAM; the Mayor, RUSHDI SHAWA, HAJ ADEL SHAWA, an advocate SAID KHALIFAWI, and GHALEB NASHASHIBI were also present on the latter occasion. The reason for the visit was to maintain contact with his supporters. His popularity, however, is on the wane in this area, as people become more convinced that the NASHASHIBI'S are NOT loyal to the Arabs.

3. ARAB ATTITUDE. - The feeling of the population of GAZA, BEERSHEBA, KHAN YUNIS and other large towns where wireless sets are available for the dissemination of news has been one of uncertainty during the past week. The presence of a British war fleet in the Eastern Mediterranean while having a reassuring effect on the population, has also led to the fear that war with ITALY is but little short of reality, and that once again PALESTINE may become a theatre of war.

Keen interest in the political events of the past week in ENGLAND has been shown by the "effendiyah" in GAZA, who hope that the result will be shown by a more vigorous prosecution of the war. Mr. CHURCHILL has been mentioned as a suitable man for the Prime Ministership.

4. PROPAGANDA. - Despite the efforts of the BERLIN broadcast propaganda to gain the support of the Arab community, the "effendiyah" are definitely on the side of the allied war effort, on the grounds that the future of the Arab cause is bound up with the success of the British Empire. They feel, however, that British propaganda could be more forceful. When the BERLIN broadcasts occur during the evening, any house owning a wireless set is a rendezvous for the neighbours. Cafe wireless sets and all public sets are not allowed to tune in to this station, but to police private homes is not feasible, nor desirable.

5. ECONOMICS.- The increase in cost of food and clothing, particularly of vegetables, which are treble the price of recent years, coupled with the declining value of sterling, is causing some alarm. The stoppage of Japanese goods from entering the country has caused discontent among both merchants and customers owing to the fact that more expensive European articles have to be bought in their stead.

6. SUMMARY.- 9 May 40. - Patrol visited MASHIYA EL KABIRA, YASUR, BARGA, GAN YAVNE, and BITSARON.

10 May 40. - Railway accident - man run over and killed by train just South of GAZA.

7. LOCATION - As notified in our W.I.S. No.11 with the following amendments:-

DEIR SUNEID, 106106 - A Sqn Recce Regt 6 Aus Div
2/1 Fd Hyg Sec.

8. ARMS. - Arms surrended GAZA District:-

	Rifles.	Revolvers.
GAZA Sub-District	-	-
BEERSHEBA Sub-District	4	1
TOTAL	4	1

Distribution:
As per W.I.S. No.9

J. McConnell Wade Capt.
D.I.O. 6 Aus Div.

War Diary

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6 AUS DIV.

WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO.13.

From 1800 hrs 10 May 40 to 1800 hrs 17 May 40. -

1. GENERAL.- The week under review has been a particularly quiet one. The attempted murder of AHMED ABDUL AZIZ of JAMMANA was due to theft. He was attacked by three persons and three shots were fired. AZIZ was slightly wounded by rock splinters.

2. LOCAL ATTITUDE.- There is a general feeling of concern as to the state of the war on the Western Front. Some express doubt about the Allies' ability to carry the war to a successful conclusion. The power of the German broadcasts is NOT on the wane at the present moment owing to their forceful presentation of "facts". It is felt that London broadcasts for reception in this area could be more forceful in their method. Italy is still viewed with disfavour by the Arabs in this district, although their fear of Italian action in this area has abated.

3. SUMMARY.

14 May 40 - Attempted murder in JAMMANA district; cause theft.
15 May 40 - Death of boy; due to snake bite.

4. LOCATION. As notified in our W.I.S. No.12 with the following amendments:-

Qastina	127126	- 2/1 Aus Fd Regt
Julis	119122	- 2/1 Inf Bn less A and D. Coys
		2/2 " " " D Coy
		2/3 " " " A Coy
		2/4 " "
Kilo 89	103103	- "A" Coy 2/3 Inf Bn
Gaza Town	099101	- "D" Coy 2/2 Inf Bn

5. ARMS.- Arms surrended Gaza District.

	Rifles	Revolvers
GAZA Sub-district	-	-
BEERSHEBA Sub-district	1	1
Total	1	1

Capt.
D.I.O. 6 Aus Div.

Distribution:-

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Jerusalem Area	10
Lydda Area	11
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A.D.C. GAZA	13
A.D.C. BEERSHEBA	14
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5. ARMS.- Arms surrended Gaza District.

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BEERSHEBA Sub-district	1	1
Total	1	1

H. Hammond Wade
Capt.
D.I.O. 6 Aus Div.

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Jerusalem Area	10
Lydda Area	11
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A.D.C. BEERSHEBA	14
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WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO 14.

GAZA
27 May 40.

From 1800 hrs 17 May 40 to 1800 hrs 24 May 40.

1. GENERAL. The district has been very quiet during the week under review, from a security point of view. A land dispute occurred between a Bedu tribe and people from the HEBRON district at JAMMANA LANDS. A small fire and robbery occurred at Spinney's Canteen GAZA, the cause has yet to be ascertained. A labour dispute occurred resulting in the death of SALIM HASSAM BAKIR, who had been working on the GAZA-TEL AVIV Road at Kilo 66, he was struck by MOHAMED SULEIMAN ALBAZ.

2. LOCAL ATTITUDE. The Arabs are still taking a keen interest in the developments on the Western Front. Propaganda of a most insidious nature, of possible Jewish origin is being spread around the town by word of mouth. The substance is that, should the Allies lose the War, it would be better for the Arabs as GERMANY would banish all Jews from PALESTINE. On the other hand, should the Allies win, GREAT BRITAIN would give preference to the Jews. The local people have taken the arrival of an additional contingent of Australian troops as further evidence of the strength of the BRITISH EMPIRE.

3. SUMMARY.

18 May 40. Land dispute between Bedu tribe and people from HEBRON at JAMMANA LANDS.
21 May 40. Fire and robbery at Spinney's Canteen.
23 May 40. Assault while working on road at GAZA. Labour dispute.

4. LOCATION. As notified in our WIS No 13 with the following amendments:

QASTINA	127126	- 2/8 Inf Bn.
BEIT JIRGA	109112	- H.Q. 17th Inf Bde. 2/5 Inf Bn. 2/6 " " 2/7 " " 2/2 Fd Regt. 2/2 Fd Coy. 2/2 Fd Amb.
DEIR SUNEID	106106	--H.Q., R.A.A. 6 Aus Div. H.Q., R.A.E. 6 Aus Div. 6 Aus Div Pro Coy, Inf and Gen Base Depot.
KILO 89	103103	- 2/11 Inf Bn. Det 2/1 M.G. Bn.
GAZA RIDGE	102102	- 2/2 Aus Gen Hosp. 2/1 C.C.S.

5. ARMS. Arms surrendered GAZA district.

	Rifles	Revolvers
GAZA Sub-district	-	-
BEERSHEBA Sub-district	3	-
Total	3	-

D.I.O. 6 Aus Div. Capt.

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Aus Overseas Base	7	A.D.C. BEERSHEBA	15
Force H.Q.	8-10	Police, GAZA	16-20
Jerusalem Area	11	S.S.O. JAFFA	21
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NEWS FROM HOME.

(By courtesy of the Sun News-Pictorial, Melbourne; The Daily Telegraph, Sydney; The Courier-Mail, Brisbane; Advertiser, Adelaide; & West Australian, Perth).

COAL STRIKERS' AIM. Sydney. Speeches on the Sydney Domain during the May Day demonstrations indicated that the coal-miners are intensifying their strike in the hope of paralysing all industry. The miners are continuing their idleness, despite threats by the Government to introduce free labour councils. During the week, the mens' Unions, and the A.C.T.U., had several Conferences, and decided on a recommendation which, however, has not yet been disclosed. The dispute, which arose over an insignificant issue, concerning only a few workers in the industry, is believed by the public to have been inspired by a Communist element. The Prime Minister, (Mr. Menzies) has given the leaders until Tuesday to provide a solution. If the men have not returned to work by Tuesday, other means will be implemented to work the mines without them. He has given an assurance that ample protection has been arranged for free labour.

NEW ARMY APPOINTMENTS. Melbourne. The Minister for Defence (Brigadier Street) has announced the appointment of Commanding Officers for the Seventh Division, A.I.F. These are:- 20 Inf. Bde., Lt.Cols. W. G. Cannot (Vic.), A. H. B. Cox, (W.A.), M. J. Moten (S.A.); 21 Inf. Bde., Lt.Col. F. A. Burrowes (NSW), Major R. F. Marlan, Lt.Col. J. W. Crowford (NSW); Cav. Regt., Lt.Col. R.N.L. Hopkins (NSW); Artillery, Lt.Cols.C.G.G. Ingate (NSW), L.S.E. Barker (Vic) H. Daly, (NSW), Major D.G. MacDougall (Q); Corps Artillery, Lt.Cols. E.J.W. Pope (NSW), A.H.K. Gibson (NSW), A.P. Cripe (Tas.), T.C. Easticks (S.A.), S.T.W. Goodwin (Vic), Majors R.O. Cherry (Vic), G.H.L. Adams (NSW),

OUR OWN BROADCASTS. Canberra. Under the leadership of Capt. L. H. Cecil, an A.B.C. Broadcasting unit will leave for Palestine in June. The unit, which will be accompanied by Capt. Frank Hurley and three P.M.G. technicians, will arrange broadcasts for members of the A.I.F. Public address systems & high fidelity receivers are already on their way to Palestine. The programmes will include two daily news-sessions, presenting up-to-minute Australian news and views.

WE'LL GIVE 'EM BEANS!

By L.W. Lower

(By courtesy of the Daily Telegraph, Sydney).

There is something we old crocks can do. In London, they're growing vegetables instead of flowers in the parks. We should like to make a start here. I should like to start off with the rank of Brigadier Bean-grower. I would even be willing to take charge of a Bean Battalion to give the public beans.

I have in the past done a great service to the gardeners of Maroubra and surrounding districts by growing beans and lettuce in the back yard. They attracted all the snails, slugs, bugs and aphis in the district, leaving other gardeners free from care.

I'd have continued this noble work only the noise the snails made munching the lettuce during the night led to complaints from the neighbours.

I would like about an acre of Hyde Park opposite the Daily Telegraph office. Then, when the usual cry rang out - "Where's that hound, Lower?" observers could reply:-

"He's ploughing, sir. Just disappeared behind the War Memorial. Here he comes now."

"I'll go and get him myself."

"You'll have to use the stairs, sir. The lift-driver is planting mushrooms in the lift-wall.

"By the way, sir, the sub-editors want to know if you would care to contribute to the Blood and Bone-dust Fund. Their spinach crop at the Moore Park Golf Links is not doing too well."

"Yeah? And what about my beetroot down in the Botanic Gardens? And what's this I hear about somebody growing watercress in the washhouses?"

"It's doing very well, sir. We expect to get our crop in before the Spring Morning Herald."

"In that case, let it stay there."

"Give me my hoe. I'm going out for a while."

I am going to concentrate on beans, and in future wish to be known as Lofty Lennie the Bean-Booster.

[illegible] standard of training at the present stage is much higher than that of the Original A.I.F." said Lt.Col. A. [illegible] who has been in command in Melbourne.

NEWS FROM HOME (CONT.)

YOUNG COUPLE'S ALLEGED DEATH PACT. Sydney. When Leslie Cecil Williams (16) and Shirley Heitman (15) left William's on their bicycles on Friday morning, the police believe they had intended it to be their death-ride.

When they failed to return by 9 p.m., the police were notified, and a search revealed the body of the boy and the girl, critically injured, in a dam enclosure near Broken Hill. The girl, who was wearing Williams' coat, had a bullet wound near the heart. Williams had been shot through the head. A note, signed by them both, indicated they had arranged a death-pact, and that at about 1 p.m. Williams had shot the girl, and then turned the pistol on himself. Both children, according to their families, had enjoyed a happy homelife, and there had been no objection to them keeping company, which they had done for years.

TRAGIC MOTOR SMASH. Canberra. Three were killed, and twelve, including every member of one family, were injured on Saturday when four cars were involved in an extraordinary smash near Canberra on Saturday. The dead were:- Lewis Henry Egan, Ronald James Hall and Patrick Hayman. The car in which the three who were killed were travelling, after missing one car, struck another, somersaulted, and then hurtled onto the bonnet of the fourth vehicle involved.

SET-BACK TO BRISBANE LABOR. Brisbane. Labor, which had held office in the Greater Brisbane Council for six years, was swept out at the annual election by the Citizens Municipal Organization. The latter body now controls 14 seats to 7.

SYDNEY HERO DECORATED. Sydney. William Henry Edwards, of Leichhardt, has been awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross for a series of attacks on enemy air bases in Norway. In one of them, he conducted a successful duel against a Dornier flying-boat.

NEW VICTORIAN SPEAKER. Melbourne. Mr. Bill Slater, well-known City solicitor, has been elected Speaker of the Victorian Legislative Assembly in succession to Mr. Tunnicliffe. Both are Labor members. Mr. Slater won his seat (Dundas) for the first time nearly a quarter of a century ago while he was recovering from war wounds in a military hospital abroad.

BROMWICH AUSTRALIA'S No. 1. Melbourne. John Bromwich, who is at present in hospital recovering from injuries received in a motor accident, has been officially ranked Australia's No. 1 tennis player. Quist was rated second. Miss Nancye Wynne is ranked Australia's first woman player.

NEW AIR POST. Melbourne. The former Chief of the Air Staff, Air Vice-Marshall Goble, has been appointed Australian Liaison Officer to the Empire Air Scheme in Canada.

HOME TAXES UP. Canberra. In order to help to meet Australia's war bill, the Federal Treasurer (Mr. Spender) has introduced a record Budget. It includes a scheme to raise £60 million by internal loans. Income Tax has been increased to raise an additional three million pounds; Sales Tax is up to 8-1/3rd percent; increased Company Tax will raise another £4½ million; a special tax of 5% has been levied on undistributed profits; Land Tax has been doubled; new Estate Duties will provide an additional £500,000; Customs tariff have been raised 10%, and Petrol Tax has been increased by 3d. a gallon. There are still 80% of Australian families who do not pay direct taxes.

MR. BEASLEY'S NEW PARTY. Mr. Beasley, M.H.R., has announced that he is leader of a new Non-Communist Labor Party. He has withdrawn from the A.L.P. with the following Federal Members:- Messrs. Rosevear, Gander, Bulchay and Sheehan. The Speaker, Mr. Bell, replying to the Leader of the Opposition, (Mr. Curtin) said he would give the new Party official recognition.

TASMAN AIR SERVICE OPENED. Sydney. The new Tasman air service was successfully inaugurated on Thursday when the flying-boat Aotearoa flew from Sydney to Auckland in 8 hours 5 minutes. This was one hour five minutes faster than the flight from Auckland to Sydney on Tuesday.

The return flight will be conducted once weekly.

NEWS FROM HOMES - (CONT).

PILOTS BURNT TO DEATH. Melbourne. Clarence Cook of Highett, and Charles Lake, solicitor of Albury, both members of Victoria Aero Club, were incinerated on Sunday when their plane nose-dived and crashed in flames.

FORMER GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COURT. Melbourne. Former Governor-General and Chief Justice of the Commonwealth High Court, Sir Isaac Isaacs, is figuring in a County Court action over a £350 diamond solitaire ring. Judge Richardson was asked for a trial by jury of an action which is against the N.S.W. Mont de Piete Company, Little Collins St., Melbourne, by Mrs. Edna Isaacs, wife of the brother of Sir Isaac.

According to a document filed in the Court, the ring was given to Sir Isaac by his parents in 1896. In 1931 he gave it to his brother for safe keeping, and in 1937 his brother lent it to his wife on condition that she returned it immediately after she had attended a certain function. Mrs. Isaacs, however, did not return the ring, and after separating from her husband, pawned it for £50.

On an indemnity from Sir Isaac, the Mont de Piete Company returned the ring to his brother, whose wife is now claiming its return, or alternatively, damages.

Refusing the application for trial before a jury, the Judge said it would be embarassing for a trial Judge if the evidence of such a distinguished of suc be rejected or disbelieved. One trained in considering evidence could be relied upon to do his duty in this respect, whereas a layman might feel he could not question the evidence.

MELBOURNE FOOTBALL RESULTS. Following are the results of the second series of the V.F.L. matches played last Saturday:- Melbourne 18.14 beat Richmond 14.15; Footscray 17.15 beat Essendon 9.12; Collingwood 14.10 beat Collingwood 11.13; St.Kilda 12.20 beat Hawthorn 7.13; Carlton 15.19 beat South Melbourne 13.5; North Melbourne 15.16 beat Fitzroy 7.9. Association results were:- Camberwell 17.18 beat Brunswick 14.11; Preston 19.21 beat Sandringham 12.13; Williamstown 14.26 beat Port Melbourne 12.13; Brighton 11.13 beat Coburg 8.12; Prahran 15.11 beat Northcote 13.10; Yarraville 20.27 beat Oakleigh 13.15.

ATHLETE'S BAD LUCK. Sydney. Sydney distance runner, Bruce Doyle, is in hospital critically injured following a motor accident. It is recalled that on the eve of the 10,000 metres Championship, 1938, Doyle broke an arm, but ran in the race filling seventh place to K. Nettum.

NEW DIVISION COMMANDER. Major-General Sven Clifford Mackay, C.M.G., D.S.O., who has been appointed leader of the 8th Division, 2nd A.I.F., is aged 58. From 1933 until recently he was head master at Cranbrook School.

Before the war he was a militia officer. After having served on Gallipoli he was promoted major in 1915. He was wounded and mentioned in despatches. The following year in France he became a Lieutenant-Colonel and commanded the Fourth Battalion. Mentioned again in despatches, he was awarded the D.S.O. and bar. In 1918 he commanded the 1st Machine Gun Bn.

In June, 1918, he was appointed commander of the 11th Infantry Brigade A.I.F. and later was awarded the C.M.G., and Croix de Guerre.

From Between 1920 and 1937 he commanded the 9th and 5th militia brigades In July, 1937, he was promoted to rank of major-general and became commander of the 2nd Division. After attending Sydney University he was assistant lecturer there in physics from 1910 to 1914, and lecturer in physics from 1920 to 1922. He has been Commonwealth Film Appeal Censor since 1932.

Lieut.General Laverack, Commander of the new 7th Division, was in London, engaged on advanced investigations when the War broke out. He succeeded Major-General Brush as Chief of Staff of the Australian Military Forces in 1935. Educated at Brisbane Grammar School, the General received his commission in the R.A.A. in 1905. He studied in England and fought in the last War, being mentioned in despatches, and receiving the D.S.O. and Croix de Guerre awards. Later he was created a C.B.E.

General Laverack attended the Imperial Defence College, London, in 1928. From 1926 to 1932 he was director of military operations and intelligence, Army Headquarters, Melbourne, and in 1933 was appointed Commandant of the Royal Military College, Sydney. He was a colonel when he was appointed Chief of Staff.

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GENERAL WEYGAND PRAISES AUSTRALIANS.

By John Hetherington, Australian evening newspapers correspondent with the A.I.F., who has just returned from a visit to Syria and Lebanon.

General Maxime Weygand, commander-in-chief French Forces in the Middle East, told me in an exclusive interview that he was delighted to see Australian troops preparing again to fight beside French and British soldiers.

General Weygand received me at his headquarters. He is amazingly active, young-looking and mentally alert, although he is 73 years of age.

"I have vivid memories of the valor of Australian troops in the last war," he said. "I saw them when I was chief of staff to Marshal Foch, where I had an opportunity to do low all their doings."

"Foch himself had a very high opinion of the Australians, and when I speak of their valor I am speaking of something which I know from personal observation."

General Weygand granted special permission to Damien Parer, Official Photographer with the A.I.F., and me to make a series of visits to French troop concentrations in Syria and Lebanon.

I am confident that a rude shock awaits any enemy who attempts a military thrust against this region. My outstanding impression was of the preparedness and efficiency of the French Army in the Middle East and the wholehearted support of the Arab population of Syria and Lebanon for the Allies' cause.

Parer and I covered hundreds of miles and saw an amazing array of military activity including units of Senegalese, Moroccans, Algerians, Madagascans, Tunisians and Annamites, in addition to white soldiers.

Our most memorable day was spent with a battalion of the Foreign Legion in an inland town. It was surprising to find that a large proportion of the battalion consisted of Germans.

The German Legionaries were on the friendliest terms with their comrades, who included many Frenchmen and a few Englishmen.

The German Legionaries' resolution to take the field against Hitler is unmistakeable. I met one in a cafe, who said in broken English: "I joined the Legion hoping the day would come when I would be able to fight the Nazis. I hope it won't be long now."

A similar spirit prevailed everywhere I went. The French troops in the Middle East have no illusions that they might be called on to fight at any time. On the contrary, they are eager and prepared to do so immediately the summons comes.

It is impossible to travel many miles in Syria and Lebanon without encountering signs of army occupation. Picturesquely-uniformed soldiers throng the cafes and streets of nearly every large town.

I visited various barracks occupied by six or seven different units within a few miles of one important centre. Among these units was one of France's famous cavalry regiments.

In fact, an interesting aspect of the tour, in view of suggestions that the Australian Light Horse should be re-formed for service in the Middle East, was the discovery that horsed soldiers are still regarded as a valuable part of the French Middle East forces.

However, it should not be thought that motorised and mechanised forces are neglected. On the contrary, the French are prepared to fight in the Middle East with all the resources of modern warfare.

A reassuring aspect of the tour was the friendliness of the native population to the French troops. The Arabs have tried and are still trying by means of radio broadcasts, to [illegible] minority against the Allies.

But their efforts are failing very flat in Syria and Lebanon. There the Arabs, whether in town or country, are on the most amicable terms with the French soldiers.

Many humble Arab homes deep in the hinterland demonstrate their loyalty by displaying the French Tricolor over the front door.

STRANGER THAN FICTION! All the elements of fictional drama are contained in the re-union of a father and son, both members of the A.I.F., 20 after not having heard of each other for 15 years, recently "discovered" themselves on the same troopship. Percy Cambridge, medically orderly at A.G.H., married after serving in the last war. Fifteen years ago circumstances separated him from his son David. Unknown to each other they enlisted last year and found - and the embarkation of late - put them on the same troopship. One night Cambridge was sitting on deck when, as he puts it, "a young cove sat down beside me and we started yarning. After a while he said to me, 'Your name isn't by any chance Cambridge, is it?' The 'young cove' was his son David.

SPORTS & AMENITIES.

SWIMMING. Commencing last Monday the A.I.F. have been conducting a course in Life Saving for personnel of British Regiments, and the first school closes on Saturday, when other Regiments will avail themselves of the Course.

Owing to the possibility in the near future of demonstrations being given in Tel Aviv and other beaches, it is requested that unit life-saving clubs should avail themselves of as much training as time permits in order that preliminary competitions could be held at Gaza beach in order to select teams who will worthily uphold the standard set by Australian Life Saving Clubs.

ATHLETICS. The Palestine Track & Field Championships will be held in Tel Aviv on Friday and Saturday. A review of the times of previous meetings show that the standard is high. Contestants from the British Army, Palestine Police Forces, Athletic Clubs throughout the country and the A.I.F. will compete. Representatives from the A.I.F. are:- 100 yds, F.Hassett (2/3 Bn), P.A.Church (A.A.S.C), R.W.Henderson (2/4 Bn); 220 yds, G.D.Holden (H.Q. 16 Inf.Bde), E.W.McErlane (A.A.S.C), R.W.Henderson; 440 yds, G.D.Holden, R.W.Henderson; 880 yds, G.D.Holden; 1500 metres, H.H.Hergenham (2/3 Bn); 5000 metres, S. E. Bolton (A.A.S.C.), H.H.Hergenham; High Jump, I.C.Fulton (2/3 Bn), F.J.Pegg (2/4 Bn), E. Dare (2/2 Bn), A. Hootan (A.A.S.C); Pole Vault, V. Stanton (A.A.S.C); Hop, Step and Jump, C.Roy (A.A.S.C.), I.C.Fulton, F.J.Pegg; Broad Jump, I.C.Fulton, F.J.Pegg.

TENNIS. To date we have been unable to complete the tennis courts; nevertheless a few of the fortunate ones have obtained practice on courts that have been loaned to members of the A.I.F. Mr. R.Meno of Jerusalem has written requesting a match, and if it is possible to arrange for a team to travel to Jerusalem, he assures us that all facilities will be placed at our disposal.

ENTERTAINMENTS. The concert party which is now located at Barbara shows promise of producing excellent concerts in the near future. Unfortunately Sgt. Marcel who has been appointed to produce the shows has been readmitted to hospital, but Pte. Deveraux has the programme well in hand. Ptes. Young & Knowles, both having had years of professional experience as property and electrical experts in stage craft, promise to produce a background worthy of our theatres at home.

RECREATION ROOMS. A Challenge Cup has been presented by the Australian Comforts Fund for competition amongst the various units for teams of ten for the games indulged in the rooms. Conditions are as follows:- The games will be played will consist of Darts, Draughts, Checkers, Quoits & Ping Pong. Two members of each unit representing each sport. Three points will be given for a win, the unit scoring the most number of points being declared the winner. Units within each camp will draw for elimination contests and the camp champions will then contest for the A.I.F. Championship. Further details will be availabâe in a circular to the Camp sport and amenities officer.

INTER UNIT VISITS. It is proposed to arrange for these fixtures and Overseas Base will be making the first visit shortly. The object is to arrange for units challenge for an afternoons field games, a cricket match and in the evening when possible for the visiting unit to provide a concert fo their hosts, also recreational rooms to meet.

LIBRARIES. Owing to the limited number of books in each unit library and the cost and difficulty in replacing same, would units please communicate with the Divisional Amenities Officer with a view to making an exchange with other units so that greater scope for reading may be given to the men.

CRICKET. The A.I.F. team played their first match in Cairo yesterday and won. Sgt. Harris and Sgmn. Whelan gained the honors with the bat, and Tpr. R. Holmes and Pte. R. Robinson shared the credit of the bowling. The game was a single day match and our boys scored their 162 runs in two hours, and won by 55 runs. This augers well for the tour and the second match today will be broadcast from Cairo. It is regretable that more details of the match cannot be given, but full results will probably be published in tomorrow's daily news.

During the week progress has been made in respect of the completion of grounds and pitches. By the end of the week the engineers will have pegged out all grounds and work will start on them immediately. Overseas Base has forwarded a letter from the North Somerset Regt, who are desirous of meeting a team from an Australian unit. Any club that would like to meet them please communicate with Divisional Sports Officer

SECRET.
MC/G.356/4

APPENDIX "A"
(In lieu of Embrainment Table "A")

Rail Move of 2 A.I.F. 2nd Convoy, KANTARA to GAZA-MAJDAL Area.
(For Time Table, See reverse)

Entrain Station	Serial	Unit or Party	Personnel Os.	Personnel ORs.	Train.	Detrain at
FIRST DAY.						
Y.2	142	7 Bn.	40	803	A ø	BEIT JIRGA.
	134	H.Q. 6 Div. *	11	97	B	GAZA
	135	H.Q. 6 Div. Arty.	4	20	B	DEIR SUNEID
	136	H.Q. 6 Div. Engrs.	2	51	B	DEIR SUNEID
	138(a)	Dets. 6 Div Prov.Coy.	-	9	B	DEIR SUNEID
	139(a)	Cmdr. 17 Inf Bde, Bde Maj & batmen *	2	2	B	GAZA (for BEIT JIRGA)
	148	6 Div Pet Coy.	5	231	B	BARBARA
	170	A.I.L. Sec.	1	6	B	GAZA
	191	3 Spec Dental Unit	1	4	B	GAZA
	195	2 A.G.H.	25	200	B	GAZA
	1	Chaplain	1	-	B	GAZA
	2	A.C.F.	1	-	B	GAZA
	3	Off. Photographer	1	-	B	GAZA
ø O.Rs. in this train travel in goods wagons and must be warned of the danger of sliding doors slamming shut owing to train motion. * Cmdrs. and senior Staff Officers by air).						
Y.2	141	6 Bn.	40	815	C	BEIT JIRGA
	133	H.Q. O/S Base.	7	84	D	MAJDAL
	133	6 Div.Prov.Coy.	1	55	D	DEIR SUNEID
	139	HQ. 17 Inf Bde.	5	63	D	BEIT JIRGA
	143(b)	Dets. 8 Bn.	2	40	D	MAJDAL
	150	46 L.A.D.	1	11	D	DEIR SUNEID
	156	1/C.C.S.	11	95	D	GAZA
	4	Chaplain	1	-	D	BEIT JIRGA
	5	Salvation Army	1	-	D	BEIT JIRGA
	140(a)	5 Bn. (1 O.R.)	-	1	D	BEIT JIRGA
Y.1	140	5 Bn	30	799	E	BEIT JIRGA
	137	2 Fd Amb.	12	250	F	BEIT JIRGA
	144	2 Fd Coy	6	245	F	BEIT JIRGA
	193	Inf & Gen Base Depot	7	60	F	BARBARA
	6	Chaplain	1	-	F	BEIT JIRGA
	7	Y.M.C.A.	1	-	F	BEIT JIRGA
SECOND DAY.						
Y.3	143(a)	8 Bn	38	771	G	MAJDAL
	149	40 L.A.D.	-	10	H	GAZA (for Kilo.70).
	153	2 Fd Regt	29	594	H	BEIT JIRGA
	192	4 Spec Dental Unit	1	3	H	GAZA
	8	Chaplain	3	-	H	BEIT JIRGA
	9	Surgeon	1	-	H	BEIT JIRGA
	10	A.C.F.	1	-	H	BEIT JIRGA
Y.3	175	11 Bn	40	823	I	Kilo.70, GAZA ROAD
	133(a)	Dets HQ. O/S Base	2	8	J	MAJDAL
	133(b)	Dets 6 Div Pro.Coy.	-	16	J	DEIR SUNEID
	145	Dets 6 Div Sigs	1	31	J	Kilo.70, GAZA ROAD
	148(a)	Dets 6 Div Pet Coy	2	52	J	BARBARA
	177	Sec. 3 Fd Coy	1	68	J	DEIR SUNEID
	186	Dets 2/1 H.G. Bn	2	67	J	Kilo.70, GAZA ROAD
	187	1 Conv. Depot	7	40	J	GAZA
	190	5 Spec.Dental Unit	1	4	J	GAZA
	195(a)	Med.Dets.2 A.G.H.	7	29	J	GAZA
	11	Chaplains	2	-	J	GAZA
	12	Y.M.C.A.	1	-	J	GAZA

/Time-Table.....

TIME TABLE.

TRAIN	Train placed on platform.	Entraining to complete by	Depart KANTARA East	Arrive and Depart GAZA	Arr & Dep Kilo.70 GAZA RD.	Arr & Dep DEIR SUNEID CAMP	Arr & Dep BEIT JIRGA CAMP	Arr & Dep BARBARA CAMP	Arr & Dep MAJDAL
FIRST DAY.									
"A"	2345	0045	0100	0730/0745			0815/0900		
"B"	0115	0215	0230	0815/0850		0915/0930		0945/1020	
"C"	0515	0445	0500	1045/1100			1120/1200		
"D"	0515	0615	0630	1145/1200		1220/1240	1245/1315		1315/1335
"E"	0715	0845	0900	1445/1500			1530/1615		
"F"	0915	1015	1030	1545/1600			1640/1715	1725/1740	
SECOND DAY.									
"G"	2345	0045	0100	0645/0700					0750/0800
"H"	0115	0215	0230	0815/0830			0905/0945		
"I"	0315	0445	0500	1045/1100	1105/1125				
"J"	0515	0615	0630	1145/1200	1205/1220	1235/1300		1315/1330	1335/1345

Note re baggage:- (i) Red kitbags accompany other ranks in coaches. Universal kitbags to be loaded in baggage vans.

(ii) In order to avoid delay at the various halts in the case of trains carrying units or parties for different destinations, it is essential for R.C. KANTARA to ensure that baggage is not mixed - and that the baggage required first out of the train is readily accessible. R.T.O. at KANTARA will instruct baggage representatives from each unit to enter the baggage van at GAZA (and if necessary travel in it to the next stop) to make sure that baggage is sorted.

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APPENDIX "B"
(In lieu of Entrainment Table "B")

TRAINS, KANTARA to GAZA-MAJDAL on two consecutive days in May, 1940.

Composition & Marshalled Order.

FIRST DAY.

Train "A". 40 officers and 803 other ranks.

GAZA & BEIT JIRGA (Stock not required again).

(Ex Y.4)
2 First/Second Compos. 40 offrs & 42 WO's or NCOs.
38 Wooden box vans @ 20 per van. (761 other ranks).
2 box vans for baggage.
1 Goods brake.

Train "B" 48 offrs and 600 other ranks.

(Ex Y.4) GAZA, DEIR SUNEID & BARBARA (turns MAJDAL)

2 Firsts. 48 officers and 10 W.Os.
3 Seconds. 168 O.Rs. @ 56 per coach.
2 Large Thirds. 150 O.Rs. @ 75 per coach.
4 Small Thirds. 216 O.Rs. @ 54 per coach.
1 Third/Brake. 56 O.Rs. and baggage.
1 Perishables Van. For Baggage (At rear, not front of train, in all cases).

Train "C" 40 officers and 813 other ranks.

(Ex Y.2) GAZA & BEIT JIRGA (Blocks back to DEIR SUNEID)

2 Firsts. 40 offrs., & 25 W.Os. or N.C.Os.
9 Large Thirds. 684 O.Rs. @ 76 per coach.
1 Small Third. 50 other ranks.
1 Third/Brake. 54 other ranks and baggage.
1 Perishables van. For baggage.

Train "D". 29 officers and 347 other ranks.

(Ex Y.2) GAZA, DEIR SUNEID, BEIT JIRGA & MAJDAL.

2 Firsts. 29 offrs., and 37 W.Os. or N.C.Os.
3 Seconds. 180 other ranks @ 60 per coach.
1 Large Third. 75 other ranks.
1 Third/Brake. 55 other ranks and baggage.
1 Perishables van. For baggage.

Train "E" 30 officers and 799 other ranks.

(Ex Y.1) GAZA & BEIT JIRGA (Blocks back to DEIR SUNEID)

2 Firsts. 30 officers & 42 W.Os or N.C.Os.
9 Large Thirds. 702 O.Rs. @ 78 per coach.
1 Third/Brake. 55 other ranks and baggage.
1 Perishables van. For baggage.

/Train "F" ....

Train "F" 26 officers and 558 other ranks

(Ex Y.1) GAZA, BEIT JIRGA & BARBARA (turns MAJDAL)

1 First. 26 officers.
2 First/Second Compos. 98 other ranks.
2 Large thirds. 160 other ranks.
3 Small Thirds. 18[illegible] other ranks.
2 Third/Brake. 120 other ranks and baggage.
1 Perishables Van. For baggage.

SECOND DAY

Train "G" 38 officers and 771 other ranks.

(Ex Y.5). GAZA and MAJDAL.

2 Firsts. 58 offrs. & 32 W.Os. or N.C.Os.
9 Large Thirds. 684 O.Rs. @ 76 per coach.
1 Third/Brake. 55 other ranks and baggage.
1 Perishables van. For baggage.
(Same as Train "E").

Train "H" 55 officers and 607 other ranks.

(Ex Y.5) GAZA and BEIT JIRGA.

1 First.)
1 1st/2nd Compo.) 35 offrs. & 30 W.Os. or NCOs.
4 Large Thirds. 260 O.Rs. @ 65 per coach.
6 Small thirds. 270 O.Rs. @ 45 per coach.
1 3rd/Brake Compo. 47 O.Rs and baggage.
1 Perishables van. For baggage.
(Stock taken from trains "B" and "F")

Train "I" 40 officers and 823 other ranks.

(Ex Y.5) GAZA and Kilo.70 GAZA RD.

2 Firsts. 40 offrs. & 25 W.Os or NCOs.
9 Large thirds. 695 O.Rs. @ 77 per coach.
1 Small third. 50 O.Rs.
1 Third/Brake. 55 O.Rs. and baggage.
1 Perishables van for baggage.
(Same as Train "C").

Train "J" 26 officers and 515 other ranks.

(Ex Y.5) GAZA, Kilo.70 GAZA RD., DEIR SUNEID, BARBARA & MAJDAL

2 Firsts. 26 offrs., & 40 W.Os. or N.C.Os.
3 Seconds. 162 O.Rs. @ 54 per coach.
1 Large third. 65 other ranks.
1 Third/Brake. 50 other ranks and baggage.
1 Perishables van. For baggage.
(Same as Train "D").

NOTES:- (i) All 1st class coaches to be Birmingham.
/Small All/Thirds to be Midland.
All 1/2 Compos to be Metropolitan.

(ii) All entrainment will take place at the platform at KANTARA EAST station.

SECRET. MC/P.356/4.

Subject:- Rail move of 2 A.I.F., 2nd. Convoy, KANTARA to GAZA-HAJDAL area on two consecutive days in May 1940.

1. Rail arrangements in Palestine are set out in Appendices "A" and "B" herewith.
Appendix "A" is for the information of formations and units, and for use by R.T.Os. Appendix "B" is also for use by R.T.Os., and for issue to Supt. of Line, P. Rlys.

2. Rail warrants issued by Movement Control staff at KANTARA will be made out as under:-

(i) Rail destination as in App. "A". Warrant made out to:-

GAZA.	GAZA.
R.70, GAZA RD.) DEIR SUNEID.)	DEIR SUNEID.
BEIT JIRGA.) BARBARA.) HAJDAL.)	HAJDAL.

(ii) Officers, W.Os. and O.Rs., will be entered 1st., 2nd. and 3rd. class respectively on warrants, irrespective of actual class of travel.

C.E.M. Harbar.
Major,
for D.A.Q.M.G.(M).
British Forces in Palestine and T.J.

Movement Control,
Haifa.
10th May 1940.

DISTRIBUTION:-

G.H.Q., Middle East (with spare copies of Appendix "A" for issue to units).
H.Q., B.T.E.
Force Headquarters.
H.Qrs. Australian Overseas Base.
H.Q. 6th Australian Division.
M.C.Port Said.
M.C. Lydda.

- AMN."

8. 16 Aus Inf Bde will arrange to hold the following ammunition in readiness to proceed with the det:-

.303	S.A.A.	6000 rounds.
.45	for pistols	100 rounds.
.55	A.Tk rifle	300 rounds.
2"	Mortar H.E.	30 rounds.
	Smoke	90 rounds.
Grenades - Hand		24 rounds.
Very light (long)		12 red
		12 green.

MEDICAL.

9. Medical orderly and pannier will be provided under Bde arrangements. Serious cases will be admitted to Egyptian Military Hospital by arrangement with the Governor.

LIAISON.

10. (a) The O.C. Det will contact Major A.H. St.C. MAINWARING, Governor of Sinai Province, on arrival and will be shown the proposed camp site, water point, and task under arrangements to be made by him; these were decided, after recce by C H, with the Governor. A suitable bathing area for swimming will also be indicated; in this regard all ranks must be in possession of swimming costumes before they are to be allowed to bathe.

(b) Necessary arrangements for liaison with the Egyptian Army garrison (if present) will be made through the Governor.

(c) An interpreter will be taken by the det.

SCALE OF ATTACK.

11. (a) The primary object of the posting of the det is anti-sabotage; the close protection of the bridge will therefore be arranged at all times. In addition consideration will be given to defence against low-flying air attack, to the extent existing weapons will permit; and to land attack by parachute-dropped enemy personnel.

(b) Shelter trenches should be dug to afford protection against shelling by enemy craft from seaward.

(c) Wiring stores are included in the stores to be provided.

INTERCOMM.

12. (b) Intercomm between the det and parent unit and/or this H.Q. will be by means of "Rail Letter Service". Urgent messages may be sent by telephone if of a non-secret nature. Secret messages will be despatched by wireless with the consent of the Governor.

(b) One pistol, signal will be taken for alarm signal purposes.

SECRECY.

13. The contents of this Inst will NOT be disclosed below H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde before receipt of the executive order vide para 5. Orders for O.C. Det will be prepared by 16 Aus Inf Bde and held against receipt of the executive order.

By Special D.R. at hrs.

[signature] Capt
for Major.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

Distribution:
1-2 16 Aus Inf Bde - one for subsequent issue to O.C. Det.
3 Governor, Sinai Province.
4 A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.
5 6 Aus Div.
6 Force H.Q. 7 File 8-9 War Diary.

SUBJECT :- Arrival of 'CRICKET'.

SECRET.

CB/ME/3457/Q(M).

MOVEMENT CONTROL ORDER No. 28.

1. DISEMBARKATION.

Disembarkation will take place at KANTARA and will be under the orders of Movement Control, H.Q., B.F.P. & T.J.

The present A/R.T.O., KANTARA will assist.

The Ship's Adjutant in each ship will remain on board in charge of the disembarkation of troops until disembarkation is complete.

(i) Order of arrival of Shipping.

Date.	Time.	Ship.
16th May, 1940.	2200 hours.	Y.4.
17th May, 1940.	0200 hours.	Y.2.
17th May, 1940.	0600 hours.	Y.1.
17th May, 1940.	2200 hours.	Y.5.
18th May, 1940.	0200 hours.	Y.3.

Should the actual date of arrival alter, the above timings for disembarkation will still apply, in order to allow Units to arrive at destinations in daylight.

(ii) Personnel.

All personnel, less sick, nurses, driving parties and rear parties, as detailed at sub-paragraphs (iii) and (iv) below and paragraphs 5 and 6, will disembark at KANTARA.

(iii) Nurses.

All nurses will disembark at PORT SAID.

(iv) Sick Personnel.

All sick personnel will be disembarked at PORT SAID and evacuated by road to MOASCAR GENERAL HOSPITAL. D.D.M.S., B.T.E. will arrange for the necessary ambulances to meet ships on arrival.

(v) Officers.

Officers will disembark with one suitcase and valise only.

(vi) Other Ranks.

Other Ranks will disembark with Universal Kit Bags, Sea Kit Bags, Rifles, Web Equipment and ten rounds S.A.A. per man. One blanket per man will be placed in Universal Kit Bags and Greatcoats will be carried.

Mess Tins must be accessible.

(vii) Nominal Rolls /

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Nominal Rolls previously prepared in quadruplicate will be disposed of as follows :- one copy to be handed to D.A.A.G., 2nd Echelon on arrival at final destination; two copies to be handed to the Embarkation Commandant at KANTARA.

(viii) Baggage.

Officers' Valises and Suitcases for off-loading at KANTARA will be stacked by train serials in one place on the ship handy to the gangway. Remainder of heavy baggage will be off-loaded at PORT SAID.

(ix) Baggage Parties - KANTARA.

As soon as disembarkation of personnel is complete, Baggage Parties previously detailed will re-embark and carry off baggage of first train serial, followed by baggage for second train.

(x) Luggage Vans.

Movement Control, PALESTINE will ensure that Luggage Vans are placed at the rear of trains to reduce length of carry.

2. DISEMBARKATION LAYOUT - KANTARA.

A plan shewing the disembarkation layout at KANTARA is attached as Appendix 'D'. Movement Control, PALESTINE will ensure that the layout at KANTARA is in accordance with this plan.

3. DISEMBARKATION ORDERS.

H.Q., B.E.P. & T.J. will detail one officer per ship from 6th Australian Division to embark at SUEZ with disembarkation orders for his allotted ship. This officer will be responsible for handing over these orders to O.C. Troops and Ship's Adjutant and explaining the disembarkation arrangements to be carried out.

These officers will report to Movement Control, SUEZ on 15th May, 1940. Movement Control, SUEZ will ensure the embarkation of these officers prior to the ships proceeding through the Canal.

4. SUBSISTENCE - FEEDING ARRANGEMENTS.

(i) H.Q., 23rd INFANTRY BRIGADE will arrange with the N.A.A.F.I. for the provision at KANTARA EAST, of a Hot Meal cost not to exceed ninepence per head and a Train Ration cost not to exceed sixpence per head. One shilling per head is allowed for Other Ranks under paragraph 362, Allowance Regulations, 1938, the extra threepence per head being paid by Units from the day's ration entitlement.

Bills for officers meals provided will be rendered direct by the N.A.A.F.I. to H.Q., 2nd Australian Imperial Forces, HADJAL. Bills for other ranks meals will be rendered in accordance with B.T.E. General Order No. 231 of 1939.

Other Ranks will have their Knives, Forks, Spoons and Mess Tins readily available for use at KANTARA.

H.Q., B.E.P. & T.J. are arranging the issue of a meal to Units on arrival at final destination.

(ii) Officers will be messed in Marquees. H.Q., 23rd INFANTRY

BRIGADE will /

BRIGADE will erect the necessary tentage.

(iii) Other Ranks will be messed in the open.

(iv) Personnel will be messed in their order of entrainment, i.e. first train load followed by second train load ex each ship.

(v) Sufficient lighting to ensure personnel being messed at night will be arranged by H.Q., 23rd INFANTRY BRIGADE in conjunction with the N.A.A.F.I.

5. REAR PARTIES.

Each Unit will detail a Rear Party to consist of one officer and four N.C.O.s. This party will disembark at PORT SAID.

In addition to the above, H.Q., B.F.P. & T.J. will detail 3 Officers, 7 N.C.O.s and 50 men to be employed with Units' Rear Parties at PORT SAID, under an O.C., Rear Party. This party will report to Movement Control, PORT SAID, 48 hours prior to the arrival of the convoy and will carry out the following duties in conjunction with Unit Rear Parties :-

(i) Assist in the protection of Stores from ship to lighter, lighter to quay, and quay to rail.

(ii) The provision of escorts on all goods trains conveying Australian Stores and Vehicles from PORT SAID to PALESTINE, via KANTARA.

(iii) Assist in the checking of Unit equipment ex ship to quay and rail.

6. DRIVING PARTY.

A Driving Party of one driver per vehicle will be detailed for the purpose of driving vehicles ex PORT SAID to KANTARA. See also paragraph 8, ESCORTS.

7. ACCOMMODATION AND SUBSISTENCE - DRIVING AND REAR PARTIES.

Personnel detailed to form the Driving and Rear Parties will be accommodated and subsisted in Hotels at PORT SAID, under arrangements to be made by O.C. TROOPS, PORT SAID.

8. ESCORTS.

Armed Escorts will be provided for all Stores, M.T. and Wheeled Vehicles, etc., proceeding by rail ex KANTARA and PORT SAID. These Escorts will be detailed by O.C., Rear Party from the Driving and Rear Parties at his disposal. See paragraphs 5 and 6.

Pool ammunition will be issued by O.C. Troops, PORT SAID.

Movement Control, PORT SAID will arrange the issue of Rations and Meal Tickets in accordance with B.T.E. General Order 456 of 1939.

9. STORES.

Unit Equipment - Canteen - Medical - R.E. - Y.M.C.A. - Ordnance Stores - Reserve Supplies - Vehicles - etc.

A detailed summary /

A detailed summary of Stores and Equipment in each ship is attached as Appendix 'C'. All the above will be discharged ex ships at PORT SAID and consigned as follows :-

(i) Unit Equipment.

Unit Equipment and Stores for Units whose destination is BEIT JIRJA or anywhere North of BEIT JIRJA, will be consigned to R.T.O., MAJDAL. For all Units whose camps are South of BEIT MAJDAL, to R.T.O., GAZA.

Unit Equipment will be loaded into trucks as far as possible by complete Units. This is essential in the case of Infantry Battalions and equivalent Units. Equipment of Details and smaller Units will be grouped.

O.C., Rear Party will inform Movement Control, PORT SAID of Unit stations, in order that consigning of Unit Equipment may be carried out in accordance with the above. He will also supply any other necessary information required by Movement Control, PORT SAID, to ensure that Stores are consigned to their correct destinations.

(ii) Medical Stores and Equipment - 2nd Australian General Hospital.

These will be stored in Shed No. 214 on CHERIF QUAY, PORT SAID.

(iii) Australian Red Cross Stores.

To be consigned to R.T.O., JERUSALEM.

(iv) Canteen Stores.

To be consigned to R.T.O., REHOVOT.

(v) Australian Comforts Fund Stores.

To be consigned to R.T.O., GAZA.

(vi) Ordnance Stores.

To be consigned to R.T.O., MAJDAL.

(vii) Y.M.C.A. Stores.

To be consigned to R.T.O., JERUSALEM.

(viii) Reserve Supplies.

To be consigned to R.T.O., LYDDA for Officer i/c Supplies, SARAFAND.

(ix) Identification of Stores.

Distinguishing marks for General and Bulk Stores are shewn at Appendix 'E'.

10. IDENTIFICATION OF UNIT BAGGAGE.

Each package or article of a Unit's baggage, in addition to bearing the serial number of the Unit, is painted with distinguishing colour lines. The colours denote Units in accordance with the following system :-

Numeral /

Numeral.		Representative Colour.
One.	(1)	Red, Bright, G.S.
Two.	(2)	Blue, G.S.
Three.	(3)	Yellow, (amn.)
Four.	(4)	Green, Light, G.S.
Five.	(5)	Grey, (amn.)
Six.	(6)	Buff, G.S.
Seven.	(7)	Red, oxide of iron.
Eight.	(8)	Service Colour, G.S.
Nine.	(9)	White Lead, G.S.
Nought.	(0)	Brown, Dark, G.S.

The colours painted on the baggage are those given above, and represent the last two figures (i.e., the tens and units digits) of the serial number of the Unit.

The colours representing the tens digits appear both below and above that of the Units digits.

The serial number (2" high) in white paint on dark packages and black paint on light packages, are placed above these lines.

Thus, for example, a unit whose serial number is "124" would have the following marks on all its baggage :-

"124"

BLUE

GREEN

BLUE

The serial numbers for Units are those shewn at Appendix 'A'.

At least two marks appear on each article, one on one end and one on one side of each box or case, etc. Articles carried uncased or unmarked have attached to them a wooden tally with the Unit's distinguishing mark painted on each side.

The titles of Units do not appear on any Unit baggage. Universal and Sea Kit Bags are marked with serial number only.

11. DESPATCH OF STORES AND EQUIPMENT - RATE OF EX PORT.

Movement Control, H.Q., E.F.F. & T.J. will appoint an A/R.T.O. at KANTARA who will, irrespective of the rate of arrival of trucks at KANTARA, be responsible for despatching them to PALESTINE at the rate of 20 trucks per day to MAJDAL and 30 to GAZA.

A/R.T.O., KANTARA will telegraph or telephone despatch of trucks to R.T.O., GAZA and repeat to H.Q., 6th Australian Division, GAZA.

12. MECHANICAL TRANSPORT.

(i) M.T., when off-loaded, will fill with Petrol, Oil and

Lubricants /

and water and will be driven to KANTARA EAST where they will be loaded onto rail with drivers and escorts, and consigned to R.T.O., GAZA. On arrival at GAZA they will be off-loaded by end-loading ramp and driven to destinations.

(ii) Petrol, Oil and Lubricants.

A.D.S.T., B.T.E. will arrange for sufficient Petrol, Oil and Lubricants to be stacked on CHERIF QUAY, PORT SAID, to ensure the despatch of M.T. by road to KANTARA and the journey following detrainment at GAZA to destination at BEIT JIRJA.

13. CONVOY NOTES AND LABELLING.

A convoy Note stating the contents of each truck and the name of the Unit, will be placed inside each truck prior to its despatch. Each truck will be labelled on both sides of the truck, shewing the serial numbers of the Units to whom the contents belong.

14. TRAFFIC CONTROL.

Units are reminded that the rule of the road in EGYPT and PALESTINE is the right hand side of the road.

15. EXCHANGE OF STERLING OR OTHER CURRENCY FOR LOCAL CURRENCY.

Units will be informed on disembarkation that any Sterling or other currency received as pay at their prior stations will be exchanged for local currency at their final destinations, should any difficulty be experienced in effecting exchange privately.

Os.C. Units will report any such difficulties to the Command Paymaster, PALESTINE who will take necessary action.

General Headquarters,
Middle East,
C A I R O .
10th May, 1940.

J Saunders Major
for - Lieutenant-Colonel,
A.Q.M.G.(M).

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APPENDIX 'A' to M.C.O. No. 28.

Vessel.	Serial No.	Unit.	Offs.	W.O.s & Sergts.	Other Ranks.
Y.1.	140.	2/5 Battalion.	33	45	703
		1st Reinforcement.	7	4	70
	137.	2/2 Field Ambulance.	12	18	227
		1st Reinforcement.	-	-	5
	144.	2/2 Field Company.	5	7	229
		1st Reinforcement.	1	1	14
	196.	Aust. Inf. & Gen. Base Depot.	7	15	48
	6.	Chaplains.	2	-	-
	7.	Y.M.C.A.	1	-	-
	-	Nurses (A.A.N.S.).	6	-	-
		Total.	74	90	1296
Y.2.	141.	2/6 Battalion.	5[illegible]	44	704
		1st Reinforcement.	[illegible]	4	70
	133.	H.Q., Overseas Base.	6	25	58
	138.	Four Secs. 6 Div. Prov.Coy.	[illegible]	1	47
		1st Reinforcement.	..	-	6
	139.	H.Q., 17th Infantry Brigade.	[illegible]	8	55
		Int. Corps attd.	..	2	-
	143(b).	Details 2/8 Battalion.	[illegible]	3	40
	160.	46 L.A.D. (17 Inf. Bde.).	1	1	11
	176.	2/1 Casualty Clearing Stn.	11	11	83
		1st Reinforcement.	..	-	2
	5.	Salvation Army.	1	-	-
	[illegible]	A.A.N.S. (Nurses).	8	-	-
	4.	Chaplains.			
		Total.	77	99	1076
Y.3.	135.	2/[illegible] Battalion.	33	45	704
		1st Reinforcement.	7	4	70
	133(a).	H.Q., Overseas Base.	2	-	8
	138(b).	Details 6 Div. Prov. Coy.	-	-	16
	145.	Details 6 Div. Sigs.	1	-	31
	148(a).	Details 6 Div. Pet. Coy.	2	-	52
	177.	1 Sec. 2/3 Field Company.	1	1	83
		1st Reinforcement.	-	-	4
	186.	Details 2/1 M.G. Battalion.	2	-	87
		1st Reinforcement.	-	-	10
	187.	1 Convalescent Depot.	7	15	25
	193.	5 Spec. Dental Unit.	1	1	3
	195(a).	2 A.G.H. (Med. & Surgical Details).	7	-	29
	179.	2/6 Fd. Bty. (less D.& F. Troops).	8	8	130
		1st Reinforcement.	1	-	10
	181.	44 L.A.D. (I.A.T. Regt.).	1	1	11
	11.	Chaplains.	2	-	-
	12.	Y.M.C.A.	1	-	-
	-	A.A.N.S. (Nurses).	11	-	-
		Total.	87	75	1223

Y.4. /

Vessel.	Serial No.	Unit.	Offs.	W.O.s & Sergts.	Other Ranks.
Y.4.	142.	2/7 Battalion.	33	44	704
		1st Reinforcement.	7	4	70
	134.	H.Q., 6th Division.	16	8	88
	135.	H.Q., 6th Division Arty.	4	1	17
	136.	H.Q., 6th Division Engrs.	2	1	28
	148.	6th Div. Petrol Company.	4	12	219
		1st Reinforcement.	-	1	6
	170.	A.E.L. Section.	2	-	6
	191.	3 Spec. Dental Unit.	1	1	3
	195.	2 A.G.H.	23	41	167
		1st Reinforcement.	1	1	5
	-	A.A.N.S. (Nurses).	28	-	-
	1.	Chaplains.	1	-	-
	2.	A.C.F.	1	-	-
	3.	Official Photographers.	1	-	-
		Total.	124	114	1313
Y.5.	143(a).	2/8 Battalion.	31	41	664
		1st Reinforcement.	7	4	70
	149.	40 L.A.D.	1	1	11
	153.	2/2 Field Regiment.	32	40	515
		1st Reinforcement.	4	3	35
	192.	4 Spec. Dental Unit.	1	1	3
	-	A.A.N.S. (Nurses).	6	-	-
	8.	Chaplains.	2	-	-
	9.	A.G.H. Surgeon.	1	-	-
	10.	Salvation Army.	1	-	-
		Total.	86	90	1298

APPENDIX 'B' to M.C.O. No. 28.

ENTRAINMENT TABLE "CRICKET".

Vessel.	Train.	Serials to Load.	Total Offs.	Strength. WOs.& Sgts.	O.R.s	Dpp. KANTARA EAST. Time.	Date.
Y.4.	A.	142.	40	48	774	0100 hrs.	17 May
	B.	134.135.136. 138(a).139(a). 148.170.191. 195.1.2.3.	86	66	539	0230 hrs.	17 May.
Y.2.	C.	141.	39	48	774.	0500 hrs.	17 May.
	D.	133.138.139. 143(b).150. 156.4.5. 1 OR.140(a).	38	51	303.	0630 hrs.	17 May.
Y.1.	E.	140.	40.	49.	773.	0900 hrs.	17 May.
	F.	137.144.196. 6.7.	34	41	523.	1030 hrs.	17 May.
Y.5.	G.	143(a).	38	45	734.	0100 hrs.	18 May.
	H.	149.153.192. 8.9.10.	48	45	564.	0230 hrs.	18 May.
Y.3.	I.	175.	40	49	774	0500 hrs.	18 May.
	J.	133(a).138(b). 145.148(a). 177.179.181. c186.187.193. 195(a).11.12.	47.	26	549	0630 hrs.	18 May.

INSTRUCTIONS.

(1) Sea Kit Bags to be taken into coaches; Universal Kit Bags to be loaded into Box Vans and Brake Vans.

(2) Only a minimum of Officers light baggage to be taken into Compartments. Remainder to be loaded into Brake Vans.

(3) A Baggage Party of one Officer and 25 Other Ranks to be detailed from the personnel in each train. Other Ranks to be located in the coach next to the Box Vans and will commence unloading baggage immediately on arrival.

(4) Details regarding composition of trains, times of arrival at destinations, will be issued by D.A.D.Tn., Haifa.

Journey time KANTARA EAST to GAZA is approximately 5 hours.
" " GAZA to MAJDAL " " 30 minutes.

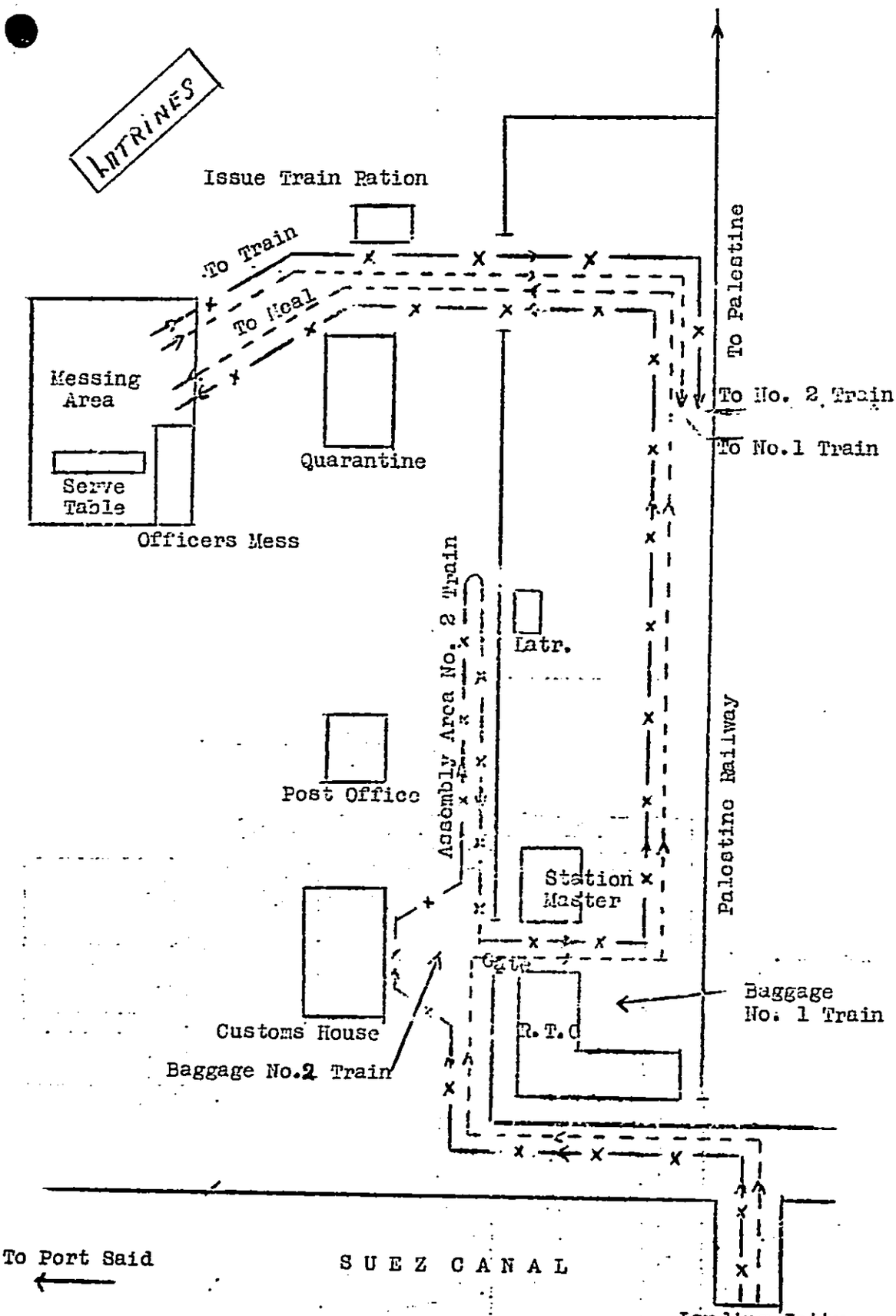
APPENDIX 'C' to H.C.O. No. 28.

SUMMARY OF CARGO SHIPPED.

Unit or Serial.	Cubic Feet.	Ins.	Cubic Tons.
	SHIP 'Y.1.'		
D.F.O.	6	7	7/40
Serial 144.	796	6	20
" 137.	1502	3	37½
" 136.	40	-	1
" 142.	40	-	1
" 194.	2	11	3/40
" 196.	9807	8	245
" 140.	2063	-	51½
Ammunition Depot.	100	-	2½
Y.M.C.A.	95	-	2.15/40
D.D.A.C.	2090	-	52¼
A.C.E.	2000	-	50
A.R.C.S.	145	8	3.25/40
O.C. Troops.	1137	1	28½
Medical Bulk Stores.	60	-	1½
Totals.	19886	8	497
	SHIP 'Y.2.'		
Serial 133.	905		22½
" 138.	209		5¼
" 139.	743		18½
" 141.	2745		68½
" 143.	6		6/40
" 150.	460		11½
" 156.	3659		91½
A.D.O.S.	357		8¾
Canteen.	866		21½
Red Cross.	4107		102½
A.C.F.	1021		25½
S.A.	140		3½
Dental.	6		6/40
S.M.O.	68		1¾
Y.M.C.A.	154		4
Totals.	15446		386.6/40
		Less A.C.F.) W.O.V.)	
		" S.A.) W.O.V.	29
		Nett.	357.6/40
	SHIP "Y.3."		
Various.	250 (includes 70 tons for Canteen Services).		

SHIP "Y.4." /

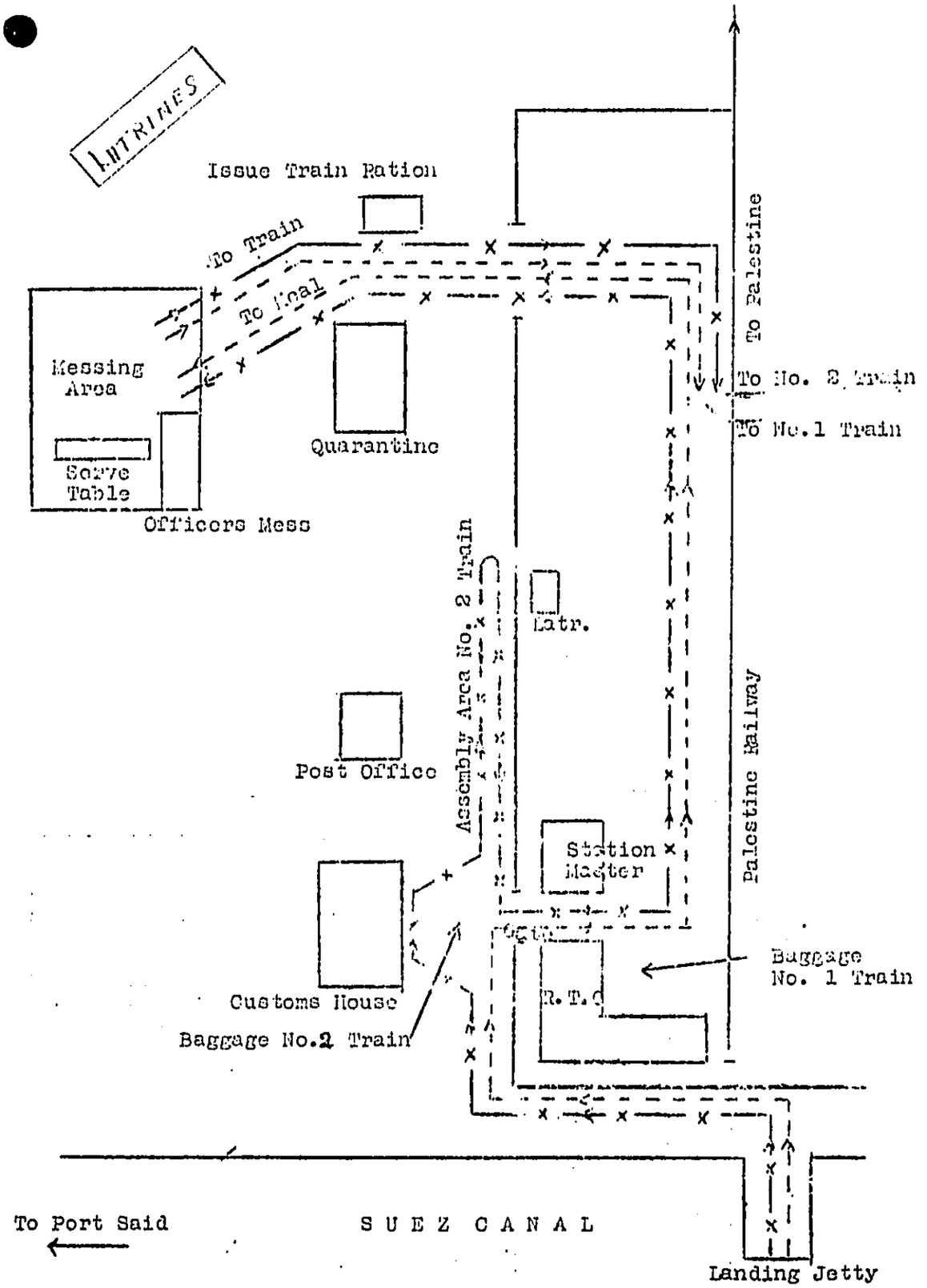
Unit or Serial.	Cubic Feet.	Ins.	Cubic Tons.
SHIP "Y.4."			
Serial 133.	22	6	½
" 134.	1334	7	33¼
" 135.	562	4	14
" 136.	689	8	17¼
" 139.	70	7	1¾
" 140.	192	9	5
" 142.	2080	8	52
" 143.	195	5	5
" 147.	132	3	3¼
" 148.	561	2	14
" 153.	184	2	4½
" 191.	57	7	1½
" 195[illegible]	37546	2	938½
" 196.	1987	7	49⅝
O.C. Troops.	312	2	7⅞
A.C.F.	1229	3	30⅝
Ordnance.	7240	-	181
Emergency Rations.	164	-	4
Canteen.	1009	8	25¼
Totals.	55572	6	1389½
		Less A.C.F., W.O.V.	30⅜.
		Nett.	1358½
SHIP "Y.5."			
Serial 143.	2331	10	58½
Canteen Services.	4765	0	119
Serial 153.	2028	9	50½
" 192.	107	9	2¾
O.C. Troops.	834	4	20⅞
Serial 145.	9	10	¼
S.M.O.	40	-	1
A.C.F.	590	4	14⅝
Totals.	10707	10	267
Less A.C.F., W.O.V.	590	4	14⅝
Nett.	10117	6	252¼



Routefrom Ship to No. 1 Train Shown Thus

No. 2

KANTARA EAST STATION.



Route from Ship to No. 1 Train Shown Thus

No. 2

KANTARA EAST STATION.

APPENDIX "E".

DISTINGUISHING COLOURED MARKS USED ON ALL CASES, PACKAGES, ETC. OF STORES CONSIGNED TO THE AUSTRALIAN EXPEDITIONARY FORCE OVERSEAS.

Ordnance Stores including M.T.A.A. O.C.



Work Stores R.E.



A.A.S.C.



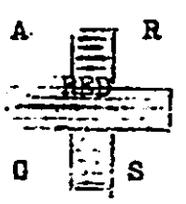
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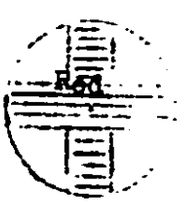
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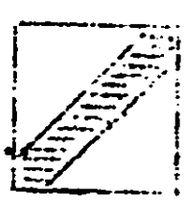


Medical.



R.A.A.F.

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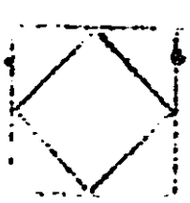


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Commanding 1st Australian Corps.

HEADQUARTERS,
1ST AUSTRALIAN CORPS,
20th May, 1940.

1. ISSUE OF A.I.F. ORDERS.

A.I.F. Orders will be issued to all Units of the A.I.F. and copies forwarded to other Formations in accordance with a special distribution list.

Although no regular dates of issue have been determined, under present circumstances, A.I.F. Orders will be issued approximately once weekly.

2. AUTHORITIES.

Where an authority is quoted under an order, the authority refers to the correspondence, etc., from which relevant extracts have been taken for promulgation in A.I.F. Orders.

3. TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESSES.

The following telegraphic addresses have been approved :—

Headquarters, A.I.F. Abroad	..	AUSTFORCE.
Australian Overseas Base	..	AUSTBASE.

(*Authority, A.H.Q. 26085 of 6 May, 1940*).

4. COURTS-MARTIAL IN TROOPSHIPS.

The following delegation of powers concerning district courts martial has been made by His Excellency the Governor-General :—

To every officer, not below the rank of Major, who holds the office or performs the duties of Officer Commanding Troops on a troopship, during the voyage from the first port of embarkation to the last port of disembarkation :—

(a) the power to convene district courts-martial ;

(b) the power to appoint officers to constitute district courts-martial ;

(c) the power to confirm the finding, or finding and sentence of any district court-martial, or to send back the finding and sentence, or either of them, for revision ;

(d) the power to mitigate, remit or commute the punishment to which the offender might have been sentenced by the court-martial ;

(e) the power to suspend the execution or currency of any sentence, as he thinks fit.

(*Authority, A.H.Q. 26382 of 7 May, 1940*).

5. CLASSIFICATION OF TRADESMEN AND SPECIALISTS.

Group classifications for Units of an A.I.F. Division are approved on the following scale :—

UNIT.	TRADESMEN AND SPECIALISTS BY GROUPS.		
	Group I.	Group II.	Group III.
H.Q. of Div.	Draughtsmen Fitters ...	Cooks	Clerks
H.Q. of Inf. Bde. ...	Fitters	Intelligence duties ... Cooks Armourers Mechanics, M.T.	Clerks
H.Q. Div. Arty. ...	Draughtsmen	Cooks	Clerks
H.Q. Div. Eng. ...	Draughtsmen	Cooks	Clerks
H.Q. Div. A.A.S.C. ...	— ...	— ...	Clerks
A Div. Cav. Regt. ...	—	Carpenters and joiners Driver-operators Mechanics, M.T. Cooks Intelligence duties	Clerks Drivers M.T., 1st Class Equipment repairers Storemen—technical Butchers
An Anti-Tank Regt. ...	Artificers (Arty.)	Mechanics, M.T. Cooks	Clerks Drivers M.T., 1st Class Equipment repairers Storemen—technical Gun layers (2 per gun)
A. Fd. Regt. R.A.A. ...	Artificers (Arty.)	Mechanics M.T. Bty. Comdrs. Asst. Cooks Signallers	Clerks Drivers M.T., 1st Class Equipment repairers Storemen—technical Gun pos. Offs. Asst. Gun layers (2 per gun) Battery surveyors Rangetakers
A Div. Fd. Pk. Coy. R.A.E.	Blacksmiths Draughtsmen Engine—artificers Fitters Plumbers Surveyors Welders	Carpenters and joiners Electricians Painters and decorators	Clerks Saddlers and harness makers Sawyers Tinsmiths Engine hands I.C.
A Fd. Coy. R.A.E. ...	Blacksmiths Bricklayers Draughtsmen Engine artificers Fitters Plumbers Surveyors	Carpenters and joiners Electricians Masons Miners Painters and decorators Cooks	Clerks Concreters Tinsmiths Engine hands I.C. Stokers (Stationary engine)
Div. Sigs.	Electricians Fitters Instrument—mechanics	Carpenters Linemen Operators Cooks	Clerks Despatch riders Draughtsmen (Signals) Butchers Shoemakers
Inf. Bn.	Bricklayers Blacksmiths Fitters	Carpenters and joiners Masons Mechanics M.T. Cooks Intelligence duties Signallers	Clerks Equipment repairers Drivers M.T., 1st Class Storemen—technical Shoemakers Butchers Rangetakers
Inf. A. Tk. Coy. ...	—	Cooks	—
Div. Amn. Coy. A.A.S.C. ...	Blacksmiths Coppersmiths Electricians Fitters Turners	Carpenters and joiners Cooks	Clerks Coachtrimmers Drivers M.T., 1st Class Butchers
Div. Pet. Coy. A.A.S.C. ...	Blacksmiths Coppersmiths Electricians Fitters Turners	Carpenters and joiners Cooks	Coach trimmers Drivers M.T., 1st Class Clerks Butchers
Div. Sup. Coln. A.A.S.C. ...	Blacksmiths Coppersmiths Electricians Fitters Turners	Carpenters and joiners Cooks	Butchers Clerks Coach trimmers Drivers M.T., 1st Class
A Fd. Amb.	Hospital cooks	Carpenters and joiners Cooks Dental mechanics	Dental clerk orderlies Nursing orderlies Clerks
A Fd. Hyg. Sec. ...	Bricklayers	Carpenters and joiners Painters and decorators	Clerks Tinsmiths
A Provost Coy. ...	—	Cooks Mechanics M.T.	—
A Div. postal Unit ...	—	—	—
An Employment Pl	—	—	—
Mobile Bath Unit ...	Plumbers	Carpenters	Clerks

6. GOOD CONDUCT ON VOYAGE.

A report received from the Captain of a Troopship, which recently transported Units of the A.I.F., expresses appreciation of the good conduct maintained during the voyage. The care taken of ship's property was noted as a reflection of good discipline.

(*Authority, N. Comd.* 9/1/329 *of* 29 *April*, 1940).

7. AIR-MAIL CONCESSIONS.

The question of reducing the air mail charges on letters to and from members of the A.I.F. abroad has been considered but it has not been found possible to grant any concession.

(*Authority, A.H.Q.* 26036, *of* 6 *May*, 1940).

8. ECONOMY IN USE OF PETROL.

Commanding Officers will take action to ensure that there is no unnecessary use of M.T. vehicles. Careful examination of training programmes and other activities involving the use of M.T. vehicles, will help to considerably reduce petrol consumption.

Much may be done by a close check of the running records of vehicles. Officers responsible for operation of M.T. vehicles will make a check of the employment of all vehicles to prevent unnecessary running. Petrol receipts and issues will also be checked frequently.

(*Authority, A.H.Q.* 25931 *of* 6 *May*, 1940).

9. A.I.F. FORMS, A. 22A AND A. 33A.—APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS OF OFFICERS.

The abovementioned Forms for use within the A.I.F. overseas have been approved. A first supply of these Forms is being printed in Australia and will be available for distribution to Units at an early date.

10. APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS OF OFFICERS.

Recommendations for the appointment and promotion of officers will be addressed to the D.A.G., A.I.F., Attached H.Q., I Aust. Corps. Single copies only are required to be submitted by Divisions and CO.s of C. Tps. units.

Approvals will be promulgated through A.I.F. Orders.

11. ALLOTMENT OF PAY.

Approval has been given that more than one allotment of pay may be made by members where there are reasonable grounds for such arrangement. Such grounds include the following :—

(a) Allotments for children in charge of separate guardians.

(b) Allotments to different sets of dependants (e.g., wife and mother).

(c) Allotment for benefit of dependants and allotment to bank or trustee for purpose of saving or of meeting insurance premiums mortgage payments or other fixed charges.

(*Authority, A.H.Q.* 105/750/4 *of* 11 *May*, 1940).

B. J. ANDREW,
Colonel.
D.A.G., A.I.F.

This cancels Appx "A" to Adm [redacted] NG 33 dated 9 May 40.

LOCATION OF UNITS
A.I.F. IN PALESTINE

GAZA

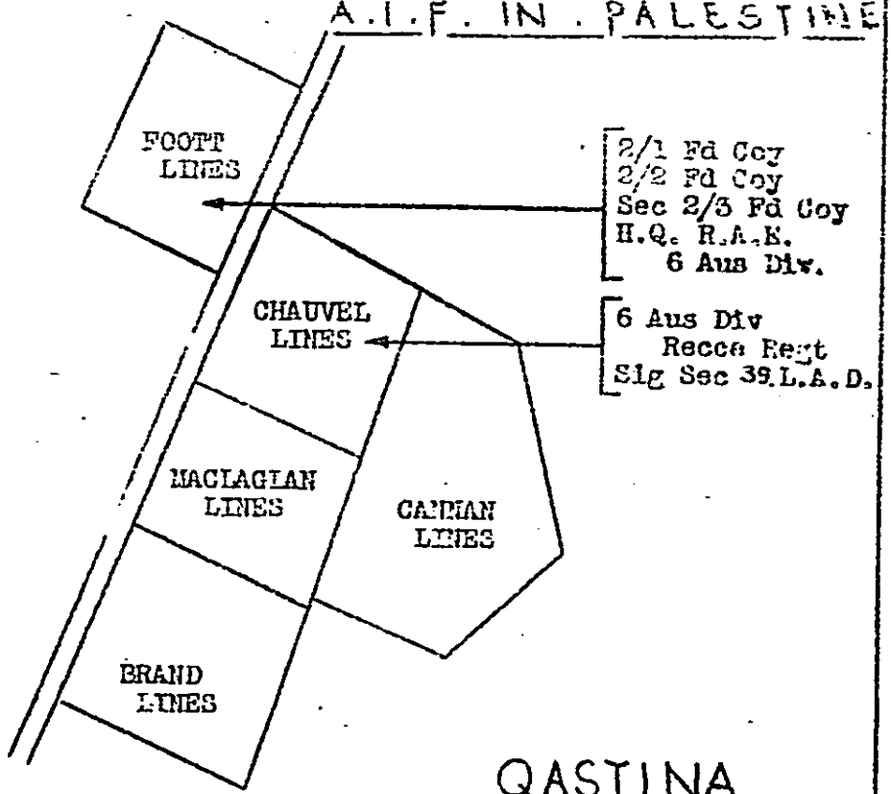
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Name of Camp	Name of Lines	Units
GAZA TOWN	-	H.Q. 6 Aus Div. Int Sec 6 Aus Div. A.I.L. Sec 6 Aus Div. 6 Aus Fd Cash Office.
GAZA RIDGE	HOWSE	2/1 Aus Gen Hosp.
	FETHERSTON	2/2 Aus Gen Hosp. # 3, 4, & Spec Dental Units.
	BARBER	2/1 C.C.S. 2/1 Aus Conv Depot.
KILO 89	H.Q.	Camp Comd and Staff, Kilo 89. Det 2/1 M.G. Bn.
	HERRING	2/4 Bn.
	RYRIE	2/8 Bn.
	HOLMES	2/11 Bn.
	SQUIRES	Sigs 6 Aus Div, less Inf & Arty Secs. 42 L.A.D.
	HEANE	-----
DEIR SUNEID	H.Q.	H.Q., R.A.A. 6 Aus Div.
	BRIDGES	2/1 Fd Hyg Sec. 6 Aus Div Pro Coy less Dets. Inf and Gen Base Depot.
	ANDERSON	2/1 Fd Regt, Sig Sec 43 L.A.D.
	BURGESS	2/2 Fd Regt, Sig Sec 40 L.A.D.
BEIT JIRJA	H.Q.	H.Q. 17 Aus Inf Bde, 46 L.A.D.
	GLASGOW	2/5 Bn.
	ELLIOTT	2/6 Bn.
	ROYSTON	2/7 Bn.
	GRIMWADE	----
	IEGGE	2/2 Fd Amb.
BARBARA	ROSENTHAL	H.Q., A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div. 6 Aus Div Sup Coln. less Dets. 6 Aus Div Pet Coy. 6 Aus Div Postal Unit.
	WISDOM	6 Aus Div Amn Coy. less Dets.
	COXEN	Aus Base Ord Depot. Det 2/1 A. Fd Wkshop.
JULIS	H.Q.	H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde, Sig Sec. 45 L.A.D.
	MONASH	2/1 Bn.
	GODDARD	2/2 Bn.
	GELLIBRAND	2/3 Bn.
	HOBBS	----
	LEANE	2/1 Fd Amb.
QASTINA	BRAND MACLAGLAN GANNAN CHAUVEL	6 Aus Div Recce Regt, Sig Sec. 39 L.A.D.
	FOOTT	2/1 Fd Coy, 2/2 Fd Coy, Sec 2/3 Fd Coy, H.Q., R.A.E. 6 Aus Div.
TEL AVIV	78 Hayarkon St.	Det 6 Aus Div Pro Coy.
JERUSALEM	MERCANTILE BLDGS	H.Q. Aus Overseas Base.

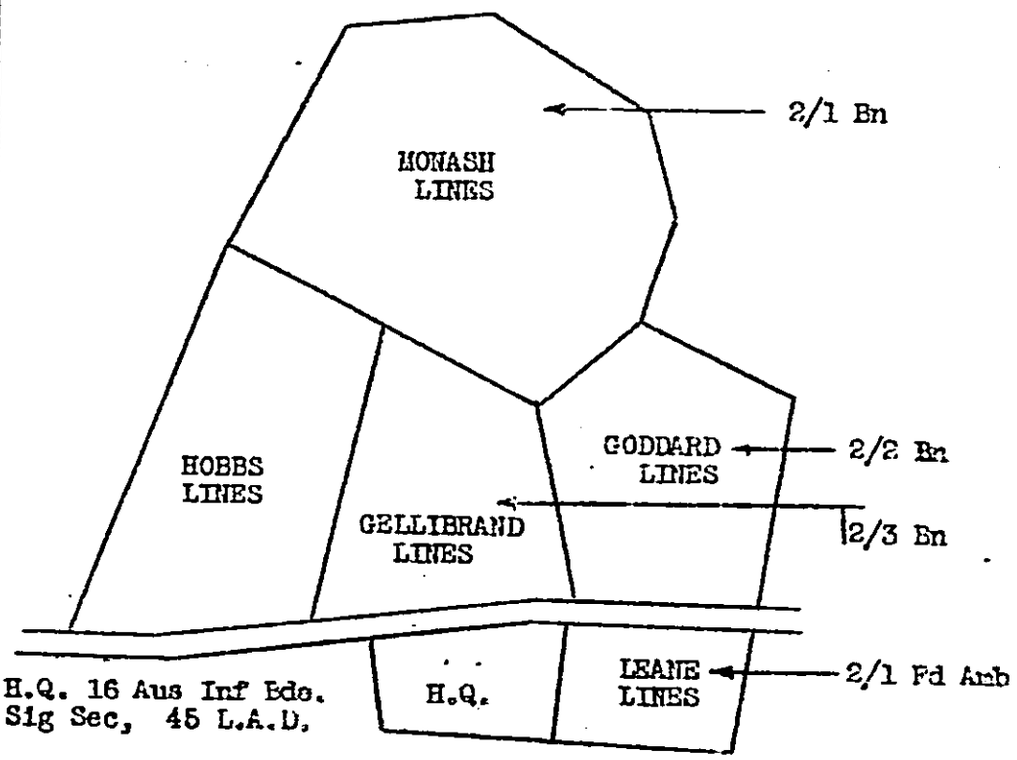
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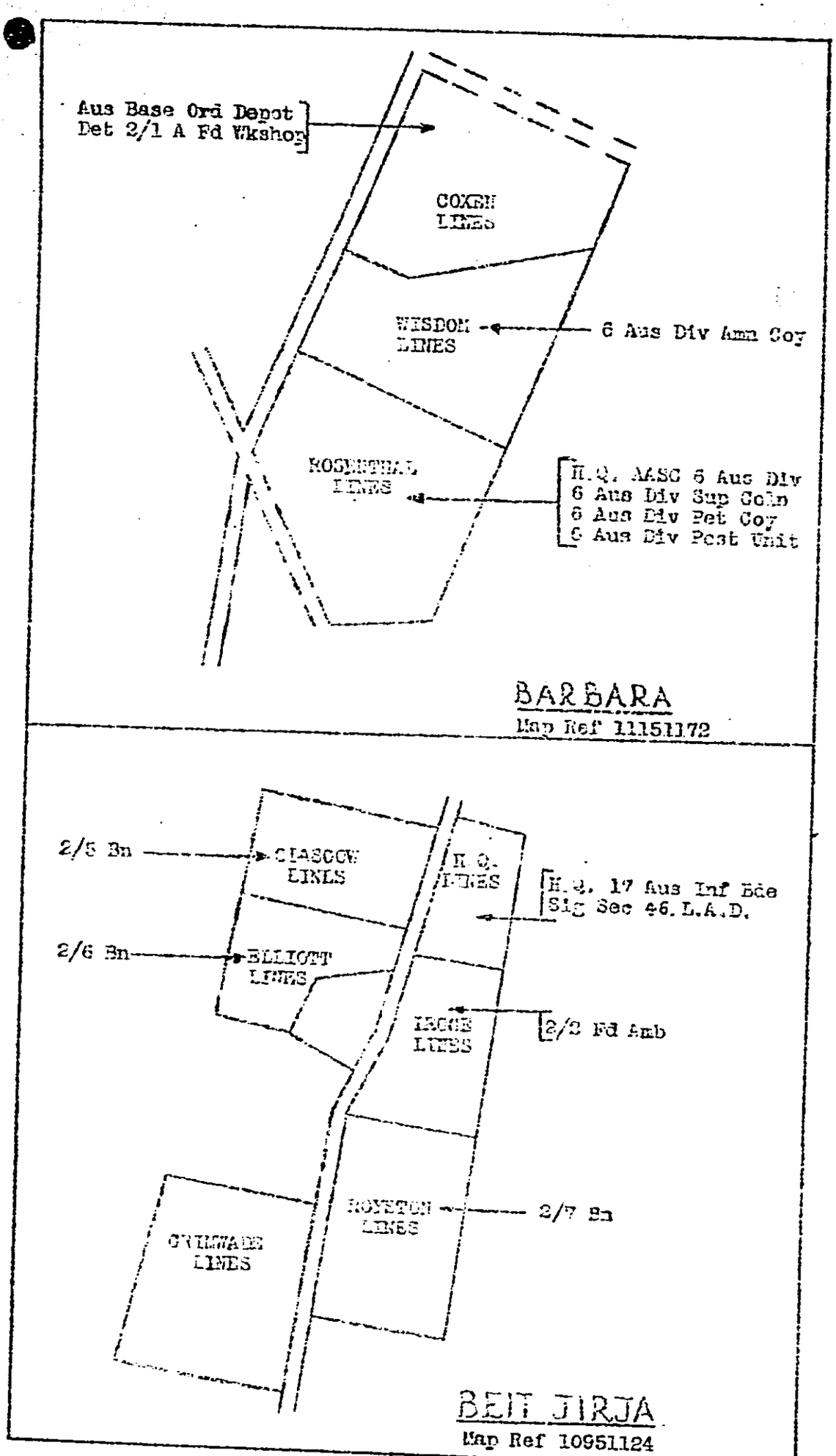
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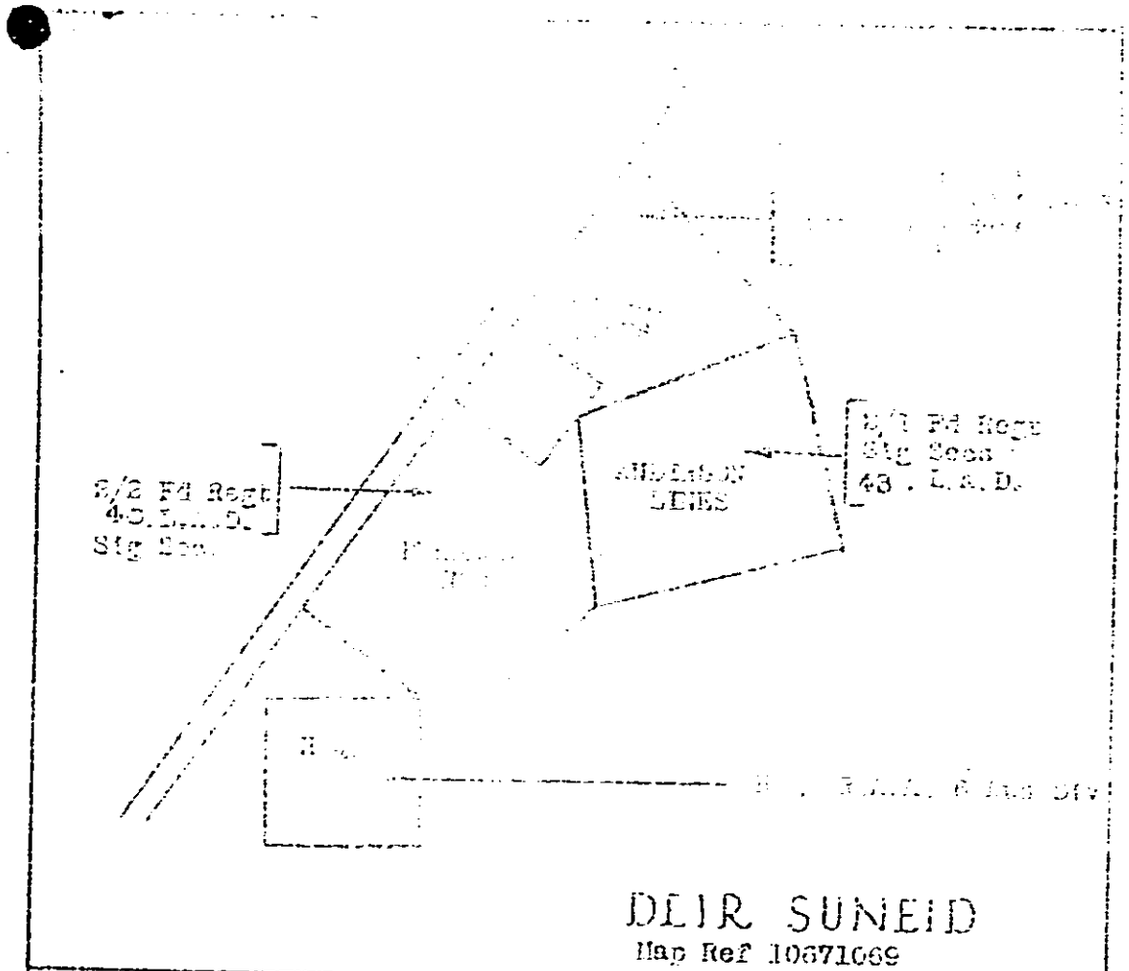


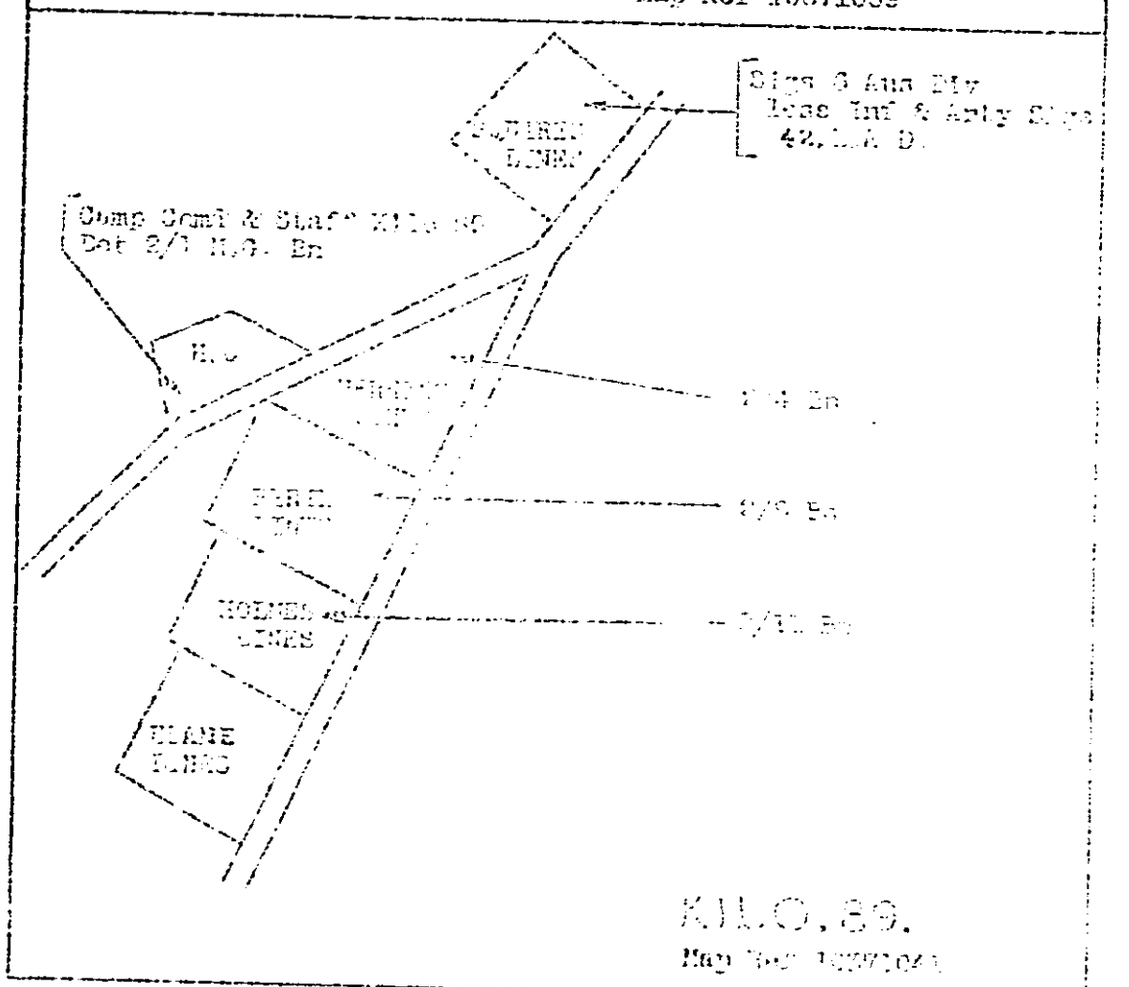
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ROSENTHAL LINES
H.Q. AASC 6 Aus Div
6 Aus Div Sup Coln
6 Aus Div Pet Coy
6 Aus Div Post Unit
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GLASGOW LINES
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H.Q. 17 Aus Inf Bde
Sig Sec 46.L.A.D.
2/6 Bn
ELLIOTT LINES
INGHE LINES
2/2 Fd Amb
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CIVILIAN LINES
BEIT JIRJA
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43 . L.A. D.
DEIR SUNEID
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Sigs & Aun Div
Dump Comt & Staff
KILO 89.

War Diary

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WEEKLY INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY NO 15 — GAZA

From 1800 hrs 24 May to 1800 hrs 31 May 40.

1. GENERAL. Again a quiet week politically and from a security viewpoint. Interest was caused when a vessel was reported to be lying off the coast at WADI HESI. On investigation she was found to be the AGHIOS NICOLAS, an auxillary schooner of Greek origin. Her papers were found to be in order; she was carrying a cargo of oil consigned to SOCONY VACUUM at JAFFA, TEL AVIV and HAIFA. As the charts in use were old, the Master stated that he was landing to determine his position.

2. LOCAL ATTITUDE. A keener interest is being taken by the local population in recent developments on the Western front. Particular interest is shown in rumors of intervention by ITALY; as that country is mistrusted and disliked. The question of active assistance with the Allies should ITALY become a belligerent is being favourably discussed by Arabs in this area. The people of GAZA have co-operated well in the two practice blackouts during the last week.

3. SUMMARY.
30 May 40. Greek vessel seen off coast.
30 May 40. Slight affray at JAMMANA Lands. Four persons slightly wounded over harvesting rights.

4. LOCATION. As notified in our W.I.S. No 14 with the following amendments:

QASTINA 127126	H.Q., R.A.E. 6 Aus Div. 2/2 Fd Coy. Sec 2/3 Fd Coy.
JULIS 119122	No 3 Spec Dental Unit.
BEIT JIRJA 109112	No 4 Spec Dental Unit.
DEIR SUNEID 106106	2/1 Fd Regt. 2/2 Fd Regt.
KILO 89 103103	H.Q. 19 Aus Inf Bde. 2/4 Inf Bn less "B" Coy. 2/8 Inf Bn No 5 Spec Dental Unit.
GAZA TOWN 099101	"B" Coy 2/4 Bn.

5. ARMS. Arms surrendered GAZA district.

	Rifles	Revolvers
GAZA Sub-district	-	-
BEERSHEBA Sub-district	-	-
Total	-	-

Capt.
D.I.O. 6 Aus Div.

Distribution:
As per W.I.S. No 14.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE ORDERS

BY

LIEUTENANT-GENERAL SIR THOMAS BLAMEY, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.
Commanding 1st Australian Corps.

HEADQUARTERS,
1ST AUSTRALIAN CORPS,
27th May, 1940.

12. POWER OF G.O.C. 1 AUST. CORPS, A.I.F.

The following powers in connection with the 1st Australian Army Corps and other units of the Australian Imperial Force as may be placed under his command are delegated to every officer who shall at any time during the continuance of this delegation be holding the office or performing the duties of General Officer Commanding 1st Australian Army Corps Australian Imperial Force when beyond the limits of the Commonwealth :—

(1) The power to appoint or promote officers to acting rank in the Military Forces provided that any officer appointed or promoted to acting rank under this delegation shall cease to hold the office if the Governor-General refuses to confirm the appointment or promotion.

(2) (a) The power to convene courts-martial ;

(b) The power to appoint officers to constitute courts-martial ;

(c) The power to confirm the finding, or finding and sentence of any court-martial, or to send back the finding and sentence or either of them for revision :

(d) The power to mitigate or remit the punishment or any part of the punishment awarded by any sentence, or to commute, the punishment for any less punishment to which the offender might have been sentenced by the court-martial ; and

(e) The power to suspend the execution or currency of any sentence on such terms and conditions (if any) as he thinks fit ;

(3) The power to employ persons in a civil capacity in pursuance of section 63 of the Defence Act 1903–1939.

(4) The power to establish and control administrative headquarters and base and line of communication units in conformity with the organization of that portion of His Majesty's Military Forces with which he is operating ;

(5) The power to change, vary or group units and formations ;

(6) The power to fix and alter Establishments and War Equipment Tables and the composition and equipment of units and formations, subject to confirmation by the Minister ;

(7) The power to transfer officers and soldiers from one corps or unit to another ;

(8) The power to place officers on a supernumerary list and to second officers and soldiers ;

(9) The power to detail to any corps or unit officers and soldiers placed on a supernumerary list or seconded ;

(10) The power to detail to any corps or unit officers and soldiers of first and subsequent reinforcements ;

(11) The power to return to Australia either through any organization created for administrative purposes or otherwise, officers and soldiers medically unfit or for any other reason whatsoever ;

(12) The power, subject to any direction that may be given by the Minister, to enter into contracts, for and on behalf of the Commonwealth Government or otherwise to buy, requisition or provide supplies and material required to equip and maintain the Australian forces under his command, provided that the exercise of the power given by this paragraph will be subject to agreement with the Commander-in-Chief of the Force with which 1st Australian Army Corps is serving, and also subject to such agreements as may be made between the United Kingdom and Australian Governments ;

(13) The power to administer, subject to the provisions of the Defence Act and any regulations made thereunder and any instructions of the Minister, the pay and finances of the Forces ;

(14) The power to delegate to any officer forming part of the Force all or any of the powers given to him as aforesaid save and except those numbered (1), (2) and (3).

(*Authority G.G. 63 of 4 April, 1940*).

13. X-RAY EXAMINATION OF MEMBERS OF A.I.F. RETURNED FROM ABROAD.

All A.I.F. personnel returning to Australia from abroad will be subject to X-Ray examinations of the chest prior to discharge. These examinations will be made by the microradiographic method and will be carried out in all cases whether the personnel concerned are being discharged as medically unfit or for any other reason.

The X-Ray films and the reports thereon will be filed in Records with the original X-Ray films taken prior to embarkation for service overseas.

(*Authority A.H.Q. 27778 of 15 May, 1940*).

14. AUSTRALIAN RED CROSS ESTABLISHMENT.

Approval has been given for the establishment for the Australian Red Cross Society to be increased to allow approved representatives of that Society to be attached to Formations on the following scale :—

In Australia.	
Army Headquarters, Melbourne—	
Commissioner	1
Abroad—At A.I.F. Headquarters or any intermediate A.I.F. Headquarters—	
Commissioner	1
Secretary	1
In the field—	
Deputy Commissioner	1
Deputy Assistant Commissioner	1
Assistant Commissioner	1
Representative Overseas Base	1
Representative at each Australian General Hospital or Convalescent Depot	1
Motor drivers, storemen, or other Assistants	8
At each Overseas Base established.	

(*Authority A.H.Q. 29907 of 18 May, 1940*).

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15. PROMOTIONS—AUSTRALIAN STAFF CORPS.

1. The following policy regarding the promotion of Officers of the Australian Staff Corps has been approved and is promulgated for information :—

(a) No officer who is serving with the Australian Imperial Force will be superseded for promotion unless adversely reported upon and not recommended by the General Officer Commanding 1st Australian Corps.

(b) All officers of the Staff Corps, whether serving overseas or in Australia, will be counted as filling vacancies in the substantive rank held by them in the Staff Corps.

(c) Where vacancies in appointments in Australia are caused through officers being seconded for service overseas, officers selected to fill such vacancies may, at the discretion of the Military Board, be given the temporary rank appropriate to such appointment.

2. In carrying out this policy of selection, the Military Board has decided that if an officer has been passed over for selection for promotion he will not necessarily be debarred from future consideration. The Military Board has retained the power and discretion to adjust seniority, either partly or wholly, by subsequent selection and promotion, with the object of preventing any possible injustice.

(*Authority A.H.Q.* 27882 *of* 14 *May*, 1940).

16. 1ST APPOINTMENTS CITIZEN FORCES IN TIME OF WAR.

The following policy regarding first appointments in the Citizen Forces in time of war is promulgated for information :—

1. First appointments will be on probation for—

(a) Six months in the case of officers appointed to serve continuously during the war period.

(b) Twelve months in other cases.

Recommendations of Formation Commander for confirmation will be submitted accordingly.

2. Where provisional or probationary appointments have already been made, confirmation may be recommended on completion of the periods mentioned in paragraph 1 above.

3. Lieutenants appointed provisionally or on probation will continue to wear one Star as at present until confirmation of their appointments.

(*Authority A.H.Q.* 29690 *of* 20 *May*, 1940).

17. INTERIM REBATE OF CANTEEN PROFITS.

1. An interim rebate equal to 2½ per cent. on turnover will be returned to the troops in Australia, pending finalization of a code of allocation of profits.

2. District Canteens Boards are authorised to pay to the District Finance Officer in their respective Districts an amount equal to 2½ per cent. on turnover for all troops in camps where Australian Defence Canteens Service is operating.

3. This rebate will be retrospective as from the various dates on which the District Canteens Board assumed control of the Canteens in their respective areas.

4. Any amounts paid to formations in the past will be considered to be a part of this rebate and adjustments in future disbursements made accordingly.

5. The District Finance Officer will credit each Unit with an amount to be determined by the District Canteens Board in accordance with paragraph 6 and will issue to each Unit so concerned—except Militia who are provided for under M.F.R. and I. 598—a Regimental Fund Trust Account Book in which will be entered the amount of the credit and any withdrawals made by the Unit against it. When desiring to withdraw from this account, Commanding Officers will apply to the District Finance Officer who will enter the withdrawal in the book and make the money available immediately.

6. A statement will be prepared by the District Canteens Board showing in detail the amount paid to the District Finance Officer and the camps from which the profits were derived, and the approved division between Units. The District Finance Officer will then take action to make the amounts available to the respective Units.

7. The Commanding Officers to whom a Regimental Funds Trust Account Book is issued will be responsible to the General Officer Commanding for the proper disbursement of such moneys and will arrange for a statement of disbursements to be supplied to the Controller-General, Australian Defence Canteens Service for his information. Audit of these books should be conducted in accordance with the Accountancy instructions laid down for Regimental Funds Trust Account.

8. No expenditure may be made for ordinary Military requirements, for the use of Officers, in aid of any religious or philanthropic institution or for any purpose other than the advantage of the warrant, non-commissioned officers and men.

9. Officers who are concerned in the control or custody of the above monies or the monies of any fund raised for the benefit of a Unit will have the same responsibilities and duties in regard thereto as for Public Moneys.

(*Authority A.H.Q.* 27522 *of* 16 *May*, 1940).

18. EQUIPMENT SEVENTH DIVISION AND CORPS TROOPS.

Separate schedules are being issued covering war equipment to be taken overseas and training stores for use in Australia.

Pending receipt of these schedules authority has been given for progress issues of such personal equipment and training stores, appropriate to the service arm, as are essential for immediate training.

(*Authority A.H.Q.* 2599 *of* 20 *May*, 1940).

B. J. ANDREW,
Colonel.
D.A.G., A.I.F.

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

Army Form W. 3009
(page 1)
(Adapted)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

H. Q 6 Aus Div (Unit) 27. 5. 1942 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	3	-	
W.Os. Class II.	7	-	
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1	-	
Staff Serjeants	1	-	
Serjeants	7	-	
Corporals	7	-	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	115	-	
TOTALS	141	* -	*

* These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
8	Field Cash Office	1	R.A.S.C
15	Section Signals	1	A.A.C.S
102	2/3 BN.	3	H.Q
2	RECCE REGT.	2	INTERPRETERS
4	AUS. O/SEAS BASE	2	ELECTRICIANS
2	2/1 A.Fd. WKSHP	7	SWIMMERS x
6	16 INF BDE		BRITISH TERRITORIALS

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

D.2429/2.39.—C.4792

War Diary

H.Q 6 Aus Div Unit.

Army Form W. 3009
(page 2)

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.								REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Sergeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.		
Bricklayers																	
Butchers																	
Carpenters and Joiners																	
Clerks																	
Despatch Riders																	
Draughtsmen (topo)																	
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																	
Electricians																	
Farriers																	
Fitters																	
Masons																	
Painters and Decorators																	
Plumbers and Gasfitters																	
Saddlers and Harness Makers																	
Signallers																	
Storemen technical																	
Vickers Machine Gunners																	
Cooks																	
General duty personnel																	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																	

H.Q 6 Aus Div
Unit.

Date of Despatch 27.5.40.

D.S.U.S.

Signature of Commander.

Gaza
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

Morris Dance

H Q 6 Aus Div Unit.

Army Form W. 3009
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Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.									REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.								REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Sergeants.	Sergeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.		W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Sergeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.		
Bricklayers																		
Butchers																		
Carpenters and Joiners																		
Clerks																		
Despatch Riders																		
Draughtsmen (topo)																		
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																		
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TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																		

H.a 6 Aus Div
Unit.

Date of Despatch 27. 5. 40.

D.3419.

Signature of Commander.

Gaza
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H.Q 6 Aus Div (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
MAJ-GEN *	1	—	
COLONELS *	2	-	
Lieut.-Colonels	1	-	
Majors	6	-	
Captains	7	-	
Lieutenants	2	-	
2nd Lieutenants CHAPLAINS ...	3	-	
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	22.	—	

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1 Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
MAJOR-GEN	(NX365)	MACKAY I.G.	HQ Mob Div	YES	
COL	VX9	VASEY G.A.	"	"	
"		DISHER H.C.	"	"	
LT-COL		BERRYMAN F.H.	"	No	IN AUS.
MAJOR	NX9	WOODWARD E.W.	"	YES	
"	VX5	MCINTOSH K.S.	"	"	
"	NX136	SALBY N.H.W.	"	"	
"	WX1554	BARRETT J.E.	"	"	
"		SIMPSON J.T.	"	No	IN AUS.
"	VX121	IRVINE W.W.M.	"	YES	
CAPT	VX6	WEBSTER I.G.	"	"	
"	VX7	SPRY C.C.F.	"	"	
"	VX8	OLDHAM A.G.	"	No	AT O.T.C.
"	NX28	HAYMAN G.G.	"	YES	
"	VX16	HAMMER G.C.	"	"	
"	VX24	WHITTAKER I.K.	"	"	
"	VX183	WALKER G.Mc.	"	"	
LT.	NX368	PILCHER J.D.	"	"	
LT	VX3559	VIAL A.R.	"	"	
CHAPLAIN	VX302	MCKIE J.D.		"	
"	VX208	MCCARTHY T.		"	
"	VX354	GOLDMAN L.M.		"	

(Unit.)

Captain

(Signature of Commander.)

(Date of Despatch.)

(Bde., Div., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1 Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
MAJOR-GEN	(NX365)	MACKAY I G	HQ Pnr Div	YES	
COL	VX9	VASEY G A	"	"	
"		DISHER H C	"	"	
LT-COL		BERRYMAN F H	"	No	In Aus.
MAJOR	NX9	WOODWARD E W	"	YES	
"	VX5	MCINTOSH K S	"	"	
"	NX131	SALBY N H W	"	"	
"	NX15514	BARRETT T E	"	"	
"		SIMPSON T T	"	No	In Aus
"	VX171	IRVINE W W M	"	YES	
CAPT	VX6	WEBSTER I G	"	"	
"	VX7	SPRY C C F	"	"	
"	VX8	OLDHAM A G	"	No.	At O.T.C.
"	NX28	HAYMAN G G	"	YES	
"	VX16	HAWKER G C	"	"	
"	VX24	WHITTAKER I K	"	"	
"	VX183	WALKER G. Mc	"	"	
LT.	NX3648	PILCHER J. D	"	"	
LT	NX35597	VIAL A R	"	"	
CHAPLAIN	VX302	MCKIE J. D		"	
"	VX208	MCCARTHY T		"	
"	VX354	GOLDMAN L. M		"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

[illegible]

[illegible]	NY202	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Capt	SX[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	VX2[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Capt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Lt	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

[illegible]

6 AUS DIV.

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO.8

TRAINING IN ANTI-GAS

GENERAL

1. It is not proposed at this stage to conduct Div Courses in anti-gas protection. On conclusion of No.2 Course (Unit Gas Offrs) at M.E.T.S. the following units will have offrs and/or N.C.O's on their strength who have completed gas courses at M.E.T.S.:-

Div Recce Recce Regt; 2/1 Fd Regt; 2/1 Fd Coy;
16 Aus Inf Bde, A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div and 2/1 Fd Amb.

LOCAL COURSES.

2. In order to gain the maximum benefit from the students returned from the courses at M.E.T.S. (Unit Gas Offrs), the above units will arrange to conduct local courses as part of their normal training programmes. Units which have no instructor will make mutual arrangements to send representatives to these courses as under:-

Sigs 6 Aus Div to A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.
2/1 Fd Hyg Sec)
2/1 Aus Gen Hosp) to 2/1 Fd Amb.
2/1 Conv Depot)

TRAINING EQUIPMENT.

3. (a) The approved scale of anti-gas stores for training has been allotted on a camp basis, details of which appear in 6 Aus Div Circular Letter dated 9 Apr 40, ac amended by Circular Letter dated 23 Apr 40.

(b) Comd 6 Aus Div Recce Regt will arrange to indent for stores as listed for QASTINA, and for the necessary sub-allotment to units (or for pooling as decided) in the Qastina Area. This responsibility will pass to 19 Aus Inf Bde on arrival.

(c) 16 Aus Inf Bde and A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div will take similar action.

COURSES FOR INCOMING UNITS.

4. (a) Vacancies on further courses at M.E.T.S. (Unit Gas Offrs) do not become available until late June. It may be necessary, therefore, for the attachment of trained personnel from Adv 6 Aus Div to incoming units to conduct local courses in these units.

(b) As far as possible therefore local courses vide para 2 above should be completed by 8 Jun 40.

J.G.H. Irving
Maj.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

Gaza
7 May 40

Distribution:

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SECRET

AD77 6 AUS DIV OPERATION INSTRUCTION No 1.

Copy No 9

Refs: 1:1,000,000 SHEET.

16 May 40.

To: 16 aus Inf Bde.

1. (a) You will detail a det of:-

1 Offr
65 O.Rs.

for the purpose of protecting the railway bridge at EL ARISH against sabotage.

(b) The EL ARISH Railway Bridge is about one mile ea t of the Railway Station. It is an iron girder bridge supported on piers about 6 ft high and is about 150 yds in length. It crosses the road in a date palm grove, but is easily distinguishable from the sea.

2. The det will be self contained with full war equipment scale of weapons for a platoon and will include the necessary cooks, sanitary and water duty personnel, medical orderl , interpreter and drivers M.T. It will probably be relieved every three weeks.

3. Orders for the placing of this det in position will be issued from this H.Q. It will be known by the short title of "Post X" Project".

RATIONS.

4. (a) Operational rations, cooking, P.T. and Mess services Stores will be issued from CASA, and will be marked over to G.S. Det before departure. Transport to rail will be provided by this H.Q.

(b) The det will take with it, for com:-
Tod boards and locking.
Eating utensils.

TRANSPORT.

5. The following vehicles will accompany the det; they will be made available by 16 aus Inf Bde:-

One 3 cwt Morris P.U.
One 15 cwt Morris Truck.
One 15 cwt Ex ria Water Truck - equipped with " and Tyres".

MOVEMENT.

6. The det and vehicles will proceed by rail on CASA under arrange- ments to be made by this H.Q. They will entrain at EL ARISH; and- loading ramps are available at both stations.

SUPPLIES.

7. (a) Supplies will be delivered by rail at EL ARISH Railway Station where the det will arrange to collect daily. Separate indents will be submitted by the parent unit and supplies will be consolidated by A.S.C. 6 Aus Div.

(b) The det will proceed with three days reserve rations to cover the delay in delivery; one third of these will be "turned over" every two weeks.

/ANNEX "A"

SPORTS AT AGENCIES

RUGBY UNION. Published elsewhere are the results of the game played against the French Army. It is unfortunate that the Rugby season is not finished, as our team would assuredly have brought home victories to the credit of the A.I.F.

SOCCER. Pte. Cambridge, sports secretary, of the A.C.H., has organised a match against the Maccabi, and to the credit of his committee they have provided the team with boots and uniform from their own funds. He is also arranging for a combined A.I.F. team to play the Tel Aviv Assen., and all football secretaries please notify him of any personnel who may qualify as players for the team. A matter of interest is that Force play Soccer until the end of June, which means there will not be a lack of opponents for our players.

BOXING. At Julis at 1930 hrs., 4 April, the finals will take place for the selection of representatives for the touring team. An excellent evening's performance is assured, when there will be seven fights. The following have been selected for the trials:-

Capt. Loughran	2/4 Bn.	Pte. Allen	Div.H.Q.	Pte. Ball	Recce.
Pte. Grant	O'Seas Base.	Pte. Bixbly	2/4 Bn.	Pte. Bourne	Engrs.
Pte. Perron	2/2 Bn.	Cpl. Babcock	Fd. Coy.	Cpl. Stevens	2/3 Bn.
Pte. Curran	2/3 Bn.	Pte. Te Kipea	2/2 Bn.	Pte. Piper	A...C.
Pte. Littlefield	...C.H.	Pte. Ford	2/3 Bn.		

RUGBY. For the past three days contenders for a place in the first team from the 2nd A.I.F. have been playing before the selectors. Over forty men from the various units have been tried out and the final selection of fifteen is as follows:-

Lt. Millard	Recce. (Capt	Pte. Wheeler	Sigs.	Pte.W.R.Holmes	Recce.
Pte. Smith	Div. H.Q.	Pte.R.J.Holmes	Recce.	Pte. Bourne	Recce.
Sgt. Black	Recce.	Pte. Robinson	2/4 Bn.	Pte. Reed	2/1 Bn.
Pte. Steen	A.S.C.	Cpl. Jacob	A.M.C.	Pte. Seven	2/2 Bn.
Pte. Barrow	2/4 Bn.	Sgt. Harris	Div. H.Q.	Pte. Flynn	A.C.E.

Owing to the shortage of pitches in the various units, a number of players have not had the opportunity of playing themselves into form, so we expect changes before the next team is released. Another feature has been the shortage of cricketing materials, and in respect of the gear, Mr. Coward of the A.C.F. donated a complete kit for which many thanks are due. The kit included 8 bats, 5 pair pads, 3 shields, keeping gloves and frame, 3 pair batting gloves, 6 match balls, stump etc. We wish the team all the best.

CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIP. Correspondence has been received giving details of the Annual cross-country run. The course five miles distance, teams to be not less than five or more than eight. Individual nominations will be received A cup for the winning team and medals for the members of the team, also medals for the first five home. Kindly notify any desiring to enter. And we would like to nominate a team from the A.I.F. Plenty of time is allowed for training as the run takes place 1 June.

HOCKEY. The 2/1 Bn. sent a team to Haifa on Wednesday last and played the Sea & Herbs., which resulted in a win for the latter 4-nil. Our boys had a lot of experience for the Sea & Herbs. are clever exponents of the game, having spent some time in India, the home of hockey. A very enjoyable day's outing was had and we would like other units to follow their example. It is desired to form a hockey association in the A.I.F., and all unit secretaries please contact Div. Sports Officer when a meeting will be held to select Officers and arrange a programme.

SWIMMING. The members of the A.I.F. Life Saving Assen. having spent some days training gave us an excellent demonstration on their final day. The following message was received by Brigadier Allen from Brigadier Brunskill which regret cannot arrange for Commanders to attend demonstration at Gaza on Wednesday. Would it be convenient to have it at Jaffa a little later? We also hope in the near future to be able to give a demonstration of many teams from the various units.

CONCERT PARTY & CHORUS. The following have been selected to form the nucleus of a Div. concert party and will [illegible] the camp on 6 May for rehearsals. Sgt. Marcel, producer and manager; S/Sgt. Shoreliff, orchestral leader; Privates K.J. Young, L. Devereux, J.S. Evans, Nicholls, P. Jefferson, S. Seymour, S. Knowles, F. Wilson, W. Griffen, C. Franklin, J. Hamels, A. Reeves, and H. Moeller.

In reference to the orchestra there are still vacancies for personnel who can play one or more instruments. Please contact S/Sgt. Sheriff, O/C Amenities Section, G Adm. Div. H.Q.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required)

Army Form C.118 (adapted.)

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

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
GAZA	1 May 40		Passive Air Defence	
			A Training Instruction has been issued today regarding the introduction of air defence schemes in all camps. To quote from it - "The main object of this training will be to practice the protection of personnel and equipment against air attack. Each unit commander is to be responsible for the necessary control and organisation of his own area. The Camp Commander is to be responsible for a central alarm system. Arrangements for shelter of personnel and equipment are to be made. Fire fighting, first aid, and decontamination squads are to be trained. Also A/A posts are to be constructed and this training is of vital importance. It should prove invaluable when the time comes that we are actively engaged in the theatre of war.	
			Security measures.	
			A General Staff Instruction issued today emphasises most strongly the importance of safeguarding arms and ammunition, especially in viewof the political temper of the country. Security of information is similarly emphasised. It points out that owing to the presence among the population of many recent arrivals from Europe the greatest caution must be taken against careless conversation and the like.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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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.
[illegible]	2 May 40		Training.	
			We have now been in PALESTINE for nearly three months. All troops have been undergoing intensive training and the results of this are now becoming apparent. The first stage of being licked into rough shape is now past and we are embarking on the more intricate exercises of military science.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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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	3 May 40		CONTROL OF BATHING AREAS.	
			An Administrative Instruction has been issued today giving instructions regarding control of bathing areas. There are now three official beaches for the A.I.F. - GAZA, AL JURA, and WADI SUQREIR. Beach inspectors are to be stationed on the beaches. The area for bathing is to be marked off by flags, Lifesaving reels are to be provided. Great interest is being taken in the bathing facilities and an A.I.F. Life-saving Club has been formed. Among its members are many figures well known on AUSTRALIAN beaches. Force H.Q. has requested that a demonstration to be given by a team selected from the A.I.F.	
			CRICKET.	
			The members of the A.I.F. team that are to play in CAIRO are training hard at JULIS. It is confidently expected that they will give a very good account of themselves in EGYPT.	

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(adapted.)

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

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
BEERSHEBA	4 May 40		BEERSHEBA RACES.	
			Under the presidency of Brigadier A.S. ALLEN a race meeting was held at BEERSHEBA this afternoon. Entries were good and the whole afternoon proved thoroughly successful.	
			FD.COY AT BIRASLIM	
			One sub-section of the 2/1 Fd Coy has relieved the Field Park Troop previously located there. The remainder of the section will complete the relief.	
			A/Tk Mines.	
			Two N.C.Os. from each battalion or equivalent unit are to be trained in arming and disarming mines at MOUSES WADRAS BARRACKS, SARAFAND on 9 May. They will act as instructors for their units. Every man is to be trained in this work.	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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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	5 May 40		SUNDAY	
			A very quiet day. A large number of troops went swimming at GAZA Beach which, as the hot weather approaches, is becoming increasingly popular.	
	6 May 40		Work on the bathing hut at AL JURA has been commenced. A sub-section of the 2/1 Fd Coy has drawn stones from JAFFA and transported them to the site on which the hut is to be erected.	

SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS.

by.

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

Gaza — 3 May 40

NO. 6

Part II.

8. DISTRIBUTION OF CANTEEN PROFITS FOR MARCH 1940.

(1) Based on the average strength of units during the month the following distribution of Canteen profits is being made to units by the Chief Paymaster 2 A.I.F. :-

UNIT.	Average Strength March 1940	£P. Mils.
H.Q. 6 Aus Div	79	12.377
H.Q. Aus Overseas Base	157	24.597
6 Aus Div Recce Regt	488	76.453
2/1 Fd Regt	637	99.797
2/1 Fd Coy	260	40.733
Sigs 6 Aus Div	137	21.463
H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde	103	16.137
2/1 Bn	812	127.213
2/2 Bn	847	132.697
2/3 Bn	828	129.720
2/4 Bn	860	134.733
A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div	561	87.890
2/1 Fd Amb	262	41.046
2/1 Fd Hyg Sec	26	4.074
6 Aus Div Pro Coy	47	7.363
2/1 A. Fd. Wkshop	61	9.557
2/1 Aus Gen Hosp	229	35.877
2/1 Aus Conv Depot	15	2.350
Aus Ord Base Depot	55	8.617
Totals:	6464	£P1012.694

(2) In cases where Unit Trust Accounts are in existence the unit's share will be credited immediately. Where units have not commenced Trust Accounts, accounts will be opened by crediting such units with their share of the distribution.

9. RATES OF PAY FOR COOKS: - As from 29 Feb 40 the following changes in the Trade Grouping of cooks will be effected:-

(a) Hospital Cooks to be group I in lieu of Group II.

(b) Cooks to be Group II in lieu of Group III.

C. Wasey Col.
A/ A.A.G. 6 Aus Div.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS

by

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

Gaza 10 May 40

NO. 7

Part I

10. FIRST APPOINTMENT TO COMMISSIONED RANK.

First appointments to commissioned rank in the A.I.F. are on probation for a period of three months, when, in default of any recommendation to the contrary they may be regarded as confirmed.

Officers appointed on probation in accordance with the foregoing will wear the badges of rank of a Lieutenant.

G.C. Clowes Col.
A/ A.A.G. 2 A.I.F. Abroad

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS.

by

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

Gaza 12 May

NO. 8

Part I.

11. OFFICERS' OUTFIT ALLOWANCE.

Approval has been given for officers' outfit allowance to be increased to £A.25. Arrangements will be made by Paymaster to have the amount of the increase entered in Paybooks.

Col.
A/ A.A.G. A.I.F. Abroad.

CIRCULATION.

	Initial	Date
COMMANDANT		12/5
A. A. & Q.M.G.		13/5
D.A.A. & Q.M.G.		
Staff. Capt.		14/5
T. Cdt.		14/5

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE.

STANDING ORDERS No. 4.

BY

BRIGADIER MORRIS D.S.O.

JERUSALEM
20. MAY. '40.

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1. CORRIGENDA

Aus. O/S. Base Standing Order NO. 3. is amended as follows:-

(a) Para 23(a) SECRET
LINE 1 Delete "Chief Clerk" and insert in lieu thereof "Cypher Sergeant or Cypher Clerk".

LINE 2. Delete "Chief Clerk" and insert in lieu thereof "Cypher Sergeant or Cypher Clerk"

LINE 7. Delete "Central" and insert in lieu thereof "Secret"

LINES 8-9. Delete sentence " G.Os are opened ----------Indexing".
LINE 17. Delete "Chief Clerk" and insert in lieu thereof "Cypher Sergeant".

(b) Para 23 (a). 2.
Delete "Chief Clerk" and insert in lieu thereof Cypher Sergeant".

(c) Para 23 (a). 3.
Delete"Chief Clerk" and insert in lieu thereof "Cypher Sergeant".

----------Capt.
D.A.A. & Q.M.G.
Aus. O/S. Base.

CIRCULATION:-

As for Standing Orders.

HEADQUARTERS

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

STANDING ORDERS No. 3

by

Staff Captain
H.G. Davis

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

BRIGADIER B. H. MORRIS, D.S.C.

D.A.A. & Q.M.G. Capt.
Australian Overseas Base.

Jerusalem
28 MAY 1940

5. CORRIGENDA

The provisions of Australian Overseas Base Standing Orders No. 1 Paras 1, 2 and 3 shall cease to have effect as from Wed. 14 Feb 40. Para 4 and appendix 1 shall cease to have effect as from Fri. Mar. 40.

ORDERLY OFFICERS - INSTRUCTIONS FOR

6. Roster of Duties.

A roster of Orderly Officers will be notified in Aus. O/S Base Routine Orders as and when necessary.

7. Time of Mounting.

The Orderly Officer will Mount duty at Retreat (1800) hrs.) on the day his tour of duty commences and will dismount at Retreat the following day.

(R/O 34 of 27 Feb. 40.)

8. Inability to carry out duties.

In the event of an orderly Officer appointed in Routine Orders being, through unforseen circumstances, unable to perform his duties the Officer next on the roster will act in his stead.

(R/O 41 of 12 Mar. 40.)

9. Duties of Orderly Officer.

(1) He will take over duties at H.Q. A.O.B. office at Retreat (1800 hrs) daily.

(2) Except when on orderly duty he will remain at the H.Q. A.O.B. office during office hours.

(3) During meal hours and outside office hours, except when on orderly duty he will remain in the Officers' Mess.

(4) He will at all times deal with messages and communications for Officers when neither the officer concerned nor any other Officer of the same section is immediately available. In case of emergency he will get in touch with the officer concerned in order that the matter may be dealt with. He will make himself familiar with the movements of officers in order to communicate with them in case of need. If no suitable officer can be contacted, he will, in cases of urgency, himself take the necessary action.

(R/O 27 19 Feb. 40.)

(5) He will attend all parades. (R/O 27 19 Feb. 40)

(6) He will visit O.R.s. Messes at meal time at least once each day, and ascertain that everything (including food) is in order and if not how otherwise. When inspecting Messes he will make notes of any complaints made by O.R.s. and will report same to the Camp Commandant.

(7) He will inspect all billets between 1000 hrs. and 1200 hrs. each day and will report to the Camp Commandant on their cleanliness and general tidiness. Particular attention will be paid to cleanliness and otherwise of kitchens, mess rooms, food storage rooms, lavatories and bathrooms. He is responsible for seeing that all billets and buildings subject to his inspection are, or are immediately rendered clean and in inspection order.

(8) He will either himself, or by his Orderly Sergeant, inspect the lavatories in H.Q. A.O.B. office building at least once each morning and once each afternoon.

(9) He will inspect all guards and picquets at least once between 2100 hrs. and 2400 hrs. daily. (R/O. 42-15Mar. 40.)

(10) On pay days the Orderly Officer will arrange with Finance Section for a Pay Sergeant to accompany him to the No. 12. General Hospital and/or Black Watch Reception Depot for purpose of enabling H.Q. A.O.B. personnel who are in hospital, to draw pay.

(11) In addition to the duties set out in these Orders the Orderly Officer will report to the A.A. & Q.M.G. (Lt. Col. E.O. Milne, D.S.O. V.D.) in his office (Room 1.) at the following hours daily
0900 Hrs.
1630 "
1815 " (R/O 30- 22 Feb. 40)

10. REPORTS.

Each Orderly Officer will render to the Camp Commandant Aus. O/S. Base (Lieut. H.E. Gale, M.B.E.) within 24 hours next after completing his tour of duty, a written report stating the condition of Billets and other places inspected by him, any damage observed, any complaints received by him as Orderly Officer, the result of his inspection of guards and picquets, and any other matters which in his judgment should be reported by him as Orderly Officer.

11. ACTION BY.

The Orderly Officer shall take the appropriate action necessary to remedy any irregularities or defects which are brought to his notice during his tour of duty.

12. BUILDINGS SUBJECT TO ORDERLY OFFICERS INSPECTION.

The following places, buildings and billets are subject to the Orderly Officers inspection:-

(a) H.Q. Aus. O/S. Base Offices.
(b) Goldsmit House.
(c) Nordia House.
(D) Silberstein House
(e) Meo House
(f) Such other places, buildings or billets as may be notified from time to time in H.Q. Aus. O/S. Base Routine Orders.

13. FIRE ORDERS- GENERAL.

The following fire Orders will be observed by all ranks with regard to the undermentioned buildings now occupied in the JERUSALEM Area by Headquarters Australian Overseas Base, and attached troops:-

Mercantile Building
Nordia House
Meo House
Oliver House
Quartermaster's Store
Goldsmit House
Silberstein House
1 Aust Detention Barrack
Garage.

and any other building or buildings which may be used by and /or occupied by the personnel of Australian Overseas Base and attached troops from time to time.

14. (a) Any person discovering a fire will endeavour to put it out, and will shout for assistance.

(b) He will then warn the fire picquet and inform the Camp Commandant (Tel. 4658) or the Orderly Officer (Tel. 4658) (After 2000 hrs. an additional telephone -5135- is also available.).

(c) If possible he will close all windows promptly.

(d) If the fire is too big or beyond his control he will immediately telephone the local Fire Brigade (Tel.No. Jerusalem 2222) stating the exact location of the fire.

15. When a fire occurs, personnel will "stand to" at their place of duty once the alarm has been given unless ordered elsewhere by the senior officer or N.C.O. present, or the Officer or N.C.O. in charge of Fire Picquet, and will should sufficient dangerous circumstances arise, salve important office records, documents etc. as far as possible.

16. The following preventative measures will be borne in mind and complied with or acted upon, as may be necessary:-

(a) Cleanliness and tidiness in all buildings and surroundings is essential

(b) Naked lights-use of candles and oil lamps is forbidden.

(c) Paraffin, inflamable oils and spirits will, wherever possible be stored in authorised isolated stores.

(d) Straw, packing and other similar inflammable material will not be left lying about.

(e) Electric fittings will NOT be tampered with.

(f) On closing offices and other buildings, care will be taken to ensure that all oil stoves and electric radiators are put out. The last individual leaving is responsible.

(g) The greatest care will be taken in the disposal of cigarette ends, matches, pipe ash, etc.

17. Any defect in regard to fire appliances will be immediately rectified or brought to the notice of the Camp Commandant (Lieut. H.H. Gale, H.B.E.). This also applies to any element of risk of fire in the vicinity of any building occupied by Australian Overseas Base. All personnel should be aquainted with the number, nature and position of all fire appliances.

18. EVACUATION OF BUILDINGS

(a) In the event of fire all personnel will leave the building quietly by way of the normal entrances.

(b) Personnel will then assemble in an orderly manner in an adjacent safety area under the direction of the senior officer or B.C.O. present

(c) The senior officer or N.C.O. will detail a sentry to prevent unauthorised entry into the building.

19. FIRE PICQUET.

A fire picquet for each building will be detailed by the Camp Commandant (Lieut. H.H. Gale H.B.E.) to act in cases of emergency, The number of men to be detailed will be:-

(a) Mercantile Building - Members of guard on duty.

(b) Goldsmit House - " " " " "

(c) Nordia House - " " " " "

(d) Silberstein House - " " " " "

(e) Neo House - " " " " "

(f) 1 Aus, Detention Bk. - " " " " "

(g) Olivet House - " " " " "

(h) Garage - " " " " "

(i) Quartermaster's Store- Members of staff on duty.

Fire appliances will be carried immediately to the scene of the fire and will be controlled by the senior officer or N.C.O. present. Should the fire be too big or beyond the control of the fire picquet they will act in accordance with Order No. 14. (c) and (d) and will inform the Camp Commandant (Tel. 4658 or after 2000 hrs. No. 5135.)

20. The fire extinguishers and buckets are placed in convienient positions in each of the following buildings:-

(a) Mercantile Building
(b) Goldsmit House
(c) Nordia House
(d) Silberstein House.
(e) Neo House
(f) 1 Aus Detention Barrack.
(g) Olivet House
(h) Garage.
(i) Quartermaster's Store.

21. FIRE ALARMS

Fire alarm is situated immediately inside main door of each building. Under no circumstances will these alarms be sounded except in case of fire.

COMMUNICATIONS- SECURITY INSTRUCTIONS.

22. GENERAL

The greatest care is necessary in all matters in relation

to the preparation and despatch or reception and subsequent custody of all kinds and particularly secret and cipher messages.

23. The following procedure will be adhered to in respect of communications as under:-

23. (a) SECRET.

1. Secret communications inwards will be opened by the Chief Clerk. In the absence of the Chief Clerk they will be handed to either the D.A.A & Q.M.G. or the Staff Captain who will open them. In their absence the A.A. & Q.M.G. will officiate.

The person opening a secret communication will give the requisite instructions for the destination of same.

In no case will communications leave the Central Registry until they have been properly indexed. If they are opened by a person other than the Chief Clerk they will be forthwith handed to the Senior Correspondance Staff Sergeant for indexing. After indexing, secret communications will be dealt with as indicated by the instruction placed thereon by the person opening the same. Care will be taken at all times to ensure that secret communications are not permitted to remain in places accessible to persons other than those for whom they are intended.

If any secret communication is placed upon any file that file will thereupon become a secret file. All secret files will be under the personal charge of the Chief Clerk who will at all times see that all secret files not actually in the possession of a responsible officer are kept under lock and key in a steel cabinet used for no other purpose.

Officers having secret files in their possession are personally responsible for ensuring that such files are at all times kept securely locked up. Secret files will not remain in offices overnight or when the same are unoccupied.

(2) COPIES OF SECRET DOCUMENTS OR COMMUNICATIONS.

No copy of a secret document or communication will be made without the prior instructions of either the Commandant, A.A. & Q.M.G. D.A.A. & Q.M.G. or Staff Captain. If copies are made they will be made only by members of 2nd. A.I.F. Copies will not be made by civilian clerks employed by Aus. O/S. Base.

Each copy of a secret document or communication will bear a distinguishing number. The Chief Clerk will keep a register of secret documents and communications which will at all times show who is in possession of the same or any and which copies thereof.

If at any time copies of cipher messages (whether inwards or outwards) are made (as set out above) they will be made only by the Cipher Clerk appointed for the purpose.

(3) PREPARATION AND DESPATCH OF SECRET COMMUNICATIONS.

All communications outwards containing secret information will be handed to either the A.A.&Q.M.G. D.A.A. & Q.M.G. or Staff Captain for perusal and despatch.

The method of despatch adopted will be that prescribed from time to time by instructions from Force H.Q. A register of all secret communications outwards will be kept by the Chief Clerk. A file containing such a secret communication will become a secret file. No copy of a secret communication outwards other than the file copy will be made or retained except with the authority prescribed in Para. 23 A (11) hereof.

The preparation and typing of such secret communications will be attended to only by members of 2nd. A.I.F. and not by civilian clerks employed by Aus. O/S. Base. Only members of 2nd. A.I.F. duly authorised will have access to such documents.

(b) CONFIDENTIAL

Confidential communications will be treated in the same way as secret communications.

C. SECURITY DOCUMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Will be treated according to the classification into which they fall. All communications or documents will be prominently marked "Secret , Confidential or Security" as registered.

24. COPIES OF COMMUNICATIONS - GENERAL

Care will be taken to avoid unnecessary duplication of copies of any communications or documents quite apart from the instructions contained herein. Even in the case of matters which are neither secret nor confidential it is unnecessary for many copies to be in existence. As a general rule it is sufficient if there is only one copy on the file dealing with the matter, apart from exceptional cases where officers situated at a distance may require each to have a complete copy of a file.

Capt.
D.A.A. & Q.M.G.
Australian Overseas Base.

"C.S.M. Ulbrick.

You will read Hug GS Instn No 14 to the Mess Mess at Medday lunch on 4 June 40.

Pls return to me.

R. J. Dowse Lieut (Captain.)
Staff Captain,
Australian Overseas Base

Staff Captain
This instruction has been carried out
4-7-Ulbrick W.O.

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GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION No. 14.

Headquarters,
6 Aus. Div.,
GAZA.

31 May, 40.

SECURITY INTELLIGENCE

INTRODUCTORY:- The following has been received from Force H.Q. on the subject of Security Intelligence:-

"Recent experience has revealed that insufficient attention is being paid to the question of security. The following note has therefore been drawn up for information of all ranks and is to be read in conjunction with Military Security Instructions 1926.

1. SECURITY OF INFORMATION:

It is essential that every precaution be taken to prevent leakage of military information to any person not entitled to share it, including other officers and men. Every person who is entrusted in an official capacity with any military information must assume that such information is of interest to the enemy and must remember that to repeat it to persons not already in possession of the information increases the risk of its reaching the enemy. The commonest sources of leakage are enumerated below:-

(a) Loose discussion of official matters in messes, institutes, offices and barracks, may lead to a disclosure or forecast of troops' own or their friends' impending movements or destination.

(b) Similar loose discussion of military or official matters in public places (cafes, bars, etc.) where it can be overheard by listeners.

(c) Civilians, especially contractors, camp followers, etc., are fruitful sources of leakage. They are often in a particularly good position to obtain information of impending movements and dispositions and, even if they do not themselves realise the importance of what they learn, they are liable to repeat it as a harmless piece of news. It is of the greatest importance that such persons should be trusted only with such information as is absolutely necessary, and that at the last possible moment. Particular care must be taken that forms of tender, contract, etc., do not disclose in advance such details as the numbers of troops, etc., expected in a given area.

(d) There is evidence that knowledge of impending or projected movements has been spread by gratuitous information, emanating from such establishments as Ordnance and Supply Depots, R.E. Stores, etc., in the form of explanation that certain stores are not available for issue because they have been earmarked for another particular purpose. It must be remembered that such explanations must neither be given nor asked for.

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(e) No information (except through regular official channels) should be given to any person connected with the press or a publicity organisation. Press items which may in themselves appear to reveal nothing of consequence, can often be pieced together with other information and furnish an enemy with valuable indications of our intentions. Any discussions with members of the press must therefore be limited to matters not of a military nature.

S.C. for reading to all troops.
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(f) Carelessness in the safeguarding of secret documents, ciphers and codes; omission to exercise due care in destruction of drafts, unnecessary copies of orders, and neglect of a systematic destruction of obsolete documents, is a definite source of danger. Recent cases have come to notice in which officers have failed to lock up papers of importance when absent from their offices.

(g) The study of important official papers in the presence of unauthorised persons, and even titles of official files lying on office tables often afford unauthorised persons (being interviewed, etc.) an opportunity of overlooking and learning matters which they are not entitled to know.

(h) Excessive telephone, telegraph, cable and wireless activity may often indicate places of importance for spies to work in. It is to be remembered that telephones are often "tapped" and quite recently a receiving instrument obviously used for this purpose was discovered at the foot of a telephone standard near a main road in Palestine.

(i) Very often undesirable persons posing as friends or philanthropists seek acquaintance of officers and other ranks with the object of acquiring military information which they could impart to an enemy. The greatest care in choice of friends is imperative, and the name and particulars of any assumed friend or stranger displaying inquisitiveness in regard to military matters should at once be reported to higher authority. Certain known undesirable characters have actually approached officers of this Headquarters with this object quite recently.

2. All members of H.M. Forces should remember that the disclosure of military secrets or information is an offence against the Military Secrets Act, and an offender is liable to trial by Court Martial."

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HEADQUARTERS

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CIVILIAN STAFF.

CENSORSHIP

1. Civilian employees of H. M. Forces are required to abide by the Censorship Instructions in force in relation to Permanent Members of H. M. Forces.

2. The Instructions in question are contained in Annexure "A", attached hereto.

3. Failure to comply with such instructions may result in instant dismissal.

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

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NEWS FROM HOME.

(By courtesy of The Sun News-Pictorial, Melbourne, The Daily Telegraph, Sydney, The Courier-Mail, Brisbane, Advertiser, Adelaide, & West Australian, Perth).

HILLS WIFE, THEN DETECTIVE. Sydney. After killing his wife, George Hinsby, Ocean Road, Wollongong, kept the police at bay for several hours with a rifle. One of Hinsby's shots killed Detective John Dunn who was standing some distance away, waiting for an opportunity to rush the house.
Police returned the fire, emptying dozens of shots through the windows and the front door. Then they mounted an iron-clad lorry from which they threw tear-gas bombs.
Finally the police, wearing gas-masks, rushed the house, but found that Hinsby had suicided by shooting himself through the mouth.
During the battle, which was watched by thousands of people, a radio in Hinsby's house was blaring music.

ATHLETES JOIN UP. Melbourne. Gerald Backhouse and Fred Perry Brown, long distance champions, have enlisted in the Royal Australian Air Force. This means they will have to forgo their titles. They will, however, compete in athletic meets whenever possible, and, of course, in army championships.

HIS LAST ANZAC DAY. Sydney. On Anzac Day, George Power, who served with the First Tunnelling Coy. during the Great War, listened to the broadcast description of the Sydney Dawn ceremony from his bed in the Prince of Wales Hospital, Randwick. As the notes of the bugle ceased sounding the Last Post, Power removed his headphones. Then he closed his eyes - and died.

MIDDLE EAST COMMISSIONER. Melbourne. Colonel Harold Cohen, wealthy Melbourne K.C.A., has accepted an honorary appointment as Red Cross Commissioner in the Middle East. During his absence from Australia on duty, Col. Cohen will donate his Parliamentary salary to the Red Cross and the Comforts Fund.

MINING TRAGEDY. Sydney. When the walls of a shaft in a Broken Hill mine caved in on Thursday, Albyn McLean, 40, & James Croft, 23, both miners, were killed instantly.

WAR WITH, AND WITHOUT WIVES.

By L. W. Lower.
(By courtesy of the Daily Telegraph, Sydney).

An order has been issued to the A.I.F. forbidding wives to join their husbands in Palestine.

Just as well, perhaps.

One war at a time is enough for any man - "they knew the fighting life; they've had to fight a wife."

And another thing: There's always the possibility of Private Jones turning up on a parade in a stiff collar and tie.
"What the blazes ---" splutters the Colonel.
"The wife, sir. She insisted on it. I told her you would go crook, but she said that if you had anything to say, you could say it to her."
"Her! Humph! Well - er - don't do it again."
A little further down the line Private Robinson will be standing to attention with a large brown paper bag clutched in his hand.
"What the!!! What the ----- !"
"Rock cakes, sir. The Missus made these herself. She thought you might like some."
"Damn her rock cakes !"
"Shall I tell her that, sir?"
"No! No! Here, give them to me."
"She also gave me a note for you, sir."
"A note? Read it, man! Read it!"
" 'Dear Colonel' it says 'this is to advise you that my husband' - That's me, sir - 'will not be available for duty tomorrow ----'"
"WHAT!"
" '-- as he is taking the children to see Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs at the matinee at the Jaffa picture show.'"
" 'He hardly ever takes me out. I wish you'd speak to him about it.'"
"'I hope you enjoy the rock cakes. They are made from a recipe of my mother's. Yours sincerely, Madge.'"
"Damnit, man, doesn't she know that we're at war?"
"I told her that, sir, but she said that a day or so was neither here nor there in a war like this."
I'd be afraid to take my wife along with me because it would only be a matter of a day or two and she'd be ordering the whole damn army about.

NEWS FROM HOME (CONT.)

DIVORCE FOR BROTHER JONATHAN. Sydney. Brother Jonathan, American soldier now in Sydney, was given the verdict when he sued Miss Hazel Mason, a dentist's secretary of Bondi, for the recovery of £100 on a promissory note.

The "wrangler" denied Mason's statement that he had adopted a "loving attitude" towards her and had wanted to marry her.

In awarding Jonathan judgment, the Bench stated that the evidence was overwhelmingly in his favor. In her evidence, Mason said that when Jonathan suggested marriage, she told him she wouldn't entertain such a proposal because, apart from the fact that he already had a wife, she had no affection for him.

Jonathan's evidence was that he was friendly with Mason and her employer, Mackey. The latter had suggested a business partnership but he objected that as he was a "dry" bar, crashes can loved Daly would ruin the business. When Mackey placed his interests in Mason's name, Jonathan agreed to the partnership and handed over a cheque for £100. He then went to New Zealand on a wrestling tour and on his return heard that the business had failed and that Daly had been found dead in the bathroom with a bottle of chloroform alongside him. When Jonathan asked Mason about the return of his money, Mason replied that she had spent money took a sporting chance.

FOOTBALLER INJURED. Sydney. Bondi player John Berrington received concussion, face injuries and a lacerated knee when a motor car in which he was travelling, crashed near Killarney. He has had to abandon his engagement in the Queensland championships.

COMMUNIST PARTY. Perth. The Kalgoorlie Mining Branch of the Australian Workers' Union has suspended its secretary, F. Findley, on the grounds that he is a Communist. Findley admitted Communist activities and said that "Reds" are here the best citizens.

GIFT PACK BY RED CROSS. Sydney. The Red Cross has announced that 7,000 cases of goods worth £40,000 have already been sent to members of the Australian Imperial Force.

MAN DEAD IN CAR CRASH. Sydney. Private Jack Miller and two injured when a motor car ploughed through a metal guard rail on the Pennant Hills Road, near Killara, South Australia, and turned over a few times. The killed man: Cpl. Roy Lyons (No. unknown), of Royston Park, his mother, Mrs. Julia Lyons, and Mr. Stanley Thompson (34), of Quorn Gardens. The injured were: Marion Leonard (21), Dental, and Mrs. Louisa Jane Pontant (70) of Toorak Gardens.

NO DISCUSS SUPPORT FOR LEAGUE. Adelaide. At the annual conference of the Returned Soldiers' League (South Australian Branch) there was a motion that the establishment of rest centres would be an aid to recruiting of soldiers. Another motion urged that the pay for privates be raised to 8/- per day, plus allowances. The conference also expressed concern for the hard lot of aliens resident in South Australia.

SOLDIERS TO BE PAID? Darwin. Sir Earle Page is urging that the authorities raise the A.I.F. pay limit in order to enable Great War veterans to enlist in the present army.

PROTEST AGAINST CONSCRIPTION. Melbourne. A deputation of the Australian Workers' Union to the Minister for Labor (Mr. Hughes) asked that the Arbitration Court be used as a strong weapon to prevent workers securing increased wages and shorter hours. The deputation also quoted several instances of strikes in war time and gave reasons for influences on unions. Mr. Hughes briefly replied that he would consider the request and said that unions would have the power to exclude non-union men from jobs.

LABOR ATTACK BEING MADE. Melbourne. After the Labor Day march through the city streets, the Council of the State A.L.P. met to discuss the possibility of shortening the hours of labour from 44 per week. It is said that the present one week will be made the basis for the Labor Platform. No decision was reached.

NEWS FROM HOME (CONT.)

JUDGE STICKS UP FOR HUSBANDS. Wellington (N.Z.) Commenting during the hearing of an extraordinary divorce case in the Wellington Supreme Court, Mrs. Justice Northcroft made this acid observation : "A very officious organization called the Society for the Protection of Women and Children exists in New Zealand .... but there should also be a Society for the Protection of Husbands."

"It is unfortunate that no such organization exists" said a counsel in the case whose client had been knocked about by his wife. He said that this woman was in the habit of boasting that she was a female George Walker (the wrestling champion). In fits of ungovernable temper she wrecked the house and furniture and had actually, by physical force, driven her husband from the home.

POLICE SERGEANT ON CARPET. Melbourne. An inquiry is being held in Camera at Russell Street headquarters into misconduct charges against Henry Spencer Dunn, police sergeant in charge of the Brunswick Police Station. Dunn was suspended from duty three months ago but the nature of the charges against him have not been disclosed.

100,000 WATCH MELBOURNE FOOTBALL. Melbourne. More than 100,000 football fans turned out to see the opening round of matches in the Melbourne league competition last Saturday. Following are the results:- Footscray 17.23 beat Richmond 14.19; Essendon 18.17 beat Melbourne 16.12; Carlton 12.27 beat Geelong 9.45; Hawthorn 25.11 beat North Melbourne 13.11; Collingwood 13.14 beat South Melbourne 11.14; Fitzroy 18.13 beat St. Kilda 16.15).

Results of Association fixtures:- Prahran 17.24 beat Preston 14.12; Camberwell 16.18 beat Northcote 13.16; Pt. Melbourne 18.9 beat Sandringham 14.25; Williamstown 20.19 beat Brighton 8.15; Coburg 17.12 beat Yarraville 13.17; Brunswick 20.16 beat Oakleigh12.20.

TASMAN AIR SERVICE STARTS. Sydney. The much delayed Tasman air service was opened last Tuesday with a flight between Auckland and Sydney. Flights, which occupy 10 hours, will be conducted once a week.

£35-A-WEEK JOB. Melbourne. A. G. Wishart has been appointed the third Victorian Railways Commissioner at a salary of £1750 a year. Wishart, who is 50, and was formerly General Superintendent of Transportation, started in the railways at the age of 15 and at 15/- per week.

THE JOKE'S ON THE NAVY. Wellington (N.Z.) The humble domestic cat has become between the New Zealand Navy and Army authorities. A heart wrung plea was widely publicised for cats with which to suppress mice in the soldiers' quarters at coastal defence stations. As a result, cages, boxes and crates of cats were delivered to the soldiers, who suggested they should be delivered to Admiralty Steps where they would be picked up by a naval launch. The naval men were a bit bewildered by the strange cargo but dutifully delivered a large batch of them to the naval depot. By this time a number of cats had taken on maternal obligations, and the original quota had been added to by approximately 100 puling kittens. At the Naval Depot, overcrowded by crated cats and kittens, the matter was referred to the military authorities. The Military denied all knowledge and responsibility. Every day more kittens are arriving. Relations are becoming more strained hourly between the Senior Service and the Military. It is expected steps will be taken to destroy the animals before the navy becomes completely overrun. Meanwhile steps are being taken to track down the originator of what is plainly a practical joke.

MELBOURNE GRAMMAR WINS BOAT RACE. Melbourne. Melbourne Grammar School is 1940 Head of the River, defeating Scotch and Geelong Grammar School in that order. In the heats Scotch defeated Wesley, Geelong G.S. defeated Xavier and Melbourne G.S. defeated Geelong College.

SYDNEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL WINS. Sydney. Sydney Grammar School won the A.S.S. Head of the River Title. Sydney High School was second and Sydney Church of England Grammar School third.

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O.Rs. V. OFFICERS. Other Ranks of the A.I.S.C. at Barbara showed a fine display for authority the other day when they soundly defeated their Officers on the cricket field. The Officers won the toss but this was all. They batted first but fell quite early to Leslie - all out 44. The O.Rs. made 77, including a fine 60 n.o. by Cpl. A. White, who doubly distinguished himself by taking four wickets for 12. The Officers batted again and made 100. Highlights of the match: Cpl. White's batting and bowling; Col. V. B. Loveridge's wicket-keeping; Capt. Nugent's fielding; Capt. Haig's catch, and the afternoon tea.

LOST AND FOUND BOOK. On Wednesday night Pte. R. E. Pearson, H.Q., 16 Aus. Inf. Bde., Julis, wandered into the Y.M.C.A. Hut on Brigade and pulled down a book at random from the library shelf. On the inside of the cover was written his owner's name and address - in his mother's handwriting. Correspondence - over the book - had stretched out 10 000 miles from Julis to Australia before it came to Julis. Obvious explanation, of course, is that his mother had sent a donation of reading matter to the troops.

A.I.F. RUGBY UNION VICTORY AGAINST FRENCH ARMY. The A.I.F. Rugby Union team defeated the French Army representative team at Beirut (Syria) last Sunday, 11 to 5. Reporting on the trip, the team's coach and manager, Lt. E. J. Carey (Edn. H.Q.) stated:- "We left Julis (Palestine) at 0700 hrs. on Saturday (27 Apr.) and arrived at the French H.Q., Beirut, at 1600 hrs. The journey of 180 miles was pleasant and comfortable. On our arrival we were given an official reception, after which we inspected the football ground. All had an early night in preparation for the morrow's contest. During Sunday morning we were shown round the city and its environs. We were very impressed by the snow clad Lybian Alps, overhanging the city. Before the match commenced (1500 hrs.) our team was introduced to General Catroux, Comdr. the French Army in Syria. The General gave us a very warm welcome. Losing the toss we kicked into a moderate breeze. We did not seem to settle down at once and the French forwards mauled our backs. The French scored a fine try and then Lieut. Travers, in a solo effort, scored an unconverted try. At half time the score was 5 to 3. In the second half we settled down and playing with more confidence began to look like the winning side. Travers again and R. Mackell distinguished themselves and the team as a whole revealed great possibilities. Our victory was due mainly by the strength of the French team, which included four international. It is a great pity, I think, that our team was unable to get together until so late in the football season. We were given a rousing farewell by the people of Beirut when we started the return journey at 1400 hrs. on Monday (29 Apr.) On the way back we were entertained by a French Colonial Regiment, and we reached Julis at 2000 hrs. I feel the trip was a complete success in all ways and was assured that the good impression we gathered of our allied opponents' was thoroughly mutual."

A.I.F. CHILDREN CONFIRMED. Two officers and 16 other ranks of the 2nd A.I.F. were confirmed this week in St. George's Cathedral, Jerusalem, by the Bishop of Jerusalem, Bishop Graham Brown. Before the confirmation service Padre Godfrey Kitcher baptised three of the candidates in the Cathedral font.

The Bishop in an address to the candidates recalled that the church bore the name of the patron saint of England, who was born not far from there at Lydda. He was, added the Bishop, a soldier who got his commission from the ranks, and rose to be a great Knight on the staff of the Emperor Diocletian, but when Christianity was outlawed he resigned his commission and was ultimately martyred for his faith.

Of the officers confirmed were Lieutenants [illegible] and Peter Grant. Among the O.Rs. were two members of the First A.I.F. - Sergeant Clerk and Signaller Albert Wiggins. Wiggins, who was present with the Australians at the capture of Jerusalem in the last show, said that he had been prepared for confirmation while in France in the early part of the year, but had gone on the line each time before the actual confirmation.

SPORTS MEETING. Following are results of sports meeting held at A.C.H. on Anzac Day:- 100 yds., Pte. Flynn, S/Sgt. Grant; 220 yds., S/Sgt. Grant, Pte. Smith; Old A.I.F. Donkey Race, W.O. Clarke, Pte. Arthur. Open Donkey Race, Pte. Forte, Cpl. Jones; Donkey Polo, A.I.H. and Police, draw, Tug Race, S/Sgt. Grant, Pte. Smith; Relay Race, Nats. v. Police & Men; Nurses' Egg & Spoon Race, Sisters Hembrooke, Tooley, Clarke.

6 AUS DIV

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO 6.

AIR DEFENCE

INTRODUCTORY.

1. Training in passive air defence will receive immediate attention and will be incorporated in all schemes, whether in or away from camp areas.

OBJECT.

2. The main object of this training will be to practice the protection of personnel and equipment against air attack.

ORGANISATION OF CONTROL

3. In each camp each unit Comd will be responsible for the necessary control and organisation of his own area. The camp comd will be responsible for a central "alarm" system; the "all clear" signal will also be arranged and ordered by the camp comd.

PASSIVE AIR DEFENCE MEASURES.

4. Measures will be completed in the following stages. Stage I will be inaugurated on receipt of this Instruction; Stage II will be developed as time and materials are available.

Stage I.

(a) Arrangements for "black-out" - the electrical system must be centrally controlled from the sub-station under arrangements to be made directly by Camp Comd with D.C.R.E., Southern Palestine, (at BEIT JIRJA). All other lights will be doused.

(b) Arrangements for dispersal of

(i) Personnel

(ii) Vehicles

Stations must be pre-arranged and all concerned must know their whereabouts and the route to them.

(c) Fire control arrangements.

(d) Organisation of First Aid Parties.

(e) Arrangements for anti-gas protection of food and water.

Stage II.

(a) Digging slit trenches, and later, shelters on a plan to be arranged by Camp Comds.

(b) Sandbagging H.Q. and other important buildings.

(c) Organisation of fire parties, rescue parties and demolition parties (to prevent extension of fires).

ACTIVE AIR DEFENCE MEASURES.

5. Concurrently with the above, measures will be taken to organise such active measures as are possible with existing weapons - e.g. A.A. L.M.G. posts will be dug and organised on a camp area basis.

MEDICAL.

6. The medical organisation will be reviewed. Casualty evacuation will be based on camp hospitals through R.A.Ps. and M. Ambs if stationed in the camp.

DECONTAMINATION.

7. Decontamination arrangements will be organised in conjunction with the medical arrangements as regards personnel. Spare clothing and decontamination equipment (if held) will be centrally organised.

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8. Arrangements will be made for decontamination of vehicles and equipment.

9. Indents for anti-gas clothing and equipment, if NOT already submitted, will be expedited.

GENERAL.

10. Those units in possession will study "Protection Against Gas and Air Raids, Pamphlet No 3 - Passive Air Defence" for relevant details.

INTERCOMMUNICATION.

11. Adequate arrangements for intercommunication will be established within camps.

PRACTICE ALARMS.

12. Any aircraft appearing over camps during the hours of darkness will be treated, for purposes of practice alarms, as hostile aircraft. On NO account will they be engaged by fire.

Maj.
G.S. 6 Aus Div.

GAZA.

1 May 40.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS.

by

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

Gaza 1 May 40

NO. 55.

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367. CHURCH PARADES. - In each camp the hour of Church Parade will be laid down by the Camp Comdr. and will be the same for all units. Church Parade will be attended by all ranks not on duty. Arrangements are to be made for Roman Catholics to march off from the parade to attend their own separate service.

368. BOUNDS - GAZA BEACH - The Gaza Swimming Club building on Gaza Beach about 150 yards South of the Gaza Pier is out of bounds.

369. PANNIERS.- MEDICAL COMFORTS. - Contents of medical comforts pannier on issue to Units will not be used without instructions from A.D.M.S. 6 Aus Div.

370. BLANKETS.- Blankets of personnel evacuated to Hospital with Infectious, contagious or venereal disease will be sent to the Hospital for disinfection with the patient.

371. SANITATION - Units will render a report in detail by 1800 hrs on 6 May 40 stating all breaches of the conservancy contract for the month of April. This return is for the purpose of computing the fine in order to improve the contractor's work.

372. REGISTRATION NOs. - Reg. Nos of all vehicles and motor-cycles must be distinctly painted or stencilled on front and rear plates provided for this purpose.

373. SCALE OF TAILORS' OUTFITS - 2 A.I.F.- Those Units, which have no tailor on their War Establishment, but have among their personnel a man who is a tailor, will indent for equipment on the following scale for repair of uniforms, etc.:-

Cloth, drab-mixture,	15/14 oz.	4 yds.
" "	12 Oz,	4 yds
" khaki, W.P.,	25 Oz.	2 yds
Drill, khaki, No.2		4 yds
Buttons, vegetable ivory, line	22	12 gross
" " " "	25 (or 27)	12 "
" " " "	30	12 "
" " " "	36	12 "
" white metal, fly		12 "
" " " brace		12 "
" brass, 15/16 in. for dungers		12 "
" C.P.G.S. copper oxidised, line	10	6 "
" " " "	24	18 "
" " " "	32	12 "
Chalk, assorted		2 boxes
Cotton, khaki No.40		1 lb
Needles, sewing, assorted		100
Silk, khaki, No.24		1 lb
Thimbles, tailors		12
Thread, khaki, No. 50		1 lb

374. INDENTS FOR W.E. STORES.- Units which are authorised by War Equipment Tables to carry the following stores will indent forthwith:-

AA. 1990	Yokes
AA. 0770	Covers, breech, rifle, anti-tank.
AA.BB6503	Covers, muzzle, rifle, anti-tank.
AA. 1515	Pouches, Utility, front.
AA. 1516	Pouches, Utility, rear.
AA. 0355	Braces, W.E. Patt.'37, right.
AA. 5036	Carries case Binoculars, W.E. Patt. '37
AA. 0611	Cases, Binocular, W.E. Patt. '37
AA.1132	Hooks, Sling Bren Gun.
AA. 1637	Slings, Rifle, Web.

375. WORKSHOP INDENTS.- Unit indents (A.F. G.1045) for repairs will be supported by the "Report on Losses and Damages - Repairs and Replacements" (Adm Inst No:24).

376. PATTERN 1908 WEB EQUIPMENT.- Units will report quantity of web equipment held by 5 May 40 to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div. Nil returns WILL be submitted.

377. PUBLICATIONS.- Issues of various publications will shortly be made to units of 6 Aus Div by this H.Q. Army Forms G.1033 will be sent to units in triplicate for each issue. One copy will be retained by units and the other two returned, duly signed, to H.Q. 6 Aus Div as soon as possible.

378. CHEQUES.- Cheques drawn on English Banks will not be accepted by the N.A.A.F.I. Local cheques will continue to be accepted. The A.A.C.I. will not accept cheques drawn on either English or local Banks.

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

AMENDMENTS- The following amendments will be made:-

To Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No. 24 - "LOSSES AND DAMAGES" :- The heading to this Adm Inst will be amended to read

"LOSSES, DAMAGES - REPAIRS AND REPLACEMENTS". The heading to the Report will also be similarly amended.

This Adm Inst will be renumbered 'Adv 6 Aus Div Adm Inst No.29.

To Adm Inst No. 21. dated 23 Apr 40:-

Serial 12. - Tentage for 2/2 Aus Gen Hosp will be drawn on 4 May 40. Loading party from 16 Aus Inf Bde after completion of loading stores for H.Q. 6 Aus Div.

Serial 19 - Col. 8 - For "9 May 0730 hrs" substitute "9 May 1130 hrs"

Serial 20 - Col 8. - For "9 May 1130 hrs" substitute "9 May 0730 hrs"

Serial 21. - Col 8. - For"10 May 0730 hrs" substitute "10 May 0800 hrs"

To 6 Aus Div R.O. 366/40 - para (a) "Flitguns and Fly Swatters are an Ordnance supply.

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GENERAL STAFF INSTRUCTION No.3

SECURITY MEASURES

1. This Instruction supersedes General Staff Instruction No.- of 7 Feb 40. It will be read in conjunction with Force Security Instruction No.2 dated 17 Apr 40.

2. INTRODUCTORY. (a) The object of this instruction is to give units arriving in Palestine a brief knowledge of, and reasons for, certain security measures which must be carried out. Further detail will be available after arrival of units in camp.

(b) It must be remembered that up till the outbreak of war Palestine was in a state of actual rebellion, and although this is no longer the case, rioting in certain main cities has occurred as recently as six weeks ago. The country has nearly resumed its normal life, but certain areas are still not safe.

(c) If the following three points are borne in mind little trouble can be expected:-

(i) The Arab's standard of honesty is different to ours, so under NO circumstances put temptation in his way.

(ii) The customs of the Moslems are different to those of the European but none the less they must be respected. In this connection the two most noticeable characteristics are religious observance and the segregation of their women folk. DO NOT attempt to enter a Mosque unless properly conducted, and do not look at, let alone speak to, a Moslem woman.

(iii) Over 4000 rifles have been taken from the inhabitants during the rebellion. The desire to replace them must not be at OUR expense.

3. SAFE CUSTODY ARMS AND AMMUNITION.

(a) Each individual officer and soldier is personally responsible for the safeguarding of any arms and ammunition, personal or private, as may be issued to him, placed in his charge or belonging to him.

(b) Unit commanders will however make such collective arrangements as are feasible to relieve individual officers and other ranks of this burden of personal responsibility to the greatest possible extent.

(c) Orders for this collective safeguarding must be given a drill for handing over so that there can be no doubt as to the individual responsible for custody.

(d) Normally arms and ammunition will either be carried securely by the individual or properly locked up, or in, some immovable body or object. In the case of A-fv, the following order will be observed:-

(i) M-Gs will be secured on locked holes let [illegible] in a locked room with barred windows.

( ) When this is not possible, the bolts will be locked and kept in a room or tent where there is always a sentry, picquet, or orderly on duty.

(iii) Pending (i) and (ii) above, it [illegible] to be locked and secured to an "immovable" object by means of a chain or [illegible] and padlock.

(iv) In [illegible] cases will arms be locked [illegible] to the tent pole.

(e) When arms or ammunition are moved, all rifles [illegible] in the [illegible] boxes or barrack racks) shall be [illegible] by a sentry, a storeman or a [illegible].

(f) In the field or [illegible] there is no [illegible] and [illegible] armed sentry will be posted [illegible] will be limited to those [illegible].

(g) When sleeping in the field all ranks will have their arms ammunition securely attached to them.

(h) Under no circumstances will the arms of drivers or other individuals be left on unattended vehicles. When leaving vehicles for any purpose whatsoever drivers and passengers will carry their arms with them.

(i) The possibility of an individual other rank having access to weapon and to ball ammunition which fits it will be reduced to a minimum. For example a room orderly, responsible for rifle [illegible] will not have .303 ball ammunition also on his charge. Guard officers and Company or Detachment storemen may, however, be given the custody of arms and ammunition.

(j) Unit commanders will ensure that arms and ammunition on charge of companies and similar sub-units are checked daily and satisfy themselves by means of periodical certificates and personal inspection.

(k) Losses of arms and ammunition, government or private, will be reported by IMMEDIATE Signal to Bde H.Q., Div H.Q. and Force H.Q. The local police will be informed at once. In all cases the registered number of the lost arm will be quoted.

(l) Any officer or man who loses his arms will be tried by Court Martial unless the Divisional Commander dispenses with trial.

4. SECURITY OF REVOLVERS OR PISTOLS. (a) An officer is personally responsible for securing against loss any Government or private revolver or pistol on his charge, or owned by him.

(b) When an officer is ordered to carry a revolver or pistol, he will carry it securely on his person, whether in uniform or not. The loss of a revolver or pistol by an officer is a serious matter which if attributable to neglect, will be dealt with by Court Martial unless the Divisional Commander dispenses with trial. Any such loss will be immediately reported as laid down in para 3 (k) above.

(c) These orders will also apply to such Warrant Officers, N.C.O. and men who may be issued with revolvers or pistols under exceptional conditions.

(d) Nothing in the foregoing, however, will be interpreted as [illegible] ing existing regulations and orders for the security of arms of other ranks, or the responsibility of unit commanders for making such [illegible] ective arrangements for the security of officers' weapons as far as feasible.

5. WEAPONS S.A.A. AND FUEL.- It is reiterated that weapons, S.A.A. and fuel are the chief attractions to the thief. The guarding of these must not be left to chance; but at all times must be adequately provided for. The following procedure will be observed.

6. SECURITY OF UNIT LINES BY DAY.- Security of unit lines by day will be ensured by battalions and equivalent units posting a quarter guard and arranging for regimental police to patrol the camp area. All S.A.A. will be in charge of the quarter guard. All issues of S.A.A., or weapons which may be temporarily in charge of the guard e.g. those of sick personnel, will be recorded in a book kept for the purpose and handed over from one guard to another.

In small units, which do not normally mount a guard, personnel detailed as police are sufficient. If necessary camp commandants can arrange for arms etc. of small units to be placed in charge of the quarter guard of a large unit.

Guards will always have the magazine loaded but the chamber of the rifle will be empty.

7. SECURITY OF UNIT LINES BY NIGHT.- In battalions and equivalent units the quarter guard will be supplemented by "prowlers", who are in fact, patrols who move around the camp in accordance with a plan given them. The circuit of these prowlers must be varied throughout the night. One pair of prowlers on duty at a time will be sufficient for a battalion camp. Prowlers will be armed with pick handles.

In large camps it will be necessary and more economical for camp commanders to arrange for prowlers on a camp basis. If this is not done small units must arrange for prowlers in their own lines.

Prowlers will ascertain the business of any person other than an officer or soldier seen in their tour.

8. DAILY CHECK OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION.- With reference to para 3 (j) above it is most important that arms on issue to officers and employed personnel, e.g. cooks, are checked daily. The most convenient hour for this check is shortly after reveille. At this check the registered numbers of each weapon must be checked. It is insufficient merely to know that the total of weapons in a sub-unit is correct. Arrangements may be made for the weapons of some employed men to be produced for inspection by others.

All personnel to whom arms are issued must know the registered number of the weapon.

9. REMOVAL OF BOLTS FROM RIFLES. - When rifles are put away in sleeping tents or elsewhere the bolts will be removed and locked in a secure box which will be chained to an'immovable' object. It is important that individuals know the bolt number as well as the rifle number.

10. MOVEMENT OUTSIDE CAMP BOUNDARIES IN THE DIVISIONAL AREA. (a) The Divisional Area comprises the whole of the Gaza Administrative district, consisting of the Gaza and Beersheba sub-districts. The boundary line is clearly marked on all maps of PALESTINE, and is known as the district boundary line. That portion of PALESTINE which lies to the SOUTH and WEST of this boundary is the Divisional Area.

(b) Movement outside camp boundaries in rural areas will be confined to parties of a minimum of two, one of whom will be armed.

(c) All villages are placed "out of bounds". When it is essential that a party enter a village on duty, the senior present will be responsible for discipline. Para 2 (c) (ii) will be borne in mind.

11. MOVEMENT OUTSIDE CAMP BOUNDARIES IN OTHER THAN 6 AUS DIV. AREA. Personnel on duty in, or visiting, areas outside 6 Aus Div Area will adhere strictly to orders and local security instructions issued by the local Military Commander, when moving outside camp boundaries in those areas.

12. MOVEMENT ALONG ROADS AND TRACKS. - (a) Certain minimum armed parties are laid down for movement along roads in PALESTINE in either W.D. or privately owned vehicles. Full details will be issued subsequently.

(b) Movements along the roads GAZA-REHOVOT-TEL AVIV and GAZA-RAMLE-JERUSALEM by day is permitted if each vehicle or M/C contains one armed man, and by night if the vehicle contains two armed men, or two vehicles or M/C's each containing one armed man.

13. VISITING TOWNS IN PALESTINE.- Certain areas in JERUSALEM, JAFFA-TEL AVIV, HAIFA, and GAZA are out of bounds for security reasons. These areas are shown in instructions to be issued later.

14. CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES IN CAMPS.- A number of local inhabitants, both Arab and Jew, will be employed in camps by Canteen managers, or for sanitary duties or other purposes. The method of issue of passes is detailed in General Staff Instruction No 5.

15. SECURITY OF INFORMATION. - It must be remembered that a considerable percentage of the population has only lately arrived from Northern and Central European countries, and while they are NOT treated with suspicion, care MUST be exercised in all conversations with civilians, by all members of 6 Aus Div, and also when using the telephone.

16. CONCLUSION.- The foregoing represent the results of many years of experience with troops living in Palestine and has therefore a very practical meaning.

They are issued in this form so that the 6 Aus Div may not, through ignorance, fall into any error which may lead to disasterous consequences.

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

Gaza
1 May 40.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

In reply
please quote
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Headquarters,
Adv 6 Aus Div.,
GAZA.
2 May 40.

To/

DISTRIBUTION LIST "B"

ANTI-AIRCRAFT RANGE.

Units using Jaffa Anti-aircraft Range will inform this H.Q. at least 5 clear days before any A/A Practices are carried out on this range, and must stipulate definitely the days on which firing will take place.

This is very important as "Warning to Airmen" must be published three days in advance.

W.C. Sitwell Capt.
for Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

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SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES

Headquarters,
GAZA.

2 May 40.

List "A".

JAFFA RANGES

Attached herewith copies of Camp Standing Orders, Anti-Malarial Work, Range Rules and Fire Orders for Weapon Training Camp at JAFFA Ranges.

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

INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING ANTI-MALARIA WORK

The Weapon Training Camp, East of RISHON LE SIYON, is situated in a malaria and bilharzia infected dis-trict. Special instructions have been issued to safeguard the troops from these infections.

The Ranges themselves are situated in the worst mosquito breeding area, and that is why the camp is NOT situated near the Ranges.

The local civil medical authorities are fighting the mosquito breeding in that area. Shooting on the ranges will interfere with their labourers who canalise and oil infected areas.

The medical authorities realise that the shooting must take place, and the object of this letter is to ensure that all officers, W.Os and N.C.Os do everything they can to assist the anti-mosquito workers.

It has been suggested that definite hours for shooting should be laid down for everyone, thus limiting the hours detachment commanders can use the range, and also limiting the anti-mosquito workers when shooting may NOT be taking place.

The Divisional Commander considers that more time will be available, both for anti-malarial work and for shooting, if officers on the spot will keep in direct touch with anti-malarial workers (e.g., at any one time two ranges may NOT be in use and the third may only be in use up to 200 yds firing point , therefore workers can go anywhere except for a small space on the one range). It would be absurd if they were kept off the whole area for the sake of one party on a 200 yds firing point.

The Divisional Commander wishes all officers, W.Os and N.C.Os to be made acquainted with the contents of this letter, and wants them to do everything in their power to assist the anti-malarial work. Any rough words or actions may lead to friction with the workers, whereas words of encouragement and direct liaison through Arabic speaking interpreters, or Government employees, will be an encouragement and enable workers on the spot to know exactly where they can work with safety.

The early morning is understood to be the best time of day for anti-malarial work.

(Sgd) H. McHICKING.

Lieut-Colonel.
A.A. & Q.M.G. 6th Division.

10 Apr 40.

RANGE RULES FOR JAFFA RANGES

The Jaffa Ranges consist of the following:-

1. A, B & C Classification and Battle Shooting Ranges.
2. Anti Aircraft Range.
3. Anti Tank Range (full scale).
4. Anti Tank Range (1/5 scale, on "C" Classification Range).
5. Grenade Range.
6. 2-inch and 3-inch Mortar Range.
7. Field Firing Range.
8. Revolver Range.

2. These Ranges have been so designe d that firing can take place on them all simultaneously without danger. The only exception is that when Anti-Tank practices are being fired on "C" Classification Range, no other practices can take place on that Range.

3. The Danger Area is clearly defined by notice boards. Nobody will be allowed within this area except on duty. Troops going to bathe will take care to keep outside the line of notice boards.

4. The limits of oblique fire on the Field Firing, Anti Tank, and Mortar Ranges are marked by signs.

5. Red flags will be flown at the Central Range Office indicating which ranges are in use. Indications are shown below:

ABC	-	Firing on Classification Ranges.
AA	-	" " Anti Aircraft "
T	-	" " Anti Tank "
G	-	" " Grenade "
M	-	" " Mortar "
F	-	" " Field Firing "
R	-	" " Revolver "

6. Anti-Aircraft Range.

(i) No firing will take place on the A.A. Range without the permission of the Camp Commandant.

(ii) The fact that firing is in progress on this Range will be indicated by the white hollow square of groundstrips, one metre wide and twelve metres long, displayed at Pt 12701510 (i.e. the Firing Point).

7. Instructions to Officers in charge of Firing Point s and Butts.

(i) Whenever firing is taking place, a red flag six feet square will be flown in rear of the firing point.

(ii) (a) Nobody will leave the markers' shelter until a red flag has been hoisted at the Butts. When this happens a similar flag will be hoisted at the Firing Point, where the Officer i/c will order cessation of fire. Fire will NOT reopen until both flags have been lowered.

(b) When markers are being changed they will always march on the path between the Butts and the Firing Point.

(iii) If any person is observed, either from the Firing Point or the Butts to be within the limits of the danger area, the same action a s in sub-para (ii) (a) will be taken, the flag being hoisted by the officer who first observes the person.

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(iv) Whenever mortar bombs or grenades have failed to explode, their position will be carefully marked by flags on the ground, and reported to the Camp Commandant on return to Camp.

(v) (a) No firing will take place on the A.A. Range until the warning signal has been dis-played. (Ref para 6 (ii) above).

(b) The Officer i/c Firing Point is responsible that the signal remains displayed during the whole period of firing.

(vi) Not more than 18 rifles, or 8 Light Automatics or Machine Guns may fire on a Classification Range.

(vii) Notice Boards containing these orders are placed in a prominent position on each range, and all Officers on Range Duty will be in possession of a copy of them.

(viii) THE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS GIVEN ON PAGES 41 - 46 (INCLUSIVE) OF S.A.T. VOL I PAMPHLET I, ARE TO BE OBSERVED AT ALL TIMES, NOTWITHSTANDING ANYTHING IN THIS PARA GRAPH.

(Sgd) G. I. MALCOLM.

Major.
Brigade Major, Lydda Area.

W.T. CAMB - JAFFA RANGES

FIRE ORDERS

Part I

PRECAUTION AGAINST FIRE.

(a) Naked lights are forbidden in tents and cookhouses.

(b) On no account will lamps be fastened to tent poles.

(c) Only lamps authorised by units or issued by the Camp Commandant are allowed.

(d) The throwing away of lighted cigarette ends, matches or pipe ashes in or near tents and cookhouses is forbidden.

(e) Buckets 13" as far as possible on the scale of one to two tents have been issued and when NOT in general use will be kept filled with water in dumps on the exterior of the lines.

(f) Soyer Stoves and othe r stoves will be as far as possible away from all tantage.

Part II.

FIRE DUTIES.

The following duties will be detailed for the period of a battalion's stay in camp:-

Fire Piquet - 2 sections.
Salvage Party - 2 sections.
Armed Party - 2 sections.

Action on Outbreak of Fire.

Any person discovering a fire will attempt to put it out. If the fire is too big to put out single handed he will call out FIRE, and send word to the Guard Tent.

ACTION BY THE GUARD.

(a) Sound the Alarm and "Stand To".
NOTE: If no bugle is available the alarm will be sounded by a series of long blasts on a whistle.

(b) Send a man of the guard to warn the Camp Commandant and O.C. detachment.

(c) Take the particula rs of the person reporting the fire.

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ACTION BY THE FIRE PIQUET.

Fall in on its own parade ground and as soon as information is received double to the scene of the fire with all available fire buckets. On arrival at the fire they will come under the orders of the senior officer present who will utilise them to extinguish the fire by all means available.

ACTION OF SALVAGE PARTY.

Double to scene of fire and be prepared to strike all tents Down Wing, and assist in Salvage Duties generally. This party will carry picks and shovels.

ACTION OF ARMED PARTY.

Parade with arms and equipment and form a cordon around the fire under the orders of the senior officer present. They will allow no unauthorised person to enter or leave the cordon.

ACTION OF THOSE NOT DETAILED FOR SPECIFIC DUTY.

Fall in on their respective parade grounds with all available fire fighting apparatus. Each unit will send an orderly to report to the senior officer present at the fire.

All employed will proceed to the places of their employment. Occupants of cookhouses will see that all doors and windows are closed.

GENERAL.

Any officer, W.O. or N.C.O. present at the scene of the fire will take charge until a senior arrives. He will be responsible for taking all steps possible to save life and Government property.

Captain.
Camp Commandant, W.T.Camp, Jaffa Ranges.

STANDING ORDERS - W.T. CAMP, JAFFA RANGES

1. Bounds.

At the discretion of unit commanders.

After sunset troops will remain in the camp area except when on pass. All orange groves and crops are out of bounds.

2. Security.

Units will arrange for their own security.

Personnel may NOT go to RISHON individually.

3. Traffic.

The speed of all motor vehicles in camp is strictly limited to 15 mph.

4. D.R.L.S.

Letters may be sent in on the ration lorry to SARAFAND where they will be collected by D.R.L.S. Incoming mail will be handed over to ration lorry by D.R.L.S.

5. Dogs.

No dogs will be allowed in camp except those authorised by Cs O units.

6. Health.

Owing to the camp being in a malarial district, the following precautions must be taken.

(a) All ranksshould be in possession of nets and a rigid enforcement of their use, and inspection, will be maintained.

(b) After dark long-sleeved shirts will be worn and trousers tucked into socks.

(c) Dovers cream will be used on exposed parts after dark.

(d) All collections of standing water will be abolished or oiled around the camp.

(e) The RUBIN river on the range is infected with Bilhagia. All ranks are expressly forbidden to bathe, wash or drink any water from this stream, or to handle water from any ditch in the marsh.

(f) A daily dose of quinine will be administered to all ranks during their stay in the W.T. Camp.
All ranks will be paraded at the Medical Inspection tent after the evening meal. A N.C.O. will be detailed to ensure that each man actually swallows his dose.

7. Guards.

A guard will always be maintained in the camp. At night the guard will be doubled, providing for prowlers around the boundaries.

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8. Canteen Hours.

10 a.m. to 11 a.m.)
12 noon to 2 p.m.)--- Supper Bar
6 p.m. to 9 p.m.)

12.15 p.m. to 12.45 p.m.)
6 p.m. to 9.30 p.m.)--- Wet Bar.

9. Water.

Troops are forbidden to drink any water except that from the sterilised water tank situated outside the cookhouse.

10. Medical.

The E.T. Tent is situated near the N.I. Tent.

11. Tentage.

On NO account will items of equipment etc be hung on the walls or ropes of tents. It is also forbidden to use the "Guide Ropes" of adjacent tents tied together for the purpose of hanging out washing to dry.

(Sgd) C.W.R. DUGGAN.

Captain.
Camp Commandant, W.T. Camp,
JAFFA Ranges.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS.

by

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Gaza — 2 May 40

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GENERAL STAFF.

379. UNIT SPORTS REPRESENTATIVES.- In addition to Camp Sports and Amenities Offrs each unit will appoint a sports representative (an Offr or N.C.O) with whom the Div Sports and Amenities Offr or the Camp S and A Offr is empowered to deal directly on matters affecting unit sports or amenities. Names will be forwarded to Camp S and A. Offrs.

Maj.
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

380. ABSENCE - REPORTING OF.- With ref to Div R.O. 350/40, under (c) in para. 1 insert:-

(d) H.Q. 6 Aus Div.

In para 2, second line, for "three" read "four".

381. WORKS SERVICES.- Units are forbidden to move any fittings and fixtures provided by the engineer services in camps; this includes shelving, plate racks, cupboards in cookhouses, etc. Apart from other aspects of the matter, the practice of shifting such fittings, etc makes the payment to contractors for work done extremely difficult if not impossible; the detailed measuring up of work takes a very considerable time after the actual construction, etc. has been completed, and is still being carried out.

The practice of throwing orange peel and other refuse into urine tubs must be discontinued as it is having a very serious effect on the functioning of the 'Otway' pits into which all latrine buckets are emptied. Units should provide other receptacles for such refuse.

Where drains are provided at cookhouses, care must be taken that, when sweeping down is carried out, all water should be swept into the drains and not on to the ground surrounding the kitchens which rapidly becomes fouled.

382. MEDICAL - MOTOR AMBULANCES - Owing to shortage of Motor Ambulances, sick will be evacuated from unit lines to camp hospitals by unit transport except in the instance of lying cases, when a request will be made to O.C. Camp Hospital for the use of an ambulance.

383. DISCIPLINE - 6 Aus Div Postal Unit is attached to A.A.S.C, 6 Aus Div for Rations, Quarters and Discipline.

384. BLANKETS.- Units which returned blankets to A.I.F. Base Ord Depot will indent for these, and on receipt will return an equal quantity of British blankets to Sarafand Ord Depot on A.F. G1033. The object of this is to free storage space at A.I.F. Base Ord Depot.

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

SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS.

by.

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

Gaza — 3 May 40

NO. 6

Part II.

8. DISTRIBUTION OF CANTEEN PROFITS FOR MARCH 1940.

(1) Based on the average strength of units during the month the following distribution of Canteen profits is being made to units by the Chief Paymaster 2 A.I.F. :-

UNIT.	Average Strength March 1940	£P. Mils.
H.Q. 6 Aus Div	79	12.377
H.Q. Aus Overseas Base	157	24.597
6 Aus Div Recce Regt	488	76.453
2/1 Fd Regt	637	99.797
2/1 Fd Coy	260	40.733
Sigs 6 Aus Div	137	21.463
H.Q. 16 Aus Inf Bde	103	16.137
2/1 Bn	812	127.213
2/2 Bn	847	132.697
2/3 Bn	828	129.720
2/4 Bn	860	134.733
A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div	561	87.890
2/1 Fd Amb	262	41.046
2/1 Fd Hyg Sec	26	4.074
6 Aus Div Pro Coy	47	7.363
2/1 A. Fd. Wkshop	61	9.557
2/1 Aus Gen Hosp	229	35.877
2/1 Aus Conv Depot	15	2.350
Aus Ord Base Depot	55	8.617
Totals:	6464	£P1012.694

(2) In cases where Unit Trust Accounts are in existence the unit's share will be credited immediately. Where units have not commenced Trust Accounts, accounts will be opened by crediting such units with their share of the distribution.

9. RATES OF PAY FOR COOKS: - As from 29 Feb 40 the following changes in the Trade Grouping of cooks will be effected:-

(a) Hospital Cooks to be group I in lieu of Group II.

(b) Cooks to be Group II in lieu of Group III.

C. Wasey Col.
A/ A.A.G. 6 Aus Div.

Units sending parties to the beach will be responsible for conveying the reel to the beach, and that a trained life-saving squad attends during the bathing period prepared to man and operate the reel.

In the case of small parties visiting the beach, a swimming picquet will be appointed who will arrange for a constant watch over the bathing area.

GAZA BEACH.

7. (a) At GAZA Beach a boatman has been hired to patrol the beach. This boat is to be used for the purpose of helping swimmers in difficulties and for NO OTHER purpose. No more than two members of the bathing party may assist to man the boat at any one time.

(b) Pending the completion of the private road leading South towards the selected bathing area, bathing parties will bathe in the area South of, and well clear of, the area used by the Gaza Swimming Club. The Gaza Swimming Club is "out of bounds" to all ranks (Div R.O. 368/40)

WADI SUQREIR.

8. The WADI SUQREIR is heavily infected with malaria; all bathing parties will leave this bathing area one clear hour before sunset, and keep clear of the scrub.

STORES AND CLOTHING.

9. H.Q. 6 Aus Div will arrange the provision of Signs, flags, and special clothing vide paras 4 and 5 above.

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

Gaza
3 May 40

Distribution List "B"

6 AUS DIV.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 30

CONTROL OF BATHING AREAS.

GENERAL.

1. These instructions are to be read in conjunction with Force Standing Order 76/38.

BATHING AREAS.

2. The following bathing areas are approved for use in 6 Aus Div Area; no other areas will be used.

REF 1:100,000 MAPS, GAZA — TEL AVIV and GAZA.

(a)	WADI SUQREIR	116136
(b)	AL JURA	107119
(c)	GAZA	096105

CONTROL OF BATHING AREAS.

3. Control of these bathing areas is vested in:-

(a)	WADI SUQREIR	- Camp Comd QASTINA
(b)	AL JURA	- " " JULIS
(c)	GAZA	- DIV H.Q.

Comds as above will be responsible that the safety precautions stated in the regulations below are fully in operation during any periods when the area is open for bathing.

BATHING REGULATIONS.

4. BEACH INSPECTOR. - A beach inspector will be appointed for each area; he will patrol the beach at all times during the bathing season and his instructions in respect to safety precautions, bathing in prohibited areas, etc will be strictly obeyed by all ranks. The beach inspector will be supplied with distinctive clothing, which will consist of a white pull-over with "2nd A.I.F." in red on the front, khaki shorts and felt hat.

5. BEACH MARKING. - (a) The outer limits of the bathing area at GAZA will be marked by sign boards suitably inscribed. Within this area and at other bathing areas the places allotted for actual bathing will be marked with red and yellow flags.

(b) A BLACK flag will be flown on days when all bathing is prohibited for safety reasons.

6. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS - (a) Bathing outside the areas marked as above, is prohibited for safety reasons and in some cases on medical grounds.

(b) All parties proceeding to the beach will be placed in charge of an officer or responsible N.C.O. An officer will always be sent when the party exceeds a strength of thirty all ranks.

This officer or N.C.O. will be held responsible for the conduct of the party, that personnel bathing and sun-baking are decently clad, and that the bathing safety precautions and security measures (vide 6 Aus Div Training Instruction No. 4 para 6) are fully observed.

Adequate precautions will be taken to guard unattended vehicles.

(c) Life-saving reels are being provided; one will be kept at QASTINA, one at JULIS (until the AL JURA hut is completed, when it will be transferred there) and one at GAZA (later to be moved to the hut at GAZA Beach when built)

War Diary

6 AUS DIV

TRAINING INSTRUCTION NO. 7

ANTI TANK MINES

1. (a) A supply of live Anti Tank mines and dummy detonators is now available for training in arming and disarming.

   (b) The mines will not be used for any other form of training.

   (c) All ranks within Divisions including drivers on the strength of Divisional and Brigade H.Qs. will be instructed in arming and disarming mines.

2. Training of Unit Instructors.

   (a) The first stage will be to build up a cadre of two unit instructors. An officer R.E. is available as an instructor and can deal with 24 students in one morning or one afternoon.

   (b) Unit N.C.O. instructors will be trained on a scale of approx. two in each Battalion or equivalent units and one in each small unit.

   (c) This training will be carried out at TORRES VEDRAS BARRACKS, SARAFAND on 9 May in accordance with the following programme :

Unit or Formation	No. of N.C.Os. to attend	Instruction starts at
6 Aus Div H.Q.	2	0900 hrs
6 Aus Div Sigs	2	"
16 Aus Inf Bde	1	"
2/1 Bn	3	"
2/2 Bn	3	"
2/3 Bn	3	"
A.A.S.C. 6 Aus Div	3	"
2/1 Fd Amb	2	"
2/1 Hyg Sec	1	"
6 Aus Div Pro Coy	1	"
2/1 Army Fd W'shop	3	"
6 Aus Div Recce Regt	3	1400 hrs
2/1 Fd Coy	6	"
2/4 Bn	3	"

   (d) Transport.

   To be arranged by Camp Comdrs.

3. Allotment of Mines.

   (a) The unit of allotment is a box of 8 mines. It is not possible to suballot in smaller numbers because the arming tool is a component part of the box.

   (b) Mines and connected stores are allotted as follows :-

	Mines Boxes of 8	Detonators Dummy #	Caps #	Keys #
6 Aus Div	4 (known as 4 sets)	32	32	4

Replacement for breakages will be demanded from D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div.

3. (c) Mines and connected stores will be collected by D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div and will be taken to the Cadre Course on 9 May by N.C.O. from Div HQ.

On completion of instruction on 9 May one N.C.O. from Recce Regt will be detailed for the collection of these mines and connected stores and on his return will hand same to Camp Comd QASTINA for allotment.

(d) The mines and connected stores will be allotted as follows :

For training ~~of units in~~	No. of sets	To be held by
QASTINA Camp	1	Camp Comd QASTINA
JULIS Camp	1	Camp Comd JULIS
BARBARA Camp	1	Camp Comd BARBARA

The fourth set will be allotted to 6 Div Sigs for training of their unit which must be completed by 22 May. On this date the set will be made available to 6 Aus Div H.Q.

4. General Instructions.

(a) General instruction in units will not be carried out until a unit instructor is available.

(b) Camp Comd will be responsible for the training of all personnel in their camp area as soon as unit instructors are available.

(c) Instructors for units already in Palestine will be available after training of N.C.Os. at SARAFAND on 9 May. On the arrival of incoming units Camp Comds will arrange with 2/1 Fd Coy to train the required instructors for each unit.

(d) Training of the personnel already in Palestine must be completed by 1 June.

(e) On account of the shortage of mines etc., it will be necessary after 1 June for their allotment to be as follows :

Location	To be used for	Remarks
1 set Camp Comd QASTINA	Training units and 2/1 Fd Coy	--------
1 set Camp Comd BEIT JIRJA	Training units	Obtained from JULIS Camp Comd
1 set Camp Comd DEIR SUNEID	Training units	Obtained from BARBARA Camp Comd
1 set Camp Comd GAZA ROAD	Training units	Obtained from 6 Aus Div H.Q.

5. Safety Precautions.

(a) The mines will be transported and stored under the same arrangements and with the same precautions as for S.A.A. and fireworks held by units.

(b) Every precaution to be taken to ensure that component parts, screw threads, etc., are not damaged when the mines are in use.

5. (c) All component parts are replaced in their appropriate containers after use.

(d) All action is taken to prevent loss of component parts.

6. Procedure for Arming.

The procedure for arming is given in the Appendix to this Instruction. It is emphasised, however, that no attempts to arm or disarm mines are to be made until a qualified instructor is available.

GAZA - 4 May 40

Major
G.S. 6 Aus Div

DISTRIBUTION

List "A"

A P P E N D I X

Procedure for Arming

The arming tool is a fixture on the outfit box.

The striker spring is slipped over the striker and the two are inserted in the pistol body, which is then screwed into the arming tool by means of the spanner.

The needle of the striker enters a recess in a central spigot in the arming tool and the screwing action therefore compresses the striker spring. When the shear wire hole in the striker appears above the top of the pistol body, the shear wire can be inserted.

The body is then unscrewed from the arming tool, care being taken to see that the shear wire projects equally on each side of the striker.

The cap is then inserted in the bottom of the body and is secured by the screwed ring. The ring has two slots and may be tightened by engaging these slots on two pins let into the outfit box near the arming tool.

When the pistol has been fully assembled, the detonator plug and lid are removed from the mine and the pistol screwed home into the central column by means of the spanner.

The lid is then replaced and the detonator plug screwed home finger tight.

NOTE:- In arming mines, both the central column and detonator tube should be inspected to see that they are clean and free from obstructions.

SECOND AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

ROUTINE ORDERS.

by

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

Gaza

6 May 40.

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NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

GENERAL STAFF.

NIL.

Maj
G.S. Adv 6 Aus Div.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S & QUARTERMASTER GENERAL'S STAFF.

402. MEDICAL.- Ref G.O. 203/40, all units of 6 Aus Div and Aus Overseas Base will forward A.F. A.20 to C.O. 2/1 Aus Gen Hosp on the last day of each month. The return for 30th April will be forwarded forthwith.

403. REPORT ON LOSSES, DAMAGES, REPLACEMENTS AND REPAIRS (Adm Inst No.24) In future only one copy of this report will be submitted.

404. DISMANTLING OF ENGINES. - Dismantling and overhaul of engines, Motor Cycle and Vehicle, are not first line repairs and therefore will not be undertaken by Unit Artificers. Until further notice this class of work, with the exception of A.A.S.C. Vehicles, will be carried out by a L.A.D or 1st Recovery Section 2/1 A. Fd Wkshop.

Engines dismantled for repairs and awaiting spare parts will be covered to exclude dust, and where possible, placed in unit store.

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

NOTICE.

FOUND: Rifle Bolt No.93744 has been handed to D.A.D.O.S. 6 Aus Div and awaits collection by owner's unit.

HEADQUARTERS

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

SECURITY INSTRUCTION No. 4.

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JERUSALEM
7 May. '40

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The following amendments are made to Aus. O/S. Base Security Instruction No. 3. issued on 18. Apr. '40.

APPENDIX "D"

The following are classified as Degree One roads:

(a) Tiberias-Nazareth-Haifa.

(b) Affula-Nazareth-

...ENDIX "B"

Delete Note 2 and substitute "the area enclosed by the ...ing streets in bounds to troops at all times:

Jaffa-Tel Aviv Road-Bustros St. -Mustaqim St.-
Howard St.- King Feisal Ave.-Jerusalem Rd.

...RA 6 (a)

For "Gaza", substitute "KANTARA"

...RA 6 (b)

Delete sub-para "b" for "c".

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

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...r Routine Orders.

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HEADQUARTERS
AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 8.
by
BRIGADIER B. M. MORRIS, D.S.O.

Jerusalem
14 May 40.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ARRIVAL OF SECOND CONVOY

1. GENERAL

Additional personnel Aus O/S Base will arrive with the Second Convoy 2 A.I.F. They will arrive in two parties of 91 and 10 respectively on successive days. Parties will arrive by train at Majdal station. Aus O/S Base becomes concerned with parties upon detrainment at MAJDAL.

2. DATES AND TIMES OF ARRIVAL

The date of arrival is not yet known. It is expected that the First Party will arrive on Sat 18 May and the second on Sun 19 May. In any case the timetable and instructions contained herein will be adhered to subject only to variation in date.

FIRST PARTY will detrain at MAJDAL at 1515 hrs on date of arrival and will arrive by Train "D".

SECOND PARTY will detrain at MAJDAL at 1535 hrs on date of arrival and will arrive by Train "J".

3. TRANSPORT

The necessary transport to JERUSALEM for personnel and baggage and equipment is being provided by Adv. 6 Aus Div.

4. SERIAL NUMBERS AND MARKINGS

The Serial Number for First Party is 133.
" " " " Second " " 133 (a).

The Serial Numbers and the following markings in colours appear on all baggage and equipment :-

YELLOW
YELLOW
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5. RECEPTION OFFICER

The Staff Captain (Lieut. R. J. Davis) is appointed Reception Officer for Aus O/S Base personnel. He will take over responsibility once personnel are clear of train and is in charge of embussing.

6. RECEPTION OF FIRST PARTY

A. On arrival day the Reception Officer will proceed to MAJDAL R.S. He will report to R.T.O.

B. Reception Party. Reception Party will consist of [illegible]
(i) Guides - 4 - (Including 1 N.C.O.).
(ii) Messing Party - 5 - (Including 1 N.C.O.).

C. The reception party will leave H.Q. Aus O/S Base at 0930 hrs on day of arrival and will take with it the necessary equipment and stores to provide hot tea and cut lunch for the arriving personnel and for the reception party. The meal will be ready for distribution on arrival of incoming troops. Personnel will use own utensils.

The distribution of meal will be carried out in such location and by such method as the Reception Officer may deem fit.

D. EMBUSSING

(i) Personnel will take into bus with them sea kit bags and equipment.
(ii) Officers and men will be told off into parties of 24 each. Each such party will form a bus load.

The senior/ (N.C.O.)

6. D. contd. The senior of each bus load will ensure that his complement get into the foremost vacant bus allotted to Aus O/S Base. The senior in each bus will be in charge of the internal management and during the journey.

E. Baggage. A baggage party will have been provided from incoming personnel. Baggage (except sea kit bags) will be loaded on to lorries. So far as possible baggage will be kept separate from equipment.

F. Departure. Convoy will depart from HAJDAL for JERUSALEM as soon as loaded.

7. PROCEDURE TO DESTINATION

A. The convoy will move as an armed convoy. At least two men in each vehicle will have rifles loaded with safety catches in "safe" position.

B. In case of emergency all personnel will act as directed. No action of any kind will be taken without prior orders.

C. Personnel will remain seated in buses. No person will at any time leave any vehicle without the express permission of Reception Officer who will also act as O.C. Convoy.

D. Silence. No communication will be had with any persons or parties encountered on the journey of the convoy. Talking will be permitted in the M.T. buses but there will be no shouting or exchange of compliments between buses. This is essential in order to ensure that orders are passed clearly and quickly.

8. ARRIVAL AT DESTINATION

A. On arrival at destination convoy will proceed to H.Q. Aus O/S Base.

B. Troops will debuss in Russian Compound.

C. Arms and S.A.A. will be taken into armoury.

D. Personnel will march to billets and will occupy same as directed by Camp Commandant (Lieut. H.E.Gale, M.B.E.).

9. RECEPTION OF SECOND PARTY

A. On arrival day Reception Officer will proceed to HAJDAL R.S. He will report to R.T.O.

B. Reception Party and Messing Party will consist of 1 N.C.O. and 1 O.R.

C. Reception party will leave H.Q. Aus O/S Base at 1000 hrs on day of arrival with necessary stores and equipment to provide hot tea and cut lunch for arriving personnel, and for reception party. Meal will be ready for distribution on arrival of incoming party. Personnel will use own utensils.

D. After consuming lunch party will embuss personnel taking with them both kit bags and equipment.

E. Baggage will be handled by incoming troops.

10. SECURITY At least two men in each vehicle will have rifles loaded with safety catches in "safe" position.

11. AT ARRIVAL DESTINATION - Procedure as for First Party.

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

Distribution :-
As for Routine Orders
and
Capt. W. J. Balchin.

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Jerusalem
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ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO.9.

by

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Jerusalem.
14 May, 40.

BATHING, CONTROL OF:-

1. APPROVED BATHING PLACES.

Cases have occurred where parties of soldiers have bathed in unauthorised and dangerous places. The only places at which bathing will be allowed are as follows:-

(a) HAIFA: Military Bathing Beach at Breakwater Camp.
Bat Galim Pool,
Khayat Beach.
(b) ACRE: The Maharlya Bathing Beach.
(c) TIBERIAS: The Galilee Lido.
(d) NATHANYA: The Military Bathing Beach.
(e) JAFFA: Immediately south of the Jaffa Swimming Club.
Beit Vegan (individuals and units to ascertain exact site from Brigade H.Q.,Sarafand).
(f) TEL AVIV: At the western end of Bogratshov Street (provided the life saving instructor is on duty and any instructions given by him are implicitly obeyed.

(g) SAFED: The Military Bathing Beach.
(h) BETHLEHEM: Solomon's Pools.
(i) WADI SUGREIR.
(j) AL JURA.
(k) GAZA.

2. BATHING REGULATIONS - 6 AUS. DIV. AREA.

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Ref. 1:100,000 Maps, Gaza - Tel Aviv and Gaza.

(i) Wadi Sugreir 116136
(ii) Al Jura 107119
(iii) Gaza 096103.

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(i) At Gaza Beach a boatman has been hired to patrol the beach. This boat is to be used for the purpose of helping swimmers in difficulties and for NO OTHER PURPOSE. No more than two members of the bathing party may assist to man the boat at any one time.

(ii) Pending the completion of the private road leading south towards the selected bathing area, bathing parties will bathe in the area south of, and well clear of, the area used by the Gaza Swimming Club. The Gaza Swimming Club is "out of bounds" to all ranks.

(g) Wadi Sugreir. The Wadi Sugreir is heavily infected with malaria; all bathing parties will leave this bathing area one clear hour before sunset, and keep clear of the scrub.

3. GENERAL.

All ranks are responsible for making themselves conversant with the local regulations at the above places.

Officers, Warrant Officers or Sergeants i/c Bathing Parties will ensure that all concerned know these local regulations before permitting bathing to take place.

Owing to the danger of Schistosomiasis (worm infection) all ranks are forbidden to bathe in, or touch, water of fresh water streams, pools or reservoirs.

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Lieut.
Deputy Assistant Adjutant General.

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HEADQUARTERS
AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

SECURITY INSTRUCTION NO. 5

By
BRIGADIER B. H. MORRIS, D.S.O.

Jerusalem,
21 May 40.

Subject :- CONTROL OF PHOTOGRAPHY

1. The following instructions will take effect as from this date and applies to all persons subject to Military Law, attached to or on the strength of Aus O/S Base.

2. O's i/c Sections will arrange for ALL cameras in the possession of ALL ranks to be registered forthwith. The register will contain particulars as follows :-
   Make of camera.
   Maker's No. (if any)
   Description of camera. (e.g. No. 1 Folding Mark II, Film size.).

3. Any officer or O.R. acquiring a camera subsequent to the publication of this instruction will thereupon forthwith notify the O. i/c his section of the particulars set out in para 2 hereof relating to such camera.

4. Any officer or O.R. disposing of a camera subsequent to the publication of this instruction will forthwith notify the O. i/c his Section of the name and address of the person acquiring the camera.

5. A copy of all registers and all amendments thereto will be furnished on compilation by O's. i/c Sections to the D.A.A. & Q.M.G. (Capt. G. Cohen).

6. Photography of the following is prohibited :-
   MILITARY VEHICLES OF ALL SORTS.
   TANKS.
   SIGNAL EQUIPMENT.
   ARTILLERY WEAPONS.
   DEFENCES.
   AIRCRAFT.
   SHIPS OF ANY KIND.
   When photographs are being taken special care must be exercised to ensure that none of these prohibited subjects should appear in the background of any picture taken.

7. Orders for the developing and printing of photographs will only be placed with approved firms. In any case of doubt reference should be made to D.A.A. & Q.M.G. (Capt. G. Cohen) or Staff Captain (Lieut. R. J. Davis).

8. The processing of non-colour CINE-FILMS will not be carried out in this country, and if it is desired to have such cine-films processed and developed the following procedure will be adopted :-
   (a) The film will be done up in two covers.
   (b) The inner cover will be addressed to Messrs. Kodak Ltd., Cairo, and the full postage will be affixed to this cover. A certificate will also accompany the film, to the effect that no subjects of military value have been taken in this film.
   (c) The outer cover will be addressed to the Deputy Chief Field Censor, Jerusalem, who will make arrangements for such films to be passed to Egypt for processing.

(P.T.O.)

9. As it has been found that there are no facilities for processing and developing COLOURED CINE-FILMS either in Palestine or Egypt, such films will NOT BE USED and will NOT be sent out of the country.

10. All ranks are again reminded that exposed and undeveloped films or plates will not be exported from Palestine, with the exception of the cine-films mentioned in para 7.

11. All ranks must realise that the use of cameras is a privilege. Contraventions to the above orders may lead to the withdrawal of this privilege.

Any infringement of these instructions will be severely dealt with.

.....Capt.
D.A.A. & Q.M.G.
Australian Overseas Base.

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AUT. O/S BASE.

SECURITY INSTRUCTION NO.7

Jerusalem.
2nd Dec., 47.

1. Amendment

The following amendments will be made to Aut. O/S Base Security Instruction No.3.

(a) Delete Appendix "B" - and substitute new Appendix "D" attached.

(b) Amend Road "Safad - Acre" to read Degree Two Road (_ . . _ _ _ _ _ . . . .) - Appendix "D".

(CR/Pal/15316/G).

2. Amendment

The Security Measures on Road Beersheba - Hebron are now:-

(a) One vehicle containing 4 armed men, one of whom may be the driver.

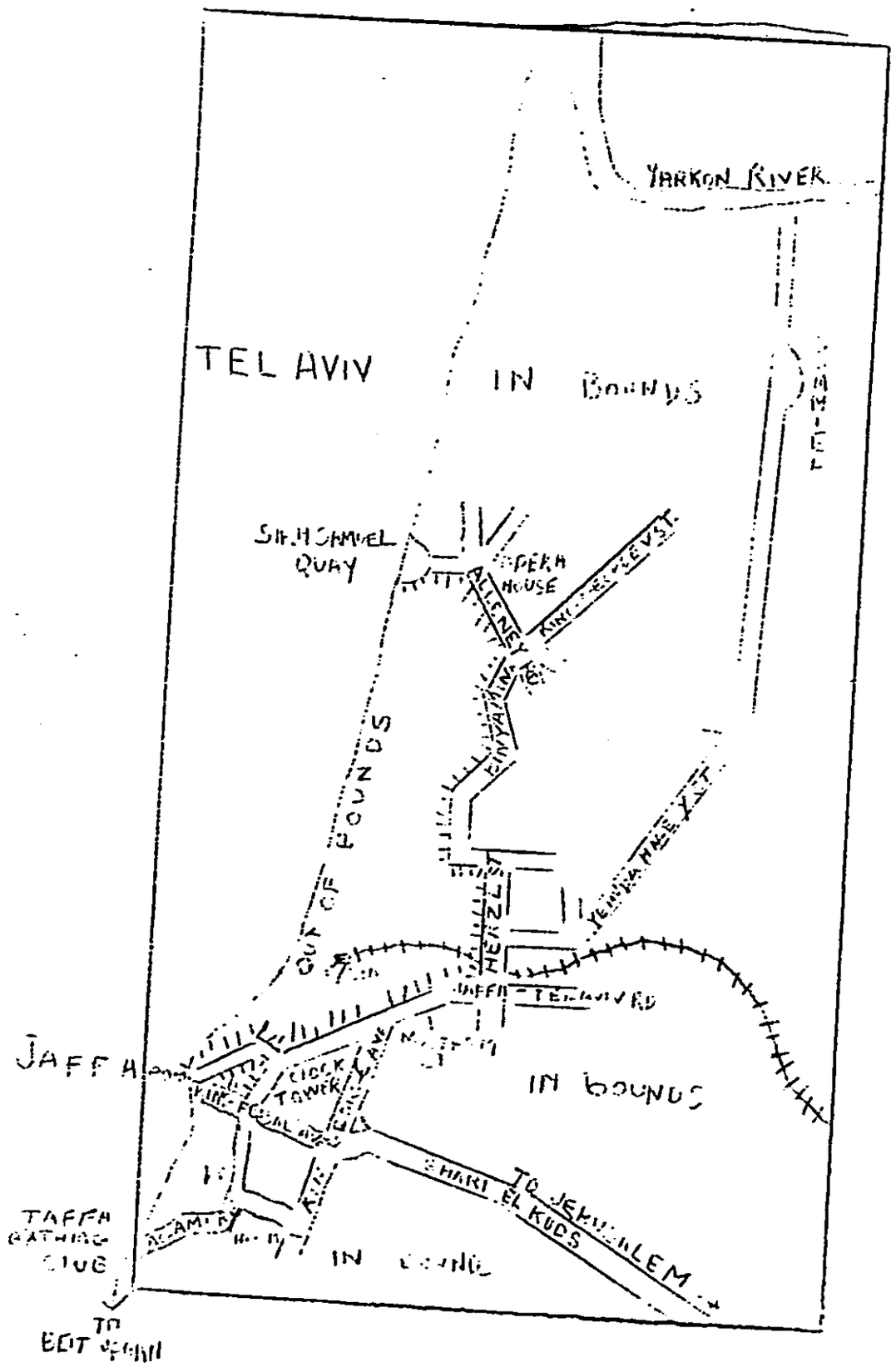
(b) In the case of convoys of two vehicles, there must be 3 armed men per vehicle, one of whom may be the driver.

(c) Convoys of three vehicles or more, 2 armed men per vehicle, one of whom may be the driver.

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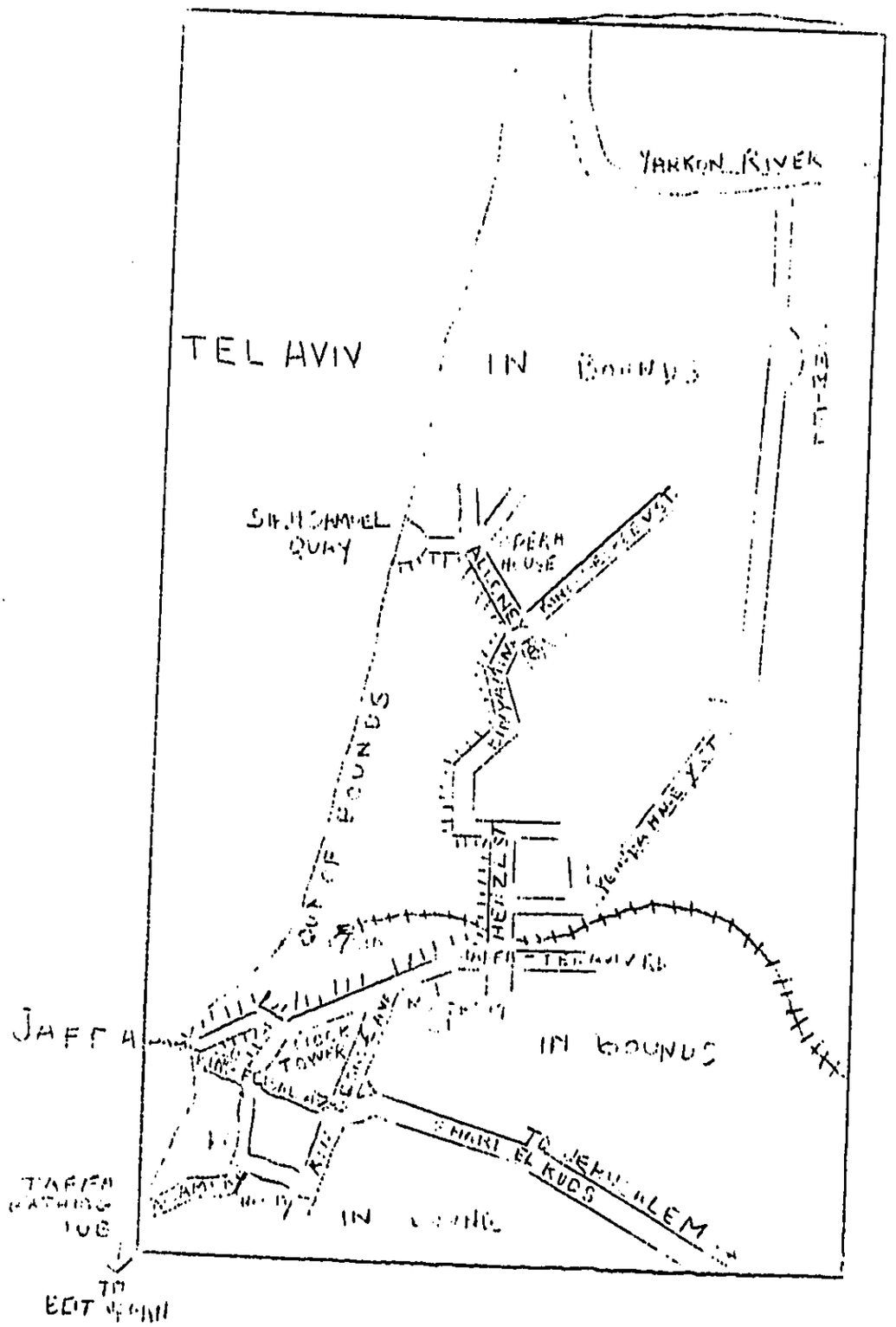
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Aus O/Seas Base SECURITY INSTRUCTION NO.3. APPENDIX "B"
OUT OF BOUNDS AREA - JAFFA AND TEL AVIV.



Aus C/Send Base SECURITY INSTRUCTION NO.3.
OUT OF BOUNDS AREA - JAFFA AND MT. AVIV.

APPENDIX "D"



ANNEXURE "A"

FIELD CENSORSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. SCOPE Correspondence from all ranks stationed anywhere in the Command to any destination and on occasions incoming mail.

2. DEFINITIONS

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

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

   3. CIVILIANS permanently employed by H.M. Forces.

3. CIVIL POSTAL SERVICE Field Censorship is in operation and it is forbidden to make use of the Civil postal service or to despatch private correspondence by the hand of an officer, soldier or civilian proceeding outside the theatre of operations.

4. IRREGULAR CORRESPONDENCE The military postal service is authorised to refuse to accept correspondence which does not comply with the regulations of franking and stamping. When correspondence is not accepted for this reason the postal service will return it to the sender's unit.

5. FORBIDDEN SUBJECTS All ranks should avoid making any mention in their correspondence of the following whether referring to their own unit or any other information, either military, naval or air force.

   (i) Strength, efficiency, morale or organisation of our forces, including any comment on the absence of, or presence in the theatre of operations of a unit or formation, or disclosure regarding the formation to which any unit is attached or belongs.

   (ii) Locations or movements of any naval, military or air force units or detachments, arrival or lack of reinforcements.

   (iii) Armament or equipment of any kind.

   (iv) Distinguishing signs used for the identification of formations or units, and their transport.

   (v) Plans and forecasts or orders for future operations, whether known or merely rumoured or surmised.

   (vi) Communications,- such as the use, condition or probable extension of roads, railways or other transportation facilities, bridging operations, etc.

   (vii) State of the maintenance services, including any references to reserves.

   (viii) Position or description of billets, bivouacs or camps.

   (xi) Casualties before official publication.

   (x) Effect of any action by the enemy. Any remark that might tend, if published, to encourage the enemy, to cause despondency in our own forces or people, or to incite a feeling of hostility among the people in the theatre of war or in neutral countries.

   (xi) Criticisms and statements calculated to bring into disrepute our forces or those of our allies.

8. PHOTOGRAPHS

(a) Photographs, films and pictorial matter of any kind may not be despatched to neutral or enemy countries.

(b) Any unmounted photograph or picture postcard may be sent by post from Palestine to Allied countries provided that it does not depict either aerial views of Haifa or Tel Aviv, Naval vessels, R.A.F. aeroplanes or aerodromes, guns, fortifications, terrorist activities, camps or military operations.

9. DOCUMENTS WHICH MUST NOT BE INCLUDED IN CORRESPONDENCE.

(a) Official documents, including Intelligence Summaries, Orders, Reports, Maps, etc.

(b) Any document captured from the enemy or found in places occupied by the enemy, and any document containing information about the enemy. (These should be passed to higher authority.

(c) Official documents belonging to the Civil authorities in Allied or enemy country.

10. ADVERTISEMENTS AND CIRCULARS.

(a) All ranks are forbidden to insert advertisements or letters in any newspaper or magazine inviting correspondence with strangers. Nor must they enter into correspondence with any stranger in response to such advertisements or invitations.

(b) All ranks are forbidden to reply to circulars.

11. PRESENTS FROM UNKNOWN "FRIENDS."

All ranks are warned to exercise the greatest care in acknowledging presents from unknown "friends."

12. CODES, CIPHERS, SHORTHAND

Private correspondence in the field must be in plain language. Codes, Ciphers, and Shorthand, are not permitted.

METHOD OF CENSORSHIP

1. FIELD CENSORSHIP Field censorship will consist of :-

(a) A unit censorship, known as "franking" of private correspondence in every unit, staff and service.

(b) A selective censorship performed by the Special Censor Staff.

2. FRANKING

(a) All outgoing correspondence will be franked by an officer of the unit or formation to which the writer belongs or is attached. The officer known as the Franking Officer is responsible for ensuring that it contains censorable matter. He will write his name without unit or rank at the end of the text and on the top left-hand corner of the address side of the cover. Initials are not sufficient, and rubber signature stamps may not be used.

(b) Correspondence must be left open by the writer, and will be closed by the Franking Officer.

2. (c) The franking officer, will, if necessary, destry any communication which contravenes regulations, or suppress any statement without informing the writer.

(d) Officers franking correspondence will respect the secrecy of information which comes into their possession whilst franking letters. They will on no account divulge any such information either in public or in private, except when a report on matters affecting military security or senior authority is necessary.

(e) Registered correspondence will be franked in the presence of the sender or his representative, who will be responsible that the contents except for any censored matter, are complete.

(f) Parcels will be examined and franked in the same manner as other correspondence. They must bear on the outside a declaration of their contents.

(g) Letters in foreign languages, which cannot be franked in the writer's unit, will be sent under cover to the Chief Field Censor.

(h) Any cover which has to be opened will be closed with labels (A.F.W. 3424).

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE SPORTS CLUB

GENERAL NOTICE NO. 1.

8 Apr. 40.

1. At a meeting of the Committee at 1200 hrs., 8 Apr. 40 it was decided :-

(i) that the following will be responsible for the management of branches of sport :-

Cricket	-	W. O. F. Ulbrick
Hockey	-	Cpl. J. Ingham
Tennis	-	Lieut. S. Y. Robison
Boxing	-	Capt. G. H. Morris
Soccer	-	S/Sgt. W. Smart
Rugby	-	Capt. E. L. Dunlop
Aust. Rules	-	W.O. J.H.Brown
Concert	-	Lt.Col. G. H. Moore
Swimming	-	Not yet appointed.

(ii) that Officers and O.Rs. who are interested will hand in their names to their respective representatives with particulars of experience, if any, at the earliest opportunity.

(iii) That all who propose to take part in the Club activities will pay 100 mils. every second pay day to the Treasurer of their Section, commencing 9 Apr. 40. The Treasurers are :-

Postal - Medical Engineers - Provost	-	S/Sgt. Cunningham
Records	-	S/Sgt. Haigh
Finance	-	Cpl. Boyer
H.Q. Details	-	S/Sgt. Anderson
Batmen	-	Pte. J. Reid

2. Cricket Particulars of matches will be advised later.

Hockey A pick up match from members of H.Q. A.O.B. will be played at JKI Sports Ground on afternoon of 10 Apr 40. Beginners and others wishing to play should hand in their names to Hockey representative immediately.

Tennis A meeting of those interested will be held at Room 14 at 1345 hrs. on 11 Apr 40.

Soccer, Rugby & Aust. Rules Games are dependent upon ability to secure a ground.

Concert Arrangements are in hand. Anyone who wishes to participate who has not handed in his name should do so immediately to S/Sgt. G. Moore.

Swimming Facilities are available at the Y.M.C.A. to all O.Rs. for 10/- per quarter. The one subscription entitles members to other privileges such as gymnasium, basketball, squash tennis, badminton, etc.

3. The JKI Sports Club Soccer Ground is available to all members of H.Q. A.O.B. Sports Club from 1400 to 1515 hrs. on 9 Apr 40. Footballs and hockey sticks can be obtained from the Sports Secretary.

.....Lt.Col.
President

EXTRACT FROM ARMY & AIR FORCE (ANNUAL) BILL 1940.

3. For A.A. Sec. 187 (c) (Which relates to the application of th the Act to the Commonwealth of Australia the Dominion of New Zealand and Newfoundland) Air Force Act Sec. 187(c) (Which contains corresponding provisions relating to the application of that Act), respectively, there shall be substituted the following section:-

"187(c) - (1) Notwithstanding that the Parliament of a Dominion to which this subsection applies may not have adopted sections two to four of the Statute of Westminster, 1931, any law of the Dominion, whenever passed, for regulating the Dominion, and persons attached to or accompanying those forces, shall, (except in so far as a contrary intention is expressed therin or is necessarily to be inferred therefrom) extend to the members of those forces and to those persons without as well as within the Dominion, and the provisions of this section) shall not extend or be deemed to extend to that Dominion as part of the law thereof except in so far as the provisions of the Act are applied by a law of the Dominion.

The Dominions to which this sub-section applies are the Commonwealth of Australia and the Dominion of New Zealand.

(2) The provisions of this Act shall apply in relation to, and in relation to forces raised in Newfoundland as they apply in relation to and in relation to forces raised in a colony.

(3) Subsection (2) of section seven of the Visiting Forces (British Commonwealth) Act, 1933 shall cease to apply to the Commonwealth of Australia and the Dominion of New Zealand.

STAFF CAPTAIN

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM

by

BRIGADIER B. H. MORRIS, D.S.O.
Commandant Aus. O/S Base

No. 1.

Jerusalem.
9 May 40.

AUSTRALIAN ARMY CANTEEN SERVICE

The policy of the Australian Government is to create a Canteen Service both at home and abroad. This Canteen service will staff and manage all Canteen Institutes in camps. The number of Canteen Institutes that will be established will vary with circumstances; usually one Canteen Institute will not provide for more than 800 men; one will normally be established in a camp when the number of men is not less than 100. Canteen Institutes, therefore, are not confined to the service of single units, but are for the use and benefit of all Australian troops. The profits from the Canteen Service will be used to :-

(a) Make regular monthly payments to the credit of Regimental funds, which are at the disposal of C.Os. for the benefit of their troops.

(b) Provide service and amenities to the troops, such as recreational facilities, finance concert parties, subsidise leave hostels, etc.

Troops should realise that the Canteen Institute is for their benefit and they must encourage the management by conducting themselves in a proper manner and by assisting the Canteen Institute employees in the performance of their duties. It is their duty also to protect Canteen Institute property and equipment, remembering always that they are expected to help the authorities who are doing what they can to make camp life as comfortable as possible.

Complaints regarding Canteen Institute management must be made through the C.Os. of units and not under any circumstances be dealt with by the troops direct. In this way complaints can be dealt with more expeditiously.

Unit Commanders will be responsible for the discipline of the troops using the Canteen Institute in their areas.

In conducting the Canteen Services the following procedure will be adopted :-

1. A Committee (to be known as "The 2nd A.I.F. Overseas Canteen Committee") will be formed to control the policy of the Canteens overseas, and also to frame a method and make distribution of profits. The Chairman of the Committee will be the Commandant, Aus O/S Base, and the members will be the Chief Paymaster, two representatives appointed by the General Officer Commanding 6th Division, and the D.D.C.S., who will also act as Secretary to the Committee.

2. A Profit and Loss Account covering the whole of the Australian Army Canteen Institutes overseas will be prepared and issued by the 25th day of each month, covering the previous month's trading. Such account will be audited and certified by the Chief Auditor, 2nd A.I.F.

3. All allocations of profits to the units as decided by the Committee will be paid in to a Trust Account for each unit with the Chief Paymaster, and will be controlled as laid down in Accountancy Instructions Part IV, pages 33, 34, and 155.

4. The general basis for the distribution of profits will not be less than 6% on the net sales, and profits will be credited to the Regimental Trust Fund Accounts on the basis of the average unit strength for that month, as calculated from strength states.

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5. A statement will be included in Formation Routine Orders monthly setting out how the profits for the previous month have been distributed.

6. The D.D.C.S. will be in executive control of the purchasing of goods, distributing depot and all Canteen Institutes.

7. The opening and closing times for A.A.C. Institutes will be fixed from time to time through Formation Routine Orders.

8. Formation Headquarters are empowered directly or through Os. C. of units to impose restrictions on sale of any particular commodity.

9. Suggestions in connection with the running of the A.A.C.S. will be forwarded by C.Os. of units to D.D.C.S. for consideration by the Canteen Committee.

10. The operation of the Canteen Institutes and the supplies to Messes will be carried out in a similar manner to that in which N.A.A.F.I. has operated.

11. The A.I.F. personnel required for the various branches and depots of the A.A.C.S. will be obtained from the units concerned. Such personnel will serve with the A.A.C.S. and will be borne supernumerary to establishments of their present units. When an A.A.C.S. establishment is settled such personnel may be transferred to A.A.C.S.

12. Any promotions of A.I.F. personnel serving with A.A.C.S. will be only acting. Substantive rank will remain as prior to appointment to acting rank.

13. There will in the first instance be no fixed establishment for A.A.C.S. but requests for the services of personnel will be made as required. A.I.F. personnel for A.A.C.S. will be paid by the Paymaster concerned, but reimbursement will be made to the Chief Paymaster by the A.A.C.S. on the 16th day of each month for all payments made to such personnel for the previous calendar month.

14. D.D.C.S. will be empowered to employ civilian labour for office work, for work in the depot, the handling of goods elsewhere and for staff requirements in the institutes.

15. Army transport in operation may be used for the transport of staff or goods free of cost to the A.A.C.S. Where special transport is required it may be supplied, if vehicles are available; in this case the cost of petrol and oil used is to be charged to the A.A.C.S. Where hired vehicles are supplied to the A.A.C.S. under army contracts the cost of same is to be charged to the A.A.C.S.

.....Lt.Col.
A.A. & Q.M.G.
Aus O/S Base.

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

SECURITY INSTRUCTION No.6.

BLACK-OUT PRECAUTIONS.

JERUSALEM
4 June '40.

"BLACK-OUT"

A/

1. A permanent "Black Out" in all districts in Palestine during the hours of darkness will be brought into force as from Tuesday evening 4 June '40.

2. Appropiate orders to Civil Authorities are being issued by the Government.

3. The screening of vehicle lights as set out in A.C.I. 524 of 1939 will be put into operation during "black out" periods.

4. "Black out" will commence nightly at 2100 hrs. and will continue till daylight.

5. During the hours of "black out" no lights or lanterns will be lit in any Office billet store or other building occupied by personnel of attached to or under the control of Aus. O/S. Base or comprised in No. 3 Sub-area except such as may be specified in writing by the Camp Commandant (Lieut. H.E. Cale, H.B.E.)

6. During the hours of "black out" electric torches and other portable lamps will not be used unless approved in writing by the Camp Commandant.

7. All electric torches in the possession of personnel of or attached to or under the control of Aus. O/S. Base (including all occupants of buildings comprised in No. 3 Sub-area) will forthwith be effectively screened. Authorised screenings may be obtained from the C.Q.M.S. (C.Q.M.S. Brown)

8. All doors to bed and other rooms in Nordia and Silberstein Houses will remain open during the hours of "black out". This is essential in order to ensure that :-

(a) No lights are shewn.
(b) That the internal Air raid warning is readily audible.

9. During the hours of black out the P.A.D. Picquet (see para 3, 10) will by regular inspection ensure that no unauthorised lights are in use. Any such light discovered will be immediately extinguished, and the name of the user will be reported to the Orderly Officer.

AIR RAID - DISCIPLINE.

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1. A Staff Officer will attend at the switch board Aus. O/S. Base from 2100 hrs. nightly and will sleep by the switch board. The regular operator will also be in attendance.

2. In each of the buildings referred to in Para A 5. hereof which is occupied during the hours of "black out" a responsible N.C.O. will sleep by the telephone.

3. Instructions to the Watching Staff Officer will be given verbally.

4. Upon receipt of instructions :-

(a) That an air raid may be expected
(b) Upon the appearance overhead of hostile aircraft or
(c) upon the sounding of the air raid warning, the

watching Staff Officer will forthwith telephone each building referred to in Para A (5) hereof and will give the alarm " Air Raid"

5. Upon receipt of the alarm "air raid" from the watching Staff Officer the person receiving the same will immediately sound the internal air raid warning by beating upon the petrol tin provided in each such building.

6. Upon the sounding of the internal air raid warning:-

(a) All troops will move to ground floor or basement - cellar of their respective billets or offices, and as far as possible distribute themselves over the floor area.

(b) Troops will not crowd up in any area.

(c) On no account will troops assemble in any public area during an Air raid.

(d) The senior N.C.O. in each billet will take charge during and after an air attack. He will stand by near telephone ready to assist in whatever duties called for, such as fire fighting and control of civilian population.

7. HELMETS TIN and respirators, anti-gas, will be laid beside beds at nights, and upon the sounding of the internal air raid warning will be donned by personnel.

8. At the conclusion of any air raid the watching Staff Officer will telephone each building referred to in Para A (5) hereof whereupon personnel will return to the positions occupied before the sounding of the internal air raid warning.

9. WOUNDED PERSONNEL. R.A.P. situated at Room 32 Aus. Soldiers Club Adequate supplies have been installed to meet all emergencies.

Transmission of wounded to Hospital

All cases for transmission to hospital (NO. 12 A.G.H.) will be by Camp Commandants arrangements. No ambulances are available in this area, hence all available transport, unit or private, will be used for this purpose.

10. A permanent P.A.D. picquet of 1 N.C.O. and nine O.R.s will be detailed in Routine Orders. Their principle duties will be:-

(a) Provide an all night watch on telephones other than H.Q. Aus. O/S. Base.

(b) In addition to security picquet, guard all entrances and prohibit any unauthorised person from entering.

(c) Prohibit the congregation of persons near the billet entrance.

(d) Assist in awakening personnel on the sounding of the internal air raid warning in each billet.

11. On the sounding of the internal air raid warning, the [illegible] charge of P.A.D picquet in each billet or office will see that all window shutters are closed, electric lights are switched off and torches distributed to responsible N.C.O.s in billet, to be used in case of emergency only.

12. Any person interfering with an air raid warning apparatus will be guilty of a breach of discipline, and will be most severely dealt with.

13. Each paragraph of this instruction will have the force of an order.

[signature]
---------- C/PT.
D.A.A. & Q.M.G.
Aus. O/S. Base.

Distribution:-
As for Routine Orders.

Force Headquarters.
Palestine Command.

CONSTRUCTION OF AUSTRALIAN CAMPS.

1. With reference to the above, what may be called the first phase is now well under way. From verbal conversations, it is understood that any further construction was to be left for determination when the Advance Party 2 A. I. F. arrived. Apart from any other factor known to Force Headquarters, it is realised that, in view of the desirability of lessening the cost to the Commonwealth Government and of other influencing factors such as shortage of materials, it is highly desirable to keep camp structures and accesories to a minimum. In making the requests given below these factors have been given full weight, but it is felt that in order to obtain the maximum efficiency in the preparation for war of the 6th. Division 2 A. I. F. the additional facilities should be provided. Even with these additional works, the scale of accommodation falls far short of that provided for standing Camps in Australia. It is appreciated that some of the items mentioned herein are already in hand.

2. ORDNANCE DEPOT AT CAMP V. -BARBARA.

Abandoned in favour of General Use the whole of the Ordnance depot Area is required

This Depot and the Supply Depot are first in order of priority, and it is requested that very early action be taken to put the following works in hand.

(a) On the site marked 'Ordnance Camp Depot' construct 11500 square feet of standard 18' by 80' hutting with provisio for a further 4500 as a second priority.
(b) Construct a barb-wire enclosure for returned and salvaged stores.
(c) Construct one standard office hut 18' by 80'.

3. SUPPLY DEPOT AT CAMP V. BARBARA.

(For urgency see remarks under Ordnance Depot.)

(a) Construct one large meat store 40' by 25' of a type similar to Australian Type plan P4. fitted with electric fans and
(b) provided with water point.
(b) Provide five dry goods stores of standard 18' by 80' huts
(c) Provide one office 18' by 80' of standard hutting.

4. ATHLIT CAMP.

Details still to be decided.

5. HOSPITALSAT CAMP I. GAZA RIDGE.

(a) In addition to the 600 bed hospital now under construction it will be necessary to construct the V. D. and Infectious Deseases portions shown on the layout plan, 200 beds will be required, and in addition to the usual structures, one V. D. Lavage Hut consisting of 10 cubicles, 1 sterilizing /room, 1 store room, 1 Medical officers room, and 1 Orderlies room as required. Although these sections will be manned by the 2/1 C. C. S. which does not arrive until the second convoy, it is desirable that the work be put in hand as early as possible in order to relieve the general Hospital and and other Hospitals of the necessity of dealing with these cases. Until the arrival of the C. C. S. these portions will be manned by one Australian General Hospital.
(b) Provide one hut 18' by 80' and a garage for three vehicles for the Red Cross organization.
(c) Provide cool store in the special kitchen.

6. REST CAMP ON BEACH AT GAZA.
Provide rest camp for 30 Officers, 40 Sergeants and 200 Other Ranks on same scale of accommodation, including small E. A. A. F. I. group, as the Ordinary camps, except that a type shower and ablution block with hot water is required. A road of access will probably be necessary and water supply will have to be developed. A small hut approximately 12' by 12' would be required for Red Cross store. Later on a similar camp may be required in the vicinity of ASCALON.

7. INFANTRY AND GENERAL BASE DEPOT IN THE VICINITY OF BARBARA (PROVIS.)
Although the Headquarters personnel will not arrive until the second convoy, and the ploicy regarding the sending of reinforcements, other than the 1st. reinforcements, has not yet been determined it will be necessary to plan these depots in advance, including the provision of a water supply.

8. AT EACH OF THE MAIN CAMPS.
(a) At a convenient position near the main road, provide one hut for a camp guard and 4 detention cells.

(b) Provide unit and formation sign and notice boards.

(c) Provide new system of disposal of sullage.

(d) Provide flagpole at Camp Headquarters.

(e) Provide a large hall for a drill hall and cinema.

(f) As an addition to the camp hospital huts provide two cubicles for V. D. Lavage.

(g) At GASTINA only provide two standard 18' by 60' huts for A. S. C. supplies.

9. IN EACH LARGE AND SMALL SUB-DIVISION OF THE MAIN CAMPS.
(a) Cookhouses.
(i) Provide extra water point for filling Soyer stoves and dixies.
(ii) Cut drains in concrete floors.
(iii) Provide three brick trenches under cover of cooking portion.
(b) Wash-up places.
Provide ones per cookhouse (with water point) in accordance with Australian type P.11.
(c) Ablutions.
(i) Provide boiler in existing shower and ablution block.
(ii) Provide additional cold shower block in accordance with Australian type plan P.9 with necessary water supply and drainage.
(d) Stores.
Provide one quartermaster store in accordance with British type plan.
(e) Regimental shops.
(i) Provide one standard hut with compartments for tailor and shoemaker.
(ii) Provide laundry and barber shop for contractors.
(f) Latrines.
Provide roofs.
(g) At GASTINA (camp VII) only, provide drying room (British type plan) and one meat house similar to Australian type plan P.4. and fitted with electric fan and water point.

I. ELECTRIC LIGHT SUPPLY.

(a) As the electric mains already go to camp VII at QASTINA it is desired that this camp be supplied with electric light as early as possible.

(b) It is desired that the scheme now under consideration be proceeded with.

(c) The scales of lighting and power to be as follows:-

(i) For all camps, including the rest camp and Divisional Headquarters, for the housing of troops the approved British lighting scale in all hutments to be adopted; external lighting to latrines; road and street lighting between the rows of tents, and power required by the E. A. A. F. L., power for the cinemas.

(ii) In addition to this: at camp I GAZA RIDGE power will probably be required for dental and operating purposes and for internal lighting and electric fans in all hospital and dining marquees. At camp V. BARBARA and camp VII QASTINA power will be required for electric fans in meat stores and in all store huts at BARBARA. At Divisional Headquarters GAZA, light will be required for all offices, and power required for fans etc.

II. GENERAL.

(a) At GAZA and JERUSALEM a certain amount of minor works will be required at the billets and at the Headquarters.

(b) For temporary stacking of Ordnance stores at BARBARA 10000 lineal feet of old timber, old sleepers etc. are required if available.

(c) Provision of a certain amount of recreational facilities such as cricket pitches, etc.

(d) All the requests in the previous para. are in general terms and it is suggested that if the items are approved, details can be worked out as soon as possible.

(sgd).....
for Commandant.
Advance Party. 2 A. L. F.

16. I. 40.

A. A. & Q. M. G. 6th. Division.)
Chief Paymaster.) Do you concur please.

I. A. A. & Q. M. G. Overseas Base)
2. A. D. M. S. [illegible])
3. A. D. C. S. [illegible]) To see after despatch.
4. Major McLean.)

This copy for Senior Off. Australian ADV. PARTY.
with 2 copies of APPENDIX B.

MOVEMENT CONTROL, PORT SAID.

See below.

From:- The Embarkation Commandant,
Port Said. Ref. No. MS/74.

DISEMBARKATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR ADV. PARTIES AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND FORCES.

1. Disembarkation will take place as soon as practicable, by launch, after the arrival of the Ship at Port Said, o.m. hours, Sunday, 7/1/40.

2. Personnel will disembark and be disposed of as follows:-

A. For PALESTINE.

(a) Adv.Party, Australians, 38 Officers and 49 O.Rs will be accommodated at Port Said, night 7/8th Jan.40. O.Rs, less 4 o.r. drivers, will entrain 8th Jan in one Third Class Coach and proceed by train dep. Port Said 2055 hrs, arriving Kantara East 2305 hrs. Officers will proceed by car under 23 Inf Bde arrangements.

Both parties will be ferried across to Kantara East and will proceed to destinations as shown in Appendix "B" (issued only to Australian Adv.Party) by train dep. Kantara East 0300 hrs 9/1/40, arrive GAZA 0810 hrs, arrive LYDDA 1020 hrs.

(b) 4 o.rs.(Drivers) will proceed with 3 cars and 1 truck by road to Kantara East at 1000 hrs 8th Jan. with Guide supplied by 1/Essex Det. They will escort their vehicles to LYDDA from Kantara East by first available Goods service. Two flat trucks will be available. Vehicles will be "fed" on disembarkation at Port Said by O. i/c Transport, Port Said.

(c) Subsistence arrangements for journey to PALESTINE will be explained on arrival.
All O.Rs. will have their mess tins, knives and forks available for use.
HQ. 23 Inf Bde. will please inform MAFI. that no arrangements are required for Officers.

(d) All ranks should have their greatcoats available for the night journey. One blanket per man will be issued at Kantara East under arrangements of H.Q. 23 Inf Bde.

B. FOR CAIRO.

Remaining personnel - 11 Officers, 9 o.r.s Australian, and 30 Officers, 91 o.r.s New Zealanders (see APPENDIX 'A'), will be accommodated at Port Said night, 7th Jan. and will entrain at Port Said Station by 0745 hrs, 8/1, for CAIRO, where they will be met and dispersed.

O.C. New Zealand Adv.Party will inform the Embarkation Commandant, Port Said, as to any alteration in numbers on arrival.

Contd.Sheet 2.
C. If personnel

C.

If personnel for Indian Hospital Corps are on board - 9. Ind.o.rs. and 2 Followers - they will be despatched to CAIRO under arrangements to be notified.

D.

If Ship arrives p.m. hrs, Monday, 8/1, the above arrangements will stand with the exception of accommodation. Train arrangements for CAIRO will be notified to all concerned.

GENERAL TO ALL PARTIES.

3. BAGGAGE. Heavy baggage for Cairo and heavy baggage and Office Equipment for PALESTINE, will be despatched by first available Goods Service.
Light baggage (including valises) ONLY may be retained on 7/1/40. This should, if the master permits, be stacked ready for immediate offloading, on to lighter.

4. WATER. All ranks will disembark with water bottles filled.

5. MEDICAL. Medical arrangements for rail journeys will be made by B.T.E.

6. ARMING AND EQUIPMENT. All ranks will disembark armed and equipped. If no ammunition is in possession, this will be issued by Garrison O.C.S. under arrangements to be notified.
Ammunition issued to Palestine personnel, will be held by the party until arrival at Jerusalem.

Major,
EMBARKATION CO[illegible]MENT.

Port Said,
5th January, 1940.

Distribution:-

O.C. Troops on board.	3. for distribution (will be placed on board at SUEZ).
Master.	1.
S.T.O. Port Said.	2.
O.C. Troops, Port Said.	2.
O. i/c Transport, Port Said.	1.
S.M.O. Port Said.	1.
Embark Condt. Port Said.	2.
D.A.D.Tn.Port Said.	1.
Det . 1/Essex Rgt.	1.
HQO and Staff. 1 each.	9.
File .	
H.Q. B.T.E. Cairo.	2.
H.Q. B.F. P & Tj.	2.
H.Q. 23 Inf.Bde.	2.

APPENDIX "A".

PERSONNEL FOR CAIRO.

	Australian. Off.	Australian. O.Rs.	N.Z. Off.	N.Z. O.Rs.	Destination.
Cavalry.	4	4	2	4	Arm.Div. (Egypt)
Artillery.	7*	7*	-	-	4 Fd. R.A.
Artillery.	-	-	2.	6	1 Fd. R.A.
Signals.	-	-	2	5	4 Ird. Div. Sigs.
R.E.	-	-	2	4	For onward journey to Hatruh 8/1. Base Depot R.E.
Infantry.	-	-	5	12	4 Ird. Div.
M.G.	3	-	* 2	* 5	Base Depot Inf. *For Hatruh 8/1
A.S.C.	-	-	2	3	Arm.Divl. RASC.
L.A.D.	-	-	1	2	Arm. Divl. RAOC.
Adv.Party.	-	-	2	50	18 Inf. Bde. & Cairo Area.

Addition :-

Military A/cts. Dept., Cairo. V. Mudaliar and servant.

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6 Anf Div

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

No. 72

JERUSALEM
31 May '40

1. BLANKETS:-

Other ranks are entitled to an issue of three blankets each. any personnel in possession of more than three blankets will return surplus t Q.M. Ration store not later than 1000 hrs. on Sat 1 June '40.

2. "SUMMER TIME" - INTRODUCTION TO PALESTINE.

As from midnight on the night of 31 May/1 June 1940. "Summer tim will be introduced into Palestine (but not in Trans-Jordan or Sinai).

All clocks and watches will be advanced one hour. i.e. at 2400 h they will be put forward to read 0100.

(A.O.B. 965/2/4.)

3. DRESS- OFFICERS.

When wearing shorts and shirts Officers will wear either a Sam Browne waist belt or a web belt.

(6 Div. R/O 74 - 502.)

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

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JERUSALEM

No. 67.

29. May '40

1. CONTRACT BOARD

(a) Corregendium

Advance Party 2 A.I.F. Routine Order of 12 Feb. '40. Para 71 is cancelled.

(b) Appointment

In cases where it is necessary to arrange Services or to obtain stores and other supplies by tender or quotation, the matter will be dealt with by a Board of Officers to be known as the Australian Overseas Base Contracts Board. This Board will be constituted as follows:-

President Lt. Col. E.O. Milne D.S.O. V.D.

Members:- Major H. Kingham
Major W. Kirkhope
Capt. A.E. McCausland.

(c) Co'Opting Members

Officers of other Services will be Co'Opted as necessary.

(d) Quorum

Three Officers will form a quorum.

(e) Urgent purchases

In urgent cases D.A.D.O.S. (Major H. Kingham) may arrange an authorised Service or procure stores by quotation up to the value of £25 at any one time without reference to the Contract Board.

(f) Minor Purchases.

Minor purchases of stores up to the value of £10 will not be dealt with by the Contract Board.

2. WIRELESS RECEIVING LICENSES:-

Personnel are advised that all wireless receiving sets in Palestine are subject to an annual licence fee of £0-750 Mils. All personnel in possession of wireless receiving sets will procure a listeners license forthwith from the Post Office.

3. PISTOLS- CHECKING.

All personnel of the Aus. O/S. Base (Excluding Provost Coy. attached) who are in possession of pistols and ammunition will bring same to Aus. O/S Base Armoury for checking not later than 1200 hrs. on Sat. 1 June '40.

4. PAY PARADE

Pay books of all personnel will be handed in to the cashier's Office (Room 22) not later than 0900 hrs. on Thurs. 30 May '40.

A note will be inserted stating the amount it is desired to draw on Tuesday. Any request for an amount over the fortnights earnings must be signed by the O i/c Section.

Personnel whose paybooks are NOT handed in by 0900 hrs. on Thurs. 30 May '40, will not be paid until Wednesday.

Pay will be available at the following times On Tues. 4 Jun. '40 for personnel complying with the abovementioned instructions.-

2 Ech. 1030 hrs. H.Q. Details 1500 hrs.
Pay Corps 1130 hrs. Provost Coy. 1530 hrs.
Postal 1445 "

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

P.T.O.

5. AUS. O/S. BASE SPORTS CLUB.

Personnel of Aus. O/S. Base are notified that Lt. Col G.H. Moore D.F.C. has relinquished the office of President of Aus. O/S. Base Sports Club, and in his stead Major W. Kirkhope has been appointed President.

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

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE.

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

No. 66 Jerusalem.

24 May '40.

1. MAILS - FRANKING AND DESPATCH OF

The following Officers are appointed as Franking Officers for Aus. O/S. Base.

Padre. R.F. Stuart-Burnett.

Lieut. W. Blackwood.

Lieut. J.R. Sabine.

Lieut. E.W. Selden.

Lieut. W. Outtrim

These appointments are in addition to Franking Officers appointed by R/O 36 of 1 Mar. '40. and subsequent Orders.

2. PETROL (GRUEN BENZIN) NEW TYPE-PRECAUTIONS.

1. The practice of sucking up a rubber tube, in order to syphon it out of the tanks of motor vehicles, will be discontinued.

2. This petrol should not be used for the cleaning of garments, for any household appliances (petrol burners) or for cigarette lighters.

3. When the petrol comes into contact with open wounds (scratches etc.) the wound should be thoroughly cleaned immediately.

4. The above precautions are necessary, as this petrol contains a compound of lead which is very poisonous.

(CR/PAL/25317/3)
(G.O. 255)

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

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ROUTINE ORDERS BY BRIGADIER MORRIS D.S.O.

No. 65.

JERUSALEM
22 May, '40.

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1. MAILS -FRANKING AND DESPATCH OF:-

The following officers are appointed as Franking Officers for Aus. O/S. Base.

Capt. W.J. Balchin.
Lieut. T.D. Cunningham.

These appointments are in addition to the Franking Officers appointed by R/O No. 36 of 1 Mar. '40. and subsequent orders.

2. MOVEMENT BY RAIL.

(a) Tickets

Personnel of Aus. O/S. Base will NOT travel by train without being in possession of a ticket.
(G.O. 13/39).

(b) MOVEMENT CONTROL.

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.

CR/PAL/11813/Q..
G/O 140/40

3. D.R.L.S.- CORRESPONDENCE FOR DETACHED SECTIONS ETC.

(a) DR. Letter Service will commence on Thur. 23 May '40, and will leave H.Q. Aus. O/S. Base at the times stated below and will call at the places stated below in the order given:-

Time of departure from H.Q. A.O.B.:-

Mon-Fri.	Sat.	Sun.
0915 hrs.	0915 hrs.	
1215 hrs.	1215 hrs.	1430 hrs.
1430 hrs.	1430 hrs.	
1715 hrs.		

Calls en Route.

(a) Aus. Red Cross H.Q.
D.A.P.M.s Office.
A.A.C.S.
A.I.F. Lock up.
Provost Coy. Billet.
Aust. Soldiers Club.
1 A.D.B. — All Runs.

(b) Y.M.C.A.
St. Georges Hostel
12. G.H. — 1430 hrs. run only except in special circumstances.

DRs will not be kept waiting for outward despatches and inward despatches will be received by addressee immediately on arrival of DR.

4. BILLETS - DAMAGE TO.

A considerable amount of damage, in some cases wanton, in others the result of neglect, is being done to billets. Personnel are reminded that stoppages in pay can and will be made against all members of a billet to recoup the cost of repairs in such cases. Personnel are advised to themselves take care to ensure that because of action by an individual or individuals the whole billet is not debited with substantial deductions as a result.

5. BOOKS, PUBLICATIONS - AMENDMENT OF.

All personnel in possession of either of the undermentioned publications will forthwith hand them in to Room 10 H.Q. Aus. Base. for examination.

These publications are now obsolete and are being examined to avoid any possibility of mistakes being made through the use of out of date books which have not been amended.

Publications will be marked with owners name before being handed in, in order to enable return after examination.

F.S.R. Vol. (1) (Prior to 1940 reprint)

F.S.R. Vol. (2) (Prior to 1939 reprint)

[signature] Lieut.
Staff Captain
Aus. O/S. Base.

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

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

Jerusalem,
16 May 40.

NO. 64

1. PAY PARADE

Pay books of all personnel will be handed in to the Cashier's Office (Room 22) no later than 1200 hours on Fri 17 May. All other ranks pay books will be collected by the Orderly Sergeant at the 8.30 hours parade.

Pay will be available at the following times :-

2nd Echelon	-	1030 hrs.
Pay Corps	-	1130 "
Postal	-	1145 "
Details	-	1500 "
Provost	-	1530 "

2. ARMS - SECURITY OF

(a) Personnel who draw arms and/or ammunition for duty will return them to the armoury immediately the duty is terminated. Personnel who are issued with arms and/or ammunition will return them to the armoury should circumstances arise when necessary to ensure security. Each individual officer and soldier is personally responsible for the safeguarding of his arms and/or ammunition, and at all times arms and/or ammunition will be carried or kept in sight by the individual to whom they are issued, unless locked in a proper receptacle.

(G.C.560/37).

(b) An officer is responsible for securing against loss any Government or private revolver or pistol on his charge, or owned by him.
When an officer is ordered to carry a revolver or pistol, he will carry it securely on his person, whether in uniform or mufti. The loss of a revolver or pistol by an officer is a serious matter which, if attributable to neglect, will be dealt with by Court Martial, unless the Formation Commander dispenses with trial. Any such loss will be immediately reported through the usual official channels, and to the local civil police authorities.

These orders will also apply to such Warrant Officers, N. C. Os. and men who may be issued with revolvers or pistols.

R.J.Laws ..... Lieut.
Staff Captain,
Aus O/S Base.

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

No. 63. JERUSALEM 15. MAY. '40.

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1. ARMS - ESCORT DUTIES.

Personnel are instructed that when drawing rifles or pistols from the Armoury they will take only the rifle or pistol on charge to them unless authority is otherwise given by the Camp Commandant.

All arms will be cleaned prior to return to the Armoury.

Rifles only will be drawn for escort duty, the drawing of pistols for such duty is forbidden until further notice.

Any breach of these instructions will be treated as a matter of discipline.

2. [illegible]

(a) Some personnel are in the habit of making lengthy telephone calls- in some cases of 30-40 minutes duration. This causes serious delay and congestion on the line, and the practice will cease.

(b) In future all telephone calls will be limited to a maximum of 10 minutes duration. The telephonists have orders to report any personnel in the Aus. O/S. Base Exchange who infringe this order.

(c) The practice of making a call to an exchange and speaking to several subscribers to that exchange in turn will not be accepted as a reason for exceeding the maximum period allowed for a single call.

(d) Many telephone calls which are now being made are quite unnecessary, as the subject could equally be dealt with by letter or by signal. (1425/5/36)

3. CAMP NAME - CHANGE OF.

Owing to the Kilo stones on the GAZA Road having been changed, the Camp previously known as Kilo 70 will, in future, be known as Kilo 89. (6 Div. R.O. 61).

4. CORRIGENDIUM:-

Aus O/S. Base R/O 53 of 15 Apr. '40, Para 3 -Court of Enquiry - is cancelled.

5. STATIONERY STORES - ECONOMY IN USE OF.

Strict economy in the use of stationery stores will be practised by all ranks. Regulations governing stationery etc, are contained in Appendix "A" to these Orders.

(901/2/18).

R.J. Lord

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

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APPENDIX "A"

STATIONERY - ECONOMY IN THE USE OF - REGULATIONS.

1. TYPING

(1) Both sides of the paper will be used ; the left margin will not exceed 1 inch, and the right margin will be as small as possible except on the obverse where the margin will be on the right. Carbon paper (both typing and pencil) will not be discarded until completely worn out.

(11) Whenever correspondence is received in duplicate from formations and units necessitating replies, and the duplicate is not otherwise required, the reply will be made on the reverse side of the duplicate copy: the obverse of the original being used as a file copy.

(111) Typewriter ribbons will only be discarded when it is no longer possible to use them. To lengthen the life of ribbons, typists will type, on alternate days, on the upper and lower portion of the ribbons, i.e. by moving the colour change lever into the blue or red positions on the typewriter.

2. CARE OF TYPEWRITERS.

Typewriters will be cleaned daily before the commencement of work: the frictional parts will be oiled very sparingly when necessary. The use of excess oil causes typewriters to clog, owing to the adherence of paper fluff, dust particles of erasers, etc. Typists should move the carriage of their typewriter to the side of the machine before using the eraser so as to allow the particles of rubber and paper fluff to drop outside the machine and not into the type unit. Typewriters will be covered up at lunch time and again at the end of the evening session.

3. USE OF ENVELOPES

Economy labels will be used for closing envelopes which do not contain Secret, Security or Confidential correspondence or documents.

4. SCRIBBLING PADS AND DRAFT PAPER.

The reverse of obsolete forms, letters and Orders will be used for rough drafts and scribbling pads. Unused paper of any description will NOT be used for these purposes.

5. DUPLICATING

It is observed that excess quantities of unimportant forms and notices are produced, and that full sheets are often used for small forms, etc. Duplicating will only be resorted to for the production of important forms and notices and then only the exact number required will be taken off. Half of quarto sheets will be used whenever possible. Both sides of the paper will be used for lengthy circulars: this is possible by allowing the top part of the sheet to dry before putting it through the machine for the second time. Care will also be exercised in the use of other duplicating materials so as to avoid waste.

6. PACKING CASES, WRAPPING PAPER, etc.

All packages wrapped in paper will be carefully opened and the brown paper and string put aside for future use.

All packing cases containing printing, stationery, etc. forwarded to branches will be returned to the Camp Commandant's Office immediately they have been emptied of their contents.

The need for strict economy will at all times be stressed. It may be news to some that, for example, a single sheet of blotting paper today costs 55 mils, a foolscap stencil costs over 17 mils, and 500 sheets of foolscap duplicating paper costs 195 mils.

HEADQUARTERS

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

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

No.52. Jerusalem. 10 May 40.

1. DUTIES

Orderly Officer

W.O.II Ulbrick, F.J. will carry out the duties of Orderly Officer until further notice.

2. BOUNDS. CAFES AND ENTERTAINMENTS

The following Cafes are in bounds to Warrant Officers, N.C.Os. and Other Ranks as shown :-

(A) IN BOUNDS TO SERGEANTS AND ABOVE

Astoria, The	Princess Mary Avenue.	
Europe, Cafe	Zion Square, Jaffa Road.	
Hesse's Bar	Princess Mary Avenue.	
Marina Cafe	Princess Mary Avenue.	
Metropol, Cafe.	Jaffa Road	
Rehavia, Cafe.	Rambam Street, Rehavia.	
Tabor, Cafe.	Ben Yehuda Street.	
Talpioth, Cafe	Talpioth.	
Vienna, Cafe	Jaffa Road.	
Viennese Cafe.	St. Julian's Way.	+++

(B) IN BOUNDS TO OTHER RANKS BELOW THE RANK OF SERGEANT

Alaska Cafe	Jaffa Road.	+++
Almo Cafe	Ben Yehuda Street.	+++
American Bar	Hamillah Road.	
Armenian Restaurant	Jaffa Road.	
Atara Cafe	Jaffa Road.	+++
Black Cat Cafe	Jaffa Road	
British Restaurant	Jaffa Road	
Cafe Corner	C/r Zion Sq.-Jaffa Road.	
Carlton Cafe	Jaffa Road.	
Carmel Cafe	Mordechai Ben Hellel Street.	
Edison Cinema Bar	Isiah Street.	
Egged Cafe	Egged Terminus, Jaffa Road.	
Elite Cafe	Chancellor Ave.	
Emeck Cafe	King George V. Ave.	
Farberovs, Cafe (Vegetarian)	Jaffa Road.	+++
Galil Cafe	Chancellor Avenue.	+++
Ginati Cafe	Isiah Street.	
International Restaurant	Jaffa Road.	
Landau Cafe	Chancellor Ave.	+++
Lebanon Cafe	Jaffa Road.	
Louisidie	Jaffa Road.	
Ophir Cafe	Jaffa Road.	
Ritz Cafe	King George V. Ave.	
Sausage Cafe	Chancellor Ave.	+++
Schmidt Cafe Restaurant	Ben Yehuda Street.	+++
Segal Cafe	Isiah Street.	
Siehels Cafe	Ben Yehuda Street.	+++
St. Julian Cafe & Tea Room	St. Julian's Way.	
Union Cafe	C/r Ben Yehuda St.-King Geo.V.Ave.	
Universal Cafe	Zion Square.	

(C) IN BOUNDS TO ALL TROOPS

Eden Cinema	Off King George V. Ave.
Edison Cinema	Isiah Street.
Orion Cinema.	Off Ben Yehuda Street.
Pension Vita (Soldiers Home)	Jaffa Road.
Regent Cinema	German Colony.
Rex Cinema	Princess Mary Avenue.
Zion Cinema	Zion Sq., Jaffa Road.

N.B. Those marked +++ have no liquor licenses.

2. BOUNDS. Contd.

All prior lists of approved cafes and places of entertainment are hereby cancelled.

(R/O ISN Area No. 26)

3. LEAVE PARTIES - TEL AVIV

(a) A nominal roll of personnel proceeding to Tel Aviv on leave for periods in excess of 24 hours together with a report showing their addresses whilst on leave, arms, ammunition and vehicles will be forwarded to D.A.P.M., C.M.P. Billet, 78 Hayarkon Street, Tel Aviv (Tel.4160) so as to reach him 24 hours before arrival of the leave party.

(b) Individuals and parties on leave in excess of 24 hours will report, on arrival, at the above address and arms will be handed into the armoury. Vehicles will be parked under direction of the C.M.P.

(c) Individuals and parties under 25 on day pass need not report to the C.M.P. Billet, but they are responsible for leaving and complying with security and bounds orders.

(d) Bounds, approved hotels and local orders as to bathing, etc. will be explained to these parties. Application for reserved accomodation will be addressed to D.A.P.M. Tel-Aviv.

4. RESPIRATORS-ANTI GAS

All other ranks will parade at 0830 hrs. on Sat. 11. May'40. with respirators for checking. All officers and all O/R s. who are excused from 0830 parade will have respirators checked at C QMS Store room 7 not later than 1030 hrs. on Sat. 11 May. '40.

5. DISCS IDENTITY-MARKING OF.

All other ranks will hand in Discs Identity at 0830 parade on Sat. 11 May. '40. so that they may be checked. All officers and all O/R.S. excused from attending 0830 parade will hand in discs Identity to C QMS office(room 7) not later than 1030 hrs. for checking.

6. EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES-PURCHASE OF.

Equipment and supplies of all kinds for Aus. O/S. Base will be obtained by the Camp Commandant only. Sections will submit requisitions to Camp Commandant for approval by him and subsequent supply of articles required under his arrangement. The practice of Sections purchasing requirements direct from civilian sources for payment upon T S 4 will cease.

7. OUTFIT ALLOWANCE

In respect of officers of Aus. O/S. Base the appropriate adjustment in respect of the increase of the outfit allowance of officers of 2. A.I.F. to £25. will be made in paybooks when they are handed in to Finance Section for the next fortnightly pay.

(2 A.I.F. Finance Memo
6. A.C.D. 17/5/1)

8. BOTTLES

Bottles of all descriptions are urgently needed at 2/1 Aus G Gen Hosp. Personnel are requested to collect suitable receptacles and leave same at A.C.D. ration store for forwarding to 2/1 AGH.

(2 A.I.F. R/O 5 .

9. SECURITY

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(b) Officers and other ranks when signing their names in Register of Hotels or Pensions, or in books or registers maintained by any person or establishment to which the public may have access whether inside or outside Palestine will state the following details only:-

Rank and Name
Nationality.
Occupation (i.e. Officers or members of H.M. Forces)

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This practice will cease and applications will be made in future ONLY as outlined in Force Standing Orders, General Order 331 of 1938.
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[signature] Lieut.
Staff Captain
Aus. O/S. Base.

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AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

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

No.62. Jerusalem. 10 May 40.

1. DUTIES

Orderly Officer

W.O.II Ulbrick, F.J. will carry out the duties of Orderly Officer until further noticd.

2. BOUNDS. CAFES AND ENTERTAINMENTS

The following Cafes are in bounds to Warrant Officers, N.C.Os. and Other Ranks as shown :-

(A) IN BOUNDS TO SERGEANTS AND ABOVE

Astoria, The	Princess Mary Avenue.	
Europe, Cafe	Zion Square, Jaffa Road.	
Hesse's Bar	Princess Mary Avenue.	
Marina Cafe	Princess Mary Avenue.	
Metropol, Cafe.	Jaffa Road	
Rehavia, Cafe.	Rambam Street, Rehavia.	
Tabor, Cafe.	Ben Yehuda Street.	
Talpioth, Cafe	Talpioth.	
Vienna,Cafe	Jaffa Road.	
Viennese Cafe.	St. Julian's Way.	***

(B) IN BOUNDS TO OTHER RANKS BELOW THE RANK OF SERGEANT

Alaska Cafe	Jaffa Road.	+++
Alno Cafe	Ben Yehuda Street.	+++
American Bar	Hamillah Road.	
Armenian Restaurant	Jaffa Road.	
Atara Cafe	Jaffa Road.	+++
Black Cat Cafe	Jaffa Road	
British Restaurant	Jaffa Road	
Cafe Corner	C/r Zion Sq.-Jaffa Road.	
Carlton Cafe	Jaffa Road.	
Carmel Cafe	Mordecai Ben Hellel Street.	
Edison Cinema Bar	Isiah Street.	
Egged Cafe	Egged Terminus,Jaffa Road.	
Elite Cafe	Chancellor Ave.	
Emeck Cafe	King George V. Ave.	
Farberovs, Cafe (Vegetarian)	Jaffa Road.	+++
Galil Cafe	Chancellor Avenue.	+++
Ginati Cafe	Isiah Street.	
International Restaurant	Jaffa Road.	
Landau Cafe	Chancellor Ave.	+++
Lebanon Cafe	Jaffa Road.	
Louisidie	Jaffa Road.	
Ophir Cafe	Jaffa Road.	
Ritz Cafe	King George V. Ave.	
Sausage Cafe	Chancellor Ave.	+++
Schmidt Cafe Restaurant	Ben Yehuda Street.	+++
Segal Cafe	Isiah Street.	
Siehels Cafe	Ben Yehuda Street.	+++
St. Julian Cafe & Tea-Room	St. Julian's Way	
Union Cafe	C/r Ben Yehuda St.-King Geo.V.Ave.	
Universal Cafe	Zion Square.	

(C) IN BOUNDS TO ALL TROOPS

Eden Cinema	Off King George V. Av..	
Edison Cinema	Isiah Street.	
Orion Cinema.	Off Ben Yehuda Street.	
Pension Vita (Soldiers Home)	Jaffa Road.	+++
Regent Cinema	German Colony.	
Rex Cinema	Princess Mary Avenue.	+++
Zion Cinema	Zion Sq., Jaffa Road.	

N.B. Those marked +++ have no liquor licences.

2. BOUNDS, contd.

All price lists of approved cafes and places of entertainment are hereby cancelled.

(R/O JSN Area No. 26)

3. LEAVE PARTIES - TEL AVIV

(a) A nominal roll of personnel proceeding to Tel Aviv on leave for periods in excess of 24 hours together with a report showing their addresses whilst on leave, arms, ammunition and vehicles will be forwarded to D.A.P.M., C.M.P. Billet, 78 Hayarkon Street, Tel Aviv (Tel. 4160) so as to reach him 24 hours before arrival of the leave party.

(b) Individuals and parties on leave in excess of 24 hours will report, on arrival, at the above address and arms will be handed into the armoury. Vehicles will be parked under direction of the C.M.P.

(c) Individuals and parties under 25 on day pass need not report to the C.M.P. Billet, but they are responsible for leaving and complying with security and bounds orders.

(d) Bounds, approved hotels and local orders as to bathing, etc. will be explained to these parties. Application for reserved accomodation will be addressed to D.A.P.M. Tel-Aviv.

4. RESPIRATORS-ANTI GAS

All other ranks will parade at 0830 hrs. on Sat. 11. May '40. with respirators for checking. All officers and all O/R s. who are excused from 0830 parade will have respirators checked at C QMS Store room 7 not later than 1030 hrs. on Sat. 11 May. '40.

5. DISCS IDENTITY-HANDING OF.

All other ranks will hand in Discs Identity at 0830 parade on Sat. 11 May. '40. so that they may be checked. All officers and all O/R.S. excused from attending 0830 parade will hand in discs Identity to C QMS office(room 7) not later than 1030 hrs. for checking.

6. EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES-PURCHASE OF.

Equipment and supplies of all kinds for Aus. O/S. Base will be obtained by the Camp Commandant only. Sections will submit requisitions to Camp Commandant for approval by him and subsequent supply of articles required under his arrangement. The practice of Sections purchasing requirements direct from civilian sources for payment upon T S 4 will cease.

7. OUTFIT ALLOWANCE

In respect of officers of Aus. O/S. Base the appropriate adjustment in respect of the increase of the outfit allowance of officers of 2. A.I.F. to £25. will be made in paybooks when they are handed in to Finance Section for the next fortnightly pay.

(2 A.I.F. Finance Memo 6. A.O.B. 17/5/1)

8. BOTTLES

Bottles of all descriptions are urgently needed at 2/1 Aus G Gen Hosp. Personnel are requested to collect suitable bottles and leave same at A.C.B. ration store for forwarding to 2/1 AGH.

(2 A.I.F. R/O 5.)

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Jerusalem.

No. 61. 8 May 40.

1. DUTIES

Sgt. McMenomy, M.K. is appointed to carry out the duties of Orderly Sergeant until further notice.

2. MESSAGES and SIGNALS - PRIORITIES

The persons enumerated below only are authorised to demand the following priorities in respect of telephone and signal traffic :-

Most Immediate	-	Nil.
Immediate	-	Commandant Aus O/S Base A.A. & Q.M.G. " " D.A.A. & Q.M.G. " "
Important	-	Commandant Aus O/S Base A.A. & Q.M.G. " " D.A.A. & Q.M.G. " " Staff Captain, " "

3. CENSORSHIP - COLOURED FILMS

There are no facilities for developing coloured films in Palestine, and until such arrangements can be made undeveloped films of this type must NOT be sent out of Palestine. Developed films must be examined by a Franking Officer before being sent out of the country.

R/O 36 of 1 Mar 40, Appendix "A" Para 7 must be borne in mind when examining films.

(GSI. C-4-24. A.O.B. 175/4/18).

R. J Davis.

.....Lieut.
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No. 60. JERUSALEM SAT. 4. MAY. '40.

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1. DUTIES

ORDERLY OFFICER

W.O. (11) Ulbrick F.J. is appointed to carry out the duties of Orderly Officer for the seven days commencing from Retreat (1800 hrs.) on Sat. 4. May '40.

2. MAIL-FRANKING AND DESPATCH OF

Members of the Nursing Sisters Staff of the 2 A.I.F. may in future frank their own correspondence. The envelope must then be stamped with a unit Censor stamp.

3. RATES OF PAY FOR COOKS.

As from 29. Feb. '40. the following changes in the Trade Grouping of cooks will be effected:-

(a) Hospital cooks to be Group 1. in lieu of Group 2.
(b) Cooks to be Group 2. in lieu of Group 3.
(2 A.I.F. R/O 6 Para 9)

4. RABIES - PREVENTATIVE MEASURES.

Owing to the prevalence of rabies in Palestine, personnel of Aus. O/C. Base will not purchase or keep dogs except with the permission of the Commandant, and a permit will be issued for those authorised by Him. All authorised dogs will be licensed in accordance with local regulations. (GO 413/37) (GO 170/40)

5. CENSORSHIP MAILS - GREEN ENVELOPE (AF. W 3078):-

(a) GENERAL:- It is intended to bring into force the use of A.F. W 3078 (the green envelope) Instructions for the use of these envelopes is attached as Appendix "A" to these orders. Detailed instructions may also be found in Manual of Military Intelligence in the Field Pamphlet No. 2, 1938.
For the present only one letter may be enclosed in a green envelope and the envelope addressed to the place of destination in the ordinary way.

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Adv. 6 Div. Circular 14. Apr.
H.Q. A.O.B. 175/4/15)

R.J. Bourne Lieut.
Staff Captain
Aus. O/C. Base.

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APPENDIX "A"

GREEN ENVELOPES - INSTRUCTIONS IN THE USE OF.

The Green Envelope (Army Form W-3078) is issued to the troops for the transmission of letters relating to private and family matters only. The green envelope will be posted by the sender's Unit without franking, but its contents are liable to censorship at the Base. The scale of issue of the green envelopes will be determined by the C in C. Their provision will be regarded as a privilege liable to be withdrawn at any time. The existance of these envelopes will not be used as a means to absolve Officers from the duties of Regimental Censorship, or to induce or compel men to send all their letters by them. Any misuse of the envelope or infraction of the regulations for its use will be regarded as a serious offence.

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1. The Certificate regarding its contents, printed on the face of the envelope, must be signed by the sender.

2. Green Envelopes cannot be registered and should not be used for the transmission of money or valuables.

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5. The address will be written in the space provided, and if necessary postage stamps affixed in the right-hand top corner.

6. Under no circumstances will green envelopes be addressed to the Base Censor.

7. The copyright of the green envelope is vested in the Crown. The use of any imitation of it is an infringement of the copyright.

8. Green Envelopes can be sent by air.

9. The ordinary rates of air or surface postage are payable in this Command on green envelopes to any destination.

HEADQUARTERS

AUSTRALIAN OVERSEAS BASE

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Jerusalem.
No. 59 Thurs. 2 May 40.

1. DUTIES

Orderly Officer - W.O.II. Ulbrick, F.J.
" Sergeant Sgt. McKenomy, H.K.

2. TELEPHONE COMMUNICATIONS

All personnel are warned that the use of Base telephones for private outward calls is forbidden. Lines have been held for long periods on private inward calls to the detriment of official business and steps have been taken to disconnect such calls after a reasonable time.

3. TRAFFIC REGULATIONS AND MILITARY SPEED LIMITS

i. The following traffic regulations will be observed by military (including hired) drivers and vehicles in Palestine :-

(a) The rule of the road is "Keep to the Right."
(b) Traffic islands must be taken on the right.
(c) Vehicles must not park within 15 yards of a 'bus stop or corner.'

ii. Speed limits for Army vehicles, including those hired by the Army, are as follows :-

(a) Within towns and municipal boundaries :

Cars, motor cycles, 8 and 15-cwt. trucks.....
.....25 miles or 40 kilos. per hr. +
30-cwt. lorries and upwards .. ..
20 miles or 30 kilos. per hr. +

(b) Outside towns and municipal boundaries :

8 and 15-cwt. trucks - 40 miles or 60 kilos. per hr. +
30 cwt. lorries and upwards - 30 miles or 45 kilos. per hr. +

(Note + According to the type of speedometer with which the vehicle is fitted.).

iii. Every possible step will be taken to ensure that these speeds are not exceeded and disciplinary action will be taken against any driver who does exceed them.

iv. Nothing in this order is to be taken as limiting discretion as to speed of vehicles involved or engaged in operations.

(G.O. 597/36).

4. PAY PARADE

Pay Books of all personnel are to be handed in to the Cashier's Office (Room 22), not later than 1200 hrs. on Fri. 3rd May. A note must be inserted stating the amount it is desired to draw on Tuesday. Unless a note is inserted the fortnight's pay will be drawn. Any request for an amount over the fortnight's earnings must be signed by the Officer i/c Section.

Pay will be available at the following times on Tues. 7 May :-

2nd Echelon	-	1030 hrs.
Provost	-	1100 "
Pay Corps	-	1130 "
Postal	-	1145 "
H.Q.Details	-	1500 "

All other ranks pay books will be collected by Orderly Sergeant at 0830 parade on Fri 3 May 40.

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

5. MAILS - FRANKING AND DESPATCH OF

Franking Officers Mr. A. H. Brown, Chief Representative of Australia in Y.M.C.A. is appointed a Franking Officer for Aus O/S Base. This appointment is in addition to the Franking Officers appointed by R/O 35 of Fri 1 Mar 40 para 3 (e) and subsequent R/Os.

(A.A.G.)

6. 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.

(A.I.F. R/O No. 5, Para 7).

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

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N O T I C E

A demonstration and lecture on details of the Bren Gun will be given by Lieut. G. S. Cox, Officer i/c Security Picquet, Jerusalem, in Mercantile Building, at 2015 hrs. on Thurs. 2 May 40.
All ranks are requested to attend.

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