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2/8 Infantry Battalion
July - September 1940

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 2/8 Bn A.I.F.

Date and Time.—From 1 July 40 To 14 July 40

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Kilo 89	1		Fine + Hot. Bn in camp area 1031 1031 (Ref Gaza 1:100,000)	
"	2	1100	Bn moved out for exercises near Huj. Fine + Hot	the exercises were held
"	3	-	Bn exercises near Huj. Fine + Hot	
"	4		Bn exercises near Huj. Fine + Hot	
"	5		Bn exercises end, return to Kilo 89 at 1445 Fine + Hot	
"	6		Fine + Hot. Bn in camp area	
"	7	1400	Bde swimming carnival at Gaza Beach. Fine + Hot	
"	8		Camouflaging roofs and buildings commenced. Transport got 12 trucks + 3 Motorbikes. 2/4 Completed move to Haifa Fine + Hot	
"	9		Fine + Hot. Bn in camp area	
"	10		Fine + Hot. Bn in Camp area Respirators to be worn at all times (Div. Order)	
"	11		Fine + Hot. Bn in camp area, general training	
"	12		Fine + Hot. Bn in camp area, general training	
"	13		Fine + Hot. Bn in camp area general training	
"	14		Fine + Hot. Bn in camp area general training	

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O.G. Baughman
1/1/40

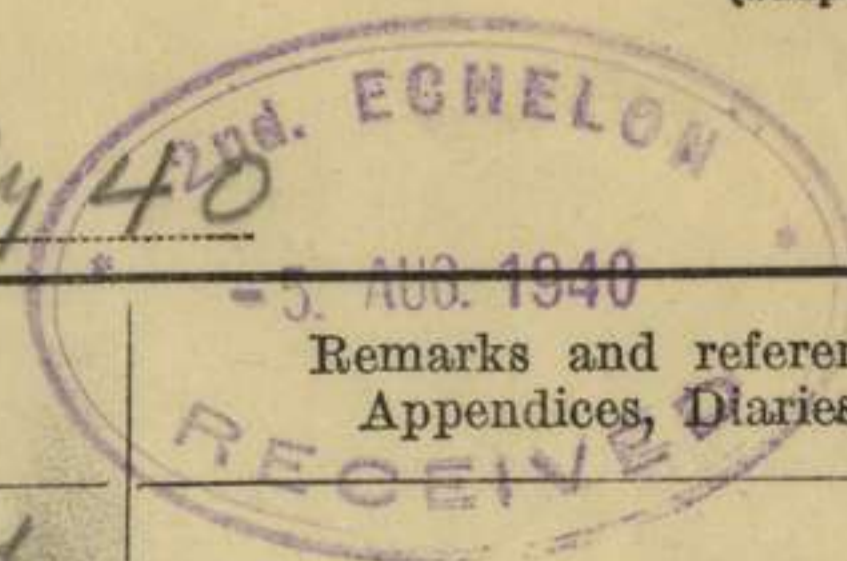
WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 2/8 Bn A.I.F.

Date and Time.—From 15 July 40

To 28 July 40



Remarks and references to
Appendices, Diaries, &c.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Kilo 89	15		Demos. at Bde for offrs. and N.C.O's each morning. Bn on new training schedule to improve efficiency of section, platoon and colly. movements etc. Bn in Camp Area. Fine + Hot	
	16		News of Haifa bombing. Patrol under I.O. to Khan Yunis, Beni Suhesla and Deir al Balah. Fine + Hot. Bn in Camp Area	
	17		Fine + Hot. Bn in Camp Area	
	18		Increased sporting activity. Bn in Camp Area	
	19		Bn demo of platoon in attack. Fine + Hot. Bn in Camp Area	
	20	1100	March past G.O.C and address by him on Bn parade ground. Fine + Hot. Cricket at Jerusalem. Bn in Camp Area.	
	21		Fine + Hot. Cricket at Jerusalem. Bn in Camp + at Gaza Beach	
	22		Fine + Hot. Bn in Camp Area	
	23		Fine + Hot. Bn in Camp Area	
	24		Fine + Hot. Bn in Camp Area	
	25		A.M. Route March. P.M. Short 13 afternoon. Bn in Camp Area. Fine + Hot. 2 day leave begun	
	26		Patrol under I.O. to Khan Yunis, Beni Suhesla + Deir al Balah to find out state of + quantity of water. Fine + Hot	
	27		Bn in Camp Area. Fine + Hot.	
	28		Bn at Gaza Beach and in Camp Area. Fine + Hot.	

By: Macfarlane Bn.

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Unit 2/8 Bn A. I. F

Date and Time.—From 28 July 40 To 31 July 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Kilo 89	29		Bn in camp area. Fine + Hot	
	30	1500	Bn moved to bivouac area 0985 0937 (Ref. Gaza 1:100,000) for Coy exercises. Security Guard at camp. Fine + Hot	Syllabus attached
	31		Bn at bivouac area. Fine + Hot.	

J. G. Macfarlane
9/8/40

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89.
1 July 40.

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.
No. Q 31.

<u>DUTIES</u> -	To mount at Retreat.			
<u>Date.</u>	<u>Ord. Officer</u>	<u>Ord. Sgt.</u>	<u>Ord. Cpl.</u>	<u>Duty Coy.</u>
1 July 40	Lieut. Field	Sgt. Cooper	Cpl. Cameron W.J.	D Coy.
n.f.d.	" Strong	" Conley	" Wicks.	A Coy.

2. IDENTIFICATION - SERVICE PERSONNEL. - (a) All Offrs., and O.R's of A.I.F. will carry pay books (Form W.F. 5) at all times for identification purposes.

(b) When paybooks are temporarily withdrawn passes bearing the unit stamp and showing the identity of the holder will be issued in place of the pay book. Such passes MUST be withdrawn when paybook is returned.

3. ORDER OF THE DAY. - An Order of the Day, dated 30 Jun. 40, by Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Blamey, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., Commanding 1st Australian Corps, A.I.F. is issued with this order.

This Order of the Day will be read to all ranks on 1 Jul 40.

3. ROUNDS.

The concrete building opposite the Bn. Guard tent, which is being used as a store is Out of Bounds to all troops of 2/8 Bn.

 Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

Found. - Towel containing Holdall in "D" Coy lines.
Owner claim at Bn. Orderly Room.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART I,

by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

No. 232

Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
6 July 40.

Bm H.A.S.

1. DUTIES.

To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Ord. Sgt.</u>	<u>Ord. Cpl.</u>
6 July 40	Lieut. McCorrick	Sgt. Cooper	Cpl. Funston
n. f. d.	" Strong.	" Copley	" Mitchell A.L.

Duty Coy - to mount Sunday and supply Bde. 2 Bn. guards - H.Q. Coy.
A.G.H. Guard. - To mount Sunday - D Coy.
Coast Watching - Capt. Simpson C.L.
Batman
2 Wireless operators H.Q. Coy.
1 Pl. B Coy less officer.

2. DUTY COY. - Duty Coy will in future supply a daily kitchen fatigue to Q.M. of 4 O.R.'s. To report to the Sgt. Cook daily at 0815 hrs. and to remain until 1230 hrs.

Previously the Q.M. experienced trouble with coy fatigues in that they were always late. Coys to ensure that these fatigues report, and report on time.

3. DUTIES - BAND - Band will change duties at A.G.H. Gaza Ridge on Sunday 7 July 40. After Sunday the Band will play at Guard change at Bde. H.Q. as usual.

4. CAMOUFLAGE -

2/4 Bn. Lines.

(a) Commencing at 0815 hrs. Monday 8 July 40, A Coy will be responsible for the mud camouflage of all roofs in 2/4 Bn. lines.

(b) Before commencing work O.C. Coy will report to O.C. Lines 2/4 Bn.

(c) Bucket and shovels will be drawn from Q. store under Coy arrangements with Q.

2/8 Bn. Lines.

(a) B Coy less pl. on coast watching will commence at 0815 hrs on Monday 8 July 40 to camouflage all roofs of 2/8 Bn. lines with mud. Stores to be drawn from Q.M. under Coy arrangements with Q.

Picture Theatre.

R Coy will commence at same time and date on similar mud camouflage of the camp picture theatre.

5. WATER CONSERVATION - The co-operation of all ranks is required in an endeavour to conserve water. At the moment difficulty is found to maintain the supply.

Waste of water in washing and leaving taps running is noticeable.

6. FIELD OFFICERS' REPORTS - It has been noticed that Field Officers' Reports have not been handed in at the time required.

These reports are required at 0800 hrs on the day following tour of duty, and should have attached, Report of GAZA RIDGE Guard Comr. together with the Cinema takings for the night on which the Field Officer mounted.

7. PERSONAL KIT AND NECESSARIES - Coy 2 i/c's will ensure that the following articles accompany the soldier when he is away from his unit, whether detached, evacuated to hospital or transferred:

- Mess Tin.
- Plate
- Knife
- Fork
- Spoon.

8. Deviation of Traffic Gaza Town - From 1300 hrs 3 July 40 road JAFFA - GAZA between railway crossing and junction of Beersheba Road will be closed during remaking.

9. Picquets - Leave Parties. - Several instances have occurred recently of leave party picquets arriving in Tel Aviv without lunches. Coy Comdrs, will ensure that all leave party picquets are provided with necessary rations.

10. POSTAL SERVICES - (a) Air mails

Services are operating to Australia. They are irregular and no particulars can be given of the frequency or of the time taken in transit.

Rate.	Letters	60 mils per 1/3 oz.
	Postcards	30 mils each

11. CHURCH PARADES -

C of E.	Holy Communion	- Padre McConachie	- 2/11 Bn.	0615
"	Combined Service	"	"	0700
Pres.	Combined Service	0700 Padre Pierce	- 2/8 Bn.	
"	Holy Communion	0900 " "	- 2/8 "	
R.C.	Holy Mass	0615 " Youll	- 2/4 "	
"	" "	0700 " "	- " "	

FOUND. - Holdall containing razor, soap etc. enclosed in issue towel.

"Platignum" Fountain Pen. Owners claim at Ord. Room.

LOST - Silver eversharp pencil near Canteen.

Finder please forward to Ord. Room.

Adj. Stanley Lieut.
 Capt.
 Adj. 2/8 Bn.

R. H. G.

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2/8 Bn.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Ryrie Lines, File 89, 8 July 40.

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

No. Q 33

1. DUTIES.

To mount at Retreat.

Date.	Orderly Officer	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
8 July 40	Lieut. Jones R.H.	Sgt. Elliott	Cpl. Curran
a.f.d.	" Fleming A.P.	" Cross	" Ingham

2. C.S.M's. - Commencing 8 July 40 C.S.M's will act as L.S.M. on Guard Mounting Parades as follows:

MONDAY - R.S.M. TUES. - W.O. II Wilson.

WED. - A/C.S.M. Stenning THURS - W.O. II Jones

FRID. - W.O. II Lancaster.

3. DUTY COY. - In future Duty coy is to provide one man to act as Bn. Orderly at Brigade. He is to report to Brigade Orderly Room at 1730 hrs. each night, and will remain on duty there until 0800 the following morning.

Coy concerned is to ensure that a late breakfast is kept for this man.

4. ORDERLY CPL. - Duties of Bn. Orderly Cpl. are as follows:

He is to assist the R.M.O. with the Bn Sick Parade each morning. At conclusion of the Sick Parade and after dismissal by the R.M.O., he will report back to his coy and remain with it for training purposes for rest of the day. He does not take sick to C.R.S. This should be done by B.O.S. The B.O.Cpl. will hand over to new B.O.Cpl. at Regtl. Flag Mast at Retreat

5. TO REPORT R.A.P. - The following men are to report to R.M.O. at the R.A.P. between the hours of 1000 and 1100 tomorrow 9 July.

VX18308 Pte. Antony A.S. - VX4971 Pte. Milliken D.R.

VX13305 Pte. Walker W.

NOTICES.

FOUND: Holdall containing toilet articles wrapped up in towel. Owner claim at Bn. Orderly Room.

LOST: Conway Stewart Fountain Pen (presentation) inscribed - "J. Towers, 40th A.M.F. & 2/8 Bn. A.I.F." Lost between Canteen and Band tents. Finder please forward to Bn. Orderly Room.

J.H. O'Leary Capt.
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

R.H.L.

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Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
9 July 40

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by

Lt.Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 34.

1. DUTIES

To mount at Retreat

Date.	Orderly Officer	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
9 July 40	Lieut. Burrowes	Sgt. Ross	Cpl. Ingham
n. f. d.	" Turner	" Cross	" Mulvey

2. COURSES - The following personnel will attend the Middle East

Tactical School, Abassia, No. 5 Course - Commences 24 July
Finishes 24 Aug. 40.

Senior Wing { Major A.S.Key
 { Capt. H.K.Oxley

Jun. Wing Coy Comdrs Capt. H.B.Challen

" " Pl. " Lieut. A.A.Bryant
" " " Sgt. J.L.Ball

3. TRANSPORT - Personnel requiring transport must submit requisitions (A.A.F. G.1.) to Transport Officer not later than the night prior to the day on which the transport is required.

If the transport is an urgent case, and asked for immediately, then the T.O. will have the decision as to urgency.

4. EMBUSING -

Transport Officer or an N.C.O. detailed by him will be responsible for embussing of all leave parties, including swimming parties, at Kilo 89.

Bn. H.Q. will detail officer i/c embussing for return trips. The duties of these officers will be embussing for return trips only.

5. SPORTS OFFICER.

Capt. Scrase has been nominated as the Unit Sports representative.

6. R.S.M. - During the absence of W.O. I Gately, W.O. II Wood R.A. will be A/R.S.M.

M.H. Duley Capt.
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

CRICKET - 2/8 Bn. will play a cricket match against Overseas Base on Saturday 13 July. Names of players suitable for selection are to be handed in to Orderly Room by 1830 hrs. 10 July. Coy Comdrs will arrange to release those finally selected in the team.

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Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

No. 35

Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
10 Jul. 40.

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1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

Date.	Orderly Officer	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
10 July 40	Lieut. Turner	Sgt. Cross	Cpl. Jordan
n. f. d.	" Lowe	" Adams	" Quirk

2. LAUNDRY.

The present contractor for laundry will cease to operate on 13/7/40 and all accounts must be finalised before that date.

A new contractor, F. Malouf, will commence work on 14 Jul. 40 under the following conditions.

All W.O.s. and Sgts. laundry (including 1 drill uniform per week) - 300 mls per month.

O.R.s. laundry (12 articles per week + 4 handkerchiefs = one article) - 200 mls per month.

Laundry will be collected by Coys each Monday morning, each man being given a receipt from books to be supplied by the contractor. A copy of this receipt will be placed in the parcel containing the laundry. Coys will deliver parcels to Q.M. by 0900 hours. The contractor will pick up the bags of laundry from the Q.M. at 1000 hrs. each Monday and return the clean articles on the following Friday afternoon. Parcels returned by contractor will have man's name & Coy plainly marked on outside. Coys will pick up clean laundry from Q.M. on Friday afternoon at 1600 hours.

Personnel who wish to deal direct with contractor may do so. The prices in these cases will be vide signed price list posted in laundry. The value of all articles lost or ruined will be refunded by the contractor.

3. TECHNICAL STORE

H.Q. Coy are responsible for the guarding of the technical store.

H. J. Marshall Lieut.
for Capt.
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

LOST. Paybook No. 28960 of VX6538, Pte. A.F. McConachy was lost either in the bus returning from leave, or in the 2/8 Bn. lines on the evening of 9 July 40. Finder please return to Pay Sgt.

FOUND. Small purse with sum of money in same near Canteen, on 9 July. Two keys, on 30 yd. range. Fountain pens, Money belts, tobacco pouch, Towels, holdalls, Owners claim at Bn. Orderly Room.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

W.D.

Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
11 Jul.40

by
Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 36

1. DUTIES To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
11 Jul.40.	Lieut. Lowe	Sgt. Clarke	Cpl. Quirk
n. f. d.	" Graham	" Davis	" Griffiths

FIELD OFFICER - 11/12 July - Major H.H. McDonald

2. CHURCH PARADE -

R.C. Mass will in future be held in 2/4 Bn. Recreation Hut at 0630 hrs. each Sunday. Coys will parade their parties on small square opposite Bn. H.Q. and senior present will march to 2/4 Bn. lines.

3. WATER MELONS - Coys are responsible for instructing their own Coy roving patrols to stop all sale of water melons in their Coy lines.

R.M.C. has reported that the consumption of these melons is causing a large no of cases of diarrhoea.

4. CENSORSHIP. (1) Selective Censorship has shown:

(a) That the correct postal address is NOT being written on the top right hand corner of the first page. The correct postal address is:

Name, Rank, and Number

Unit,

PALESTINE.

(b) That letters, where the writer conceals his identity, are being posted through civil Post Offices. In future all such letters will be destroyed.

(c) The green envelope is a privilege to enable soldiers to discuss private and family matters. Misuse of the green envelopes will endanger the privilege and render the writer liable to disciplinary action.

(2) Unit Censor Stamp - The Unit censor stamp must always be placed on the green envelope after the certificate has been signed.

5. ANTI-GAS TRAINING - Commencing today all ranks of the 6th Aust. Division and of units of Australian non-divisional troops situated in Gaza Military District will carry respirators at all times when in the open whether on or off parade. When within buildings and in sleeping quarters, respirators will be placed so that they will always be readily available.

6. PASSES - CIVILIANS EMPLOYED BY D.C.R.E. GAZA. - Following procedure regarding civilians employed by D.C.R.E. GAZA is in force :-

(i) Casual Labourers. - are equipped with identity discs bearing number allotted by D.C.R.E.

(ii) Permanent Employees - are in possession of White Passes signed by D.C.R.E.

Guards and sentries in 6 Aus. Div. will officially recognize these passes.

7. GAZA BEACH PRIVATE ROAD. - Vehicles carrying personnel to Gaza Beach other than cars, utilities and pick-ups, will not use the above-mentioned road, but will halt for debussing and embussing on the main road. This does not apply to buses conveying members of the A.A.N.S.
8. PRECAUTIONS AGAINST MALARIA. - In view of a considerable increase in the incidence of malaria, the following measures will be adopted forthwith:-
- (a) All ranks will wear long trousers between sunset and sunrise. Sleeves of shirts will be rolled down, and buttoned at the wrist. Collar of shirts will be buttoned up.
 - (b) Until trousers, khaki drill, are issued, trousers, khaki cloth, will be worn.
 - (c) Indents for supplies of Dovers Cream will be forwarded to A.A.S.C. 6 Aus. Div. Scale 2 ozs per man per month. Application of this cream to hands and face, by sentries and by troops participating in exercises at night will be insisted on.
 - (d) In camps and billets all ranks will sleep under nets.
 - (e) Areas of Wadi Al Makheizin and Wadi Burshein are out of bounds.
 - (f) Before proceeding on an exercise, the commander concerned will ensure that a medical reconnaissance of the selected area is carried out in advance, applying to A.D.M.S. 6 Aus. Div. for assistance if necessary.
9. GAZA RIDGE CAMP HOSPITAL. - (a) Wet Canteen - The wet canteen at Gaza Ridge Camp is only for the use of personnel of 1st and 2nd Australian General Hospitals and their guests.
- (b) Alcoholic Liquor - Visitors to the hospital are forbidden to take liquor of any description into tents or wards.
- (c) Visiting Hours - Visiting hours are from 0900 to 1800 hrs daily. Visitors will first obtain a pass at the Medical Inspection Centre (Administrative Buildings) before entering wards. All parcels will first be shown to the Sister in charge of each hospital ward.

NOTICES.

CRICKET. - Cricket match set down for 13/7/40 has been postponed until 20/7/40.

W. H. H. H. Capt.
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
12 July 40

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt. Col. J. W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

No. 37.

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
18 Jul. 40	Lieut. Van Citters	Sgt. Davis	Cpl. Griffiths.
n. f. d.	" Wilmoth	" Atkins	" Rich F.S.

2. DEFAULTERS - In addition to the normal parades at 0630 & 1645 hrs. Defaulters' call will be sounded at irregular intervals remote from training times until lights out. On call being sounded defaulters will report to B.H.Q. The roll will be called by B.O.S.

3. GAZA RIDGE GUARD.

As from next relief of Duty Bn., GAZA RIDGE GUARD will be reduced to one Pl. Sentry posts and patrols will be provided as follows:-

DAY (a) Sentry post at guard room - 1 man
(b) Patrol for PUMPING STATION and WATER TANKS - 2 men
(c) Patrol to patrol camp (excluding nurses' quarters) hourly - 2 men.

NIGHT. - As for day with the addition of Patrol to patrol round outside fence and other boundaries of nurses' quarters - 1 N.C.O. and 2 men.

The duties of GAZA RIDGE GUARD will be:-

- (a) To exclude all civilians NOT in possession of a current pass.
- (b) Prevent theft of or damage to government property.
- (c) Maintain order.
- (d) Detain any person acting suspiciously.

4. BDE H.Q. GUARD

As from next relief of Duty Bn., BDE H.Q. GUARD will remain at strength of 1 Sgt., 1 Cpl. and 12 O.R.'s., but will provide sentry posts and patrols as follows:-

DAY (a) Sentry post at guard tent - 1 man
(b) Patrol to patrol around the whole Bde H.Q. area, pay special attention to WATER TANKS and PUMPING STATION. Patrol NOT to be at guard tent except to report during tour of duty - 1 man.

NIGHT - As for day except that sentry post and patrol will be doubled.

The duties of Bde. H.Q. guard will be :-

- (a) To exclude all civilians NOT in possession of a current pass.
- (b) Prevent theft of or damage to Government property.
- (c) Maintain order
- (d) Detain any person acting suspiciously.

5. CINEMA PICQUET

As from next relief of Duty Bn., the Duty Bn. will provide a picquet of 1 Officer, 2 N.C.O's. and 6 men for duty at CINEMA from 1900 hrs to 2200 hrs daily.

The duties of the CINEMA PICQUET will be :-

- (a) To exclude from CINEMA and its vicinity, all civilians NOT in possession of a current pass.
- (b) To maintain order in the CINEMA and its vicinity.
- (c) To stop all selling or hawking of goods in the CINEMA or its vicinity.
- (d) Prevent smoking in CINEMA
- (e) Detain any person acting suspiciously.
- (f) Check tickets and submit daily to Bde. H.Q. a certified statement of sales.

H. H. H. H.

Capt.

Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

LOST PAY BOOKS - The pay books of VX6058 Pte. Brown E.I. and VX6588 Pte. Mitchell G.M. were lost while on leave at Tel Aviv on 10/7/40. Anyone finding these pay books please return them to 2/8 Bn. Pay Sgt.

LOST - A Conway Stewart fountain pen (presentation) inscribed "J. Towers, 46th A.M.F. and 2/8 A.I.F." Lost between Canteen and band tents.

Finder please forward to Bn. Orderly Room. REWARD.

FOUND - 3 money belts, 2 fountain pens, holdalls, towels, rosary beads, and keys.
Owners claim at Bn. Orderly Room.

Bn 40

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Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
13 July 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.
by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.
No. Q 38

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

Date.	Orderly Officer	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
13 July 40	Lieut. McCormick	Sgt. Atkins	Cpl. Pich
n. f. d.	" Wilmoth	" Hunnam	" Hankinson

2. DOVERS CREAM - It is expected that Dovers Cream will be available shortly. Personnel must supply their own 2 oz. containers. Clean tobacco tins are normally used.

3. CHURCH PARADES -

R.O. Mass 0630 Recreation Hut 2/4 Bn.
 C of E Holy Communion 0615 2/11 Bn.
 Unit Service 0700
 Markers to R.S.M. 0640
 Battalion Parade 0645

4. Court of Inquiry - The following court of Inquiry will assemble at 1600 hrs today 13 July 40 to inquire into and report upon theft of tickets from Kilo 89 Picture Theatre.

Major H.H.McDonald
Lieut. W.T.Robertson.

5. BN. GUARD - The guard will be reduced in future as follows -

- (a) Each Coy is responsible for the protection and patrol of its own Coy lines.
- (b) M.T. sec is responsible for the protection and guarding of M.T. vehicles and park.
- (c) Bn. guard will consist of

Guard Officer
 Guard Sgt.
 Cpl.
 12 C.P's.

Post will be as follows -

No. 1 fixed - Guard Tent.
 " 2 " - Q Store & Regtl. Office
 " 3 roving - Officers' Lines
 Sgts' Mess - Officers' Mess.

Note. H.Q. Coy is responsible for the protection of Bn. H.Q. lines.

6. ORDERS - It is again repeated that Battalion Routine Orders are to be read to the personnel of all Coys prior to dismissal each day.

7. KITS - Ground Sheets will be carried in Haversacks by all personnel when Haversacks are part of order of dress.

C.S.M's will report to R.S.M. at 1330 hrs today to view a sample kit. All kits are to be made up in a similar manner.

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8. SURF CARNIVAL -

A Surf Carnival will be held at Gaza Beach on Sunday 14 July.

First event 1400 hrs. Last event 1700 hrs.

All personnel are invited to attend as spectators, and Coys will grant leave to as many men as practicable.

2/8 Bn. Transport will be available and trips as under -

Depart Kilo 89.

0930
1030
1230
1330

Depart Gaza Beach.

1000
1130
1300
Commencing at
1600 hrs. as ordered
by embussing officer.

H.Q. Coy will detail one officer as Officer i/c embussing at Gaza beach. This officer will report to Transport Officer at 0900 hrs on 14 July for instructions.

M. K. O'Leary

Capt.

Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

No. G 39

1. DUTIES. - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
15 July 40	Lieut. Graham	Sgt. Spencer	Cpl. McGrath
n. f. d.	" Strong	" Slocombe	" Hicks.

2. BDE. SECURITY DUTIES. -

(i) The O.C. Coy providing Bde Duties will arrange for the following visits to be made either by himself or 2 i/c.:-

Once per day and once per night.

- (a) Bde. H.Q. Guard.
- (b) GAZA RIDGE Guard, including 2 A.A.L.M.Gs mounted by Guards
- (c) A.A.L.M.Gs mounted on Bde. tasks to cover SQUIRES LINES and HEANE LINES.

Once per week -

TEL RAFFA Detachment

(ii) He will submit a report daily to Bde. H.Q. by 0900 hrs in respect of visits made the previous day.

3. COURT OF INQUIRY - Additional Officer for Court of Inquiry notified in B.R.O. No. 38 -

Lieut. R.H.JONES.

4. SURFACE LETTER MAIL OUTWARDS - Surface letter mail for Australia and Great Britain is being despatched twice weekly. Letters should reach I.O. by 1600 hrs. on Mondays and Thursdays.

5. COMMUNITY CONCERT. - An informal Community Concert will be held at 1930 hrs. tonight on the Bn. Guard Mounting parade ground. M.C. - Padre Pierce. All personnel are invited to attend.

[Signature]
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

LOST. - Fountain pen marked "Best Wishes from K.I." Reward 250 mks
Chrome Wristlet watch engraved "A.Graham 26/11/39 presented by citizens of Vaaspeet." Lost in ablution shed.
1 Water bottle left in Dry Canteen.
1 Bayonet frog left in bus at Jerusalem. 11/7/40

Finders please forward to Bn. Orderly Room.

HOCKEY - Hockey practice tonight at 1600 hrs in the usual area.

IMMEDIATE SECURITY INSTRUCTION NO. 1.

15 July 40

1. AIRCRAFT ATTACK ALARM -

- (i) (a) Alarm will be given by bugler sounding "Alarm" at Bn. H.Q., then doubling to Motor Transport Park and sounding again.
- (b) Each sentry on hearing "Alarm" will shout "Aircraft Attack" until he sees or hears activity in his area.
- (c) Alarm will be carried on by officers and N.C.O's by short whistle blasts or shout as above.

(ii) EQUIPMENT & RESPIRATOR.

Respirator, Tin helmet and equipment will be immediately put on and rifle carried.

(iii) NIGHT. -

- (a) Personnel will remain lying down in tents until orders are received from Bn.
- (b) Sentries will double to nearest slit trenches when (i)(c) is completed.

(iv) DAY.

- (a) Dress as (ii) above.
- (b) On hearing alarm double to slit trenches.
- (c) Coys to practice (b) above.

(v) A.A. L.M.G.

In all areas L.M.G's will open fire on first sign of hostile action - except on single aircraft not taking definite hostile action.

(vi) FIRE PICQUET.

H.Q. Coy will detail Fire picquet of 1 Cpl. and 10 O.R's. to be detailed to go to Guard Slit Trenches at any time alarm is sounded. Picquet detailed now to move to trenches in case of necessity.

(vii) GUARD -

Guard Officer, Guard and prisoners will occupy trenches in rear of guard tent.

- (viii) Coys are responsible that personnel know the whereabouts of Bn. H.Q., R.A.P. and Decontamination centre.

Bn. H.Q.

Slit trench rear of Administrative block.

R.A.P. -

R.A.P. Tent.

Decontamination Centre. -

Closed in shower room next to canteen.

- (ix) On "Dispersal" being sounded Coy will return to normal action.

Note. - Responsibility of each Gd. Comdr. that every man in guard understands his action in this respect.

2. FIRE ALARM. (Previous instructions cancelled)

The fire alarm will be a Kerosene tin hung upside down, and situated between the Regtl. Office and Q. office. A hammer is attached.

Action: On anyone discovering a fire he will immediately double to fire alarm, and beat tin hard for some 2 minutes. During this time the cry "Fire" will be shouted. This shout will be repeated through the lines by all personnel and sentries.

All Coys will fall in on their coy parade ground and await orders from their officers or C.S.M. A Coy Officer or C.S.M. may use his Coy on his own initiative to combat fire.

As soon as available kerosene tins or buckets will be issued to Coys to hold water.

3. GENERAL ALARM - (Previous instructions cancelled)

- (a) Bugler will sleep at Bn. H.Q. R.S.M. to arrange.
- (b) When required bugler will sound "Fall In" outside Regtl. H.Q. and then double to M.T. PARK and sound "Fall In" again. He will then report to R.S.M. at Bn. H.Q.
- (c) Each sentry or roving patrol on hearing "Fall In" will shout "Turn Out" until he sees or hears activity in his area.
- (d) Orderly from Bn. H.Q. (detailed by R.S.M.) will, on "Fall In" sounding, double to each Coy H.Q. and rouse the orderly there.
- (e) On being roused each coy will turn out onto the Coy Parade Gd. in MARCHING ORDER. Coy Comdr. to report direct to Adj. Coy 2 i/c's to notify Adj. when ready to move.
- (f) A.A. L.M.G's will remain at post.
- (g) Guard will "Stand Fast".

H. J. McL. MASKELL Lieut.

Security Officer
2/8 Bn.

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16 July 40

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt.Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.
No. Q 40.

1. DUTIES. To mount at Retreat.

Date.	Orderly Officer	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
16 Jul 40.	Lieut. Strong.	Sgt. Slocombe	Cpl. Pike
n. f. d.	"	de Ross	Ballingall

2. DUTIES -

Para 2 of B.R.O. Q 32 of 6 July 40 is cancelled.

In future H.Q. Coy will detail 3 men and A, B, C, & D Coys will each detail 2 men for duty in Coy kitchens. The men detailed will be attached to kitchens for a weekly tour of duty.

3. MEALS. -

Commencing today meal parades will be at the times shown:

	<u>Week days.</u>	<u>Sundays.</u>
Breakfast	0715 hrs.	0800 hrs.
Dinner	1245 "	1245 "
(Officers not included)		
Mess	1730 "	1730 "

4. GUARD MOUNTING -

Para 5 sub-para (c) of B.R.O. Q 38 of 13 July 40 is amended as follows :-

(c) Bn. Guard will consist of
Guard Officer
" Sgt.
13 O.R's.

Oncoming guard will move onto Bn. Parade Ground at 1840 hrs.

5. CINEMA PICQUET.

Goods may be sold in the CINEMA and the vicinity by authorised employees of unit canteens. Para 5 (a) of Bn. R.O's No. Q 37 issued 12 July 40, will apply to the sale of hawking of goods by unauthorised persons.

6. WASTAGE OF WATER -

It has been noticed that troops have been doing laundry work under running taps. This must cease.

7. VITA SOLDIERS' CANTEEN -

Personnel proceeding on leave to Jerusalem are notified that the Vita Soldiers Canteen, opposite P.O., Jaffa Road, Jerusalem, has been recommended by Overseas Base as a suitable place to rest and obtain a good meal at reasonable prices. If personnel are granted overnight leave, they can obtain accomodation at the following prices:-

Bed, morning tea & breakfast:
double room. 250 mk.

8. KIT INSPECTION -

Coy Comdrs. will hold a kit inspection of all personnel in their Coys on 17 July 40.

Reports will be submitted in the usual manner but will show the additional information as follows for each item of clothing.

- (a) Number deficient
- (b) " unserviceable
- (c) " not in proper condition.

9. CENSORSHIP -

Green envelopes are issued to the troops for the transmission of letters relating to private and family matters only. The writer must sign the declaration on the front of the envelope and the Unit Franking Stamp will be applied in the usual way.

The scale of issue has been laid down at one envelope for each member of the unit per week. This issue will be regarded as a privilege, liable to be withdrawn at any time.

Supplies will shortly be available,

M. G. J.
Capt.

Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

CRICKET - Cricket practice will be held in rear of "C" Coy Lines at 1600 hrs. on 16/7/40.

All interested in selection of team for match against Aust. Overseas Base on 21/7/40 are asked to attend.

LOST. In open ablution shed - One toilet outfit - shaving gear etc. in canvas bag.

Finder please return to Bn, Orderly Room.

TABLE TENNIS. - A Championship Tournament will be held in the Salvation Army Hut, commencing Thursday. 18 July 40.

Nominations to be in the hands of Major Trestrail by 2000 hrs. Wed. 19 July.

The draw for play will be posted above the tables at the appointed time, as it is hoped to finalize the tournament by the week-end.

After completion of Championship it is hoped to run a Handicap Tournament as well as Inter-Company Matches, so ROLL UP and LET US SEE YOUR FORM.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART I.

17 July 40.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q. 41.

1. DUTIES :- To Mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
17 July.40,	Lieut.Fleming.	Sgt. Barnes.	Cpl. Ballingall.
n. f. d.	Lieut.Bryant.	Sgt. Johnston.	Cpl. Funston.
n. f. d.	Duty Coy. Bde. Duties -	"B" Coy.	
	Bn. Duties -	"A" Coy.	

44 Col. Captain.
ADJUTANT 2/8 BATTALION.

NOTICES.

LOST. Respirator, taken from ablution shed.
Finder please return to Bn. Orderly Room.

SPORTS MEETINGS.

A Meeting of all interested in SWIMMING, will be held in
Band Practice Room at 1645 hrs.

All interested in BOXING and WRESTLING are asked to attend
a meeting to be held in above room at 1900 hrs.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.
by

18 July 40

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O., - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q.42

1. DUTIES.

To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
18 July 40	Lieut. Hall	Sgt Adams H.F.	Cpl Funston
n.f.d.	" Coutts	" Ross	" Jones C.
n.f.d.	Duty Coys.	Bde. Duties - "B" Coy.	
		Bn. Duties - "A" Coy.	

2. LECTURE.

The third lecture of the series of lectures on Palestine will be given by Padre F.W. Pierce in the Recreation Hut at 2000 hours, 19/7/40.

Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICE.

LOST.

One wristlet watch. Small oblong; black face; gold hands and figures. Finder please return to Bn. Orderly Room.
REWARD - 500 mils.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn.

No. Q 43

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Spl.</u>
19 July 40	Lieut. Coutts	Sgt. Ross	Cpl. Jones
n. f. d.	" Jacobs	" Williamson	" Tammin
n. f. d.	Duty Coys.	Bde Duties - "B" Coy.	
		Bn. Duties - "A" Coy.	

2. CRICKET - The following will report to B.H.Q. at 1000 hrs. tomorrow (Saturday) to play Overseas Base at Jerusalem. Those named will bring blankets and messing gear. Sgt. McFarlan will be responsible for cricket material.

Lieut.	H. McP. Austin.	
"	E.P. Wilmoth	
"	T.A. Lowe	
Sgt.	C.G. McFarlan	
Cpl.	M.J. Burgess	
"	C.J. Jordan	
Pte.	A.J. Taylor	
"	A.J. Dwyer	
"	G.M. Mitchell	
"	E.L. Andrews	
"	E.H. Jones	
"	M. Storrer	
Sgt.	H.H. Pinniger	- Emergency
"	F. Cross	- Scorer
W.D.II	G. Jones	- Umpire.

[Signature] Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

TABLE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP - All competing in this championship must be at tables by 1900 hrs tonight, Friday 19 July otherwise they will forfeit automatically.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.
by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

No. Q 44

1. DUTIES. To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
20 Jul.40	Lieut. Jacobs	Sgt. Edgley	Cpl. Lammin.
n.f.d.	" Van Citters	" Fishlock	" Mitchell A.I.
n.f.d.	Duty Coys - Bde. Duties - "B" Coy		
	Bn. Duties - "A" "		

2. TIME. - The "Fall in" call sounded by Bn. bugler outside Bn. H.Q. at 0815 daily will be sounded at 0815 hours Brigade time.

All watches will be synchronised at that time.

3. SWIMMING LEAVE - Swimming leave for Gaza beach will be granted by Coys to as many personnel as possible.

Transport will be run to the following time table.

<u>Depart Kilo 89</u>	<u>Depart Gaza Beach.</u>
0930	1000
1030	1130
1230	1300
1330	1600
	1700

H.Q. Coy will detail one officer as Officer in Charge embarking at Beach.

Lieut. Jones to arrange for Life Saving squad.

4. PROVOST SGT. - Orderly Sgts are to realize that their role in the canteen, whilst on duty, is to assist the provost Sgt. to maintain order.

5. CHURCH PARADE. As per instruction in para 3 No. Q 38 of 13 July 40.

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Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES

FOUND. Money belts and wallets. Also towels and holdalls.

Owners claim at Bn. Orderly Room.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.
by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. 45

1. DUTIES To mount at Retreat.

Date.	Orderly Officer	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
22 July 40.	Lieut. Strong	Sgt. Spencer H.T.	Cpl. Curran A.W.
n.b. f. d.	" Lowe	" Adams J.S.	" Ingham P.G.O.
n.f.d.	Duty Coy. - "D" Coy.		

2. LATRINES. - All personnel are warned that latrines marked "Natives" are for the use of natives employed in the lines and are NOT to be used by troops.

3. SICK PARADE.

(a) Daily Time Table is amended as follows:
Sick Parade - 0630

(b) The following code will be used by R.M.Q. -

The name of every soldier reporting sick will be entered on sick report form which will be prepared in duplicate by the soldier's unit. R.M.Q. will enter on the form a diagnosis of each case reported sick, and the disposal of the case in the column of remarks in the following terms:-

- Medicine and Duty (M. & D) i.e. for trivial cases - treatment and return to duty.
- Attend A, B, C - i.e. attend for treatment at the medical inspection room with such duties as may be specified according to the nature of the case.
A - attend for treatment and perform all duties.
B - attend; patient to perform light duties only (specify nature)
C - attend; excused all duties.
- Detained - i.e. detained in Camp Hospital up to two days or at R.A.P. and subsisted on rations or extras during this period. Patients will not be detained at R.A.P. in camps in which there is a camp hospital.
- Hospital - i.e. admitted to hospital. Subsisted on extras on the day of admission and placed on hospital diet for the following day.
- Duty - i.e. reported sick unnecessarily.

4. RESPIRATORS - ANTI-GAS - Respirators will not be worn unless specially ordered.

5. LEAVE - One day leave as shown in Schedule for 24 July is cancelled.
Administrative Instruction re two-day leave is being issued separately.

6. SALE OF FOODSTUFFS, ETC., IN 2/8 BN CAMP .- D.R.O. 111705

No fruit, food or liquid of any description is to be sold in 2/8 Bn. Camp other than at Australian Army Canteen.

7. HOCKEY - The undermentioned will represent 2/8 Bn. at Hockey against 1 A.G.H. at 1800 hrs. today. Transport will leave Bn. H.Q. at 1730 hrs.

Dress - Blue shorts, white shirts or singlets.

Lieut. W.S. Howard.
 " N.F. Ransom
 Sgt. W.I.B. Watt
 " F.C. Cross
 Cpl. G.R. Quirk
 Pte. L.K. Hore
 " H.C. Perham
 " H.W. Duck
 " J.L. Gregan
 " J. Murdoch
 Sgt. G.E.N. Fishlock.

Reserves.

Pte. H. Crawford.
 " R. Kinnane
 " Chamberlain.

Umpire

Sgt. H.F. Adams.

[Signature]
 A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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ROUTINE ORDERS. - PART 1.
by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 46

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
23 Jul. 40	Lieut. Lowe	Sgt. Adams J.S.	Cpl. Ingham P.G.O.
n. f. d.	" Wilmoth	" Grant	" Jones A.G.
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coy</u> - "D" Coy.		

2. LEAVE - Coys will ensure that nominal rolls and cash to cover fares and living expenses for personnel proceeding on leave on 25 Jul. 40 are handed in to transport office by 1800 hrs 24 Jul.

3. BREN CARRIERS -

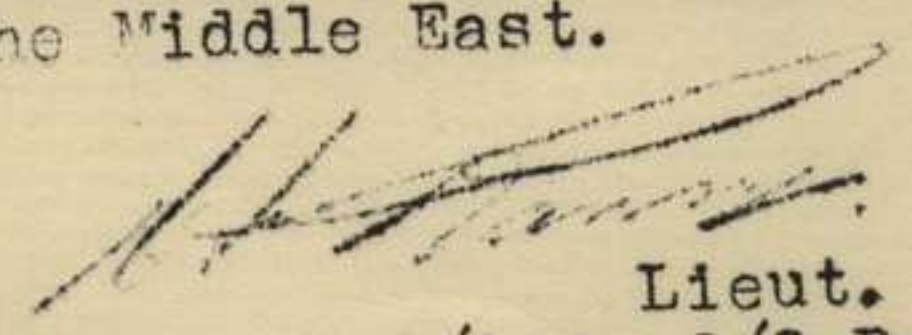
1. Bren Carriers are not to be driven through Coy Lines.
2. Personnel driving carriers are to exercise care in turn on made roads. If sharp turns are attempted the road surface will be quickly broken up.

4. CABLES INWARD. - will be delivered from today onwards by afternoon D.R.L.S. to Camp H.Q. Delivery will be made to Bde H.Q.

5. SUPPLEMENTARY NEXT OF KIN - RECORDS.

Approval is given for the compilation of a record of supplementary next-of-kin to enable casualty advices to be forwarded to near relatives on active service in addition to the normal notification to next-of-kin in Australia.

All ranks may apply through the usual channels for registration as the supplementary next-of-kin of a named relative on active service with the A.I.F. in the Middle East.


Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

Cricket.

Following results are published for information.

In the match against A.G.H. our team was beaten by 4 runs, the scores being 2 A.G.H. - 132 to 2/8 Bn. - 128.

After declaring at 5 wickets for 181 in match against Overseas Base, 2/8 Bn. team was defeated by the opposing team who scored 192 for all wickets.

Full particulars may be obtained by viewing the score book which is held in the Intelligence office.

Hockey.

2/8 Bn.	V.	A. G. H.
2 Goals		2 Goals

Drawn Game.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt.Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 47

1. DUTIES. - To mount at Retreat.

Date.	Orderly Officer	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
24 Jul. 40	Lieut. Wilmoth E.R.	Sgt. Watson	Cpl. Jones A.G.
n. f. d.	" Graham G.H.	" Kerr	" Fitzgerald
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coys.</u>	"D" Coy.	

2. BOXING. - With reference to the A.I.F. Boxing Championship.
At a meeting of Amenities Officers, yesterday, it was decided owing to the large number of finalists, to divide the contestants into Zones - Northern & Southern. Semi finals between KILLO 89 Camp and BEIT JIRJA Camp will be fought on Thursday at 1830 hrs at KILLO 89, and the winners will fight the Northern Zone representatives at BEIT JIRJA on Sat. at 1830 hrs for the championship.

3. PRECAUTIONS AGAINST ENEMY AGENTS. - You are reminded of the constant need for vigilance against enemy agents, adopting as a disguise British uniform or the uniform of an allied force. Accept no one (unless personally known to you) as being necessarily what he appears, by his dress, to be. Every British Officer carries an identity card and every British soldier has his A.R. 64, whilst every Australian Officer and soldier carries Royal W.P. 5 (Pay Book) but these may be forged.

Be on the safe side and do not divulge information which may be of value to the enemy to anyone of whose identity you have not got certain knowledge.

Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

Hockey - Practice at 1600 hrs. today.

Cricket - " " 1800 " "

Lecture. - The third of the series of lectures on "Palestine and it's Meaning in History" will be delivered this evening at 2000 hrs. in the Salvation Army Hut by Padre Pierce.

A The Dansant will be held at A.I.F. Officers' Club, GAZA, on Saturday 27 July, from 1800 hrs to 2030 hrs.

LOST. In vicinity of showers a Brown Leather Wallet
Finder please return to Orderly Room. REWARD.

War Diary

~~Ad HQ~~

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt.Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 48

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Col.</u>
25 Jul. 40.	Lieut. Graham G.H.S.	Sgt. Kerr	Cpl. Fitzgerald.
n.f.d.	" Phelan F.I.	" Elliott T.	" Mooney
n.f.d.	- <u>Duty Coy.</u> - "D" Coy.		

2. DRESS FOR GUARD -

As from 24 Jul 40, all Bde. and Bn. Guards will wear shorts and shirts from 0600 hrs. to 1900 hrs. Between 1900 hrs and 0600 hrs shirts, sleeves rolled down, and K.W.D. trousers.

3. SPORTS PARADE -

Cricket Matches - commence 1330 hrs.

H.Q. Coy	v.	A Coy	2/11 Ground.
C	"	D "	A.G.H. ground

Hockey Matches.

All players to turn out and matches will be arranged as nearly inter-Coy as possible.

Swimming.

Coys will notify Bn. H.Q. by 1230 hrs. of nos. of men for swimming.

~~Ad HQ~~
Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

FOUND. - Good Razor strop - found this morning.
Several money belts, holdalls, towels, toilet sets etc.

Owners claim at Bn. Orderly Room.

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by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O., - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 49

1. DUTIES. To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
26/7/40	Lieut. Phelan F.I.	Sgt Clarke	Cpl Mooney
n.f.d.	" Diffey S.C.	" Davis	" Doddrell
n.f.d.	<u>DUTY COY</u> - "D" Coy.		

2. PHOTOGRAPHS.

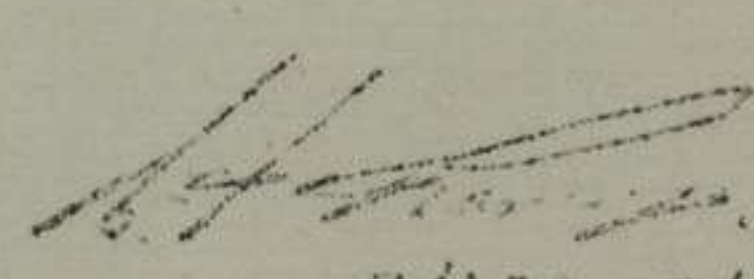
Many films are being wasted because forbidden subjects are included in the background. Troops are again reminded that CAMPS and MILITARY VEHICLES are among the forbidden subjects. Therefore pictures with our own camp as a background are not permitted.

3. WORK TICKETS. M.T.

No vehicle will leave the vehicle park without being in possession of a work ticket. When engaged on an exercise or similar continuous or daily routine duty, a work ticket covering the period will suffice. Failure to carry a work ticket at all times will be treated as an offence on the part of the Officer or M.C.C., in charge of transport, and on the part of the driver.

4. R.C. PADRE

Any one wishing to interview R.C. Padre can do so at General Base Depot, HEANE LINES, KILO 89 CAMP.

 Lieut.
R/A&J, 2/8 Bn.

NOTICE.

CRICKET.

Result of match "C" Coy v "D" Coy.

"C" Coy - 205

"D" Coy - 68

(Mitchell, "C" Coy, 8 wickets).

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2/8 Bn.

Kilo 89
27 July 40

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.
by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.
No. Q 50

1. DUTIES. To mount at Retreat.

Date	Orderly Officer	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
27 July 40	Lieut. Diffey, S.O.	Sgt. Slocombe	Cpl. Doddrell
n.f.d.	" Hall J.E.M.	" Johnston	" McDermott
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coy</u>	"D" Coy.	

2. CHURCH PARADES. for Sunday 28 July 40

- R.C. Mass 0630 Recreation Hut 2/4 Bn.
- C. of E. Holy Communion 0615 2/11 Bn.
- Unit Service 0700
- Markers to R.S.M. 0640
- Battalion Parade 0645

3. A.I.F. NEWS. - CONTRIBUTIONS TO.

The editor of the A.I.F. News wishes to receive contributions from members of 6 Aus. Div.

1. Strange experiences or coincidences in peace and war.
2. Enlargements on news from personal experience particularly of little known localities.
3. Descriptive articles, especially of areas where operations are now taking place.
4. Impressions of native life and customs of the country in which the writer is stationed, to include any peculiarity of military service there.
5. Historical background to any event which is mentioned in the news.
6. Short anecdotes or stories of a humorous character.
7. Jokes, poems, limericks, puzzles, etc.
8. Drawings or caricatures.

Articles should not exceed 2,000 words and need not be typed. Short paragraphs for inclusion in general, topical and humorous columns are particularly desirable.

Contributions may be handed into Unit Orderly Rooms addressed to Editor, A.I.F. News.

4. SHIRTS - COLOUR - On all guards, inspections and ceremonial occasions shirts of regulation Khaki colour must be worn. Faded shirts or shirts of other shades of Khaki, unless re-dyed to regulation colour, may be worn only on occasions other than above.

5. SWIMMING LEAVE - Swimming leave for Gaza beach will be granted by Coys to as many personnel as possible.

Transport will run to the following time table:

Depart Kilo 89	Time	Depart Gaza Beach	Time
"	0930	"	1000
"	1030	"	1130
"	1330	"	1400
"	1430	"	1500
		"	1700

C Coy will detail one officer as Officer i/c embussing at Beach
Lieut. Jones will arrange for Live Saving Squad.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O., - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 51

Pyrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
29 Jul.40.

1. DUTIES. To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
29 Jul.40	Lieut. Burrowes	Sgt. Watt	Cpl. Saw
n.f.d.	" Turner	" "	" "
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coys. Bde.</u> -	H.Q. Coy.	<u>Bn.</u> - C Coy.

2. CANTEEN -

The opening & closing hours of Wet Canteen as from 27 Jul. 40 will be -

<u>Open</u>	<u>Close</u>
1700 hrs.	1730 hrs.
1850 "	2100 "

3. TOBACCO TINS. -

Coy's will arrange to collect all empty 1 oz & 2 oz tobacco tins. These tins are required as containers for Bleaching Powder and Dovers Cream. Tins will be held in Coy Stores pending further instructions.


4. MEDICAL ATTENDANCE FOR PERSONNEL ON LEAVE JERUSALEM -

Sick Parade 0700 hrs M.I.C. Australian Soldiers Club. Cases of urgency will be notified to A.D.M.S. office Aus. O/S Base. P.A.C. in side street to left on entrance Australian Soldiers Club. Blue light over door.

Tel-Aviv. Medical orderly at Military Police Barracks, 78 Hayarkon Street.

Sick Parades 0900 and 1600 hrs. Sick if unable to attend Parades must notify M.P. Barracks before 1000 hrs. In a case of urgency they will be visited. Address and room number to be given.

P.A.C. Military Police Barracks.

 .Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

LOST. Small black leather wallet containing photos. Valued as a keepsake.

Finder please return to Bn. Orderly Room.

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION No. 14

Bivouac 30 July to 2 Aug. 40

1. BIVOUAC. 2/8 Bn, less B.H.Q., R. Coy., and details from H.Q. and Rifle Coys will move on 30 July 40 to Bivouac site. Reference GAZA sheet 0985 0937. Bn will parade at 1500 hours ready to move.
2. SYLLABUS Has been issued separately.
3. DRESS. (a) All ranks - Fighting order, less steel helmets and respirators. Shorts, shirts with long sleeves, stockings, boots, gaiters. In pack, K.W.D., greatcoat normal change of clothing, etc.
(b) Coy Comdrs will carry only
Revolver
Water bottle
Binoculars
Haversack as required.
4. TRANSPORT. Transport will be provided as follows:-

Bn. H.Q.	-	1 P.U., 1 15 cwt.	
Q.M.	-	6 - 30 cwts. kitchens.	
		2 - 3 tonners - stores	
		2 Water trucks.	
R.M.O.	-	1 Ambulance (30 cwt).	
T.O.	-	2 15 cwts.	
Each Coy. (inc. B.H.Q.)	-	1 3 tonner or 1 30 cwt	- 6 vehicles.
Sig Pl.	-	1 15 cwt	
Mortar Pl	-	1 15 cwt	
M.M.Gs.	-	1 15 cwt	
A.A. Pl.	-	(2 15 cwts	
		(1 M/C	
M.C.D.R.	-	3 M/C.	Bn. H.Q. 1 Tpt 2

Transport to parade at 14.00 hrs on 30/7/40.
5. S.A.A. (a) All live ammunition on issue will be withdrawn by Coys before 1000 hrs 30 July 40. Each Coy truck will carry 5000 rounds of S.A.A.
(b) A.A. Pl., will have loaded magazines.
(c) Blank. 7000 rounds will be available.
6. STORES (a) 60 Picks and 60 shovels will be available.
(b) Men's kit bags and Coy stores not required in the field will be stacked in the canteen building by 0800 hours, 30 July.
(c) Packs will be carried in Coy trucks.
7. CAMP GUARD. O.C. Capt. Coombes.
Troops. R. Coy plus plus three men per Rifle Coy.
Detail to report to R. Coy at 0900 hrs 30 July.

Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

TRAINING SCHEDULE.

have

Date.	0815 0945	0945 0900	0900 1030	1030 1200	1200 1330	Remarks.
Mon. 29 Jul	Coy Parade.	Co. Parade	Platoon Attack	Hardness - Deliberate	Platoon Exercise Fighting Patrol.	Coy Centre. to submit details of exercises.
Tues. 30 Jul	Coy Parade.	Co. Parade.	Route March & Etc. Etc.	Preparation for move to bivouac	March to bivouac site.	
Wed. 31 Jul.	<u>PLATOON EXERCISES</u>		<u>PLATOON EXERCISES</u>			
	A.) Occupation of B.) Defensive position		C.) fighting patrol D.) E.) Specialist Training.		A.) fighting patrol. C.) Occupation of B.) Defensive Postn. E.) Specialist Trng.	Co.
Thurs. 1 Aug.	<u>PLATOON EXERCISES</u>		<u>PLATOON EXERCISES</u>			
	A.B.C.D. Attack - H.C. - Specialist Trng.		Against unco-ordinated resistance.		A.B.C.D. Patrol. Combined fighting and reconnoitring. H.C. Specialist Training.	Co.
Frid. 2 Aug.	<u>PLATOON EXERCISES</u>		<u>PLATOON EXERCISES</u>			
	A.B.C.D. Attack - H.C. Specialist Training.		Deliberate.		March back to Kilo 09.	Co.
Sat. 3 Aug.	Coy 100	Co. Parade	Kit Inspection and Coy Parade.		Sports Parade.	

HEADQUARTERS

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - 3RD INFANTRY DIVISION

NO. 10
IN BENTLEY BAY

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A/Asst. S/O Co.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/8 Bn. A.I.F. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	10		
Lieutenants	26		
2nd Lieutenants	—		
Quartermasters	(included in Captains)		
TOTALS	40		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
		N I L.		

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
		N I L.		

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
	N I L.		

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	VX 40	Mitchell J.V.	6 Aus. Div.	No.	In Hospital.
Major.	VX 31	Capes H.C.	" A.I.F.	Yes.	
"	VX 148	Key H.S.	"	"	
"	VX 49	McDonald H.H.	"	"	
Capt.	VX 55	Combes C.J.A.	"	"	
"	VX 82	Martin J.A.M.	"	"	
"	VX 338	Campbell R.E.	"	"	
"	VX 80	Oxley H.K.	"	"	
"	VX 65	Scrage T.J.	"	"	
"	VX 138	Challen H.B.	"	"	
"	VX 203	Smith J.A.H.	"	"	
"	VX 66	Simpson C.L.	"	"	
"	VX 330	Uff C.T.R.	"	"	
"	VX 140	Larkins H.S.	"	"	
Lieut.	VX 139	Coutts R.	"	"	
"	VX 213	Robertson W.T.	"	"	
"	VX 64	Howard W.S.	"	No.	Attached 19 Aus. Inf. Bde
"	VX 206	Wilmoth C.R.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 204	Maskell H.J. McL.	"	"	
"	VX 244	Austin H. McP.	"	"	
"	VX 282	Burrows J.P.	"	"	
"	VX 6596	Diffey S.C.	"	"	
"	VX 1650	Turner H.F.	"	"	
"	VX 533	Phelan C.I.	"	"	
"	VX 347	van Gillers S.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 6225	Yeates L.A.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 342	Bryant A.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 347	McCormick I.W.	"	"	
"	VX 2360	Jones R.H.	"	"	
"	VX 3359	Fleming A.P.	"	"	
"	VX 6599	Strong J.H.	"	"	
"	VX 7030	Hall J.S.M.	"	"	
"	VX 6131	Jacobs S.C.	"	"	
"	VX 9212	Graham C.H.S.	"	"	
"	VX 7619	Ransom H.F.	"	"	
"	VX 327	Knox W.M.	"	No.	Attached 19 Aus. Inf. Bde
"	VX 5649	Love T.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 20309	Sheedy L.J.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 6423	Field W.K.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 352	French H.M.	"	No.	Seconded 17 Aus. Inf. Bde

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	W X1522	Anderson R.R.	6 Aus. Div. A.I.F.	15 Jun. 40	Medical Officer.
Capt.	WX 1561	Peirce F.M.	" " "	20 May. 40	Chaplain.

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

(Unit.)

6th July. 40

(Date of Despatch.)

Capes Key

(Signature of Commander)

Lt. Col.

2/8 Bn

19 Aus. Inf. Bde. 6 Aus. Div. A.I.F.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.
(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	VX 40	Hitchell J.H.	6 Aus. Div.	No.	In Hospital
Major	VX81	Canes H.C.	" " " "	Yes	
"	VX 148	Key A.S.	" " " "	Yes	
"	VX 49	McDonald H.H.	" " " "	"	
Capt.	VX 55	Coomes C.J.A.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 82	Martin J.A.M.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 330	Campbell R.B.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 80	Oxley H.K.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 65	Carase T.J.	" " " "	"	
"	VX138	Challen H.B.	" " " "	"	
"	VX203	Smith J.A.H.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 66	Simpson C.L.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 300	Off G.T.R.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 140	Larkin W.S.	" " " "	"	
Lieut.	VX 139	Coutts R.	" " " "	No.	Hospital
"	VX213	Robertson W.T.	" " " "	Yes.	
"	VX 64	Howard W.S.	" " " "	No.	Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 306	Vilmoth C.R.	" " " "	Yes.	
"	VX204	Maskell H.J. McL.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 244	Austin H. W.P.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 282	Burrows J.P.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 6596	Diffey R.C.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 1650	Turner H.B.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 533	Phelan C.I.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 547	Van Citters S.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 6275	Yeates L.A.	" " " "	No.	Course.
"	VX 342	Bryant A.A.	" " " "	Yes No	"
"	VX 347	McCoratck T.C.	" " " "	Yes	
"	VX 4360	Jones R.H.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 3359	Fleming A.D.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 6593	Strong J.H.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 7030	Hall J.R.H.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 6131	Jacobs S.C.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 9212	Graham G.H.S.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 7619	Ranson W.F.	" " " "	"	
"	VX 327	Knox W.H.	" " " "	No.	Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 6549	Love T.A.	" " " "	Yes.	
"	VX 99309	Chesdy L.J.	" " " "	No.	Course
"	VX 6423	Field W.R.	" " " "	No	"
"	VX 352	French W.H.	" " " "	No.	Seconded to 17 Inf. Bde

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	VX 1522	Anderson W.H.	6 Aus. Div.	15 Jun. 40	Medical Officer
"	VX 1561	Pierce F.H.	" " "	20 May 40	Chaplain.

2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

(Unit.)

Canes

(Signature of Commander.)

Major.

for Lt. Col.

C.O. 2/8 B

13 July 40.

(Date of Despatch.)

19 Inf. Bde., 6 Aus. Div. A.I.F.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

..... 2/8 Bn. A.I.F. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	10		
Lieutenants	26		
2nd Lieutenants	-		
Quartermasters	(included in Captains)		
TOTALS	40		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
		N I L		

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
		N I L .		

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
			N I L .

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

Unit.

Army Form W. 3009

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Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

Unit.

[Signature] Major
for
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 13 July 40

19 Aus. Inf. Bde., 6 Aus. Inf. Div.

Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

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2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

Unit.

Army Form W. 3009

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Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

Unit.

20 July 40

Date of Despatch

D.3459.

Shapley

Major for
C.O. 2/8 Bn.

Signature of Commander.

19 Aus. Inf. Bde. 6 Div. A.I.F. Kilo 89.

Ede., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

.....(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors			
Captains			
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters			
TOTALS			

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/8 B.S.A.I.P. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1.		
Majors	3		
Captains	10		
Lieutenants	26		
2nd Lieutenants	--		
Quartermasters	(Included in Captains)		
TOTALS	40		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	N I L.			

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	N I L.			

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
	N I L.		

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	VX 40	Mitchell J.W.	6 AUS. Div.	No.	In Hospital.
Major.	VX 51	Capes H.C.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 148	Key A.S.	"	"	
"	VX 49	McDonald H.H.	"	"	
Capt.	VX 55	Coombes G.J.A.	"	"	
"	VX 82	Martin J.A.M.	"	"	
"	VX 300	Campbell R.H.	"	"	
"	VX 80	Orley H.K.	"	"	
"	VX 55	Scruse T.J.	"	"	
"	VX 128	Challen H.P.	"	No.	Hospital.
"	VX 203	Smith J.A.H.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 66	Simpson G.L.	"	"	
"	VX 300	UP G.T.R.	"	"	
"	VX 180	Larkins H.S.	"	"	
Lieut.	VX 139	Goutts R.	"	"	
"	VX 113	Robertson G.T.	"	"	
"	VX 64	Harrod H.S.	"	No.	Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 206	Wilmoth G.R.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 204	Haskell H.J.M.	"	No.	T/Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 244	Austin H.M.P.	"	"	"
"	VX 282	Burrows J.P.	"	"	Course.
"	VX 6596	Dickey G.O.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 1830	Turner H.P.	"	"	
"	VX 533	Whelan G.I.	"	"	
"	VX 547	Van Oortzen G.	"	"	
"	VX 6275	Venter L.A.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 342	Bryant A.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 347	McCormick L.G.	"	"	
"	VX 4260	Jones R.H.	"	"	
"	VX 3055	Fleming A.P.	"	"	
"	VX 6599	Strong J.H.	"	"	
"	VX 7080	Hull J.C.M.	"	"	
"	VX 6131	Jacobs G.O.	"	"	
"	VX 9212	Graham G.H.S.	"	"	
"	VX 7519	Ransom H.P.	"	"	
"	VX 327	KHOX H.H.	"	No.	Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 3549	Love T.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 20309	Sheedy L.J.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 6423	Field W.F.	"	"	"
"	VX 352	French H.M.	"	"	Seconded 17 Inf. Bde.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	VX 1522	Anderson H.R.	6 AUS. Div.	15 Jun. 40	Medical officer
"	VX 1561	Reiro H.H.	"	20 May. 40	Chaplain.

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

(Unit.)

20 July 40.

(Date of Despatch.)

Capes Major, for
(Signature of Commander) 0.2/8 B

19 AUS. INF. BDE. 6 DIV. A.I.F. 410 89.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/8 Bn ., A.I.F.

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	11		
Lieutenants ...	25		
2nd Lieutenants ...	-		
Quartermasters ...	(included in Captains)		
TOTALS ...			

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt.	Luxton T.		22/7/40	

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	French	2/7 Bn.	27/5/40	Transferred.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
	NIL		

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.
(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	VX 40	Mitchell J.W.	6 Aus. Div.	No.	In hospital
Major.	VX 81	Capes H.C.	"	Yes	
"	VX148	Key A.S.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 49	McDonald H.H.	"	Yes	
Capt.	VX 55	Coombes C.J.A.	"	"	
"	VX 82	Martin J.A.M.	"	"	
"	VX330	Campbell R.E.	"	"	
"	VX 80	Oxley H.K.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 65	Scruse T.J.	"	No.	"
"	VX138	Challen H.B.	"	Yes.	
"	VX203	Smith J.A.H.	"	"	
"	VX 66	Simpson G.L.	"	"	
"	VX300	Uff G.T.R.	"	"	
"	VX140	Larkins H.St.J.	"	"	
"	VX335	Luxton T.	"	No.	Seconded to 19 Bde as f/Capt
Lieut.	VX 139	Coutts R.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 213	Robertson W.T.	"	"	
"	VX 64	Howard W.S.	"	No.	Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 206	Wilmoth E.R.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 204	Mackell H.J.McL.	"	No.	T/Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 244	Austin H.McP.	"	"	" " " "
"	VX 282	Burrowes J.P.	"	No.	Course
"	VX6596	Diffey S.C.	"	Yes.	
"	VX1650	Turner H.F.	"	"	
"	VX 533	Phelan S.I.	"	"	
"	VX 847	Van Citters S.	"	"	
"	VX6275	Yeates L.A.	"	"	
"	VX 342	Bryant A.A.	"	"	
"	VX 347	McCormick I.G.	"	"	
"	VX4360	Jones R.H.	"	"	
"	VX3359	Fleming A.P.	"	"	
"	VX6599	Strong J.H.	"	"	
"	VX7030	Hall J.E.M.	"	"	
"	VX6131	Jacobs S.G.	"	"	
"	VX9212	Graham G.H.S.	"	"	
"	VX7619	Ransom W.F.	"	"	
"	VX 327	Knox V.W.	"	No.	Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX5649	Lowe T.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX20309	Sheedy L.J.	"	No.	Course
"	VX6423	Field W.K.	"	"	"

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt. Col.	NX 5	Parsons P.A.	2/4 Bn. 5 ADP	6/7/40	
Capt.	VX 6522	Anderson R.R.	6 Aus. Div.	15/6/40	Medical Officer
"	VX 1561	Pierce P.M.	"	20/5/40	Chaplain.
Lieut.	NX 2030	Hawke G.J.	2/4 Bn.	6/7/40	
"	NX 47	Fegg P.J.	19 Inf. Bde.	"	

2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

(Unit.)

27 July 40.

(Date of Despatch.)

Capes
Major

(Signature of Commander.) C.O. 2/8

19 Aus. Inf. Bde. 6 Aus Div. A.I.F.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.) Kilo 89.

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

Unit.

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Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

Unit.

Raymond ... Lt. Col.
Signature of Commander.
C.O. 2/8 Bn

Date of Despatch 27 July 40

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19 Inf. Bde. 6 Div. A.I.F.

Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

2nd. Echelon
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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

(Erase heading not required)

Unit 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

Date and Time.—From 1 Aug 1940 To 14 Aug 1940

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Kilo 89.	1/8/40		Bn at Bivouac Area. (Platoon Exercises)	Syllabus of this bivouac sent with Previous Diary.
"	2 Aug 40.		Bn returned to Kilo 89.	
"	3 " 40		Swim & Sports Parade.	
"	4 " 40		Sunday. Swimming & Sports. Many cases sand fly fever.	
"	5		Drink & Fruit Canteen opened.	Training Syllabus attached.
"	6		New colour patches. put on hats. NCOs Training classes to be held in 2/c canteen bldg.	
"	7		Leave parties to Tel Aviv & Jerusalem.	
"	8		Routine. Training Egyptian Force gave free concert party.	
"	9		Routine Training.	
"	10		" " " Swimming Parade.	
"	11.		Church parade. Sports & Swimming.	
"	12.		Routine parades AM. Sports pm.	
"	13.		Moved to Jaffa Range.	Syllabus. Attached.
JAFFA Range	14.		Jaffa. Range.	

[Large blue scribble/signature]

[Signature] Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

TRAINING SYLLABUS - 19 AUG. - 28 SEPT. 1940.

B.H.S.

DAY	0815-0845	0845-0900	0900-0945	0945-1030	1045-1145	1415-1500	1500-1545	1545-1630	REMARKS
1.	Coy Parade	Bn. Parade	T. O.	E. T.	RIFLE AND		L. M. G.		Last five minutes of each Rifle training period to be used for muscled & quickening exercises.
2.	do.	do.			D I T T O				
3.	do.	do.	Rifle - Mechanism S.A.T. 1 Pamp 3 Less 1.	L.M.G. Less 1 Pamp. 4.	Lecture - Theory S.A. Fire.		S P O R T S P A R A D E .		
4.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 2 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 2 Pamp. 4.	Visual Training. Military vocab. Less 1 Pamp 2	Rifle Lesson 3 Pamp. 3	L.M.G. Lesson 3 Pamp. 4	Visual Training Lesson 2 Pamp. 2	Periods shown as revision and recapitulation are intended to cover those periods missed by Coys through leave and duties.
5.	do.	do.	R E V I S I O N &		R E C A P I T U L A T I O N		A S N E C E S S A R Y .		
6.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 4 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 4 Pamp. 4.	Visual Training. Lesson 3 Pamp 2.		S P O R T S P A R A D E .		
7.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 6 Pamp. 3	L.M.G. Lesson 5 Pamp. 4	V.F. Lesson 4 Pamp. 2.	Rifle. Lesson 6 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 6 Pamp. 4.	Grenade Less. 1 Pamp. 13	Coy Comdrs will ensure that correct stores for all lessons are drawn from store. If stores are unavailable, improvised methods must be used.
8.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 7 Pamp. 3	L.M.G. Lesson 7 Pamp. 4.	Recognition Less 5 Pamp 2	Rifle. Less. 8 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 8 Pamp. 4.	Recognition Less. 6 Pamp 2	
9.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 9 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 9 Pamp. 4.	Recognition. Less. 7 Pamp 2		S P O R T S P A R A D E		
10.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 10 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 10 Pamp. 4.	J. D. Lesson 9 Pamp. 2.	Rifle. Less. 11. Pamp. 3	L.M.G. Lesson 11. Pamp. 4.	J. D. Less. 10 Pamp 2.	Coys will submit a report at 1200 hrs each Saturday showing the stage reached at that time.
11.	do.	do.	R E V I S I O N &		R E C A P I T U L A T I O N		A S N E C E S S A R Y .		
12.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 12. Pamp. 3	L.M.G. Less. 12 Pamp 4	J. D. Lesson 11. Pamp 2.		S P O R T S P A R A D E		

TRAINING SYLLABUS (continued)

DAY	0815- 0845	0845- 0900	0900 - 0945	0945 - 1030	1045 - 1145	1415 - 1500	1500 - 1545	1545 - 1630	Remarks	
13.	Coy. Parade	Bn. Parade	Rifle. Lesson 13. Pamp. 3	L.M.G. Lesson 13. Pamp. 4.	J. D. Lesson 12 Pamp. 2.	---	J. D. TEST	----		
14.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 14. Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 14. Pamp. 4.	Grenade Lesson 3. Pamp. 13	Rifle. Lesson 15 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 15 Pamp. 4.	Grenade. Lesson 8 Pamp. 13.		
15.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 15 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 15. Pamp. 4.	Grenade Lesson 9 Pamp. 13	SPORTS PARADE				
16.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 16 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 16. Pamp. 4.	Grenade. T.O.E.T.	Rifle. Lesson 17 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 17 Pamp. 4.	Map Reading.		
17.	do.	do.	REVISION & RECAPITULATION AS NECESSARY.							
18.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 18 Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 18 Pamp. 4.	Grenade. T. O. E. T.	SPORTS PARADE				
19.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 19 Pamp. 3	L.M.G. Lesson 19 Pamp. 4.	Fire Control. Lesson 13 Pamph. 2.	Rifle. Lesson 20. Pamph. 2.	L.M.G. Lesson 20. Pamp. 4.	Map Reading.		
20.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 21. Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 21. Pamp. 4.	Fire Control. Less. 14 Pamp. 2	Rifle. Lesson 22. Pamp. 3	L.M.G. Lesson 22. Pamp. 4.	Map Reading.		
21.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 23. Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 23, Pamp. 4.	Fire Control. Less. 15 Pamp. 2	SPORTS PARADE.				
22.	do.	do.	Rifle. Lesson 24. Pamp. 3.	L.M.G. Lesson 24. Pamp. 4.	Fire Control. Less. 16 Pamp. 2	A. A. Lesson 1. Pamp. 6.	L.M.G. Lesson 25. Pamp. 4.	Map Reading.		
23.	do.	do.	REVISION & RECAPITULATION AS NECESSARY.							
24.	do.	do.	Bayonet. Less. 1 Pamp 12.	L.M.G. Lesson 25. Pamp. 4.	A. A. Lesson 2. Pamp. 6.	SPORTS PARADE				

TRAINING SYLLABUS (continued)

DAY.	0815-0845	0845-0900	0900 - 0945	0945 - 1030	1045 - 1145	1415 - 1500	1500 - 1545	1545 - 1630	Remarks
25.	Coy. Parade	Bn. Parade	T.	O . E.	T.	R I F L E.			
26.	do.	do.	T.	O . E.	T.	L. M. G.			
27.	do.	do.	Bayonet. Less. 2. Pamp. 12	A.T. Rifle. Lecture & Description Pamp 5	A.A. Lesson 3 Pamp. 6.	S P O R T S	P A R A D E		A.T. Rifle. 4 Rifles & 50 rds drill ammunition available
28.	do.	do.	REVISION		A N D	RECAPITULATION			
29.	do.	do.	REVISION		A N D	RECAPITULATION			
30.	do.	do.	Bayonet. Less. 3. Pamp. 12	A.T. Rifle. Lesson 1 Pamph. 5.	A.A. Lesson 4. Pamph. 6.	S P O R T S	P A R A D E		
31.	do.	do.	Bayonet. Less. 4. Pamph. 12	A.T. Rifle. Less. 2 Pamp. 5	A.A. Lesson 5. Pamp. 6.	Bayonet. Lesson 5 Pamp. 12	A.T. Rifle Lesson 3 Pamp. 5.	A.A. Lesson 6 Pamp. 6.	
32.	do.	do.	Bayonet. Less. 6. Pamp. 12	A.T. Rifle. Less. 4. Pamp. 5	A.A. Lesson 7. Pamp. 6.	2" Mortar. ϕ Lecture & Demo	A.T. Rifle T. O. E. T.	A.A. Lesson 8 Pamp. 6.	
33.	do.	do.	Bayonet. Less. 6 Pamp. 12.	2" Mortar. ϕ Lecture & Demo	A.A. Lesson 9 Pamp. 6.	S P O R T S	P A R A D E.		ϕ To be arranged by Mortar. Pl.
34.	do.	do.	3 0	Y A R D		R A N G E.			
35.	do.	do.	3 0	Y A R D		R A N G E.			
36.	do.	do.	A.A. Lesson 10. Pamp. 6.	RECAPITULATION		S P O R T S	P A R A D E		

N.F. RANSOM.

Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89.
2 Aug. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART I.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. 52.

1. DUTIES :- To Mount at "Retreat".

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
2 Aug. 40	Lieut. Turner.	Sgt. Cooper.	Cpl. O'Farrell.
n.f.d.	Lieut. Yeates.	Sgt. Trethowan.	Cpl. Wadilton.
	<u>Duty Coys.</u>		
	Bn. 2, 3 & 4 Aug. 40.	"D" Coy.	
n.f.d.	Bde. - "H.Q." Coy.	Bn. -	"C" Coy.

2. MESS PARADES :-

It is noted that personnel are attending Mess Parades without headdress. This practice is to cease.

3. DRESSINGS - FIELD :-

Commencing forthwith all M.T. Drivers will carry their "Field Dressings" when driving vehicles.

4. CARE AND PRESERVATION OF WEB EQUIPMENT :-

When the equipment has once been properly fitted, it will be kept assembled as far as possible. It will be found convenient if, when a correct fit has been obtained, a light mark is made to show where each adjustment should always come. This saves trouble in case the equipment has to be taken apart and re-assembled.

Should the equipment become in a dirty or greasy condition, it may be washed, using warm water, sand and sponge. Then rinse with clean water, and when thoroughly dry apply the cleaner in the manner laid down in the instructions accompanying it. No cleaner may be applied to the equipment unless previously approved by the War Office.

A scrubbing brush will not be used on the equipment on any account.

Dust and mud (when dry) will be removed with an ordinary clothes brush. The metal work will not be polished, but allowed to get dull, so as to avoid catching the rays of the sun.

5. MOTOR CYCLE - PILLION RIDING :-

motor cycles is forbidden. The practice of pillion riding on motor cycles is forbidden. It will be treated as an offence on the part of both individuals concerned.

6. SWIMMING LEAVE:- SUNDAY -
Swimming leave for Gaza beach will be granted by
Coys. to as many personnel as possible.
Transport will run to the following time table:-

Depart Kilo 89	- 0930	Depart Gaza Beach	- 1000
" "	- 1030	" "	- 1130
" "	- 1330	" "	- 1400
" "	- 1430	" "	- 1600
		" "	- 1700

"D" Coy. will detail one Officer as Officer i/c embussing at Beach.
Lieut. Jones will arrange for Life Saving Squad.

7. CHURCH PARADES:-
Sunday 4 Aug. 40.

R.C. Mass. 0630 hrs. - Recreation Hut, 2/4 Bn.
C. of E. Holy Communion
0615 hrs. - " " 2/11 Bn.
Unit Service 0700 hrs. - Bn. Parade, 0650 hrs.

JEWISH SERVICES:-
Jewish Divine Service will be held on 3 Aug. 40
at 0830 hrs. - In the writing Room of 2/2 Fd. Regt.
DEIR SENEID.
1030 hrs. - In the Recreation Hut of 2/1 Bn. JULIS.

8. ENTERTAINMENT :-

In lieu of the usual cinema programme, a concert
will be given by the "Aussies" concert party at the cinema on
Friday 2 Aug. 40. Admission for troops will be free.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	1		
Captains	3		
Lieutenants	12		
2nd Lieutenants	24		
Quartermasters			
	(included in captains)		
TOTALS	40		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
		NIL.		

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
		NIL.		

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
	NIL.		

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Lt. Col.	VX 40	Mitchell J.W.	6 Div. A.I.P.	Yes.	
Major	VX 81	Caves H.C.	"	"	
"	VX 243	Key A.S.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 49	McDonald H.H.	"	Yes.	
Capt.	VX 55	Cocubes C.J.A.	"	"	
"	VX 82	Martin J.A.H.	"	"	
"	VX 350	Campbell R.S.	"	"	
"	VX 80	Coxley H.H.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 65	Corrigan P.J.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 124	Challen H.R.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 203	Smith J.A.H.	"	Yes.	
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"	VX 300	Uly G.T.R.	"	"	
"	VX 140	Larkins H.S.J.	"	"	
"	VX 333	Luxton T.	"	No.	Seconded to 19 Bde.
"	VX 313	Robertson W.F.	"	Yes.	
Lieut.	VX 133	Scott R.	"	"	
"	VX 54	Howard H.S.	"	No.	Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 206	Wilmoth S.R.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 204	HASKELL H.J.McL.	"	No.	Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 244	Austin H.McL.	"	"	
"	VX 232	Burrows J.F.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 3338	Diffey S.C.	"	"	
"	VX 1650	Furner H.R.	"	"	
"	VX 533	Tholan S.L.	"	"	
"	VX 547	Van Citters S.	"	"	
"	VX 6275	Yeates L.R.	"	"	
"	VX 342	Bryant A.A.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 347	McDonnell T.O.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 3350	Jones R.H.	"	"	
"	VX 3359	Flouring A.P.	"	"	
"	VX 3399	Strong J.H.	"	"	
"	VX 2030	Hall J.R.H.	"	"	
"	VX 6131	Jacobs S.G.	"	"	
"	VX 9212	Graham C.H.S.	"	No.	Hospital.
"	VX 7613	Ranson H.F.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 337	Keay V.N.	"	No.	Attached 19 Inf
"	VX 3349	Laws P.S.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 2030	Shandy L.V.	"	Yes.	Course.
"	VX 6423	Field W.H.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt. Col.	EX 5	Parsons R.A.	2/4 Bn. Inval.	6/7/40	
Capt.	EX 6522	Anderson R.R.	6 AUS. Div.	15/3/40	
"	EX 1561	Pierce P.M.	"	20/5/40	
Lieut.	EX 2030	Hanks G.J.	2/4 Bn. Inval.	6/7/40	
"	EX 47	Fegg R.J.	2/4 Bn.		

2/8 Bn. A.I.P.

C.O. 2/8 Bn.

3 Aug. 40.

(Unit.)

19 Aus. Inf. Bde. 6 Div. A.I.P. Kilo 89.

(Signature of Commander.)

(Date of Despatch.)

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCES.

6 Aug. Div.

2/8 Bn.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

It. Col. J. W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

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Pyrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
5 Aug. 40.

1. DUTIES To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
5 Aug. 40	Licut. Jones R.H.	Sgt. Williams C.	Cpl. Dwyer
n. f. d.	" Turner H.W.	" Duncan W.	" Moran
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coy.</u>	to mount 11 Aug. 40	"C" Coy.

2. WEARING OF BATHING COSTUMES - All troops using GAZA, AL JURA, and ASCALON Beaches are to wear suitable bathing costumes at all times.

3. PERSONAL KIT AND NECESSARIES. - Reference R.O. No. Q 32 of 6 July 40, it is again pointed out that many men are still being admitted to 1 Aus. Gen. Hosp. without essential eating utensils and other personal kit. Coy 2 i/c's will give close attention to this matter. If the kit and necessaries cannot accompany the man in urgent cases, they will be sent not later than the next day and a receipt obtained.

4. CANTEEN - A.A.C.I. have opened a fruit and drink shop in 2/8 Bn. Dry Canteen.

Hours 1100 - 1400
1600 - 2100

Price list has been posted in Canteen.

5. CONCERT - It is intended to hold a Brigade Concert to take the form of a competition - each unit entering a competitor in the following classes:-

- (a) Song (i) Solo (ii) Duet.
- (b) Mouth Organ
- (c) Accordion
- (d) Violin
- (e) Humorous sketch or recitation

Three adjudicators will award points in the following manner:-

4	points	for	first
3	"	"	second
2	"	"	third
1	"	"	fourth

and the team with the highest aggregate will win the competition.

It is proposed to hold the concert in the Sport's field at the lower end of 2/11 Bn Lines, with the Boxing Ring as the Stage.

Date Wed. 14 Aug. 40. Time 1945 hrs.

Entries should be handed to Padre Pierce by 1800 hrs 8 Aug 40.


A Bn. Concert will be held at 1900 hrs 9 Aug 40 at which competitors will render their items. The team to represent the Bn. will be selected after the Bn. concert.

6. ENTERTAINMENT. - A performance will be given by the Egyptian Force Concert Party at the Cinema on Thursday 8 Aug 40 at 2000 hrs. Admission to troops will be free.

7. PUGGAREES - Puggarees will NOT be worn by 2/8 Bn.

8. LATRINES - The latrines marked "NATIVES" are not to be used by personnel of 2/8 Bn.

It has come to notice that certain personnel are urinating on the ground near the canteen and also in the showers. Strict disciplinary action will be taken against future offenders.

 Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

MISSING CHILD - Missing Arab child, HAJN ALI HASSAN BSEISSO,
Description - Girl aged 3, Complexion fair, Hair golden,
Eyes Honey, Plump, Dimpled Chin, Gold rings in ears. On day
of disappearance was wearing a blue robe. It is believed that
on 21 Jun this child was picked up in GAZA by a military vehicle
which proceeded to the Majdal Area. Four or five days later
it was thought she was seen near Barbara Camp.

Anyone who has seen this child should report immediately to
D.A.P.M. 6 Aus. Div.

Found. - Several identity discs - shaving utensils etc.
Owners claim at Bn. Orderly Room.

Lost. - Envelope with several photos enclosed.
Finder please return to Orderly Room.

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Kilo 89,
6 Aug. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q. 54

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Col.</u>
6 Aug. 40.	Lieut. Turner H.F.	Sgt. Cross	Cpl. Moran
n. f. d.	" Jones R.H.	" Copley	" Colley

Amendment n.f.d. Duty Coy to mount 11 Aug. 40 will be "B" Coy.

2. LAUNDRY.

A new laundry contract for O.R.'s. laundry has been let and will come into operation on 7 Aug. 40 under the following conditions:

The under-mentioned articles will be washed three times per week:-

Shirts	1
Shorts	1 pair
Towel	1
Pyjamas	1 suit.

The collection and delivery of laundry will be on a similar system to that at present in operation except that laundry will be handed in to Q.M. Store by 0830 hours on Mondays Wednesdays and Fridays. Clean articles will be picked up from Q.M. Store at 1530 hours on the same days.

The charge for the service will be 200 ms per month.

3. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry, constituted as under, will assemble at 2/8 Bn. H.Q. at 0900 hrs. 6 Aug. 40 to enquire into and report upon the circumstances in which VX1877 Sgt. G.R.D. de Ross, 2/8 Bn., A.I.F. was injured.

President	Major H.C. Capes	2/8 Bn.
Members	Capt. C.J.A. Coombes	" "
	Capt. "J. Scrase.	" "

4. LEAVE - Nominal rolls of personnel proceeding on one-day leave on 7 Aug. together with cash for fares will be forwarded to "O. by 1900 hrs. today.

Bn. will breakfast at 0700 hrs.

Leave parties will parade in Coy lines at 0730 and after checking of nominal rolls will be marched to Bn. H.Q. and handed over to Lt. Austin who will be Officer i/c. embussing.

Capt. C.J.A. Coombes - O.C. Leave Party, "el Aviv."
Lieut. L.A. Ventés - O.C. Leave Party, Jerusalem.

5. COLOUR PATCHES. - Colour patches will be put on hats today. No personnel are to go on leave tomorrow without colour patch on hat.

6. N.C.O.'s TRAINING CLASS - Training Classes for N.C.O.'s will be held nightly, under Coy arrangements, in Dry Canteen Building, 2/4 Bn. Lines.

Syllabus will be based on I.S.L., 1939.

Arrangements have been made for black-out and seating has been provided.

The oncoming Bn. Orderly Officer each day will be responsible for the opening and closing and for the cleaning of the building on the following morning.

Lieut.

Bu HQ

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Ryrie Lines,
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7 Aug. 40

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 55

1. DUTIES. To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
7 Aug. 40	Lieut. Jones R.H.	Sgt. Elliott	Cpl. Reid.
n.f.d.	" Turner	" Kerr	" Plummer
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coy.</u>	- to mount 11 Aug. 40 - "B" Coy.	

2. LAUNDRY

Reference B.R.O. Q 54 of 6 Aug. para. 2, the following amendment to the system of collection and delivery shown therein will come into operation on 9 Aug.

Clean articles will be collected from Q.M. Store at 0830 hrs and dirty articles handed in to Q.M. store at 1430 hours on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.


Lieut.

A/Adjt. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

Lost. Between Tailor's shop and "D" Coy lines - zip fastening Tobacco Pouch containing silver medallion and some money.

Finder please return to Orderly Room.

W.D

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8 Aug. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. -- Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 56

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
8 Aug. 40	Lieut. Turner	Sgt. Clarke	Cpl. Gluth
n.f.d.	" McCormick	" Copley	" Cameron
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coy.</u> to mount 11 Aug. 40. - "B" Coy.		

2. CENSORSHIP - It has come to notice that contents D.R.Os. 178/40 and 328/40 are NOT being complied with. The only address that will be given by personnel is :-

No..... Rank.....Name.....
Unit.....

Army Postal Service.

PALESTINE.

Failure to observe this instruction will, in future, result in correspondence which is incorrectly addressed being returned to the sender and disciplinary action being taken against offenders.


NO delay is caused by using the above address.

3. IDENTIFICATION - SERVICE PERSONNEL. - Ref. B.R.O. Q 51 para 2 of 1 July 40.

All ranks will wear at all times, their identity discs. These will be accepted as a means of identification when pay books have been temporarily withdrawn.

4. A.A. DEFENCE -

Commencing on 11/8/40 the Bn. duty Coy will take over the A.A. defence on Bde. and Bn. tasks. Change of duties will be at normal times.


Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE RED CROSS FETE - This fete is being held at the Government House Jerusalem on Wednesday 14 Aug 40 from 2.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. Any Australian soldier who is on leave and is desirous of attending will be welcomed.

LOST. Paybook No. 26734 belonging to VX6529 Pte. MURDOCH F.C.
" " 114970 " " VX6678 " HEENAN T. (in H.Q. Coy Lines).

Finders please return to Pay Sgt. or individuals please.

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9 Aug. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q. 57

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
9 Aug.40.	Lieut. McCormick	Sgt. Copley	Cpl. Spooner
n.f.d.	" Field	" Pyke	" Rich
n.f.d. <u>Duty Coy.</u> to mount 11 Aug.40 - "B" Coy.			

2. CHURCH PARADES - - 11 Aug. 40.

C of E Holy Communion
0615 hrs. 2/11 Bn.
P.C. Mass
0645 hrs. Recreation Hut 2/11 Bn. Lines.
Unit Service 0700 hrs.
Bn. Parade 0650 hrs.

3. SWIMMING LEAVE - 11 Aug. 40.

Vide B.R.O. Q 52 para 6 except that Officer i/c. embussing,
Gaza beach will be detailed by "A" Coy.

4. MILITARY MAGAZINE

It is proposed to produce a weekly picture paper in the Middle East called "Parade".
The price will be 15ms. Intending purchasers of the initial number should hand in their names to the Postal Orderly by 10 Aug.
All ranks are invited to submit suitable contributions, which if accepted will be paid for. Contributions should be addressed Editor G.S.I. (c), G.H.Q., M.E. and forwarded in outer cover to G.S.I., Force Headquarters.
Contributions should cover any of the following:-
"Articles or subjects of topographical interest. Peculiar adventures or experiences in war or peace. Short comic and other stories. Paragraphs for such columns as "The week in Egypt," "Sudan", "Palestine," etc. Photographs illustrating written matter, if possible, but any good photographs useful. Prints should be on glossy paper of any size. Sketches, cartoons and caricatures."

Coys will supply to Bn.H.Q. the numbers who are willing to purchase this magazine, by 1200 hrs. 10 Aug. 40.

5. LEAVE - 2-day.

Nominal rolls and cash to cover fares and accomodation are to be handed in to T.O. by 0900 hrs. 10/8/40.

6. CENSORSHIP. - Ref. B.R.O. Q 56 para. 2, it is desires to stress that the address given -

No..... Rank..... Name.....
Unit
Army Postal Service,
Palestine.

is only used when an address is left by personnel for the

forwarding to them by shops, etc., in PALESTINE, of
correspondence, parcels etc.

For correspondence posted in any other part of the World
the ONLY address to be given is :-

NO..... Rank..... Name
Coy..... Unit.....
A.I.F.,
ABROAD.

 . Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 58

1. DUTIES To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
10 Aug. 40	Lieut. Field	Sgt. Pyke	Cpl. Rich
n.f.d.	" Coutts	" Elliott	" Hedger.
n.f.d. <u>Duty Coy.</u> to mount 11 Aug. 40 - "B" Coy.			

2. RATE OF EXCHANGE, PALESTINE-EGYPT. - (a) Arrangements have been made with Barclays Bank for Palestinian money to be exchanged in EGYPT into Egyptian currency at Piastres 95 to the Pound Palestinian. Palestine notes may be exchanged at Barclays or the Bank Ottoman at this rate.

(b) Hotel exchange in EGYPT invariably is 5 Piastres less than the current Bank rate.

3. STERLING AREA. - Instructions have been received that no person resident in the STERLING AREA will be allowed to remit funds to any country outside that area for the purpose of maintaining wives or dependants wishing to reside abroad during the war. Allowances, allotments, etc. now being paid may continue to be paid. The STERLING AREA is as follows -

(i) The United Kingdom and any part of His Majesty's Dominions outside the United Kingdom except CANADA, NEWFOUNDLAND and HONGKONG.

(ii) British mandated territory, British protectorates or protected states including EGYPT and ANGLOEGYPTIAN SUDAN and IRAQ.

Canada, Newfoundland and Hong-Kong are NOT in the STERLING AREA.

 Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

FOUND - Waist Belt.

Owner claim at Bn. Orderly Room.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).*	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1.		
Majors	3		
Captains	12		
Lieutenants	22		
2nd Lieutenants	-		
Quartermasters	(included in Captains)		
TOTALS	38		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
N I L				

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	HOWARD	V.S. 6 Div. A.I.F.	6/8/40	Seconded to 19 Aus. Inf. Bde. as Liason Officer.
Lieut.	KNOX	V.M. " "	6/8/40	Seconded to 19 A.I.F. Inf. Bde. as Intelligence Officer.

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
N I L			

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3		4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.		Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	VX 40	MITCHELL	J.W. 6	Aus. Div.	Yes.	
Major.	VX 81	CAPNE	H.C.	"	"	
"	VX 143	KEY	A.S.	"	No	Course
"	VX 49	MC DONALD	H.R.	"	"	
Capt.	VX 55	COOMBS	G.J.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 82	MARTIN	J.A.M.	"	"	
"	VX 330	CAMPBELL	R.E.	"	"	
"	VX 80	OXLEY	H.K.	"	No	Course.
"	VX 65	SCRASE	T.J.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 133	CHALLAN	H.B.	"	No	Course.
"	VX 203	SMITH	J.A.H.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 66	SIMPSON	G.J.	"	"	
"	VX 300	HEP	G.T.R.	"	No	Attached H.Q. 6 Aus Div.
"	VX 140	LARKINS	H. St. J.	"	Yes	
"	VX 335	LUTTON	T.	"	No.	Attached 19 Inf. Bde.
Lieut.	VX 139	COUPTS	R.	"	Yes.	
Capt.	VX 213	ROBERTSON	W.T.	"	"	
Lieut.	VX 206	WILMOTH	R.R.	"	"	
"	VX 204	MASELL	H.J. Mol.	"	"	
"	VX 244	AUSTIN	H. MOR.	"	"	
"	VX 232	BURROWS	J.P.	"	"	
"	VX 6596	DUFFY	S.C.	"	No.	Hospital.
"	VX 1650	TURNER	H.P.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 533	PHELAN	S.L.	"	"	
"	VX 347	VAN CITTERS	S.	"	"	
"	VX 6275	IRATES	L.A.	"	"	
"	VX 542	FRIANT	A.A.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 347	MC CORMICK	L.O.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 4360	JONES	R.H.	"	"	
"	VX 3359	FLEMING	A.P.	"	"	
"	VX 6599	STRONG	J.H.	"	"	
"	VX 7030	HALL	J.E.M.	"	"	
"	VX 6131	JACOBS	S.G.	"	"	
"	VX 2212	GRAHAM	G.H.S.	"	"	
"	VX 7619	RANSON	H.F.	"	"	
"	VX 5649	LOWE	T.A.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 20309	SHELDY	L.J.	"	"	
"	VX 6423	FIELD	W.H.	"	Yes.	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.		Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt. Col.	HX 5	PARSONS	P.A.	2/4 Bn.	6/7/40.	
Capt.	WX 6522	ANDERSON	R.R.	6 Aus. Div.	15/5/40	Medical Officer.
Capt.	WX 1361	PIERCE	F.M.	"	20/5/40	Captain.
Lieut.	HX 2030	HAWES	G.J.	2/4 Bn.	6/7/40.	
Lieut.	HX 47	TRIGG	R.J.	2/4 Bn.	6/7/40.	

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

(Unit.)

10/8/40

(Date of Despatch.)

James H. H. H. C.O. 2/8 Bn.

(Signature of Commander.)

19 Aus. Inf. Bde 6 Div A.I.F. Kilo 89.

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Ryrie Lines,
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12 Aug. 40,

2/8 Bn.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 59

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
12 Aug. 40	Lieut. Jacobs	Sgt. Ross	Cpl. Whatman
n.f.d.	" Strong	" Barnes	" Hatfield.
n.f.d.	Duty Coys - to mount on 18 Aug. Bde. Duties "A" Coy. " " " " " " " " " " " "		

2. JAWFA RANGE -

(a) Time Table 13/8/40 Lunch 1100 hrs.

(b) Coy Comdres. will ensure that all personnel going to range take K.W.D. Trousers, Long sleeved shirts and mosquito nets.

Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICE.

LOST - Pay book between Bn. H.Q. Lines and showers belonging to Pte. Quigg. Finder please return at once to Bn. Orderly Room, or owner.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.					REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/8 Bn., A.I.F. Unit.

Ep. Hoombes Lt. Col. 2/8 Bn.
Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch 17 / 8 / 400
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Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/8 Bn. A.I.F. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	12		
Lieutenants	22		
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Quartermasters	(included in Captains)		
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PART B.—PARTICULARS OF OFFICERS JOINED OR QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
NIL				

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
NIL				

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
NIL			

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt.Col.	VX 40	MITCHELL J.W.	6 Aus.Div.	Yes	
Major	VX 81	CAPEL H.C.	"	"	
"	VX148	KEY A.S.	"	No.	Course
"	VX 49	MCDONALD H.H.	"	Yes.	
Capt.	VX 55	COOMBS G.J.A.	"	"	
"	VX 82	MARTIN J.A.M.	"	"	
"	VX330	CAMPBELL R.E.	"	"	
"	VX 80	OXLEY H.K.	"	No.	Course
"	VX 65	SCRASE T.J.	"	Yes	
"	VX138	CHALLEN H.B.	"	No.	Course
"	VX203	SMITH W.A.H.	"	Yes	
"	VX 68	SIMPSON C.L.	"	Yes.	
"	VX300	HFF G.F.R.	"	No.	Attached H.Q. 6 Div.
"	VX140	LARKINS W.St.J.	"	Yes.	
"	VX335	LUXTON T.	"	No.	Attached 19 Ing.Bde.
"	VX213	ROBERTSON W.T.	"	Yes.	
Lieut.	VX139	COUTTS R.	"	Yes	
"	VX206	WILMOTH E.R.	"	Yes	
"	VX204	MASKELL H.J.McL.	"	Yes	
"	VX244	AUSTIN H.McP.	"	Yes	
"	VX282	BURROWS J.P.	"	No.	Course
"	VX6596	DIBBY S.C.	"	Yes.	
"	VX1650	TURNER H.F.	"	Yes	
"	VX 533	PHELAN F.I.	"	"	
"	VX 547	VAN CITTERS S.	"	"	
"	VX6275	YNATES L.A.	"	"	
"	VX 342	BRYANT A.A.	"	No.	Course
"	VX 547	McCORMICK I.C.	"	Yes	
"	VX4360	LOWES R.H.	"	"	
"	VX3359	FLEMING A.P.	"	"	
"	VX6599	STRONG J.H.	"	"	
"	VX7030	HALL J.E.M.	"	"	
"	VX6131	JACOBS S.G.	"	"	
"	VX9212	GRAHAM G.H.B.	"	"	
"	VX7819	RANSOM H.P.	"	"	
"	VX5649	LOWE T.A.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX20309	SHEEDY L.J.	"	Yes.	
"	VX6423	FIELD W.K.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt.Col.	NX 5	PARSONS P.A.	2/4 Bn.	6/7/40	
Capt.	WX6522	ANDERSON R.R.	6 Aus.Div.	15/6/40	Medical Officer.
"	WX1361	PIERCE F.M.	"	20/5/40	Chaplain
Lieut.	WX2030	HAWKE G.J.	2/4 Bn.	6/7/40	
"	NX 47	TEGG F.J.	2/4 Bn.	6/7/40	

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

(Unit.)

17/8/40

(Date of Despatch.)

Lt.Col. C.O.
2/8 Bn.

(Signature of Commander.)

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Ryrie Lines,
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17 Aug. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1

by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 60

-
1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat
- | <u>Date.</u> | <u>Orderly Officer</u> | <u>Orderly Sgt.</u> | <u>Orderly Cpl.</u> |
|--------------|------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| 17 Aug. 40 | Lieut. Sheedy | Sgt. Trethowan | Cpl. Quirk |
| n. f. d. | " Lowe | " Adams J.S. | " Newton |
| n.f.d. | <u>Duty Coy.</u> | Bde. Duties | To mount on 18 Aug. - "A" Coy. |
| | Bn. | " " | " " - "D" " |
2. CHURCH PARADE. - 18 Aug. 40.
- C of E Holy Communion - 0615 hrs. 2/11 Bn.
- R.C. Mass - 0645 hrs. Recreation Hut 2/11 Bn. Lines.
- Unit Service - 0700 hrs.
Bn. Parade 0650 hrs.
3. SWIMMING LEAVE - As for 18/8/40 except that "B" Coy will detail Officer for beach.
4. BAND CONTEST -
- 2/8 Bn. Band will take part in 19 Aug. Inf. Bde. elimination contest on 2/8 Bn. Parade ground at 1430 hrs. on 18 Aug. 40.
5. AUDIT BOARD -
- Certificates of Audit on the following accounts will be forwarded to Bn. H.Q. by 20 Aug. 40.
- Petty Cash
Regtl. Funds.
Officers' Mess.
Sergeants' Mess.
6. COURSE - REGTL SIGNALLERS -
- A course of instruction for Regtl. Signallers will commence on 19 Aug. 40 and will conclude on 14 Sept. 40. Lieut. L.J. Sheedy will be C.I. Coys will each detail 4 O.R.s. to attend the course. Names of personnel detailed to reach Bn.H.Q. by 1200 hrs. 18 Aug. 40.
- Coys will ensure that personnel selected are not detailed for other duties during the period of the course.
7. COMPLIMENTS -
- It has been noticed that there is a considerable slackness in the paying of compliments.
- This applies particularly to guards and sentries, and to orders for Guard, and Duties of Sentries paras of Administrative Instruction No. 8. is to be read on parade to all ranks.
- The following orders for the paying of compliments by all ranks will be complied with between Reveille and Retreat and as long after Retreat as there is sufficient light to recognise the officer concerned; -

(P. T. O.)

7. COMPLIMENTS (continued)

Officers below field rank. i.e. Captains & Lieuts. will be saluted.

All other officers - Majors and above will be saluted by personnel not carrying arms. Personnel carrying rifles will present arms.

Particular attention is to be paid to the paying of compliments to officers in cars. Flags flown on radiators denote that officers as shown are travelling in the car -

Australian Flag	-	Corps Commander
Red Flag	-	Divisional Commander
Blue Flag	-	Brigade Commander

8. The Corps Commander regrets to announce the receipt of the following message dated 13 Aug. 40 from Army, MELBOURNE:-

'Regret to advise that following killed aeroplane accident.

Brig. STREET, Sir BRUDENELL WHITE, Sir Henry GULLETT, Mr. FAIRBAIRN, Lt-Col. THORNTON, and aircraft crew of four. Party left MELBOURNE this morning for War Cabinet Meeting at CANBERRA. Aeroplane stalled and spun into ground when preparing to land at CANBERRA.'

J. H. ...
Capt.

O.C. Rear H.Q. 2/8 Bn.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1

by

I+.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. 61

Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
18 Aug. 40.

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
18 Aug. 40	Lieut. Lowe	Sgt. Adams J.S.	Cpl. Ingham
n.f.d.	" Graham	" Edgley	" Jones A.G.
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coy.</u> to mount Retreat 18 Aug. - Bn. Duties "D" Coy.		

2. LEAVE - CAIRO. -

The party shown below will proceed to Cairo for 7 days
leave on 19 Aug. 40.

VX 206	Lieut.	E.R. Wilmoth	i/c.
VX6599	"	J.H. Strong	
VX4934	W.O. II	W.S. Gudgeon	
VX4930	Sgt.	F.W. Copley	
VX6089	Cpl.	N.J. Cameron	
VX4914	"	F.G. Funston	
VX4887	"	W.R. Ballingall	
VX7034	"	A.W. Curran	
VX4861	"	H.H. Saw	
VX7162	Pte.	J.H. Porter	
VX8611	"	W.J. Poynton	
VX8420	"	W. Beckwith	
VX6360	"	J. Ormesher	
VX19088	"	G.B. Simpson	
VX6531	"	E.J. Pendlebury	
VX4565	"	J.R. Weatherson	
VX6214	"	A.J. Christie	

- (b) Party will parade ready to move at Bn.H.Q. at 1100 hrs 19 Aug.
- (c) Lieut. Wilmoth will be Officer i/c. of Unit Leave Party and will report to Bn.H.Q. for detailed instructions at 1000 hrs on 19 Aug. 40.
- (d) Pay. - Pay will be drawn at GAZA station. Paybooks will be carried at all times.
- (e) Dress and Equipment -
- (a) Shirts and shorts will be worn on reporting and when desired. Service Dress will be carried by all ranks.
 - (b) Steel Helmet and Respirator will be carried by all ranks, Officers only will carry revolvers. Pack and Haversack will be carried by Other Ranks for the carriage of clothing and necessaries.

3. ONE & TWO DAY LEAVE -

Coys will submit to Bn.H.Q. by 0800 hours on day preceeding such leave, a return of vacancies in Coy allotment. NIL returns are required.

4. SCHOOLS AND COURSES -

In future all personnel proceeding to Schools and Courses will report to Bn. H.Q. 30 minutes before time set down for reporting to Bde. Personnel will be inspected by the Adjutant prior to departure from Bn.H.Q.

5. SECURITY -

Photography of the following is prohibited -

Military Vehicles of all sorts
Tanks
Signal Equipment
Arty Weapons
Defences
Aircraft
Ships of any kind
Camp areas.

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

 Lieut.
A/Adj. S/S Bn.

NOTICES.

LOST. In Officers' Ablution shed - one wristlet watch with leather covering over face. Lost yesterday.

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Kilo 89,
19 Aug. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1
by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 62

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
19 Aug. 40	Lieut. Graham	Sgt. Edgley	Cpl. Jones A.G.
n.f.d.	" Phelan	" Watson	" Mitchell A.I.

n.f.d. Duty Coy. to mount on 25 Aug. - H.Q. Coy.

2. DUPLICATE PAY BOOKS

All soldiers in possession of Duplicate (Blue) Pay books issued prior to Embarkation are to hand same to Bn. Pay Sgt. as soon as possible, when Continuity Pay books will be issued in exchange.

[Signature] Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

AUSTRALIAN CONCERT - A broadcast through B.B.C. of an Australian Concert for Australian Troops at 1035 hrs. I.T. on Monday 19 Aug. Concert will be repeated at 1700 hrs. same day broadcast over G.S.D. G.S.J. G.S.M.

LOST. Money belt in latrines - has two zip fasteners, brown leather. Binder please return to Bn. Orderly Room.

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20 Aug. 40

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by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 63

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
30 Aug. 40	Lieut. Diffey	Sgt. Cross	Cpl. Fywell
n.f.d.	" Hall	" Atkins	" Fitzgerald
n.f.d. <u>Duty Coy</u> to mount on 25 Aug. - "H.Q." Coy.			

2. OUT OF BOUNDS AREA - MALARIA. -

Owing to the danger of malaria the following areas are out of bounds for all troops until further notice:-

- Radius of 2 kilometres from TEL AL HESI 12401060 at all times
- Radius of 5 kilometres from TEL AT HESI 12401060 from sunset to sunrise.

3. CHURCH PARADE FOR SALVATIONISTS. -

A special Church Parade for Salvationists will be held in the chapel at the Bible Evangelistic Mission Jerusalem at 1100 hrs Sunday 25 Aug. 40.

Coy Comdrs are to grant leave to Salvationists desiring to attend the above service.

Applications for transport to reach Bn. H.Q. 1100 hrs 21 Aug. 40.

4. COMBINED ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH SERVICE. -

A combined Roman Catholic Church Service for all camps inclusive Qastina-Gaza will be held at BEIT JIRJA Cinema on Sunday September 8th at 0930 hrs.

Coys will forward to this Headquarters by 27 Aug. an estimate of the numbers required to be transported.

5. SPORTS PARADE -

Cricket Matches - to commence at 1400 hrs.

B Coy	v.	C Coy.	2/8 Ground.
H.Q. "	v.	D "	2/11 "

Hockey - 1500

C Coy.	v.	"The Best.
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Swimming -

Coys will notify Bn.H.Q. by 1230 hrs. of numbers of men for swimming.

Transport leaves at 1400 hrs.

[Signature] Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

RACE MEETING, BARBARA, 7 SEP. - Volunteers are required to assist in operating a totalizator at the above-mentioned meeting.

Coys are requested to submit returns of such volunteers as are available and are recommended as reliable, with brief particulars of experience by 0300 hrs. 21 Aug. 40.

Experience required is -

- (a) Totalizator operating or
- (b) Bank or similar tellers.

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Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. -- Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 64

DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
21 Aug. 40	Lieut. Hall	Sgt. Atkins	Cpl. Fitzgerald
n.f.d.	" Phelan	" Edgley	" Rich
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coy.</u> to mount on 25 Aug. - "H.Q." Coy.		

TRAFFIC -

Coy's will ensure that personnel moving from Coy lines to mess parades do not move through the lines of H.Q. Coy.

 Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

LECTURE - PALESTINE. - A further lecture on Palestine will be given by Padre Peirce in the Salvation Army Recreation Hut tonight at 1945 hrs. L.T.

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No. Q 65

Bn H.Q.
Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
21 Aug. 40.

1. OBITUARY -

The Commanding Officer regrets to announce the death of
VX 4920 Driver L.D.Power 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

2. FUNERAL -

(a) The funeral of the late VX4920 Driver L.D.Fower 2/8 Bn.
will move from road junction, GAZA sheet 10141031 at
1445 hours 22 Aug. 1940.

(b) The following parties will be detailed by Coys as shown;
they will parade at Bn. H.Q. at 1400 hours.

i. Firing party	1 Sgt. } 1 Cpl. } "D" Coy. 12 Ptes. }
ii. Bearer party	1 Sgt. } 8 O.R's. } "H.Q." Coy.

(c) Bn. will parade on Bn. parade ground at 1400 hrs.

Dress. No. 5. - Ceremonial. (Summer)

[Signature] Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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Ryrie Lines,
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22 Aug. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 65.

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
22 Aug. 40	Lieut. Phelan	Sgt. Edgley	Cpl. Rich
n.f.d.	" Yeates	" Duncan	" Hankinson
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coy.</u> - to mount 25 Aug. - "H.Q." Coy.		

 . Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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23 Aug. 40.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 67

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
23 Aug. 40	Lieut. Yeates	Sgt. Duncan	Cpl. Hankinson
n.f.d.	" Field	" Adams H.F.	" Funston
n.f.d. <u>Duty Coy.</u> - to mount 25 Aug. "H.Q." Coy.			

Bn. Guard Commander will detail one member of the guard to light trench fires at cookhouses at 0500 hrs. each morning.

2. COMFORTS FUND -

The following articles have been received from Australian Comforts Fund. -

363	Tins 2 oz. Tobacco
145	" 30 oz. Peaches
3	Cases Syrup
3	Cases 6 oz. Milk
100	Housewives

3. LANGUAGES -

Coys will submit to Bn. H.Q. by 1000 hours 24 Aug. a return of all Officers and O.R.s. holding language qualifications graded as follows -

Grade A.	Interpreter Class I or Equivalent Standard
Grade B.	Interpreter Class II or Equivalent Standard.
Grade C.	Fluent Colloquial.
Grade D.	Working Knowledge.

Returns will be submitted on pro formas as under.

No.	Rank.	Name.	Language	Grade.
VX000	Capt.	Jones H.	Italian	A
			Arabic	B

4. CAIRO LEAVE -


In future the Officer in charge of a leave party proceeding to CAIRO, will report to Bde. H.Q. at 0900 hrs on the day of departure to obtain "Half-Fare" Vouchers for the leave party.

5. RACE MEETING - BARBARA. -

(a) Coys will submit, by 1200 hrs 24 Aug. an estimate of numbers attending Race Meeting at BARBARA on 7 Sept. 40.

Admission and transport will be free.

(b) Personnel who wish to operate as Bookmakers can obtain details of particulars from the Adjutant.


Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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No. Q 68

File Files,
Kilo 89,
24 Aug, 40.

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1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

Date	Orderly Officer.	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
24 Aug. 40	Lieut. Field	Sgt. Adams H.F.	Cpl. Jones C.
n.f.d.	"	Sgt. Cross P.C.	" Mooney
n.f.d.	Duty Coy. - to mount 25 Aug. - "H.Q" Coy.		

2. SWIMMING - 25/8/40
Vide B.R.O. No. Q 52 para 6 except that
Officer i/c embussing Kilo 89 - Lieut. T.A. Lowe
" " " Beach - Detailed by H.Q. Coy.
" " Beach Party - Capt. N.St. J. Larkins.

3. CHURCH PARADES - Sunday 25 Aug. 40.
C of E Holy Communion
06.15 hrs. 2/11 Bn.
R.C. Mass - 06.45 hrs.
Recreation Hut. 2/4 Bn. lines.
Unit Service.
07.00 hrs. Bn. Parade Ground. 2/4 Bn. will attend.
Bn. Parade 0645 hrs.

4. SPORTS PARADE.
Cricket - commence 1400 hrs.
B Coy. v. C Coy. 2/8 Ground
H.Q. Coy. v. D " 2/11 "

Hockey -
2/8 Bn. v. 2/1 Bn. 1700 hrs.
Team as under. -
Sgt. Cross
Sgt. Adams
Sgt. Fishlock
Sgt. Johnston
Sgt. Watt
Cpl. Quirk
Cpl. O'Regan
Pte. Kinnane
Pte. Greagen L.
Pte. Nelson
Pte. Hintz
Pte. Crawford
Pte. Bryce.
Transport to leave Bn.H.Q.
at 1600 hrs. Mess gear to
be taken

Football -
2/8 Bn. will play A.G.H. Sunday 25 Aug. on 2/11 Bn
ground. Starting time - 1430 hrs.

Swimming - Transport leaves Bn.H.Q. 1400 hrs.
Officer i/c. at Beach - Detailed by D Coy.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.		Troopers, Privates, &c.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/8 Bn., A.I.F. Unit.

[Signature] Lt. Col. 2/8 Bn.
Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch 24 / 8 / 40
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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	12		
Lieutenants	24		
2nd Lieutenants	-		
Quartermasters	(included in captains)		
TOTALS	40		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
		N I L		

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
		N I L		

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
		N I L	

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col	VX40	Mitchell J.W	6 Aust Div	Yes	
Major	VX81	Capes H.C	"	Yes	
"	VX148	Key A.S	"	No	Course
"	VX49	McDonald H.H	"	Yes	
Capt.	VX55	Coombes C.J.A	"	No	Hospital
"	VX82	Martin J.A.M.	"	Yes	
"	VX330	Campbell R.E	"	"	
"	VX80	Oxley H.K	"	No	Course
"	VX65	Scrase T.J	"	Yes	
"	VX138	Challen H.B	"	No	Course
"	VX203	Smith J.A.H	"	Yes	
"	VX66	Simpson C.L	"	"	
"	VX300	Uff G.T.R.	"	No	Attached H.Q 6 Div
"	VX140	Larkins N.St.J	"	Yes	
"	VX335	Luxton T	"	No	Attd. 19 Inf Bde.
"	VX213	Robertson W.T	"	Yes	
Lieut.	VX139	Coutts R.	"	Yes.	
"	VX206	Wilmoth E.R.	"	Yes.	
"	VX204	Maskell H.J.McL.	"	Yes.	
"	VX244	Austin H.McP.	"	Yes.	
"	VX282	Burrowes J.F.	"	No.	Course
"	VX6596	Diffey S.C.	"	Yes.	
"	VX1650	Turner H.F.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 533	Phelan F.I.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 547	Van Citters S.	"	Yes.	
"	VX6275	Yeates L.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 342	Bryant A.A.	"	No.	Course
"	VX 347	McCormick I.G.	"	Yes	
"	VX4360	Jones R.H.	"	No.	Temp. attend 19 Bde
"	VX3359	Fleming A.P.	"	Yes.	
"	VX6590	Strong J.H.	"	Yes.	
"	VX7030	Hall J.E.M.	"	Yes.	
"	VX6131	Jacobs S.G.	"	Yes.	
"	VX9212	Graham G.H.S.	"	Yes.	
"	VX7619	Ransom N.F.	"	Yes.	
"	VX5649	Lowe T.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX20309	Sheedy L.J.	"	Yes.	
"	VX6483	Field W.K.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 64	Howard W.S.	"	No.	Recorded 19 Bde
"	VX 327	Knox W.M.	"	No.	do.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Lt. Col	VX 5x	PARSONS	2/4 Bde	6/5/40	
Capt.	WX6522	ANDERSON	R.R.6 Aus. Div.	15/6/40	Medical Officer
"	WX1561	PEIRCE	"	20/5/40	Chaplain

2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

(Unit.)

(Signature of Lt. Col. *J. J. Marshall*)
C.O. 2/8 Bn.

24/8/40

(Date of Despatch.)

19 Aus. Inf. Bde, 6 Div. A.I.F. Kilo 89
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION

No. 16.

1. 2/8 Bn. will move to Rest Camp, HADERA, on Mon. 26 Aug. 40.
2. (a) Advance Party - of two Officers and 48 O.R's will move under arrangements made by Q.M. on 25 Aug. 40.
- (b) Main Body - Bn. less Advance Party, Camp Guard & Cairo Leave Party - will move at 09.00 hrs. 26 Aug. 40.
- (c) Cairo Leave Party - will move at 0800 hours 27 Aug. 40.

3. DRESS -

Marching Order - less packs. Respirators & Steel Helmets will be carried.

Packs - containing spare shirts, shorts, K.W.D. trousers, changes of under-clothing, bathing togs, sandshoes, shaving gear etc., will be transported on Coy trucks.

4. STORES -

Coys will take the following stores on transport as shown below -
E.P.I.P. Tents - 1 per 20 men + 2 spare for stores, Officers and Sgts.

Bed boards and Trestles. - 1 set per man.

Packs. - Training stores for elementary weapon training.

Kit bags to be stacked under Q arrangements by 0800 hrs.

5. TRANSPORT -

Transport as under will report at 07.30 hours 26 Aug. 40.

Bn. H.Q.	-	2/30	cwts.	trucks	
H.Q. Coy.	-	5/30	"	"	
Rifle Coys	-	3/30	"	"	each
R.M.O.	-	1/15	"	"	
A.A.	-	2/15	"	"	
Officers' Mess	-	1/3	ton	truck	
Sergeants "	-	1/3	"	"	

6. S.A.A.

All S.A.A. on issue to Coys will be taken. On arrival at Rest Camp all S.A.A. on issue to personnel will be withdrawn by Coys and retained in Coy Store.

7. BEDDING -

2 blankets, Mosquito Net & ring for all ranks will be taken on top of buses.

8. TIME TABLE - 26 Aug.

Reveille	0530 hours.
Breakfast	0630 "
Bn. to move	0900 "

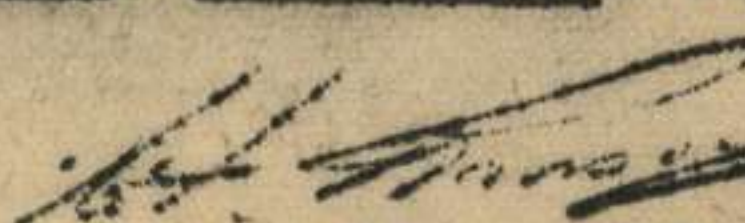
9. S.O.'s for Camp.

Will be issued separately

10. SECURITY.

A.A. "D" Coy will man A.A. Posts until REVEILLE 26 Aug when A.A. Guns will be withdrawn.

O.C. Camp Kilo 89 Capt. N. St. J. Larkins. Camp Guard Details will be issued separately.


Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

R HQ

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 15
TRAINING - JAFFA RIFLE RANGE.

1. 2/8 Bn. (less R. Coy., details H.Q. Coy & 3 men for guard duty per Coy) will move to Jaffa Range on 13 Aug. 40.
2. Advance Party.
Advance party of Q.M. and 25 O.R.'s from H.Q. Coy will move at 0800 hrs. Q.M. to arrange details.
3. Main Body.
Coys will parade on Lower Road at 1230 hours in following order. H.Q., C, B, A, D. C, B & A Coy in front of Coy H.Q.s.
4. Dress.
Marching Order. - no respirators.
5. Administrative -
 - (a) One blanket and mosquito net per man will be taken. These will be rolled 2 bundles per section and taken with the Bn. on top of buses.
 - (b) Kit bags, etc. will be stacked in Canteen building under Q.M.'s supervision by 0700 hrs.
6. Ammunition -
All S.A.A. on issue to Coys will be taken. Bulk issues will be made at Range.
7. Syllabus. Has been issued separately.
8. A.A. Defence -
Kilo 89 will be withdrawn at 1030 hrs.
On move - A.A. Pl.
Jaffa Range. - A.A. Pl.
9. Security -
 - (a) Capt. C.J.A. Coombes will be O.C. Camp, Kilo 89.
 - (b) Security Guard will be maintained from personnel remaining in camp.
 - (c) Guard - 1 Sgt. 1 Cpl. 12 O.R.s, will be mounted as follows:-

On arrival at Range -	"A" Coy	-	Dismount	0530	14/8/40
0530	14/8/40	"C" Coy.	-	"	15/8/40
"	15/8/40	"B" Coy.	-	"	16/8/40
"	16/8/40	"D" "	-	"	17/8/40
"	17/8/40	"H.Q." "	-	"	on departure from Range.

N.F. RANSON Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

STANDING ORDERS.

1. TIME TABLE.

Reveille	-	0630
Sick Parade	-	0700
Breakfast	-	0730
Roll call and rifle check pde	-	0830
Training parade	-	0845 - 0945
Lunch	-	1230
Tea	-	1800
Lights out	-	2215

2. DUTIES.

Duty Coys will be detailed daily, and will provide the following duties:-

Camp Guard	-	1 Sgt, 1 Cpl, 12 O.Rs.
A.A. DEFENCE	-	3 posts. 1 Cpl, 4 O.Rs each.
Town picquet afternoon	-	1 Sgt. 6 O.Rs.
Town picquet night	-	1 Sgt, 6 O.Rs.
Transport	-	1 30cwt truck will be arranged for Town picquet by T.O.

3. DRESS.

Personnel proceeding on leave will carry Respirators and Steel Helmets.

4. MEDICAL.

R.A.P and P.A.C. will be established in the camp.


5. LEAVE.

General leave will be granted to all ranks not required for duty, from 1000 hours to 2200 hours daily.

6. BATHING.

- Will only be permitted when life-saving team is on duty at the beach. The Life-saving team under Sgt Watt, R. Coy, will be on duty at the beach during the following hours daily:-

0645 - 0730
1000 - 1215
1315 - 1745.

 Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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Hadera Rest Camp.
28 Aug. 40.

2/8 Bn.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q. H.Q. (A) 2.

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>
28 Aug. 40	Lieut. Sheedy	Sgt. Ross H.
n.f.d.	" Fleming	" Clark

2. TATTOO ROLL CALL - Coys are reminded that Tattoo Roll Call Reports are still required.

3. DISCIPLINE - BEACH - The Live Saving squad are in sole control of the beach and their instructions are to be instantly complied with by all ranks.

On the alarm sounding all ranks will leave the water and keep clear of the reel and line.

4. LATRINES - It has been noted that personnel are not using the latrines. Personnel are warned that future offenders will be punished by being made to clean the whole of Rest Camp area, and then being returned, under guard, to Kilo 89.

H.K. OXLEY Capt.

Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/3 Bn., A.I.F.

No. 9. H.Q. (A) 3

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Duty Coy.</u>
29 Aug. 40	Lieut. Fleming <i>Xiffey</i>	Sgt. Clark	"C" Coy.
n.f.d.	" Biffey <i>Bryant</i>	" Bell	"D" Coy.

2. LATRINES - Some personnel are still practising the filthy habit of not going to the latrines, but fouling the ground close to tents. It must be realised that this encourages dysentery and other diseases, apart from its disgusting nature. Provost Sgt. will arrange for a picket to patrol the area behind the camp during evenings at irregular intervals. Any offenders caught will be severely punished.

3. BOUNDS - The cafe next to the camp is in bounds again, but the purchase of beer is forbidden.

4. RETURN - 2/3 Bn. will return to Kilo 89 on 31 Aug.

H.K. O'LEARY Capt.

Aj. 2/3 Bn.

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Hudera Rest Camp,
30 Aug. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1

Lt. Col. J.W. Pritchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. 9. H.Q. (A) 4

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Duty Coy.</u>
30 Aug. 40	Lieut. Hall	Sgt. Hall	"B" Coy.
a.f.d.	" Helan	" Trethowan	

2. MOVE - HUDERA - KILO 89 31 Aug.

(a) Times -	Q stores (buckets etc) to be stacked by Gd. Tent	by 0800
	Blankets by Coys	" " " " " " " " 0900
	TENTS <u>not</u> to be struck prior to	0930
	Loading Coy stores onto trucks	1100
	Lunch	1130
	Coy Pdes	1230
	Embus	1300
	Evening meal - Kilo 89	1800

(b) Details -

No training pdes in morning
Tents will be struck after striking by Coys by Gd. Tent.
Coy will have loading parties at Gd. Tent by 1100 hrs
to load Coy stores.
H.Q. Coy responsible for striking and loading H.Q.,
R.A.P., Gd. Tent, Q tents.
Coy will march from Coy pdes at 1230 direct to embussing
point which will be the same as debussing point. T.O.
will direct Coy Comdrs. to Coy buses. Coys will embus
immediately.
T.O. to arrange track circuit for store trucks to load
at Gd. tent.

(c) Advance Party. Rear Party. Q.M. will make his own arrangements
re above parties. No. A side personnel will be included.
Buses will report - Adv. Party - 0730 (1 bus).
Rear " - 1030 (1 bus, 2 30 cots).

(d) Protection - Same protective A.A. detachments and guards on
trucks as for move Kilo 89 - Hudera.

H.K. O'LEARY Capt.

Adj. 2/8 Bn.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/8 Bn. A.I.F. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	3		
Captains	12		
Lieutenants	24		
2nd Lieutenants			
Quartermasters	(included in Captains)		
TOTALS	40		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	N I L.			

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	N I L.			

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
	N I L.		

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

Unit.
31/8/40

Date of Despatch

D.3459.

R. Robinson Lt. Col. C.O. 2/8 Bn.

19 Aus. Ing. Bde. 6 Div. A.I.F. K110 89.

Signature of Commander

Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Unit 2/8 Bn AIF

Date and Time.—From Sept 1st To Sept 14 1940.

2nd. ECHELON
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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Kilo 89	Sep 1		A Coy to Dier Sunied. Gd Duties. D Coy Coast patrols. Bn Garrisoning evacuated Units lines. Weather Good. one pl C Coy to AL MAJDAL. One pl C to GAZA Town.	Administrative Inst. attach
" "	" "	0900.	B Coy Gd Duties. GAZA.	
" "	" 3		Coys still on. Security Gds. To sit at Court Martial New dress slacks issued. C.O. went to Tel. AVIV	
" "	" 4		Coys still Security Gds. 18 Bags boat mail arrived.	
" "	" 5		A Coy returned to Camp. Remainder still out. Administrative Insts for Barbara Races issued.	Copy Adm. Insts. picquets ATTACHED.
" "	" 7		Routine work AM Buses left for BARBARA races 1300 Weather Good. Brigs Horse won last race.	
" "	" 6		coys still out. B Coys office and Store burned down during night. Approx 0300 7 Sep. Considerable loss.	
" "	" 8		Coys returned to Camp. Swimming Parades + Sport. National Prayer Day. Bde marched past Brig.	
" "	" 9		Routine. Training. Engr. Pl. Barbara. Tel Aviv bombed. 1 Australian among Killed.	
" "	" 10		Routine Training. Don Coy supplying firing party for Victims of Bombing. Band also attending.	
" "	" 11		LT. GRAHAM. APPOINTED. BN. GAS OFFICER. A Room in Canteen Block has been made available for Junior N. COs for the purpose of study.	
" "	" 12		SECURITY INSTRUCTION. No. 2. ISSUED. COPY ATTACHED. Routine Training.	
" "	" 13		Sgt Wilson. A/RSM until return R.S.M. Woods from AGM. Special Precautions taken against Diphtheria.	
" "	" 14		Standing Orders Issued. Routine Training AM. Swimming & Sport. P.M.	

R. Macfarlane
18/9/40

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/8 Bn A.I.F.

Date and Time.—From 15 Sep 1940 To 28 Sep. 1940

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Kilo 89.	15 Sep		0900. Inspection of throats, against Diphtheria. Swimming Parade. 1330. Operation order Now issued.	Copy Operation Order attached
" "	16 "		Bde. Manoeuvres. Copy orders attached.	Operation orders attached No 4 + 5.
Bivouac.	17 "		Night withdrawal. Returned Kilo 89 approx 2200 hrs.	
Kilo 89.	18 "		Routine Training A.M. Sport & Swimming P.M. Voting for Federal Elections. 1 case Suspected Diph.	
" "	19 "		70 ARs on leave Tel Aviv. New instructions re men going to Hospital. Routine Training.	
" "	20 "		Routine Training. 9 AWL since yesterday. Returned this morning.	
" "	21 "		Routine Training A.M. Swimming & Sport P.M.	
" "	22 "		CHURCH PARADES. SPORT & SWIMMING. Div duty Bn. A, C, & D coys doing all stations.	
" " & Biv. AREA	23 "		PREPARATION FOR BDE MANOEVRES. BN MARCHED OUT AT 1515. BIVOUACED FOR NIGHT only A Coy HQ, H Coz + B. Coy taking part.	COPY. OPERATION ORDER ATTACHED.
HUJ AREA	24 "		AT 0830 LEFT BIV. AREA & TOOK UP POSITION FOR ATTACK AT 1230. ATTACKED AND CONSOLIDATED NEW POSITION. WITHDREW AT 2020. BIVOUACED FOR NIGHT WITHDREW FROM BIVOUAC AT 0730. MARCHED BACK TO KILO 89.	D. COPY OPERATION ORDER ATTACHED Nos 6, 7, 8.
" "	25 "		ARRIVED IN RYRIE LINES AT 1000 HRS. SPORTS & SWIMMING. ROUTINE TRAINING. ARMOURER SGT. SENDING RIFLES AWAY FOR TESTING. Capt Oxley conducting tactical course for Senior Officers.	
KILO 89	26 "		Routine Training. 184 all Ranks To Bde. Tng Bn Area To Pitch Camp for expected reinforcements.	
" "	27 "		Routine Training. Weather Fine + Warm. Cooler Nights.	
" "	28 "			

Pr. Baylton 1/8/40

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Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
1 Sept. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q.69.

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
1 Sept. 40	Lieut. Wilmoth	Sgt. Slocombe	Cpl. Whatman
n.f.d.	" Lowe	" Hunnam	" Ryding

2. The General Officer Commanding 6 Australian Division desires to express his appreciation and praise of the action of Ptes. TURNER and GEBBIE 2/8 Bn. at Gaza Beach on 21 Aug. 40.

In spite of grave danger to themselves they persisted until exhausted in their heroic efforts to save a comrade in the A.I.F.

Their conduct is to be highly commended.

M. O. Long Capt.
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

BROADCAST FOR AUSTRALIAN TROOPS - This programme will be broadcast today at 1330 hrs. L.T.

FOUND : Haversack containing water bottle etc.
Owner claim at Bn. Ord. Room.

2/8 BN. ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION

No. 17

1. 2/8 Bn. will take over the following duties on the dates shown:

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Duty</u>	<u>Strength</u>	<u>Supplied by</u>
1 Sept. 40	(a) GAZA RIDGE	1 Pl.	"D" Coy.
	(b) Bde. H.Q. Guard	1 Sec.	" "
	(c) Bde. A.A. Tasks (cover Bde. H.Q.)	1 Sec.	" "
	(d) 4 C.W. posts	1 Sec. each	" "
	(e) Div. H.Q.	1 Coy.	"A" Coy.
	(f) Bn. Guard	1 Pl.	"H.Q." Coy.
2 Sept. 40	(g) GAZA Town Guard	1 Coy & 1 Pl.	"B" Coy.
	(h) MAGDAL	1 Pl.	1 Pl. "C" Coy. "C" Coy.

2. Duties will mount at times shown hereunder:

(d) Depart Kilo 89	0800 hrs.	1/9/40
(a) (b) (c) (f)	0930 "	"
(e)	1000 "	"
(g) (h)	1000 "	2/9/40

3. A.A. Defence -

The following posts will be manned:-

Bn. Task	2 posts
Bde. " Bde. H.Q.	2 "
Gaza Ridge	2 "
Div. H.Q.	3 "
Gaza Town	

- as notified by O.C.
relieved Coy. Guns will be
taken over from relieved Coy.
5 posts
1 post each

Gaza Airport
C.W. Parties

Coy Comdrs are responsible for adjustment of guns between
Coys prior to move.

4. S.A.A. - All personnel on guards will be issued with 50 rounds
of S.A.A.

One box of S.A.A. will be taken with each Bren Gun.

5. Administrative details - These have been issued separately.

6. The following temporary attachments of Officers will take effect
on 1 Sept. 40.

"C" Coy.	1	Officer to	"B" Coy.
"D" "	1	" "	"A" "
"H.Q." Coy.	1	" "	"B" Coy.

N.F. RANSOM Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

A.I.F. RACE MEETING.

PICQUETS

Picquets as under will be provided by Coys as under:

Picquet No. 1

H.Q. Coy	2 Offrs.	
A. "	1 "	4 O.R's.
R. "	1 "	

Picquet No. 2

A. Coy 1 Sgt. 6 O.R's.

Picquet No. 3

^D N. Coy	1 Officer	
H.Q. "		6 N.G.O's

~~xxxxxxx~~ Details of duties etc. are shown below.

<u>Duty</u>	<u>Report to</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1. Supervision of men's bars (5). One Offr and one O.R. to be on duty in each bar from opening 1300 hrs to closing 1800 hrs. Detailed as mutually relieving pairs of Offrs and O.R's.	Capt. Stephens (R.A.A.) at Cinema, BARBARA, at 1230 hrs.	No man to be served with liquor who shows any sign of drink. Bde to provide transport. Party parades at Bn. H.Q. 1130 hrs.
2. Unit picquets to work in close co-operation with and under orders of D.A.P.M.	Capt. Courtney D.A.P.M. at his H.Q. just west of Cinema BARBARA at 1200 hrs	Unit to provide transport. Party parades Bn.H.Q. 1100 hrs.
3. Enclosure picquets	Lt. Eva at secretary's office on course at 1000 hrs.	Bde. to provide transport. Party parades Bn.H.Q. at 0900 hrs.

DRSS - No. 4 (a)

RATIONS - Cut lunches will be carried by all picquets.

[Signature] Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

*[Handwritten notes: B.H.Q. * T.P.C.]*

2/8 BN. ADMINISTRATION INSTRUCTION.

No. 19.

1. 2/8 Bn. will take over the following duties from 22 Sep. 40.

<u>DUTY.</u>	<u>STRENGTH.</u>	<u>SUPPLIED BY.</u>
(a) GAZA Town Guard	1 Coy.	C. Coy.
(b) GAZA Airport.	1 Pl. (42)	D. Coy.
(c) GAZA Ridge Guard	1 Pl.	D. Coy.
(d) Bde. Guard	Sgt. & 1 Sec.	D. Coy.
(e) C.W. Stations (4)	1 Sgt. & 1 Sec. each	A & R Coys.
(f) Bn. Duty Coy.		A. Coy.

2. Duties will mount at the times shown:-

- (a) (b) 1000 hrs.
- (c) (d) 0930hrs.
- (e) Depart Kilo 89 at 0800 hrs.

3. A.A. DEFENCE. - The following posts will be manned:-

- Bde. H.Q. 2 posts (Manned by Bn. Duty Coy.)
- GAZA RIDGE 2 posts
- GAZA Town as notified by O.C. Relieved Coy. Guns will be taken over from Relieved Coy.
- GAZA Airport 5 posts.
- C.W. Parties 1 each Post.
- Coy. Comdrs. will adjust guns between Coys. prior to move.

4. S.A.A.

50 rounds S.A.A per man.
One Box S.A.A. per L.M.C.

5. RATIONS.

All guards except GAZA Town will be rationed by 2/8 Bn.
GAZA TOWN Guard will be rationed by Corps.H.Q.

6. The following temporary attachments of officers will take effect from 22 Sep. to 29 Sep. 40.

- B. Coy. - 1 Officer to C. Coy.
- H.Q. " - 1 Officer to C. Coy.

7. O's.C. Guards & H.C.O's i/c C.W. Stations will arrange direct with (a) Q.M. for necessary stores.

(b) T.O. will arrange necessary transport.

(c) H.C.O's i/c C.W. Stations will report to Bn. H.Q. at 0900 hrs. on 21 Sep. 40.

H.F. Ranson. Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NO
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Kilo 89,
2 Sept. 40. *R.M.O.*

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1

by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 70.

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
2 Sept.40	Lieut. Lowe	Sgt. Spencer	Cpl. Saw
n.f.d.	" Yeates	" Atkins	" Abbott.

Duty Coy - H.Q. Coy will remain-mounted as Bn. Duty Coy until further orders.

2. PAY - JERUSALEM -

All personnel are informed that the A.I.F. Pay Office at Jerusalem has been closed. It will be necessary for personnel proceeding on leave to Jerusalem to be in possession of sufficient funds before departure from Camp.

3. HOURS FOR BATHING - GAZA BEACH -

The hours for bathing at Gaza beach as from 25 Aug. will be from 1030 hrs to 1830 hrs daily.

4. TRANSPORT - FIRST AID -

Unit transport will carry First Aid Kits on the move. R.M.O's will prepare a kit for unit transport.

A.K. Bentley Capt.

Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

FOUND - Gold wristlet watch in ablution shed.
Owner claim at Bn. Orderly Room.

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by

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No. Q 71

DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
3 Sept. 40	Lieut. Veates	Sgt. Atkins	Cpl. Abbott
n.f.d.	" Sheedy	" Spencer	" Quantrill

2. CAIRO LEAVE PERSONNEL -

All personnel proceeding to Cairo will view at this
Bn. H.Q. the areas out of bounds.

M. Caley Capt.
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

R. H. G.

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ROUTINE ORDERS -- PART 1

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. -- Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 72

1. DUTIES -- To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
4 Sept. 40	Lieut. Sheedy	Sgt. Slocombe	Cpl. Quantrill
n.f.d.	" Wilmoth	" Spencer	" Saw

2. BN. GUARD -- AMENDMENT TO B.R.O. No. Q 38 Para 5 sub para (c)

One extra post will be mounted on 2/8 Bn. Canteen

M. A. G. Capt.
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 73

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Kilo 89
5 Sept. 40

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1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat


<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
5 Sept. 40	Lieut. Wilmoth	Sgt. Spencer	Cpl. Saw
n.f.d.	" Van Citters	" Atkins	" Neven

2. CAMOUFLAGE - TENTS -

Coys are responsible that camouflaging of their Coy tents is renewed as it becomes necessary.

3. DUTY COY

N.F.D. Duty Coy to mount on 8 Sept. 40 - "A" Coy.

 Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

A limited number of Bibles and New Testaments are available for issue and may be obtained from Padre F.M. Peirce.

CANTEEN - will be closed all day Saturday owing to Races.

FOUND - Cream & brown fountain pen - Owner claim at Bn. Ord. Room.

B.H.Q.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART I

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 74

1. DUTIES - To Mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
Sept. 40.	Lieut. Van Citters	Sgt. Slocombe.	Cpl. Neven.
n.f.d.	" Graham.	Sgt. Atkins.	Cpl. Mc Dermott.
n.f.d. <u>Duty Coy.</u> to mount on 8 Sept. 40 - "A" Coy.			

2. A.I.F. RACE MEETING

- (a) The dress for all ranks attending A.I.F. Race Meeting on 7 Sept. 40 will be No. 4 (a).
- (b) It is the desire of the G.O.C. 1 Aust. Corps that the behaviour of all ranks at the meeting shall reflect the high traditions of the A.I.F.

[Signature] Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

W.D.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART I.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 75.

1. DUTIES - To Mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
7 Sept. 40	Lieut. Yeates.	Sgt. Atkins	Cpl. Colley.
n.f.d.	Lieut. Sheedy.	Sgt. Spencer	Cpl. O'Regan.
n.f.d. <u>Duty Coy.</u> to mount on 8 Sept. 40 - "A" Coy.			

2. COURT OF INQUIRY-

A Court of Inquiry constituted as below, will assemble at 2/8 Bn. Lines, on 7 Sept. 40 to inquire into and report upon the fire which occurred in 2/8 Bn. Lines during the night of 6/7 Sept. 40.

- Major A.S. Key - President.
- Capt. R.E. Campbell - Member.
- Capt. T.J. Scrase " "

Proceedings will be forwarded to Bn. H.Q. by 1800 hrs. 9 Sept. 40.

3. RACE MEETING - BARBARA.

Leave will be granted by Coys. to as many personnel as possible for the purpose of attending the Race Meeting, BARBARA Transport will leave Bn. H.Q. at 1245 hrs. T.O. will be Officer i/c embussing.

4. SWIMMING LEAVE.

Coy's will grant swimming leave to as many personnel as possible during the afternoon of 8 Sept. 40. Transport will run on the following time table:-

<u>Depart Kilo 89.-</u>	<u>Depart Beach.</u>
13.30	14.00
14.30	15.00
15.30	16.00
" "	17.00

T.O. will be responsible for embussing at Kilo 89 and at beach. "H.Q." Coy. will detail an Officer for duty at Beach.

5. CHURCH PARADES.

(a) R.C. MASS:-

Mass will be celebrated at 0645 hrs in Recreation Hut 2/4 Bn. Lines by Chaplain E.J. Sullivan.

(b) Denominations for other than R.C.

A Combined Church Parade will be held on 8 Sept. 40. Markers from H.Q. and A. Coys. report to R.S.M. on Bn. Parade Ground at 08.35hrs.

Bn. to be in position 08.40hrs.

Hymn Books will be issued on Coy. parades.

Dress. No. 5 (a) Breakfast. 07.15 hrs.

6. AIR MAIL SERVICES.

(a) Imperial Airways are now operating a bi-weekly service both ways on the Sydney-Tiberias-Durban run on the following tentative schedule:-

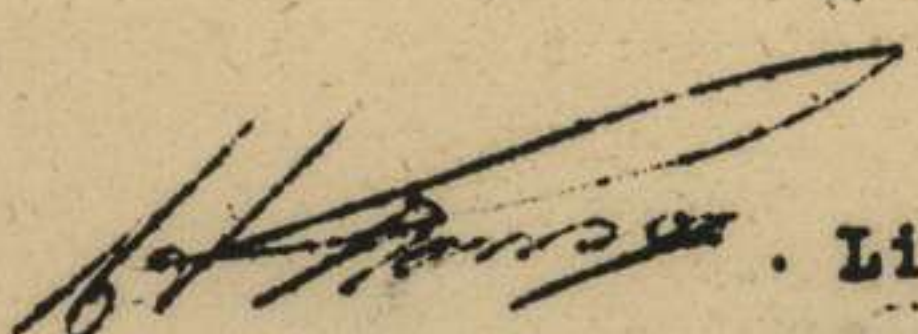
WESTBOUND - Arrives Tiberias Sundays & Thursdays 1400hrs.
EASTBOUND - Arrives Tiberias Mondays & Fridays 1100 hrs.

(b) Outgoing mails both East and Westbound will close at Army Base P.O. GAZA Wednesdays & Saturdays at 1200hrs.

(c) Inwards Mails arrive at Army Base P.O. GAZA on Sundays and Thursdays at 2030hrs and will be ready for delivery at 1030 hrs on Mondays and Fridays.

7. OUT OF BOUNDS.

The "Assamit" Cafe adjoining the "New Gaza Cinema" is out of bounds to all troops.

 . Lieut.

A/ Adjutant 2/8 Bn.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/8 Bn A.I.F. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors			
Captains	1		
Lieutenants	3		
2nd Lieutenants	22		
Quartermasters	24		
TOTALS	(Included in Captains)		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	NIL			

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	NIL			

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
	NIL		

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col	VX140	Mitchell J.V	Aust. Div	Yes	
Major	VX181	Capes H.C	"	Yes	
"	VX148	Key A.S	"	"	
"	VX149	McDonald H.M	"	"	
Capt.	VX155	Coombes C.J.A	"	"	
"	VX182	Martin J.A.M	"	"	
"	VX330	Campbell H.E	"	"	
"	VX180	Oxley H.K	"	"	
"	VX165	Serage T.J	"	"	
"	VX138	Challen H.B	"	"	
"	VX203	Smith J.A.H	"	"	
"	VX166	Simpson C.S	"	"	
"	VX300	Off G.P.R	"	NO	attached H.C. 6 DIV.
"	VX140	Larkins H.St.J	"	"	
"	VX335	Luxton F	"	NO	" 19 Inf. Bde
"	VX213	Robertson W.T	"	NO	Hospital
Lieut	VX139	Coutts R	"	Yes	
"	VX206	Wilmoth R.R	"	"	
"	VX204	Haskell H.J.McL	"	NO	Course
"	VX244	Austin H.McP	"	Yes	
"	VX327	Knox W.H	"	NO	Seconded 19 Inf Bde
"	VX282	Blowers J.P	"	NO	Course
"	VX3596	Diffey S.C	"	Yes	
"	VX1630	Turner H.F	"	"	
"	VX533	Phelan P.I	"	"	
"	VX587	van Citters S	"	"	
"	VX275	Yeates L.A	"	"	
"	VX342	Bryant A.A	"	"	
"	VX347	McCormick I.G	"	"	
"	VX4560	Jones R.H	"	NO	F/Attend 19 Inf. Bde
"	VX3359	Fleming A.F	"	Yes	
"	VX3599	Strong J.H	"	"	
"	VX7030	Hall J.E.M	"	"	
"	VX131	Jacobs S.G	"	NO	Course
"	VX9212	Graham G.H.S	"	Yes	
"	VX7619	Ransom H.F	"	"	
"	VX5649	Love P.A	"	"	
"	VX20319	Sheedy L.J	"	"	
"	VX6423	Field W.K	"	NO	Course
"	VX64	None	"	NO	Seconded 19 Inf Bde

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS. Course Seconded 19 Inf Bde

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt	VX8522	Anderson R.R	6 DIV	15/3/40	Medical Officer
"	VX1561	Peirce F.H	"	20/5/40	Chaplain

2/8 Bn A.I.F.

(Unit.)

Keating, Major

(Signature of Commander.) Lt. Col. C. G. 2/8 Bn

7/9/40

(Date of Despatch.)

19 Aust. Inf. Bde 6 Div. A.I.F. Kilo 89 (Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

WD

Unit.

Army Form W. 3009
(page 2)

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.
Unit.

Lt. Col. C. O. 2/8 Bn
Signature of Commander.

Date of Despatch 7/9/40
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Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Bn HQ

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by

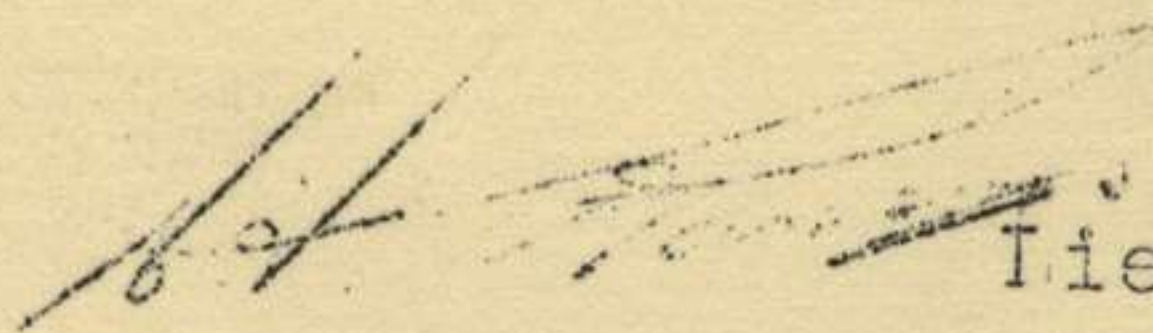
Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q. 76.

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
9 Sept. 40	Lieut. Graham	Sgt. Pinniger	Cpl. West
n.f.d.	" McCormick	" Davis E.G.	" Burgess

2. GROUNDSHEETS -

Groundsheets will be carried in Haversacks by all personnel wearing haversacks. Groundsheets will not be placed round bedding and left in tents.


Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

FOUND. - At Cinema - one spectacle case, brown leather - make of Alex Hale. Ltd., Sydney.

Money belt, identity discs, purse (lost some considerable time).

LOST. - Brown leather money belt containing a fair amount of money in latrines this morning.

Finders and owners please report to Bn. Orderly Room.

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10 Sept. 40.

Lt. Col. J. W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q, 77

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
10 Sept. 40.	Lieut. McCormick	Sgt. Davis	Cpl. Burgess
n.f.d.	" Diffey	" Fishlock	" Lammin

2. AUDIT BOARD.


Certificates of Audit on the following accounts
will be forwarded to Bn.H.Q. by 13 Sept. 40.

Petty Cash
Regtl. Funds.
Officers' Mess
Sergeants' Mess

3. SHIPPING & STEVEDORING -

Any other rank with experience in above jobs to
hand in names to coy offices.

Coy Comdrs. to forward all names of personnel to
Bn.H.Q. by 1700 hrs. Tues. 10 Sept. 40.

 Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

FOUND. Identity discs and hat band and colour patch.

Owners claim at Bn. Orderly Room.

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No. Q 78

Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
11 Sept. 40.

R.H.P.

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
11 Sept.40	Lieut. Diffey	Sgt. Fishlock	Cpl. Doddrell
n.f.d.	" Harl.	" Kerr	" Woods

2. SPORTS PARADE -

Cricket - 2/8 Bn. v. A.I.F. Team
2/8 Bn. ground 1300 hrs.

B Coy v. D Coy.
Div. Sigs ground 1400 hrs.

Swimming -

Transport leaves Bn. H.Q. 1400 hrs.

"D" Coy to detail one Officer for duty at beach.

Coys will submit to Bn. H.Q. estimated numbers for
swimming parade by 1300 hrs.

3. JUNIOR N.C.O's Study.

A room has been made available in Canteen block as a study
for Junior N.C.O's. The room will be opened from 1800 hrs
to 2130 hrs. daily.

Bn. Orderly Sgt. will be responsible for opening
and closing and for cleanliness of room.

4. BN. GAS OFFICER. -

VX9212 Lieut. G.H.S.Graham will take over the duties of
Bn. Gas Officer on 11 Sept. 40.

G.H.S.Graham, Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

B.H.S.

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12 Sept. 40.

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 79


1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
12 Sept. 40	Lieut. Hall	Sgt. Cooper	Cpl. Woods
n.f.d.	" Bryant	" Edgley	" Dermody

2. POCKET GUIDE TO PALESTINE -

Copies of a publication "Pocket Guide to Palestine" have been made available by the Red Cross, and will be distributed by Coys today. The issue is free but it is hoped that personnel will make a voluntary contribution to Red Cross Funds.

Coys will collect donations from personnel and will pass same, in bulk, to Bn. H.Q.


Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

PAYBOOKS -

The following paybooks are missing.

VX 55 Capt. COOMBS C.J.A. Paybook No. 29152

VX6529 Pte. MURDOCK F.C. " " 26734

Finder is to return the books to Bn. H.Q. immediately.

LOST. - One Hat, khaki fur belonging to VX4783 Pte. S.M. Collinson was left in Canteen for a few minutes, during which time an old one was left in its place.

Person who took wrong hat please report to Bn. Ord. Room where correct hat may be exchanged.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART I

by

Lt. Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 80

1. DUTIES - To Mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
13 Sept.40	Lieut.Bryant.	Sgt, Copely.	Cpl. Dermody
n.f.d.	" Burrowes	Sgt. Adams J.S.	Cpl. Funston
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coy. to Mount Retreat 15 Sept.40 - "B" Coy.</u>		

2. FANCY GOODS STORE.

The fancy goods store operating in unit lines will close on 19 Sept.40 Personnel are to finalise accounts and collect all watches etc., before that date.

3. SICK PARADE.

Any personnel who are suffering from sore throats or nose troubles are to report to R.M.O. immediately. This has become necessary owing to the danger of diptheria.

4. A/R.S.M. - VX 6478 Sgt. A. Wilson will carry out the duties of R.S.M. during the absence of VX 6085 W.O.II.R.A.Wood.

Lieut.

[Signature]
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICES.

FOUND 1 Wristlet Watch - in ablution shed.
Owner report Bn. Orderly Room.

H.Q.I.

DATE 13

WARNING ORDER - BE PREPARED FOR TRAINING OPERATIONS AS FROM
2200 hrs. today. ENSURE ALL RANKS KNOW ALARM AND THAT
FIGHTING AND MARCHING ORDER IS ASSEMBLED. ON ALARM ALL
RANKS WILL WEAR K.W.D. SLACKS. GAITERS AND LONG SLEEVED SHIRT
GROUND SHEET IN HAVERSACK. GREATCOAT IN PACK. PACK WILL
BE CARRIED IN HAND AND WILL HAVE LABEL WITH MAN'S NAME AND
COY? ON. TRANSPORT "A" ECHELON WILL BE . I PICK UP PER
RIFLE COY. ONLY. PACKS WILL BE CARRIED IN "B" ECHELON.
I 10-cwt. FOR R.M.O. - 1 15 cwt. SIGS. plus 2 M.C!s.
A.A.PL. 2 15 cwt. . MORTAR 1 - 15cwt. Pioneers 1-15cwt
OFFICER'S MESS 1 -30cwt. "B" Echelon.
BRENS TO BE CARRIED (FOUR PER EACH COY.)
PLUS TWO BRENS IN ADDITION TO BE ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ LEFT MOUNTED
AT KILO 89 BY "B" COY. A.B.C . COYS TO DRAW ONE A/Tk.
RIFLE EACH FROM Q STORE TODAY AND EACH RIFLE COY. ONE 2"
MORTAR. 2" MORTAR AND A/Tk. Rifles TO BE CARRIED IN
COY'S P.U. BAND WILL REMAIN IN PLUS THE GUARD MOUNTED
AT THE TIME OF ALARM. Lieut. YEATES WILL BE O.C. REAR
H.Q. & RESPONSIBLE FOR CAMP PROTECTION .

(SGD) H.K. OXLEY? Capt.
Adjutant 2/8 Bn.

W.D.

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14 Sep. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART I.

by -- --

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 81

1. DUTIES - To Mount at Retreat

<u>Date</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
14 Sep. 40	Lieut. Burrowes	Sgt. Adams J.S.	Cpl. Funston
n.f.d.	" Jacobs	Sgt. Clark	Cpl. Kirkpatrick
n.f.d.	<u>Duty Coy. to Mount at Retreat 15 Sep. 40 - "B" Coy.</u>		

2. SPORTS PARADE.

CRICKET - Matches commence 1400 hrs.

Bn. H.Q. v H.Q. Coy.	2/8 Bn. Ground.
C. Coy. v B. Coy.	Div. Sigs. Ground.

SWIMMING - Transport leaves Bn. H.Q. 1400 hrs. Coys. to submit approx. numbers to Bn. H.Q. by 1300 hrs.

"H.Q." Coy. to detail one Officer for duty at beach.

3. CRICKET - 2/8 Bn. v 19th. Bde. H.Q. at Div. Sig. Ground.

Following to report to B.H.Q. at 1330hrs. on Sunday :-

Capt. Challen	Lieut. Wilmoth
Lieut. Field	Lieut. Burrowes
Lieut. Lowe	Cpl. Burgess.
Pte. Storrer	Pte. Jones E.H.
" Mitchell G.M.	" Taylor R.J.
" Dwyer A.J. Umpire	" Heyland
1st. Man " McDonald Scorer	" Hender

4. GUARDS - FORMATION OF.

Considerable diversity is occurring in the formation of guards and other small squads.

In future parties of 10 and under will be formed and moved in two ranks; all parties over 10 being formed and moved in three ranks.

5. CHURCH PARADES. for Sunday 15 Sep. 40 will be held as under:-

C. of E Holy Communion	0615 hrs	Padre McCONCHIE	2/11 Bn.
Unit Service	0700 hrs	Padre Peirce	2/8 Bn.

2/4 Bn. will attend the above service.

Mass will be celebrated at 0645 hrs in Recreation Hut, 2/4 Bn. Lines, by Chaplain G.P. O'CALLAGHAN.

6. CANTEEN ..

It has been noted that men dressed in hospital uniform have been supplied with intoxicating liquor from the Canteen.

This practice is to cease immediately.

7. SWIMMING LEAVE -

Coy's will grant swimming leave to as many personnel as possible during the afternoon of 15 Sept. 40.

Transport will run on the following time table.

Depart Kilo 89

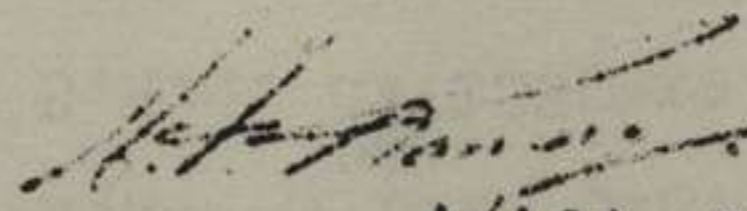
1330 hrs.
1430 "
1530 "

Depart Beach

1400 hrs.
1500 "
1600 "
1700 "

M.O. will be responsible for embussing at Kilo 89 and at Beach.

"B" Coy will detail one officer for Duty at beach.

 Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel																
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)																

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

Unit.

14/9/40

Date of Despatch

D.3459.

[Handwritten Signature]

Lt. Col. C.O. 2/8 Bn.

Signature of Commander.

19 Aust. Inf. Bde. 6 Div. A.I.F. Kilo 89.

Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/8 Bn. A.I.F.

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1	2	3	4
Ranks.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels	1		
Majors	2		
Captains	12		
Lieutenants	24		
2nd Lieutenants	Included in captains		
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	40		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	N I L.			

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	N I L.			

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
	N I L.		

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Rt. Col.	VX 40	NICHOLL J.H.	6 Div.	Yes.	Court Martial. Col. Avly
Major.	VX 82	SAVES H.C.	"	"	"
"	VX 148	KIN I.S.	"	"	"
"	VX 49	MC DONALD H.H.	"	"	"
Capt.	VX 55	COOMBS C.J.A.	"	Yes.	Court Martial. Col. Avly.
"	VX 82	MARTIN J.A.H.	"	Yes.	Com. Depot. Avly. within.
"	VX 330	CAN PBELL H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 80	OLNEY H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 83	SCARLE H.J.	"	"	"
"	VX 133	CHALLINER H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 203	SMITH J.A.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 68	SIMPSON G.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 300	UFF C.T.H.	"	No.	Att. 6 AUS. DIV. course.
"	VX 140	LARKINS H.S.J.	"	No.	Att. 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 338	LUTTON T.	"	Yes.	"
"	VX 213	ROBERTSON H.	"	"	"
lieut.	VX 139	COUTTS H.	"	No.	Sec. 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 64	HOWARD H.S.	"	"	"
"	VX 206	WILMOTH H.H.	"	Yes.	"
"	VX 208	HAYSKELL H.J.H.	"	No.	course.
"	VX 244	AUSTIN H.H.P.	"	No.	Asst. P. Officer Team.
"	VX 282	BURROWS J.P.	"	Yes.	"
"	VX 6596	DESPAY H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 1650	FRANKS H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 823	HELAN H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 247	VAN CIPHERS H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 6275	YEATES H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 342	BRYANT A.A.	"	"	"
"	VX 347	MC CORMICK I.G.	"	No.	2/att. 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 4360	JUNES H.H.	"	Yes.	"
"	VX 3589	FLEMING H.H.	"	No.	course.
"	VX 6593	CRAGO H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 7030	HALL J.H.H.	"	Yes.	"
"	VX 6181	JACOBS H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 9212	GRAHAM G.H.S.	"	"	"
"	VX 7619	BANSON H.H.	"	No.	Sec. 19 Inf. Bde.
"	VX 327	KNOX H.H.	"	Yes.	"
"	VX 6649	LUNS H.H.	"	"	"
"	VX 20309	SHEDD H.H.	"	No.	course.
"	VX 6483	HILD H.H.	"	"	"

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	VX 1501	FRANKS H.H.	6 Div.	15/6/40	Asst. Chaplain.
"	VX 1501	FRANKS H.H.	"	20/5/40	chaplain.

2/8 Bn. A.I.P.

(Unit.)

14/9/40

(Date of Despatch.)

Lt. Col. 2/8 Bn.

(Signature of Commander.)

19 Aust. Inf. Bde. 6 Div. A.I.P. Kilo 89.

(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

2/8 Bn. OPERATION ORDER NO. 4.

S E C R E T.

Ref. Map. - GAZA SHEET 1/100,000.

Copy No. 2
15 Sep. 40

INFORMATION-

1. Air reports indicate enemy movement on PALESTINE-SINAI BORDER 1930 hrs.
2. 19 Bde. and attached troops are concentrating about TEL SAMMA (097089) on 16 Sep. 40.
3. 2/8 Bn. assumed at JAFFA RANGE.

INTENTION-

4. 2/8 Bn. will move from JAFFA RANGE to KILO 89 by 1330 hrs. 16 Sep. 40.

METHOD-

5. Reveille - 0530 hrs.
Packs stacked by Coy. Q. Tents. - 0600 "
"B" Echelon to be loaded by - 0630 " (One guard per truck)
Breakfast - 0645 " (Also draw cut lunch)
Coy. Parades - 0730 " (Fighting Order)
March on to buses and embuss - 0745 "
Column moves - 0800 "
6. "A" Echelon to be loaded 15 Sep. 40 and to report back to M.T.O. with Coy. representative on guard.
7. Embussing procedure - C.S.M. from each Coy. will report to M.T.O. at Tpt. Office at 0730 hrs. 16 Sep. M.T.O. will allot vehicles to Coys. and each C.S.M. as he gets his allotment moves direct to his Coy. Pde. ground and loads his Coy. on to buses. Coy. Comdrs. will embuss immediately.
8. Starting point - junction road passing Bn. H.Q. and main GAZA ROAD. Time to cross starting point - 0800 hrs.
9. ROUTE-
Main GAZA - JAFFA ROAD to 11271195 thence AL FALUSA-JUSEIR-GASTINA. Returning by GAZA-JAFFA ROAD. Bde. guide from AL FALUSA to JUSEIR.
10. DENSITY. - 18 v.t.m.
11. A.A. protection - (a) A.A. pl. will remain at KILO 89 with "A" & "B" Echelon - one section to each.
(b) T.O. will draw 3 Utilities from Bde. H.Q. for transport of A.A. personnel for protection of columns.
"D" Coy. will mount and man one Bren on tripod in each vehicle which will be placed by M.T.O. in column, one at head, one in centre, one at rear. These vehicles will report to "D" Coy. H.Q. by 0730 hrs. 16 Sep. 40.

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12. TRAFFIC CONTROL. - M.T.O. to arrange for two M.C.D.R's from Tpt. sec. for traffic control.

ADMINISTRATION.

13. Q.M. will issue cut lunches at 0645 hrs. 16 Sep.40.
14. "A" & "B" Echelon will remain dispersed in KIL0 89, and act under Bde. orders pending arrival of Bn.
15. Water bottles filled prior to embussing.
16. 5 Stretches Bearerers from each Coy. will report to R.M.O. at 0715 hrs. and come under his command from then.

INTERCOMMUNICATION.

17. Bn. H.Q. head of column.
18. M.T.O. will send Liason N.C.O. to report to Bde. T.O. at 0645 hrs.
19. Period of wireless silence will terminate at 0630 hrs. 16 Sep. Thereafter wave code S.C. will be operative.
20. CODE NAMES (for exercise only)

<u>UNIT.</u>	<u>CALL SIGN.</u>
H.Q. 19 Aust. Inf. Bde,	ROPE
2/4 Bn.	RIFE
2/8 Bn.	PIPE
2/11 Bn.	SAXE
2/3 Fd. Regt.	NOPE
"A" Bty. 2/1 A.Trk. Regt.	GISH
2/3 Fd. Coy.	FISH
2/3 Fd. Amb.	NCME

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B " 7
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T.O. 11
Q M. 12
R.M.O 13
War Diary 14

Issued by runner at 1200hrs 15 Sept.40

M. J. ... Captain,
ADJUTANT 2/8 BATTALION.

SECRET

2/8 BN. OPERATION ORDER NO. 5.

Map. Ref. GAZA : 1/100,000

Copy No. 14

Date 17 Sep. 40

INF. 1. Air reports state DEIR AL BELAH occupied by enemy with tanks and moving NORTHWARD on RAFAH - TEL JAMMA and, about 12 miles SOUTH of TEL JAMMA.

INF. 2. 2/8 Bn. will cover withdrawal of 19 Bde.

METHOD 3. 2/8 BN. remains in present position.

4. 2/4, 2/11 and attached troops will pass through 2/8 Bn. between 1000 hrs. and 1130 hrs. 17 Sept.

AIM. 5. Medical - ADS WEST of GAZA - JAFFA ROAD at KILO 89.

6. A & B Echelon tpt. both under unit control.

7. Supply meeting point 1 mile SOUTH of DEIR SUNEID at 1900 hrs.

8. Petrol pt. 10841058 open from 1800 - 2100 hrs.

INTERCOMM. 9. Bde H.Q. moved to 09920965.

10. Wireless silence 0950 - 1030 hrs.

Ack.

AK Duley Capt.

Adjo 2/8 Bn.

Method of Issue - D.R.

Time of Signature 10.3

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6 Aust. Div.
2/8 Bn.

Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
18 Sept.40

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1

by

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.

No. Q 82

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cnl.</u>
18 Sept.40	Lieut. Phelan	Sgt. Williamson	Cpl. Broughton
n.f.d.	" Field	" Pinniger	" Plummer. <i>Larson</i>

2. COMFORTS FUND -

The following articles have been received from the
Aust. Comforts Fund.

Cake 570 lbs.
Cigarettes 1469 packets.

3. PAY BOOKS -

All Pay books will be handed in to Pay Sergeant by
1800 hours today.

4. SPORTS PARADE -

Cricket - Matches commence at 1400 hrs.

A	v.	H.Q. Coy.	2/8 Bn. Gd.
D	v.	C & R "	Div. Sigs. Gd.

Swimming - Personnel for swimming parade will be paraded under
Coy arrangements at Bn.H.Q. at 1400 hrs.

B Coy will detail an Officer for duty at Beach.

Coys will notify Bn.H.Q. by 1300 hrs. the approx.
numbers for swimming parade.

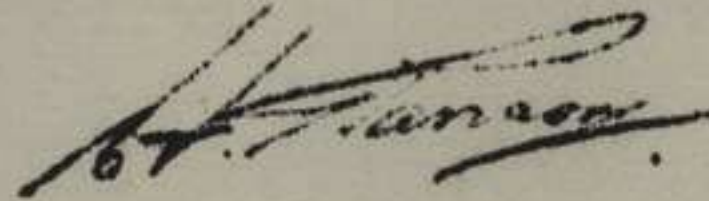
5. DENTURES -

Coys will submit to R.M.O. by 1800 hrs. 19 Sept. 40 a
list showing personnel requiring dentures.

6. FEDRAL ELECTIONS - Voting for Federal Elections will commence in
Band Hut at 1330 hrs. today.

Votes may be recorded before Capt. T.J. Scrase at Band
Hut between the following hours on 18,19,20 Sept. 40.

0830	-	1130
1330	-	1630
1930	-	2130



Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8Bn.

NOTICES.

Canteen Orders - These orders must be stamped with the Unit stamp at
Bn. Orderly Room before being presented at Canteen.

LOST. - Wristlet watch with inscription on back reading "James Reid
from Stokes & Sons 1939."

Finder please forward to Bn. Orderly Room.

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6 Aust. Div.

2/8 Bn.

Lyric Lines,
Kilo 89,
19 Sept 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1

by

Lt. Col. J. W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding Officer, A.I.F.

No. 0 83

1. DUTIES - To mount at street

Date.	Orderly Officer	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
19 Sept. 40	Lieut. Field	Sgt. Pinniger	Opl. Wadilton
n.f.d.	" Wilmoth	" Williams	" Peterson

2/8 Bn. will take over the following duties on 22 Sept.

Duty	Strength	Supplied by.
GAZA Town Guard	1 Coy.	0 Coy.
GAZA Airport	1 Pl. (42)	0 "
GAZA Ridge Gd.	1 Pl.	0 "
Bce. Guard	Sgt. & 1 Sec	0 "
C.W. Stations (4)	1 Sgt. & 1 Sec ea.	4 & 2 Coy.
Bn. Duty Coy.		1 Coy.

Details will be issued separately.

2. ISOLATION -

Two tents have been erected in rear of Guard Tents for the isolation of personnel suspected of being Diphtheria carriers.

The classification of any man as a suspect carrier will automatically cause the whole of the occupants of the tent in which the carrier sleeps to be regarded as contacts.

All the personnel occupying such tents will move immediately to isolation tents and will remain in isolation for 72 hours.

Personnel in isolation will not be permitted, without special orders, to leave the compound except to visit showers and latrines, and in such cases they must use those places set apart for them.

Meals will be delivered under O.M. arrangements.

Training will be continued under Section Op's.

Disciplinary action will be taken against any personnel who have contact with personnel in isolation.

3. LOSSES COURT -

VX16(M) Lieut. H.P. Turner will be a member of Losses Court from 18 Sept. 40.

4. FEDERAL ELECTIONS -

Voting will cease at 1630 hrs. today 19 Sept. 40.

[Signature] Lieut.
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

NOTICE

SOCCER - Any man interested in the formation of a Soccer team to submit name to Pn.H.Q. as soon as possible.

A respirator marked No. WZ 1147 on issue to Opl. I. B. H. taken in error from a transport from MAGNETH HOSPITAL about two weeks ago. Personnel will examine their respirators, and the man finding this respirator in his possession will report at once to Pn.H.Q.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

6 Aust. Div.

2/8 Bn.

Byrie Lines, Kilo 89,

20 Sept. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - 21271

by Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, M.S.C. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F. No. 84

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

Date.	Orderly Officer.	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
20 Sept. 40	Lieut. Wilmoth	Sgt. Williams.	Cpl. Peterson
n.f.d.	" Fleming	" Clark	" Dwyer

2. TRANSFERS -

The correct channel of application for personnel desirous of transfer of other units is through Coy H.Q. to Bn. H.Q.

Numerous cases have occurred recently of personnel going direct to other units and requesting transfers.

This practice is to cease immediately and disciplinary action will be taken against future offenders.

3. SPORTS PARADE - 22 Sept. 40

Cricket - Matches commence 1400 hrs.

Bn.H.Q. & C Coy v. D Coy 2/8 Bn. Gd.

H.Q. Coy. v. C Coy Div. Sigs Gd.

Hockey -

C Coy. v. West.

Swimming -

Personnel for swimming parade will be paraded under Coy arrangements at Bn.H.Q. at 1400 hrs.

B Coy will detail an Officer for duty at Beach.

Coys will notify Bn.H.Q. by 1300 hrs. the approx. numbers for swimming parade.

4. BRIGADE GAMES CHAMPIONSHIPS -

Brigade are arranging Championship Tournaments in the following games - Dart Throwing, Draughts, Chess, Chinese Checkers, Five Hundred, Auction Bridge, Euchre.

Bn. elimination tournaments are being arranged in each section.

Entries for Dart throwing competition must be handed in to Coy offices by 1800 hrs. on Sunday 22 Sept.

The winner will represent 2/8 Bn. in Bde. Championship on or about 29 Sept.

5. IN CROSS -

Contributions as shown below have been received from Coys and have been passed on to Red Cross Funds.

Bn.H.Q.	105 mlc	C Coy	516 mlc
H.Q. Coy	500 mlc	D "	610 mlc
A "	237 mlc	E "	200 mlc
B "	806 mlc		

Total £ 3064

Lieut. Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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ROUTINE ORDERS - UNIT 1

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6 Aust. Div.
2/8 Bn.
ROUTINE ORDERS - UNIT 1
by

Wire Lines.
Kilo 89
21 Sept. 40.

Lt. Col. J.V. Mitchell, D.C.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., I.F.
No. 685

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

Date.	Orderly Officer	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
21 Sept. 40	Lieut. W. Lowe	Sgt. Clark	Cpl. Dwyer
22 " "	" Cheedy	" Kerr	" Hicks

2. CHURCH SERVICE - Sunday 22nd. Sept.

1 of 3 Holy Communion 0615 hrs. Padre McCONCHIE 2/11 Bn.
 Unit Service 0700 hrs. Padre BEIDGE 2/8 Bn.
 2/4 Bn. will attend the above service.

Mass will be celebrated at 0645 hrs. in Recreation Hut 2/4 Bn. Lines, by Chaplain C.P. O'CALLAGHAN.

3. RIDING ON TOP OF BUSES -

The attention of all ranks is to be drawn to the fact that it is prohibited for anyone other than those specially detailed to look after baggage to ride on the top of buses. Disciplinary action is to be taken in every case where this occurs in future.

4. SWIMMING LEAVE -

Coy will grant swimming leave to as many personnel as possible during the afternoon of 22 Sept. 40.

Transport will run on the following time table:-

<u>Depart Kilo 89</u>		<u>Depart Beach</u>	
1330	hrs.	1400	hrs.
1430	"	1500	"
1530	"	1600	"
		1700	"

"O. will be responsible for embussing at Kilo 89 and at Beach.

"B" Coy will detail one officer for Duty at Beach.

5. TRAINING -

The Bde Comdr. desires to congratulate all ranks on the very marked increase in smartness throughout the Bde.

Guards and Centries are showing a good turn out in dress and drill, and compliments with arms shows a finish which is most commendable.

He desires to remind all ranks that these results indicate a better standard of training and a spirit of co-operation, both of which will be of value in the more serious times to come. As they are evident also to passers by and to members of the British and Allied Forces, they help to show that the second I.F. is a worthy successor to the first I.F. and that nothing short of the highest standard is good enough for it.

When units move out from camp for tactical exercises in the field, the Bde. Comdr. desires the active service

principle of no compliments to apply. That of course does not prevent C.O.s or sub-unit Comdrs. leaving or returning to camp from marching to attention and paying compliments to senior officers who may have come specifically to see the unit at that particular time. While actually on operations however, no compliments will be paid. On completion of the operation and on return to standing camp conditions the present rules of compliments will again apply.

6. UNIT PAY OFFICER -

Lieut. W.I. Phelan will take over duties of Unit Pay Officer on 1 Oct. 40.

7. QUICKET -

Matches for 22 Sept. 40.

0900	Av. Pl.	v.	Mortar Pl.	2/C Bn. Cd.
1400	Bn.H.A.	v.	Adn. Pl.	" " "

7. CAIRO LEAVE - 7 DAYS

Leave Party for 7 days leave in Cairo will depart on Monday 14 Oct. 40.

Allotment of vacancies is as follows:-

	<u>Offrs.</u>	<u>C.O.s.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Bn. H.A.	-	1	1
H.A. Coy	-	5	5
A "	-	4	4
B "	1	3	4
C "	-	4	4
D "	1	3	4

Nominal rolls will be submitted to Bn.H.A. by 11 Oct. 40.

Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
	*		
	*		
Lieut.-Colonels			
Majors	1		
Captains	5		
Lieutenants	11		
2nd Lieutenants	22		
Quartermasters			
	(Included in captains)		
TOTALS	37		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	NIL.			

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	NIL.			

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
	NIL.		

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	VX 40	HITCHCOCK J.W.	8 Div.	Yes.	
Major.	VX 81	CAPRE H.C.	"	"	
"	VX 148	KEY A.S.	"	"	
"	VX 49	MC DONALD H.H.	"	"	
Capt.	VX 55	COCHRAN C.J.A.	"	"	
"	VX 82	MARTIN J.A.H.	"	"	
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"	VX 203	SMITH J.A.H.	"	"	
"	VX 66	SIMPSON G.H.	"	"	
"	VX 140	LARKINS H.St.J.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 335	LUXTON T.	"	"	Sec. 19 Bde.
"	VX 213	ROBERTSON W.F.	"	Yes.	
Lieut.	VX 139	COUTTS R.	"	"	
"	VX 64	HOWARD W.S.	"	No.	Sec. 19 Bde.
"	VX 206	WILMOTH E.R.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 204	MASKELL H.J.McL.	"	"	
"	VX 244	AUSTIN H.McP.	"	No.	ATF. Cricket Team.
"	VX 282	BURROWES J.E.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 6596	DUFFY S.C.	"	"	
"	VX 1580	TURNER H.F.	"	"	
"	VX 533	MELAN P.I.	"	"	
"	VX 547	VAN CITTERS S.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 6275	YEATES A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 347	MC CORMICK I.C.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 4360	JONES R.H.	"	"	Tem. Att. 19 Bde.
"	VX 3359	MUMFING A.P.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 6899	STRONG J.H.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX 7030	HALL J.E.H.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 6131	JACOBS S.C.	"	"	
"	VX 7519	BARSON H.H.	"	"	
"	VX 327	KNOX W.M.	"	No.	Sec. 19 Bde.
"	VX 5649	LONG T.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 20309	SENEBY L.J.	"	"	
"	VX 6423	FIELD W.E.	"	"	

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	VX 6522	ANDERSON R.R.	6 Aus. Div.	15/6/40	Medical Officer.
"	VX 1561	FEIRCE P.M.	"	20/5/40	chaplain

2/8 Bn. A.I.P.
(Unit.)

C.O. 2/8 Bn.
(Signature of Commander.)

21/9/40
(Date of Despatch.)

19 Aust. Inf. Bde. 6 Div. A.I.P. file 20
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

INFORMATION 1. 1 Aust. Corps is confronting a Blue Land force of all arms organised on Italian W.E. Neither side has achieved aerial superiority. During the afternoon of 23 Sept. 49, 6 Aust. Div. attacking astride the road GAZA - HUJ in an EASTERLY direction seized the high ground WEST of HUJ and carried exploitation forward to the line of WADI 1000 yds EAST of village. 19 Bde was reserve Bde during 6 Div. attack. 2/8 Bn. is to move from KIL0 89 to Bivouac area NORTH of TRIG 84 10701045.

INTENTION 2. 2/8 Bn, (Bn.H.Q., H.Q. Coy, A Coy H.Q., B Coy complete) will move from KIL0 89 to TRIG 84 by 1700 hrs.

METHOD 3. A Echelon (see Appendix 1 attached) will report to Coy Pde Cds. at 1400 hrs. Packs will be carried in A Echelon.

4. Coy Pdes under Coy arrangements.

5. Start Point - Bn.H.Q. Coys will pass S.P. in the following order of march.

Bn.H.Q.	1515 hrs.	
B Coy	1516 "	
A Coy H.Q.	1519 "	
H.Q. Coy	1520 "	
A Ech.	1525 "	(under M.T.O.)
B Ech.	1535 "	(" Tpt. Sgt.)

6. Dress - As for last exercise.

7. A.A. Protection of column - No. 2 Pl. responsible. Pl. will move under own arrangements. To H.V. at / TRIG 84 by 1700 hrs. and report to Bn.H.Q.

8. Camp Cds. - Present Cds. remain on. Officer i/c Rear H.Q. and Security - Capt. Smith. Band will be available for security duties.

ADM. 9. Dress, A.T. Rifles, 2" Mortars will be carried in A Echelon.

10. B Ech. baggage will pick up blankets from Coy C. Stores between 1300 and 1400 hrs. One gd. per B and H.Q. Coy to travel with blankets.

11. A Ech. to report back to M.T.O. at M.T. Park at 1445 hrs. R.S.M. to detail one Provost to assist M.T.O.

12. Meal - Coys A Ech will pick up Pl. Hot boxes for midday meal on 24 at Q Kitchen at breakfast time on 24.

13. Officers may take valises.

14. Petrol Point - Road junction 10981014, between 1730 and 1830 hrs. on 24 Sept.

15. Rations - Supply Point Bn. G.N. store. Delivery time 1730 hrs on 23 & 24 Sept.

INTERCOMM. 16. Adv. H.Q. at head of column.

W. H. D. Only Capt.
2/8 Bn.

Issued at 1015 hrs.
Distribution: Bn.H.Q. 1 & 2 HQ Coy 3 A Coy 4 HEVD-ONVABLES
B Coy 5 T.O. 6 Q.M. 7 R.M.O. 8 S.D. 9 File 10
C Coy 11 P Coy 12

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Melbourne,

M. J. O'Connell

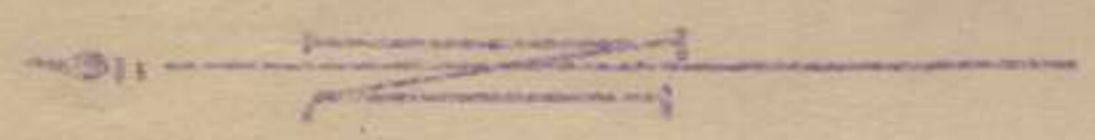
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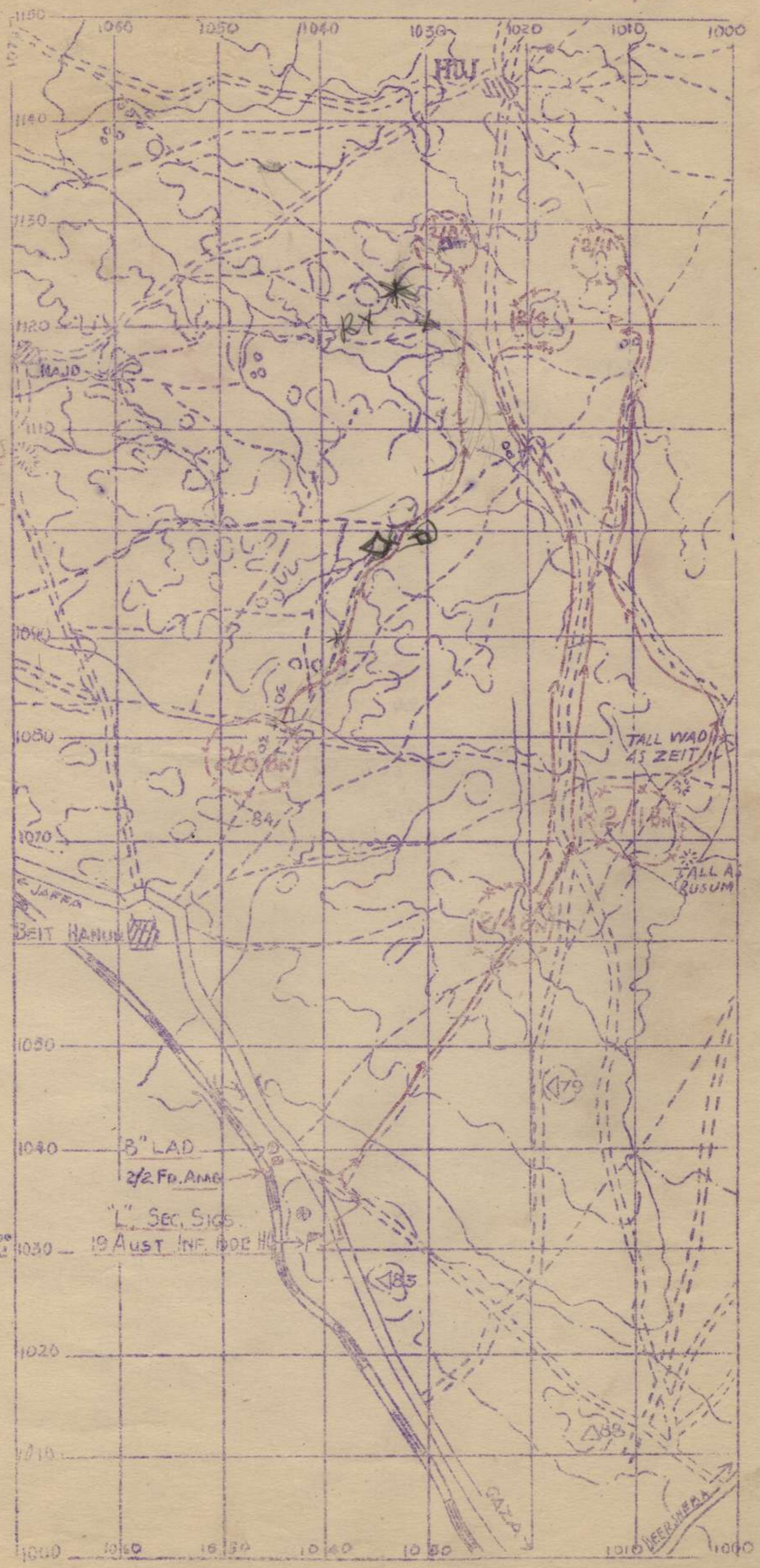
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SKETCH
SHOWING

LOCATION OF UNITS
19 AUST. INF. BDE.

1700 HRS. 23 SEP 40

ALSO
ROUTES TO AND
AREAS IN RESERVE
BDE. POSITION.

Scale 2cm. to 1 Kilometre
0 500 1000 1500
METRES.

By Lt Col
[Signature]

2/8 BN. OPERATION ORDER No. 7 (PRO FORM)

SECRET

Ref. Map GAZA 1/100,000

Copy No. 7

24 Sept. 40.

INFORMATION 1. Enemy.....

2. Own tps.....

INTENTION 3. 2/8 Bn. will.....

METHOD. 4. Coy R.V's.....

5. Bn. R.V's.....

6. Routes (by H.C.O. guide).....

7. Time for rear Coys (inc. HQ Coy) to thin out 2000 hrs.

" " " to clear Coy R.V's 2030 "

Time for forward Coys to thin out 2000 hrs.

" " " " clear Coy RVs 2030 "

Time Bn. will not remain at Bn. R.V. after 2115 hrs.

8. Rear Parties - each forward coy to leave 1 Pl. rear party manning P.D.L's. To abandon P.D.L's by 2100 hrs. and meet 1 guide at Bn. R.V. by 2130 hrs.

9. H.Q. Coy.-

A.A. Pl. with A & B ech.

Mortars - at 2000 hrs. with H.Q. Coy

Carriers - with A ech.

Pioneers - at 2000 hrs with H.Q. Coy

10. Supporting Arms -

(a) A.T. Coy Bde. - Remain in fire positions to 2100 thence to Bde reserve at 2330.

(b) A.T. Regt. Bty. - Remain in fire positions to 2100 thence to Div. command.

(c) Arty - to provide defensive fire on line of P.D.L's up to 2130 hrs. thence revert to Div. command.

AIM 11. Rations - Coy feed 1730

12. S.A.A. Closes at 1730

13. R.A.P. - withdraws with A ech. S.B's to Coys. A.D.S. closed. car point at 11201008.

14. Weapons - 2" Mortars in A ech. A.T. Rifles and Brens carried

15. A & B ech - to R.V. by 1830 hrs. F.O. to move A & B echels to new R.V. (indicated) at 1900.

INTERCOMM 16. Sigs. Reel in 1800. Establish V.F.

17 Bn.H.Q. - will move from present position to Bn. R.V. at 2030 hrs. Thence move at rear of column.

Distribution.

- 1 C.O., 2 S.O., 3 C.O. "H.Q." Coy.,
- 4 A Coy., 5 B Coy., 6 Bn.H.Q., 7 Adj.
- 8 Q.M. & T.O.

HEVD-GR H.E. JONES Capt.

Adj. 2/8 Bn.

Distributed at orders at 1730 hrs.

- AIM.
- 14. R.A.P. *GREEN BUSH*
Can Post 2/2 for Amb -
 - 15. A Echelon *To Assembly by 1100 - Rejoin Bn on Success Sig*
 - B Echelon *to Bde T.O.*
 - 16. S.A.A. Reserve *Res Area until Sec Sig - then forward*
(60) Men at Res Area
 - 17. Attack scale.....
- INTERCOMM.
- 18. Adv, H.Q. *Res Area till 2-8 then with Reserve Coy to Objective*
then at TRIG 150
 - 19. Sigs *V.T. to forward Coy. RT to 19 and Report*
 - 20. Success Signal *Sig to arrange for White flag.*

H.K.OXLEY Capt.
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

Distribution.

- | | | |
|----------|---|------------------|
| Copy No. | 1 | C.O. |
| " | 2 | I.O. (War Diary) |
| " | 3 | H.Q. Coy |
| " | 4 | A Coy. |
| " | 5 | B " |
| " | 6 | T.O. |
| " | 7 | File |
| " | 8 | Adj. |

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30. success signal.....
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6 Aust Div.

2/8 Bn.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

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B. H. H.
Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89
25 Sept. 40

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell D.S.O., - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.
No. Q 86

1. DUTIES. To count at Retreat.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
25 Sept. 40	Lt. Burrowes	Sgt. De Fonte	Cpl Abbott.
n.f.d.	" Jacobs	" Pinniger	" Griffiths
n.f.d. Duty Coy - "B" Coy.			

2. ROUTINE. 25 Sept.

- (a) Pay will be issued today.
- (b) Coys wishing to send men swimming this afternoon will submit estimates of numbers and time of departure. Returns to reach Bn. H.Q. by 1300 hours.

[Signature], Lieut.

A/Adj. 2/8 B

File

2/8 BN. OPERATION ORDER No. 8.

SECRET

Copy No. ³.....
25 Sept. 40.

Ref. Map GAZA: 1/100,000

- INFORMATION 1. Exercise concludes 0615 hrs.
- INTENTION 2. ~~2/8~~ 2/8 Bn. will move back to Kilo 89 in accordance with Bde March Table.
- METHOD 3. Start Point - NORTH - SOUTH line through road $\frac{1}{2}$ junc. 10951015.
- 4. Marching personnel will pass S.P. at 0837.
- 5. Route - Main HUI - GAZA Rd.
- 6. Coys will form up on present coy area and march back to S.P. led by I guide. To leave Coy areas by 0730.
- 7. All A ech. tpt. will R.V. 200^x SOUTH of B Coy locality at 0730 hrs.. M.T.O. will $\frac{1}{2}$ move A ech and B ech to cross ~~xxxx~~ S.P. at 0853.
- AIM. 8. Breakfast at 0700. A ech to Kitchen area (B ech area) by 0615 to pick up rations.
- 9. Coys ~~pas~~ at Kilo 89. Coys to submit state immediately on arrival whether strength correct or not.
- 10. A ech to Coy Q stores at KILO 89 on arrival.
- INTWRCOMM 11. Sigs reel in 0630
- 12. Bn. H.Q. moves at 0730 to S.P. Move at $\frac{1}{2}$ head of column from S.P.
- 13. Wireless van to report L sec. Sigs 6 Div. at Bde HQ at 0745 hrs.
Not to move before 0645 hrs.

H.K. OXLEY Capt.

Adj. 2/8 Bn.

Distribution:

- 1 C.O.
- 2 Adj.
- 3 File
- 4 War Diary
- 5 H.Q. Coy
- 6 A Coy
- 7 B Coy.
- 8 Q.M. & T.O.

Issued at orders.

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BARRAGE MAP 3

75% Amche 25% HE

Lifts of 300' all around

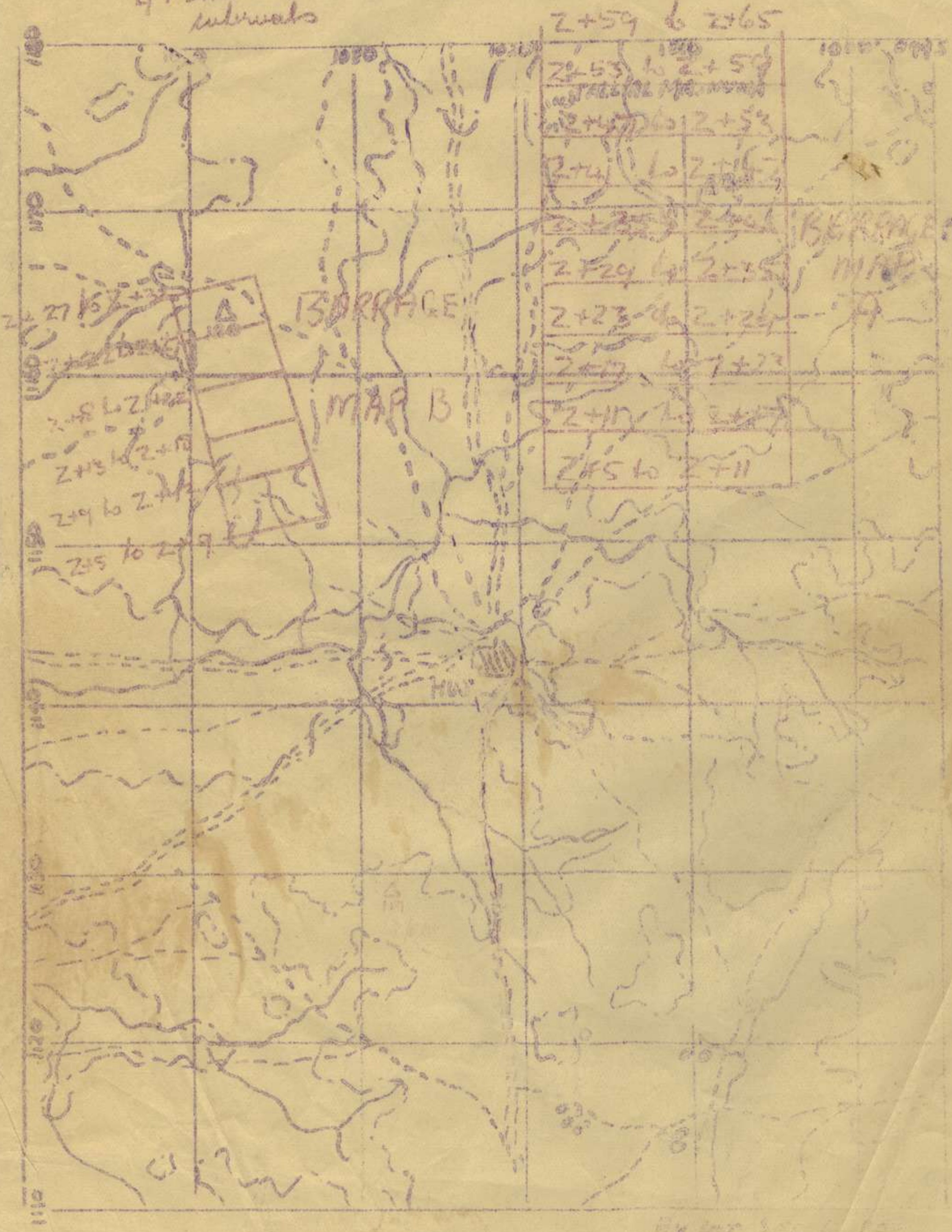
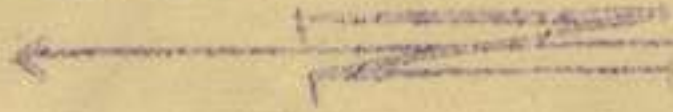
495 minute intervals

BARRAGE MAP 3

75% Amche 25% HE

Lift of 300' every

495 minutes



By Mr. [unclear]
6230 [unclear]

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ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.
by

Kilo 88
26 Sept. 40.

Lt.Col. J.W.Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn. A.I.F.
No. Q 87

1. DUTIES. To mount at Retreat.

Date	Orderly Officer.	Orderly Sgt.	Orderly Cpl.
26 Sept.	Lieut. Jacobs	Sgt Adams J.S.	Cpl Griffiths.
n.f.d.	" Phelan	" Watt	" O'Regan.
n.f.d. Duty Coy. - "B" Coy.			

2. BN. TPT. SECTION. Personnel who wish to serve in Bn Tpt Sec are to submit their names and particulars of experience in driving etc, to Bn H.Q. by 1800 hours 27 Sept.

3. POSTAL OFFICER. Capt. J.A.M. Martin is appointed Unit Postal Officer. 25 Sept. 40.

4. DUTY - 26 Sept. 40. Coys will detail personnel as under for tent pitching duty at 19 Aust. Inf. Tng. Bn. on 27 Sept 40.

	Off.	Sgts.	R & F.	Total
"A" Coy	1	1	14	16
"B" "	1	1	66	68
"H.Q." "	2	2	96	100
Total	4	4	176	184

Breakfast - 0645 hours
Parade at B.H.Q.- 0715 "
Lunch - Q. arrangements.

5. COMFORTS FUND. The following articles have been received from A.C.F.

- 78 0 oz Tobacco.
- 780 packets Cigarette papers.
- 780 wallets. (from R.S.S.I.L.A.)
- 3 cases Golden Syrup.

Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

Bn HQ

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Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
27 Sept. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1

by

Lt.Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 88

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
27 Sept. 40	Lieut. Wilmoth	Sgt. Watt	Cpl. Saw
n.f.d.	" Burrowes	" Edgley	" Quirk

2. SPORTS PARADE - 28 Sept. 40.

Cricket B Coy v. H.Q. Coy. 1400 hrs.
2/8 Bn. ground.

Swimming - Transport departs 1400 hrs.

Coys will submit return of estimated numbers
for swimming parade, to Bn.H.Q. by 1200 hrs. 28 Sept.

H.Q. Coy will detail one officer for duty at
beach.

Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

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Hadera Rest Camp,
27 Aug. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1.

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q - H.Q. (A) 1

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer</u>	<u>Ord. Sgt.</u>	<u>Ord. Cpl.</u>
27 Aug. 40	Lieut. McCormick	Sgt. Elliott	-
N.F.D.	" Sheedy	" Ross N.	-

Duty Coy - to mount at Retreat 27 Aug. - "A" Coy.
 " " " " 28 " - "B" "

Retreat will be at 1830 hrs.

2. SYNCHRONISED CALL - will be at 0830 hrs

3. Bn. H.Q. - One Orderly and one Regtl. Policeman will be on duty continuously.

4. PARA 2 STANDING ORDERS - The following duties to report at 0645 hrs at Bn. H.Q. -

- 15 men for Main Kitchen Fatigue
- 2 " " Officers Mess.

5. LEAVE - No leave will be granted other than to HADERA. All ranks will be correctly dressed on leave. O.R's will report to the Guard Comdr. before proceeding on leave. Gd. Sgt. is responsible for the correctness of dress, and will keep a tally of numbers on leave.

6. DRESS - Parades will be Fighting Order.

7. AMENDMENT TO PARA 6 STANDING ORDERS. - Delete 0645 - substitute 0630. Delete 0730 - substitute 0715. (Swimming Times.)

8. SWIMMING TOGS - will be available shortly for personnel not in possession of costumes.

H.K. OXLEY Capt.
Adj. 2/8 Bn.

N.F.D.

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V91 5/8 BU

H.K.O.K.T.V.A. Q.V.D.

Designation of certificate

1. STANDING LOSS - will be satisfied wholly for balance not in order before order - appropriate order (standing loss)

2. STANDING LOSS TO BE IN ORDER - before order - appropriate

3. LOSS - balance will be standing order.

For the collection of loss and will keep a copy of number on each copy before proceeding on issue. If it is necessary will be collected loss on issue. O.K. will refer to the

4. ISSUE - no issue will be stamped other than to H.V.D. All issues

5 " " Officers issue

It will be kept in the office

of BU H.C. -

6. ISSUE TO BE IN ORDER - the following duties to be done at order in accordance

7. BU H.C. - one order and one receipt. Receipt will be on order

8. STANDARDISED UNIT - will be at order and

Receipt will be at order and

" " " " 58 " - "B" "

Order book - to number of Receipt 58 and "V" book

H.V.D. " issued " Book H. -

58 and 40 Receipt. McCollister. Ref. Billott -

Date. Orderly Officer. Order Ref. Order Book.

9. ORDER - to number of Receipt

No. 6 - H.C. (V) 1

Ref. 1. M. McCollister. D.C. - Commanding 5/8 BU. V.I.V.

of

ORDER BOOKS - BU 5/8

5/8 BU

of BU H.C.

STANDARDISED UNIT

58 and 40. Receipt book

BHQ

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Ryrie Lines,
Kilo 89,
28 Sept. 40.

ROUTINE ORDERS - PART 1

by

Lt. Col. J.W. Mitchell, D.S.O. - Commanding 2/8 Bn., A.I.F.
No. Q 89.

1. DUTIES - To mount at Retreat

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Orderly Officer.</u>	<u>Orderly Sgt.</u>	<u>Orderly Cpl.</u>
28 Sept. 40	Lieut. Burrowes	Sgt. Ball	Cpl. Quirk
n.f.d.	" Strong	" Fishlock	" Neven

Bn. Duty Coy to mount 29 Sept. 40 - "B" Coy.

2. Church Parade - Sunday 29 Sept. 40 will be held as under.-

Unit Service 0700 hrs. Padre. PEIRCE. 2/8 Bn.
 C of E Holy Communion 0615 hrs. Padre McCONCHIE. 2/11 Bn.
 Mass will be celebrated at 0645 hrs. in Recreation Hut, 2/4 Bn.
 Lines by Chaplain C.P. O'CALLAGHAN.
 2/4 Bn. will attend Unit service.

3. Hospital Admissions -

Personnel for admission to any Gen. Hosps. or Conv. Depots will take with them respirator anti-gas and helmet steel.


4. Swimming Leave - 29 Sept. 40.

Coys will grant swimming leave to as many personnel as possible during the afternoon of 29 Sept. 40.

Transport will run on the following timetable -

<u>Depart Kilo 89</u>	<u>Depart Beach</u>
1330 hrs.	1400 hrs.
1430 "	1500 "
1530 "	1600 "
	1700 "

T.O. will be responsible for embussing at Kilo 89 and at Beach.

 Lieut.
A/Adj. 2/8 Bn.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/8 Bn. , A.I.F.

(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*	1		
Lieut.-Colonels	3		
Majors	10 XI 2		
Captains	21		
Lieutenants			
2nd Lieutenants	(included in Captains)		
Quartermasters			
TOTALS	35 35		

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
	N I L.			

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt.	CHALLEN	6 Aust.Div.	23/9/40	To 19 Bde. Trng. Bn.
Lieut.	TURNER.	"	"	" " " "

PART C.—DESCRIPTION OF OFFICERS WHOSE RETURN TO THE UNIT IS PARTICULARLY REQUESTED.

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known).
	NIL		

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

(i) Officers posted to Unit (Total to agree with column 2 of Part A).

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	VX 40	MITCHELL J.V.	6 Div.	Yes.	
Major	VX 81	CAVES H.C.	"	"	
"	VX148	KEY A.S.	"	"	
"	VX 49	MCDONALD H.H.	"	"	
Capt.	VX 55	COOMBS C.J.A.	"	"	
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Lieut.	VX139	COUTTS R.	"	No.	Hosp. Kefar Vitkin
"	VX 64	HOWARD V.S.	"	No.	Sec. 19 Bde.
"	VX205	WILMOTH R.R.	"	Yes.	
"	VX204	MASKELL H.J.McL.	"	"	
"	VX244	AUSTIN H.McP.	"	No.	AIF Cricket Team.
"	VX282	BURROVES J.P.	"	Yes.	
"	VX6596	DIFPEY S.C.	"	"	
"	VX 535	PHELAN P.I.	"	"	
"	VX 547	VAN CITTERS S.	"	No.	Course
"	VX6275	YEATES L.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX 347	MCCORMICK I.G.	"	No.	Course
"	VX44360	JONES R.H.	"	No.	Temp. Atchd Bde.
"	VX3359	FLEMING A.P.	"	Yes.	
"	VX6599	STRONG J.H.	"	No.	Course.
"	VX7030	HALL J.R.M.	"	Yes.	
"	VX6131	JACOBS S.C.	"	Yes.	
"	VX7619	RANSOM N.F.	"	"	
"	VX 327	KNOX V.M.	"	No.	Sec. 19 Bde.
"	VX5649	LOVE T.A.	"	Yes.	
"	VX20309	SHEEDY L.J.	"	"	
Capt.	VX6423	FIELDSON E.K.	"	No	Hosp.

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	VX 6522	ANDERSON R.R.	6 Aus. Div.	15/6/40	Medical Offn.
"	VX 1561	FEIRCE P.M.	"	20/5/40	Chaplain.

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Part D. Detail of Surplus or Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009.

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.						REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.						REMARKS.		
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.		Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel															
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)															

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Lt.Col. C.O.

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