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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

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Army Form C.21
(Adapted)Unit 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF). Date and Time.—From..... To MAY 45.

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Ref Map TOROKINA 1" to 1 Mile Map Ref. 547933.	1 MAY 45	<u>BN PARADE.</u>	A Bn Parade was held at the Bn Parade Ground this morning. CO Lt.Col KELLY took the salute.	
		<u>TRAINING.</u>	H.Q. Coy PIs 1,2,3 & 4 completed route march to Mouth of LARUMA RIVER today. D Coy fired range practice on 44 Range on NUMA NUMA Road. Other companies carried on with syllabus training. The Bn NCO Cadre continues at the LOB Area near ANZAC BEACH.	
		<u>C.O. CONFERENCE.</u>	In the morning Conference Lt Col KELLY appointed Lt. L. COULTON of B Coy as Acting Quartermaster, whilst Capt KAHLER is in Hospital.	
		<u>VISITORS.</u>	Lt. Col CALLINAN M.C.,C.O. of 26 AUST INF BN (AIF) and late second in command of this Bn visited the Bn today.	
		<u>COMPANY DINNERS.</u>	A Coy held its formal coy dinner this evening. Lt.Col KELLY attended.	
	2 MAY 45	<u>TRAINING.</u>	B and D Coys spent the day on a route march. Marching a distance of 14 Miles, the route followed the soft beach up to the Mouth of the LARUMA RIVER thence inland via the South Bank. A Coy was engaged on rifle range practices on the 44 Range NUMA NUMA Road. The PIAT Gun was fired today on the shore range 800 yds North of Cemetery.	Appx 1 att - RO's Ser 21.
		<u>NEWS FROM EUROPE.</u>	The news of possible peace in EUROPE coupled with the death of	

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TOROKINA.	2 MAY (Cont)		MUSSOLINI and the reported demise of HITLER has been received.	
"	3 MAY 45	<u>RELIEF OF OUTPOST.</u>	B. Coy relieved D Coy of the responsibility for manning the LARUMA RIVER MOUTH Outpost.	Appx 1 - RO's Ser 21.
		<u>TRAINING.</u>	Part 1 of HQ Coy spent the day on classification range. Remainder of Bn carried on with training as per syllabus.	
		<u>COY DINNERS.</u>	D Coy enjoyed its Coy formal dinner tonight. Guests included Lt. Col KELLY and Lt. Col. B. CALLINAN M.C., Comd of 26 AUST INF BN (AIF).	ROs. Serial 22, att. Appx 2/
"	4 MAY 45.	<u>TRAINING.</u>	A Coy completed the Coy Route March today. The route is as per itinerary shown on 2 MAY. BHQ plus remainder of HQ Coy fired range practices on the classification range. B & D Coy completed the weekly syllabus.	
"	5 MAY 45	<u>C Coy ACTIVITIES.</u>	A report was received today that our C Coy at present at SORAKEN is manning the observation posts at TAI OF ISLAND and SAPOSA ISLAND.	See Appx 3. - Orig only.
		<u>SPORTS.</u>	An Inter-Coy Tabloid Sports Competition was held on the Bn Sports Ground today. A total of 15 teams competed consisting of 10 men from each pl. with one team from BnHQ. Besides athletic events novel features were included. The highest score was gained by the 18 pl D Coy team. This Pl is commanded by Lt. DAVE LINDSAY. Organisation was in the hands of Lt. JIM KENNY.	
		<u>GENERAL.</u>	Word was received today of the transfer of Capt HARRIS, OC B Coy to the British Army in INDIA.	Appx 4 - RO's Serial 23. " 5 - 3008 & 3009 - Orig only " 6 - Trg Syllabus 7-12 MAY

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<u>TOROKINA</u>	<u>6 MAY</u>	<u>GENERAL.</u>	Bn Rest Day. Church Services. Swimming. Comd 11 AUST INF BDE (AIF) Brig. J.R. STEVENSON D.S.O. called upon Lt Col KELLY. Zeroing of rifles was conducted by B. Coy.	Appx 7 INT REPORT No6.
	<u>7 MAY 45</u>	<u>ACTIVITIES.</u>	Bn spent the day on Administration. Personnel with unzeroed rifles attended minifure ranges.	
		<u>OPERATIONS.</u>	One det 3" Mortars and one Sec Vickers MMG have been warned to move to SORAKEN and join C Coy.	
		<u>OFFICERS' MESS FUNCTION.</u>	Officers of the Bn entertained a party of Sisters from the 2/1 Australian General Hospital and visiting Officers at the newly opened Officers' Mess. Guests included the following:- Lt. Gen S.G. SAVIGE - GOC 2 AUST CORPS. Brig. J.R. STEVENSON D.S.O. - Comd 11 AUST INF BDE (AIF). Col MAJOR - Comd AMERICAN MARINE AIR GROUP No.25. Lt.Col HOPKINS - CO 19 AUST FD AMB (AIF). Maj. RAY - 106 CCS. The night was highly successful. The Bn Band provided music for dancing.	
		<u>TRAINING SYLLABUS.</u>	For 7-12 MAY issued today. A copy is shown as Appx. 6.	
	<u>8 MAY 45</u>	<u>BRIG. COMD'S INSPECTION.</u>	Brig. J.R. STEVENSON inspected the Bn at a parade this morning. In an address Brig. STEVENSON stated he regretted he was unable to give any information as to the Bn's	

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TOROKINA	8 MAY (Contd).		<p>immediate movements, but hoped it would not be long before we were in the SORAKEN AREA.</p>	
		<p><u>HONORS & AWARDS.</u></p>	<p>At the Bn Parade this morning Brig. STEVENSON released the information that Q111747 Pte COLIN CHRISTIAN JORGENSEN of B Coy had been awarded the Military Medal for outstanding courage and devotion to duty in the attack on TSIMBA RIDGE on 6 Feb 45.</p> <p>The citation read as follows:- "On 6 FEB 45 during an attack on TSIMBA RIDGE (ref. map TAIOP ISLAND one inch to one mile, map ref 224561) by B.Coy, Q111747 Pte JORGENSEN C.C. was sent at 1000 hrs from 10 Pl HQ with a message to a section on the left flank, who were finding it difficult to advance due to LMG fire. Whilst moving across to the flank JORGENSEN followed a Jap trench which led to a position where he could see the enemy LMG firing - two Japs were in the weapon pit. JORGENSEN then moved along the trench to within 10 yds of the enemy, shooting one and throwing a grenade at the Jap firing the LMG. He immediately rushed the weapon pit, captured the gun, the grenade having killed the remaining Jap."</p> <p>This courageous and determined action by Pte. JORGENSEN in destroying on his own initiative this post was full of merit. His quick thinking and prompt action at a time when things were difficult, allowed the advance to continue on the left, enabling a foothold to be obtained on the WESTERN end of TSIMBA RIDGE.</p>	
		<p><u>TRAINING.</u></p>	<p>On completion of Brig. STEVENSON'S/A Coy proceeded to No.44 Range on NUMA NUMA ROAD to fire range practices as per Appx A Training Syllabus 7-12 MAY, see Appx 6 on 7 MAY.</p>	

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TOROKINA.	8 MAY 45 (Contd).	<u>GENERAL.</u>	Training for other companies was per the above syllabus. WX 29267 Lt. R.P.J. WOODLEY late of 44 AUST INF BN (AIF) and 3 ARTB CANUNGRA was marched in to join this Bn today.	
		<u>END OF EUROPEAN WAR.</u>	The end of the war in EUROPE reported today was received with silent rejoicing.	
	9 MAY 45	<u>SECURITY OF PERIMETER - WITHDRAWAL OF OUTPOST.</u>	The security outpost at the mouth of the LARUMA RIVER was withdrawn today and the daily patrol along LARUMA TRAIL cancelled.	
		<u>3" MORTAR CALIBRATION SHOOT.</u>	3 PI under Lt. K. KNIGHT spent the day on a 3" mortar calibration shoot from the vicinity of mouth TOROKINA RIVER.	
		<u>RANGE PRACTICES.</u>	Details of HQ Coy were engaged on the classification range on NUMA NUMA Road today.	
		<u>VISITORS.</u>	Maj. STEVENS D.S.O. 2 i/c 4 AUST FD REGT visited the Bn today.	
		<u>NCO CADRE.</u>	NCO Cadre No. 2 was completed today.	
		<u>DETACHED TO SORAKEN AREA.</u>	One det. 3" Mtrs and 4 MMG personnel with two Vickers Guns departed today for SORAKEN AREA.	

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TOROKINA.	9 MAY (Contd)	<u>C.O's MOVEMENTS.</u>	Signal received approving Lt. Col KELLY to make survey flight BONIS PENINSULA shown as Appx 14 of 14 May.	
"	10 MAY 45	<u>CHURCH SERVICES.</u>	Peace Thanksgiving Church Services were held in the Bn area today.	
		<u>TRAINING. 1</u>	D Coy completed the route march to LARUMA RIVER via PERIMETER ROAD and WEBB ROAD today. A Coy and B Coy trained as per syllabus. Remainder of H Q Coy completed range practices.	See 7 May - Appx 6.
		<u>OPERATIONS.</u>	G Coy in the SORAKEN AREA relieved 26 Bn personnel manning the TAIOF ISLAND and SAPOSA ISLAND Ops by 1600 hrs.	
		<u>C.O's MOVEMENTS.</u>	Lt Col KELLY accompanied by I.O. Lt. SPRILYAN reconnoitred the LARUMA TRAIL with a view to future training exercises.	
		<u>GENERAL.</u>	Lt A. ROACH of A Coy is to be evacuated to AUSTRALIA on account of skin disease.	
		<u>DETAILED TO SORAKEN AREA.</u>	17 other ranks consisting of 3 Sigs, 2 Stretcher Bearers and 12 personnel from MMG Pl departed today en route to SORAKEN PLANTATION area.	Appx 8 - RO's Ser 24.

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TOPOKINA.	11 May	<u>TRAINING.</u>	Both B and D Coys completed the route march to LARUMA RIVER today. A Coy completed the range practices on the NUMA NUMA ROAD Range.	
		<u>GENERAL.</u>	<p>a. Qx 48858 Lt. W.C. GREGORY rejoined the unit today after two years service with FIRST AUST ARMY REGIMENTAL TRAINING SCHOOL. Lt. GREGORY has been posted to D. Coy.</p> <p>b. Lt. D. GOULD OC of No. 4 TKA Pl marched out of the unit today to G.D.D. for disposal.</p> <p>c. Lt. E. O'FARRELL departed today for GDD en route to Officers' Cadre Trg. School at SEYMOUR, Victoria.</p>	
		<u>VISITORS.</u>	Capt. PIPER G2 Int at 2 AUST CORPS visited the area today.	
		<u>SPORTS.</u>	A Rugby League match between 106 CCS and the Bn was won by our team, scoring 6 point to nil.	
	12 MAY	<u>SPORTING FLXTURES.</u>	<p>The Bn Sport day was held on the Sports Oval today. Events were as follows:-</p> <p>a. Tabloid Sports - Teams from each platoon and Bn HQ contested. No.5 team from No. 6 Pl. HQ Coy won the contest, with B Pl team and Bn.H.Q. team second and third respectively.</p> <p>b. Bugby League - HQ Coy versus B. Coy - won by former scoring 8 pts to nil.</p> <p>c. Soccer Bn.HQ versus D Coy - won by Bn HQ by 2 pts to nil.</p>	

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TOROKINA	<u>12 MAY</u> (Contd)	<u>GENERAL.</u>	<p>11 AUST INF BDE (AIF) location statement and amendments from 19 Jan to 9 May attached as Appx 11.</p> <p>Appx 9 - Rifle Range Competition Shoot.</p> <p>Appx 10 - 3008 and 3009. - orig only.</p> <p>Appx 11 - Location statement. - orig only</p>		
	<u>13 MAY 45.</u>	<u>GENERAL.</u>	<p>Bn Rest Day. Church services representing C of E and RC were held during the day.</p> <p>Many troops visited local beaches.</p> <p><u>RANGE COMPETITION.</u></p> <p>A rifle shooting competition between A, B, D and HQ Coys plus BnHQ was held on number 44 Range NUMA NUMA ROAD this morning. Programme is shown in circular published 12 May.</p> <p>Keen rivalry was displayed by the various teams, and was won by D. Coy's team with a score of 1127 points out of a possible of 1500. Sjt PHILLIPS of the same Coy was best rifle shot with a score of 133 out of 150.</p>	<p>See Appx 9.</p> <p>Appx 12 - RO's Ser 25 - orig only</p>	
	<u>14 MAY 45.</u>	<u>TRAINING.</u>	<p>The weekly syllabus 14 to 18 May was distributed to Coys today; a copy is attached as Appx 13.</p> <p>Today was spent on administration.</p>		
			<u>CO'S MOVEMENTS.</u>	<p>Lt. Col KELLY made an aerial recce of NORTH BOUGAINVILLE today.</p>	<p>See Appx 14. - orig only</p> <p>Appx 15 - Int Rep 7 for week ending 13 May.</p>
			<u>PERSONALITIES.</u>	<p>Commissioner Ferguson of the YMCA, late missionary in CHINA, joined the Bn today. He will look after YMCA interests for several days.</p>	
	<u>15 MAY 45</u>	<u>TRAINING</u>	<p>B. Coy spent the day on a 17 mile route march. Conditions were not</p>		

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TOROKINA.	<u>15 MAY</u> (Contd)		<p>Ideal - a high humidity and dust covered roads gave an atmosphere ideal for tough training. However, troops covered the distance without difficulty - a dip in the swimming pool near the TOROKINA RIVER was greatly appreciated.</p> <p>The remainder of the Bn trained as per syllabus for the week. MMG's constructing pill boxes at TOROKINA RANGE in preparation for Projector Infantry Tank Attack shoot.</p> <p>The monthly NCO course and an NCO refresher course of two weeks duration commenced at the LOB area today.</p>	
	<u>16 MAY</u>	<u>TRAINING.</u>	<p>As per syllabus. A and D Coys completed route march to TOROKINA Swimming Pool today. The MMG P1 continued on the construction of pillboxes.</p>	
	<u>17 MAY.</u>	<u>TRAINING.</u>	<p>Cloth model and sand table exercises were carried out today in Coy areas. This novel form of training drew much enthusiasm from the troops and gave ample scope for discussion.</p> <p>Half of HQ Coy completed the route march today.</p>	
	<u>18 MAY.</u>	<u>TRAINING.</u>	<p>Further cloth model and sand table exercises were carried out today. Remainder of HQ Coy and Bn HQ completed route march.</p>	
		<u>VISITORS.</u>	<p>At a formal mess for officers tonight the following visitors were entertained -</p> <p>Capt HANCOCK) Lt. SEAMAN) of UNITED STATES Marine Air Group No. 25. LT. KRAMER)</p> <p>Maj STEVENS D.S.O. 2i/c 4 AUST ED REGT. They later attended the boxing tournament.</p>	

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<u>TOROKINA.</u>	<u>18 MAY</u> (Contd)	<u>BOXING TOURNAMENT.</u>	The Bn held a Boxing Tournament tonight including novice bouts by members of the Bn, plus inter-unit contests. The display had a professional polish, especially the ring and seating accommodation, erected during the week by our Pioneers. Many visitors attended including UNITED STATES personnel from the Marine Air Group, and Officers from HQ 2 AUST CORPS. The contests and results as shown in RO No.26 of 20 May, a copy of which is attached as Appx 16.	
"	<u>19 MAY 45.</u>	<u>SPORT.</u>	Several sporting fixtures were held today, the Bn Sports Day. During the morning inter coy athletic sports were held on the Bn Oval which was won by HQ Coy with Bn HQ second. A tug of war between HQ Coy and B Coy proved exciting. In the afternoon a soccer match between the battalion and HQ 2 Aust Corps, ended up in a draw. A Rugby League match between the Bn and the Royal New Zealand Air Force was won by our team.	See Appx 17 - Sports. " " 18 - " Appx 19 - W3008 & W3009. Att. - Orig only.
		<u>AMENITIES.</u>	The British War Film "The Hard Way" starring David NIVEN was well attended tonight.	
		<u>CO'S CONFERENCE.</u>	At the Company Commanders' Conference this morning Lt. Col KELLY revealed that the Bn would shortly be moving to the SORAKEN AREA.	
		<u>DEPARTURES.</u>	Commissioner FERGUSON of the YMCA departed today for SORAKEN.	
"	<u>20 MAY 45.</u>	<u>GENERAL.</u>	Bn Rest Day.	
"	<u>21 MAY 45</u>	<u>WEAPON DEMONSTRATION.</u>	A demonstration involving the use of United States grenade projector M9A1, the British Projector Infantry Tank Attack and the 2 pdr. Tank Attack Gun was held today on the TOROKINA RIVER Tank Attack firing range. Besides Bn personnel, the following visitors attended:- Maj ELLIOTT G2) representing HQ 2 Aust Corps Capt DOUGLAS G3) Capt KERR - MGO Branch IHQ. Projectiles from the weapons were directed against pill boxes	

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<u>TOROKINA.</u>	<u>21 MAY 45</u> (Contd)		<p>constructed of either logs and sand and of logs, volcanic rocks and sand. The American projector (fired shoulder controlled at the standing and kneeling position) proved most satisfactory against targets, penetrating 2 feet diameter logs with ease. The 2 pdr firing both armour piercing and high explosive shells also proved its penetrative powers. However the PIAT although effective against the pillboxes, was found inconsistent due to faulty ammunition. Seventy five per cent failed to explode.</p> <p>The characteristics of each weapon were discussed by Lt. COULTON, B Coy of this Bn and Capt KERR, MGO Branch LHQ.</p>	
		<u>GENERAL.</u>	Bn was engaged in administrative matters today in connection with the move to SORAKEN.	See Appx 20 - ListLOB pers <i>Orig only</i>
"	<u>22 MAY. 45.</u>	<u>DEPARTURE OF ADVANCE PARTY.- SORAKEN PENINSULA.</u>	A total of 5 officers and 49 ORs under Maj SAMSON M.C. departed TOROKINA by LCA barge at 0723 hrs, arriving at SORAKEN PENINSULA at 1445 hrs. The party moved into corresponding sub unit areas of the 55/53 AUST INF BN (AIF).	See Appx 21 att.
		<u>MAIN BODY - TOROKINA.</u>	Preparations for the move to SORAKEN are proceeding. The NCO refresher course was postponed and depending on circumstances may be resumed at SORAKEN.	See Appx 22 att.- <i>orig only</i>
"	<u>23 MAY 45.</u>	<u>ADVANCE PARTY - SORAKEN PENINSULA.</u>	This party began preparations for arrival of main body on 25 MAY. Maj. SAMSON as Battle 2 i/c and Lt. SPRILYAN reconnoitred the area and called upon Comd 11 AUST INF BDE (AIF) Brig. J.R. STEVENSON D.S.O.	
		<u>GENERAL.</u>	A minor hurrican swept the West BOUGAINVILLE Coast during the night	

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"	<u>24 MAY 45.</u>	<u>ADVANCE PARTY - SORAKEN.</u>	<p>Engaged in administrative arrangements for reception of main body.</p>	
		<u>MAIN BODY - TOROKINA.</u>	<p><u>SPORTING FIXTURE.</u> In a Rugby League match against the Royal New Zealand Air Force a team from the Bn was successful in scoring 16 points against the airforcees 9. points.</p> <p><u>SCHOOL.</u> Lt. R.P.J. WOODLEY oc 12 Pl commenced Jungle Craft School at 2 AUST CORPS TRAINING CENTRE, TOROKINA.</p>	
	<u>25 MAY 45.</u>	<u>MOVE TO SORAKEN PLANTATION.</u>	<p>After a reveille at 0230 hrs and embarkation at 0600 hrs the main body of the Bn arrived at SORAKEN at 1430 hrs. Unloading of stores was completed by 2345 hrs.</p> <p>Companies bivouaced with corresponding company areas of the 55/53 Bn. C.Coy which has been detached to HQ 11 AUST INF BDE (AIF) since 28 APR will remain with Bde for the time being.</p>	See Appx 23 - Movement Order.

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SORAKEN PLANTATION	26 MAY 45	<u>ACTIVITIES.</u>	<p>55/53 AUST INF BN (AIF) main body departed at 0600 hrs this morning leaving complete control of this area to this Battalion.</p> <p>The Bn spent the day in preparing the camp site.</p> <p>At Coy Comds Conference the CO Lt Col KELLY advised that the immediate role of the Bn was as yet obscure. He urged strict malaria control in view of the dangers prevalent in this area, and stressed the maintenance of hygiene discipline.</p> <p>To obviate the possibility of a malaria outbreak Lt Col KELLY ordered that 2 atabrine tablets per day would be taken by the Bn for the ensuing week. Discussing training CO said that sand table exercises would continue in the area and outdoor exercises would be arranged.</p> <p>Lt. J. KENNY of 17 Pl D Coy has been transferred to HQ Coy as OC of Tank Attack Platoon.</p>	<p>See Appx 24 - Adm Instr No. 3</p> <p>Appx 25 - ^{orig only} W3008 & W3009.</p> <p>Appx 26 - ^{orig only} Sketch showing location of units. ^{orig only}</p>
"	27 MAY 45.	<u>C. COY ACTIVITIES.</u>	<p>14 Pl under Lt N.J. GILLMAN made an unopposed landing on SEVAN ISLAND, a small island South of TAI OF ISLAND.</p>	
		<u>C. O. MOVEMENTS.</u>	<p>Lt. Col KELLY visited HQ 11 AUST INF BDE (AIF), where he conferred with Brig. J.R. STEVENSON D.S.O.</p>	<p>Appx 27 att - Int Rep No. 8 for week ending 27 May.</p>
	<u>28 MAY 45</u>	<u>C. O. MOVEMENTS.</u>	<p>Lt Col KELLY, accompanied by I.O. Lt. SPRILYAN made a reconnaissance of TAI OF ISLAND today. This island lying to the WEST of MACHIN BAY is the land area that gives shelter to the Bay. Once occupied by the Japs it was cleared by 26 Bn in Mar. Now the island serves as a base for observation purposes. Good view are obtainable of enemy held BUKA ISLAND and the BONIS PENINSULA.</p> <p>A report covering this mission is attached as Appx 28.</p>	

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<u>SORAKEN PENIN.</u>	<u>28 MAY 45</u>	<u>BN ACTIVITIES.</u>	= Camp administration continues. D Coy spent the day at Freddie Beach South of the COMPTON RIVER working on construction of supply dropping ground.	
		<u>OBSERVATION GROUPS.</u>	Capt COMBLEY OC of D Coy and a party representing other companies departed today for RATSUA where they will join 26 Bn and act as observer groups of operations in that area.	See Appx 29 att. - Orig only.
		<u>DEPARTURES.</u>	Capt WALSH, OC of B Coy departed today for TOROKINA en route to BEENLEIGH, AUSTRALIA, where he will attend the TACTICAL WING at IHQ School.	
		<u>GENERAL.</u>	A blackout was instituted throughout the SORAKEN area tonight as a result of sighting an unexplainable very light off TAIOF ISLAND. "A" Coy was placed on a "standby" to be prepared at half an hours notice. However, the alert was a false alarm.	
"	<u>29 MAY 45.</u>	<u>BN ACTIVITIES.</u>	Work on the supply dropping ground at Freddie Beach was contributed by A Coy. Camp construction continues. Coys are preparing sand table models for exercises to be conducted during the week.	
		<u>C.O. CONFERENCE.</u>	Lt.Col KELLY advised Coy Comds to prepare training syllabii for the next eight days.	Appx 30 - RO's Ser 27 att.
"	<u>30 MAY 45.</u>	<u>ACTIVITIES.</u>	B Coy spent the day at Freddie Beach on construction of supply dropping ground.	
	<u>31 MAY.45.</u>	<u>GENERAL.</u>	Nothing of interest to report today.	

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BY

LT COL J.L.A. KELLY - CMDR - 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

2 MAY 45

46. ABSENCE BY MEMBERS FROM DUTY OWING TO ILLNESS, ETC, RESULTING FROM OFFENCES OF WHICH THEY ARE CONVICTED. GRO 109/45 para 1.

Attention is directed to War Financial (Military Forces) Regulation 27, which provides -

"A member who is absent from duty owing to illness, injury or wounds due to an action or conduct constituting an offence of which he is convicted by a civil court, court martial or his commanding officer shall, if his commanding officer so directs, forfeit any pay and pay allowances otherwise payable to him in respect of the period of that absence from duty."

47. CENSORSHIP. GRO 371/44 para 13

- (a) All communications from a member subject to unit censorship shall contain the full name of the sender and his full official address. This shall be written, in the case of a telegram, on the back; in the case of a letter or lettercard, on the top right-hand corner of the first page; and, in the case of a packet, parcel or newspaper, on a slip of paper enclosed therein. A member shall not use any address other than his official address or receive any communication except through that address or request any person to send to him any communication except to that address.
- (b) Telegrams will not be despatched unless the full name of sender and his official address (number rank name initials unit) are written on the back.

48. UNATTENDED VEHICLES. 2 Aust Corps RO 110

- (a) A driver will remain with his vehicle and not leave same unattended except in an authorised parking area where a picquet has been posted, and after compliance with the provisions of this order so far as they relate to him.
- (b) A driver is responsible for the safe custody of his vehicle. If it is lost or damaged as the direct result of his neglect of duty he may be required to make good the loss or portion thereof suffered by the Commonwealth."
- (c) No parking areas have been provided or defined in the 2 Aust Corps Area.
- (d) Picquets provided by Australian or Allied forces have no responsibility in connection with the safeguarding of Australian vehicles.

[Signature]
Capt.
Adjnt 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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NOTICES.

SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THIRD VICTORY LOAN

11 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

TO 28 APR 45

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Quota</u>	<u>Subscriptions to Date</u>
HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	1880	4060
31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	6480	4510
26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	7140	14290
55/53 Aust Inf Bn	7350	10740
76 Aust Tpt Pl (AIF)	750	220
19 Aust Fd Amb (AIF)	2190	4470
222 Aust Sup Depot Pl (AIF)	310	320
223 Aust Sup Depot Pl (AIF)	550	2020
242 Aust LAD AEME (AIF)	270	570
102 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	180	440
102 Aust Bde Wksp AEME (AIF)	1090	1470
101 Aust Hy Mortar Coy (AIF)	1620	3090
16 Aust Fd Coy (RAE)	2090	1250
4 Aust Fd Regt (JD) (AIF)	4320	570
2 Aust Mtn Bty MECH (AIF)	950	1930
Fd Baking Pl	90	530
	<u>37070</u>	<u>50520</u>

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BY

LT COL J. L. A. KELLY- COMD- 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

3 May 45

49. DCM

A DCM convened by Lieutenant-General S. G. SAVIGE, Commanding 2 Aust Corps (AIF) was held in the Field on the 25 Apr 45 for the trial of WX.22431 Pte WARD K. R., 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF).

The Accused was charged with -
AA SEC 18(2) WOAS Wilfully injuring himself with intent thereby to render himself unfit for service, in that he, IN THE FIELD on 12 Feb 45 by discharging his Owen Gun into his right foot wilfully injured himself by inflicting a compound fracture of the third right toe with intent thereby to render himself unfit for service.

The Court found the accused guilty of the charge.

Sentence: To undergo detention for One hundred and eighty (180) days.

The accused was in close arrest awaiting trial for NIL days.

The finding and sentence were duly confirmed on the 30 Apr 45 by Lieutenant-General S. G. SAVIGE, Comd 2 Aust Corps and promulgated to the accused in the Field on 3 May 45.

W. Quaid Capt.
Adjnt 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

NOTICESCHURCH SERVICES

R.C. MASS 1800 hrs SUNDAY 6 May 45
Parade Service QPD 0815 hrs SUNDAY 6 May 45
C of E Holy Communion to follow Parade Service.

All Services will be held in Recreation Hut.

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. *APPX 3*
Sub Out

Call <i>Hand Car</i>	Ser. No.	Priority <i>Sec</i>	Transmission Instructions <i>0/550</i>
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A)	Originator 11 inf bde	Date—Time of Origin 05 1525L
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For Action

~~26 inf bn~~ 31/51 inf bn
~~C coy 31/51 inf bn~~ ~~det 42 ldg craft coy~~
~~FREDDIE~~
~~11 inf bde sig sec~~
~~4 fd regt~~

TO

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions **GR**

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ORIGINATOR'S No. GO 937 CONFIDENTIAL (.) C coy 31/51 inf bn will man OPs
 on TAIOF and SAPOSA ISLANDS at present manned by 26 inf bn (.)
 relief of OPs will be completed by 101600L (.) one number 11 W/T
 set on TAIOF ISLAND will be handed over by 26 inf bn to C coy 31/51
 inf bn (.) C coy 31/51 inf bn will liaise direct with FREDDIE and
 26 inf bn regarding relief and barge requirements (.) 26 inf bn will
 withdraw all own accn stores (.) relieving parties of 31/51 inf bn
 will supply own accn stores (.) rations and amm will be handed over
 in situ (.) C coy 31/51 inf bn will liaise with 223 sup depot pl and
 FREDDIE regarding maintenance of OPs (.) 26 inf bn and C coy 31/51
 inf bn will advise this HQ upon completion of relief all informed

K

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means { except } Wireless	If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CIPHER	Originator's Instructions Degree of Priority 31/51 inf bn by DRLS	Time	System	Op
			THI or TOR		
Signed	Signed <i>M. J. Hassell</i> <i>maj</i>		Time Cleared		

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1BYLT COL J. L. A. KELLY - COMD - 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

5 May 45

DUTIES

(a)	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ORDERLY OFFR</u>	<u>DUTY COY</u>
	6/7 May	Lt EVANS W.F.P.	A Coy
	7/8 May	Lt PONT H.	B Coy
	8/9 May	Lt REITER F.A.	D Coy
	9/10 May	Lt GOULD D.M.	HQ Coy
	10/11 May	Lt SMITH N.J.	A Coy
	11/12 May	Lt O'FARRELL W.E.	B Coy
	12/13 May	Lt DEVLIN S.	D Coy

(b) Duty Coy will supply the following duties -

(i) Bn Gd of 2 NCOs & 6 OR
Bn Orderly Cpl
Bn Runner

(ii) Patrol on PIVA TRAIL

1 NCO & 6 OR

Patrol will report to Bn HQ at 0830 hrs with cut lunches.

50. APPOINTMENT, PROMOTION, REVERSION AND REDUCTION OF WOs AND NCOs - (Ref GRO 877/15)1. Retention of acting warrant or non-commissioned rank.

(a) Unless reverted as punishment for an offence, a member holding acting warrant or non-commissioned rank will retain that rank whilst he is -

(i) posted as missing;
(ii) a prisoner of war or, if a protected person, in enemy custody;
(iii) under treatment for sickness, wounds or injuries not involving his posting to the X list.

(iv) attending a school or course of instruction as a student;
(v) on leave which does not involve his posting to the X list.

(b) A member holding acting warrant or non-commissioned rank may be permitted to retain that rank when -

(i) marched out of his unit on temporary detachment; or
(ii) transferred in his acting rank to another unit in the WE of which a vacancy exists for that rank.

(c) Except as provided in sub-paras (a) and (b) of this paragraph, a member who is holding acting warrant or non-commissioned rank will be reverted to his substantive rank on being marched out of his unit.

(d) His CO will be responsible for notifying the member and ensuring that the necessary casualty return is submitted and the necessary entry is made in the member's pay book before he is marched out.

2. Automatic reversion from acting warrant or non-commissioned rank.

(*) The grant of acting warrant or non-commissioned rank or of a lance appointment is subject in all cases to the condition that the holder will be automatically reverted to his substantive rank on the happening of any one of the following events -

- (i) if he is declared an illegal absentee by a court of inquiry held under AMR & O 445 or by an investigating officer appointed under AMR & O 448A - as from the date of the declaration.
- (ii) if he is sentenced to penal servitude, imprisonment, detention or field punishment by a civil court or court-martial - as from the date of the sentence;
- (iii) if he is evacuated on medical grounds beyond a field ambulance or camp hospital for a longer period than seven days - as from the date of evacuation beyond the field ambulance or camp hospital or as from the eighth day in the field ambulance or camp hospital;

provided that a member who is holding acting warrant or non-commissioned rank on the date on which he becomes a battle casualty (i.e. is wounded or injured in consequence of action by or against the enemy) shall retain such acting rank until returned to his former unit or posted to a new unit; and

provided further that, when the member is returned to his former unit or posted to a new unit, he will continue to hold his acting rank if an appropriate vacancy exists within unit WE. In such cases, his acting rank will be confirmed as a substantive rank, or terminated not later than three months from the date of his return or posting.

A. Smith
Capt
Adjnt 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

DISTRIBUTION - LIST A

NOTICES

OR CLUB

Bard will be in attendance at 31/51 Bn OR Club in 11 Bde LOB Area on Sundays.

Any member who desires may invite members of the AAMWS to the Club.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

1945/18 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / 5 / 194 5 . 31/51 AUG (Unit) 1120 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED. APPX 5
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.				
	1		1	Lieut.-Colonels									
	1		2	Majors									
	1	2	7	Captains	A.A.M.C.	1							
			23	Lieutenants									
			1	Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
	3	2	32			1							
DETAIL.				A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.				33	-								33
E.(1)													
E.(2)													

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX 5200	Capt	HARRIS E.N.J.	106 C.C.S.	30/4/45	returned from hospital and X list

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / ... / 194

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

1945/18
(Serial No.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / 5 / 1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Maj (T/Lt. Col)	WA 12214	KELLY	J.L.A.	Comd	Yes		
Maj	QX 33699	TITLEY	T.H.A.	2 1/c	Yes		
Maj	QX 6063	SAMPSON	H.G.	CC HQ	Yes		
Capt	WX 11165	COMBLEY	J.	CC D	Yes		
Capt	QX 33838	DOWNS	H.C.	CC A	Yes		
Capt	QX 34011	GIRARD	B.W.	Adjt	Yes		
Capt	WA 29257	BENTLEY	H.R.	-	No	X list attending HQ Tac School	13/2/45
Capt	WA101649	WALSH	H.J.	2 1c B	Yes		
Capt	VX 3379	SHILTON	A.L.	CC C	Yes		
Capt	VX 5200	HARRIS	H.M.J.	CC B	Yes		
Capt	WA101882	JAMES	F.C.O.	2 1c A	Yes		
Capt	QX 34014	KARLER	B.E.	-	No	X list hospital	21/4/45
Lt	QX 34609	RIGBY	L.	-	No	X list hospital	7/4/45
Lt	QX 45094	ROBERTS	G.V.	2 1c D	Yes		
Lt	QX 35810	SMITH	R.D.B.	CC 12	Yes		
Lt	QX 34012	GILLMAN	H.J.	CC 14	Yes		
Lt	QX 34018	FOOT	H.	CC 2	Yes		
Lt	QX 34019	SMITH	A.E.	Asst Adjt	Yes		
Lt	QX 34015	REBY	J.P.	CC 17	Yes		
Lt	WA105166	ROACH	A.	cc-18	No	X list hospital	22/4/45
Lt	QX 17832	STRATTAN	W.P.	CC 5	Yes		
Lt	QX 34010	EVANS	W.F.P.	CC 8	Yes		
Lt	QX 33702	HUTCHINSON	H.C.	TO	Yes		
Lt	WA101642	LINDSAY	D.R.	CC 13	Yes		
Lt	VX104043	HANCOCK	J.R.	-	No	X list detached as LO 11 Aust Inf Bde	3/3/45
Lt	QX 45704	MARON	J.L.	-	No	X list attending H.G. School of Sigs	25/4/45
Lt	VX 3205	ARIGHT	A.C.	CC 3	Yes		
Lt	VX 4024	REITER	F.A.	CC 9	Yes		
Lt	VX 5122	PATTERSON	G.J.	CC 15	Yes		
Lt	WA 26684	SPRILYAN	A.	10	Yes		
Lt	WA116603	DEVLIN	S.V.	CC 16	Yes		
Lt	QX 51373	CUNNINGTON	H.C.	CC 13	Yes		
Lt	WA 14999	SMITH	H.J.	CC 7	Yes		
Lt	QX 23652	COULTON	L.R.J.	CC 11	Yes		
Lt	QX 8311	RANDALL	E.J.	CC 10	Yes		
Lt	WA 9760	REBARY	E.J.	-	Yes		
Lt	QX 33584	O'FARRELL	W.E.	-	Yes		
Lt	QX 45093	GOULD	D.M.	CC 4	Yes		
Capt	QX 57863	SALKELD	O.W.	RMO	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	WA 22706	WHEAT	L.G. ARCHD	21/10/44	Chaplain

5 MAY 45

Date of Despatch

J. Kelly Lt. Col.
Comd 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

1945/18 (Serial No.)

31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 5 / 5 / 1945 (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 120 / 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 32 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 2 3 4				5	6 7 8 9 10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
	1		-	W.Os. Class I.					
	2		4	W.Os. Class II.		1			
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
		1	1	Staff Sergeants					
	4	4	32	Sergeants		8		1	
	3	5	69	Corporals		6		2	
	142	1	517	Troopers, Privates, etc.		14			
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
141 *	152	11	628 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		29 *		3	*

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	A.I.F.		C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N	R.A.A.F	**	TOTAL
	A	B	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	524	-	133	-							657
B(1)											
B(2)											

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
1 O/R	11 Aust Inf Bde	(AACHD)	batman	1 Sgt	Q'Land Ech and Rec		
1 O/R	11 Aust Inf Bde	(Ann)	Examiner)	28 O/rs	Leave		
2 O/rs	242 Aust LAD	ASSE		2 O/rs	Courses		
2 O/rs	11 Aust Inf Bde		sig Sec	1 O/R	2 Aust Corps Trg Centre		
				2 O/R	11 Inf Bde Flame Thrower Pl		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To.....(Unit) is Particularly Requested. / / 194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 5 / 5 / 1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	5	-
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	4	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	22	-	Tailors	2	2	-
Drummers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	4	-	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				<u>Non-specialists</u>			
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				TK/A NOS	22	20	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Gen Duties	3	3	-
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								MG NOS	25	21	-
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Mortar NOS	78	70	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Pioneers	33	28	-
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Batmen	35	33	-
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Hyg Duties	4	3	-
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Orderlies	32	28	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	2	-	Regt Police	7	6	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	13	11	-	S. Bearers	21	18	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Drivers	12	12	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Water Duty	2	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	8	-	Coach Trimmers				Storemen	11	11	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				LMG & Rifle	415	314	141
Mechanics, Radio				Joiners				Cooks					769	628	141
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman				Dental Clerk Orderlies				ATTACHED BY W.E.	32	29	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lineman, Signals				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Lithographers				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Metal				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Machinists, Wood				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masons				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Masseurs				Engine Hands, I.C.	1	1	-				
Photewriter				Mechanics, M.T.				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Miners				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Moulders				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Nurses, Trained				Gun Layers							
				Observation Post Assts.											
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	13	-	CARRIED FORWARD	59	49	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	801	657	141
													*	*	

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

5 MAY 45

Date of Despatch

Col. J. Kelly
Comd 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Signature of Commander

W5009 for week ending 5 May 45
Serial 1945/18

DETAILS OF SURPLUS AND DEFICIENCIES IN RANKS AND TRADES

Trade	W.S.	POSTED	SURPLUS	DEFICIT
<u>blacksmith</u>	1 O/N	1 O/N	-	-
<u>Carpenters</u>	6 O/NS	4 O/NS	-	2 O/NS
<u>Intelligence Duties</u>	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 7 O/NS	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 3 O/NS	- - -	- - 2 O/NS
<u>Signallers</u>	1 Sjt 4 Cpls 22 O/NS	1 Sjt 3 Cpls 18 O/NS	- - -	- 1 Cpl 4 O/NS
<u>Butcher</u>	- 1 O/N	1 Sjt 1 O/N	1 Sjt -	- -
<u>Equipment Repairer</u>	1 O/N	1 O/N	-	-
<u>Handymen</u>	4 O/NS	5 O/NS	1 O/N	-
<u>Tailors</u>	1 Sjt 1 Cpl	1 Sjt 1 Cpl	1 Sjt -	1 Sjt -
<u>IK/A NOS</u>	3 Sjts 4 Cpls 15 O/NS	1 Sjt 4 Cpls 15 O/NS	- - -	2 Sjts - -
<u>General Duties</u>	3 O/NS -	2 O/NS 1 Cpl	- 1 Cpl	1 O/N -
<u>AMG NOS</u>	3 Sjts 2 Cpls 20 O/NS	3 Sjts 2 Cpls 16 O/NS	- - -	- - 4 O/NS
<u>Optar NOS</u>	5 Sjts 5 Cpls 68 O/NS	5 Sjts 4 Cpls 61 O/NS	- - -	- 1 Cpl 7 O/NS
<u>Pioneers</u>	1 Sjt 4 Cpls 26 O/NS	1 Sjt 3 Cpls 24 O/NS	- - -	- 1 Cpl 4 O/NS
<u>Satmen</u>	55 O/NS	55 O/NS	-	-
<u>Hygiene Duties</u>	4 O/NS	3 O/NS	-	1 O/N
<u>Orderlies</u>	32 O/NS	26 O/NS	-	6 O/NS
<u>Regtl Police</u>	1 Sjt 6 O/NS	1 Sjt 5 O/NS	- -	- 1 O/N
<u>Stretcher Bearers</u>	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 18 O/NS	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 15 O/NS	- - -	- - 3 O/NS
<u>Clerks</u>	1 WO (11) 2 Sjts 6 Cpls 4 O/NS	- 1 Sjt 6 Cpls 4 O/NS	- - - -	1 WO (11) 1 Sjt - -
<u>Drivers etc</u>	1 Cpl 11 O/NS	1 Cpl 11 O/NS	- -	- -

<u>Storemen Tech</u>	1 sjt 3 O/As	1 sjt 3 O/As	-	-
<u>Water duties</u>	2 O/As	1 O/A	-	1 O/A
<u>Storemen</u>	5 s/sjts 6 O/As	5 s/sjts 6 O/As	-	-
<u>LMU nos & films</u>	1 NO (1) 5 NO (11) 12 sjts 36 cpls 361 O/As	- 4 NO (11) 16 sjts 40 cpls 255 O/As	- - 3 sjts 4 cpls -	1 NO (1) 1 NO (11) - - 100 O/As

DETAILS OF PERSONNEL ATTACHED UNDER P.B.

NO.	CORPS	P.B.	POSTED	CORPS	DEPARTMENT
NO (11)	A.A.C.C.	1	1	-	-
sjts	A.A.P.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.P.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.M.C.	2	2	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	5	4	-	1
cpls	A.A.P.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.M.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	5	5	-	2
PTCS	A.A.M.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	13	13	-	-
		<u>32</u>	<u>29</u>	-	<u>3</u>

DETAILS OF PERSONNEL NOT SUPERIOR TO ESTABLISHMENT

WA109648 sjt JONES S.D. butcher with unit

Wm. Denny

31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

TRAINING SYLLABUS

7 - 12 MAY 45

GEN

1. Training for period 7 - 11 May will be carried out in accordance with the Details set out hereunder.
2. (a) Zeroing of Rifles will be carried out on Monday 7 May 45 as follows
 - (b) Place - Miniature Range Map Ref 549643
 - (c) OIC - Lt J. KENNY
 - (d) Time of Reporting to Range - personnel to fire

Bn HQ	}	1330 hrs	80
HQ Coy			
A Coy			Nil
B Coy		0730 hrs	15
D Coy		0815 hrs	23

3. During period of Weapon trg, portion of the time will be donated to Rifle - holding, aiming, trigger pressing and coaching.

4. The Classification Range - Map Ref 668953 - will be available during the period and has been allotted to each Coy on one day. Practices will be carried out in accordance with Appx "A". The ten best shots from each Coy will be selected to represent their Coy at a Battalion rifle competition on Saturday 12 May - Instructions regarding conditions and prize money will be advised.

5. Serial 1
DAY 1

- Coy Adm
- Kit Inspection
- Inspection of A & Q records by Bn Staff
- Promulgation of necessary extracts from SO

Serial 2
DAY 2

- 1-2 Bn parade - Address and inspection by Bde Comd.
- 3-4 Weapon Trg
- 5 Lecture - Tropical Warfare pam 2 - Defence Ch XI
- 6 Bayonet trg.
- 7 Wire obstacles.

Serial 3

- Route March - Route to be notified
- Bn HQ - HQ Coy 8-9 May
- A Coy 10 May
- B Coy 11 May
- D Coy 11 May

Serial 4
DAY 4

- 1-2 Pl & Coy drill - Bn Parade ground as allotted.
- 3 Map Reading
- 4 Bayonet trg
- 5 Request hour
- 6-7 TsOET

Serial 5

- Allotment of Range - 7 May B Coy (Coy adm 8 May)
- 8 A Coy on completion of Bn parade
- 9 Bn HQ - HQ Coy
- 10 Bn HQ - HQ Coy
- 11 D Coy
- 12 Bn Rifle competition.

OIC Range - Capt P. JAMES

Coaches - Cpl EGAN K.P.
Cpl WILSON A.K.
Sgt FIRTH J.T.
Sgt THIEME C.
Cpl MORGAN T.J.
Cpl DAVIS T.C.
L cpl GASH M.R.
L cpl COOK C.G.
Pte GRAY A.
Pte TURNER S.H.

6. Booby Trap Course

Booby Trap Course will be held 8 - 11 May.

Coys will nominate 4 students to attend to Bn HQ by 1600 hrs 6 May 45.

B. G. Ward
Capt
Adj. 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

RANGE PRACTICE

RIFLE

RANGE 44

Practice 1	Grouping	200 yds	5 rounds
2	Application	200 yds	7 rounds (incl 2 sighters not to count)
3	Snapshotting	200 yds	10 rounds
4	Rapid	200 yds	10 rounds

On completion of these practices, the following practice will be carried out with bayonet fixed.

Firer in standing position at 200 yds. Rifle fully loaded. Safety catch applied. On appearance of target, firer takes up prone position and fires 2 rounds. Target exposure 25 secs. After interval of 15 secs target will again be exposed for 40 secs during which time firer moves to 150 yds and fires 2 shots from sitting position. After a period of 15 secs the target is again exposed for 45 secs during which time the firer moves to the 100 yds and fires 3 shots from the kneeling position. After 15 secs the target is exposed for 45 secs during which time the firer moves to the 50 yds mound and fires 3 rounds from the standing position.

MMG

15 Inf Bde Demonstration Range.

MORTARS

8" Mortar calibration shoot at Map Ref 650877 - TOROKINA 1 in to 1 M.

BREN

Practice 1	Ranging	200 yds	3 rounds
2	Rapid Application	"	22 "

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31/51 AUST. INF. BN. (AIF)

INTELLIGENCE REPORT NO. 6 - Covering

Activities for week ending 6 May 45.

Ref Maps: TOROKINA)
CAPE MOLTKE) 1 inch to 1 mile

TRAINING:

1. Range practices conducted during the week remedied defects in aiming and correct holding. Result from rifle practices were generally good whilst with the Bren many possibles were scored. Rifles requiring zeroing were singled out and are being attended to on miniature range.
2. The above practices were fired on No. 44 Range on NUMA NUMA Raod. A 2 pdr Tk/A shoot was held on 30 Apr at the firing area on TOROKINA RIVER at 675952. Using both HE and AP shells accurate fire resulted from all gun numbers.
3. All Coys completed route marches during the week. Route followed was from camp area to mouth LARUMA RIVER thence inland to junction of river and LARUMA TRAIL thence along the latter to PERIMETER ROAD thence to camp. No difficulties were experienced in completing the 15 mile march and foot inspections on return to camp did not yield any defects.
4. Other training included weapon training, minor fd. engineering, map reading and lectures on 2 Aust Corps Tactical Directives. The Projector Infantry Tank Attack was fired.

SECURITY OF PERIMETER

5. Outpost at mouth LARUMA RIVER and LARUMA TRAIL patrol report situation normal.

HEALTH

6. Attendances at Sick parade was 1.6% of Bn strength. The increase of 0.53 over last week figures was due to minor skin infections.

MORALE

7. High.

SPORTING FIXTURES

8. An inter coy Tableid Sports competition was held on Saturday 5 May. Spirited rivalry was displayed by the 15 teams compwting. Highest points was scored by the 18 Pl team.

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Serial 24
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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1BYLT COL J.L.A. KELLY - COMD - 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

10 MAY 45

51. SELF INFLICTED WOUNDS 2 Corps Adm Instr 9

- (a) Special care must be taken to ensure that members suffering from self inflicted wounds are not classified as battle casualties. Any officer WO or NCO who suspects a member is suffering from a self-inflicted wound will immediately report his suspicion to his CO.
- (b) The RMO in the case of a member suffering from a self-inflicted wound or injury will complete a D11 and in addition endorse AF W3118 that the particular case is a possible self-inflicted wound and that a D11 has been initiated.
- (c) When a wound or injury is self-inflicted
- (i) The member concerned will be charged with an offence under AA 1E (2) and on conviction by District Court Martial is liable to be imprisoned with hard labour for two years.
 - (ii) The member is disentitled to pension and repatriation benefits (Australian Soldiers Repatriation Act 1920-1943 sec 101)
 - (iii) The member on being convicted by Court Martial or his CO shall, by order of his CO, forfeit all pay and allowances for the period of his absence from duty (such as his period in hospital) due to the wound or injury (War Financial (Military Forces) Reg 27)

52. OUTWARD MAIL.

All outward mail must be lodged with unit postal sgt not later than 0730 hrs daily. Any mail lodged after that time will not be despatched until the following day.

RO 45/45 is cancelled.

53. OUT OF BOUNDS

- (a) The sawbench area is out of bounds to all personnel except operators and personnel authorised by the Pioneer Officer.
- (b) The Recreation Hut is out of bounds to all ranks during parade hours.
- (c) Officers lines and officers mess area is out of bounds to all OR.

A. Smith Lt for Capt.
Adjt 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Ward Mary

APPX 9

RIFLE RANGE - TEAM COMPETITION
SHOOT.

SUNDAY, 13 MAY, 45.

1. Teams to be comprised of one (1) Coach and ten (10) Riflemen.
2. Each Coy and Bn HQ will be represented by one team. Officers will NOT be members of teams.
3. The Shoot will be conducted at Range 44 over 200 yds.
4. The following practices will be fired,-
Practice 1 - 200 Yds. 10 rounds application with two (2) sighters NOT to count.
Practice 2 - 200 Yds. 10 rounds rapid. Prior to commencement of the practice one sighter round will be fired by each competitor; for this purpose the target will be raised and after the shot is fired the target will be marked by spotting disc and then raised for observation of the firer. The target will then be lowered and the bullet hole patched out for the commencement of the practice.
Practice 3 - 200 yds. 10 rounds snap. One sighter will be allowed similar to sighter in practice 2.
5. Scoring - Bull 5; Inner 4; Magpie 3; Outer 2.
6. Prizes -

Highest individual score	£ 2
Second highest score	£ 1.
Each member of the winning team	10s.
7. Rests - Sandbag rests
8. The following officials have been appointed,-

O.C. Range	-	Capt. JAMES.
O.C. Butts	-	Lt. EVANS.
O.C. Firing Pt	-	Lt. WOODLEY.
Scorer	-	Sjt. MIROB.
Check Scorer	-	Sjt. OGDEN.
9. Two Sigs. and two 'phones will be provided by HQ Coy.
10. Two men from each Bn HQ, HQ Coy, A Coy, B Coy, and D Coy will be nominated by Coys as Butt Party.
11. Officials, Sigs, and Butt Party will report to Bn. Parking Area at 0745 hrs 13 May, 45.
12. Teams will parade on Bn Parade Ground at 0815 hrs 13 May, 45.
13. O.C., BUTTS, will collect Targets and patching out paper from Bn HQ. on Saturday, 12 May, 45.
14. RSM. will arrange issue of 2 cases Charger packed amm to Capt. JAMES on Saturday, 12 May, 45.
15. O.C., BUTTS, will be responsible for provision of paste and brushes for patching out.
16. Service Rifle ONLY will be permitted.

Capt.
Adj. 31/51 Lt. Inf Bn (AIF)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)

1945/19 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12/5/1945 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/120/3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED. APPX 10

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10					
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
	1		1	Lieut.-Colonels										
	2		2	Majors										
			6	Captains	A.A.M.C.	1								
		1	21	Lieutenants										
	1		-	Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
	4	1	30			1								
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	31	-								31
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
* * Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX 29267	Lt	WOODLEY R.P.J.	Gen Rfts Inf	8/5/45	marched in (auth Det 1 Adv 2 Ech posting order B/1/45)
QX 48858	Lt	GREGORY W.C.	F.A.A. Regt Trg School	11/5/45	marched in - ceases to be seconded as instr Jnr Ldrs wing and resumes regt duties (auth HQ 11 Aust Div MS(R)440 of 19 Feb 45)

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX 4024	Lt	REITER F.A.	Leave	6/5/45	proceeded on 7 days comp leave
NX101642	Lt	LINDSAY D.M.	N.G. Trg School	6/5/45	attending mobile team jungle craft wing course
VX 5200	Capt	HARRIS M.N.J.	str decrease	8/5/45	marched out to N.G. Details depot-selected for service British army in India
QX 34015	Lt	KENNY J.P.	106 C.C.S.	9/5/45	hospital admission
QX 45093	Lt	GOULD D.M.	2 Corps Reception Camp	11/5/45	awaiting disposal (auth 2-Corps MS-1022 of 9 May 45)

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. (Unit) IS

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).
QX 33584	Lt	PARRELL W.E.	11/5/45 attending course 18 commencing 21 May 45

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12/5/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Maj (T/Lt.Col)	NX 12214	KELLY	J.L.A.	Comd	Yes		
Maj	QX 33699	TITLEY	T.H.A.	2 i/c	Yes		
Maj	QX 6063	SAMPSON	R.G.	OC HQ	Yes		
Capt	WX 11165	COMBLEY	J.	OC D	Yes		
Capt	QX 33838	DOWNS	H.C.	OC A	Yes		
Capt	QX 34011	GIRARD	B.W.	Adjnt	Yes		
Capt	WX 29257	BENTLEY	H.N.	-	No	X list attending HQ Tac School	13/2/45
Capt	NX101649	WALSH	W.J.	2 icB	Yes		
Capt	VX 3379	SHILTON	A.L.	OC C	Yes		
Capt	NX101882	JAMES	P.C.O.	2 icA	Yes		
Capt	QX 34014	KAHLER	B. E.	-	No	X list hospital	21/4/45
Lt	QX 34609	RIGBY	L.	-	No	X list hospital	7/4/45
Lt	QX 45094	ROBERTS	G.V.	2 icD	Yes		
Lt	QX 35810	SMITH	R.D.B.	OC 12	Yes		
Lt	QX 34012	GILLMAN	M.J.	OC 14	Yes		
Lt	QX 34018	PONT	H.	OC 2	Yes		
Lt	QX 34019	SMITH	A.E.	Asst Adjnt	Yes		
Lt	QX 34015	KENNY	J.P.	OC 17	No	X list hospital	9/5/45
Lt	NX108166	ROACH	A.	-	No	X list hospital	22/4/45
Lt	QX 17832	STRATTAN	W.P.	OC 5	Yes		
Lt	QX 48858	GREGORY	W.C.	-	Yes		
Lt	QX 34010	EVANS	W.F.P.	OC 8	Yes		
Lt	QX 33702	HUTCHINSON	H.C.	T.O.	Yes		
Lt	NX101642	LINDSAY	D.M.	OC 18	No	attending NG Trg School mobile team jungle craft wing course 1	6/5/45
Lt	WX 29267	WOODLEY	R.P.J.	-	Yes		
Lt	VX104043	HANCOCK	J.R.	-	No	X list detached as LO 11 Aust Inf Bde	3/3/45
Lt	QX 45704	MAHON	J.L.	-	No	X list attending N.G. School of Sigs	25/4/45
Lt	VX 3205	KNIGHT	K.C.	OC 3	Yes		
Lt	VX 4024	REITER	F.A.	OC 9	No	7 days comp leave	6/5/45
Lt	VX 5122	PATTERSON	G.J.	OC 15	Yes		
Lt	WX 26684	SPRILYAN	A.	I.O.	Yes		
Lt	NX116603	DEVLIN	S.V.	OC 16	Yes		
Lt	QX 51373	CUNNINGTON	H.C.	OC 13	Yes		
Lt	NX 14999	SMITH	N.J.	OC 7	Yes		
Lt	QX 23652	COULTON	L.R.J.	OC 11	Yes		
Lt	QX 8311	RANDELL	E.J.	OC 10	Yes		
Lt	SX 9760	EBSARY	E.J.	-	Yes		
Lt	QX 33584	O'FARRELL	W.E.	-	No	X list attending OCTU	11/5/45
Capt	QX 57863	SALKELD	O.W.	RMO	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
	WX 22706	WHENT L.G.	AACbD	21/10/44	Chaplain

12 MAY 45

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

Lt. Col.
Comd 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 12 / 5 / 1945 31/51 AUST INF (Unit) (AIF)

W.E. 11/120 3 OFFRS 33 O.R.'s 769 + OFFRS 1 O.R.'s 32 ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5		ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					10
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required	
	<u>1</u>		<u>-</u>	W.Os. Class I.							
	<u>2</u>		<u>4</u>	W.Os. Class II.			<u>1</u>				
			<u>5</u>	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.							
		<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Staff Sergeants							
	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>33</u>	Sergeants			<u>8</u>		<u>1</u>		
	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>68</u>	Corporals			<u>6</u>		<u>2</u>		
	<u>146</u>	<u>1</u>	518 <u>513</u>	Troopers, Privates, etc.			<u>17</u>	<u>3</u>			
			<u>513</u>	Civilians counting as O.R.							
<u>145</u> *	<u>156</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>624</u> *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.			<u>32</u> *	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	*	

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).

* Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	A.I.F.		C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N	R.A.A.F	**	TOTAL
	A	B	Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	<u>528</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>128</u>								<u>656</u>
B(1)											
B(2)											

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Part C. Other Ranks Included in Part A Detached to Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached
<u>1</u>	<u>O/R</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Aust Inf Bde (AACHD) batman</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Sjt Q'Land Ech and Rec</u>		
<u>1</u>	<u>O/R</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Aust Inf Bde (Ann Examiner)</u>	<u>27</u>	<u>O/Rs Leave</u>		
<u>2</u>	<u>O/R</u>	<u>242</u>	<u>Aust LAD AEME</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>O/Rs Courses</u>		
<u>2</u>	<u>O/R</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>O/R 2 Aust Corps Trg Centre</u>		
				<u>2</u>	<u>O/R 11 Inf Bde Flame Thrower Pl</u>		
				<u>1</u>	<u>O/R NG Trg School Jungle craft wing (batman)</u>		

Part D. Description of Other Ranks Whose Return To (Unit) is Particularly Requested. / / 194

Army No	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 12 / 5 / 1945.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders	4	5	-
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	4	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	21	-	Tailors	2	2	-
Dressers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Dressmakers				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	5	-	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Non-specialists			
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				Tk/ Nos	22	20	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Gen Duties	3	3	-
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								MMG Nos	25	21	-
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Mortar Nos	78	70	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Pioneers	33	27	-
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Batmen	35	35	-
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Hyg Duties	4	3	-
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Orderlies	32	26	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	2	-	Regt Police	7	6	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	13	12	-	S.Bearers	21	17	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Drivers MT	12	12	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Water Duty	2	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	8	-	Coach Trimmers				Storemen	11	11	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				LMG & Rifleman	415	311	145
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks					769	624	145
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				ATTACHED BY W.E.	32	32	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1	-				
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	14	-	CARRIED FORWARD	59	50	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	80	1656	145

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

12 MAY 45
Date of Despatch

J. Kelly Lt. Col
Comd 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Signature of Commander

DETAILS OF SURPLUSES AND DEFICIENCIES IN RANKS AND TRADES

<u>TRADE</u>	<u>W.E.</u>	<u>POSTED</u>	<u>SURPLUS</u>	<u>DEFICIENT</u>
<u>Blacksmith</u>	1 O/R	1 O/R	-	-
<u>Carpenters</u>	6 O/Rs	5 O/Rs	-	1 O/R
<u>Intelligence Duties</u>	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 7 O/Rs	- 2 Cpls 6 O/Rs	- - -	1 Sjt - 1 O/R
<u>Signallers</u>	1 Sjt 4 Cpls 22 O/Rs	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 18 O/Rs	- - -	- 2 Cpls 4 O/Rs
<u>Butcher</u>	- 1 O/R	1 Sjt 1 O/R	1 Sjt -	- -
<u>Equipment Repairer</u>	1 O/R	1 O/R	-	-
<u>Handstakers</u>	4 O/Rs	5 O/Rs	1 O/R	-
<u>Tailors</u>	1 Sjt 1 Cpl	1 S/Sjts 1 Cpl	1 S/Sjt -	1 Sjt -
<u>Tk/A Nos</u>	3 Sjts 4 Cpls 15 O/Rs	2 Sjts 5 Cpls 13 O/Rs	- 1 Cpl -	1 Sjt - 2 O/Rs
<u>General Duties</u>	3 O/Rs -	2 O/Rs 1 Cpl	- 1 Cpl	1 O/R -
<u>MMG Nos</u>	3 Sjts 2 Cpls 20 O/Rs	3 Sjts 2 Cpls 16 O/Rs	- - -	- - 4 O/Rs
<u>Mortar Nos</u>	5 Sjts 5 Cpls 68 O/Rs	5 Sjts 4 Cpls 61 O/Rs	- - -	- 1 Cpl 7 O/Rs
<u>Pioneers</u>	1 Sjt 4 Cpls 28 O/Rs	1 Sjt 3 Cpls 23 O/Rs	- - -	- 1 Cpl 5 O/Rs
<u>Batmen</u>	35 O/Rs	35 O/Rs	-	-
<u>Hygiene Duties</u>	4 O/Rs	3 O/Rs	-	1 O/R
<u>Orderlies</u>	32 O/Rs	26 O/Rs	-	6 O/Rs
<u>Regtl Police</u>	1 Sjt 6 O/Rs	1 Sjt 5 O/Rs	- -	- 1 O/R
<u>Stretcher Bearers</u>	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 18 O/Rs	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 14 O/Rs	- - -	- - 4 O/Rs
<u>Clerks</u>	1 WO(11) 2 Sjts 6 Cpls 4 O/Rs	- 2 Sjts 6 Cpls 4 O/Rs	- - - -	1 WO (11) - - -
<u>Drivers MT</u>	1 Cpl 11 O/Rs	1 Cpl 11 O/Rs	- -	- -

<u>Storemen Tech</u>	1 Sjt 3 O/Rs	1 Sjt 3 O/Rs	- -	- -
<u>Water Duties</u>	2 O/Rs	1 O/R	-	1 O/R
<u>Storemen</u>	5 S/Sjts 6 O/Rs	5 S/Sjts 6 O/Rs	- -	- -
<u>IMG Nos & Rfilm</u>	1 WO (1) 5 WO (11) 12 Sjts 36 Cpls 361 O/Rs	- 4 WO (11) 15 Sjts 59 Cpls 253 O/Rs	- - 3 Sjts 3 Cpls -	1 WO (1) 1 WO (1) - - 108 O/Rs

DETAILS OF PERSONNEL ATTACHED UNDER W.E.

RANK	CORPS	W.E.	POSTED	SURPLUS	DEFICIENT
WO (11)	A.A.C.C.	1	1	-	-
Sjts	A.A.P.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.P.S.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.M.C.	2	2	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	5	4	-	1
Cpls	A.A.P.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.M.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	5	3	-	2
Ptes	A.A.M.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	13	16	3	-
		32 32	32	3	3

DETAILS OF PERSONNEL HELD SUPERNUMERARY TO ESTABLISHMENT

RX139843 Sjt JONES S.D. Butcher with unit

APPX - covering locostat to May 31.

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APPX 11

subject: AMENDMENT TO LOCATION STATEMENT

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HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Int/174
9 May 45

Attached is one copy (Copy No 2) of Amendment No 1
to 11 Aust Inf Bde Location Statement No 6 of 22 Apr 45.

2. Please acknowledge receipt.

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12/5/45.

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As for Location Statement No 6

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LM 11 Aust Inf Bde

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AMENDMENT NO 1 TO 11 AUST INF LEE (AIF)
 LOCATION STATEMENT NO 6 AS AT 22 APR 45.
 AMENDMENTS AS AT 8 MAY 2350 HRS.

Ref Maps: SORAKEN) 1/25000 series
 CHALAI)
 TOROKINA 1 inch to 1 mile

<u>Ser No</u>			<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Map Ref</u>
2	ADD.	Less 10 Lty		
(1)	ADD.	10 Lty	KOWARO	657096
4(a)	<u>DELETE</u>		SORAKEN	246600
	<u>INSERT</u>		CHADAI	290680
(b)	<u>DELETE</u>		TOROKINA	555924
	<u>INSERT</u>		SORAKEN	265605
7.	<u>ADD.</u>	4 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	SORAKEN	247598
9	<u>DELETE</u>	'det 5 Aust Wireless Sec'		
	<u>INSERT</u>	'det 39 Aust Wireless Sec'		
10	<u>DELETE</u>	All reference		
	<u>INSERT</u>	A Det 7 Aust Pigeon Sec	SORAKEN	234650
		D Det 7 Aust Pigeon Sec	SORAKEN	247598
11(a)	<u>ADD</u>	Det 4 Aust Cipher Sec	SORAKEN	247598
12(h)	<u>ADD</u>	TOROKORI Island OP	CHALAI	251683
13(c)	<u>DELETE</u>		TOROKINA	247935
	<u>INSERT</u>		SORAKEN	241587
14	<u>DELETE</u>		SORAKEN	260588
	<u>INSERT</u>		SORAKEN	307651
14(a)	<u>DELETE</u>		SORAKEN	314644
	<u>INSERT</u>		CHADAI	339697
(b)	<u>DELETE</u>		SORAKEN	296615
	<u>INSERT</u>		CHADAI	317704
(c)	<u>DELETE</u>		SORAKEN	275614
	<u>INSERT</u>		CHADAI	272692
(d)	<u>DELETE</u>		SORAKEN	260588
	<u>INSERT</u>		CHADAI	312684
15(a)	<u>DELETE</u>		SORAKEN	260588
	<u>INSERT</u>		SORAKEN	296647
17	<u>DELETE</u>		SORAKEN	260588
	<u>INSERT</u>		SORAKEN	247598

<u>Ser No</u>			<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Map Ref</u>
18	<u>DELETE</u>	Det ATIS		
	<u>INSERT</u>	Det 2 Aust Corps Language Sec		
22	<u>ADD</u>	Lt Sec 19 Fd Amb	SORAKEN	291673
24	<u>DELETE</u>		TOROKINA	566927
	<u>INSERT</u>		SORAKEN	243588
(a)	<u>DELETE</u>		SORAKEN	243588
	<u>INSERT</u>		TOROKINA	556923
28	<u>DELETE</u>	Det 4 Aust Div Pro Pl (AIF)		
	<u>INSERT</u>	20 Aust Indep Pro Pl(AIF)		
31	<u>DELETE</u>		SORAKEN	240586
	<u>INSERT</u>		SORAKEN	259593
33	<u>ADD.</u>	Det 2 Aust Corps Cash Office	SORAKEN	241588

MESSAGE FORM

Register 1

Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM

(A)

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

11 BDE
31/512

270800

For Action

TO

11 BDE

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

GR

ORIGINATOR'S No.

I 626 - your INT/200 ack

Duplicate

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN
by any means { except

[Signature]
Wireless

Signed

If liable to be intercepted or fall into
enemy hands, this message must be
sent IN CIPHER

Signed

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
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Subject: LOCATION STATEMENT

HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Int/200
24 May 45

Attached is one copy (Copy No 2) of 11 Aust Inf Bde Location Statement No 7 showing locations as at 2359 hrs 22 May 45.

2. Please acknowledge receipt. ✓

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Major
BM 11 Aust Inf Bde
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Distribution List

26 Aust Inf Bn	1	War Diary	19 - 20
31/51 Aust Inf Bn	2 ✓	File	21
55/53 Aust Inf Bn	3	Spare	22 - 23
4 Aust Fd Regt	4		
2 Aust Mtn Bty	5		
101 Aust Hy Mortar Coy	6		
16 Aust Fd Coy	7		
11 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	8		
222 Aust Sup Depot Pl	9		
223 Aust Sup Depot Pl	10		
76 Aust Gen Tpt Coy	11		
102 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk	12		
102 Aust Bde Wksp	13		
242 Aust LAD	14		
19 Aust Fd Amb	15		
2 Aust Corps (for infm)	16		
23 Aust Inf Bde "	17		
46 Aust LA Sec "	18		

11 AUST INF BDE (AIF) LOCATION STATEMENT NO 7
SHOWING LOCATIONS AS AT 2359 HRS 22 MAY 45.

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Ref Maps: SORAKEN (Revised Edition) 1/25000
 CHABAI 1/25000
 TOROKINA 1 inch to 1 mile
 TAI OF Island 1 inch

<u>Serial</u>	<u>Arm or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Map Ref</u>	<u>Comms</u>
1	HQ	11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)	SORAKEN	247598	w/T and Courier service to 2 Corps
(a)		11 Aust Inf Bde LOB Details	TOROKINA	556923	
(b)		4 Met Det 5 Aust Mob Met Flight	SORAKEN	238645	
2.	<u>ARTY</u>	4 Aust Md Regt (AIF) (less 10 Bty) RHQ	SORAKEN	246599	Phone, No 11 Set to Btys. Phone to Bde
(a)		10 Bty	KOMARU Under Comd 23 Aust Inf Bde		Phone and No 11 Set to Btys and RHQ
(b)		11 Bty CP	SORAKEN	230653	
(c)		C Tp	SORAKEN	237661	Phone to CP
(d)		D Tp	CHABAI: (posns being prepared no guns in action)	294683	
(e)		12 Bty CP	SORAKEN	241636	Line to Tps, Btys and No 11 Set RHQ
(f)		E Tp	SORAKEN	241638	
(g)		F Tp	SORAKEN	239641	Phone to CP and Tps " " " " "
(h)		OP North Tip SORAKEN Peninsula	SORAKEN	238662	
(i)		LOB Details	TOROKINA	562920	Phone to C Tp then to Bty.
3.		2 Aust Mtn Bty ✓	SORAKEN	247600	Phone

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Arm, or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Map Ref</u>	<u>Comms</u>
3 (a)	ARTY	LOB Details	TOROKINA	563929	
4.	ENGRS	16 Aust Fd Coy RAE HQ and 2 Pl	SORAKEN	252597	
(a)		1 Pl	CHABAI	295683	As for Ser 13
(b)		3 Pl	"	311690	" " " 13
			TOROKINA	544933	
5.		One Pl 42 Aust Water Landing Craft Coy	SORAKEN	221626	W/T
6.	<u>SVY</u>	One Sec 2 Aust Fd Svy Coy(AIF)	CHABAI	311690	As For Ser 13
(a)		A Tp 3 Aust Fd Svy Bty(AIF)	SORAKEN	246598	
7.	<u>SIGS</u>	11 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	SORAKEN	247598	
8		4 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec	SORAKEN	246599	
9		Det 39 Aust Wireless Sec	SORAKEN	247598	
9(1)		Det B Aust Corps Sigs	"	247598	
10		Det 7 Aust Pigeon Sec			
		A Sec	SORAKEN	247598	
(a)		D Sec	CHABAI	301684	
(b)		Det TAIOP Island	TAIOP IS	146707	
11		Det 1 Aust Water Tpt Gp Sig Sec	SORAKEN	243592	
12		Det 4 Aust Cipher Sec	SORAKEN	247598	
13	<u>INF</u>	26 Aust Inf Bn(AIF)	CHABAI	302683	
(a)		A Coy	"	294689	W/T Mullerphone, Phone and Barge DRLS
(b)		B Coy	"	308696	
(c)		C Coy	"	312715	

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Arm or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Map Ref</u>	<u>Comms</u>
13 (d)	INF	D Coy	CHABAI	334722)
(e)		HQ Coy (less 4 and 5 pls and dets to Coys)	"	302683)
(f)		4 pl	"	323708)
(g)		5 pl	"	272692)
14		31/51 Aust Inf Bn(AIF) Bn HQ	TOROKINA	548933	
		Adv Party	SORAKEN	233650)
(a)		A Coy	TOROKINA	544933)
(b)		B Coy	"	547934)
(c)		C Coy (less Dets to OPs)	SORAKEN	242589)
(d)		Det TAI OF Island OP	TAI OF IS	146707)
(e)		Det TOROKORI Island OP	CHABAI	251623)
(f)		D Coy	TOROKINA	547937)
(g)		HQ Coy	"	548931)
15.		55/53 Aust Inf Bn(AIF)			
		Bn HQ	SORAKEN	233650)
(a)		Adv Party	Departed for TOROKINA)
(b)		A Coy	SORAKEN	239641)
(c)		B Coy	"	238643)
(d)		C Coy	"	288645)
(e)		D Coy	"	237647)
(f)		HQ Coy	"	237648)
13		A Coy PIB	"	241587)
13(1)		11 Aust Inf Bde Flame Thrower Pl	(To Move to 26 Bn Area))
			CHABAI	302683)
					AS for Ser 13

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Arm or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Map Ref</u>	<u>Comms</u>
17		101 Aust Hy Mort Coy(AIF) (less 3 pl) Coy HQ	SORAKEN	245601	Phone
(a)		1 Pl	"	233650	As for Ser 15
(b)		2 Pl	CHABAI	293683	As For Ser 13
(c)		3 pl	(PIATERAPAIA Under Comd 23 Bde)		
(d)		LOB Details	TOROKINA	550934	
18		13 Pl D Coy 2/1 Gd Regt	SORAKEN	247598	
19	INT	Det "P" Aust FS Sec	SORAKEN	247598	
20		Det 2 Aust Corps Language Det	"	247598	
21	ST	76 Aust Gen Tpt Coy(AIF) Hq.(less Det)	TOROKINA	568932	
(a)		Det of Hq	SORAKEN	243593	Phone
(b)		1 Sec	TOROKINA	568932	
(c)		2 Sec	SORAKEN	243593	Phone
(d)		3 Sec	TOROKINA	568932	
(e)		4 Sec	"	568932	
(f)		5 Sec	SORAKEN	243593	Phone
22		222 Aust Sup Depot Pl(AIF) HQ and A Sec	TOROKINA	554937	
(a)		B and C Secs	CHABAI	301683	As For Ser 13
23		223 Aust Sup Depot Pl(AIF)	SORAKEN	245593	Phone
24	MED	19 Aust Fd Amb(AIF) HQ - MDS	SORAKEN	247597	Phone

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Arm or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Map Ref</u>	<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Comms</u>
24	(a) MED	A Coy(ADS)	CHABAI	301682	As For Ser 13
	(b)	Det 4 Coy-Barge Loading Post	"	295682	
	(c)	D Coy	SORAKEN	236645	As For Ser 15
25	DENTAL	72 Aust Dental Unit			
		HQ Det(MDS)	SORAKEN	247597	Phone
	(a)	B Sec	SORAKEN	236645	As For Ser 15
	(b)	F Sec	SORAKEN	240641	
	(c)	D Sec	TOROKINA	548933	
	(d)	E Sec	"	548933	
26	ORD	102 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk(AIF) (less Det)	SORAKEN	246589	Phone
	(a)	Det	TOROKINA	554935	
27	AEME	102 Aust Bde Wksp(AIF)			
		HQ	TOROKINA	567933	
	(b)	Remainder	SORAKEN	247589	Phone
28		242 Aust LAD(Type J)(AIF)	SORAKEN	247598	
29		214 Aust LAD(less dets to 10 Bty, 11 and 12 Btys)	TOROKINA	546936	
30	POSTAL	Det 4 Aust Div Postal Unit(AIF)	SORAKEN	244591	
31	PRO	20 Aust Indep Pro Pl(AIF)	SORAKEN	247598	
32	MISC	Sec 2 Aust Corps Salvage Unit (less det)	SORAKEN	245591	
	(a)	Det	CHABAI	297680	As for Ser 13

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53	MISC	One Sec 13 Aust Fd Baking	SORAKEN	244593	
54		ANPAU Forward Camp	SORAKEN	309384	
(a)		Rear Camp	CHABAI	259502	As For Ser 13
55		Comd Post Freddie Beach	SORAKEN	241589	Phone
56		5 Sqn RAAF Signals 4 Det	SORAKEN	247598	
37		Det 2 Aust Corps Cash Office	SORAKEN	241 592	

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Subject: 11 AUST INF LDE LOCATIONS STATEMENT NO 6

HQ 11 Aust Inf Lde (AIF)
Int/161
Apr 45

31/51 Aust. Inf Bn (AIF)

Attached is one copy (Copy No *✓*) of 11 Aust Inf Lde
Location Statement No 6 showing locations as at 2359 hrs
22 Apr 45.

2. Please acknowledge.

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Capt.
IO 11 Aust Inf Lde

11 AUST INF BDE(AIF) LOCATION STATEMENT NO. 6
SHOWING LOCATIONS AS AT 2359 HRS 22 APR 45

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Ref Maps: SORAKEN(Revised Edition)1/25000
 TOROKINA 1 inch
 TAIOF island 1 inch
 CAPE MOLTKE 1 inch

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Arm or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Comms</u>
1.	HQ Units	11 Aust Inf Bde(AIF) ✓	SORAKEN	247598	W/T DRLS to 2 Corps
(a)		11 Aust Inf Bde LOD Details ✓	TOROKINA	556923	Phone
(b)		4 Met det 5 Aust Mob Met Flight ✓	SORAKEN	238645	Fullerphone and Phone
2.	ARTY	4 Aust Fd Regt(AIF) RHQ ✓	SORAKEN	247598	
(a)		11 Lty (Less C Tp) ✓	TOROKINA	562928	W/T, Phone
(b)		C Tp ✓	SORAKEN	237662	W/T, Phone
(c)		12 Lty incl E and F Tps ✓	SORAKEN	241639	
(d)		LOD Details ✓	TOROKINA	562928	Fullerphone Phone
3.		2 Aust Mtn Lty ✓	SORAKEN-	247600	
(a)		LOD Details ✓	TOROKINA	563929	Phone
(b)		Det 3 Aust Svy Lty RAA(AIF)	SORAKEN	247600	Phone
4.	ENGRS	16 Aust Fd Coy RAE ✓	SORAKEN	252597	Phone
(a)		1 Pl	SORAKEN	246600	
(b)		2 Pl	TOROKINA	555924	Phone
(c)		3 Pl	SORAKEN	252597	
(d)		LOD Details	TOROKINA	552924	W/T and Phone
5.		1 Pl 42 Aust Water Landing Craft Coy ✓	SORAKEN	243583	Phone
6.	SVY	1 Sec 2 Aust Fd Svy Coy(AIF)	SORAKEN	247598	

<u>Sei No</u>	<u>Arm or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Comms</u>
7	SIGS	11 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	SORAKEN	247598	
8		Det 2 Aust Corps Sigs	SORAKEN	247598	
9		Det 5 Aust Wireless Sec	SORAKEN	247598	
10		Det 7 Aust Pigeon Sec	SORAKEN	247598	
11		Det 1 Aust Water Tpt Gp Sig Sec	SORAKEN	243592	
12	INF	26 Aust Inf Bn(AIF) LN HQ	SORAKEN	234650	
(a)		A Coy	SORAKEN	233652	
(b)		B Coy	SORAKEN	239643	
(c)		C Coy	SORAKEN	239644	
(d)		D Coy	SORAKEN	235649	
(e)		HQ Coy	SORAKEN	237647	
(f)		Det 3 Pl(TAIOP OP)	TAIOP IS	147687	W/T)
(g)		SAPOSA OP	SORAKEN	209626	W/T) To Ln HQ
13		31/51 Aust Inf Bn(AIF) LN HQ	TOROKINA	548933	
(a)		A Coy	"	544933	
(b)		B Coy	"	547934	
(c)		C Coy	"	547935	
(d)		D Coy	"	547937	
(e)		HQ Coy	"	549932	
(f)		Det OP	TOROKINA	567989	
(g)		Det Or	CAME MOLTKE	497951	
(h.)		Det Or	TOROKINA	602000	
14		55/53 Aust Inf Bn LN HQ	SORAKEN	260588	
(a)		A Coy	"	314644	W/T Fullerphone DRLS and Phone
(b)		B Coy	"	296615	
(c)		C Coy	"	275614	
(d)		D Coy	"	260533	

Ser No	Arm or Service	Unit	Ref Map	Location	Comms
15	INF	101 Aust Hy Mortar Coy(AIF)(less 3 Pl)	SORAKEN ✓	245602	
(a)		1 Pl			
(b)		2 Pl			Phone
(c)		LOL Details			Through 55/53 Ln
16.		13 Pl D Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	TOROKINA	550934	Through 26 Ln
	INT		SORAKEN	247598	
17		Det 25 Aust FS Sec	SORAKEN	260588	
18		Det ATIS	SORAKEN	247598	
19	ST	76 Aust Gen Tpt Coy(AIF)(less one sec)	TOROKINA	568932	Phone
(a)		One Sec	SORAKEN	243588	Phone
20		222 Aust Sup Depot Pl(AIF)	TOROKINA	567931	
21		223 Aust Sup Depot Pl(AIF)	SORAKEN	245593	Phone
22	MED	19 Aust Fd Amb(AIF)(MDS)	SORAKEN	247597	Phone
(a)		A Coy(MDS)	"	238645	Phone
(b)		B Coy			Through 26 Ln
		LOL Details	TOROKINA	554924	
23	DENTAL	D Sec 72 Aust Dental Unit	SORAKEN	249626	Through 26 Ln
(a)		C Sec 72 Aust Dental Unit	"	246597	Phone
(b)		D Sec 72 Aust Dental Unit	"	260588	Phone
(c)		F Sec	TOROKINA	562928	
24	ORD	102 Aust Lde Ord Fd (AIF)(less det)	TOROKINA	566927	
(a)		Det	SORAKEN	243589	Phone
25	AEME	102 Aust Lde Wksp(AIF)(less det)	TOROKINA	567933	
(a)		Det	SORAKEN	243589	Phone

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Arm or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Comms</u>
(b)		242 Aust LAD(Type J)(AIF)	SORAKEN	247598	
26		214 Aust LAD(less det with 10 Lty)	TOROKINA	561927	
(a)		Det <i>12 Bty</i>	<i>SORAKEN</i>	<i>241639</i>	
27	POSTAL	Det 4 Aust Div Postal Unit(AIF)	SORAKEN	244591	Phone
28	PRO	Det 4 Aust Div Pro Coy(AIF)	"	247598	
29.	MISC	Det 2 Aust Corps Salvage Unit	"	245591	Phone
30.		One Sec 13 Aust Fd Laking Pl	"	244593	Phone
31.		Det ANGAU	"	240586	
32.		5. Sqn RAAF Signals 4 Det	"	247598	

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AMENDMENT NO 1 TO 11 AUST INF BDE
LOCATION STATEMENT NO 2 OF 9 JAN 45
SHOWING AMENDMENTS AS AT 19 JAN 45

Ref Maps: KOWARO 1/25000
KONUA and AITA 1 inch series

<u>Serial 4</u>	<u>DELETE</u>	"10 Bty"		
	<u>INSERT</u>	"11 Bty"		
<u>Serial 6</u>	<u>INSERT</u>	" less one pl "		
6(a)		One pl	KOWARO	<u>684118</u>
<u>Serial 9(f)</u>	<u>DELETE</u>	<u>662102</u>		
	<u>INSERT</u>	<u>658090</u>		
<u>Serial 12</u>	<u>INSERT</u>	" less det "		
12(a)		Det	KONUA-AITA	<u>262346</u>
<u>Serial 13</u>	<u>DELETE</u>	" less det"		
13(a)	<u>DELETE</u>			
<u>Serial 14</u>	<u>DELETE</u>	" less A Coy and One det"		
	<u>INSERT</u>	" Less A and B Coys"		
14(b)	<u>DELETE</u>	" one det "		
	<u>INSERT</u>	" B Coy "		
<u>Serial 20</u>	<u>DELETE</u>	" KONUA-AITA 259388 "		
	<u>INSERT</u>	" One Sec GEORGE HILL KOWARO <u>679114</u>		
		" Two Secs <u>CHOCKO RIDGE KOWARO 618128</u>		

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Subject: LOCATION STATEMENT

HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Int/126
25 Mar '45

Attached is one copy (Copy No ~~11~~) of 11 Aust Inf Bde
Location Statement No 5 showing locations as at 1200 hrs
22 Mar.

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11 AUST INF BDE(AIF) LOCATION STATEMENT NO 5
 SHOWING LOCATIONS AS AT 2359 hrs 22 MAR 45

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Ref Maps: TOROKINA 1 inch
 CAPE MOLTKE 1 inch
 TAIOP IS 1 inch
 BANIU 1 inch
 KOWARO 1/25000

Ser No	Arm or Service	Unit	Ref Map	Map Ref	Comms
1.	HQ	11 Aust Inf Bde(AIF)	TOROKINA	548943	
2.	ENGRS	16 Aust Pd Coy RAE (less 1,2,3 pls)	"	544933	Phone
(a)		1 Pl	TAIOP IS	242590	As for ser 7
(b)		2 Pl	KOWARO	645059	" " " 8
(c)		3 Pl	TOROKINA	544933	(Awaiting movement to PUTO area)
3.	SIGS	11 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	TOROKINA	548943	
4.	ARTY	4 Aust Pd Regt(AIF) (less 10 Bty)			
		Regtl Hq	TAIOP IS	243599	As for Ser 7
(a)		11 Bty	KOWARO	657095	" " " 8
(b)		12 Bty	TAIOP IS	223548	" " " 7
(c)		LOB Details	TOROKINA	546936	Phone
5.		2 Aust Mtn Bty	TAIOP IS	228568	As for Ser 7
(a)		LOB Details	TOROKINA	549933	Phone
6.		101 Aust Mv Mortar Coy(AIF)	CAPE MOLTKE	531938	Phone
(a)		1 Pl			
(b)		2 Pl	TAIOP IS	243602	As For Ser 7
(c)		3 Pl	KOWARO	684118	" " " 8
(d)		LOB Details	CAPE MOLTKE	531938	Phone
7.	INF	26 Aust Inf Bn(AIF)			
(a)		Co of 4	TAIOP IS	243599) W/T and Large DRLS Airdrop
(b)		Bn Hq (near)	"	224536	
(c)		HQ Coy	"	243599	
(d)		A Coy	"	254615	
(e)		B Coy	"	239638	
(f)		C Coy	"	264612	
(g)		D Coy	"	247640	
(h)		Det 3 Pl(TAIOP IS OP)	TAIOP IS	143712	/T
(i)		SAPOSA IS. OP	TAIOP IS	216615	/T
(j)		LOB Details	TOROKINA	544933	Phone
8.		31/51 Aust Inf Bn(AIF)			
(a)		Bn Hq Fwd	KOWARO	677113) W/T L/T DRLS
(b)		Bn Hq Rear	"	659090	
(c)		Co less 4 Pl	"	673112	
(d)		4 Pl	"	618127	
(e)		A Coy less 9 Pl	"	677113	
(f)		9 Pl	"	605146	

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Arm or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Map Ref</u>	<u>Comms</u>
(f)		B Coy	KOMARO	677129	
(g)		C Coy	"	684117	
(h)		D Coy	"	686126	
(i)		LOB Details	TOROKINA	544933	Phone
9.		55/53 Aust Inf Bn(less dets at Ord)	TOROKINA	544946	Phone
(a)		Det at OP	"	548998	Phone
(b)		Det at OP	Cape) MOLTKE)	497951	"
(c)		Det at OP	TOROKINA	530013	"
10		13 Pl D Coy 2/1 Gd Regt	TOROKINA	548943	
11	S & T	76 Aust Gen Tpt Pl(AIF))less det)	"	555939	Phone
(a)		Det	TAIOF IS	224536	As for Ser 7
12		222 Aust Sup Depot Pl(AIF) (less det)	TOROKINA	554937	Phone
(a)		Det	TAIOF IS	224536	As Ser 7
13		223 Aust Sup Depot Pl(AIF) (less det)	KOMARO	659090	As Ser 8
(a)		Det	TAIOF IS	224536	As Ser 7
14	LED	19 Aust Fd Amb(AIF)(less A and B Coys)	TOROKINA	544943	Phone
(a)		A Coy	KOMARO	659090	As Ser 8 To be relieved by 3 Aust Fd Amb 23 Mar and return to TOROKINA. 544943
(b)		B Coy	TAIOF IS	224536	As Ser 7
15	DENTAL	D Sec 72 Aust Dental Unit	TAIOF IS	224536	As Ser 7
(a)		C Sec 72 Aust Dental Unit	KOMARO	658094	As Ser 8
(b)		D Sec 72 Aust Dental Unit	TOROKINA	544946	Phone
(c)		F Sec 72 Aust Dental Unit	TOROKINA	546936	Phone
16	ORD	102 Aust Lde Ord Fd Pk(AIF) (less det)	"	554935	Phone
(a)		Det	TAIOF IS	224536	As Ser 7
17	ABLE	102 Aust Bde Wksp(AIF)(less two dets)	TOROKINA	554940	Phone
(a)		One Det	TAIOF IS	224536	As Ser 7
(b)		One Det	KOMARO	663100	As Ser 8
18		242 Aust LAD(Type J)(AIF) (less dets)	TOROKINA	548943	Phone
(a)		One Det	KOMARO	659090	As Ser 8
(b)		One Det	TAIOF IS	242590	As Ser 7
19		214 Aust LAD(less dets/with 10 Bty) and 12 Bty)	TOROKINA	546936	Phone
(a)		One Det 12 Bty	TAIOF IS	223548	As Ser 7
20	POSTAL	Det 4 Aust Div Postal Unit(AIF)	TOROKINA	548943	

<u>Ser No</u>	<u>Arm or Service</u>	<u>Unit</u>	<u>Ref Map</u>	<u>Lap Ref</u>	<u>Comms</u>
21	PRO	det 4 Aust Div Pro Coy(AIF) (less two dets)	TOROKINA	548943	
(a)		One Det	KOMARO	659090	As Ser 8
(b)		One Det	TAIOP IS	224536	As Ser 7
22	MISC	3 Pl A Coy 1 NG Inf Bn	KOMARO	605146	As Ser 8
(a)		Det 5 Aust Wireless Sec	TAIOP IS	243599	As Ser 7
(b)		Det AIGAU	KOMARO	672111	As Ser 8
(c)		Det AIGAU	TAIOP IS	243599	As Ser 7
(d)		Det 19 AIGU	"	224536	" " 7
(e)		Det 25 Aust FS Sec	"	242590	" " 7
(f)		" 25 Aust FS Sec	KOMARO	677113	" " 8
(g)		Det 7 Aust Pigeon Sec	TAIOP IS	224536	" " 7
(h)		Det 42 Aust Water Landing Craft Coy	"	224536	" " 7
(i)		Det ATIS	"	243599	" " 7
(j)		Det ATIS	KOMARO	659090	" " 8
(k)		Det 2 Aust Corps Salvage Unit	TAIOP IS	242590	" " 7
(l)		3 Met Det 5 Aust Rob Det Flight	KOMARO	657095	" " 8
(m)		4 Met Det 5 Aust Rob Det Flight	TAIOP IS	223543	" " 7
(n)		1 Sec 2 Aust Fd Svy Coy(AIF)	TAIOP IS	242590	" " 7
(o)		Det 1 Water Tpt Gp Sig Sec	"	224536	" " 7
(p)		Det 3 Aust Svy Bty AIA(AIF)	"	242590	" " 7
(q)		Det FLLC	KOMARO	677113	" " 8

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NO 5 to 22 Mar 45

HQ 11 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)
Int/140
10 Apr '45

Attached is one copy (Copy No *9*) of AMENDMENT No 1
to 11 Aust Inf Bde Location Statement No 5 of 22 Mar '45.

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AMENDMENT LIST NO 1. TO 11 AUST INF BDE
LOCATION STATEMENT NO 5 to 22 Mar 45
THIS AMENDMENT SHOWS LOCATIONS AS AT 8 Mar 45

Ref Maps: 1 inch to 1 mile series
1/25000 series

Serial	Action	Location	Grid	Notes
1	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	548943	
	<u>INSERT</u> (less AdvHQ)	"	556923	
1(a)	ADV HQ	SORAKEN	247598	Airdrop W/T, barge DRLS
2	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	544933	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	555924	
2(a)	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	242590	As for Serial 7
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	248599	
2(c)	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	544933	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	246592	
3	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	548943	
	<u>INSERT</u> less Det	"	566923	
3(a)	<u>DET</u>	SORAKEN	247598	
4	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	243595	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	247603	As for Serial 7
4(b)	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	223548	
	<u>INSERT</u> Bty HQ	SORAKEN	237660	
4(c)	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	546936	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	562928	
5	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	228568	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	247604	
5(a)	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	549933	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	563927	
6	<u>INSERT</u> Coy HQ	SORAKEN	245602	As for Serial 7
	<u>DELETE</u>	C. MOLTKE	531938	
6(a)	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	245602	
	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	243602	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	234648	
6(c)	<u>DELETE</u>	"	531938	
	<u>INSERT</u>	TOROKINA	550934	

Serial	7	<u>DELETE</u> Tac HQ	SORAKEN	243599	
		<u>DELETE</u> Bn HQ Rear	"	224536	
"	7(a-1)	<u>DELETE</u> all ref	"		
	(a)	<u>INSERT</u> Bn HQ	"	236648	
	(b)	" HQ Coy	"	236648	
	(c)	" A Coy	"	232652	
	(d)	" B Coy	"	239642	
	(e)	" C Coy	"	238644	
	(f)	" D Coy less 18pl	"	233650	
	(g)	" 18 Pl	"	249648	
	(h)	" TAIOF.OP.	"	143712	
	(i)	" "	"	149691	
	(j)	" SAPOSA.OP.	"	216615	
	(k)	LOB Details	TOROKINA	555923	
"	8(i)	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	544933	
		<u>INSERT</u>	"	554923	
	8(j)	<u>INSERT</u> OP SMITHS HILL KOWARO		681135	
	8(k)	" OP HUNTS HILL	"	681141	
"	9	<u>DELETE</u> All Ref			
	9(a-C)	" "			
"	9	<u>INSERT</u> Bn HQ	SORAKEN	260588	W/T, Barge DRL Air Drop
	(a)	HQ Coy	"	260588	
	(b)	A Coy	"	273578	
	(c)	B Coy	"	272611	
	(d)	C Coy	"	270609	
	(e)	D Coy	"	260588	
	(f)	LOB Details	TOROKINA	588937	
"	10	<u>DELETE</u>	"	548943	
		<u>INSERT</u>	"	556923	
	11	<u>DELETE</u>	"	555939	
		<u>INSERT</u>	"	568932	
	12	<u>DELETE</u>	"	554937	
		<u>INSERT</u>	"	567931	
	12(a)	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	224536	

Serial 12(a)	<u>INSERT</u>	KOWARO	659090	As for Serial 8
" 13	<u>DELETE</u>	"	659090	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	245596	As for Serial 7
(a)	<u>DELETE</u>	All Ref		
" 14	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	544943	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	558934	
14(a)	<u>DELETE</u>	KOWARO	659090	As for Serial 11(a)
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	246597	
14(b)	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	224536	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	237647	As for Serial 7
" 15	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	224536	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	237647	As for Serial 7
15(b)	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	544946	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	246597	As for Serial 1(a)
15(c)	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	546936	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	562928	
" 16	<u>DELETE</u>	"	554935	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	566927	
16(a)	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	224536	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	245595	
" 17	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	554940	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	567933	
17(a)	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	224536	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	245595	
" 18	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	548943	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	558923	
" 19	<u>DELETE</u>	"	546936	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	561927	
19(a)	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	223548	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	237660	
" 20	<u>DELETE</u>	TOROKINA	548943	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	556923	
" 21	<u>DELETE</u>	"	548943	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	556923	

Serial 21(b)	<u>DELETE</u>	TAIOF Is	224536	
	<u>INSERT</u>	SORAKEN	247598	
" 22	<u>DELETE</u>	KOWARO	605146	
	<u>INSERT</u>	"	572111	
22(a)	<u>DELETE</u>	All Ref		
	<u>ADD</u>			
" 23		27 Aust Inf Bn HQ TOROKINA	548933	DRLS Phone
23(a)	A Coy	"	544931	
(b)	B Coy	"	547932	
(c)	C Coy	"	546934	
(d)	D Coy	"	547937	
(e)	HQ Coy	"	549932	
(f)	Det OP	"	567989	
(g)	Det OP	C. MOLTKE	497951	
(h)	Det OP	TOROKINA	602000	

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BY

LT COL J.L.A. KELLY - COMD - 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

13 MAY 45

DUTIES

(a)	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ORDERLY OFFR</u>	<u>DUTY COY</u>
	13-14 May	Lt PONT H.	HQ COY
	14-15 May	Lt EVANS W.F.P.	A "
	15-16 May	Lt WOODLEY L.	B "
	16-17 May	Lt GREGORY W.	D "
	17-18 May	Lt DEVLIN B.V.	HQ "
	18-19 May	Lt SMITH N.J.	A "
	19-20 May	Lt KNIGHT K.	B "

(b) Duty Coy will supply the following duties

- Bn Gd of 2 NCOs and 6 OR
- Bn Orderly Cpl
- Bn Runner

54. IDENTITY DISCS

(a) In some cases in recent months difficulty has been experienced in identifying bodies because of absence of identity discs.

(b) Identity discs must be worn at all times. Coys will make periodical checks to ensure this order is being carried out, and take disciplinary action against offenders.

55. INDISCRIMINATE FIRING.

NO arm of any description will be fired in the camp area. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

56. CARE OF ARMS

Any adjustment or repairs to be carried out on weapons will be done by the unit armourer only and not by individuals.

R. Smith Capt.
Adjnt 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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NOTICES

SPORT RESULTS WEEK ENDING SAT 12 MAY 45

<u>TABLOID SPORTS 12 MAY</u>		
1st	No 5 team	HQ Coy
2nd	No 13 team	B Coy
3rd	No 4 team	BnHQ

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SPORT RESULTS WEEK ENDING SAT 12 MAY (cont)

RUGBY LEAGUE

11 May	HQ & B Coys	16 pts	v	106 C.O.S.	nil
12 May	HQ Coy	8 pts	v	B Coy	nil

SOCCER

12 May	BnHQ	2 pts	v	D Coy	1 pt
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DUTY COY

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ORDERLY OFFICER

13-14 May
14-15 May
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17-18 May
18-19 May
19-20 May

DATE

13-14 May
14-15 May
15-16 May
16-17 May
17-18 May
18-19 May
19-20 May

(1) Duty Coy will supply the following duties

Bn CO of 2 HQs and 3 Coys
Bn Orderly Coy
Bn Armour

54. IDENTITY DISCS

(a) In some cases it is not possible to issue identity discs because of absence of identity discs. In such cases no record should be made of the absence of identity discs.

(b) Identity discs must be worn at all times. Coys will make periodic checks to ensure this order is being carried out, and take disciplinary action against offenders.

55. DISCIPLINARY ACTION

50 per cent of any desertion will be treated as the same area. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

56. LOSS OF WEAPONS

Any replacement or repairs to be carried out on weapons will be done by the unit concerned only and not by individuals.

Adjt Col (Act) Lt Col (Act)

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NOTES

SPORT RESULTS WEEK ENDING SAT 12 MAY 45

HQ Coy	1st team	12 May
B Coy	2nd team	12 May
BnHQ	3rd team	12 May

T A B L O I D S P O R T S

ST 0900 hrs 12 MAY 45

BN SPORTS GROUND

Umpires report to fd 0830 hrs

Umpires will bring watches and draw necessary stores for running respective events.

Teams report to fd 0845 hrs.

Coys march to fd independently to arrive at fd at 0850 hrs.

PROGRAMME

Event No.	Event	Standard	Umpires	Stores
1	100 yds sprint	13 secs	Lt N.J. SMITH Sjt DEMPSEY W.	1 Watch
2	Broad Jump (running)	16 ft	Cpl PARRY G.W.	-
3	Broad Jump (standing)	7 ft	Cpl BLOOM H.	-
4	High Jump	3' 9"	Capt P. JAMES	Stands
5	Putting Medicine Ball	38'	Sgt KERNS W.R.	1 Medicine Ball
6	Hop Step & Jump	30'	Capt J. COMBLEY	
7	Tunnel Ball Team	1st 2nd 3rd	Lt G. V. ROBERTS	1 Medicine Ball
8	Overhead Ball Team	do.	Lt S. V. DEVLIN	1 Medicine Ball
9	Throwing Cricket Ball	150'	Lt W. STRATTON Sjt COLE J.L.	Cricket Balls
10	Kicking Football	100'	Lt S. V. DEVLIN L cpl JORGENSEN C.	Footballs
11	50 yds Backward Race	12 secs	WO II WOODHOUSE C. Cpl CRIPPS R.F.	1 Watch
12	Tossing Caber	16 ft	Sjt ELDERSHAW-WILSON	Caber
13	Throwing at wicket		Cpl FLEMING R.J. L cpl BYERS H.V.	Wickets & Cricket Balls
14	Three legged Race 50 yds	9 secs	WO II EDWARDS E.G.	6 strips flannelette
15	Backward Jump	3 ft	L cpl MITCHELL L.	-
RELAY RACE			NO points allotted.	

Discipline Umpires

Capt H. C. DOWNS
Capt ~~P. G. JAMES~~
W. J. WALSH

Points for discipline: Each team commences with 10 pts and lose one point for each breach.

Ringmaster:

Lt R.D.B. SMITH

Score board:

Lt W.F.P. EVANS

Sjt THIEME C.

Two attempts are permissible for events 2,3,4,5,6,9,10,12,13.

PRIZES:

10/- each member of the winning team.

SIGNALS:

1. On team completing event they will face centre of ring in line and stand at ease so ring master can see when all teams are finished.
2. On two whistles, team captains will move teams clockwise to next event.
3. On one whistle event will commence.
4. Event umpires report points and team at end of event in order of event number.

W. Smith Lt Col. Capt
Adj. 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) TRAINING SYLLABUS.

14 - 18 MAY, 45.

1. GEN

Booby Trap Course will commence 15 May and terminate 18 May. Four (4) students per rifle coy will report to Sgt. WOODS at HQ Coy at 0800 hrs 15 May. Nominal Rolls to reach Bn HQ by 1200 hrs 14 May.

2. Instruction at LOB Area

(a). Cadre Class - duration one month

(b). Refresher Course for NCOs. duration two weeks. Nominal Roll of students will be forwarded to this Bn HQ by 1200 hrs 14 May.

Movement of Personnel will be arranged by Bn HQ.

3. Serial 1
Day 1

- Coy Adm.
- Kit Inspection
- Inspection A and Q Records.
- Preparation of work to be carried out by Coys during trg periods.
- Promulgation of S O

Serial 2.
Day 2

- 1. Bn Parade - Inspection by C O
- 2 - 3 Weapon Trg.
- 4 Bayonet Trg.
- 5 TOETS
- 6 - 8 Wire Obstacles - MTP 30 Part III (See Note)

Serial 3.

Route March - Route to be notified.

- 15 May B Coy
- 16 May A & D Coys
- 17 May Half HQ Coy.
- 18 May Half HQ Coy and Bn HQ.

Serial 4.
Day 4

- 1 - 2 Pl and Coy Drill - Bn Parade ground as allotted.
- 3 - 5 Patrols - Tropical Warfare Pamphlets No. 2
2 Aust Corps Jungle Warfare directive (CoyCloth model).
- 6 Bayonet Trg.
- 7 Weapon Trg.
- 8 P T.

Serial 5
Day 5

- 1 Bayonet Trg.
- 2 Characteristics of Bn Weapons SO Appx
- 3 Weapon Trg.
- 4 - 6 Coy Cloth Model - Tropical Warfare Pamphlet Ch. VI, VII, VIII.
- 7 Message writing and the passing of verbal messages.
- 8 P T.

NOTE. (a). Wire. There has been a tendency in the Jungle to discount the use of wire, due mainly to the carriage of it to the forward troops. In operations near the coast or where roads exist which provide easy means of obtaining wire, it should be used in defence. The time factor is a most important one and troops should be trained to erect wire obstacles quickly. The modern tendency is to build wire obstacles which are difficult to see from the ground rather than double apron fence and triple concertina fence. A suitable layout which may have to be varied in accordance with ground being occupied is two or three rows of darnert about three yards apart, the

- 2 -

coils being stretched up to 50 feet. Barb wire is then criss-crossed between them.

Adj. 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Capt.

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. *Apr 17*

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TO

31/51 Bn.

(*re*) For Information (INFO.)

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31/51 AUST INF BN
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9 MAY 1945

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Kelly

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14 May 45.

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INTELLIGENCE REPORT 7
Covering activities for week ending 13 May 45. *Appx 15.*Ref Maps - TOROKINA) 1:63,360 Series.
GAPE MOLTKE)TRAINING:-

1. Further range practices were held during the week. All Coys reported favourably on the results and were an improvement on previous week's practice. An "awkward squad" for special training has been created for those personnel who did not qualify. All Bn. rifles have now been zeroed. 3" Mortar Calibration shoot was held from the TOROKINA RIVER Mouth Area on 9 May. Results were satisfactory.
2. Coys completed the 14 mile route march to the LARUMA RIVER, via WEBB ROAD without difficulty, despite heavy humidity experienced during the week. The distance of route marches are being progressively increased each week.
3. Other trg. including TsOBT, Weapon Trg, Bayonet, Map Reading and lectures on Tropical Warfare. The monthly N.C.O. Cadre, which was held in the L.O.B. Area, terminated on 9 May. Nominations have been called for the next cadre commencing 16 May.
4. Another Booby Trap Course was conducted from 8 - 11 May, and keen interest was displayed. The next four days course commences on the 15 May.
5. An N.C.O.'s Refresher Course of two week's duration will commence on 15 May.
6. Bde. Comd. inspected troops at the Bn. Parade on 8 May.

SPORTS:-

7. The allocation of each Saturday to Sports is designed for all tps. to improve their physical powers and is part of the trg syllabus. Tabloid Sports were again held. Teams of 10 men from each Pl. and Bn HQ competed.
8. Other sports included Rugby League and Soccer.
9. Plans are proceeding to hold a swimming contest in the near future.

Rifle Competition:-

10. A Bn. Rifle Competition was held on Sunday 13 May. Teams were drawn from each Coy and Bn HQ, consisting of the 10 best shots. Keen rivalry was displayed; the D. Coy team won with a score of 1127 points, out of 1500. The highest individual score was 133.
11. Conditions for firing were good.

SECURITY OF PERIMETER.

12. The LARUMA RIVER Mouth Outpost was withdrawn on 9 May and the daily patrols via LARUMA TRAIL discontinued on that date.

DETACHED TO SORAKEN AREA.

13. One Sec. M.M.G. and 1 Det Mortars.

MORALE:-

14. High.

HEALTH:-

15. Attendances at Sick Parade for the week were 1.4 per cent of Bn. Strength.

Appx 16.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Serial 26
Nos 57 - 59

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

BY

LT COL J.L.A. KELLY - COMD - 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

20 MAY 45

DUTIES

(a)	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ORDERLY OFFER</u>	<u>DUTY COY</u>
	20/21 May 45	Lt EVANS W.F.P.	D Coy
	21/22 "	Lt SPRIYAN A.	HQ Coy
	22/23 "	Lt LINDSAY D.M.	A Coy
	23/24 "	Lt PONT H.	B Coy
	24/25 "	Lt GREGORY W.C.	D Coy
	25/26 "	Lt SMITH N.J.	HQ Coy
	26/27 "	Lt DEVLIN S.V.	A Coy

(b) Duty Coy will supply the following duties:

Bn Cd of 2 NCOs & 6 OR
Bn Orderly Cpl
Bn Runner.

57. CENSORSHIP - MENTION OF BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND IN CORRESPONDENCE. (2 CORPS RC G.117.)

Personnel are now permitted to state in letters that they are serving on BOUGAINVILLE Island or any one of the surrounding islands, provided that the Unit of each member concerned has either been in the area for one month or has been in action.

58. POSTAL

REGISTRATION OF MAIL MATTER. (2 CORPS RO Q.118)

- (a) Postal articles intended for registration must be suitably packed and sealed.
- (b) Compensation for loss of or damage to the contents may not be payable if the article has been posted in an unsealed or unsuitable cover.
- (c) Registration envelopes are on sale at FFOs.

TELEGRAMS - DATE OF LODGEMENT

The date will be inserted after the signature in all telegrams lodged by members of the Forces. The date detail will be chargeable when assessing amounts to be collected from senders.

59. CAPTURED ENEMY EQUIPMENT AND WAR RELICS. (GRO 126/45)

1. Members may request that enemy equipment captured by them be forwarded to Staff Duties (Military History Section) LHQ, for inclusion in the Australian War Memorial in CANBERRA.

2. When a member has requested that captured equipment be made available to the Military History Section, advise to this effect will be forwarded to OC MH Field Team attached to the HQ of the formation to which the member belongs or to Staff Duties (Military History Section) LHQ. Such advice will contain full particulars of each item of equipment, its registered number (if any), the date and place of its capture, an account of its historical interest and the name of the nominator.

3. Members may also forward to the Military History Section war relics not of enemy origin. They may be delivered to the MH Field Team at the formation HQ or may be forwarded direct to Staff Duties (Military History Section) LHQ. They will be accompanied by such of the particulars set out in para 2. as are applicable.

4. All equipment etc, received by the Military History Section will be acknowledged. The name of the nominator or donor will be entered in the Section's accession records and will, unless otherwise requested, be shown on the title card when the article is exhibited in the Australian War Memorial.

W. J. ...
Adjnt 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Capt

DISTRIBUTION - LIST A.

NOTICES

SPORTING RESULTS WEEK ENDING 19 MAY 45

CRICKET 13 May 45

	<u>1st Innings</u>	<u>2nd Innings</u>
11 Bde LOB	92	100
31/51 Bn declared	7 for 89	7 for 119

Won by 31/51 Bn by 3 wickets 38 runs.

BOXING 18 MAY 45

Opl WALSH	defeated	Pte PECK
Pte STAIG	"	L cpl PHILLIPS
Pte RUSSELL	"	Pte SNELL
Pte DORRIAN	"	Pte BATES
Pte CURTIN	"	Pte PIGSON
Pte ROBINSON	"	Sjt TAYLOR
Pte COLLESS	"	Pte EDWARDS
Pte McDONALD	"	Pte LAMBOURN
Pte THURLOW	"	Pte NEWMAN

ATHLETICS 19 MAY 45.

<u>100 yds</u>	<u>1st heat</u>	<u>2nd heat</u>	<u>Final</u>
1st	Lt SMITH	Pte MITCHELL	Pte MITCHELL
2nd	Pte BRODIE	Sjt REES	Lt SMITH
3rd	Pte LIEBELT	Pte CORNISH	Sjt REES

<u>Hop Step & Jump</u>	<u>Broad Jump</u>	<u>High Jump</u>
1st Pte ROSS 37'5"	Pte ROSS 18'	L cpl AGNEW) 5' 1"
2nd Lcpl AGNEW 37'4"	Pte PECK 17'3"	L sjt COLE)
3rd Pte BAIRD 37'2"	Lcpl AGNEW 16'9"	Pte HILL 5'

<u>220 yds</u>	<u>Tug o' war</u>	<u>Relay Race</u>
1st Pte MITCHELL	HQ Coy	HQ Coy
2nd Lt SMITH	B Coy	A Coy
3rd Sjt HORN		

W. D. ...
31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

A/22 x 17.

SPORTS MEETING 19 MAY 45

MORNING:

- (a) Programme has been issued separately.
- (b) Nominations are required to reach BnHQ by 1600 hrs 17 May 45
- (c) Points will be allotted to Coys on following basis :

1st	5 points
2nd	3 "
3rd	1 "

In case of events in which heats are run points will be allotted for final only.

AFTERNOON:

- (a) The following matches have been arranged.

1400 hrs SOCCER 31/51 Bn v HQ 2 Corps

1500 hrs RUGBY LEAGUE 31/51 Bn v RNZAF

- (b) Teams are as under :-

SOCCER

Pte BLACK G.A.

Pte WILSON C.

Cpl DUNSMUIR A.

Pte HARTSHORNE Cpl ANDERSON J.A.E. W.O. GABASA. R.

Pte SCRIVEN Lt GREGORY W. Sjt Rees Pte RYAN Pte STEPHENSON J.H.

Res. Lt. Devlin S.
Pte Mitchell (B Coy)

RUGBY LEAGUE

The following will train for selection :-

Pte DLAKOS	N.	Cpl CUMBERLAND	A.V.
Pte TURNER	S.H.	Pte KEATLEY	
Pte BENTON	L.	Pte HALLER	H.C.
Sjt PERROUX		Pte DAWSON	S.
Pte MITCHELL		Pte WADE	J.E.
Pte DORRIAN			
Pte SMITH	R.		
Pte GRAY	A.		
Pte DALEY	W.B.		
Sjt HORN			
Pte HOSEPH			
Pte C. R. PENNER			

- (c) All Soccer and Rugby League players listed will report to W.O. GABASA and Sjt PERROUX for trg 1500 hrs Wed Thurs and Fri this week.

16 May 45

W. D. ...
Capt.
Adjt 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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Appx 18.

31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF) SPORTS MEETING 19 MAY 45

PROGRAMME

Series	Time Table	Event	Starters	Judges	Prizes	Remarks
1	0830-0845	100 yds 1st & 2nd heat	Lt. Evans	Lt. Woodley Lt. Devlin		1st 2nd & 3rd each heat to run in final
2	0845-0915	Hop Step and Jump		Capt. Downs Lt. Sprilyan Sgt. Dempsey	1st £2 Canteen order 2nd 10/- " " 3rd 5/- " "	Take off must be made from on or behind jumping board. Take off in front of board is a foul. Each contestant allowed 3 jumps
3	0915-0945	Tug O War heats Coy teams		Capt. James Lt. Randell Lt. Pont		Draw to be notified, two out of three pulls. 3ft-1½ min pulls. Team with advantage after ½ min wins pull. Teams of eight
4	0945-1050	220 yds	Lt. Evans	Capt. Walsh Lt. Roberts	1st £2 Canteen order 2nd 10/- " " 3rd 5/- " "	No Heats - one race only
5	1000-1030	Broad Jump (running)		Capt. Downs Lt. Sprilyan Sjt. Dempsey	1st £2 Canteen order 2nd 10/- " " 3rd 5/- " "	Conditions as for Hop Step and Jump
6	1030-1045	Tug O War semi final		Capt James Lt. Randell Lt. Pont		Conditions as for heats
7	1045-1115	High Jump		Capt Downs Lt. Sprilyan Sjt. Dempsey	1st £2 Canteen Order 2nd 10/- " " 3rd 5/- " "	Commence at 3'9", rises of 3" up to 4'6", thence 1" rises. Three attempts allowed at each height
8	1115-1130	100 yds final	Lt. Evans	Lt. Woodley Lt. Devlin	1st £2 Canteen Order 2nd 10/- " " 3rd 5/- " "	Conditions as for heats
9	1130-1145	Tug O War final		Capt. James Lt. Randell Lt. Pont	1 pr sports shoes each member winning team	Conditions as for heats
10	1145-1200	Relay Race 75 yds	Lt. Evans	Capt. Walsh Lt. Roberts	1 pr sports shoes each member winning team	Teams of eight

ANNOUNCER : LT. R.D.B. SMITH

SCORER : CPL A.T. BOWEN

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Appx 19
 Army Form W.3008
 (Adapted) (Page 1)
 (Revised Jan., 1943)
 1945/20 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 19/5/1945 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11/120 3 OFFRS 33 O.R's 769 + OFFRS 1 O.R's 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
1			1	*										
3	1		2	*										
8	2		6	Lieut.-Colonels										
20			21	Majors	A.A.M.C.	1								
1		1	1	Captains										
				Lieutenants										
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
33	3	1	31			1								
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	32	-								32
				E.(1)										
				E.(2)										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.
 ** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
QX 34014	Capt	KAHLER B.E.	2/1 A.G.H.	14/5/45	rejoined from hospital
QX 34015	Lt	KENNY J.P.	106 C.C.S.	17/5/45	rejoined from hospital

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
QX 33702	Lt	HUTCHINSON H.C.	106 C.C.S.	15/5/45	hospital admission and trans to X list

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO (Unit) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED. / / 194.....

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	REMARKS (e.g., present whereabouts if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 19/5/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Maj (T/Lt. Col)	NX12214	KELLY	J.L.A.	Comd	Yes		
Maj	OX 33699	TITLEY	T.H.A.	2 1/c	Yes		
Maj	OX 6063	SAMPSON	R.G.	OC H	Yes		
Capt	WX 11165	COMBLEY	J.	OC D	Yes		
Capt	OX 33838	DOWNS	H.C.	OC A	Yes		
Capt	OX 34011	GIRARD	B.W.	Adjt	Yes		
Capt	NX101649	WALSH	W.J.	OC B	Yes		
Capt	VX 3379	SHILTON	A.L.	OC C	Yes		
Capt	NX101882	JAMES	F.C.O.	2 1cA	Yes		
Capt	OX 34014	KARLER	B.E.	OC	Yes		
Lt	OX 45094	ROBERTS	G.V.	2 1cD	Yes		
Lt	OX 35810	SMITH	R.D.B.	2 1cB	Yes		
Lt	OX 34012	GILLMAN	N.J.	2 1cG	Yes		
Lt	OX 34018	PONT	H.	OC 2	Yes		
Lt	OX 34019	SMITH	A.E.	Asst Adjt	Yes		
Lt	OX 34015	KENNY	J.P.P.	OC 17	Yes		
Lt	OX 17832	STRATTAN	W.P.	OC 5	Yes		
Lt	OX 48858	GREGORY	W.C.	OC 18	Yes		
Lt	OX 34010	EVANS	W.F.P.	OC 8	Yes		
Lt	NX101642	LINDSAY	D.M.	-	No	attending NG Trg School mobile team jungle craft wing course 1	6/5/45
Lt	WX 29267	WOODLEY	R.P.J.	OC 12	Yes		
Lt	VX 3205	KNIGHT	R.C.	OC 3	Yes		
Lt	VX 4024	REITER	F.A.	OC 9	No	7 days comp leave	6/5/45
Lt	VX 5122	PATTERSON	G.J.	OC 15	Yes		
Lt	WX 26884	SPRILYAN	A.	I.O.	Yes		
Lt	NX116603	DEVLIN	S.V.	OC 16	Yes		
Lt	OX 51373	CUNNINGTON	H.C.	OC 13	Yes		
Lt	NX 14999	SMITH	N.J.	OC 7	Yes		
Lt	OX 23652	COULTON	L.R.J.	OC 11	Yes		
Lt	OX 6311	RANDELL	E.J.	OC 10	Yes		
Lt	SX 9760	EBSARY	E.J.	OC 14	Yes		
Capt	OX 57863	SALKELD	O.W.	RMO	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
WX 22706	Capt	WHENT L.G.	AACHD	21/10/44	Chaplain

19 MAY 45
Date of Despatch

J. Kelly Lt. Col.
Comd 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
Signature of Commander

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 19 / 5 / 1945 .

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers	4	5	-
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	4	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	22	-	Tailors	2	2	-
Draughtsmen				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Reftters			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters	6	5	-	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Electricians				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				<u>Non-specialists</u>			
Electricians (M.V.)				Cooks				Woodturners				TK/A Nos	22	21	-
Electricians (Signals)				Dental Mechanics								Gen Duties	3	3	-
Fitters				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								MMG Nos	25	21	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Driver-Operator								Mortar Nos	78	72	-
Fitters (Electrical)				Drainers								Pioneers	33	27	-
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians								Batmen	35	35	-
Fitters (Instrument)				Electricians (Engineers)								Hyg Duties	4	3	-
Fitters (M.V.)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Orderlies	32	26	-
Fitters, Signals				Hatchman				Butchers	1	2	-	Regt Police	7	6	-
Grinders, Precision				Height Taker				Clerks	13	12	-	S. Bearers	21	16	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Drivers MT	12	12	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Water Duty	2	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Intelligence Duties	10	8	-	Coach Trimmers				Storemen	11	11	-
Mechanics, Radio				Joiners				Concretors				LMG & Rflm	415	309	144
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman				Cooks					769	625	144
Mechanics, Wireless				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				ATTACHED BY W.E.	32	32	-
Millwrights				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Pattern Maker				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pharmacist				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photowriter				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Plumber				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1	-				
Saw Doctors				Moulders				Farriers							
Surveyors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	14	-	CARRIED FORWARD	59	51	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	80	157	144

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
 (b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
 (c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
 (d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
 (e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

19 MAY 45

Date of Despatch

Comd 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Signature of Commander

W. 3009 for week ending 19 May 45
Serial 1945/20

DETAILS OF SURPLUSES AND DEFICIENCIES IN RANKS AND TRADES

<u>TRADE</u>	<u>W.B.</u>	<u>POSTED</u>	<u>SURPLUS</u>	<u>DEFICIENT</u>
<u>Blacksmith</u>	1 O/R	1 O/R	-	-
<u>Carpenters</u>	6 O/Rs	5 O/Rs	-	1 O/R
<u>Intelligence Duties</u>	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 7 O/Rs	- 2 Cpls 6 O/Rs	- - -	1 Sjt - 1 O/R
<u>Signallers</u>	1 Sjt 4 Cpls 22 O/Rs	1 Sjt 3 Cpls 18 O/Rs	- - -	- 1 Cpl 4 O/Rs
<u>Butcher</u>	- 1 O/R	1 Sjt 1 O/R	1 Sjt -	- -
<u>Equipment Repairer</u>	1 O/R	1 O/R	-	-
<u>Range-takers</u>	4 O/Rs	5 O/Rs	1 O/R	-
<u>Tailors</u>	1 Sjt 1 Cpl	1 S/Sjt 1 Cpl	1 S/Sjt -	1 Sjt -
<u>Tk/A Nos</u>	3 Sjts 4 Cpls 15 O/Rs	2 Sjts 5 Cpls 14 O/Rs	- 1 Cpl -	1 Sjt - 1 O/R
<u>General Duties</u>	3 O/Rs -	2 O/Rs 1 Cpl	- 1 Cpl	1 O/R -
<u>M.E.G. Nos</u>	3 Sjts 2 Cpls 20 O/Rs	3 Sjts 2 Cpls 16 O/Rs	- - -	- - 4 O/Rs
<u>Mortar Nos</u>	5 Sjts 5 Cpls 68 O/Rs	5 Sjts 5 Cpls 62 O/Rs	- - -	- - 6 O/Rs
<u>Pipers</u>	1 Sjt 4 Cpls 28 O/Rs	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 24 O/Rs	- - -	- 2 Cpls 4 O/Rs
<u>Batmen</u>	35 O/Rs	35 O/Rs	-	-
<u>Hygiene Duties</u>	4 O/Rs	3 O/Rs	-	1 O/R
<u>Orderlies</u>	32 O/Rs	26 O/Rs	-	6 O/Rs
<u>Regtl Police</u>	1 Sjt 8 O/Rs	1 Sjt 5 O/Rs	- -	- 1 O/R
<u>Stretcher Bearers</u>	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 18 O/Rs	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 13 O/Rs	- - -	- - 5 O/Rs
<u>Clerks</u>	1 WO (11) 2 Sjts 6 Cpls 4 O/Rs	- 2 Sjts 6 Cpls 4 O/Rs	- - - -	1 WO (11) - - -
<u>Drivers M.T.</u>	1 Cpl 11 O/Rs	1 Cpl 11 O/Rs	- -	- -

<u>Storemen Tech</u>	1 Sjt 3 O/Rs	1 Sjt 3 O/Rs	- -	- -
<u>Water Duties</u>	2 O/Rs	1 O/R	-	1 O/R
<u>Storemen</u>	5 S/Sjts 6 O/Rs	5 S/Sjts 6 O/Rs	- -	- -
<u>IMG Nos & Rflam</u>	1 WO (1) 5 WO (11) 12 Sjts 36 Cpls 361 O/Rs	- 4 WO (11) 15 Sjts 42 Cpls 248 O/Rs	- - 3 Sjts 6 Cpls -	1 WO (1) 1 WO (11) - - 113 O/Rs

DETAILS OF PERSONNEL ATTACHED UNDER W.E.

RANK	CORPS	W.E. POSTED	POSTED	SURPLUS	DEFICIENT
WO (11)	A.A.C.C.	1	1	-	/ -
Sjts	A.A.P.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.P.S.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.M.C.	2	2	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	5	4	-	1
Cpls	A.A.P.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.O.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.M.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	5	3	-	2
Ptes	A.A.M.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	13	16	3	-
		<u>32</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>

DETAILS OF PERSONNEL HELD SUPERNUMERARY TO ESTABLISHMENT

WX139643 Sjt JONES S.D. Butcher A1 with unit

War Diary

Appx 20.

H.Q. 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
21 May, 45.

ALL COYS
Maj. TITLEY,
Lt. EBSARY.

1. The following personnel will comprise the IOB personnel
for this Unit,-

Major T. H. A. TITLEY,
Capt. H. N. BENTLEY,
Lt. EBSARY
Lt. RIGBY
Lt. O'FARRELL
Lt. ROACH.

Bn H.Q.

Pte.	GRUBE	J.
"	HOFFENSETZ	H.
"	ANDERSON	H.

HQ. Coy.

Sjt.	BRODBY	W.
S/Sjt.	FOULGER	W. A. J
Pte.	WATSON	R.
Pte.	GATER	H
Pte.	CLEARY	C. H.
Pte.	ROGERS	J. W.
Pte.	McCANN	G.
Pte.	McMAHON	P. S.
Pte.	BROWN	J. R.
Pte.	PAYNE	L. G.
Pte.	LEADBETTER	H.
Pte.	NEWELL	W. G.
Pte.	YAPP	A. T.
Pte.	MUIR	A. T.
Pte.	GORDON	W. J.
I/Cpl.	FIXTER	K.
Pte.	PIGDON	J. A.

A. Coy

Opl.	DAVIS	C.
"	SMYTHE	G. E.
Pte.	CUMMINS	J.
"	FOLEY	R. A.
	ROBINSON	H. L.
	GARDNER.	K. J.

B COY.

Sjt.	MULLER	G. J.
Cpl.	MILLER	G. C.
Pte	BOLE	J. W.
"	BERGER	L. M.
"	SMITH	A. C.
Cpl.	BLOOM	L. J.
I/Sjt.	MURRAY	W. J.

C COY.

Sjt.	COOPER	E. R.
Cpl.	BIGGS	P. G.
Pte.	GEE	G. E.
"	WHEELER	B. J.
"	WOODLEA	A.
"	ARCHIE	S. R.

D Coy.

Sjt.	PHILLIPS	E. R. H.
Cpl.	McHUGH	B. K.
Pte.	ANDERSON	N.
Pte.	ADAMS	J. D.
Pte.	VENABLES	P.

2. The above personnel will concentrate at LOB Area on 21 May 45.

3. The following personnel at present at LOB Area will return to Coys on 21 May, 45,-

Op1. ANDERSON	J. A. E.
Pte. LESLIE	W. R.
" O'NEILL	C. E.
Sjt. BUSSEY	E. E.
Ptd. WILSON	C.
" DAVIS	J. P.
" EVANS	W. J.
" CURTIN	J.
" GROVES	R. F. H.
" STALLAN	J. W. L.
" BRYANT	L. V.
Pte. BRADFOED	E. R.
" McINTOSH	C.

40 5 1945
Capt
Capt. 31/51 Aust Inf. Bn (AIF).

SECRET

HQ 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
20 May 45.

ALL COYS
Bn HQ

It is anticipated that the Bn will move to the ... EN Area as under -

1. Advance party TUESDAY 22 May 45; Main body FRIDAY 25 May 45.
2. A tentative composition of Advance party is shown hereunder -

<u>Bn HQ</u>		<u>Offrs</u>	<u>OR</u>
	IO	1	
	RSM		1
	Batmen		2
	RP's		1
	I Sec		1
	Clerk		1
		1	6
<hr/>			
<u>HQ Coy</u>	Major SAMPSON	1	
	Batman		1
	Pioneers		7
	Cook		1
	RQMS		1
	WO Caterer		1
	Ration Storeman		1
	Q Storeman		1
	Drivers		2
	Sigs		7
		1	22
<hr/>			
<u>A Coy</u>	Offr	1	
	Batman		1
	Q Rep		1
	Cook		1
	OR		4
		1	7
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<u>B Coy</u>		1	7
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<u>D Coy</u>		1	7
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		5 Offrs	49 OR
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In the event of C Coy not being available for work in the new area, Rifle Coys will be required to provide an additional six (6) men for Advance Party.

3. The following matters will be given early attention -

- (a) Electric light cable in Coys and not in use will be rolled on drums which are available at HQ Coy, and then returned to Q store by 21 May.
- (b) Pioneers will make boxes for coy wireless sets i.e. A and D Coys
- (c) Lamps - hurricane and pressure: 24 lamps per coy will be taken to the new area. Any surplus must be returned to Q store.
- (d) Safes, bread boxes and meat covers will be returned to QM when called forward by him.
- (e) Immersion heaters will be returned to QM when called forward by him.
- (f) All sporting facilities in coy areas will be taken down. The timber will be placed in the Pioneer dump.
- (g) All surplus stores will be returned to Q store by 21 May.
- (h) All Jap equipment held by coys must be disposed of.
- (i) Steel Helmets will be returned to QM.
- (j) Spare rifles will be returned to QM.
- (k) All Barb and Concertina wire and Angle Iron pickets will be returned to QM.
- (l) All surplus rations will be returned to Q store by 21 May.
- (m) Coys will check to ensure that anti-miteing of clothing is up to date and will render a certificate to Bn HQ by 1800 hrs 22 May that anti-mite precautions have been carried out.
- (n) All standard showers will be taken.
- (o) All floor boards will be handed in to Pioneers.
- (p) All mess tables except A Coy will be sent to IOR when called forward
- (q) Stretcher legs will be taken.
- (r) Blankets will be rolled in rolls of 10 and handed in to Coy Q stores to be carried in bulk.
- (s) Censor stamps will be returned to Bn HQ by 1200 hrs Thursday 24 May

M. Guard Capt
Adjt 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

COPY

WAR MARY 1945

Army Form 2136 (Large) (Revised Sept. 1943)

MESSAGE FORM

Priority

Sec No.

Call No. 77px 22.

From 2 corps

Date-Time of Origin 221540L

To 51/51 bn (for info)

Office Date Stamp
Date-Time of Origin
Date-Time of Arrival
Date-Time of Receipt
Date-Time of Distribution
Date-Time of Forwarding
Date-Time of Delivery
Date-Time of Receipt
Date-Time of Distribution
Date-Time of Forwarding
Date-Time of Delivery

FROM (A)

For Action

MOV TOROKINA

Originator's No QMB95 CONFIDENTIAL (.) ref our QMB65 of 201125L
 NOT to all addressees (.) MOVEMENT ORDER (.) first (.) main body
 51/51 bn 19 offrs 418 ORs stores 10 ton DW 25 tons cubic will move
 TOROKINA SORAKEN 25 May by AV2056 EVELYN AV2059 ENID and four
 ALC 15 (.) second (.) following vehs and stores will be loaded
 same craft (.) 102 bde wksp two 3 ton wksp vehs one jeep PTO bulk
 stores 5 tons DW 15 tons cubic 102 bde ord fd pk one 3 ton stores
 binned jeep parts one 3 ton stores binned ford parts stores 7 ton
 DW 15 cubic (.) vehs and stores to be called fwd through 11 bde
 LOB (.) third (.) 1 water tpt gp will arrange for four ALC 15 to
 be made available by 42 ldg craft coy at time advised by Mov
 TOROKINA (.) fourth (.) load vehs and stores and embark personnel
 under arrangements Mov TOROKINA who will issue separate instrs (.)
 load vehs NOT before 241800L embark personnel NOT before 250500L
 (.) fifth (.) 11 bde responsible reception seen on arrival SORAKEN
 disembark under arrangements MCO SORAKEN (.) sixth (.) 11 bde will
 arrange with MCO SORAKEN for embarkation on same craft main body
 55/53 bn 20 offrs 516 ORs stores 15 tons DW 30 tons cubic on 26
 May for return TOROKINA (.) essential embark not later than
 260800L (.) seventh (.) reception and seen on arrival TOROKINA
 under arrangements 11 bde LOB (.) disembark under port MCO (.)
 ack

DISTRIBUTION:

(Supm)

"G"
Headie

M.C.O.

55/53 bn

2 Landing Craft

536
182
356

178

Handwritten notes:
A.C. 11
A.C. 11
A.C. 11

Handwritten signature:
R. G. ...

System	Time	Originator's Instructions	If liable to be intercepted or fall into enemy hands, this message must be sent IN CLEAR	This message may be sent AS WHITTEN by any means except Wireless	Signed
OP	TH or TOR	Degree of Priority			
	Time Cleared				

War Diary

Appx 23.

SECRET

Copy No *B*

MOVEMENT ORDER NO 1

ITEM

- 1. ENEMY
As per current sitreps and Intelligence Summaries.
- 2. OWN TFS
Adv Party of 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) is now in SORAKEN.
26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) holds the line RATSUA - RURI BAY and is carrying out active patrols.
55/53 Aust Inf Bn is in bivouac at SORAKEN.

INTENTION

- 3. 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will relieve 55/53 Aust Inf Bn at SORAKEN.

METHOD

- 4. 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will move from TOROKINA on 25 May 45.
- 5. Particulars of movement as per Appx "A".

ADM

- 6. TPT . As per Appx "A"
- 7. RATIONS. 1/3 Field Op Ration per man plus one emergency ration.
- 8. DRESS. Dress No 3.

ACK.

Adjt 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) *Cept*

Method of Issue *DM*
Time of signature *24 May 45*

DISTRIBUTION

A Coy	Copy No	1
B Coy		2
D Coy		3
HQ Coy		4
55/53 Aust Inf Bn		5
11 Aust Inf Bde		6
11 Aust Inf Bde LOB		7
CO		8
2 IC		9
Adjt		10
IO		11
QM		12
War Diary		13-14
File		15

Appx "A"
 To 51/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
 Movement Order No 1

Serial No.	Troops			Tpt	Report		ST	From	To	Remarks
	Offrs	OR			Time.	At				
1	D Coy	4	74	4x3 Ten	0400 hrs	D Coy Area	0430 hrs	Camp	BEACH 4	Trucks Nos 1 - 4
2	Bn HQ	5	30	2x3 Ten	0400	Bn HQ	0430	Camp	BEACH 4	Trucks Nos 5 - 6
3	HQ Coy	5	143	8x3 Ten	0400	HQ Coy	0430	Camp	BEACH 4	Trucks Nos 7 - 14
4	A Coy	3	79	4x3 Ten	0400	A Coy	0430	Camp	BEACH 4	Trucks Nos 15 - 18
5	B Coy	2	84	4x3 Ten	0400	B Coy	0430	Camp	BEACH 4	Trucks Nos 19 - 22
6	Bn HQ	1	24	ALC No 1			0500	BEACH 4	BEACH I	OC Lt A. E. SMITH
7	A Coy	1	24	ALC No 2			0500	BEACH 4	BEACH I	OC Lt W.F.P. EVANS
8	A Coy	1	24	ALC No 3			0500	BEACH 4	BEACH I	OC Capt P. C. JAMES
9	A Coy	1	24	ALC No 4			0500	BEACH 4	BEACH I	OC Capt H. C. DOWNS
10	Bn HQ & HQ Coy	9	149	AV 2056 JEWELYN			0500	BEACH 4	BEACH I	OC Lt H. FORT
11	D & B Coys	6	158	AV 2059 ENID			0500	BEACH 4	BEACH I	OC Capt J. COMBLEY

Notice Board for 2 days
Time WARDIARY

Appx 24

31/51 AUSTRALIAN INF BN (AIF)

26 MAY 45

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO 3

1. MEDICAL.

sick parade will be held at RAP at 0700 hrs daily.

2. TRANSPORT

(a) Daily G2s will be instituted for all vehicles. Each trip will be recorded and detail of duty signed by an offr who before signing, will ensure that trip is really necessary.

(b) The washing of vehicles is prohibited at the water point on the COMPTON RIVER at map ref 248605.

(c) Owing to shortage of petrol, no vehicles will be used to transport personnel to the pictures at FREDDIE BEACH.

(d) CHAINS ON VEHICLES. Chains will not be used on any vehicles operating along the coastal road between Freddie Beach and Compton River and along East-West Road to 3 Pl 16 Aust Fd Coy. Jeeps required to proceed to SOBAKEN may have chains fitted at the discretion of Beachhead Transport Officer.

3. INDENTS ORD STORES

All indents must be submitted to Bde OO 11 Aust Inf Bde by 10th each month for requirements of bulk items for monthly maintenance. Coys will therefore advise requirements to QM by 7th each month.

INDENTS RELATIONS

(a) The following instr will apply

<u>Date indent lodged</u>	<u>Issue Day</u>	<u>Consumption Days</u>
1200 hrs Mon Fri	Tues Sat	Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun Mon Tue

(b) Indent for expense stores will be lodged by 0800 hrs every alternate wed for consumption Thurs, commencing wed 6 Jun.

(c) AF W3810 with copies of AB 55 attached will be forwarded direct to DID by 1200 hrs each sat.

4. DRLS and COURIER SERVICE

(a) The following DRLS timetable applies in respect to "1" BEACH.

DEPART	F	BEACH	0900 hrs
ARRIVE	I	"	0930 "
DEPART		"	1000 hrs
ARRIVE	F	"	1030 hrs

Personnel and stores will be carried on this service also.

(b) The following Courier service timetable applies between TOROKINA and "F" BEACH

<u>From TOROKINA</u>	<u>From "F" BEACH</u>
0800 hrs Mon	0800 hrs Tues
0800 hrs Wed	0800 hrs Thurs
0800 hrs Fri	0800 hrs Sat

ETD at both TOROKINA and F BEACH is 1300 hrs.

5. APPLICATION FOR SHIPPING SPACE

All applications for space must reach BnHQ by 0900 hrs daily, and in case of cargo, must state the cubic and deadweight of each package. All packages must be clearly marked in respect to destination. Applications for movement of personnel should state reason for such movement. In case of movement of personnel to TOROKINA all personnel must carry one days rations for consumption on voyage.

6. STATIONERY.

Requirements for following month must reach BnHQ at least six days before the end of each month.

7. POSTAL

Mail must be lodged at Int office by ⁰⁸¹⁵ 0900 hrs daily.

8. REFUSE

Coys will have refuse deposited on the beach for removal by barge by 0830 hrs daily. All tins must be punctured prior to dumping. To assist loading of refuse on to barge it must be dumped as near to waters edge as possible.

9. FOOTWEAR

Due to the high prevalence of tinea and hookworm, footwear will be worn at ALL times in camp areas and on proceeding to and from beaches.

10. OUT OF BOUNDS.

All Ann and POL dumps under control of DID are out of bounds at all times to personnel other than those of the DID.

11. MALARIA PRECAUTIONS

Attention is drawn to para 82 of Bn S.O. Coy Ord Offr will advise Bn O.O. at 1815 hrs daily that all malaria precautions have been observed.

Coy Ord offr will carry out the duties set out in para 89 of Bn SO and report to Bn OO at 2230 that he has carried out his inspection and all malaria precautions in the Coy have been observed.

12. CLEANING MAINTENANCE AND INSPECTION OF SMALL ARMS

Attention is directed to para 128 of Bn S.O. The weekly inspection by Coy Comds will be carried out on Monday of each week.

Adjt 31/C. ^{Capt.} ~~31/C.~~ ~~31/C.~~

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

A/p/x 25.
Army Form W3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
Revised Jan., 1943

1945 / 31 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 26 / May 1945 53/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 120 / 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 789 plus OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.									
1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9	10					
Rein'ts Required	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength		Arm or Corps	Posted Strength	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required					
1			1	Lieut.-Colonels										
3	1		2	Majors										
8	2		6	Captains	AMC	1								
20			20	Lieutenants										
1			1	Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
33	3		30			1								
				DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
				A.	31	3								31
				E. [1]										
				E. [2]										

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E[1] & E[2].

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col. Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces; 10 N.Z. Forces.

PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Unit From	Date	CAUSE
HQ101042	Lt	LINDRAY D.M.	NG Trg School	20.5.45	Returned from Course - Mobile Team Jungle Craft Wing
Q33702	Lt	HUTCHINSON H.C.	106 CCS	22.5.45	Sick

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Unit To	Date	Cause
Q45004	Lt	ROBERTS G.V.	106 CCS	20.5.45	Sick
Q23652	Lt	COULTON L.R.J.	106 CCS	22.5.45	Sick
Q29267	Lt	WHEELBY R.P.J.	NG Trg School	23.5.45	To attend Mobile Team Jungle Craft Wing 24 May-13 Jun 45.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO..... (UNIT) IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED...../194.....

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 26 May 1945 (Total to Agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number	Surname.	Initials	Posting	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Maj (T/Lt Col)	AK12214	KELLY	J.L.A.	Comd	Yes		
Maj	AK33399	TITLEY	T.H.A.	2 IC	Yes		
Maj	AK3063	SIMPSON	R.G.	OC HQ	Yes		
Capt	AK11165	COMBLEY	J.	OC D	Yes		
Capt	AK33330	DOWIE	H.O.	OC A	Yes		
Capt	AK34011	GIRARD	B.W.	Adjt	Yes		
Capt	AK101649	WALSH	W.J.	OC B	Yes		
Capt	AK33379	SHILTON	A.L.	OC C	Yes		
Capt	AK101882	JAMES	P.C.O.	2 IC A	Yes		
Capt	AK34014	HAHLER	B.E.	QM	Yes		
Lt	AK33310	SMITH	R.D.B.	2 IC B	Yes		
Lt	AK34013	GILMAN	H.J.	2 IC C	Yes		
Lt	AK34013	PONT	H.	OC 2	Yes		
Lt	AK34019	SMITH	A.E.	Asst Adjt	Yes		
Lt	AK34015	KERRY	J.P.	OC 4	Yes		
Lt	AK17833	STRATTON	W.P.	OC 5	Yes		
Lt	AK33358	GREGORY	W.C.	OC 17	Yes		
Lt	AK34010	EVANS	W.F.P.	OC 8	Yes		
Lt	AK33702	HUTCHINSON	H.C.	20	Yes		
Lt	AK101642	LINDSAY	D.H.	OC 13	Yes		
Lt	AK33367	WOODLEY	R.P.J.	OC 12	No	Attending RG Trg School Mobile Team Jungle Craft Wing	23.5.45
Lt	AK3205	KNIGHT	E.C.	OC 3	Yes		
Lt	AK3024	REITER	F.A.	OC 9	No	7 Days Compassionate Leave	6.5.45
Lt	AK3122	PATTERSON	G.J.	OC 15	Yes		
Lt	AK33384	SMILLYAN	A.	10	Yes		
Lt	AK115003	DEVLIN	S.V.	OC 13	Yes		
Lt	AK31373	CUMMINGTON	H.C.	OC 15	Yes		
Lt	AK14999	SMITH	H.J.	OC 7	Yes		
Lt	AK 8311	RANDELL	E.J.	OC 10	Yes		
Lt	AK 9730	EBBARY	E.J.	OC 14	Yes		
Lt	AK57363	SHARPLEY	O.W.	REQ	Yes		

PART E.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER UNITS.

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number	Name and Initials.	Unit	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	AK22706	WHEAT L.G.	AACHD	21/10/42	Chaplain

26 May 45

Date of Despatch

J. Kelly Lt Col
 Comd 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
 Signature of Commandant

PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 26/ 5/194 5.

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, E.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitches			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Raugetakers	4	4	-
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Eivettors			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths	1	1	-					Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical	4	4	-
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers	27	22	-	Tailors	2	2	-
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters	6	4	-	Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				Non-specialists			
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners				Tk/A Nos	22	22	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								Gen Duties	3	3	-
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								MMG Nos	25	22	-
Fitters				Driver-Operator								Mortar Nos	78	70	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								Pioneers	33	28	-
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								Batmen	35	35	-
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Hyg Duties	4	3	-
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Orderlies	32	26	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers	1	1	-	Regt Police	7	6	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	13	12	-	S. Bearers	21	16	-
Grinder, Precision				Helo Operator				Clerks, Supply				Drivers MT	12	12	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Water Duty	2	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	10	8	-	Coach Trimmers				Storemen	11	11	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				LMG & Rflm	115	116	139
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks					769	630	139
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				ATTACHED BY W.E.	32	31	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers	1	1	-				
Plumber				Moulders				Farrlers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	1	1	-	CARRIED FORWARD	17	13	-	CARRIED FORWARD	59	49	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	301	661	139

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised trades or specialists not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.
(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of N.R. in col. "Reints. Required."
(e) Where any request or notation is made on back of form, the words "See Back" should be written in one of the blank spaces on this page.

26 MAY 45
Date of Despatch

Col. [Signature]
Signature of Commander

W. 3009 for week ending 26 May 45

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DETAILS OF SURPLUSES AND DEFICIENCIES IN RANKS AND TRADES

<u>Trade</u>	<u>W.E.</u>	<u>Posted</u>	<u>Surplus</u>	<u>Deficient</u>
<u>Blacksmith</u>	1 O/R	1 O/R	-	-
<u>Carpenters</u>	6 O/Rs	4 O/Rs	-	2 O/Rs
<u>Intelligence Duties</u>	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 7 O/Rs	- 2 Cpls 6 O/Rs	- - -	1 Sjt - 1 O/R
<u>Signallers</u>	1 Sjt 4 Cpls 22 O/Rs	1 Sjt 3 Cpls 18 O/Rs	- - -	- 1 Cpl 4 O/Rs
<u>Butcher</u>	1 O/R	1 O/R	-	-
<u>Equipment Repairer</u>	1 O/R	1 O/R	-	-
<u>Msgtakers</u>	4 O/Rs	4 O/Rs	-	-
<u>Tailors</u>	1 Sjt 1 Cpl	1 s/sjt 1 Cpl	1 s/sjt -	1 Sjt -
<u>Tk/A Nos</u>	3 Sjts 4 Cpls 15 O/Rs	2 Sjts 5 Cpls 15 O/Rs	- 1 Cpl -	1 Sjt - -
<u>General Duties</u>	3 O/Rs -	2 O/Rs 1 Cpl	- 1 Cpl	1 O/R -
<u>M.M.G. Nos</u>	3 Sjts 2 Cpls 20 O/Rs	3 Sjts 2 Cpls 17 O/Rs	- - -	- - 3 O/Rs
<u>Mortar Nos</u>	5 Sjts 5 Cpls 68 O/Rs	5 Sjts 6 Cpls 59 O/Rs	- 1 Cpl -	- - 9 O/Rs
<u>Pioneers</u>	1 Sjt 4 Cpls 28 O/Rs	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 25 O/Rs	- - -	- 2 Cpls 3 O/Rs
<u>Batmen</u>	35 O/Rs	35 O/Rs	-	-
<u>Hygiene Duties</u>	4 O/Rs	3 O/Rs	-	1 O/R
<u>Orderlies</u>	32 O/Rs	26 O/Rs	-	6 O/Rs
<u>Regt Police</u>	1 Sjt 6 O/Rs	1 Sjt 5 O/Rs	- -	- 1 O/R
<u>Stretcher Bearers</u>	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 18 O/Rs	1 Sjt 2 Cpls 13 O/Rs	- - -	- - 5 O/Rs
<u>Clerks</u>	1 WO 11 2 Sjts 6 Cpls 4 O/Rs	- 2 Sjts 6 Cpls 4 O/Rs	- - - -	1 WO 11 - - -
<u>Drivers M.T.</u>	1 Cpl 11 O/Rs	1 Cpl 11 O/Rs	- -	- -

<u>Storemen Tech</u>	1 Sjt	1 Sjt	-	-
	3 O/Rs	3 O/Rs	-	-
<u>Water Duties</u>	2 O/Rs	1 O/R	-	1 O/R
<u>Storemen</u>	5 S/Sjts	5 S/Sjts	-	-
	6 O/Rs	6 O/Rs	-	-
<u>IMG Nos & Rflmn</u>	1 WO 1	-	-	1 WO 1
	5 WO 11	5 WO 11	-	-
	12 Sjts	17 Sjts	5 Sjts	-
	36 Cpls	37 Cpls	1 Cpl	-
	361 O/Rs	257 O/Rs	-	104 O/Rs

DETAILS OF PERSONNEL ATTACHED UNDER W.E.

RANK	CORPS	W.E.	POSTED	SURPLUS	DEFICIENT
WO 11	A.A.C.C.	1	1	-	-
Sjts	A.A.P.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.P.S.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.M.C.	2	2	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	5	5	-	-
Cpls	A.A.P.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.O.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.M.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	5	3	-	2
Ptes	A.A.M.C.	1	1	-	-
	A.A.C.C.	13	14	1	-
		32	31	1	2

31/51A U.S.T. INF. BN. (A.I.F.)

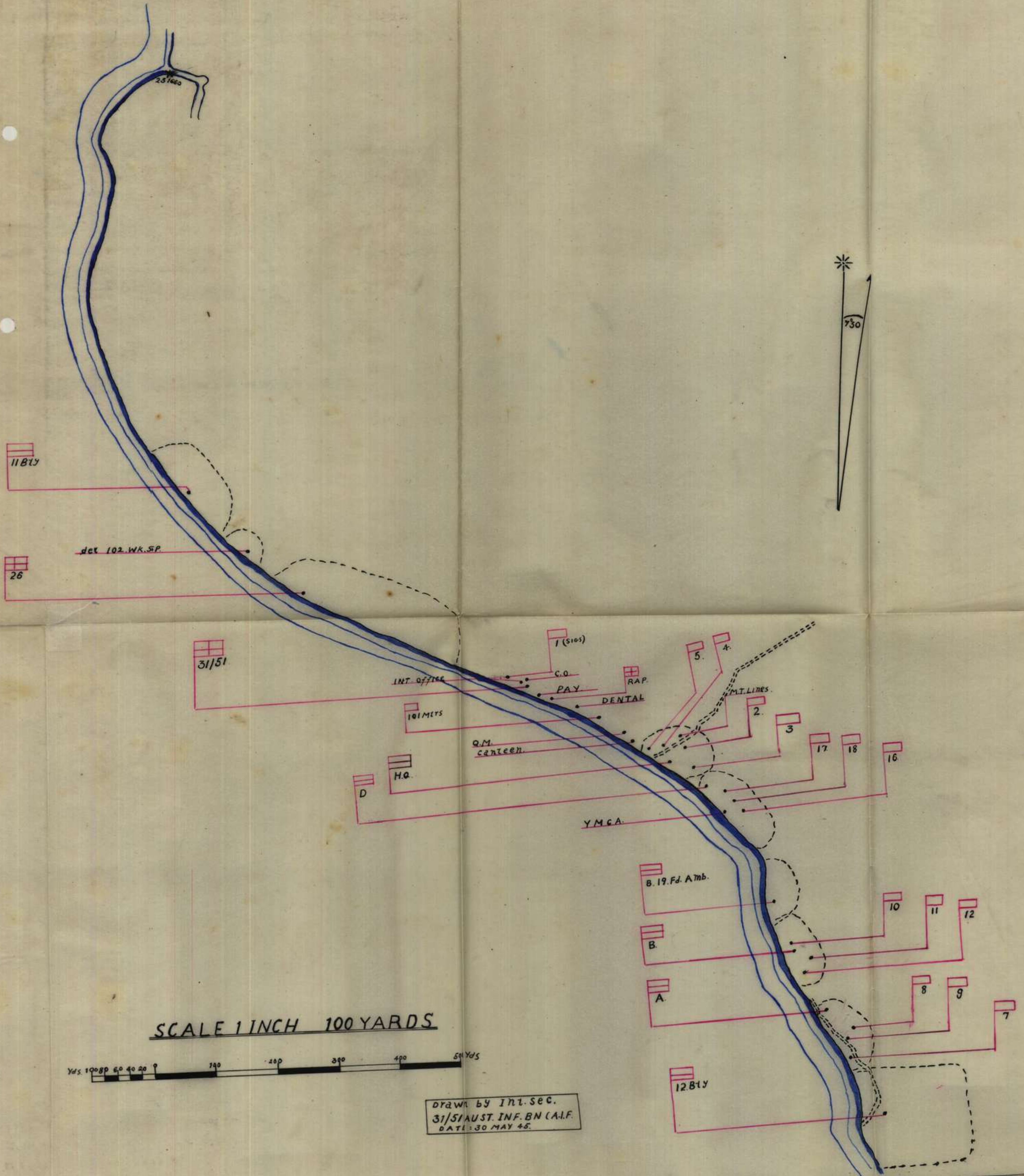
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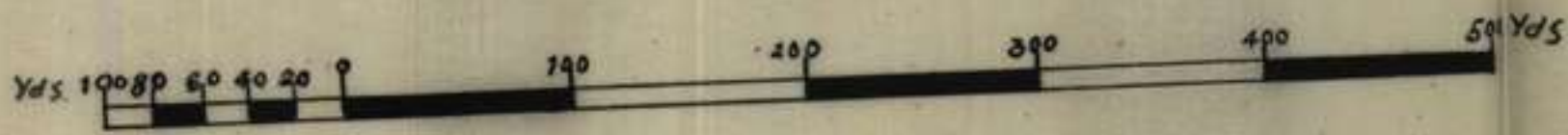
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REF MAP SORAKEN 1:25000

MAP REF POINT X.231660



SCALE 1 INCH 100 YARDS



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28 MAY 45.
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51/51 AUST INF BN (AIF).

INTELLIGENCE REPORT NO.8

Covering Activities for Week Ending 27 MAY 45.

Ref Maps - TOROKINA 1:65,360
TAICF ISLAND "

CHANGE IN LOCATIONS.

1. During the week a battalion change over was effected, when this unit relieved 55/55 AUST INF BN (AIF) on the SORAKEN PENINSULA. Relief was completed by 1530 hrs on 25 MAY.

TRAINING.

2. Training programmes were interrupted as a result of the move to SORAKEN. However, sand table exercises were conducted during free periods from packing stores, also two demonstrations were held.

3. The first demonstration held on the 24 MAY at the TOROKINA RIVER TKA Range, square 6795, involved the use of U.S. GRENADE PROJECTOR M9A1, the PROJECTOR INFANTRY TANK ATTACK and a 2 pr. TKA Gun. Besides members of the Bn, visitors present included:-

- Maj ELLIOTT 2 AUST CORPS
- Capt DOUGLAS "
- Capt KERR NGO Branch LHQ.

4. Projectiles from these weapons were directed against pillboxes constructed of either logs and sand or of logs, sand and volcanic rock. The American projector, fired shoulder controlled both from standing and kneeling position, proved most satisfactory against these targets, penetrating 24 inch diameter logs with ease. The 2 pr firing both amour piercing and high explosive also proved its penetration power. The PIAT however, although found effective against the pillboxes, was not as reliable due to consistency in faulty ammunition. The characteristics were discussed by an Officer of this Bn and Capt KERR of NGO Branch.

5. Sand table exercises were held in company areas and periods staggered to allow for supervision by commanding officer. Ips displayed keen interest in the type of training - in all cases periods extended beyond the time limit to allow for full discussion by eager debaters.

6. A Flame throwing demonstration was held on 23 MAY by members of 2 AUST CORPS TRAINING CENTRE. All personnel in camp attended.

SPORTS.

7. A Rugby League match played against the Royal New Zealand Air Force was won by this Bn by 18 points to 9.

MORALE.

8. High. The move to SORAKEN has increased morale in this Bn.

HEALTH.

9. Attendances at Sick Parades totalled 1.2% of Bn strength. Weekly skin inspections by the RMO are proving effective.

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War Diary

SECRET.
28 MAY 45.

31/51 AUST INF BN (A.I.F.).

REPORT ON RECONNAISSANCE ON TAI OF ISLAND
28 MAY 45.

Ref Map TAI OF ISLAND, BUKA PASSAGE - 1/63,360 and CHABAI - 1/25,000.

PART I.

A mission from this Battalion accompanied an Artillery reconnaissance party to TAI OF ISLAND with a view to examining the existing observation post manned by this Battalion and reconnoitring other features from which a further range of view may be gained.

The present lookout was found to cover a view of the islands within MATCHIN BAY, the WEST Coast of BONIS PENINSULA (where not obscured by Islands in the foreshore), the Southern coast of BUKA ISLAND and the EAST coast of MADEHAS ISLAND. However, another observation post is in the course of construction, which on completion, is anticipated to give a complete coverage both NORTH and EAST of the viewpoint. Such being the case no other areas were reconnoitred.

PART II.

EXISTING OBSERVATION POST.

As the substance of the existing observation post located in square 1470 is known, no further comment will be made here. However, the post commander intimated a desire to establish a new lookout to the NORTH, where a better coverage could be obtained.

PROTECTED OBSERVATION POST.

Post commander reported that a complete coverage both of the NORTH and EAST, including a close view along BUKA PASSAGE is obtainable from the 1100 ft. feature 140728. (The exact location of this new position is being determined by resection and will be advised). Installations at CHINATOWN on BUKA ISLAND and at the Western entrance to the PASSAGE is under view, also movement on the Coast of MADEHAS ISLAND (two Japanese were observed on the EAST Coast today). He further stated that the position was suitable as an artillery observation post, should any artillery be installed on the Island.

Work is proceeding on a lookout tower and ladder thereto in a tree approximately 75 ft in height, completion of which is anticipated by 31 MAY.

Time did not permit reconnaissance of the position, but in company with artillery party, the coastal stretch on the Northern tip of the Island was visited. Proceeding by barge from 135695, party reached a sheltered inlet at 135711. (It is possible that barge movement by day along this stretch may be under observation from MADEHAS ISLAND, as its Western shores were closely visible en route.) From here progress was made northwards by foot along a good coastal track, through semi open secondary growth to approximately 135732. The track, although a footpad, can be made jeepable without difficulty. Several tracks branch off inland, including the one that leads to the projected outlook. Walking time from 135711 to new position is 2 hours. The availability of water was not reconnoitred, but it is considered present.

CONCLUSIONS.

If the new observation post is adopted it is preferable to move the existing campsite to that locality, unless artillery personnel are to be employed.

AUTHORITY Work Order

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
NOMINAL ROLL OF DRAFT

A.A. Form Mob. 3. Small
In pads of 100
(Revised Sept. '44)

FROM UNIT 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

THE UNDERMENTIONED PERSONNEL WILL PROCEED ON

To UNIT 26 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

TIME AND DATE OF DEPARTURE OF DRAFT

28 May 1945 HRS.

*DUTY, ~~LEAVE~~ /// ~~RTU~~ (EX LEAVE)
AS FOLLOWS:

† VIA _____

ARMY No.	RANK	NAME, INITIALS	IN POSSESSION OF MEMBER		DISPOSAL OF REGIMENTAL DOCUMENTS			NUMBER OF DAYS LEAVE AUTHORISED	(i) SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS, IF ANY, AFFECTING MOVEMENT OF MEMBER (ii) PURPOSE OF MOVEMENT IF MEMBER PROCEEDING ON DUTY (iii) PRIVATE ADDRESS OF MEMBER IF PROCEEDING TO OR RETURNING FROM LEAVE
			PAY BOOK	AAB, 83	AF.B. 122	AF.I. 5033	AAF.A 63		
QA 54010	Lt	EVANS W.F.P.							
QA 39379	Cpl	KENRICK A.C.							
NX167245	Cpl	MCLEAN J.C.							
NX111295	Pte	FARMER W.J.							
WX 11165	Capt	COMBLEY J.							Attached as observers
QA 37286	Sjt	HUXLEY W.E.							
QA 37731	Sjt	THOMPSON H.L.							
WX 39634	Pte	CAMP A.R.							

I HAVE PERSONALLY CHECKED THE CORRECTNESS OF THE ABOVE PARTICULARS

Adj. 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

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* STRIKE OUT WORDS NOT APPLICABLE

† INSERT THE NAME OF THE FINAL LTD (IF ANY) THROUGH WHICH DRAFT WILL PASS BEFORE ARRIVING AT UNIT OF DESTINATION. (This information will be obtained and inserted by the Originating Unit before depatch of draft).

TIME AND DATE OF ARRIVAL OF DRAFT

_____ HRS.
_____ 194

MESSAGE FORM

Register No. App 20

Call	Ser. No.	Priority	Transmission Instructions
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ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

FROM (A) <i>11 INF BDE</i> Originator	Date—Time of Origin <i>271340L</i>	Office Date Stamp
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TO <i>26 INF BN 31/51 INF BN</i> (w) For Information (INFO.) For Action	Message Instructions GR <i>63</i>
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ORIGINATOR'S No.

SD 10610 CONFIDENTIAL0 Observer parties of 31/51 Inf Bn comprising 2 Offes and 4 NCOs will visit 26 Inf Bn for a period of 3 days every 3 days until further notice 0 First party will embark I beach 280930L for RATSUA and return 301640L from RATSUA 0 42 Ldg CRAFT will ensure all courier craft call I beach on fwd and return trips 0 All informed.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

BY

LT COL J.L.A. KELLY - COMD - 31/51 AUST INF BN (AIF)

29 MAY 45

(a)	<u>Date</u>	<u>DUTY COY</u>
	29/30 May	D COY
	30/31 May	HQ COY
	31 May/1 Jun	A COY
	1/2 Jun	B COY
	2/3 Jun	D COY

- (b) Duty coy will supply (a) 1 Bn runner
(b) Refuse dumping party of 1 NCO and 8 OR to report to unit tpt lines at 0800 hrs daily

60. CENSORSHIP (2 Corps RO G126/45)

The mailing of currency is prohibited. Any currency found in letters being franked will be returned to the sender together with the letter.

61. DECECRATION OF ENEMY GRAVES (2 Corps RO A127/45)

- (a) Article 4 of the Red Cross Convention requires that all dead be honourably interred and that graves be respected and marked so that they may always be found.
- (b) Unauthorised interference with human remains is an offence.
- (c) Personnel will not, except in the course of duty, interfere with any grave, or any dead body of any nationality, or without authority be in possession of any such remains including the ashes of a cremated body.

62. TRAFFIC SPEEDS (2 Corps RO A130/45)

speed limits for vehicles in 2 Aust Corps Area will not exceed the following :-

Staff Cars	25 miles per hour
Motor Cycles	25 " " "
Other Vehicles	20 " " "

63. ALLOTMENT AND DEPENDANTS ALLOWANCE PAYABLE OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA
GRO 134/45.

With the approval of the prescribed authority under War Financial (Military Forces) Regulations, a member may make an allotment to a person resident in any country outside Australia. Where the allottee resides in an enemy or enemy occupied country, the allotment may be dated back to 25th August 1944, provided that

this does not place the member's pay account in debit.

Where a member has made an allotment of not less than the standard rate, dependants allowance will be payable, in accordance with War Financial Regulations -

(a) where the allotment is payable in a country forming part of the sterling area - to any person dependent on the member; or

(b) where the allottee resides in a country other than a country included in the sterling area - to the wife or children of the member and not to any other dependant.

If the allottee resides in a country where it is not possible to effect payment of allotment and dependants allowance, either because of the conditions set out in National Security (Exchange Control) Regulations or for any other reason, the amount of such allotment and dependants allowance will be held in trust until payment becomes practicable. A member may cancel such an allotment at any time before payment is actually made to his allottee and, in that case, the accumulated amount of the allotment will be credited to his pay account. In such circumstances, no dependants allowance will be payable.

In this order, the words "sterling area" have the same meaning as in National Security (Exchange Control) Regulations, namely :-

" All parts of His Majesty's dominions (except Canada and Newfoundland), and includes all territories in respect of which a mandate on behalf of the League of Nations has been accepted by His Majesty and is being exercised by His Majesty's Government in the United Kingdom or in any dominion, all British protectorates and protected states, Egypt, the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan and every other country or area declared by the Treasurer, by order published in the Gazette, to be included in the sterling area, but does not include any country or area so declared not to be included in the sterling area."

The following areas have been included in the sterling area :-

Iceland
Faroe Islands
Iraq

W. Smith
Adj. 31/51 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) Capt.