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FORTRESS
Darwin Fortress

April - June 1943



1/6/2-0040

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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Army Form C. 2118 (adapted,)

H. 1000M 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Apr 43 *To* 2359 hrs 30 April 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	1		Cloudy and warm.	Copy Artillery Inst. attached.
			10 Tk/A Bty completes artillery practice commenced on 31 Mar 43	
	2	0830	10 Tk/A Bty carry out artillery practice in Marlows Lagoon Area	Fd Return of Officers and OR's. attached.
			G.O.C. NT Force accompanied by B.G.S. visits Fortress Commander	
	3		Fine and warm.	
			2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt carries out artillery practice by	
			shooting No 1 S O S Task forward of Vestey's Area.	
			G.O.C. NT Force, B.G.S. and Fortress Commander view shoot	
			from Vestey's O.P.	
		1500	G.O.C. and B.G.S. return to HQ NT Force.	
	4		Fine and warm. NIL to report.	
	5		Warm and cloudy.	RO Pt 1 No 20 attached.
		1100	B25 Mitchell Bomber reported missing after taking off from	
			R.A.A.F. Airfield at 0500 hrs.	

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N. 1000 2/42

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.		1430	Personnel from D.F.D. O.P. at Nightcliffs locate crashed bomber at mouth of Ludmilla Creek. RAAF Intelligence advised of location. Complete crew killed and bodies recovered.	
	6		Warm and cloudy.	
			Fortress Commander visits HQ NT Force for conference.	
	7		Cloudy and warm.	
		1000	Combined Coast, Field, and Anti-Aircraft Artillery landwards practice with Air-Co-operation on area in Cox Peninsular.	RO Pt 1 No 21 attached.
		1330	2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt carru out artillery practice in Ludmilla Creek Area.	
		2000	Electrical storm with light rain.	
	8		Warm and cloudy.	
			2/8 Aust Ind Coy carry out training raid on East Sty D.F.D.	
	9		Warm and overcast. NIL to report.	Fd Returns of Officers and OR's attached. Gas Inst No 2 attached.

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H. 1008 2/42

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	10		Warm and overcast. NIL to report.	
	11		Heavy rain and wind storm.	
			Det 6 Aust Army Topographical Survey Coy moved into Fortress	
			Area and replaced 7 Aust Survey Section.	
	12		Overcast with continuous rain. NIL to report.	Location Statement attached.
	13		Cloudy, intermittent showers. NIL to report.	
	14		Warm and cloudy.	
			2/1 Aust Mob Bacteriological Laboratory closes HQ at Fortress	RO Pt 1 No 23 attached.
			Hospital and moves to 119 A.G.H. at Adelaide River.	
	15		Mild and cloudy.	
		0830	2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt hold artillery practice in Leanyer Area.	
		0900	HQ Darwin Fortress Area carry out monthly musketry practice at	
			Darwin Rifle Range.	
	16		Fine and warm.	Fd Returns of Officers and OR's attached.

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H. 1004 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 April *To* 2359 hrs 30 April 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			2/2 Aust Fd Coy move out of Fortress Area and are replaced by	
			2 and 3 Sections 13 Aust Fd Coy.	
	17		Warm and cloudy.	RO Pt 1 No 24 attached.
			D.G.M.S. Major General Burston visits Fortress Camp Hospital.	
	18		Fine and warm. NIL to report.	
	19		Fine and cloudy.	
		AM	One enemy A/C type DINAH carried out recce of Batchelor Darwin	
			Area.	
		1003	Fanny Bay Hy AA Gun Site engaged with 5 (five) rounds.	
			Fighters did not intercept.	
			Commander in Chief General Sir Thomas Blamey arrives at RAAF	
			Airfield by air to inspect Fortress Area.	
	20		Warm and cloudy.	HQ Distribution List attached.
		0915	Navy carry out practice exercises for Loop Alarm.	

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M. 1004 2/42

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.		1400	Heavy rain.	
	21		Fine and cloudy. NIL to report.	
	22		Warm and cloudy with intermittent rain.	RO Pt 1 No 25 attached.
			10 Tk/A Bty move out of Fortress Area for training and	
			replaced by 9 Tk/A Bty.	
			3 Section 1 Aust Bomb Disposal Coy move into Fortress Area	
			and located at Vestey's.	
		2000	Oval AA Bty carry out practice with beach light.	
	23		Fine and warm.	Fd Return of Officers and OR's attached.
			225 Lt AA Bty carry out practice shoot in Leanyer Area.	
			6 Aust Camouflage Training Unit move into Fortress Area and	
			stationed at Oval AA Bty.	
	24		Mild and cloudy.	
		PM	Light rain.	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			225 Lt AA Bty conclude practice shoot in Leanyer Area.	
	25		Fine and warm. NIL to report.	
	26		Fine and warm.	
			Lieut A Duffield, Fortress L.O. completes tour of duty at HQ	
			Darwin Fortress Area and return to duty with Darwin Fixed	
			Defences.	
	27		Fine and warm. NIL to report.	RO Pt I No 26 attached.
	28		Fine and warm.	HQ Location Statement attached.
			HQ Darwin Fortress Area moves from present site on Esplanade,	
			to new location in Wellington St, Larrakeyah.	
		1300	HQ closes at old site.	
		1500	HQ opened at new location.	
	29		Fine and warm.	
		1000	Enemy Aircraft, believed type Dinah, carried out extensive recce	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			over Batchelor Area. NO interception was made.	
	30		Fine and warm.	Fd Returns of Officers and OR's attached.
			10/48 Aust Inf Bn carry out practice 2 pdr Tk/A shoot in Leanyer Area.	
			225 Lt AA Bty carry out practice shoot over Leanyer Area.	
			70 AASL Workshop Section move into Fortress Area and located near Berrima.	
			Colonel. Comd. Darwin Fortress Area.	

SECRET

Headquarters
DARWIN Fortress Area
1 Apr 43.
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ARTILLERY PRACTICE , SATURDAY 3 APR 43.

Ref Map DARWIN 2" to 1 Mile

1. An Artillery practice will be carried out on Saturday 3 Apr 1943 by 2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt. This practice will be conducted from Gun positions within the Fortress, with the object of testing No 1 SOS task specified in the Fortress Defence Plan, and C.O. 2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt will make all the necessary arrangements for the actual conduct of this Shoot.

2. All Guns of 2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt, (less "E" Tp) will fire on SOS task 1, using the following survey information :-

(a)	RIGHT EDGE		LEFT EDGE	
E380370	N3411839	Ht - -	E379970	N3411839 Ht - -

(b) "E" Tp will add 100[x] to normal elev for this target.

(c) ZERO HOUR NOT before 0615 hrs.

3. NATURE OF PRACTICE

(d) SOS Signal , two Green Verey Lights or flares fired from VESTEYS' O.P.

(e) RATE: 3 r.p.g. rate, slow (in lieu of normal SOS task Rates).

4. SPECTATORS

(f) The G.O.C and party, Frt Comd and party, C.O 2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt and staff, BC's and Tp Comds will be observing the practice from vicinity of VESTEYS' O.P. Lieut A.NOALL will be responsible for the necessary organisation, and the control of vehicles in this Area.

(g) All other spectators will be in position by 0600 hrs at road and track junc 806114, under the direction of Capt J.WINTON, 2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt. They will proceed to this point via N A Road and NOT as normally, via Gilruth's Neck.

5. All C.O's and O.C's within the fortress will co-operate, and the following danger area will be cleared of all troops (other than members of 2/11 Fd Regt) by 0530 hrs 3 Apr 43. 12 Aust Div Provost personnel will inspect the areas at 0545 hrs and will report "ALL CLEAR" to H.Q. Fortress by 0600 hrs at VESTEYS' O.P.

(h) DANGER AREA

On the EAST, from junc grid lines 81 and 13, thence SOUTH to rd junc 811115, thence SOUTH WEST to rd junc 808114, thence WEST to the coast at the "G" in TRIG (798114), thence further WEST to Easting grid line 79, thence NORTH to junc grid lines 79, and 13 and thence EAST to the commencing point.

5.(continued)

(i) SENTRY POSTS for the practice are as follows :-

POSTS NO.	DESCRIPTION
1.	Rd junc 814124.
2.	Rd and track junc 811121.
3.	" " " " 811118
4.	" " " " 806114
5.	" junc 800106
6.	" " 802129
7.	" and ry junc 808109
8.	" junc 811115 (Police Station)

Posts Nos 7 & 8 will be manned by 12 Aust Div Pro Coy, remaining posts by Regtl Police 2/11 Fd Regt.

6. ALL CLEAR

"ALL CLEAR" signal will be given from VESTEYS by firing three Red Verey lights on the orders of the C.O. 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt. Provost personnel on roads will watch for this signal.

7. DRESS

All troops attending will wear :-

BATTLE DRESS - HELMETS STEEL.

8. AALMG

7 Aust Inf Bde will be responsible for the mounting of sufficient AALMG's to cover the area occupied by the spectators, in the vicinity of road and track junc 806114.

9. ACKNOWLEDGE (by signal) by 1800 hrs 2 Apr 43.

Major.
BM DARWIN Fortress Area.

DISTRIBUTION :

List "D"

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War Diary

V1/5/2 5 & 16
V1/65 1 & 3
Total 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

ED DARWEN FORTRESS AREA (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks	WE	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached)	3 Surplus to Establishment	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment.)
Colonel	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels	—			
Majors	1	1		
Captains	3	2		1
Lieutenants	1	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants	—			
Quartermasters	—			
Totals	6	6	1	1

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held	2 Personal Number	3 Name and Initials	4 Corps	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed
Maj T/Col	VX 83236	EW [illegible]	Com Lieut	Yes	
Capt T/Maj	VX 254	AS [illegible]	2/2 Aust Inf Bn	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX 114230	WR CRISWICK	RAA	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX 114230	BJ WHITE	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX 114226	EK HARBOR	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX 160024	AL DUFFIELD	RAA	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
Capt	VX 77850	EW [illegible]	AAMC	1.12.43	SMO
Lieut/T Capt	VX 220330	PA HAIR	RAA - AAD	9.5.43	
Lieut	VX 1961	MR HOOKE	AASC	1.3.43	BASCO

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit)

2 Apr 43 (Date of Despatch)

Colonel. (Signature of Commander)

Comd Darwin Fortress Area. (Bde., Div., Corps, etc., with which Unit is serving)

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VX/52 5 & 16
VX/53 1 & 3
Total 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit) 2 Apr 1943 (Date).

To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1			1
Staff Serjeants 1	1		
Serjeants 2	2		
Corporals 3	3		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	10		2
TOTALS 19	16		3

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps. Not on PS

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	51 FAD	5	Darwin Fixed Defences
3	QDD	6	7 Aust Inf Bn
1	FTP Hygiene	1	8 Aust Fd Cemetery
2	FSS FTP		
5	FTP Postal		
6	19 Aust Inf Bn		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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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 (b)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (b)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (b)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks		1	Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
Gun Dutymen		2						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		3						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
Unit.

Signature of Commander. Lt-Colonel.
Comd. Darwin Fortress Area.

Date of Despatch 2 Apr 43

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

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDER PART 1

by

COLONEL F.N.NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

SERIAL NO 20 (Paras 134 - 147) 5 Apr 43.

Para 134. GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

2/11 Aust A Fd Regt will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing Fri 9 Apr 43 :-

STRENGTH	:	1 NCO and 7 OR's.
DRESS	:	Full Marching Order
EQUIPMENT	:	Bedding and messing gear will be provided by 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt.
RATIONS & QUARTERS	:	Provided by HQ DARWIN FRT AREA.
DUTIES	:	As per Guard Standing Orders HQ Frt. Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN FRT AREA at 1630 hrs 9 Apr 43.
NEXT FOR DUTY	:	DARWIN Fixed Defences.

Para 135. BOUNDS : COCONUT GROVE

COCONUT GROVE square 8116 (ref map DARWIN 2" to 1 mile) is placed OUT-OF-BOUNDS to all ranks owing to the wilful destruction of palms and coconuts. All cases of vandalism will be severely dealt with.

Para 136. MONTHLY RETURNS TO CASH OFFICE

All Units are reminded that the following monthly returns MUST be lodged at 49 Aust Depot Cash Office, DARWIN NOT LATER than 3 rd of the month following that for which return is issued.

CERTIFICATE of AUDIT of UNIT TRUST ACCOUNTS,(Form 192) (ref this HQ RO Part 1 Serial 15 para 100 of 16 Mar 43)

SUPPLEMENTARY RATION STATEMENT(WF177,ref GRO 160/42)

SCHEDULE of OVERDRAWN PAYBOOKS(Ref Instns to Pay Sgts, para 56 (7)).

ADJUSTMENT OF ADVANCES MADE FOR PAYMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE FORCES.

The attention of all C.O's of units in Frt Area is drawn to GRO F596 which outlines clearly a C.O's responsibilities in this regard.

Para 137. FIRE PRECAUTIONS - CARE OF TELEPHONE CABLE

As field cable is very inflammable and cannot be easily replaced, every care must be taken to ensure that cable is NOT destroyed when burning off grass and undergrowth in the Fortress Area.

Para 138. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry consisting of the undermentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President may direct to inquire into and report upon the damage to rifle No C4975? on charge to DARWIN Fixed Defences.

PRESIDENT :	Capt	RL	LEABEATER	7 Aust Inf Bn
MEMBERS :	Lieut	KC	NEVILLE	" " " "
	Lieut	RA	MYERS	AAD (Fortress)

Proceedings to reach this HQ by 1800 hrs Mon 12 Apr 43.

Evidence to be taken on oath.

Para 139. DEDUCTION OF PAY FROM MEMBERS (GRO A242)

1. (a) When disciplinary action is being taken against a member in accordance with para 2 of GRO A28/43 every effort will be made to ascertain at the earliest possible date the provable value of the amount of the loss, damage or expense, which has been occasioned to the Commonwealth, by the member's alleged offence, for the purpose of including that value in the charge.

(b) Disposal of the charge, however, will not be delayed on this account beyond 30 days from the date of the alleged offence, and if at the expiration of that period the provable value of the amount of the loss, damage or expense occasioned to the Commonwealth by the member's alleged offence has not been ascertained the charge will be disposed of without including therein any reference to such value.

2. AMR&O 695 will not be applied in cases covered by GRO A28/43.

Para 140. WEARING OF DECORATIONS AND MEDALS OF ENEMY COUNTRIES (GRO A2

1. All permissions previously granted for the wearing of decorations and medals of enemy countries by members of the AIF are withdrawn.

2. MBI A34/1941 is cancelled.

Para 141. USE OF THE WORDS "AIRCRAFT" AND AIRFIELD" (GRO G240)

In future, the words "aircraft" and "airfield" will be used in all Military correspondence, operation orders, messages and signals instead of the words "aeroplane" and "aerodrome". The term " advance landing ground" will, however, continue to be used where appropriate.

Para 142. INDENTING ON LHQ FOR PUBLICATIONS ETC BY UNITS (GRO Q251)

1. Numerous instances are occurring of branches of Army and L of C Area HQ and units under Comd thereof forwarding requests for publications etc to their parent branches or directorates at LHQ or direct to DPSS. In many cases, statements are made that items required are not available from local stationery depots.

2. This practice will cease. No individual issues, other than initial issues, will be made from LHQ.

3. Where units etc indent on stationery depots for items of which no stock is held, Stationery Officers will, provided requisition agrees with entitlement, indent direct on DPSS LHQ, and will state for whom the publications etc are required. Issues will then be made through the appropriate stationery depot to the unit or HQ concerned.

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Para 143. BADGES, RANK ETC - OTHER RANKS (GRO A245)

1. Rank Badges:- Rank Badges to be worn by Warrant and and Non-commissioned officers, AMF, as authorised in war Scales of Clothing, will be as follows:-

WARRANT OFFICERS CLASS 1.-

Conducter AACC. (Bde Ord WO's)	Royal Arms within wreath
Master Gunner (1st Class)	" " " " " " " (Over gun)
Staff sergeant-major (1st class)) Draughtsman (1st Class) Armament Sgt-major (1st Class)	)Royal Arms within a wreath
Master Gunner (2nd class)	Royal Arms over Gun
Regtl Sergeant-major Armament Sergeant-major (2nd Class), Mechanist Sergeant-major Staff sergeant-major(2nd class) All other Warrant Offrs class I	Royal Arms

WARRANT OFFICERS CLASS II.-

Master Gunner 3rd class	Crown within wreath over gun.
Staff Sergeant-major 3rd class BQMS or RQMS Armament Quarter-master-sgt Mechanist Quartermaster-sgt Draughtsman (2ndclass)	Crown within a wreath
All other Warrant Offrs classII	Crown

NON-COMMISSIONED OFFICERS.-

Squadron, Battery, or Company Quartermaster-sergeants Staff-sergeants	Crown over 3 chevrons
Sergeant and L/Sergeant	3 chevrons
Corporal or Bombardier	2 chevrons
L/Corporal or L/Bombardier	1 chevron

2. Other Badges:- No badges other than those authorized in War Scales of Clothing and necessaries will be worn.

Para 144. RECORDING OF LEAVE (GRO A249)

1. Pending the introduction of a record of Service Book (AAB83) which is now in process of preparation, action will be taken by all units forthwith to compile a Record of Leave for all ranks covering the period commencing on 1 Jul '42. The Record of leave will be compiled in or to the effect of the form shown in appendix "A" hereto, under unit arrangements, as a temporary measure pending the introduction of the Record of Service Book (AAB 83).

2. (a)All leave authorized since 1 Jul '42, will be included irrespective of its nature.

(b) Entries should be made in the following manner:-

(i) Column headed " Authority" - The authority for the Credit or Debit will be briefly shown, eg. "GRO 559" "IHQ 123456", GRO 199", RO part II" 37/42 (3)"

(ii) Column headed " Type of Leave" - In showing Type of leave the following abbreviations may be used:-

Recreation (GRO A559/42, para 3 or 11)	Rec
Compassionate (GROA/559/42 para 5)	Com

Emer/

Emergency (GRO A/559/42, Para 6)	Emer
Special (GRO A559/42 Para 9)	Spec
Disembarkation (GRO A559/42 Para10)	Disem
Pension claims (GRO A559/42 para 14(a) proviso)	Pens
Service (GRO A559/42 para 14 (B))	Serv
Seasonal Occupation (GRO A199/42)	Occ

(iii) Column headed " Leave-Credits"-

Period - The months for which the credits are given will be shown eg. Jul-Sep '42.

Days - The entitlement in days for the period will be shown, eg, 6.

All credit entitlements to date will be entered on each occasion in which any leave is granted.

(iv) Column headed " Leave Debits" - Details will be shown of all debits for leave granted or deducted for any reason from entitlement, eg, for AWL. The sub-headings are self-explanatory.

(v) Column headed " Debit Balance" - When leave has been anticipated, the amount anticipated will be shown in days.

(vi) Column headed " Credit Balance" - When leave has been accumulated, the amount accumulated will be shown in days.

(vii) Column headed " Signature of Officer etc" - Each entry will be authenticated by the signature of an officer who is responsible that the entry is correct.

(viii) Column headed " Remarks" - Any special circumstances relating to the entries which may affect future leave or pay while on leave, and which are not shown in the other columns, will be shown here.

3. Until the issue of a Record of Service Book (AAB83) to the member (into which book the particulars of the Record of Leave will be transcribed) the Record of leave will form one of the member's unit documents, and will be forwarded with other unit documents on movement by the member from his unit.

PROMULGATION OF LEAVE IN UNIT PART II ORDERS

4. Where leave without pay is granted, particulars thereof will be notified to L of C Records Office by Casualty Return (AFW3010, 3011,3012) for promulgation in Unit Part II Orders.

5. Casualty returns notifying the grant of Leave without pay will show the hour and date of commencement and termination of such leave in order to enable the L of C Area Finance Officer to arrive at the proper amount to be deducted from the pay of the soldier concerned.

6. In reckoning the debits to be brought into account for leave without pay when portion of a day is involved, a period of more than 12 hours will be counted as one day, and a period of less than 12 hours will not be counted.

7. Particulars of any other type of leave which is granted will not be promulgated in unit part II orders, but for the purpose of maintaining a record of the movements of individuals a copy of the nominal rolls referred to in GRO A334/1942, part B, para 2(3),(5), and (7) and of any nominal roll prepared on movement of personnel on occupational leave (GRO 34/42, part C para 6.) will be forwarded to the L of C Area Records Office of the area in which the member's unit is serving. Similarly if a member proceeds on leave direct from his unit and his leave destination is more than 100 miles from the locality/

locality in which his unit is serving, notification of his movement on leave and his rejoining therefrom will be conveyed to the relevant L of C Area Records Office on a Casualty Return (AFW3010, 3011). In the case of personnel on occupational leave (vide GRO A334/1942 part C para 6), the movement will be notified to the Records Office by Casualty Return if a nominal Roll of draft is not prepared.

Para 145. TRAINING AMMUNITION

Units will in future submit indents for monthly training ammunition to this HQ not later than the fourth day of each month.

Para 146. CENSUS OF WARLIKE STORES (GRO 0262)

1. The following items will in future be considered Controlled Stores and AAF's E5-4, E5-5 and E5-7 will be amended as follows:-

Serial	Item	Schedule
521(a)	Guns Machine Bren Mk II	A
679	QF 75 mm Pack How & carr (USA)	J
834	Drums, Tangent elevation, scale, No 5	E
835	" " Height and fuze scale No 5	E
836	Cams, Fuze for No 1 Predictor, No 5	E
837	Rings, Slip, 15 way, No 3	E
966	RDF AA No 1 Mk I-Ix (GL Mk Ix)	G
967	" " No 1 Mk II (GL Mk II)	G
968	" " No 3 Mk I (GL MkIII(c) APF)	G
969	" " No 4 Mk I (GL MkIII(c) 2 Pl)	G
970	" " No 4 Mk III (LW)	G
1164	Apparatus AA No 2 Mk V	K
1175(a)	Generating sets, 15 KVA Lister	K
1186(c)	Projectors AA 90 cm Mk VI (Aust) Modified for and fitted with apparatus AA No 2 Mk VII (Aust)	K

E5-6

2. (a) AAF's E5-4, E5-7 and E5-8 will be amended as follows:- DELETE -

Serial	Item	Schedule
824	Boxes Rotary Converter	E
1021	Carriers	H
1022	Readers	H
1023	Wires, 300 ft	H
1151	Leads Power No 13	K
1164	Stands No 13 Mk I or Mk II	K
1248	GL Sets, Mks I and II	L

(b) Nomenclatures on AAF's E5-1, E5-4, E5-6 and E5-7 will be amended to read as follows:

Serial	Item	Schedule
521	Guns Machine Bren Mk I	A
522	" " " " "Barrels Spare Mks I &II	A
792	Cables, No's 5, 5A and 5B	E
796	Converters Rotary in Boxes, Rotary Converter	E
827	Drums, Tangent, Elevation Scale No 3	E
828	Drums Height and Fuze scale No 3	E
829	Cams, fuze for No 1 Predictor No 3	E
830	Rings, Slip 15 way No 2	E
1020	Wires Measuring Steel, 300 ft (Aust)Complete	H

Serial	Item	Schedule
1199	Projectors AA 150 cm (Aust) fitted with Apparatus AA No 2 Mk VI (Aust)	K
1200	Projectors AA 150 cm, Mk IV (FS) fitted with apparatus AA No 2 Mk VI	K

Para 147. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry consisting of the undermentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President may direct to inquire into and report upon a Fire at DF AASL LOCATION on 1 Apr '43.

PRESIDENT: Major M COOCH 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt

MEMBERS : Capt R ROBERTS 7 Aust Inf Bn
Capt J MINNETT Darwin Fixed Defs

Evidence will be taken on oath. Proceedings to reach this HQ by 1800 hrs Mon 12 Apr '43.

Capt
SC Darwin Fortress Area

Appendix "A"

RECORD OF LEAVE

No _____ Rank _____ Name _____ Date of enlistment

Authority	Type of Leave	Leave Credits		Leave Debits						Debit Balance	Credit Balance	Signature of Offr verifying grant or credit of leave	Remarks
				From		To		Days					
		Period	Days	Time	Date	Time	Date	With Pay	W/out Pay				

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDER PART I

by

COLONEL FN NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

Serial No 21 (Paras 148- 153) 7 Apr '43

Para 148. REPLACEMENT OF PERSONNEL WITH 18 MONTHS SERVICE IN NT

1. A further return is required to reach this HQ by 12 Apr '43 showing:

(i) Personnel who completed 18 months service in NT between 1 Jan '43 and 31 Mar '43.

(ii) Personnel who will complete 18 months service in NT between 1 Apr '43 and 30 Jun '43.

2. The return will be set out on the usual pro-forma.

3. Names and numbers of officers and ranks and trade groups of Other ranks will be shown together with the particulars for each L of C Area. In the case of NCO it is desired that their posting in the unit be shown.

4. Personnel referred to in paras (i) and (ii) will be shown separately.

5. THIS RETURN IS REQUIRED ONLY FROM HQ AND UNITS WHICH WILL BE RELIEVED BY INDIVIDUALS.

Para 149. COURT OF INQUIRY

A court of inquiry consisting of the undermentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the president may direct to inquire into and report upon the circumstances surrounding the injury sustained by Lieut AS WALKER, DID DARWIN.

PRESIDENT	:	Major	WATSON	WC	Darwin Fixed Defs
MEMBERS	:	Capt	BOWYERS	JH	10 Tk A Battery
		Capt	HASSELTINE	TS	2/11 Aust A Fd Regt

Evidence to be taken on oath. Proceedings to reach this HQ by 1800 hrs Wed 14 Apr '43.

Para 150. COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of inquiry consisting of the undermentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the president may direct to inquire into and report upon the accident to Army Vehicle Number 12930 on charge to 65 Aust AA Coy.

PRESIDENT	:	Capt	MOODIE-HEDDLE	EO	2/11 Aust A Fd Regt
MEMBERS	:	Lieut	POOLE	TJ	Darwin Fixed Defs
		Lieut	EDWARDS	RD	NT L of C Wkshops

Evidence to be taken on oath. Proceedings to reach this HQ by 1800 hrs Wed 14 Apr '43.

Para 151. OCCUPATION OF CIVILIAN PROPERTY, BARRACKS AND OTHER PROPERTY

1. Attention of all ranks is directed to AMR&O Div 8 paras 1474-1478 which clearly sets out the responsibilities and duties of all personnel in occupation of barracks, including civilian and government houses.

2. It is the responsibility of all CO's and O's C to ensure that the relevant instructions as laid down in the abovementioned parasare strictly enforced and supervised.

Para 152. CAMOUFLAGE EQUIPMENT (Transport)

A physical check will be carried out by all units under operational command to ensure that camouflage equipment as laid down in Schedule of Standard Camouflage Equipment Table "B" is carried by all MT.

If action has not been taken to comply with the abovementioned instructions, units will do so immediately.

Equipment is obtainable through 82 FOD on indent. (NT Force Authority SM4949/G/C11 of 18 Jan '43)

A report will be submitted to this HQ Not later than 14 Apr showing results of this check.

Para 153. REGIMENTAL LIST OF OFFICERS

1. All units and detachments in Fortress Area, with the exceptions indicated in para 3 of this order, will submit a Regimental List of Officers in duplicate, on the attached pro-forma (Appendix "A") by 1800 hrs 12 Apr '43.

2. Some points for guidance in compiling the lists are as follows:-

(a) The numbers in brackets after the respective ranks refer to the number allowed by WE, NOT the number on strength.

(b) In column 2, Offrs will be shown in accordance with their substantive rank only. Reference to temporary rank will be made in column 7.

(c) Columns 3,4,5,&6 will show the dates of appointments of offrs to the substantive ranks.

(d) In column8, a tick is required if the officer is actually serving with the unit. If not the space may be left blank.

(e) Column 9 will give details of all secondments and detachments, together with authority.

(f) It should be noted that officers who are absent from their unit temporarily through illness or other causes must be shown in column 8 as "with unit" unless they have been seconded or placed on RSL, or posted to "X" list in part II orders.

(g) All officers carried on the Regimental List must be accounted for. If any particular Offr's present posting is not known, the fact should be stated, and the latest possible information given with regard to the officer concerned.

3. All Arty units will submit lists through RAA 12 Aust Divand 7 Aust Inf Bn and 10/48 Aust Inf Bn through 23 Aust Inf Bde.

R.J. Whitby Capt
SC Darwin Fortress Area

Sun 11 Apr '43 NOTICES-CHURCH SERVICES

CE Holy Communion CHRIST CHURCH Smith St DARWIN 0800 hrs
Parade Service Church Army Hut PARAP. 1000hrs - YMCA WINNELLIE 1900 hrs- YMCA Inter Church Club 1930 hrs . Parade Service followed by HC EMERY Pt 11 00 hrs. .

Appendix "A"

Pro Forma

Unit Name _____

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
ARMY NO	NAME	SUBSTANTIVE RANK				"EH" TEMPORARY RANK AND DATE	WITH UNIT	REMARKS
		Lieut	Capt	Major	Lt-col			
Lieutenantcolonels ( )-------		Indicate Number allotted by E						
Majors ( )								
Captains ( )								
Lieutenants ( )								

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V1/3/2 5 & 16
V1/53 1 & 3

Total 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA *(Unit)*

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks	WR	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached)	3 Surplus to Establishment	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment.)
Colonel	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	1	1		
Captains	3	2		1
Lieutenants	1	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters				
Totals	6	6	1	1

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause

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

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

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(Adapted)
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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held	2 Personal Number	3 Name and Initials	4 Corps	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed
Maj T/Col	EX65236	P N [illegible]	Con List	Yes	
T/Maj	NX254	A S WILSON	A/A Asst Inf	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114228	W H CRISWELL K	RAA	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114230	B J WHITBY	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX114236	D F HANSON	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	NX160624	A L [illegible]	RAA	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
Capt	EX 77250	I W MCNAUGHT	AALIC	1.12.43	SHO
Lieut T/Capt	220680	P A MAIN	RAA- AAD	9.3.43	
Lieut	VX1961	K R ROGERS	AABC	1.3.43	BABCO

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit)

9 Apr 43 (Date of Despatch)

[signature] Lt Colonel
Signature of Commanding Officer

Comd DARWIN Fortress Area
(Bde., Div., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving)
RAAF Area

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TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

Army Form W.3009
(page 1)
(Adapted)

VI/3/3. 5 & 16
VI/53 1 & 3
6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA 9 Apr 43

_____ (Unit) _____ 19.... (Date).

To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II. 1			1
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1	1		
Staff Serjeants 2	2		
Serjeants 3	3		
Corporals 12	10		2
Troopers, Privates, &c. —	—		
TOTALS 19	16		3

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
2	51 FAD	5	DARWIN Fixed Defens
3	GDD	6	7 Aust Inf Bn
1	NTF HYGIENE	1	8 " Fd Censor
2	FSS NTFORCE		
5	NTF POSTAL		
6	19 Aust Inf Bn		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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HQ DAIGTH FORTRESS AREA *Unit.*

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(Adapted) (Aug. 41)
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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 (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks		1	Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
~~General Labourers~~		2						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		3						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ DAIGTH FORTRESS AREA *Unit.*

Date of Despatch 9 Apr 43.

Signature of Commander. Colonel.

Comd DAIGTH Fortress Area.

Bde., Div., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

SECRET

Headquarters
DARWIN Fortress Area
9 Apr 43

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA GAS INSTN NO 2.

GENERAL

1. During a recent inspection of units in the DARWIN FORTRESS AREA, it was noticed that practically no GAS PRECAUTIONS have been taken. In many cases Gas alarms, or rattles were NOT in existance, nor were any attempts made to find, or erect a suitable substitute. Fortress Gas Instn No 1 of 6 Jan 43 sets out clearly the Fortress Policy, and requirements with regard to Gas Precautions. The Fortress Comd views with alarm the existing state of affairs, and all units will implement the requirements of this No 2 Instruction forthwith.

2. GRO G 525 of 6 Nov 42 sets out certain requirements which will be applied as follows :-

   (a) All units will appoint forthwith a Unit Gas Officer.

   (b) In the case of small units located in the Area, and where an officer is NOT available, NCO's will be appointed in lieu.

GAS MESSAGE

3. In the event of Gas being used by the enemy in the DARWIN Fortress Area, the following information will be passed to this HQ immediately :-

   (a) GAS WARNING
   (b) TYPE OF GAS USED, and in what form
   (c) ESTIMATED CASUALTIES
   (d) AREA CONTAMINATED
   (e) If Gas cannot be identified, as many details and a description of the Gas used will be forwarded in lieu.

REPORTS

4. After the attack is over, a full report in writing will be submitted forthwith covering the following :-

   (a) A Detailed description of the attack, including a more elaborate report on the information already sent in the GAS MESSAGE.

   (b) Reports by the RMO, if possible, describing the effects of the Gas and the number of casualties.

   (c) Samples of steel or bomb fragments, earth, clothing, etc contaminated with Gas. (All samples to be carefully packed in tins with well fitting lids which will be made secure by the use of adhesive tape or wax, to prevent liquid or vapours escaping).

DECONTAMINATION CENTRES

5. Decontamination Centres will be established in the following areas :-

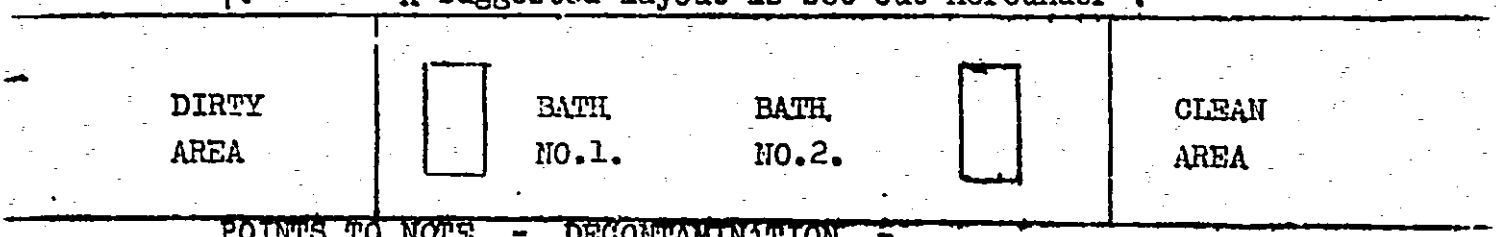
EAST POINT
DUDLEY POINT
FANNY BAY AA STATION
MYRTLE POINT
VESTEYS
LARRAKEYAH
PARAP
VICTUALLING YARD
BOOM DEFENCE AREA
COVERING FORCE AREA
OVAL SECTION AA STATION

DECONTAMINATION CENTRES (contd)

6. In addition, it is suggested that wherever possible, centres will be set up in every Battery, Coy, or detached section within the Fortress Area in order that IMMEDIATE treatment may be given. Unit Commanders will ensure that this is done and on completion of the work, a certificate to this effect will be rendered to this HQ. (By 1400 hrs 30 Apr 43)

SUGGESTED LAYOUT FOR CENTRES

7. A suggested layout is set out hereunder :-



POINTS TO NOTE - DECONTAMINATION -

8. Men who have been contaminated strip off their clothing in the dirty area, and go onto Bath No 1. which should be filled with soapy water and chloride of lime. After washing themselves, they then go into Bath No 2. which is filled with cold, clean water. From there they proceed to the clean area where they dry themselves. Anti-gas ointment will then be issued, together with fresh clothing and equipment.

9. If possible approx 12 towels, and a like number of pairs of shorts and shirts, and boots should be kept in the clean area for issuing. An adequate supply of anti-gas ointment should also be kept, depending on the size of the area the centre is to service.

10. After immediate treatment slight cases may be returned to duty, and all others sent to the RAP.

11. As Bath 2. has to be filled after use by every 3 patients, and Bath No 1 less frequently, a good supply of water is essential. This water supply should be independant of the Town Supply, and all available wells and tanks will be utilised for the purpose.

A.W. Wilson
Major.
BM DARWIN Fortress Area.

DISTRIBUTION :-

List "D".

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Headquarters,
Darwin Fortress Area

LOCATION STATEMENT FOR DARWIN-FORTRESS AREA
AS AT 2359 HRS 12 APRIL 1943

Map Reference:- DARWIN Defence Area Situation Map 2 Inch to 1 Mile.

UNIT	LOCATION MILEAGE	UNDER COMD.	PROJECTED MOVES & REMARKS
HQ Darwin Fortress Area	800086		
12 Aust Div Cypher Sec	792089		
ARTY.			
2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt HQ	793087	Fortress	
"E" Sec Sigs	793087	"	
2/70 L.A.D.	814107	"	
21 B.H.Q.	819118	"	
"A" Tp	803101	"	
"B" Tp	816108	"	
22 B.H.Q.	789100	"	
"C" Tp.	815089	"	
"D" Tp.	792098	"	
61 B.H.Q.	792089	"	
"E" Tp.	792091	"	
"F" Tp.	783090	"	
HQ Darwin Fixed Defences	782142	"	
EAST Bty	782152	"	
EMERY Bty	776094	"	
WEST Bty	719113	"	
AA Gp HQ DARWIN	Larrakeyah	"	
6 Aust Mob Met Flight (Det)	Larrakeyah	"	
AA Gun Ops Room (Berrimah)	913109	"	
19 Aust AA Bty HQ	808080	"	
No 1 Sec (360)	808078	"	
No 2 Sec (359)	799138	"	
No 3 Sec (358)	852180	"	
Light AA Sec (Bofors)	813074	"	
	816079	"	
	814081	"	
	799138	"	
2 Aust AA Bty	896116	"	
No 1 Sec (427)	896119	"	
No 2 Sec (428)	893067	"	
Light AA Sec (Bofors)	893067	"	
7 MD AA Sig Sec (one Det)	Larrakeyah	"	
10 Tk A Bty (103 Tk A Regt)	811102	"	
ENGRS.			
HQ 12 Frt Coy RAE	790091	"	
65 AASL Coy	809106	"	
70 AASL Coy (Bagot)	825140	"	
INF.			
7 Aust Inf Bn	804097	"	
HQ & H.Q Coy	804097	"	
"A" Coy	810123	"	
"B" Coy	809103	"	
"C" Coy	813105	"	
"D" Coy	811102	"	
SIGS.			
Fortress Signals	792090	"	
S & T			
Fortress Amm Sec	784089	"	
MEDICAL			
1 Aust MAC (one sub-sec)	799094	"	
ORD.			
HQ 11 Aust AA W/shops Coy AEME	Larrakeyah	"	
14 Aust AA Bty (Sec) "	785093	"	
2 Aust AA Bty (") "	896119	"	
1/54 AASL Wkshop (") "	785093	"	
MISCELLANEOUS			
Town Major (Class 2) DARWIN	806089	"	

UNITS LOCATED IN THE FORTRESS AREA

UNIT	LOCATION MILEAGE UNDER PROJECTED MOVES COND.	& REMARKS
HQ.		
Det HQ 14 L of C	Vestey's	14 L of C
ARTY.		
225 Aust Lt AA Bty		
"B" Tp HQ	825143	AAD Fd Tps
M1	837161	"
M2	846148	"
M3	838143	"
"C" Tp HQ	866124	"
M4	856142	"
M5	858131	"
M6	846126	"
INF.		
2/8 Aust Ind Coy	902134	Force Tps
PAY		
49 Depot Cash Office Type "B"	803087	14 L of C
ENGRS.		
No 5 Docks Op Coy RAE	Parap	14 L of C
Det 6 Army Tps Coy (2 sec)	Vestey's	CRE
" 54 Aust Fd Park Coy	Vestey's	CRE
19 Employment Coy	Parap	14 L of C
6 Aust Topo Survey Coy	Larrakeyah	Force Tps
2/2 Aust Fd Coy		
No 5 Sec less one sub-sec	809103	CRE
" 6 " " two " "	809103	CRE
8 Aust Camflg Trg Unit	804097	Force Tps
SIGS.		
44 Aust Carr Pigeon Loft DARWIN	Larrakeyah	CSO
S & T.		
11 Sup Pere Coy (Det DID)	Vestey's	14 L of C
" " " " (Det)	Vestey's Siding	14 L of C
12 Fd Bakery (Det)	813081	14 L of C
3 Fd Butchery	Vestey's	14 L of C
Det 8 Fd Butchery	Vestey's	14 L of C
MEDICAL		
Fortress Camp Hospital	Kahlin	14 L of C
2/7 Aust Dental Unit H Sec	Parap	14 L of C
" " " " B "	Kahlin	14 L of C
ORD.		
NT L of C Wkshops AEME	Larrakeyah	14 L of C
82 F.O.D.	804086	14 L of C
12 Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit	Kahlin	Force Tps
MISCELLANEOUS		
13 Aust Salvage Unit	Larrakeyah	Force Tps
Movement Control	802088	14 Lof C
APO DARWIN (065)	803091	14 L of C
NT Force Press Unit	796091	14 L of C
HQ US Army Air Corps	805085	
Barrack Warden	Larrakeyah	
ACF Det (YMCA Representative)	807085	
NTF Canteens (one Det)	808083	14 L of C
" " " ")	Vestey's	14 L of C
Det D of P R	805086	Force Tps

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H. NT Force	1
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Capt.
I.O. Darwin Fortress Area.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

COLONEL P N MURSE .

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA .

SERIAL NO 23 (paras 156 - 164) 14 Apr 43.

Para 156 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

DARWIN Fixed Defences will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing Fri 16 Apr 43:-

STRENGTH	:	1 NCO and 7 OR's
DRESS	:	Full Marching Order
EQUIPMENT	:	Folding and messing gear will be provided by DARWIN Fixed Defences
RATIONS & QUARTERS	:	Provided by HQ DARWIN Fortress Area.
DUTIES	:	As per Guard Standing Orders HQ Frt. Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN Fortress Area at 1630 hrs 16 Apr 43.
NEXT FOR DUTY	:	7 Aust Inf Bn commencing 23 Apr 43.

Para 157 WATER SUPPLIES

Interruptions to water supplies may occur owing to breakdowns of the pumping plant and priority supplies to ships.

Should the water supply fail in any area the unit concerned should immediately advise HQ 10 Frt Coy RAE.

Economy in water consumption must be exercised at all times.

Para 158 CRASHED AIRCRAFT

The following instructions will be promulgated to all ranks, and Unit Commanders will ensure that all personnel under command, are familiar with same :-

1. A crashed aircraft, whether enemy or friendly is still RAAF property, and NO portion or portions of the plane or its equipment is to be removed. A number of cases of souvenirING have been reported, and personnel are to understand, that future breaches of this instruction will be SEVERELY dealt with.

2. It is the responsibility of a Unit in whose area a plane crashes to IMMEDIATELY place a guard over the aircraft, assist the occupants if necessary, and to notify this HQ of its location.

3. The guarding of the A/C remains the Unit's responsibility until such time that the RAAF authorities can make arrangements for the safe keeping, removal or salvage of the aircraft.

Para 159 INTRODUCTION OF A4F G 12 (ADOS FD TPS CIRC 1)

Consequent on the introduction of the above form the following action will be taken :-

1. Immediately a G 12 is lodged all outstanding indents for tools, for the Veh concerned will be cancelled.

2. No further indents will be submitted for tools in respect of such veh.

3. In the case of Indents being lodged for tools for Vehs in respect of which no G 12 has been lodged, each indent must bear the Army No of the Veh concerned.

4. Units must immediately supply to ADOS Fd Tps the following information in regard to indents already lodged for tools on which the veh number was NOT quoted.

(a) Date of Indent.
(b) Unit Indent Number.
(c) Army number of vehicle in respect of which tools are required.
(d) Whether G12 has been subsequently lodged in respect of such veh.

Para 160 MALARIA CONTROL (NT F ADM INSTN NO 63.

1. In order to ensure that an outbreak of Malaria does NOT occur in this area the instructions set out hereunder will apply forthwith.

2. All personnel who have had an attack of malaria within the last four months will be evacuated as soon as possible from NT.

To enable this to be done all units will forward to this HQ the names of personnel so affected when immediate instns for movement will be issued.

3. Units will ascertain the names of all personnel who have at any time previously suffered from malaria or who have during the past 12 months lived in a malarious area. Units will immediately forward a nominal roll to this HQ in order that arrangements may be made for them to be blood tested by 2/1 Aust Mob Bact Unit for the presence of malaria parasites. In addition Medical Officers will carefully watch such personnel for evidence of sub-clinical attacks.

4. Mosquito nets will be used at night by ALL personnel. Units within which there is a shortage of nets will requisition on Ordnance NOT later than 15 Apr 43 for such quantity as is necessary to provide a net for every man.

5. Trousers KD and shirts will be worn by all ranks after sunset. Sleeves of shirts will NOT be rolled up.

6. If a case of malaria occurs within a unit the tents in that unit will be sprayed with pethum at sunrise and kept closed for 15 minutes thereafter. This will be carried out for a period of one week after the case occurs.

7. CO's will ensure that the terms of NT Force Adm Instn No 50 are carried out.

8. The attention of Units is drawn to GROs 1115/43, 1116/43 and 1118/43.

Para 161 COMMITTAL OF SOLDIERS UNDER SENTENCE TO A DETENTION BARRACK OR MILITARY PRISON (GRO A207)

1. When it is necessary for a commanding officer to commit a member to a detention barrack or military prison, he will first ascertain by signal from the APM or DAPM of the appropriate Lines of Communication whether accomodation is available and, if so at what place.

2. A member will NOT be committed to a detention barrack or military prison whilst unfit to serve his sentence or whilst suffering from any venereal disease, scabies or any other contagious or infectious disease, but application will be made immediately, and if necessary from time to time, to the appropriate authority for suspension of the sentence. Similar action will be taken when a member is found, after being committed to a detention barrack or military prison, to be unfit to serve his sentence or to be suffering from any disease referred to in this para. If his sentence is suspended, he will be forthwith evacuated from the detention barracks or military prison, for treatment. Pending suspension of his sentence or evacuation for treatment, or if hissentence is NOT suspended, a member suffering from any disease referred to in this para will be segregated from soldiers under sentence NOT so suffering.

3. The commanding officer of a member about to be committed to a detention barrack or military prison will ensure that -

(a) the member takes with him all his clothing, necessaries (including shaving and toilet articles) and all equipments, except arms, knife, fork, spoon, mess tin and blankets (Australian Military (Places of Detention) Regulations and Standing Orders, para 100,). Any deficiencies will be replaced before committment.

(b) the following documents are forwarded with the escort for delivery to the commandant of the detention barrack or military prison, as the case may be -

(i) Medical Certificate of Fitness - AMR&O 616 (1)
(ii) Warrant of Committment, in the appropriate form (AMR&O 607), with all particulars duly completed and signed by the authority personally issuing it, in accordance with AMR&O 582, 602 and 608.
(iii) Conduct Sheet (except when a member is committed for safe custody) - AMR&O 616(2).
(iv) Kit Inventory.
(v) An authenticated discription of the member, (AMF 452)
(vi) Paybook (AF 5) which will be handed to and retained in the custody of the commandant until the member is released.

4. When a member is awarded or sentenced to detention for 14 days or less, he should NOT normally be committed to a detention barrack to serve his sentence, but he should serve his sentence in a barrack detention room, which, when ever practicable, should be the one nearest to where his unit is situated.

Para 162 **INFORMATION REGARDING LOCATION OF GRAVES (GRO 4270)**

1. It has been noticed that letters of condolence sent to next-of-kin by commanding officers, chaplains and others have, in some cases, disclosed the location of particular units by referring specifically to the place of burial of deceased members.

2. Letters of condolence to next-of-kin and others from commanding officers, chaplains and others will refer only to the actual burial service and contain no information regarding the location of the grave.

Para 163 **DISPOSAL OF ALLEGED OFFENDERS WHILE ABSENT FROM UNITS (GRO A271)**

Para 7 of GRO A217/1943 is amended by deleting "369A" and inserting in its stead "364A".

Para 164 **COMPENSATION FOR KIT LOST OR DESTROYED WHILE ON SERVICE (GRO 4273) (OFFICERS ONLY)**

Attention of all Officers is directed to GRO 4273 of 2nd April 43.

Capt.
A/SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES

PROTESTANT SERVICES TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY APRIL 18 1943.

C of E HOLY COMMUNION in Parish Church, Smith St at 0800 hrs.
Parade Service in Church Army Hut PARAP at 1000 "
" " " Salvation Army Hut LARRAKEYAH at 1100 "
" " followed by Holy Communion at EAST PT at 1900 "
Service in YMCA (INTER CHURCH CLUB) DARWIN at 1930 ".

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W1/3/2 3 & 10
W1/33 1 & 3

Total 6 & 10

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

UK DEVON FORTRESS AREA

.....(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks	W.E.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached)	3 Surplus to Establishment	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment.)
Colonel	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels	1	1		1
Majors	3	2		
Captains	1	3	1	
Lieutenants				
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters				1
Totals	6	6	1	

* 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	
Lieut	[illegible] R. Do	RAC	12 Apr 43	Attached for Duty

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank	Name	Corps	Date	Cause

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held	2 Personal Number	3 Name and Initials	4 Corps	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed
Maj T/Col	VX35236	HOPE F H.	Gen List	Yes	
T/Maj	NX264	WILSON A S.	S/2 Asst Inf	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114228	CHISWICK W H	RAA	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114230	SMITH B J	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX114226	WATSON D K	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	NX160284	DUFFIELD A L	RAA	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
Capt	NX72250	BONAUGHT I W	AAEC	1 Dec 43	SMO
Lieut T/Capt	NX30550	CLARK P A	RAA → AAD	9 MAR 43	
Lieut	VX1901	HOARE N R	AASC	2 Mar 43	FASCO
Lieut	VX56008	FERGUSON R B	RAA	14 Apr 43	

(Unit)

(Date of Despatch)

(Signature of Commander)
COLONEL
Comd. [illegible]

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

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS. 40/43 (Adapted)

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit) 26 Apr 1943 (Date).

VI/3 /2 5 & 16
VI/53 1 3

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 6 & 29	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1			1 (PERSONNEL DETCH TRG)
Staff Serjeants 1	2 NIL		1 " "
Serjeants 2	3 (3)	1	
Corporals 3	5		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	9	3	3
TOTALS 19	25	1	5

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	51 FAD	5	DARWIN Fixed Defs
3	GDD	6	7 AUST IBN BN
1	HT P HYGIENE	1	8 " Fd Coy RAE
2	FSS HTP		
5	HTP POSTAL		
6	19 AUST IBN BN		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

a w. Jm bkt. 5/43

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... *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 (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Hello Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerks Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
~~General Dutyman~~		4						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)		4						

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... Colonel.
Unit. *Signature of Commander*

16th Apr 43. Comd Darwin Fortress Area & Air Forces
Date of Despatch *Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.*

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

COLONEL F.N.NURSE.

COMMANDER.

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA.

SERIAL 24 (Paras 165 - 180) 17 Apr 43

Para 165 RENDITION OF FD RETURNS (NTF 114)

1. As from Apr 24, 43, Detachment SA L of C Records Office, MATARANKA, will consolidate Army Forms W3008 and W3009. The advantages of these forms being consolidated into a Reinforcement Demand Schedule in this Area will be apparent. These advantages, however, will be lost if the returns are NOT forwarded to reach the detachment at the earliest possible moment.

2. The following instructions will apply as from 24 Apr 43

(a) One copy of the returns will be forwarded to SA L of C Records Office, ADELAIDE, as previously.

(b) One copy of the returns will be forwarded to "Records Det, MATARANKA, by the quickest available means.

(c) One copy will be forwarded to HQ NT FORCE.

Para 166 X LIST PERSONNEL POSSESSING UNIT IDENTITY. (NTF 115)

In order to remove doubts which apparently exist in some units as to whether personnel evacuated to Hospital should be included in Army Form W3009 until their posting to X List is shown in Routine Orders Part II, attention is drawn to GRO A412/42 which reads as follows :-

"On the occurrence of the casualty involving Records Office posting the personnel concerned to X List such personnel are struck off effective strength by the unit which will inform Records Office of the nature of the casualty."

Army Forms W3006, W3008 and W3009 MUST be adjusted accordingly.

Para 167 MATTERS TO BE PROVED IN CHARGES OF DRUNKENNESS. (NTF 116)

By an order of the Commander-in-Chief dated 2 Mar 43, the Australian Military Regulations and Orders were amended by the omission of para 712.

Para 168 PROHIBITED AREA - TOWN OF DARWIN (NTF 117)

(a) The Town of DARWIN is out of bounds to all ranks at all hours except on duty.

(b) Attention is drawn to NT Force Routine Order 68/42, which is repeated :-

"In future NO soldier may proceed to DARWIN unless he is in possession of a duty pass signed by his CO. The pass MUST state what business he is proceeding on, and the time for which he is authorised to be absent. Any soldier found in DARWIN without a duty pass will be subject to severe disciplinary action."

Paras (a) and (b) will be published in ALL unit Routine Orders and promulgated to ALL RANKS.

Para 169 PERSONNEL- MOVEMENT - DOCUMENTS AND RECORDS (NTF 119)

(a) LHQ has drawn attention to the fact that lack of detail in Movement Orders has been most prevalent in the past with the result that Movement Control Gps, Staging Camps and ARDs have lacked the necessary information to expedite the movement of personnel to their destination.

(b) Unfortunately many instances have come under notice where, after weeks of lost time and considerable travelling, personnel have returned to the centre from which they commenced their journey to join or rejoin a particular unit.

(c) Unnecessary travel of this nature is not only wasteful of transportation facilities and manpower, but most demoralising to the personnel concerned.

(d) To avoid recurrences of this nature it is essent -ial that Movement Orders or other relevant instructions should contain the reason for the move, e.g., "Rejoining .....(Name of Unit), without naming the destination at which it is believed the Unit was last located, together with directions as to the method, dates and lines of travel and intermediate reporting centres (if any) in accordance with the information supplied by Movement Control. If information is not available from Movement Control the inclusion of the reason for the move will enable the onward movement of the personnel concerned to be planned correctly by Movement Control. The action referred to in this paragraph will be brought into effect forthwith where applicable.

Para 170 REPORTING TO LTD FOR RETURN TO UNIT (NTF 120)

All officers and OR's returning to units from schools or leave will report to LTD in the State in which the school was held or the leave taken.

Para 171 TRANSPORTATION TO AUSTRALIA OF WIVES, WIDOWS, CHILDREN OF MEMBERS OF THE FORCES WHO MARRIED DURING THE PERIOD OF THEIR ACTIVE SERVICE OUTSIDE AUSTRALIA. (NTF 121)

GRO A227/43 is republished hereunder and will be republished in unit Routine Orders :-

227. The Commonwealth Government has decided :-

(a) That no further action will be taken by it towards arranging passages for the abovementioned persons until after the conclusion of the war;

(b) That the Repatriation Commission shall continue to have discretionary power to consider applications from any eligible persons who arrive in Australia under their own arrangements and who later claim refunds, and to refund to them the equivalent of the normal third class fare.

Provided that, if circumstances arise which in the opinion of the Minister for Repatriation render it imperative that this policy should be temporarily waived, the Minister may authorise such action as may be deemed expedient to meet the situation.
Commanding Officers will inform all applicants for such transp[illegible]tion of the above decisions.
No authority has been given by the Minister in pursuance of the proviso to paragraph 1 hereof, but any such authority that may be given will be notified in General Routine Orders.

Para [illegible] (contd)

Provided that, if circumstances arise which in the opinion of the Minister of Repatriation render it imperative that this policy should be temporarily waived, the Minister may authorise such action as may be deemed expedient to meet the situation.

Commanding Officers will inform all applicants for such transportation of the above decisions.

No authority has been given by the Minister in pursuance of the proviso to para 1 hereof, but any such authority that may be given will be notified in GROs.

Para 1[illegible] LOSS OF TENTAGE BY FIRE (NTF 125)

1. A disturbing number of fires has occurred recently in which tents and their contents have been destroyed, and the danger from this source will increase greatly with the onset of the dry season, unless strict measures of fire prevention are taken. In this connection attention is drawn to NT Force Adm Instn No 58 of 8 Feb 43.

2. Smoking in, or in close proximity to, tents is forbidden, and the practice of throwing lighted cigarette butts on the ground will cease. Where suitable receptacles are provided, cigarette butts will be placed in these receptacles. If no receptacles are provided, butts will be extinguished before being thrown away.

3. The cooperation of all ranks in this matter is requested in order to conserve the already limited supply of tentage.

4. This instruction will be republished in unit orders and WILL BE READ TO ALL RANKS ON PARADE.

Para [illegible] "SOUVENIRS" - USE OF ARMY MATERIALS (NTF 126)

1. The use of army materials for the manufacture of ornaments, "souvenirs" etc is FORBIDDEN.

2. This prohibition applies particularly to shell cases and other metal objects, all of which are made of materials of which there is an acute shortage and which can be used again for the manufacture of ammunition, machine parts, etc.

3. This order does NOT apply to the use of materials provided by Australian Army Education Service in connection with the fostering of hobbies.

Para [illegible] TYPEWRITERS (NTF 127)

All units will conduct a check and advise HQ NT Force if Underwood Typewriter 4633458, 18 inch is held on charge.

Para 17[illegible] ACCUMULATION AND EXPENDITURE OF BALANCES IN REGIMENTAL TRUST FUNDS. (NTF 128)

(a) GRO 4175/42 provides for the distribution on a per capita basis of 3½ % of turnover from the Central Canteens Control Board for Unit Trust Funds and of 1½ % of turnover to Formation Commanders for special amenities and other purposes for which the Unit Trust Funds are NOT appropriate.

(b) These funds are intended to be applied for objects of collective benefit to members of the Army. MI memo 93207 of 5 Dec 41, specifically authorises the purchase of sporting material from unit funds so derived. The principle to be observed in the expenditure of those funds is as aforesaid and articles of equipment, furniture or clothing, which are authorised Government issues are NOT to be purchased from such funds.

Para 175 (Contd)

(c) GRO 954/43 provides for the monthly publication in unit Routine Orders by Commanding Officers holding such funds a statement showing the balance standing to the c credit of the fund, the receipts during the month, the expenditure during the month and the details of the purchases for which disbursements were made.

(d) GRO F251/42 provides for the method by which such unit trust funds shall be established and operated by deposit or withdrawal and for the audit of the same.

(e) The following is promulgated as a guide for the operation and conduct of the accounts in which such funds are deposited :-

(1) In a number of cases the balances in such accounts are abnormally high and the credits therein represent in many instances a large proportion of the allocations from Canteen Profits, which were distributed for the benefit of the members of the unit . Such accumulations defeat the intention of these distributions.

(2) As on and from the first day of June, 1943, a review of such balances is to be made quarterly by HQ and in those where the credit balance exceeds the amount of one (1) pound(£) for each member of the unit a direction will be given that the excess in respect of such distributions will, unless satisfactory reasons are adduced to the contrary, be transferred to the funds of the GOC to be spent at his discretion for the general benefit of the troops under command,
In addition, if the GOC so directs, the unit concerned may be excluded from distributions allocated from Canteen profits under the provision of GRO 9175/42 for such period as is directed.

(3) Where a considerable proportion of the personnel of any unit is transferred to another or where any unit or detachment is attached to or being provided with amenities by another unit, the unit from which such transfer is made or which, or part of which, is so attached to another unit, shall contribute from its Regimental Funds to the transferee unit or unit to which such personnel is attached a fair proportion of the cost of the amenities provided. Failing agreement as to the amount of such contribution, the assessment shall be referred to and determined by the GOC.

(4) To enable HQ MT FORCE to ascertain the position of the funds of each unit, a copy of the statement published in unit Routine Orders in accordance with GRO 954/43 for the month of April will be forwarded to reach this HQ NOT later than 13 May 43.

Para 176 EMERGENCY RATIONS

1. Recent inspections have shown many of these rations to be affected by Weevils. Units will withdraw those rations to Unit QM Stores, for inspection by Fortress AASC Officer.

2. Fortress ASC Officer will arrange for replacement of the affected rations.

Para 177 STATE OF VICTORIA - LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL GENERAL ELECTIONS (NTF AI 64).

1. It is advised that the abovementioned Elections are to be held on the 12 June 43, and that members of the forces duly enrolled as electors for the State of Victoria may claim the right to vote by post at this election. Facilities to enable such personnel to vote have been made available.

Para 177 (Contd)

2. PRELIMINARY REQUIREMENTS etc.

(a) Each Unit will ascertain the number of its members who are electors for each House and will forward a request for the relevant number of forms "Application for a Postal Ballot Paper by Elector on War Service" (Form A5 (e)) direct to :-

"The Chief Electoral Officer for Victoria,
Old Treasury Building,
Spring Street, MELBOURNE.C.1.
Victoria.

Requests will be made as early as possible and must reach the Chief Electoral Officer NOT LATER THAN 1 MAY 43.

(b) The Chief Electoral Officer will despatch the required Forms together with copies of the "List of Polling Places etc" and "List of Returning Officers"

3. RECEIPT, COMPLETION and DESPATCH of APPLICATIONS.

(a) On receipt of the Application Forms, Units concerned will arrange for their immediate completion by the electors.

(b) On completion the application forms will be arranged into bundles according to Electoral Districts and each bundle, together with a covering letter setting out title and address of the Unit, will be sent direct by the Unit to the Returning Officer for the Relevant District or Province. (NOT to the Chief Electoral Officer).

(c) The Returning Officers will prepare the proper forms for recording of Postal Votes and covering envelopes and will send them direct to Units.

4. RECEIPT, COMPLETION and DESPATCH of POSTAL BALLOT PAPERS

(a) On receipt of the Postal Ballot Papers, Units will make suitable arrangements whereby electors may complete them and have their signatures attested by an Officer. Upon completion and attestation the soldier will seal the Ballot Paper in its covering envelope and place it in a receptacle to be provided by the Unit for that purpose.

(b) The sealed envelopes will be arranged into bundles according to Electoral Districts and Provinces and despatched so as to reach the several Returning Officers as early as possible and in any case NOT LATER THAN 2000 hrs on 12 Jun 43. Votes received after that time CANNOT be admitted.

(c) In each Unit affected by paras 2,3 and 4 (a&b) above an Officer will be specially detailed to ensure the satisfactory working of these arrangements.

(d) It is essential that prompt action be taken by all concerned.

Para 178 NIGHTSOIL - DISPOSAL OF

The practice of disposing of Nightsoil into the sea will cease forthwith. All Units NOT using deep-trench latrines will deliver all nightsoil to Sanitation Section VERTEYS for disposal.

Para [illegible] D 11's - PREPARATION OF

Attention is directed to NT FORCE Order 156 of 2, Sep 42 reference the above. Units will ensure that sufficient copies are completed to enable THREE to be

Para 179 (contd)

forwarded to this HQ and ONE copy retained for unit's records.

Para 180 CHURCH PARADES

Attention of CO's and OC's is drawn to GRO A421 paras 1,2 and 3.

CO's will ensure that every opportunity is extended to all ranks under their comd to attend Church Parades.

Capt:
A/SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES :

SPECIAL PROTESTANT SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER :

MAUNDY THURSDAY (22 Apr)
United Holy Communion in METH-PRES CHURCH DARWIN 2000 hrs.

GOOD FRIDAY (23 Apr)

C of E Holy Communion in Parish Church DARWIN	0800 hrs
Methodist Holy Communion in Meth-Pres Church	0800 hrs
Holy Communion-Red Shield Hut LARRAKEYAH	1000 hrs
C of E Holy Communion-Church Army Hut PARAP	1000 hrs
United Service in YMCA(INTER-CHURCH Club)DARWIN	1930 hrs
United Service in Church Army Hut PARAP	2000 hrs

EASTER SUNDAY (25 Apr)

CHURCH of ENGLAND- Holy Communion Services :-	
Parish Church Smith Street,DARWIN	0800 hrs
EMERY POINT	0900 hrs
Church Army Hut PARAP	1000 hrs
KAHLIN Hospital	1100 hrs
UNITED SERVICE in YMCA(INTER-CHURCH Club)DARWIN	1930 hrs
" " followed by Holy Communion,DUDLEY PT	1915 hrs.

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DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ADM INSTN NO 18

DISTRIBUTION LISTS

1. DARWIN Frt Area Adm Instn No 17 is CANCELLED; all copies will be destroyed by fire.

2. The following table shows the distribution of each list; "A" and "B" will be for Operational Purposes, "C" and "D" for Adm Purposes.

	LIST A	LIST B	LIST C	LIST D	GRO	SPECIAL
2/11 Aust A Fd Regt	1	1	1	6	2	1
DARWIN Fixed Defences		1	1	6	2	1
AAD (FRT)		1		1		
9. Tk & Bty		1				
Fire Cmnd	1	1				
10/48 Aust Inf Bn	1	1	1	1	1	1
DARWIN Frt Sigs		1	1	1	1	1
5 Aust Dks Opg Coy RAE		1	1	1	1	1
Sup Res Depot VICTORY		1	1	1		
DID		1	1	1	1	
det 12 Fd Bakery		1	1	1		
HQ 3 Aust Fd Butchering Coy		1	1	1	1	
Fortress Camp Hospital		1	1	1	1	1
NT I of C Wkshop AEME		1	1	1	1	1
11 Aust AA Wkshop Coy AEME		1	1	1	1	1
19 Aust Emp Coy		1	1	1	1	1
Town Major DARWIN		1	1	4	1	1
Amm Soo		1	1	1		
APO DARWIN		1	1	1		
Darwin Warden LARRAKEYAH		1	1	1		
NT Force Camflg Officer		1		1		
8 Sec No 1 HD Coy		1		1		
6 Aust A Tps Coy RAE		1		1		
54 Aust Fd Pk Coy RAE		1		1		
82 Fd Ord Depot		1		1		
12 Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit		1		1		
M A C		1		1		
12 Aust Div Salvage Unit		1		1		
M C O		1		1		
NT FORCE Press Unit		1		1		
6 Aust Sur Sec		1		1		
49 Aust Depot Cash Office		1		1		
OC EAST PT AREA	1	1				
OC LARRAKEYAH AREA	1	1				
OC BOOM AREA	1	1				
OC PARAP AREA	1	1				
OC MYILLY PT AREA	1	1				
BOWD :					1	1
Comd	2	1	1	1	1	1
War Diary				2		
File	1	1	1	1	1	1
For Information :						
HQ NT FORCE		1		1		
HQ 14 L of C Sub-area		1		1		
N.O.I.C. DARWIN		1		1		
12 Aust Div Pro Coy		1		1		
YMCA Representative		1		1		
S A "		1		1		
Base Sec USAFIA		1		1		
2/8 Aust Ind Coy		1		1		
ADCS		1		1		
13 Aust Fd Coy RAE		1		1		
SPARES		10		10		

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

COLONEL F.M.MORSE.

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA.

SERIAL NO 25 (paras 181 -183) 22 Apr 43

Para 181 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

7 Aust Inf Bn will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing Fri 23 Apr 43:-

STRENGTH	:	1 NCO and 7 OR's
DRESS	:	Full Marching Order
EQUIPMENT	:	Bedding and messing gear will be provided by 7 Aust Inf Bn
RATIONS & QUARTERS	:	Provided by HQ DARWIN Fortress Area.
DUTIES	:	As per Guard Standing Orders HQ Frt. Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN Fortress Area at 1630 hrs 23 Apr 43.
NEXT FOR DUTY	:	AAD (Fortress).Commencing 30 Apr 43.

Para 182 ORDNANCE PROCEDURE

The following procedure will become effective immediately.

1. When an issue and receipt voucher (G1033 or F.) is to be followed by an indent for replacement of the item returned the number of such indent will in all cases be shown on G1033.

2. This is necessary to enable 8 Adv Ord Depot to ascertain whether W.E.T. items are merely being returned to Ord Depot or are being replaced.

Para 183 WRITE OFF VOUCHERS - G1033

1. Vouchers submitted to write off stores lost or damaged will in future be endorsed with the following certificate.

I certify that stores enumerated hereon have been lost and/or damaged in the course of training or as a result of "fair wear".

A charge has been raised against the individual concerned in the case of negligence.

SGD.....

COMMANDING.....

DATE.....

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2. This certificate is to be signed by the C.O. personally or, in the absence of the C.O. by the 2 i/c.

3. Attention is drawn to N.T.F. Order No.108/43 which states that G1033 or F2 when submitted as a write off must be typewritten or written in ink.

Capt.
A/SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

4. NOTICES

LOST - 2/11 AUST A SD TENT.

Tape, steel, measuring, 300' on 7 Apr 43 approx in area of GUNNER BAIL, WRAP or LARRAKEYAH. Finder please return to this HQ.

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V2/3/2. 5 & 16
V2/53 1 & 3

TOTAL 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	W.E	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Colonel	1*	1		
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	1	1		
Captains	3	2		1
Lieutenants	1	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters				
Totals	6	6	1	1

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj T/Col	VX85236	HURSE P W	GEN LIST	Yes	
T/Maj	NX24	WILSON A S	2/8 Aust Div	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX11223	CRISHOLM W H	RAA	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX11230	WHITBY B J	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX11226	PARSON D E	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	NX16332	DUFFIELD A L	RAA	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.
Lieut/Capt	WX20610	BLAIR P A	RAA-AAD	9 Mar 43	LO
Lieut	VX3901	MOORE H R	AASC	1 Mar 43	BASCO
Lieut	VX54998	SHERMAN R B	RAA	14 Apr 43	LO

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
(Unit.)

23 Apr 43
(Date of Despatch.)

Colonel.
(Signature of Commander.)

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

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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(page 1)
(Adapted)

V1/3/2 5 & 16
V1/53 1 & 3

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit) 23 Apr 1943 (Date).

6 & 19 To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1			1 (Personnel
Staff Serjeants 1	Nil		1 Being Trd)
Serjeants 2	3	1	
Corporals 3	3		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	9		3
TOTALS 19	15	* 1	* 5

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	51 FAD	5	DARWIN Fixed Defence
1	GDD	6	7 AUST INF BN
1	NT F HYGIENNE	1	8 " Fd Censor
2	FSS NTF	1	AAD (Fortress)
5	NTF POSTAL		
6	19 Aust Inf Bn		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA *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 (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
General Dutymen		4						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
Unit.

Lt Colonel.
Signature of Commander.

Comd DARWIN Fortress Area.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

Date of Despatch 23 Apr 43 NT Force

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

COLONEL F.N.NURSE.

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA.

SERIAL NO 26 (paras 124 - 194) 27 Apr 43

Para 134 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

AAD (Fortress) will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing Fri 30 Apr 43:-

STRENGTH	:	1 NCO and 7 ORs
DRESS	:	Full Marching Order
EQUIPMENT	:	Bedding and messing gear will be provided by AAD (Fortress)
RATIONS & QUARTERS	:	Provided by HQ DARWIN Fortress Area.
DUTIES	:	As per Guard Standing Orders HQ Frt. Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN Fortress Area at 1630 hrs 30 Apr 43.
RELIEF FOR DUTY	:	2/11 Aust A Fd Regt commencing 7 May 43.

Para 185 MARRIAGES OF MEMBERS OF THE A.I.F. (GRO A282)

The marriage ceremony of a member of the A.I.F. will not be celebrated in any military camp, station or establishment.

Para 186 UNIT TRUST FUNDS (GRO F293)

Para 8 of G.R.O. F251/1942 is amended by deleting the words "controlling Command Paymaster or District Finance Officer" and inserting the words "Depot or Divisional Paymaster from whom the unit draws its pay advance".

Para 187 TOOTHBRUSHES - REPLACEMENT ISSUES (GRO 0.307)

1. G.R.O. 0.659/1942 provides for free issue of toothbrushes at not less than three monthly intervals.

2. Cases have been brought to notice of Quartermasters refusing to issue toothbrushes other than on repayment. In such cases it is apparent that the contents of G.R.O. 0.659/1942 have not been published in unit routine orders. Action in this regard will be taken forthwith.

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Para 188 FORMATION OF CORPS OF AUSTRALIAN ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERS - SECOND PHASE. (Reference GRO 0.578/1942).(0.290)

1. On 1st May, ~~1943~~, the second phase of the formation of the Corps of Australian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers will take effect.

2. On that date, the following action will be taken:-

(a) All units, other than R.A.E., Sigs and A.A.S.C. units, having war establishments which include tradesmen of the categories listed in the appendix hereto will render casualty returns transferring all such personnel to the A.E.M.E. and taking them on attached strength as "A.E.M.E. attached".

(b) A copy of such casualty returns will be forwarded to the senior A.E.M.E. representative on the formation.

3. On the same date, all tradesmen below W.C.O. rank in the A.E.M.E., including those transferred in accordance with para 2 above, will cease to be designated as "Privates" and will become "Craftsmen" (abbreviation "Cfn"). Non-tradesmen will be "Privates" or "Drivers" according to the duties they perform.

4. War establishments will be amended accordingly.

APPENDIX

FORMATION OF CORPS OF AUSTRALIAN ELECTRICAL AND MECHANICAL ENGINEERS

TRADESMEN TO BE TRANSFERRED TO A.E.M.E.

Armament Artificers
Armourers
Artificers, Artillery
Blacksmiths
Boilermakers
Coppersmiths
Draughtsmen, Mech
Electrical Fitters
Electricians
Fitters
Fitters, Gun
Fitters and Turners
Fitters, Cyclo
Fitters mates
Fitters, M.V. or M.T.
Fitters, Electrical
Grinders
Hammermen
Instrument Mechanics
Machinists (metal and wood)
Mechanics, M.T. or M.V.
Mechanics, Typewriter
Mechanics, Wireless
Millwrights
Moulders
Panel Beaters
Pattern Makers
Plumbers
Radiator Mechanics
Radio Mechanics
Riggers
Rivetters
Saddlers
Tinsmiths
Toolmakers
Turners
Vulcanizers
Watchmakers
Welders (acetylene)
Welders (electric)
Wheelers
Whitesmiths
Wiremen
Woodturners

Para 189 CHANGE IN NOMENCLATURE - DISCONTINUANCE OF USE OF TERM "ANTI - GAS". (GRO G.297)

The substitution in general use of the term "anti-gas" by the term "gas" will be implemented forthwith and will alter existing Ordnance vocabulary. Examples of old and new terms are:-

Old Term	New Term
A/gas training	Gas training
L.H.Q. Gas School, A/gas wing	L.H.Q. Gas School, Gas wing
Cape, A/gas	Cape, gas
Valise, A/gas	Valise, gas
Respirator, A/Gas	Respirator, gas

Para 190 NOTIFICATION OF CASUALTIES (GRO A.302)

1. G.R.O. A.469/1942 was designed to prevent the disclosure of information regarding woundings and deaths in advance of the official notification to next of kin.

2. (a) It is appreciated that service considerations demand, in the case of senior officers, that casualty advices should be communicated to superior authority with the utmost despatch, but steps should be taken to ensure that, if the unit concerned is one which is not required to submit A.F W.3006, advice to the L of C Area Records Office concerned is forwarded not later than that to superior authority.

(b) If, as is usually the case, advice is sent by signal, the signal should be repeated to the Records Office for the area in which the deceased member was serving at the date of his death.

(c) Should the signal or other advice not be repeated to the relevant L of C Area Records Office because of appropriate notification having been sent independently, such advice should conclude with the words "Distree advised"

3. Casualty information which is notified to superior authority as a matter of service administration is to be regarded as confidential until such time as it can be reasonably supposed that the next of kin has been officially informed.

Para 191 INDENT FOR RATIONS (AB 55)

Attention is directed to G.R.O. 9501 of 28 Oct 42 which states:-

"The CO is responsible for the correct preparation of indents and will sign them personally. In the absence of the CO, the officer administering the command will have the same responsibilities. In areas where this provision is impracticable, the AB 55 will be signed by an officer deputed by the CO for the purpose." Unit Commanders will ensure that the above provision is strictly adhered to.

Para 192 PREMATURE EXPLOSIONS OR DAMAGE TO AMMUNITION BY FIRE OR WATER.

Attention is directed to the provisions of G.R.O. 0.209 of July 1942, and Unit Commanders are responsible that the necessary action, as laid down therein, is taken.

Para 193 PARADES - HOURS OF.

Units will submit to this HQ not later than 30 Apr 43 a return showing time and nature of all parades from Reveille to Lights Out inclusive.

Para 194 FORTRESS R.A.P.

Commencing 29 Apr 43, Sick parades will be conducted for Fortress Comd HQ personnel at LARRAKEYAH R.A.P. at 0900 hrs daily. All other units at present reporting at Fortress R.A.P. will parade sick at the Oval R.A.P.

Capt.
A/SO DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES

PROTESTANT SERVICES TO BE HELD ON SUNDAY MAY 2nd

C of E Holy Communion Parish Church Smith St DARWIN 0800
Parade Service in Church Army Hut PARAP 1000 hrs
Presbyterian Holy Communion in Meth - Pres Church 1100 hrs
United Service followed by H.C. Recreation Hut VESTEYS 1930 hrs.
United Service in YMCA (Inter Church Club) DARWIN 1930 hrs
Methodist Holy Communion in Meth-Pres Church 1930 hrs.

LOST : Pistol .45" No 407825 between DARWIN and East Point on night of 23 Apr 43. Finder please return to this HQ.

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Headquarters,
Darwin Fortress Area.

LOCATION STATEMENT FOR DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
AS AT 2359 HRS 28 APRIL 43

Map references:- Darwin Defence Area Situation Map 2 Inch to 1 Mile.

UNIT	LOCATION MILEAGE	UNDER COMD.	PROJECTED MOVES & REMARKS
HQ Darwin Fortress Area	790088		
12 Aust Div Cypher Sec	789088		
ARTY.			
2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt HQ	793087	Fortress	
"E" Sec Sigs	793087	"	
2/70 L.A.D.	814107	"	
21 B.H.Q.	819118	"	
"A" Tp	803101	"	
"B" Tp	816108	"	
22 B.H.Q.	789100	"	
"C" Tp	815089	"	
"D" Tp	792098	"	
61 B.H.Q.	792089	"	
"E" Tp	792091	"	
"F" Tp	793090	"	
HQ Darwin Fixed Defences	782142	"	
EAST Bty	782152	"	
EMERY Bty	776094	"	
WEST Bty	719113	"	
AA Gp HQ DARWIN	Larrakeyah	"	
6 Aust Mob Met Flight (Det)	Larrakeyah	"	
AA Gun Ops Room (Berrimah)	913109	"	
19 Aust AA Bty HQ	808080	"	
360 Hy AA Gun Sta (Darwin Oval)	808078	"	
359 " " " " (Fanny Bay)	799138	"	
358 " " " " (McMillans)	852180	"	
Lt AA Sec (Bofors)	813074	"	
	816879	"	
	814081	"	
	799138	"	
2 Aust AA Bty	896118	"	
427 Hy AA Gun Sta	896119	"	
428 " " " "	893067	"	
Lt AA Sec (Bofors)	893067	"	
9 Tk A Bty (103 Tk A Regt	811102	"	
ENGRS.			
HQ 18 Frt Coy RAE	790091	"	
65 AASL Coy	809106	"	
70 AASL Coy (Bagot)	825140	"	
INF.			
7 Aust Inf Bn.			
HQ & HQ Coy	804087	"	
"A" Coy	810123	"	
"B" Coy	809103	"	
"C" Coy	813105	"	
"D" Coy	811102	"	
SIGS.			
Fortress Signals	792090	"	
7 MD AA Sig Sec (one Det)	Larrakeyah	"	
S & T.			
Fortress Amm Sec	784089	"	
MEDICAL			
1 Aust MAC (One sub-sec)	799094	"	
ORD.			
HQ 11 Aust AA Wkshop Coy AEME	Larrakeyah	"	
14 Regt AA Bty Wkshop (Sec)	785093	"	
2 " " " " (")	896119	"	
1/54 AASL Wkshop (")	785093	"	
MISCELLANEOUS			
Town Major (Class 2) DARWIN	806089	"	

UNITS LOCATED IN THE FORTRESS AREA

UNIT	LOCATION	MILEAGE UNDER COMD.	PROJECTED MOVES & REMARKS
HQ			
Det HQ 14 L of C	Vestey's		14 L of C
ARTY.			
325 Aust Lt AA Bty			AAD Fd Tps
"B" Tp HQ	825143		"
M1	837161		"
M2	846148		"
M3	838143		"
"C" Tp HQ	866124		"
M4	866142		"
M5	858131		"
M6	846126		"
INF.			
2/8 Aust Ind Coy	902134		Force Tps
PAY			
49 Depot Cash Office Type "B"	803087		14 L of C
ENGRS.			
No 5 Docks Op Coy RAE	Parap		14 L of C
Det 6 Army Tps Coy (2 Sec)	Vestey's		CRE
" 54 Aust Fd Park Coy	Vestey's		CRE
19 Employment Coy	Parap		14 L of C
6 Aust TOPO Survey Coy (Det)	Larrakeyah		Force Tps
13 Aust Fd Coy			
No 2 Sec & No 3 Sec	809103		CRE
8 Aust Comflg Trg Unit	804097		Force Tps
6 " " " "	808078		Force Tps
12 " " " "	Dudley Pt.		Force Tps
8 Sec 1 Aust Bomb Disposal Coy	Vestey's		
SIGS.			
44 Aust Carr Pigeon Loft DARWIN	Larrakeyah		CSO
S & T			
11 Sup Pers Coy (Det DID)	Vestey's		14 L of C
" " " " (")	Vestey's Siding		14 L of C
12 Fd Bakery (Det)	813081		14 L of C
3 Fd Butchery	Vestey's		14 L of C
Det 8 Fd Butchery	Vestey's		14 L of C
MEDICAL			
Fortress Camp Hospital	Kahlin		14 L of C
2/7 Aust Dental Unit HQ Sec	Parap		14 L of C
" " " " "B" Sec	Kahlin		14 L of C
ORD.			
NT L of C Wkshops AEME	Larrakeyah		14 L of C
82 F.O.D.	804086		14 L of C
12 Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit	Kahlig		Force Tps
MISCELLANEOUS			
12 Aust Div Salvage Unit	Larrakeyah		Force Tps
Movement Control	802088		14 L of C
APO DARWIN (065)	803091		14 L of C
NT Force Press Unit	796091		14 L of C
HQ US Army Air Corps	805085		
Barrack Warden	Larrakeyah		
ACF Det (YMCA Representative)	807085		
NTF Canteens (One Det)	808083		14 L of C
" " (" ")	Vestey's		14 L of C
Det Dept of Public Relations	805086		Force Tps

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Capt.
I.O. Darwin Fortress Area.

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V1/3/2 5 & 16
V1/53 1 & 3
TOTAL 6 & 19

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

~~HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA~~ (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	W.E.*	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
~~Colonel~~	~~1~~	~~1~~		
Lieut.-Colonels	—			
Majors	~~1~~	~~1~~		
Captains	~~3~~	~~2~~		~~1~~
Lieutenants	~~1~~	~~2~~	~~1~~	
2nd Lieutenants	—			
Quartermasters	—			
Totals	~~6~~	6	11	1

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers ~~JOINED~~ Nil during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
~~Lieut~~	~~DUFFIELD A L~~	~~RAA~~	~~27.4.43~~	~~Ceases to be seconded~~

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj T/Col	VX65250	RURSE F.N.	GEN LIST	Yes	
T/Maj	NX254	WILSON A.S.	2/2 Aust Inf	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114223	CRISWICK W H	RAA	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114230	WHITEY B J	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX114226	HANSON D.K.	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX54998	HENNAN R S	RAA	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.
Capt	VX63949	EDWARDS R K	AAMC	24.4.43	S.M.O.
Lieut T/Capt	VX23630	BLAIR E A	RAA - AAD	9.3.43	L.O.
Lieut	VX1901	[illegible]	2/3 AASC	1.3.43	BASCO

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit.)

30 Apr 43 (Date of Despatch.)

(Signature of Commander.)
Colonel.
Comd DARWIN Fortress Area.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

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VI/3/2 5 & 16
VI/53 1 & 3
Total 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit) 30 Apr 19 43 (Date).

To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants	1		1 (Personnel
Staff Serjeants	1	Nil	1 being Trd)
Serjeants	2	3	1
Corporals	3	3	
Troopers, Privates, &c.	12	9	3
TOTALS	19	15	1 / 5

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	51 FAD	5	DARWIN Fixed Defence
1	CDD	6	7 Aust Inf Bn
1	NT F Hygienne	1	8 Fd Censor
2	FSS NTF	1	AAD (FORTRESS)
5	NTF POSTAL		
6	19 Aust Inf Bn		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... *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 (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
~~GENERAL DUTIMEN~~		4						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... *Unit.*

..... Colonel.
Signature of Commander.

Comd DARWIN Fortress Area.

Date of Despatch 30 Apr 43 ..... NT Force ..... *Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.*

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H. 1004 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	1		Fine and warm.	Signal Priority List Attached.
		1100	Brigadier in charge Administration N.T. Force visits Fortress Commander.	Routine Orders Part 1 No 27 attached.
		1400	7 Aust Inf Bn carry out practice Mortar shoot in Sadgroves Ck. area and Civil Airfield.	
	2		Fine and warm.	
		0952	Unidentified aircraft reported 295 degrees 108 miles. Yellow Warning.	
		1008	306 degrees 33 miles. Red Warning.	
		1017	Raid carried out on R.A.A.F. Airfield, Darwin by 21 bombers, type "Betty", escorted by 20/30 fighters, consisting of Zekes, Haps and Oscars. Bombing run made from N.W. direction at height of 25/26,000 ft. Bombs fell South end of NS runway, amongst buildings, across	

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H. 100M 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			North Australia Road, through bush into Frances Bay. Bombs totalled approximately 120, included 250 KG HE, 60 KG HE and 60 KG Oil Type Incendiary.	
			Total damage was slight, five lengths of water pipe line destroyed, several buildings damaged, runway, power and telephone lines slightly damaged.	
			Casualties were one Army personnel being slightly wounded.	
			Heavy A.A. Gun Sites 358, 359, 360, 427 and 428 engaged enemy aircraft.	
			Fighters intercepted and destroyed 4 enemy fighters, 5 probables and 7 damaged, and one bomber damaged.	
			13 Spitfires were either lost or damaged, all pilots safe except 4. Three Spitfires believed salvagable.	
		1041	Green Warning.	

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H. 1008 2/42

Unit H. Q. Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.		1200	Signal Officer in Chief, Major General Simpson visits Fortress Commander and carries out a tour of inspection of signal communications and equipment in the Fortress Area.	
		1600	Signal Officer in Chief completes inspection and returns to H.Q. N.T. Force.	
	3		Warm and overcast.	
		1100	Lieut Col Munn, Comd 14 A L of C visits Fortress Commander.	
	4		Warm and overcast.	
			Brigadier Potts, Comd 23 Bde, visits Fortress Commander.	
	5		Fine and cloudy.	Admin Inst No 20 Attached.
		0900	Brigade Major visits West Point Battery to approve the sitings of weapon pits for ground defence of that area.	
		1000	Brigadier Locke, Brigadier in charge Administration NT Force, visits Fortress Commander.	

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N. 1004 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.		1100	Major Knox, G11 I N.T. Force, visits Fortress Commander.	
	6		Fine and mild.	Routine Orders Part 1
		0900	Fortress Commander and Brigade Major view exercises carried	No 28 attached.
			out by 2/8 Aust Ind Coy in Leanyer Area.	
	7		Fine and mild.	Admin Inst No 21
		1600	Fortress Commander visits HQ NT Force.	attached. Field Returns of Officers and ORs attached.
		2100	A Coy of Larrakeyah Area carry out practice manning of	
			defence posts.	
	8		Mild and cloudy.	
		1100	A.A.M.G. Col Russell visits Fortress Commander.	
	9		Mild and cloudy.	
		1154	Air raid carried out on Millingimbi advanced fighter strip by	
			7 enemy aircraft.	
		1243	All clear advised.	

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H. 1000 2/42

Unit H.Q. Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	10		Fine and warm.	
		0900	A.A.M.G. Col Russell returns to HQ NT Force.	
		am	Air raid on Millingimbi advanced fighter strip by 9 enemy aircraft, type Zeke.	
		1200	Enemy aircraft reported reported flying West over Bathurst Is.	
	11		Fine and cloudy.	Routine Orders Part 1 No 29 attached.
		1147	Unidentified aircraft reported in Batchelor Area. Red Warning.	
		1217	Green Warning. Aircraft identified as friendly.	
		1700	G.O.C. NT Force arrives Darwin to inspect Fortress Area.	
	12		Fine and cloudy.	Location Statement Attached.
		0915	G.O.C. NT Force inspects parade at Civil Airfield.	
		1100	Darwin Fixed Defences carry out SAA practice at Emery Point	
		1500	G.O.C. NT Force inspects Headquarters Darwin Fortress Area.	
		1700	G.O.C. NT Force returns to HQ NT Force.	

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H. 1000M 2/42 *Unit* Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	13		Fine and warm.	
		0900	2/11 Aust Fd Regt carry out Artillery practice in Leanyer area.	
		1100	Darwin Fixed Defences carry out SAA practice at Emery Point.	
		1159	Unidentified aircraft reported 303 degrees 28 miles. Red Warning.	
		1210	Green Warning. Aircraft identified as friendly.	
	14		Fine and mild.	Field Returns of Officers and ORs attached.
			2/11 Aust Fd Regt continue Artillery practice in Leanyer area.	
			Darwin Fixed Defences continue SAA practice at Emery Point.	
			9 Tk/A Bty hold sub-calibre shoot at Nightcliffs.	
	15.		Fine and mild.	Routine Orders Part 1 No 30 attached.
			2/11 Aust Fd Regt complete Artillery practice in Leanyer Area.	
			Darwin Fixed Defences complete SAA practice at Emery Point.	
			9 Tk/A Bty complete sub-calibre shoot at Nightcliffs.	

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H. 10CM 2/42 *Unit* H.Q. Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	16		Cloudy and mild.	
			NIL to report.	
	17		Fine and mild.	Reinforcement Trg-Organisation Training Depot Staffs, attached.
		0900	Det 6 Aust Army Topographical Survey Section move out of Fortress Area.	
			9 Tk/A Bty hold sub-calibre practice at Nightcliffs.	
	18		Fine and mild.	
			9 Tk/A Bty completes sub-calibre shoot at Nightcliffs.	
		1000	M.G.R.A. Major-General Whitelaw arrives at Darwin to inspect defences in Fortress Area.	
		2030	Reports received of strange phenomena and bright falling lights believed to be meteor.	
	19		Fine and mild.	Routine Orders Part 1 No 31 attached.
		0900	M.G.R.A. Major-General Whitelaw inspects defences.	

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H. 1004 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	20		Fine and mild.	
		1000	U.G.R.A. Major-General Whitelaw returns to H.Q. NT Force.	
	21		Fine and mild.	Field Returns of Officers and ORs attached.
		0800	Fortress Commander visits HQ NT Force for conference.	
		0900	Det A.E.S. moves into Fortress Area and located at Larrakeyah.	
		1500	2 and 19 Aust Heavy AA Batteries carry out AA practice with 40 mm Bofors Guns at flares dropped by aircraft.	
	22		Fine and mild.	
		0900	225 Aust Light AA carry out AA practice over R.A.A.F. airfield Darwin.	
			9 Tk/A Bty carry out full calibre practice at Marlows Lagoon area.	
	23		Fine and mild.	
		0955	Enemy aircraft type Dinah carried out recce of Batchelor,	

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Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.		0955 (contd)	Adelaide River Area, intercepted by fighter aircraft but without visible result.	
	24		Fine and mild.	
		0900	9 Tk/A Bty carry out full calibre 6 pdr shoot Marlow's Lagoon area.	
		1020	Enemy aircraft type Dinah carried out recce of Batchelor Darwin Area. Heavy AA Sites at Berrimah and Fanny Bay engaged. NIL fighter interception.	
	25		Fine and mild.	
		0900	9 Tk/A Bty complete 6 pdr Artillery shoot in Marlows Lagoon Area.	
		1100	Minister for the Army, The Hon Mr E. Forde accompanied by the G.O.C. NT Force visits Darwin on tour of inspection.	
		1115	Fortress Commander accompanies Minister for the Army during inspection.	

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W. 1000 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.		1600	Inspection completed, Minister for the Army together with G.O.C. NT Force returns to HQ NT Force.	
	26		Fine and mild.	
		0900	Darwin Fixed Defences carry out SAA practice from Emery Point.	
	27		Fine and mild.	Routine Orders Part 1 No 32 attached.
		0900	Darwin Fixed Defences complete SAA practice from Emery Point.	
		0930	2/11 Aust Fd Regt carry out Artillery practice at seawards moving targets, and land targets on Cox Peninsular.	Location Statement attached.
		2000	Demonstration of Verey Pistol by Linnellie School, 4 only Red and Green Verey lights fired.	
	28		Fine and mild.	Field Returns of Officers and ORs attached.
		0930	Brigade exercise in Leanyer area, Artillery, Mortar and SAA fire together with Air Cooperation firing ball ammunition	
		1207	Unidentified plots of aircraft to North-West, believed	

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H. 1008 2/42

Unit H.Q. Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			probable shipping recce.	
		1350	Air raid on Millingimbi by 8 bombers and 7 fighters. Inter-	
			ception made by fighters and 3 bombers destroyed.	
		1930	Manning exercise of weapon pits in Larrakeyah area.	
		2130	Exercise completed.	
	29		Fine and cloudy. NIL to report.	
	30		Fine and mild.	
		1000	H.M. M.T. Duntroon arrives Darwin to disembark elements of	
			12 Aust Inf Brigade and embark portion of 19 Aust Inf Brigade.	
		1030	Brigadier Martin Comd 19 Bde visits Fortress Commander.	
	31		Fine and cloudy.	
		1400	Darwin Fixed Defences carry out seawards sub-calibre artillery	
			shoot from East Point.	
		1500	54 Squadron hold air to ground gunnery practice at Nightcliffs-	

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M. 1004 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 May *To* 2400 hrs 31 May 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			Lee Point, Gunnery Range.	
		2000	Darwin Fixed Defences carry out seawards sub-calibre artillery shoot from East Point.	

Colonel.

Comd Darwin Fortress Area.

War Diary

Headquarters
DARWIN Fortress Area
1 May 43
1360/157/1

SIGNAL PRIORITY LIST.

1. For the information and necessary action of all CO's and OC's all units under Comd, NT FORCE GS Instn No 17, of 26 Aug 42 is reproduced as follows :-

"The abuse of signal priorities has reached serious proportions in this Force Area to the detriment of Signals' efficiency and with the grave and inevitable result that the object of the use of priorities has been defeated. Delay in the delivery of signals of vital importance has resulted.

2. A table of priorities and remarks relevent to each is set out below. It will be studied carefully by all offrs.

Degree of Priority.	Offrs authorised to frank messages without being held responsible for explanation.	Remarks.
(a) MOST IMMEDIATE	Only A C-in-C or his chief GSO.	This indication will be reserved for messages of vital urgency.
(b) EMERGENCY OPERATIONS	GOC, BGS, Brig i/c Adm.	This indication will be used for messages of the utmost importance having a direct bearing on operations.
(c) IMMEDIATE	As for (b) plus CE, ADST, DDMS, ADOS, and Grade II Staff Offrs.	The use of this priority will be limited to messages the speed of which is of special importance, as otherwise its purpose will be defeated. A signal franked IMMEDIATE might be considered the equivalent of an urgent telegram on the civilian system.
(d) IMPORTANT	As for (b) and (c) plus Unit Comds, all Staff Offrs, all Sig Offrs.	This will be used only for signals which require a priority over the ordinary service message. A signal bearing this priority might be considered equivalent to a telegram on the civil system.
(e) ORDINARY SIGNAL		A signal should be originated only when a letter on the subject will NOT reach the addressee in sufficient time to enable the necessary action to be taken. It might be considered the equivalent of a letergram on the civil system.

4.(a) The undermentioned offrs only may demand "Clear the line" calls over the military telephone system:-

GOC, NT FORCE
NOIC DARWIN
AOC, NW AREA

4. (b) Offrs listed within the "EMERGENCY OPERATIONS" category may demand telephone calls in that priority. Conversations in progress will be interrupted for those calls.

(c) Offrs entitled to frank a signal "IMMEDIATE" may demand Priority calls on the military telephone system and an SDR for "local" runs. Priority telephone calls do NOT interrupt conversations in progress.

5. Telephone conversations are normally limited to three minutes. Action as outlined in para 6 will follow breaches of this instruction unless a request for an extension can be fully justified by the offr concerned.

6. Comds will police this instn within their own formations and units. All signals coming into all Signal Offices will be checked for misuse of priorities, andreports made to Adv HQ NT FORCE.

A list of offrs authorised to demand Priority or Higher calls by telephone will be kept in all Signal Offices, and before Sigs accept the call the identity of the caller will be established. "

2. All units will ensure that the terms of NT FORCE GS Instn No 17 are rigorously enforced, and special attention will be paid to the length of telephone conversations.

Major.
BM DARWIN Fortress Area.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

COLONEL F.N.NURSE.

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA.

SERIAL NO 27 (Paras 195 - 198) 1 May 43.

Para 195 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

2/11 Aust A Fd Regt will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing Fri 7 May 43:-

STRENGTH : 1 NCO and 7 OR's

DRESS : Full Marching Order

EQUIPMENT : Bedding and messing gear will be provided by 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt.

RATIONS & QUARTERS : Provided by HQ DARWIN Fortress Area.

DUTIES : As per Guard Standing Orders HQ Frt.

Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN Fortress Area at 1630 hrs 7 May 43.

NEXT FOR DUTY DARWIN Fixed Defences commencing 14 May 43.

Para 196 COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry consisting of the under mentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President shall direct for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the damage by fire to Government property on charge to 70 Aust AA Wkshop Coy

PRESIDENT : Capt O G LENG 7 Aust Inf Bn

MEMBERS : Lieut EDWARDS R D NT L of C Wkshops

Lieut E JOHNSON DARWIN Fixed Defences

Evidence will be taken on oath. Proceedings to reach this HQ by 1400 hrs 8 May 43.

Para 197 ELECTRIC FANS

A return on the appended pro forma will be forwarded to this HQ not later than 1800 hrs 5 May 43 showing the present holding of electric fans within units of DARWIN Fortress Area.

BTY, COY OR SUB-UNIT	MAKE	REGD NUMBER	TYPE AND SIZE	ARMY ISSUE PRIVATELY OWN-ED, IMPRESSED	WHERE LOCAT-ED	CONDITI-ON OF FAN

SIGNATURE.....

DATE.....

Para 198 NATIONAL SECURITY (WAR SERVICE MORATORIUM) REGULATIONS.
NATIONAL SECURITY (LANDLORD AND TENANT) REGULATIONS.
(G.R.O. A.272.)

Reproduced hereunder is para 8 of the abovementioned Order:-

The contents of this order are to be communicated to all recruits on their enlistment and a copy is to be kept posted on all unit notice boards, and a further copy is to be kept readily available for reference in each recruiting office and company etc. office.

This para is to be republished in all unit RO's.

J.K. Hanson Lt for Capt.
A/SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES

LOST AND FOUND : A large sum of money has been found in the vicinity of Myilly Pt picture area.
Claimant may have same upon applicati and identification H.M.A.S. Melville regulating office.

FOUND : On beach near Water Transport Jetty.
1 pair of Tortoise shell Glasses.
Owner can claim at NT L of C Wkshops A.E.M.E.

LOST : On Apr 23 a canopy from 3-ton lorry on charge to 2/8 Aust Ind Coy between LEE POINT and BERRIMA ROAD. Finder please return to this HQ.

Headquarters
DARWIN Fortress Area
5 May 43

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ADM INSTN NO 20

The following ration scale will take effect forthwith for all units of DARWIN Fortress Area rationed from D.I.A. DARWIN. Any alteration to this scale will be notified through this HQ Area RO's.

COMMODITY	OUNCES PER MAN PER DAY	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	EQUIVALENTS
Bread	14	14		14	14	14	14	14	Biscuits G.S. 10½ ozs
Biscuits	10½		10½						
Flour	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	Rice 2 ozs or Oatmeal 2 ozs
Meat Fresh (With bone)	16	16	16	16	16		16	16	X
Eggs Dried	1⅛			1⅛			1⅛		Meat Pres 4 ozs
M & V	16					16			
Rice	1	1		1	1		1	1	
Oatmeal	1								
Sausages Tinned	3			1					Beans Baked 3 ozs
Bacon	1⅓								X
Cheese	6/7	6/7	6/7	6/7	6/7	6/7	6/7	6/7	
Peas Dr	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	X
Vegetable Fresh	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	12	Veg Tinned 10ozs or Veg Dr 3 ozs
Potatoes Fresh	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	Potatoes Tnd 4 ozs or Pot Dr 2 ozs
Onions Fresh	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	Onions Tnd 1 ozs
Jam	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	Golden Syrup 2 ozs
Coffee	1/5	1/5	1/5	1/5	1/5	1/5	1/5	1/5	
Tea	5/16	5/16	5/16	5/16	5/16	5/16	5/16		Cocoa 1 ozs
Cocoa	1½							1½	
Sugar	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Salt	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	½	
Pepper and Mustard	1/100	1/100	1/100	1/100	1/100	1/100	1/100	1/100	
Curry Powd	½								Weekly
Butter	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾	Margarine 1¼ ozs
Fruit Dr	2&1	2	2	2	1	2	2	1	Fruit Pres 4 ozs or Frt Pie 4 ozs
Fruit Pres	4				4			4	
Baking Powder	¼	Wee kly		¼					
Fruit Tomatoe Juice	8	"			8				Fruit Pres 8 ozs
Milk Cond U.S.	2½	2½	2½	2½	2½	2½	2½	2½	

"X" Denotes Notes over page.

Meat Fresh. Issued 5 days per week. When available the following will be issued:-

or	Pork Frozen	12 ozs	Consumption Sunday
or	Mutton	16 ozs	" Thursday
or	Rabbits Frozen	16 ozs	

Bacon. 1½ ozs or sausages tinned 3 ozs or Beans Baked 3 ozs.

Peas Dried 1 ozs or Lentils 1 ozs or Peas Split 1 ozs.

When Tomato Fruit Juices are in short supply and not sufficient for authorized issue, an issue of fruit pres (8 ozs) will be made in lieu

Sodium Chloride (Salt) Tablets have been added to the ration scale and will be issued at the rate of 1 tablet per man per day upon receipt of demand from units.

Holdings of Egg Powder are large, and to reduce this, Fish Tinned has been temporarily removed from the scale and Egg Powder increased to 1⅛ ozs in lieu.

Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

COLONEL F.N.NURSE.

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA.

SERIAL NO 20 (Paras 199 - 216) 6- May 43.

Para 199 ACETYLENE GAS CYLINDERS

A quantity of gas cylinders has been unlawfully removed from the Fortress Area.

A physical check will be carried out by all units of DARWIN Fortress Area to ascertain the whereabouts of any of the abovementioned cylinders.

A report will be submitted to this HQ showing the result of the check. If any cylinders are held on issue the authority for holding will be stated.

The report will be submitted to this HQ by 8 May 43.

Para 200 RETURNS - SUBMISSION OF.

A serious view is taken of the delay and carelessness of some units when submitting returns to this HQ.

C.Os must appreciate that returns are essential for effective administration. The information contained in such returns must therefore be accurate and submitted promptly.

In future all returns ordered by this HQ MUST reach this HQ on or prior to the time and date specified.

Para 201 COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry consisting of the under mentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President shall direct for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon the discrepancies as revealed in the Stocktaking of DARWIN Fixed Defences.

PRESIDENT : Major A J GREVILLE HQ NT Force

MEMBERS : Major S D BREMNER AAD (Fortress)

Capt E O MOODIE - HEDDLE 2/11 Aust A Fd Rc

Evidence will be taken on oath. Proceedings to reach this HQ as soon as possible

Para 202. **P.M.F. AND C.M.F. - ENLISTMENT IN A.I.F. (G.R.O.A320)**

In accordance with the approval given by War Cabinet on 6 April 43, the age limit for voluntary enlistment of males in the A.I.F. is lowered to 18 years, subject to the existing conditions for enlistment in the A.I.F.

G.R.O. A.168/1942 is amended in para 1(c) by omitting the sentence "Enlistment in A.I.F. will be restricted to personnel between the ages of 19 and 40 years" and inserting the following sentence:-

"Enlistment of males in the A.I.F. will be restricted to volunteers between the ages of 18 and 40 years."

Para 203. **POSTING AND DISPOSAL OF YOUNG SOLDIERS OF THE A.M.F. (G.R.O. A.321)**

Soldiers under 20 years.-

Soldiers who, on joining the A.M.F., are under the age of 20 years, will not be posted to units of the Field Army until they have completed six months' training.

If, during this period of training, the soldier transfers from C.M.F. to A.I.F., the continuity of the period of his training will not thereby be affected.

Soldiers under 19 years.-

Soldiers under the age of 19 years will not be posted or transferred to the Northern Territory or to any place outside the mainland of Australia and Tasmania.

Any soldiers under the age of 19 years who are serving with a unit which is ordered to Northern Territory or to any place outside the mainland of Australia and Tasmania will be withdrawn from that unit and transferred to another unit in the L of C Area in which they are serving or returned to the G.D.J. in the L of C Area in which they are serving and re-allotted to units in that L of C Area.

Any soldiers under the age of 19 years who are found to be serving in Northern Territory or in any place outside the mainland of Australia and Tasmania will be withdrawn to and retained at the base in the area in which they are serving until they attain the age of 19 years. Arrangements will be made by the HQ of the force with which they are serving for their further training or for their suitable employment on other duties with units in the base area pending their attaining the age of 19 years, when they may be transferred or posted to forward units.

Soldiers under 18 years.-

Where a soldier (not being a soldier awaiting trial or serving a sentence of imprisonment or detention (vide G.R.O. A.228/1943)) is found to be under the age of 18 years his discharge from the A.M.F. will be effected through normal channels as soon as possible, unless he is within three months of attaining that age.

Discharge will not be effected until the date of birth of the soldier has been verified. Units may refer to HQ L of C Areas of enlistment direct, for investigation and advice, any case of a serving soldier who is alleged to be under the age of 18 years.

The appropriate provisions of paras 1-5 inclusive apply to those soldiers who are within three months of attaining the age of 18 years.

General.-

M.B. Memo 73980 of 3 October, 1941, and G.R.Os A.75/1942 and A.492/1942 are cancelled.

Para 204. INOCULATION AND VACCINATION. (G.R.O. A.732)

There is need for close attention to be given to the urgent necessity for the protection of all members of the A.M.F. against typhoid fever and tetanus by inoculation with T.A.B. vaccine and tetanus toxoid.

Thoroughness in administrative procedure is particularly necessary to ensure that every member of the unit has received the necessary dosages to provide immunity. Instances have occurred where failure to carry out previous instructions promulgated (vide L.H.Q. Memorandum 40268 of the 23 April, 1942) has resulted in consequences of the most serious nature.

Strict adherence to the interval between doses of T.A.B. vaccine and tetanus toxoid will be observed wherever possible, and on no account will the interval period be shortened as a normal or routine procedure.

The normal procedure for inoculation is laid down in Standing Orders for Australian Army Medical Services, 1941, Appendix No 33, pages 101 to 107.

T.A.B. Vaccine.-

Three doses of T.A.B. vaccine ($\frac{1}{4}$, $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{1}$ c.c.) will be given, with an interval of three weeks between consecutive doses.

Tetanus Toxoid.-

Two doses of tetanus toxoid (each of 1 c.c.) will be given, with an interval of six weeks between doses.

The following procedure will be adopted when the prescribed intervals have not been adhered to:-

If only two doses of T.A.B. vaccine have been given and the interval between the doses is less than seven days or more than three calender months, the member will be given two additional doses of T.A.B. vaccine ($\frac{1}{2}$ c.c.) with an interval of three weeks between them.

If three doses of T.A.B. vaccine have been given so that the interval between any two consecutive doses is less than seven days or more than three calender months, the member will be given an additional dose of T.A.B. vaccine ($\frac{1}{2}$ c.c.).

A member who has received four doses of T.A.B. vaccine will be regarded as immunised with that vaccine, provided that there is an interval of at least twenty-one days between the first and last doses.

If two doses of tetanus toxoid (1 c.c.) have been given but the interval between them is less than twenty-one days or more than three calender months, the member will receive an additional dose of tetanus toxoid (1 c.c.).

A member who has received three doses of tetanus toxoid will be regarded as immunised with that toxoid, provided that there is an interval of at least twenty-one days between the first and last doses.

CO's of all units will arrange a check of inoculation states during the first week in October in each year.

Members who have received the initial doses of T.A.B. vaccine, but who have not received a dose subsequent to 31 December of the previous year, will be given a further dose of $\frac{1}{2}$ c.c. T.A.B. vaccine.

Para 204 (cont)

Members who have received the initial doses only of tetanus toxoid and who have not received a dose subsequent to 31 December of the previous year will be given a further dose of 1 c.c. tetanus toxoid

Only one reinforcing dose of tetanus toxoid is to be given. On no account will the dose be repeated each year.

If in any instance the above procedure is impracticable, the CO of the unit or the units concerned will so advise the senior administrative medical officer of his formation who will report accordingly to D.G.M.S.

Particulars of all inoculations will be entered on the medical sheet in the soldier's Pay Book or Record of Service Book when issued, and the entry will be signed by the medical officer responsible. The location at which the inoculation (or vaccination) is performed will not be inserted.

No evidence of inoculation or vaccination other than a proper entry in the Pay Book or Record of Service Book will be accepted.

G.R.Os. A.452/1942 and A.7/1943 are cancelled.

Para 205. LEAVE PASSES (G.R.O. A.326.).

A new form of leave pass (AAF A96, revised April, 1943) has been printed. Units will requisition for books of the forms through normal channels

A Register of Issue showing the serial numbers of forms issued to units will be kept by stationery depots. Units will also keep a record of the serial numbers of forms received.

On receipt of the new forms, units will take them into immediate use and will return to stationery depots not later than 31 May, 1943, all unused forms AAF A96 of any earlier issue. Stationery depots will arrange for forms so returned to be destroyed by pulping or other suitable means.

If a book or part of a book of leave passes is lost, the unit to which such book was issued will furnish a report of such loss, immediately on discovery thereof, by the quickest available means:-

to the HQ of its formation (for the information of the A.P.M.); and

to L.H.Q. (for the information of the P.M.).

The subsequent finding of a book or part of a book of leave passes reported lost will be similarly reported.

Instructions regarding the use and custody of the new forms are printed on the covers of the books and on the backs of the new forms. Those instructions will be strictly observed.

Two sets of numbers are printed on the edges of the new forms. The numbers 1 to 24 represent hours of the day and the numbers 1 to 31 represent days of the month, Before a pass is issued, holes will be punched with a pin or some other suitable instrument in the spaces corresponding with the hour and day on which the pass expires.

Para 206. BUNGS AND WASHERS FOR 4-GALL AND 44-GALL DRUMS (G.R.O. 0.327.)

Severe shortages of rubber used in washers and of die-caste metal used in bungs make it essential that these items be conserved. Units using drums will replace bungs and washers and tighten them with a bung spanner. Care will be taken not to damage bungs by using a hammer or other unauthorized method of opening.

Para 207. SUPPLY OF CIVILIAN CLOTHING TO DISCHARGED MEMBERS OF THE A.M.F. (G.R.O. 0.331)

Male members

War Cabinet approval has been given to the following revised conditions governing the issue of civilian clothing to discharged male members of the A.M.F.:-

A free issue of civilian suit and hat (total value not exceeding £3) will be made, upon request, at the time of discharge to all male members who have been enlisted or called up for full-time duty and who have had at least three months satisfactory service.

Men with less than three months' service and also those discharged for disciplinary reasons who require civilian clothes will, upon request, be issued with a civilian suit and hat, the value thereof being deducted from their pay (including deferred pay) if sufficient funds remain due for the collection of this amount.

All previous instructions on this subject are cancelled.

Female members

As a temporary measure, pending further consideration of the question of civilian clothing to discharged members of Women's Services, interim approval is given for payment of an allowance not exceeding £2.10.0 each to personnel discharged from the Women's Services who are in necessitous circumstances.

The term "necessitous circumstances" is to be interpreted as applying to members who on discharge -

do not possess a civilian hat and frock or similar outer garments;

are entitled to receive a cash payment on discharge of less than £20; and

have no other funds wherewith to purchase civilian clothes.

Para 208 FEDERAL INCOME TAX - COLLECTION BY INSTALMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE ARMY (G.R.O. F.336)

Attention of all units is drawn to the new scale of tax deductions which will commence on the 1st May, and continue thruoghout the group year ending 30 Apr, Instructions will be issued to all units by Command Pa Office.

Para 209 RIFLES, NO 1, MKS. [illegible] AND 1[illegible] - CHANGED BOLTS, BREECH (G.R.O. 0.333)

An unduly large proportion of rifles returned to depots by units has been reported as having "Changed bolts, breech".

Bolts, breech, are fitted to rifles to which they are intended to be used. Great care is taken to ensure that they fit and fulfil all conditions to ensure that they are gauged to and within safe limits.

When the bolt is so mated, it is stamped on the lever with the "Factory" or Master No. This number may be seen on the right side of the forward end of the body of the rifle.

CO's of units will arrange for all rifles on their charge to be carefully checked in this regard and, where it is found that bolts, breech, have been changed, immediate efforts will be made to place them correctly. If any such changed bolts cannot be placed correctly within the unit, a report showing:-

numbers stamped on bolt levers;

"Factory" numbers of rifles

will be submitted to formation HQ, which will endeavour to place them correctly between units of the formation. Should there be any bolts that cannot be placed correctly by this procedure, then HQ formation will instruct the CO of the unit or units concerned to submit rifles to nearest A.E.M.E. Workshop for refitting of bolt, breech.

Para 210 ORDERS FOR SUPPLIES OR SERVICES (G.R.O. F.337)

Ordering officers will be responsible for seeing that, before any order for supplies or services is issued, the blank spaces between the last entry on each copy of the order and their signatures are cancelled by drawing a diagonal line across them, thereby preventing any unauthorized additions.

Para 211 BREAKING DOWN OF SERVICE OR ENEMY AMMUNITION (G.R.O. G[illegible])

The breaking-down of service or enemy ammunition in any way, other than that authorized by training publications, hand books, regulation in existence or instructions issued from L.H.Q., is strictly forbidden.

The breaking-down of any service or enemy ammunition by unauthorized persons is prohibited.

If information is required on the internal construction of any type of service ammunition, reference can be made to inspecting Ordnance Officers posted to HQ of Corps or L of C Areas.

Enemy ammunition will normally be broken down or demolished by R.A.E. units (preferably bomb disposal units) under instructions from formation etc. headquarters

Para 212 IGNITER SETS - GRENADES NO 36M - SUSCEPTIBILITY TO MOISTURE (G.R.O. G.342)

The .22 R.F. cartridge cap, as used in the igniter sets for grenades No. 36M, is highly susceptible to moisture.

Personnel handling igniter set containers will observe strictly the following procedure:-

Igniter sets are always issued in soldered cylinders. Should a cylinder be opened and the whole of the contents not expended, the cylinder will be resealed by effective adhesive tape or shellac binding.

Detonators which show visible signs of corrosion or verdigris on the caps will be treated as suspect, as these are liable to produce blinds. Units will refer such detonators to an inspecting Ordnance Officer for determination of condition.

Units will keep the number of "ready use" grenades to a minimum, consistent with operational needs, and in tropical areas this number will not exceed four days requirements in advance.

213 SERVICE CHEVRONS (G.R.O. A.346)

Attention is directed to G.R.O. A.45/1943, A.153/1943 and A.283/1943.

Complaints are still being received that some personnel who are not entitled to service chevrons are wearing them. In particular, it is alleged that some personnel who have served at DARWIN are doing this.

COs will give this matter constant attention and institute checks to ensure that such chevrons are worn only by personnel who are entitled to them, i.e., members of the A.M.F., approved representatives of philanthropic organizations and civilians attached to the forces in an official capacity (except those disqualified under para 4 of G.R.O. A.45/1943) who have departed from the final place of call in Australia for an overseas theatre of operations or have entered a "declared theatre of operations". The only portions of the Commonwealth of Australia so far to be declared theatres of operations for this purpose are the Mandated Territory of New Guinea and the Territory of Papua as from 1 January, 1942.

Para 214 FRUIT DRIED - CONDEMNATION OF

Reference NT Force ST/9224 of 29 Apr. 43.

Many queries have been received by D.I.D. regarding dried fruit being unfit for human consumption. It is difficult to set down a hard and fast rule as to the fruit's condition but the following is issued as a guide for unit Quarter Masters:-

Fruit dried which appears to be exceptionally dark in colour is normally quite fit for human consumption, in most cases this discolouration is due to the use of too much sulphur in the drying process, and is quite harmless.

The presence of a few weevils is not a reason for condemnation as during soaking the weevils will float to the top and can easily be removed.

Para 214 (cont)

However where weevils are present in large number and the fruit has become badly affected, this fruit will be probably unfit for human consumption and should be withdrawn to unit store for inspection by Fortress ASC officer.

Para 215 RATION SCALE

Reference HQ DARWIN Fortress Area Adm Instn No 2[illegible]

The following temporary amendments to current scale of issue will take effect forthwith:-

Delete : Fruit Dried, 1 oz per man each Sun, Mon Tue Thur Fri.

Insert : Fruit Dried 2 oz per man each, Sun, Mon Tue Thur Fri, and 1 oz per man each Wed and Sat

Para 216 UNCONSUMED RATIONS - RETURN TO D.I.D.

Owing to shortage of Staff and weekly accounting unconsumed rations will only be accepted by D.I.D. on MONDAY of each week.

COs of units will ensure that this instn is rigidly adhered to.

[illegible] Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES

CHURCH SERVICES : Protestant Services as usual. Special reference MOTHERS' DAY.

FOUND : In vicinity of DARWIN Baths, Duplicate Paybook No 24207 , and notebook, in name of NX 24588 D.A.D.Y. YOUNG-WHITFORDE. Held at this HQ.

LOST: Driver's Licence, with duty pass to DARWIN enclosed, on issue to W.18847 Gnr SALMON G. Licence No 82865 Dated 2/2/1942. Finder return to this HQ.

FOUND 2 Sets Identity Discs : QX 37699 G.T. HOLMES

and NX 98451 W.C. STRATTON.

Ownership may be claimed from this HQ.

Headquarters
DARWIN Fortress Area
7 May 43

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ADM INSTN NO 21

WASHING OF BLANKETS

1. Facilities are available with 12 Aust Div Mob Laundry attached Fortress Camp Hospital, for the washing of blankets, and ALL units in Fortress Area will deliver blankets accordingly on the following schedule. Lots of 200 will be delivered at 1300 hrs on the day indicated, and collected at 1300 hrs the following day.

2. The units grouped below will make inter unit arrangements to deliver their blankets in lots of 200.

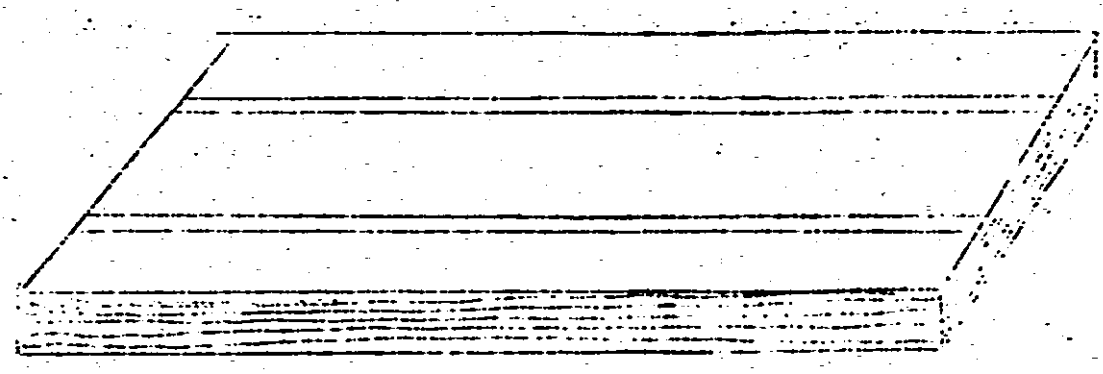
3. Blankets will be rolled in bundles as per sketch overleaf.

4. Blankets will be signed for by 12 Aust Div Mob Laundry upon receipt of same for laundering and by unit concerned after laundering. The blankets will be carefully checked before and after each transaction:-

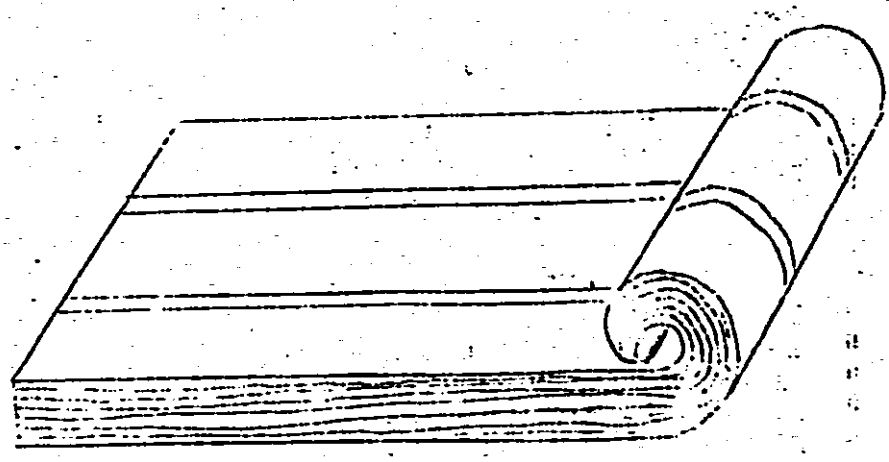
5.

May	10	: HQ DARWIN Fortress Area, incl Ammunition Sec, APO, Town Major, Barrack Warden.
"	11 - 15	: DARWIN Fixed Defences.
"	17	: 3 Fd Butchery (incl 8 Fd Butchery)
"	18 - 21	: 5 Docks Opg Coy R/E.
"	22 and 24	: 19 Aust Emp Coy.
"	25 - 27	: NT L of C Wkshops AEME and 11 Aust AA Wkshop Coy
"	28	: 9 TK/A Bty
"	29	: AAD (Fortress)
"	31 - Jun 5	: AAD (Fortress)
June	7 - 12	: 7 Aust Inf Bn
"	14	: 11 Sup pors Coy and 12 Aust Fd Bakery and 8 B.D. Sec.
"	15	: DARWIN Fortress Signals
"	16 - 19	: 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt
"	21 - 22	: 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt
"	23 - 24	: 7 Aust Inf Bn
"	25	: 6 Aust A Tps and 54 Fd Park Coy
"	26 and 28	: AAD (Fortress)
"	29 - 30	: AAD (Fortress)
July	1	: AAD (Fortress)
"	2	: 12 Aust Div Salvage, 6 Aust Svy Sec. Movement Control
"	3	: 82 Fd Ordnance Depot, 49 Depot Cash Office, NT Force Press Unit.

Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.



BLANKETS – Bundle of 10



METHOD OF ROLLING

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK. 19/43

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W1/3/2 5 & 16
W1/53 1 & 3
TOTAL 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	W.E.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Colonel	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels	—			
Majors	1	1		
Captains	3	2		1
Lieutenants	1	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants	—			
Quartermasters	—			
Totals	6	6	1	1

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj T/Col	VX85236	NURSE P N	GEN LIST	Yes	
Capt T/Maj	NX25[illegible]	WILSON A S	2/2 Aust Inf	Yes	
LieutT/Capt	VX11[illegible]288	CRISWICK W H	RAA	Yes	
LieutT/Capt	VX11[illegible]230	WHITBY B J	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX11[illegible]226	HANSON D K	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX5[illegible]998	BRENNAN R B	RAA	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.
Capt	VX63949	EDWARDS R K	AAMC	24.4.43	S.M.O.
T/Capy	NX20680	BLAIR F A	RAA-AAD	9.3.43	L.O.
Lieut	VX39[illegible]	MOORE H	2/3Coy AASC	1.3.43	B.A.S.C.O.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit.)

7 May 43 (Date of Despatch.)

Colonel. (Signature of Commander.)

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

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

V1/3/2 5 & 16
V1/53 1 & 3
TOTAL 6 & 19

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit) 7 [illegible] 1943 (Date).

(To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1			1 (Personnel
Staff Serjeants 1	nil		1 being trd)
Serjeants 2	3	1	
Corporals 3	3		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	9		3
TOTALS 19	15	1	5

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	51 FAD	5	(DARWIN Fixed Defences)
1	CRD	6	7 Aust Inf Bn
1	MT P HYGIENE	1	8 Fd Cemer
2	FSS MTF	1	AAD (Fortress)
5	MTF POSTAL		
6	19 Aust Inf Bn		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... *Unit.*

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
GENERAL DUTYMEN		4						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

Date of Despatch.....

Signature of Commander Colonel.

Bde., Div., Area, etc., with which unit is serving. Comd DARWIN Fortress Area.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

COLONEL F.N.NURSE.

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA.

SERIAL NO 29 (Paras 217 - 220) 11 May 43

Para 217 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

DARWIN Fixed Defences will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing Fri 14 May 43:-

STRENGTH : 1 NCO and 7 ORs.

DRESS : Full Marching Order.

EQUIPMENT : Bedding and messing gear will be provided by DARWIN Fixed Defences.

RATIONS & QUARTERS : Provided by HQ DARWIN Fortress Area.

DUTIES : As per Guard Standing Orders HQ

Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN Fortress Area at 1630 hrs 14 May 43.

NEXT FOR DUTY : 7 Aust Inf Bn commencing 2 May 43.

Para 218 AREA OR UNIT NEWSPAPERS (NT Force A/ 637)

The following information is required from all units who are printing newspapers, magazines or other periodicals:-

(a) Name of paper, magazine or periodical,

(b) number of copies published,

(c) number of pages per copy,

(d) when published, and

(e) specimen copy of publication.

The return will be submitted to this HQ by 1200 hrs 13 May 43. NIL returns are required where applicable.

Para 219 WIRELESS SETS - ELECTRIC AND BATTERY

A physical check will be carried out and a report submitted by all units in DARWIN Fortress Area showing Wireless Sets electric or battery held in unit lines.

The return will be submitted on the following pro forma and must reach this HQ by 15 May 43:-

TYPE OF RADIO	MAKE	LONG OR SHORT WAVE	PRIVATELY OWNED GIFT FROM PHILA-NTHROPIC INST-ITUTION (STATE NAME) REGT ISSUE ARMY AMENITIES	WHERE USED

Para 220 REPAIR OF EQUIPMENT (A.D.O.S. Circular NO 6 3 May 43)

G.R.O. 0.288 is modified in accordance with the following instruction a[illegible] NT Force Order 54 is cancelled.

EQUIPMENT BEING REPAIRED WITHIN THE SCOPE OF L.A.D. OR 2ND ECHELON W/SHOP.

Equipment under t[illegible] category will remain on the charge of the unit co[illegible]ned to which it will be returned after repair. The Wksh[illegible] concerned will give a receipt on AB.108. G.1033 will not be used. Ab.1088 will be prepared by units a[illegible] not the Wkshop.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRING REPAIR BEYOND THE SCOPE OF 2ND ECHELON W/SHOP.

Part C of G.R.O. 0.288 will be applied to equipment under this category except for para VII.

The procedure in the case of M.T. will be as under.

2nd Echelon Wkshop will forward to unit concerned Certificate of Replacement of Equipment.

On receipt of these, G.1033 will be prepared as in para II and III of G.R.O. 0.288 part C.

If by reason of the fact that the unit is deficient of V.O.L. tools for other vehicles these may be transferred from the vehicles being evacuated to other vehicles within the unit.

This must only be done where a shortage exists in the tools concerned.

When tools are transferred to other vehicles G.1033 will be made out and will be given the same distribution as the G.1033 evacuating the vehicle. G.1033 will be securely fastened to each other. An additional copy will be attached to the G.12 which accompanies the vehicles.

In acknowledging receipt of M.T. Wkshop will also acknowledge receipt of V.O.L. equipment and G.12

Wkshop when submitting "pro-forma" on Controlled Stores will state the nature of repairs required.

The procedure outlined in this instruction will apply also to NT L of C Area Wkshop. Units dealing with NT L of C Area Wkshops are reminded that as this Wkshop handles 2nd and 3rd Echelon repairs the time factor will be longer for stores requiring 3rd Echelon repairs.

[signature]

SC DARWIN F[illegible]

SECRET

Headquarters,
Darwin Fortress Area

COPY NO...8...

LOCATION STATEMENT FOR DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
AS AT 2359 HRS 12 MAY 43

Map References:- Darwin Defence Area Situation Map 2 Inch to 1 Mile.

	LOCATION	MILEAGE UNDER PROJECTED MOVES COND & REMARKS
HQ Darwin Fortress Area	790088	Fortress
12 Aust DIV Cypher Sec	789088	"
ARTY.		
2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt HQ	793087	"
"E" Sec Sigs	793087	"
2/70 L.A.D.	814107	"
31 BHQ	819118	"
"A" Tp	803101	"
"B" Tp	816108	"
32 BHQ	782100	"
"C" Tp	815089	"
"D" Tp	792088	"
61 BHQ	782089	"
"E" Tp	792091	"
"F" Tp	793090	"
HQ Darwin Fixed Defences	782142	"
EAST Bty	782152	"
[illegible] Bty	776094	"
WEST BTY	719113	"
AAGp HQ DARWIN	Larrakeyah	"
6 Aust Lob Met Flight (Det)	Larrakeyah	"
AA Gun Ops Room (Berrimah)	913109	"
19 Aust AA Bty HQ	808093	"
360 HY Gun Site (Darwin Oval)	808078	"
359 " " " (Fanny Bay)	789138	"
358 " " " (McMillans)	852180	"
Lt AA Sec (Bofors)	813074	"
	816079	"
	814081	"
	789138	"
2 Aust AA Bty	896116	"
427 Hy AA Gun Sta (Berrimah)	896119	"
428 Hy " " " (Quarantine)	893087	"
Lt AA Sec (Bofors)	893087	"
9 Tk A Sty (103 Tk A. Regt)	811102	"
ENGRS.		
HQ 13 Frt Coy RAE	790091	"
65 AASL Coy	809106	"
70 AASL Coy (Bagot)	825140	"
INF.		
7 Aust Inf Bn		
HQ & HQ Coy	804087	"
"A" Coy	810123	"
"B" Coy	809103	"
"C" Coy	813105	"
"D" Coy	811102	"
SIGS.		
Fortress Signals	792090	"
7 MD AA Sig Sec (one Det)	Larrakeyah	"
S & T		
Fortress Ammn Sec	784089	"
MEDICAL		
1 Aust MAC (one sub-sec)	799094	"
ORD		
HQ 11 Aust AA Wkshop Coy AEME	Larrakeyah	"
14 Aust AA Bty Wkshop (Sec)	785093	"
2 " " " " (")	896119	"
1/54 AASL Wkshop (")	785093	"
70 AASL Wkshpp (")	896119	"
MISCELLANEOUS		
Town Major (Class 2) DARWIN	805089	"

UNITS LOCATED IN THE FORTRESS AREA

UNIT	LOCATION	MILEAGE	UNDER PROJECTED MOVES COMD. & REMARKS
HQ.			
Det HQ 14 L of C	Vestey's		14 L ofC
ARTY.			
225 Aust Lt AA Bty			AAB Fd Tps
"B" Tp HQ		825143	"
M1		837161	"
M2		846148	"
M3		838143	"
"C" Tp HQ		866154	"
M4		856142	"
M5		858131	"
M6		846126	"
INF.			
2/8 Aust Ind Coy		902134	Force Tps
PAY			
49 Depot Cash Office Type "B"		803087	14 L of C
ENGRS.			
No 5 Docks Op Coy RAE		Parap	14 L of C
Det 6 Army Tps Coy (2 Sec)		Vestey's	CRE
" 54 Aust Fd Park Coy		Vestey's	CRE
19 Employment Coy		Parap	14 L of C
6 Aust Topo Survey Coy (Det)		Larrakeyah	Force Tps
13 Aust Fd Coy			
No 2 Sec & No 3 Sec		809103	CRE
2 Aust Camflg Trg Unit		804087	Force Tps
6 Aust Camflg Trg Unit		808078	Force Tps
12 Aust Camflg Trg Unit		Dudley Pt	Force Tps
8 Sec-1 Aust Bomb Disposal Unit		Vestey's	
SIGS.			
44 Aust Carr Pigeon Loft DARWIN		Larrakeyah	CSO
S & T.			
11 Sup Pers Coy (Det DID)		Vestey's	14 L of C
" " " " (")		Vestey's Siding	14 L of C
12 Fd Bakery (Det)		813081	14 L of C
3 Fd Butchery		Vestey's	14 L of C
Det 3 Fd Butchery		Vestey's	14 L of C
MEDICAL			
Fortress Camp Hospital		KAHLIN	14 L of C
2/7 Aust Dental Unit HQ Sec		Parap	14 L of C
" " " " "B" Sec		Kahlin	14 L of C
ORD.			
NT L of C Wkshops AEME		Larrakeyah	14 L of C
82 F.O.D.		804086	14 L of C
12 Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit		Kahlin	Force Tps
MISCELLANEOUS			
12 Aust Div Salvage Unit		Larrakeyah	Force Tps
Movement Control		803083	14 L of C
APO DARWIN (065)		803091	14 L of C
NT Force Press Units		796091	14 L of C
HQ US Army Air Corps		805085	
Barrack Warden		Larrakeyah	
ACF Det(YMCA Representative		807085	
NTF Canteens (one Det)		Vestey's	14 L of C
NTF Canteens (one Det)		808083	14 L of C
Det Dept of Public Relations		805086	Force Tps

DISTRIBUTION:	COPY No.
HQ NT Force	1
2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt	2
Darwin Fixed Defences	3
AAD (Fortress)	4
Fortress Signals	5
7 Aust Inf Bn	6
Staff Captain	7
WAR Diary	8
WAR Diary	9
"I" Section	10

Capt.
I.O. Darwin Fortress Area.

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V1/3/2 5 & 16
V1/53 1 & 3
Total 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks. W.E.*	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Colonel. 1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels — —			
Majors — 1 —	1		
Captains — 3 —	2		1
Lieutenants — 1 —	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants — —			
Quartermasters — —			
Totals — 6 — ALL A.I.F.	6	1	1

*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.
T/Capt.	E.A. BLAIR	RAA (AAD FRT)	10/5/43	Evacuated Hospital Internal disarrangement left leg

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	

(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.
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit.)

[illegible] (Date of Despatch.)

[illegible] Colonel.
(Signature of Commander.)

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

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V1/5/2 5 & 16
V1/53 1 & 3

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

Total 6 & HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit) 14 MAY 43 19 (Date).

To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail. HQ.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached) AIF A B CMF	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1			1 (Personnel on HQ)
Staff Serjeants 1			1 (being Trd)
Serjeants 2	2 1	1	
Corporals 3	1 2		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	7 2		3
TOTALS 19	15	1	5

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

"A" or Fit class "A" allotted AIF NO's
" " " AIF NO's not yet Allotted

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	61 F.A.D.	6	D.F.D.
2	9.D.D.	5	7 Aust Inf Bn
1	NTF Hygiene	1	8 FD Coy RE
2	F.S.S. NTF	1	AAD (FORTRESS)
5	NTF POSTAL		
5	19 Aust Inf Bn		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... *Unit.*

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
GENERAL DUTIES		4						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
Unit.

Date of Despatch 14 May 43

Signature of Commander. Lt Colonel.

Comd DARWIN Fortress Area.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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War Diary

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

Colonel F N NURSE .

OC'MANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA .

SERIAL NO 30 (paras 221 - 238) 15 May 43

Para 221 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

7 Aust Inf Bn will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the weekending Fri 21 May 43:-

STRENGTH : 1 NCO and 7 OR's.

DRESS : Full Marching Order

EQUIPMENT : Bedding and messing gear will be provided by 7 Aust Inf Bn.

RATIONS & QUARTERS : Provided by HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

DUTIES : As per Guard Standing Orders.

Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA at 1630 hrs 21 May 43.

NEXT FOR DUTY : 4AD (PRT) commencing Fri 28 May 43.

Para 222 COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry consisting of the undermentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President shall direct for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon damage to public property caused by fire at MARLOWS' AA SL Site on 1 May 43.

PRESIDENT : Major W FORT DARWIN FIELD DEFENCES

MEMBERS : Capt O G LENG 7 AUST INF BN
Lieut F N NICHOLSON 2/11 AUST A FD REGT

Evidence will be taken on oath. Proceedings to reach this HQ by 1400 hrs 22 May 43.

Para 223 SPECIAL DESPATCH RIDERS

Attention is directed to the following extract Sig Trg Vol 7

"A Special DR is used when a despatch is of such urgency that it cannot await delivery by a regular run.

The Office to which a Special DR is sent will be notified of his departure and will similarly inform the Dospatching Office of his arrival."

COO's and OC's will ensure that this Instn is adhered to .

Para 224 AIR MAIL - Time of Closing

Air Mail closes at APO DARWIN at 0700 hrs daily.

Para 225 RATION SCALE

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA Adm Instn 20 is CANCELLED. As from 15 May 43 ration scale D as laid down in NT FORCE Adm Instn 66 will become effective.

Para 226 RETURN OF PACKING CASES TO ORD DEPOTS (ADOS CIRC NO 5)

1. The provision of packing cases for Ord Stores is becoming increasingly diffficult and units are requested to return all packing cases as soon as possible after receipt of stores.

2. If this request is NOT complied with, the regular supply of Ord Stores CANNOT be guaranteed.

Para 227 DAMAGE TO SIGNAL LINES (NT Force 130)

1. Damage to signal lines has been caused by indiscriminate felling of trees resulting in delays to signal communications.

2. CO's will ensure that troops are informed that signal lines are of the utmost importance and that precautions MUST be taken to prevent further damage.

Para 228 BERRY SPRINGS REST CAMP (NTF A/5839)

1. Plans have been drawn up for a progressive improvement, beautification and building programme for BERRY SPRINGS REST CAMP.

2. To carry out this programme it is necessary that CO's and OC's of Units and Sub-units wholeheartedly cooperate with the Camp Commandant and give him every assistance during the period of their stay in the Rest Camp.

3. To enable the Camp Commandant to work progressively with the general plan as mentioned in para 1 above, all personnel will be required to carry out one day's work, during the period of their stay in the Camp, on projects as may be mutually arranged between the Camp Commandant and the Unit or Sub-unit Commander concerned.

4. It is desired, as this Rest Camp will be used by a Unit approximately one week in every ten throughout the year, all Unit Commanders will take a pride in the Camp and each time will leave it a little better than when they marched in.

Para 229 CEREMONIAL DURING THE PRESENT WAR (GRO A 366)

1. This order will apply during the present war. Prior orders and instructions relating to ceremonial are, to any necessary extent, modified accordingly.

2. Parades in celebration of the birthday of His Majesty the King will NOT be held.

3. Colours will NOT be carried.

4. Units, which have NOT already done so, will make arrangements for the safe custody of their colours.

5. Escorts will NOT be provided on ceremonial occasions.

6. Guards of honour will NOT be provided unless specially ordered by the C-in-C, or unless the GOC of an army, an independent corps, an independent force or a L of C Area considers the occasion to be of such special importance as to warrant the provision of a guard of honour and in his discretion orders one to be provided.

7. Bands, firing parties and escorts will NOT be provided at military funerals, but gun carriages may be provided when the exigiencies of the service permit. The voluntary attendance of members of the forces as mourners may continue.

8. MBI A/72/1941 is cancelled.

Par. 230 I : WITHOUT PAY (GRO A/367)

In order to remove any misunderstanding by members concerning the effect of a grant of leave without pay, irrespective of the authority under which such leave is granted, attention is directed to the provisions of War Financial (Military Forces) Regulations, which provide in effect, that all pay (including allotments) and pay allowances cease in respect of any period for which a member is granted leave without pay.

2. When leave without pay is granted, the following will NOT be payable during the period of such leave :-

(a) pay (including deferred pay);
(b) field allowance;
(c) command allowance;
(d) special allowance;
(e) exchange allowance;
(f) dependants allowance;
(g) travelling allowance;
(h) subsistence allowance;
(i) any allowance payable under regulation 9 of the abovementioned regulations.

3. Leave without pay will NOT be imposed on a member compulsorily and, consequently will always be covered by written application from the member, specifying that leave is desired without pay.

(TO BE REPUBLISHED IN ALL UNIT ROUTINE ORDERS)

R. T. Whitley Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES

FOUND: Military Drivers Licence in name and number of :
VX 140730 Pte WILKINSON, Ernest, Charles, Walker.

Application may be made to this HQ for return to owner.

FOUND: Pistol, Smith and Wesson, .380 in.
Owner may obtain same on application to this HQ.

Headquarters
DARWIN Fortress Area
17 May 43

1473/159/2

REINFORCEMENT TRG - ORGANISATION TRAINING DEPOT STAFFS

1. The following circular has been received from HQ NT FORCE and is passed on to all units for information :-

1. Trg Depots were recently taken from command L of C Areas and placed under command First and Second Aust Armies and 3 Aust Corps. All training depots which supply reinforcements for units of NT FORCE are under command Second Aust Army.

2. As a result, certain alterations have been made to the conditions of appointment and service of staffs of training depots. Such of those as affect NT FORCE are summarised below.

(a) ENGR AND SIG UNITS

The following appointments will be reserved to LHQ :-

(i) Comds of Training Depots
Officers on Training Staffs
ORs on training staffs for technical training

(ii) All other appointments to the staff of Engineer and Signal training units may be made by SECOND AUST ARMY.

(iii) Staff appointed, vide sub-paras (i) and (ii) above, will comply in all other respects with the principles enunciated in the remaining paras of this instruction.

(b) ALL ARMS AND SERVICES OTHER THAN ENGRS AND SIGS

(i) Comds of Aust Inf Trg Bdes or Equivalent Formations.

Period of appointment - six months. Comds may be medically Class A or B, but must have had field experience during the present war in an operational area.

(ii) COs of Aust Inf Trg Bns or Equivalent Units.

Appointment will normally be for six months and will be made on recommendation of HQ Second Aust Army or 3 Aust Corps. Officers selected will be Majors in line for comd at the end of their tour of duty. They must be medically Class A and must have had field experience in a theatre of active operations during the present war.

(iii) Officer, Warrant and NCO Instructors.

(a) Instructors of DP2 personnel must be medically A1 or A2 and must have had field experience in a theatre of active operations during the present war. In the case of Western Training Centre (3 Aust Corps) this provision will apply only to the extent that such personnel are available. Tour of duty - six months.

(b) Instructors of DP3 and DP4 personnel may be medically 'B' posted for an indefinite period. If insufficient 'B' personnel are available, 'A' personnel may be appointed for a six months tour of duty.

3. RELIEF OF EXISTING STAFFS

Existing staffs will be retained for the present, and Second Aust Army and 3 Aust Corps are to review this position and replace staffs in accordance with the following principles :-

(a) All class 'A' instructors will be replaced NOT later than 1 Sep 43.

(b) Personnel relieved or replaced will be returned to their parent units.

4. This FORCE may be called upon to supply instructors for training depots, (All arms of the service) under command of Second Aust Army only.

A. Swinton Major.
BM DARWIN Fortress Area.

DISTRIBUTION : List "D"

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

COLONEL F.N.NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

SERIAL NO 51 (Paras 231 - 235) 19 May 43

Para 231 COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry consisting of the under mentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President shall direct for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon damage caused by fire to Government and private property at AASL Sta HAVOCK CREEK

PRESIDENT : Major I R DUFFY 7 Aust Inf Bn

MEMBERS : Capt KOODIE - HEDDLE E O 2/11 Aust A Fd R

: Capt C A FAHEY DARWIN Fixed Defences

Evidence will be taken on oath. Proceedings to reach this HQ by 27 May 43.

Para 232 COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry consisting of the under mentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President shall direct for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon loss of 6-Volt 100 W S and S Charg - on loan to Aus Signals DARWIN.

PRESIDENT : Major J D HULL 9 Tk/R Bty

MEMBERS : Capt E H FIELDING 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt

Capt W D McADAM Sigs 12 Aust Div

Evidence will be taken on oath. Proceedings to reach this HQ as soon as possible.

Para 233 LIGHTS - SHADING OF

All lights in DARWIN Fortress Area will be shaded in order that the minimum of light only is visible from outside.

Naked lights will be shaded so that only a red glow emanates from the building, barrack room or tent lines.

All CO's will give this matter their personal attentic and take action to restrict lighting.

Para 234 COMBAT EFFICIENCY REPORTS

Some units are still rendering inaccurate Combat Efficiency Reports.

The importance of this return cannot be over emphasised and as its accurate compilation is the responsibility of the CO or OC concerned, CO and OC will make these returns their personal responsibility.

Para 234 (Cont)

Units are reminded that this return is a MOST SECRET document and as such must be submitted through signal courier services or D.R. services in the approved manner.

Para 235 IDENTIFICATION OF VEHICLES (G.R.O. 0.70)

Attention of all units is directed to G.R.O. 0.70 of 5 June 42 portion of which is repeated below.

" To avoid confusion in the ordering and stocking of spare parts, units having "B" or A4SC vehicles on establishment will arrange to have painted in 2-inch letters on the scuttle, under the bonnet, the model or series and the year of manufacture of the vehicle, e.g., Ford 1-ton G.S. Van 91Y - 1939.

Should any difficulty be experienced by units in identifying vehicles, O.M.E's and M.T. inspectors will assist.

After identifying and marking vehicles, Log Book A.A.B.20 is to be checked and, if necessary, corrected. If an alteration to the Log Book is made, M.T. Census on formation and L.H.Q. are to be notified immediately."

Units will take steps to ensure that the contents of the G.R.O. are complied with.

Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES

Protestant Services to be held on Sunday May 23

C of E Holy Communion in Christ Church Smith st DARWIN 0800hrs
United Service followed by H.C. Church Army Hut Parap 1000hrs
United Service in Salvation Army Hut Larrakeyah 1000 hrs
United Service in YMCA (Inter Church Club) DARWIN 1930 hrs
United Service followed by H.C. in recreation Hut Vestreys at 1930 hrs.

LOST : PAYBOOK. Owner, N211230 L/Cpl MACKELLAR D.T.
Lost within DARWIN Fortress Area.
Paybook number : 446646.
Finder please return to this HQ.

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK. 20/43

V1/42 5 & 16
V1/43 1 & 3
Total 6 & 19

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	W.	E	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Colonel.	1		1		
Lieut.-Colonels					
Majors	1		1		
Captains	3		3		1
Lieutenants	1		2	1	
2nd Lieutenants					
Quartermasters					
Totals ALL A.I.F.	6		6	1	1

*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).

a.w. 3m blks 3/43

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj T/Col	VX35236	KISBEY P.W.	CMF LIST	Yes	
Capt T/Maj	VX254	WILSON A.S.	2/Lieut Inf	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114228	CRISWICK W.H.	RAA	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114230	SMITHY B.J.	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX114226	HANSON D.K.	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX54238	BRENNAN R.B.	RAA	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.
Capt	VX63949	EDWARDS R.K.	AASC	24.4.43	S.N.O.
Lieut	VX1901	HOCKE H	2/3 Coy AASC	1.5.43	R.A.A.S.C.O.
Lieut	VX106185	MANNING H.	D.A.D.HOUSES	1.5.43	

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
(Unit.)

21 May 43
(Date of Despatch.)

Lt-Colonel
(Signature of Commander.)

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

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK. 29/43

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V1/1/2 5 & 16
V1/53 1 & 3
Total 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit) 21 MAY 19 43 (Date).

To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2		3	4
Detail. W.E.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). A.I.F.	R.C.M.P.	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.				
W.Os. Class II.				
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1				1 (personnel on HQ being Trd)
Staff Serjeants 1				1
Serjeants 2	2	1	1	
Corporals 3	1	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	7	2		3
TOTALS 19	15		1	5

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps. "A" : Pte class "A" allotted AIF Nos
"B" : " " "B" Nos not yet allotted

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	51 P.A.D.	6	D.F.D.
1	G.D.D.	5	7 Aust Inf Bn
1	NTF Pygiene	1	8 FD CENSOR
2	F.S.S. NTF	1	AAD (FORTRESS)
5	NTF POSTAL		
5	19 AUST INF BN		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... *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 (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Hello Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
GENERAL DUTIES	4							
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... *Unit.*

Date of Despatch 21 May 43

Signature of Commander. Lt Colonel.

Comd DARWIN Fortress Area.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

COLONEL F.N.NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

SERIAL NO 32 (Para 236 - 242) 27 May 43

Para 236 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

AAD (Fortress) will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing Fri 28 May 43:-

STRENGTH : 1 NCO and 7 OR's

DRESS : Full Marching Order

EQUIPMENT : Bedding and messing gear will be provided by AAD (Fortress).

RATIONS & QUARTERS : Provided by HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

DUTIES : As per Guard Standing Orders.

Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA at 1630 hrs 28 May 43.

NEXT FOR DUTY : 2/1 Aust A Fd Regt commencing Fri 4 Jun 43.

Para 237 GOVERNMENT AND CIVILIAN PROPERTY - THEFT OF

A serious view is taken of the number of cases occurring in DARWIN Fortress Area.

It is the duty of all CO's to check the bona fides or proprietary rights of property alleged to be private property held by personnel under their command in order that the source of these petty thefts can be more effectively traced.

Para 238 TRANSPORT TO CINEMA (NTF 136)

A serious view is taken of the continued use of Army Tpt for transporting personnel to [illegible] areas.

COs will ensure that NT Force Order Para 136 of 15 Sep 42, re-promulgated below is rigidly adhered to.

Disciplinary action will be taken against any offenders.

"PARA 136 TRANSPORT TO CINEMAS

Attention is directed to the fact that MT is still frequently driven considerable distances to Cinema and Concert entertainments in the forward areas.

The zoning system in regard to cinemas has been devised to ensure that troops throughout the area have equal opportunities to see films, and the practice of travelling many miles to see a film which will be shown in the travellers own zones at a later date will cease forthwith.

As, in addition to creating unnecessarily large audiences, this practice causes unwarranted consumption of fuel, and wear on tyres; disciplinary action will be taken against personnel found in entertainment zones other than those designed for their own use."

Para 239 COURT OF INQUIRY

A Court of Inquiry consisting of the under mentioned officers will assemble at such time and place as the President shall direct for the purpose of inquiring into and reporting upon damage to Army vehicle No 50405 on charge to 14 Signals DARWIN.

PRESIDENT : Major J.H. PHILLIPS DARWIN Fixed Defences.

MEMBERS : Capt D. REID 5 Docks Opg Coy

Capt J.E. JAY 11 Aust AA Wkshop Coy.

Evidence will be taken on oath. Proceedings to reach this HQ by 3 Jan 43.

Para 240 OFFICERS - MOVEMENT OF

Cases are occurring of responsible officers leaving the Fortress Area without the approval or knowledge of this HQ. Such absences sometimes extend overnight and have covered longer periods. In future NO C.O. will leave the Fortress Area without approval from Fortress Comd. Permission will not be necessary when conducting exercises as part of an approved training programme.

Para 241 WATER SUPPLIES

Much inconvenience with potential danger to the community has been created by shortages and failures in the Water Supply.

By far the greatest factor in reducing supplies below the safety limit is the wholesale squandering of water in showers and stand pipes.

Unless drastic reductions in consumption are made, water will be rationed. It is desired to avoid taking this action, but this is only practicable by the whole hearted co-operation of all ranks in the sensible use of water.

This instruction will be repeated in all unit orders and in addition appropriate action will be taken to promulgate it to all ranks on parade. Furthermore it will be the responsibility of all units to actively police their own water supply systems to avoid waste.

Para 242 ORDNANCE VOUCHERS - CHANNELS FOR SUBMISSION

Units are still submitting Ordnance vouchers etc, direct to Ordnance Depots instead of through ADOS representatives.

The correct channels through which all Ordnance vouchers - G.997, G.52, G.982D, G.1033 (EXCL WRITE OFFS), Packing notes etc MUST be forwarded are :-

14 L of C Units - to DADOS 14 L of C Sub Area.

All other units in Fortress - to BOWO DARWIN Frt Area.

The correct address of the B.O.W.O DARWIN Fortress Area is :-

B.O.W.O.
c/o 82 Fd Ord Depot DARWIN Fortress Area.

Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES

PROTESTANT SERVICES FOR SUNDAY MAY 30th

C of E Holy Communion Service in Christ Church Smith St 0800 hrs
United Service S.A Hut LARRAKEYAH 1000 hrs
" " Church Army Hut PARAP 1015 hrs
" " YMCA DARWIN 1930 hrs
" " followed by Holy Communion EAST POINT 1930 hrs

R.C. CHURCH PARADES

Confessions
Every Saturday - DARWIN Church from 1700 hrs

Mass
Every Sunday - DARWIN Church (0800 hrs)
(0930 ")

PARAP 1000 hrs

Benediction
Every Sunday - DARWIN Church 1930 hrs.

GOVERNMENT PROPERTY - THEFT OF

One charge case 25 pr was taken from Fd Arty positions in LARRAKEYAH Area on or about 15 May 43. Any person in possession of this case is to return it to 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt immediately.

FOUND : Money Belt on 25/5/43 - available at HQ 7 Aust Inf Bn

The undermentioned articles were found enclosed in an envelope in the Railway Hill Area on 18 May 43 :-

1 Paybook
1 Driving License
1 Work Ticket
Sundry papers

Owner may obtain same on application to this HQ.

S E C R E T

Headquarters,
Darwin Fortress Area.

COPY NO. 10...

LOCATION STATEMENT FOR DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
AS AT 2359 HRS 27 MAY 43

Map References:- Darwin Defence Area Situation Map 2 Inch to 1 Mile.

UNIT	LOCATION	MILEAGE UNDERCCED.	PROJECTED MOVES AND REMARKS.
HQ Darwin Fortress Area	790088	Fortress	Includes
12 Aust Div Cypher Sec	789088	"	Fortress Area Sec.
ARTY.			
2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt HQ	793087	"	
"E" See Sigs	793087	"	
2/70 L.A.D.	814107	"	
21 B.H.Q.	819118	"	
"A" Tp	803101	"	
"B" Tp	816108	"	
22 B.H.Q.	789100	"	
"C" Tp.	815089	"	
"D" Tp	792098	"	
61 B.H.Q.	792089	"	
"E" Tp	792091	"	
"F" Tp	793090	"	
HQ Hy ARTY Darwin Fixed Defences	782142	"	
EAST Bty	782152	"	
EMERY Bty	776094	"	
WEST Bty	719113	"	
235 Shore Def Sec (Dudley Pt)	782142	"	
152 Aust CA SL Sec (East Pt)	782152	"	
153 " " " " (Dudley Pt)	782142	"	
154 " " " " (Emery Pt)	776094	"	
155 " " " " (West Pt)	719113	"	
AA Gp HQ DARWIN	Larrakeyah	"	
AA Gun Ops Room (Berrimah)	913109	"	
19 Aust AA Bty HQ	808080	"	
360 Hy Gun Site (Darwin Oval)	808078	"	
359 " " " (Fanny Bay)	799138	"	
358 " " " (McMillans)	852180	"	
Lt AA Sec (Bofors)	813074	"	
	816079	"	
	814081	"	
	799138	"	
2 Aust AA Bty HQ	826116	"	
427 Hy AA Gun Site (Berrimah)	896119	"	
428 " " " " (Quarantine)	893067	"	
Lt AA Sec (Bofors)	893067	"	
6 Aust Mob Met Flight (Det)	Larrakeyah	"	
65 Aust AA SL Bty	839106	"	
A Tp	860163	"	
B Tp	785087	"	
C Tp	810104	"	
70 Aust AA SL Bty	825140	"	
A Tp	933114	"	
B Tp	883069	"	
C Tp	959988	"	
D Tp	783087	"	
103 Tk A Sqn.			
9 Tk A Bty	811102	"	
ENGRS.			
HQ Frt Engrs (Type C)	790091	"	
INF.			
2 Aust Inf Bn.			
HQ & HQ Coy	804097	"	
"A" Coy	810123	"	
"B" Coy	809103	"	
"C" Coy	812105	"	
"D" Coy	811102	"	
SIGS			
Darwin Fortress Signals	792090	"	
7 MR AA Sig Sec (one Det)	Larrakeyah	"	

UNIT	LOCATION	MILEAGE UNDER CMD.	PROJECTED MOVES AND REMARKS
MEDICAL			
1 Aust MAC (One sub-sec)	799094	Fortress	
ORD.			
H/ 11 Aust AA Wkshop Coy A&MS	Larrakeyah		"
14 Aust AA Bty Wkshop (Sec)	788093		"
1/54 AASL Wkshop (")	788083		"
70 AASL Wkshop (")	396119		"
MISCELLANEOUS			
Town Major (Class2) DARWIN	806859		"
H.			
Det H/ 14 L of C	Vestey's	14 L of C	
ARTY			
225 Aust Lt AA Bty			
"B" Tp Hq	825143	AAD Fd Tps	
M1	837161	"	
M2	846148	"	
M3	838143	"	
"C" Tp Hq	866124	"	
M4	866142	"	
M5	868131	"	
M6	846126	"	
ENG.			
49 Depot Coah Office Type "B"	803087	14 L of C	
ENGRS			
No 5 Docks Op Coy Hqs	Parap	14 L of C	
Det 6 Army Tps Coy (2 Sec)	Vestey's	CRE	
" 54 Aust Fd Park Coy	Vestey's	CRE	
19 Employment Coy	Parap	14 L of C	
13 Aust Fd Coy.			
No 2 Sec & No 3 Sec	809103	CRE	
6 Aust Camfld Trg Unit	806078	CRE	
8 " " " "	804097	CRE	
12 " " " "	Dudley Pt	CRE	
8 Sec- 1 Aust Bomb Disposal Unit	Vestey's	14 L of C	
SIGS			
4% Aust Corps Pigeon Loft DARWIN	Larrakeyah	C&O	
S & T			
11 Sup Pers Coy (Det HQ)	Vestey's	14 L of C	
" " " (")	Vestey's Siding	14 L of C	
10 Fd Bakery (Det)	813081	14 L of C	
3 Fd Butchery	Vestey's	14 L of C	
Det 8 Fd Butchery	Vestey's	14 L of C	
MEDICAL			
Fortress Corps No 1 Lt 1	Rahlin	14 L of C	
2/7 Aust Dental Unit Hq Sec	Parap	14 L of C	
" " " "D" Sec	Rahlin	14 L of C	
ORD.			
NT L of C Wkshops AASC	Larrakeyah	14 L of C	
82 [illegible]	804083	14 L of C	
12 Mob Bakery & Fed Deen Unit	Rahlin	Force Tps	
MISCELLANEOUS			
12 Aust Div Salvage Unit	Larrakeyah	Force Tps	
Movement Control	[illegible]	14 L of C	
APC DARWIN (OIC)	[illegible]	14 L of C	
NT Force Trans Unit	[illegible]	14 L of C	
H. US Army Air Corps	[illegible]		
Barrack Warden	Larrakeyah		
ACF Det(YMCA Representative)	[illegible]		
HQF Canteens (one set)	Vestey's	14 L of C	
" " (" ")	[illegible]	14 L of C	
Det Dept of Public Relations	[illegible]	Force Tps	
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H.Q. 1ST FORCE	1
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VJ/3/2 '5 & 15
VJ/33 1 & 3
TOTAL 6 & 18

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (*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).
U.S.			
Colonels 1 —	1		
Lieut.-Colonels — —			
Majors — 1 —	1		
Captains — 3 —	2		1
Lieutenants — 1 —	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants — —			
Quartermasters — —			
Totals — 6 —	6	1	1
ALL ARMS			

*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).

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj 2/Col	VX[illegible]	JONES P.M.	GSM LIST	YES	
Capt 2/Maj	VX[illegible]	WILSON A.S.	2/3 Amb Inf	Yes	
Lieut 2/Capt	VX[illegible]	GREENOCK V.H.	RA A	Yes	
Lieut 2/Capt	VX[illegible]	WATSON E.J.	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX[illegible]	HAMISH D.K.	RAA	No Posd to Prt Camp Hosp -tal	
Lieut	VX[illegible]	MCGHAN R.B.	RAA	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.
Capt	VX[illegible]	EDWARDS E.K.	AASC	24.1.43	S.E.O.
Lieut	VX[illegible]	HOGG H	2/3 Coy AASC	1.3.43	D.A.S.C.O.
Lieut	VX[illegible]	HAWKINS K.	D.A.D.[illegible]	1.3.43	

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
(Unit.)

28 May 43
(Date of Despatch.)

(Signature of Commander.)
Colonel.
Comd DARWIN Fortress Area

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

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V1/3/2 6 & 16
V2/33 1 & 3
Total 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

HQ DARWIN GOTHESS AREA (Unit) 28 May 43 19 (Date).

To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail. U.K.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (including attached) AIF	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1			1 (personnel on HQ 1 being 3rd)
Staff Serjeants 1			
Serjeants 2	2 1	1	
Corporals 3	1 2		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	6 2		4
TOTALS 19	14	1	6*

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part A of page 2 of this Form W.3009.

"A" Pat class "A" allotted numbers
"B" Pat class "B" Numbers not yet allotted

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	51 F.A.D.	7	D.F.D.
1	O.D.D.	5	7 Aust Inf Bn
1	HQ Hygiene	1	8 Fd CENSOR
2	F.S.D. HQ	1	AAD (DARWIN)
5	HQ POSTAL		
5	10 AUST HQ RM		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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[redacted] 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 (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
[redacted]		4						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

[redacted] Colonel.
Signature of Commander.

[redacted] Unit.
Date of Despatch 28 May 43

[redacted] Area.
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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(adapted.)

H. 1000 2/42

HQ 10th Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	1		Fine and mild.	
		1400	Darwin Fixed Defences carry out seawards Artillery practice from East Point Battery.	
		2000	Darwin Fixed Defences carry out seawards Artillery practice from East Point Battery.	
	2		Fine and mild.	
		2000	Darwin Fixed Defences carry out seawards Artillery practice from Emery Point.	Routine Orders Ptl No 33 attached.
	3		Fine and cool.	
		1700	Darwin Fixed Defences carry out seawards Artillery practice from Emery Point.	
		2000	Darwin Fixed Defences carry out seawards Artillery practice from Emery Point.	
		2000	2/11 Aust Fd Regt carry out flash spotting exercise in Leanyer Area.	

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(adapted.)

H. 1000 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	4		Fine and cool.	Routine Orders Pt 1 No 34 attached.
			Nil to report.	Field Returns of Officers and ORs attached.
	5		Fine and mild.	
		1430	Brigadier Locke, Brigadier in Charge of Administration NT Force,	
			visits Fortress Commander.	
		1500	Doctor Flynn of the Methodist Inland Mission visits Fortress	
			Commander.	
	6		Fine and mild. Nil to report.	
	7		Fine and mild.	
			Fortress Commander and Brigade Major attend Race Meeting at	
			the 46 mile.	
		0800	2/11 Aust Fd Regt carry out Artillery practice in Leanyer Area.	
	8		Fine and mild.	
		1100	G.O.C. NT Force, Major General Allen visits Fortress Commander.	

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W. 1004 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	contd.	0800	2/11 Aust Fd Regt carry out Artillery practice in Leanyer Area.	
	9		Fine and mild.	
		0800	2/11 Aust Fd Regt carry out Artillery practice in Leanyer Area.	
	10		Fine and mild.	
		0900	Air to Ground gunnery practice by 54 Squadron at Lee Pt Range.	Routine Orders Pt 1 No 35 attached.
		0800	2/11 Aust Fd Regt complete Artillery practice in Leanyer Area.	
	11		Fine and cloudy.	
		0900	Air to Ground gunnery practice by 54 Squadron at Lee Pt Range.	Field Returns of Office & ORs attached.
		1100	Brigadier Martin and Brigadier Bowles visit Fortress Commander.	
		1400	Vultee Vengeance aircraft carry out dive-bombing practice on shipping in Darwin Harbour.	
	12		Fine and mild. Nil to report.	HQ Location Statement attached.
	13		Fine and mild. Nil to report.	
	14		Fine and mild.	
		1100	DDMS visits Fortress Commander.	

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H. 1004 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.		1800	W.O.1 McInnes G arrives Darwin Fortress Area from LHQ Military History Section to make pictorial record of activities in Darwin Area.	
	15		Fine and mild.	Routine Orders Pt 1 No 36 attached.
			Darwin Fixed Defences carry out S.A.A. practice from East Point.	
	16		Fine and mild.	
		1100	Chief Engineer, Colonel Myers, visits Fortress Commander.	
	17		Fine and mild.	Routine Order Pt 1 No 37 attached.
		0904	Unidentified aircraft reported 294 degrees 27 miles. Yellow Warning.	
		0920	260 degrees 4 miles, Red Warning.	
			One enemy aircraft, type "Dinah" carried out recce of area at a height of 29/30,000 ft.	
			Heavy AA Gun Sites 358, 359 and 427 engaged with 63 rounds 3.7" HE	
		0938	Green Warning.	

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H. 1604 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			7 Aust Inf Bn move out of Fortress Area and are replaced by 10/48 Aust Inf Bn.	
		1300	Major Thomas, G2 NT Force, visits Fortress Commander.	
		1900	Lt-Colonel Davies, Commanding Officer 10/48 Aust Inf Bn, reports to Fortress Commander.	
	18		Fine and mild.	
		0900	Darwin AA Defence carry out landwards firing practice on to Cox Peninsular.	
	19		Fine and mild.	Field Returns of Officers and CRs attached.
		1630	Seven Catalina flying boats arrive Darwin Harbour.	
	20		Fine and mild.	
		1007	Unidentified aircraft reported 325 degrees 80 miles.	
			Yellow Warning.	
		1031	003 degrees 32 miles. Red Warning.	

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H. 1000 2/42

Unit H.Q. Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.		1048	Raid carried out on Winnellie Area by 15 medium bombers type "Betty" at a height of 20,000 ft and escorted by fighters.	
		1058	A bombing and strafing attack was carried out on the R.A.A.F. airfield by 9 light bombers, believed type "Lily". This flight also strafed Winnellie camp, Berrimah and McMillans AA Sites. Approx 50 anti-personnel type bombs dropped on Winnellie, causing damage to railway line, power line, telephone line and water pipe line. Two Sidney Williams type huts were destroyed and 8 damaged. One railway truck containing 60 drums of fuel was destroyed. One 3-ton USA Army MT was destroyed and three others damaged. Casualties were 2 army personnel killed and 3 wounded, 1 RAAF personnel and 2 USA Army personnel wounded. All Heavy AA Sites engaged E/A firing 284 rounds, and at least	

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H. 1004 2/42 *Unit* H.Q. Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0800 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices. Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			two planes were damaged. Light AA Batteries on R&AF airfield	
			claimed hits on low flying aircraft.	
			Spitfires intercepted and destroyed 8 bombers 4 fighters,	
			probably 1 bomber 1 fighter, and damaged 7 bombers and 3	
			fighters.	
			Our losses were three spitfires, one pilot being safe and the	
			plane salvageable.	
		1111	Green Warning.	
	21		Fine and mild.	Trial message by Carrier Pigeon Service.
		0700	Air to Ground gunnery practice by Spitfire Squadron carried	
			out at Lee Point Range.	
		1084	One unidentified aircraft reported 285 degrees 38 miles.	
		1080	One light bomber, type "Dinah" carried out recce over area.	
			Engaged by Hy AA Gun Sites 359, 360, 428, 57 rounds being fired.	

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H. 1000 2/42 — *Unit* H.Q. Darwin Fortress Area. — *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			Enemy receded to North East over Cape Hotham.	
		1105	Carrier Pigeon Service inaugurated from H.Q. IT Force. First message received.	
	22		Fine and mild.	
		0902	Unidentified aircraft reported 100 miles West and 150 miles North West of Darwin.	
		0952	Unidentified aircraft reported approaching from North West. Red Warning. Number and type of aircraft not known but believed both bombers and fighters. Aircraft passed over Cox Peninsular and circled harbour, making considerable recce of Darwin Area. Aircraft were out of gun range.	
		1058	Yellow Warning.	
		1110	Green Warning.	

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H. 100M 2/42

Unit H. Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 2000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.	23		Fine and mild.	Routine Order Pt 1 No 38 attached.
		1100	Brigadier Locke and Colonel Dollery visit Fortress Commander.	
	24		Fine and mild. Nil to report.	
	25		Fine and mild.	HQ Darwin Fortress Area Op Instn No 18 attached.
		1400-1700	Light AA Practice Shoot at Flares, all Bofors sites practiced.	
	26		Fine and mild. Nil to report.	Field Returns of Officers and ORs attached.
	27		Fine and mild. Nil to report.	HQ Location Statement attached.
	28		Fine and mild.	
		1040	Unidentified aircraft reported 313 degrees 105 miles. Yellow Warning.	
		1052	310 degrees 48 miles, Red Warning.	
		1114	Raid carried out on East Point Area and area on immediate South side of Vestey's by 9 medium bombers type "Betty" at a height of 26,000 ft, escorted by 9 fighters type "Nap". Approximately 24 bombs were dropped on East Point Area.	

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H. 10038 2/42

Unit HQ Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			10 falling in the sea.	
			Approximately 16 bombs were dropped near Vestey's, 2 of which fell in the sea.	
			In Right Section, East Battery, Darwin Fixed Defences, one small hut containing SAA, Vickers' mounts and belts, pedal charger, paints, oils etc., was destroyed.	
			One small hut and five tents, including personal belongings and equipment of approx 30 personnel were destroyed.	
			On South East corner of Vestey's one ration store and its contents and one 30-cwt MT were slightly damaged.	
			Casualties Nil.	
			Except McMillans' Gun Site, all Hy AA Guns engaged, firing 115 rounds, and it is considered one hit was scored.	
			Spitfires intercepted and destroyed 2 fighters, probably	

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H. 1004 2/42

Unit. Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			d stroyed 2 other fighters and 2 bombers.	
			Our losses were 2 Spitfires, all pilots being safe.	
		1136	Green Warning.	
			2/11 Aust Fd Regt carry out Tk/A shoot on Leanyer Range.Three	
			Bofors Guns of 112 Aust AA Regt mounted to cover Doctors Gully	
			now being used as refuelling point for Catalina Flying Boats.	
	29		Fine and mild.	
			2/11 Aust Fd Regt continue Tk/A shoot on Leanyer Range.	
			7 Catalina Flying Boats arrive Darwin Harbour and moored in	
			Doctors Gully under cover of the Bofors.	
	30		Fine and mild.	
			2/11 aust Fd Regt conclude Tk/A shoot.	
		1158	Unidentified aircraft reported 336° 82 miles. Yellow Warning.	
		1238	Plots to immediate South West of Darwin. Red Warning.	

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W. 1004 2/42

Unit H.Q. Darwin Fortress Area. *Date and Time.—From* 0000 hrs 1 Jun 43 *To* 2400 hrs 30 Jun 43.

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
Darwin.			Nil sightings, nil AA engagement this area.	
		1253	Green Warning.	
			27 Bombers and 21 Fighters carried out raid on Fenton airfield.	
			A. Lloyd Colonel.	
			Comdr. Darwin Fortress Area.	

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

COLONEL F.N.NURSE.

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

SERIAL NO 33 (Paras 243 - 254) 2 Jun 43

Para 243 GUARD SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

2/11 Aust A Fd Regt will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing Fri 4 Jun 43:-

STRENGTH	: 1 NCO and 7 OR's
DRESS	: Full Marching Order
EQUIPMENT	: Bedding and messing gear will be provided by 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt.
RATIONS & QUARTERS	: Provided by HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
DUTIES	: As per Guard Standing Orders. Guard will report to Orderly NCO HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA at 1630 hrs 4 Jun 43.
NEXT FOR DUTY	: DARWIN Fixed Defences commencing Fri 11 Jun 43.

Para 244 ELECTRICAL FITTINGS - UNAUTHORIZED USE OF

Use of unauthorized electrical installations which are often of a dangerous nature apart from causing excessive consumption of power, globes, and misuse of valuable fittings, must cease forthwith.

Units will ensure that in future no person or persons install an electrical fitting or interferes with permanent electrical fitting in any way.

Any alterations to existing installations must be submitted to this HQ for approval and forwarding to the proper authority.

Para 245 BERRY SPRINGS REST CAMP

Attention is directed to this HQ circular 167/147/30 of 16 Apr 43, with special reference to para 3 thereof.

It is apparent that all units are NOT notifying Camp Commandant BERRY SPRINGS, at least 48 hours before the time of entering Camp, of the numbers that will be attending. This will be done in future in all cases.

Units will strictly comply with the numbers of personnel as laid down in the roster. Should a unit be unable to send the full number of personnel, or desire to send more, this HQ must be first advised.

In order to facilitate smooth running and to ensure that full advantage is taken of the Camp, it is most essential that the above instructions, together with the rest of those contained in the abovementioned circular be strictly observed.

Para 246 REPLACEMENT OF CLOTHING

In future all indents for replacement of clothing must be accompanied by G.1033 for equivalent quantities either to "write off" or "return to store".

Approval may be given to convert reasonable quantities of U.S. clothing to produce. In such cases G.1033 must be approved before conversion is effected.

Clothing to be written off to produce must be certified U.S. by the Bde Ord W.O., before the G.1033 is submitted for approval.

Para 247 FIRE PRECAUTIONS

The use of highly inflammable solutions such as "slush" oil, on camouflage nets on defensive weapon pits, or other structures that are sited immediately adjacent to buildings, hutments, or tent lines will be discontinued.

Para 248 NOTIFICATION OF POTENTIAL MALARIA CARRIERS

REF G.R.O's 115/116

In pursuance of above G.R.O's, potential Malaria carriers are:-

(a) Persons who have had Malaria within the last few months

(b) Persons who have been in a highly Malarious country within the last 6 months

(c) Persons suffering from a pyrexia which may be Malarious.

(d) Aboriginals of N.T.

Cases have occurred in this area which have NOT been notified until an acute attack has supervened or until it has been otherwise discovered.

It is the responsibility of all CO's and area Commanders to notify cases as in para 1 above, and for this purpose all personnel must be questioned.

R.M.O's in this area will notify:-

(a) A.D.M.S. (Fd Tps)

(b) D.A.D.H. N.T. Force

(c) S.M.O., by phone or signal.

Para 249 TRAIN DISCIPLINE (NTF 164)

It is the duty of all officers in charge of troops travelling by rail to warn them that boarding or leaving trains in motion, leaning out of windows and doors, or allowing any portion of the body to protude from carriages, is forbidden, and will result in severe disciplinary action

It will be impressed on all ranks that failure to observe these instructions may result in fatal accidents

To be repeated in all Routine Orders.

Para 250 PROHIBITED AREA (NTF 155)

The area extending for a quarter of a mile SOUTH of LEE POINT is out of bounds to all ranks not in possession of a permit in writing, signed by an officer, to the effect that the personnel concerned are on duty.

Para 251 **BREAKING DOWN OF SERVICE OR ENEMY AMMUNITION (NFF 153)**

G.R.O. G.341/43 is set out hereunder and will be republished in unit Routine Orders:-

"The breaking-down of service or enemy ammunition in any way, other than that authorised by training publications, hand-books, regulations in existence or instructions issued from L.H.Q. is strictly forbidden.

The breaking-down of any service or enemy ammunition by unauthorized persons is prohibited.

If information is required on the internal construction of any type of service ammunition, reference can be made to inspecting Ordnance Officers posted to H.Q. of Corps or L of C Areas.

Enemy ammunition will normally be broken down or demolished by R.A.E. units (preferably bomb disposal units) under instructions from formation, etc. headquarters."

Para 252 **IGNITER SETS - GRENADES NO.36M - SUSCEPTIBILITY TO MOISTURE (NFF 154).**

G.R.O. 342/43 is set out hereunder and will be republished in unit Routine Orders:-

"The .22 R.F. cartridge cap, as used in the igniter sets for grenades No 36 M, is highly susceptible to moisture.

Personnel handling igniter set containers will observe strictly the following procedure:-

Ignitor sets are always issued in soldered cylinders. Should a cylinder be opened and the whole contents not expended, the cylinder will be resealed by effective adhesive tape or shellac binding.

Detonators which show visible signs of corrosion or verdigris on the caps will be treated as suspect, as these are liable to produce blinds. Units will refer such detonators to an inspecting Ordnance officer for determination of condition.

Units will keep the number of "ready use" grenades to a minimum, consistent with operational needs, and in tropical areas this number will not exceed four days' requirements in advance."

Para 253 **RETURNED ORDNANCE STORES**

Returned Stores Depots at Field Ordnance Depots have now ceased to operate and all Returned Stores must now be forwarded to 8 A.A.O.D.

The following procedure will be adopted:-

(a) G.1033s will be prepared with the same number of copies as previously, and will be submitted through the Bde Ord W.O., Fortress Area or the D.A.D.O.S., 14 L of C Sub Area as the case may be.

(b) G.1033s will show the name of the transferee as 8 A.A.O.D. and not 82 A.O.D.

(c) After approval by the appropriate D.A.D.O.S. one copy of the G.1033 will be forwarded by him to 8 A.A.O.D., and the remaining copies will be returned to the unit.

Para 253 (Cont)

(d) The unit will then SECURELY pack the stores in suitable containers, including a packing note in each package, and address the packages to R.S.D., 8 A.A.O.D., clearly marking the relative G.1033 number on the outside of the package. The packing note included in the package must quote the units G.1033 number.

(e) Particulars of the packages will be entered on the copies of the G.1033 held by the unit, and those copies immediately posted to 8 A.A.O.D.

(f) The packages will then be delivered to 82 F.O.D. which depot will supply the unit with a receipt for the number of packages only. The depot will NOT accept stores which are NOT securely packed.

(g) After the stores have been checked at 8 A.A.O.D. one copy of the G.1033 will be receipted and returned to the unit.

(h) G.R.O. 11/43 will apply except in so far as that order is varied by local rulings re the number of copies required when dealing with controlled stores.

Para 254 UNAUTHORISED USE OF VEREY LIGHTS

HF Force order serial 15 para 230 is repromulgated below for the information of all concerned.

C.Os will ensure that the contents of this order is read and understood by all guards and picquets, lookouts and patrols and action is taken in accordance with sub paras (b) and (c) of the order:

"(a) Instances have recently been reported of unauthorized Verey lights being fired in the vicinity of aerodromes and coinciding with the raids of Japanese aircraft.

(b) All ranks are instructed that, in the event of any of their personnel observing and reporting that Verey lights are being fired, they will immediately take action to endeavour to locate and apprehend the person or persons suspected of firing such lights.

(c) In carrying out this investigation, determination to apprehend the persons must be pursued. All ranks are to be warned that patrols, etc., despatched on these missions will fire if their challenge is not answered to their satisfaction.

(d) The widest publicity is to be given to this order and every endeavour made to clear up the alleged subversive activities suspected of being coincident with hostile air attacks at night.

(e) Any trg exercise which involves the firing of flares or lights must be reported to HQ HF Force at least 48 hours prior to its commencement."

Capt.
SC [redacted] Fortress Area.

NOTICES

PROTESTANT SERVICES FOR SUNDAY 6 JUN 43

United Service S.A. Hut LARRAKEYAH 1000 hrs
Unites Service Church Army Hut PARAP 1015 hrs
Presbyterian Holy Communion Celebrated by Chap G. PATTON in Inter Church Club DARWIN 1100 hrs
United Service Y.M.C.A. DARWIN 1930 hrs
United Service followed by Holy Communion DUDLEY POINT 1930 hrs

R.C. CHURCH PARADES

Confessions

Every Saturday - DARWIN Church from 1700 hrs

Mass

Every Sunday - DARWIN Church (0800 hrs)
(0930 hrs)

PARAP 1000 hrs

Benediction

Every Sunday - DARWIN Church 1930 hrs.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES
ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1
by
COLONEL F.N.NURSE .
COMMANDER
DARWIN FORTRESS AREA .

SERIAL NO 34 (Paras 255 - 261) 4 Jun 43

Para 255 GUARD SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

DARWIN Fixed Defences will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing Fri 11 Jun 43.

STRENGTH : 1 NCO and 7 ORs.

DRESS : Full Working Order.

EQUIPMENT : Bedding and Messing gear will be provided by DARWIN Fixed Defences.

RATIONS & QUARTERS : Provided by HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA.

DUTIES : As per Guard Standing Orders.

Guard will report to Orderly NCO., HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA at 1630 hrs Fri 11 Jun 43.

NEXT FOR DUTY : As ordered for week commencing Fri 18 Jun 43.

Para 256 SAA PRACTICES OVER WATER

To meet the shortage of rifle ranges in the Frt Area Small ranges have been established in unit areas overlooking the approaches to Port DARWIN and the harbour.

2. The notification of danger areas in connection with these ranges does not automatically exonerate all concerned from observing normal safety precautions.

3. All shooting will be carried out under the personal supervision of an officer, a RED flag will be flown in a prominent position during the entire period of the practice, and a look out will be posted to warn against the proximity of vessels or individuals to the danger area.

Para 257 EXPOSED LIGHTS ON BEACHES

Attention is directed to the prohibition of exposing lights seawards other than during authorised defence exercises.

2. Lights used for gathering fish traps or for other purposes on the seaward beaches will be effectively screened.

TO BE PUBLISHED IN ALL UNIT ORDERS.

Para 258 VEH MARKINGS

1. HQ DARWIN Fortress Area Adm Instn 6 of 24 Jul 42 is cancelled.

2. All units will take immediate steps to obliterate the letter 'F', as ordered in the abovementioned instn, from the near side front guard.

3. As directed in AIF FORCE Order Serial 1 para 10/43 no unauthorised markings will be painted on Army vehs.

Para 259 BOUNDS

The FRANCIS Bay Magazine Area is out of bounds to all ranks except on duty.

2. Persons visiting or visit the magazine in the course of their duty MUST have a pass signed by an officer stating the nature of duty and when such duty will be completed.

THIS ORDER WILL BE REPUBLISHED IN UNIT ROUTINE ORDERS.

Para 260 DANGER AREA - MIDDLE ARM RD.

1. The following order will be published forthwith in Unit Routine Orders :-

"DANGER AREA - MIDDLE ARM RD.

1. The following is declared a danger area :-

the area on both sides of the Middle Arm Wharf to a point ¼ miles along the road, extending inwards 300 yards from the road on each side.

2. The use of firearms within or near this area is strictly prohibited and all personnel are warned against the danger of starting grass fires in the vicinity."

2. HQ NT FORCE will advise when the above prohibition may be lifted.

Para 261 REVISED METHOD OF CONDUCTING MILITARY INVESTIGATIONS.

GRO 592 can best be promulgated by this HQ as a circular:

"This will make clear the procedure has the widest possible circulation amongst officers who may be called upon to act as investigating officers under the GRO mentioned above.

Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES.

CHURCH SERVICES - PROTESTANT ADHERENTS

H Ay Communion, Church of England WILL be conducted at Christ Church [illegible], DARWIN at 0800 hrs, Sunday 6 Jun 45.
[illegible] at 0900 hrs, followed by Holy Communion.

A Service by Rev John FLYNN, D.D., C.B.E., (FLYNN of the INLAND) will be in attendance at United Service C.A. Hut LARRAKEYAH 1000 hrs, the Presbyterian Holy Communion ITTER BITCH at 1100 hrs, and the United Service Y.M.C.A.DARWIN at 1900 hrs.

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK. 22/43

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V1/3/2 5 & 16
V1/53 1 & 3
TOTAL 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (*Unit*) 3677

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	W.E.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).*
Colonel.	1.	1		
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	1	1		
Captains	3	2		1
Lieutenants	1	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters				
Totals	6	6	1	1

ALL A.I.F.

*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	BLAIR E.A.	RAA (AAD PRT)	3.6.43	Ex "X" List 121 AGH
Lieut	HANSON D.K.	RAA	3.6.43	Ex Prt Camp Hospital

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj T/Col	VX35236	HORSE P.H.	GEN LIST	Yes	
Capt T/Maj	NX25[illegible]	WILSON A.S.	2/2 Aust Inf	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114228	CHISHICK E.H.	RAA	Yes	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114230	WHITBY B.J.	RA A	Yes	
Lieut	VX114226	HANSON D.K.	RAA	Yes	
Lieut	VX54998	BERMAN R.B.	RAA	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.
Capt	VX63943	EDWARDS R.K.	A.A.M.C.	24.6.43	S.M.O.
Capt	NX[illegible]	BLAIR E.A.	RAA- AAD	9.3.43	L.O.
Lieut	VX1901	MOORE H.	2/3 Coy AASC	1.3.43	P.A.S.C.O.
Lieut	VX100183	HARRIS H.	D.A.D. Hiring	1.5.43	

Q DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
(Unit.)

Lieut-Colonel.
(Signature of Commander.)

June 43
(Date of Despatch.)

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

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V1/3/2 5 & 16
V1/53 1 & 3
TOTAL 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit) 4 June 1943 (Date).

To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2		3	4
Detail. W.E.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached). AIF A	B CMF	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.				
W.Os. Class II.				
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1				1 (Personnel on HQ
Staff Serjeants 1				1 being Trd)
Serjeants 2	2	1	1	
Corporals 3	1	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	6	2		6
TOTALS 19	14		1	6

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

"A" Fit cla s s "A" allotted AIF Numbers

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps "B" Fit class "B" Numbers not yet allotted

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	51 F.A.D.	7	D.F.D.
1	G.D.D.	5	7 Aust Inf Bn
1	NTF HYgiene	1	8 Fd Censor
2	F.S.S. NTF	1	AAD (FORTRESS)
5	NTF Postal		
5	19 Aust Inf Bn		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

A.W. 3m blk. 5/42

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... *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 (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Rivetters		
Clerks, Engineering			Hello Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
GENERAL DUTIES		4						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... *Unit.*

Date of Despatch 4 June 43

Signature of Commander. Colonel.

Comd Darwin Fortress Area
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS [illegible]

by

SENIOR CHAPLAIN

COMMAND

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

SERIAL NO 35. (Paras 262 - 271) 10 Jun 43

Para 262 VISIT OF SENIOR HEBREW CHAPLAIN (NTF A/6745)

1. Advice has been received that Rabbi DANGLOW, Senior Hebrew Chaplain of the Forces will shortly visit this Area for the purpose of seeing Hebrew personnel. He will arrive on or about 25 Jun 43.

2. It is requested that the information be brought to the notice of all Hebrew personnel, and a nominal roll of such personnel in all Units forwarded to this HQ by 1200 hrs 13 Jun 43. Nil returns are NOT required.

3. More detailed arrangements for Rabbi DANGLOW'S visit will be announced later.

Para 263 PRE-SELECTION OF OFFICERS (NFT 163 of 25 May 43)

Pursuant to para 3 of the abovementioned order (issued separately) lists (in duplicate) of applicants to commissioned rank, will be forwarded to reach this HQ NOT later than 1200 hrs 12 Jun 43. Nil returns where applicable.

Para 264 ENGINEERING CADETSHIPS (SRC 6424 of 4 Jun 43)

1. The provision of engineering cadetships (both Civil Engineering and Electrical and Mechanical Engineering) for a limited number of cadets, who may be drawn either from serving personnel or from civilian sources, is under consideration.

2. Although the scheme has NOT yet been finally settled or approved, applications will be invited forthwith for cadetships on the following basis :-

(a) Cadets will be selected only from candidates between the age of 17 years and 20 years, who are medically Class A1, who are or become members of the AIF, and who have reached Leaving Certificate standard in English, Mathematics and Science or who have equivelent qualifications. Parental consent to join the AIF will be required in respect of any cadet who is NOT already a member of the AIF.

(b) Cadets selected from civilian sources will be enlisted in the AIF and all cadets will, during their cadetships, remain serving soldiers in the rank of Pte or Spr, with pay and allowances accordingly. Text books will be provided by cadets at their own expense.

(c) Engineering cadetships will cover a course of military training, courses at approved educational establish-ments and afinal course at an OCTU, over a period of approximately 3 years. Successful cadets will receive commissions subject to vacancies existing. Pending appointment to commissioned rank, such cadets will be allotted to RAE or AEME units in the ranks.

(d) Cadetships as such will terminate on the cessation of the war, but it is hoped to make arrangements for the completion of the courses which have been commenced, as part of a repatriation scheme of vocational training.

Para 264 (Cont)

(e) Cadets who prove unsatisfactory or become medically unfit or whose unsuccessful may have their cadetships terminated and be returned to normal army service.

3. (i) Applications will be made by serving personnel to their COs, who will forward all applications direct to LHQ (E-in-C), to reach LHQ not later than 5 July 1943. (This is essential to allow sufficient time for selection in time for assembly of selected cadets for the first course expected to commence on 1 Sept 1943.)

(ii) COs will, with each application, furnish a report on the candidate as to his character, ability and suitability.

(iii) Copies of applications and reports will be sent by COs through normal channels to HQ L of C Area in which the unit is serving.

Para 265 LEAVE OF MILITARY INFORMATION IN PROCEEDINGS BEFORE CIVIL COURTS (GRO A.427)

1. When giving evidence in a civil court, a soldier will merely give his number, rank and name and state that he is a member of the A.M.F., without mentioning the name of his unit.

2. In no circumstances will a soldier divulge in open court the location of his unit, unless the bench rules that a full answer is essential to the case, in which event he will offer to write the information on a slip of paper to be handed to the bench.

3. The danger to security in disclosing the location of units cannot be too strongly impressed on all ranks.

Para 266 DRESS - SAM BROWNE BELTS. (GRO A.429)

When not otherwise ordered, the following items of dress may be worn at the opinion of the member:-

(a) The Sam Browne belt (without shoulder strap) may be worn by officers and warrant officers, Class 1.

(b) Other warrant officers may wear the belt, waist, brown, leather.

Para 267 SERVICE AMMUNITION FAILURES - BLINDS

1. The attention of all officers and NCOs concerned will be drawn to the instructions contained in GRO G.407 of 1943. Para 9 which is repeated in all unit Routine Orders viz:

"The danger existing in the handling of blind mortar bombs is emphasised. On firing, the detent in the type of fuze used with these bombs sets back and permits the detonator to come under the striker. Any pressure on the striker, including any attempt to replace the safety cap, will probably detonate the fuze and the bomb."

Para 268 CONSERVATION OF WATER

Attention is directed to NT Force circular 446/Q/M of 3 Jun 43 which has been issued separately and republished as a circular by this HQ.

Para 269 PUBLICATIONS - SUPPLIES OF

NT Force circular 7248/G/P3 has been issued to units concerned separately.

Returns as directed in para 3 of the above circular will be submitted to this HQ not later than 23 June 43.

Para 270 "Q" ACCOUNTANCY

Attention is directed to NT Force circular 488/Q/Ord of 8 June 43 issued to units concerned separately.

COs will ensure that every facility is afforded to checking officers during their tour of duty with units concerned.

Para 271 REFLECTORS, SEARCHLIGHT AND BEACHLIGHT

The attention of all concerned in the handling and maintenance of beachlights and searchlights will be drawn to the following instruction:-

"As the cleaning and polishing of reflectors by unskilled or careless personnel or with unsuitable abrasive materials will inevitably result in damage to the reflector surface, ALL cleaning and polishing of reflectors will be carried out under the supervision of a mechanist or senior NCO who has been instructed by the OC AASL Wkshop Sec AEME attached to the unit.
OCs AASL Wkshop Secs AEME will arrange for all personnel whose duties embrace the polishing of reflectors to be instructed in accordance with DME Technical Inst No [illegible] - 9.

Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES

PROTESTANT SERVICES FOR SUNDAY JUNE 13TH

C of E Holy Communion in Christ Church Smith Street at 0800 hrs.
United Service in Police Paddock at 0900 hours.
United Service followed by Holy Communion in Church Army Hut PARAP at 1015 hours.
United Service in S.A. Hut LARRAKEYAH 1000 hours
United Service followed by Holy Communion Recreation Hut VESTEYS 1900 hours.
United Service in YMCA (Inter Church Club) DARWIN 1930 hours.

R.C. CHURCH PARADES

Confessions

Every Saturday - DARWIN Church from 1700 hours.

Mass

Every Sunday - DARWIN Church (0800 hours)
(1930 ")

PARAP 0900

Benediction

Every Sunday - DARWIN Church 1930 hours.

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TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK. 25/45

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V1/32 5 & 16
V1/33 1 & 5
Total 6 & 19

(Gen Duty)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

H. DARWIN INFANTRY AREA (Unit)

3514

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	W.E.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment)
Colonel	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	1	1		
Captains	3	2		1
Lieutenants	1	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters				
Totals	6	6	1	1
ALL A.T.S.				

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj T/Col	VX35236	NURSE P.K.	GEN LIST	YES	
Capt T/Maj	NX254	WILSON A.S.	2/2 Aust Inf	YES	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114228	GRISWICK W.E.	RAA	YES	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114230	WHITBY B.J.	RAA	YES	
Lieut	VX114226	HANSON D.K.	RAA	YES	
Lieut	VX54998	BRENNAN R.B.	RAA	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.
Capt	VX63949	EDWARDS R.K.	A.A.M.C.	24.4.43	S.M.O.
T/Capt	NX141751	BLAIR E.A.	RAA-AAD	9.3.43	L.O.
Lieut	VX1901	HOARE H.	2/3 Coy AASC	1.3.43	B.A.S.C.O.
Lieut	VX100183	MATHEWS W.	D.A.D.Pigeons	1.3.43	

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit.)

(Signature of Commander.) Colonel.

11 June 43 (Date of Despatch.)

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

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK. 23/43

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V1/3/2 5 & 16
V1/33 1 & 3
Total 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

(Adapted)

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AUA (Unit) 11 June 43 (Date).

To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached)		3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.				
W.Os. Class II.				
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1				1 (Personnel on IR 1 being Trd)
Staff Serjeants 1				
Serjeants 2	2	1	1	
Corporals 3	1	2		
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	6	2 /		3
TOTALS 19	14	=15	1	5

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Pt class "A" allotted numbers
"B" Pt class "B" Numbers not yet allotted

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	51 F.A.D.	7	D.F.D.
1	G.D.D.	5	7 Aust Inf Bn
1	HQ Hygiene	1	8 Fd Censor
3	F.S.S. HQ	4	[redacted])
5	HQ Postal		
5	19 Aust Inf Bn		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

A.W. 3m Bch. 2/43

DARWIN FOR RUSS AREA *Unit.*

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

Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
Camouflage Modeller			Gun Operators			Range Takers		
Carpenter and Joiner			Hammermen			Riggers		
Clerks			Height Takers			Riveters		
Clerks, Engineering			Helio Operators			Saddlers		
Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
GENERAL DUTIES		4						
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H.Q. DARWIN FORTRESS AREA. *Unit.*

Signature of Commander. Colonel.

Date of Despatch 21 Jun 43.

Gen Darwin Fortress Area
Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

MOST SECRET

Headquarters,
Darwin Fortress Area.

COPY NO. 8

LOCATION STATEMENT FOR DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
AS AT 2359 HRS 12 JUNE 43.

Map Reference:- Darwin Defence Area Situation Map 2 Inch to 1 Mile.

UNIT	LOCATION MILEAGE UNDER COMD.	PROJECTED MOVES & REMARKS.
HQ Darwin Fortress Area	790088	
12 Aust Div Cypher Sec	789088	
ARTY.		
2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt HQ	793087	Fortress
"E" Sec Sigs	793087	"
2/70 L.A.D.	814107	"
21 B.H.Q.	819118	"
"A" Tp.	803101	"
"B" Tp.	816108	"
22 B.H.Q.	789100	"
"C" Tp.	815089	"
" "D" Tp.	792098	"
61 B.H.Q.	792089	"
"E" Tp.	792091	"
"F" Tp.	793090	"
HQ Hy ARTY Darwin Fixed Defences.	782142	"
EAST Bty	782152	"
EMERY Bty	776094	"
WEST Bty	719113	"
89 Aust Depot Sec(Dudley Pt)	782142	"
235 Shore Def Sec(" ")	782142	"
152 Aust 6A SL Sec (East ")	782152	"
153 " " " " (Dudley")	782142	"
154 " " " " (Emery ")	776094	"
155 " " " " (West ")	719113	"
AA Gp HQ DARWIN.	Larrakeyah	"
AA Gun Ops Room(Berrimah)	913109	"
19 Aust AA Bty HQ	808080	"
360 Hy Gun Site (Darwin Oval)	808078	"
359 " " " (Fanny Bay)	799138	"
353 " " " (McMillans)	852180	"
Lt AA Sec (Bofors)	813074	"
	816079	"
	814081	"
	799138	"
2 Aust AA Bty HQ	896116	"
427 Hy Gun Site (Berrimah)	896119	"
428 " " " (Quarantine)	893067	"
Lt AA Sec (Bofors)	893067	"
6 Aust Mob Met Flight (Det)	Larrakeyah	"
65 Aust AASL Bty	809106	"
"A" Tp.	860163	"
"B" Tp	785087	"
"C" Tp	819104	"
70 Aust AASL Bty	825140	"
"A" Tp	931114	"
"B" Tp	881069	"
"C" Tp	959382	"
"D" Tp	792087	"
103 Tk A Regt.		
9 Tk A Bty	811102	"
ENGRS		
HQ Frt Engrs (Type C)	790091	"
42 Aust Wkshops Sec	790091	"
43 " " "	790091	"
61 " E & M "	790091	"
79 " Water Tpt Sec (Type B)	786087	"
INF.		
7 Aust Inf Bn.		
HQ & HQ Coy	804097	"
"A" Coy	819123	"
"B" Coy	809103	"
"C" Coy	813105	"
"D" Coy	811102	"
SIGS		
Darwin Fortress Signals	792090	"
7 MD AA Sig Sec (One Det)	Larrakeyah	"

UNIT	LOCATION	MILEAGE UNDER COND.	PROJECTED MOVE & REMARKS
MEDICAL			
1 Aust MAC (One-Sec)	799094		Fortress
ORD			
HQ 11 Aust AA Wkshop Coy AEME	Larrakeyah		"
14 Aust AA Bty Wkshop (SEC)	785093		"
1/54 AASL Wkshop (")	785093		"
70 " " (")	896119		"
MISCELLANEOUS			
Town Major (Class 2) DARWIN	806089		"
HEADQUARTERS			
Det HQ 14 L of C	Vestey's		14 L of C
ARTY			
225 Aust Lt AA Bty			
"B" Tp. HQ	828143		CRA
M1	837161		"
M2	846148		"
M3	838143		"
"C" Tp. HQ	860184		"
M4	856142		"
M5	858131		"
M6	846126		"
PAY			
49 Aust Depot Cash Office Type "B"	803087		14 L fo C
ENGRS.			
No 5 Docks Op Coy RAE	Parap		14 L of C
Det 6 Army Tps Coy (2 Sec)	Vestey's		CRE
" 54 Fd Park Coy	Vestey's		CRE
19 Employment Coy	Parap		14 L of C
13 Aust Fd Coy			
No2 Sec & No 3 Sec	803103		CRE
6 Aust Camflg Mtrg Unit	808078		CRE
8 " " " "	804097		CRE
12 " " " "	Dudley Pt		CRE
8 Sec- 1 Aust Bomb Disposal Unit	Vestey's		14 L of C
SIGS.			
44 Aust Carr Pigeon Loft DARWIN	Larrakeyah		CSO
S & T			
11 Sup Pers Coy (Det DLO)	Vestey's		14 L of C
" " " " (")	Vestey's Siding		14 L of C
12 Fd Bakery (Det)	813061		14 L of C
3 Fd Butchery	Vestey's		14 L of C
Det 3 Fd Butchery	Vestey's		14 L of C
MEDICAL			
Fortress Camp Hospital	Kahlin		14 L of C
2/7 Aust Dental Unit HQ Sec	Parap		14 L of C
" " " B Sec	Kahlin		14 L of C
ORD.			
NT L of C Wkshops AEME	Larrakeyah		14 L of C
82 F.C.D.	804086		14 L of C
12 Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit	Kahlin		Force Tps
MISCELLANEOUS			
12 Aust Div Salvage Unit	Larrakeyah		Force Tps
Movement Control	802086		14 L of C
APO DARWIN (065)	803091		14 L of C
NT Force Press Unit	798091		14 L of C
HQ US Army Air Corps	805085		
Barrack Warden	Larrakeyah		
ACF Representative YMCA	807085		
NTF Canteens (one Det)	Vestey's		14 L of C
" " (" ")	803083		14 L of C
Det Dept of Public Relations	805086		Force Tps
A.E.S.	Larrakeyah		

Capt.
A.A.G. HQ Darwin Fortress Area.

DISTRIBUTION	COPY NO
HQ AT FORCE	1
2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt	2
Hq Hy Arty Darwin Fixed Defences	3
AAD (Fortress)	4
Fortress Signals	5
7 Aust Inf Bn	6
Staff Captain	7
WAR DIARY	8
WAR DIARY	9
"I" Section	10

NOTE:- All previous location statements issued by this HQ are to be destroyed by fire.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

COLONEL [illegible],

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

SERIAL NO 36. (Paras 272 - 282) 15 Jun 43

Para 272 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

AAD (Fortress) will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing Fri 18 Jun 43.

STRENGTH	:	1 NCO and 7 OR's
DRESS	:	Full Marching Order.
EQUIPMENT	:	Bedding and Messing Gear will be provided by AAD (Fortress).
RATIONS & QUARTERS	:	Provided by HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
DUTIES	:	As per Guard Standing Orders.

Guard will report to Orderly NCO., HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA at 1630 hours Fri 18 Jun 43.

NEXT FOR DUTY : 10/48 Aust Inf Bn commencing Fri 25 Jun 43.

Para 273 STORAGE OF AMMUNITION AND EXPLOSIVES IN THE FIELD (GRO 0386)

Reports have been received of damage by water being caused to ammunition and explosives stored in underground or semi-underground shelters, which have been flooded by heavy rain.

Ammunition and explosives will not be stored in such shelters unless drainage exists to carry off immediately the maximum amount of seepage or surface water which might enter under extreme conditions of wet weather.

If enclosed drains are used they should have ample capacity to cope with partial blocking by silt, debris, etc.

In level country, ammunition should be stored in above ground shelters and placed on ample dunnage.

Para 274 TRANSFERS TO NEW STATIONS - TRAVELLING AND SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCES (GRO F.403)

Members of the forces transferred to a new station, where service accommodation is not available, will enter lodgings as soon as possible. Travelling allowance will be paid for the time spent in travelling between the old and new headquarters. The allowance may also be paid in respect of a period of three days during which lodgings are being sought. In special circumstances, e.g., when incidence of holidays or special duty precludes the seeking of lodgings, this period may be extended to five days.

Claims submitted by members for travelling allowance, in accordance with the above, will be supported by receipted accounts. The following certificate will be completed on the claim:- "I certify that, on arrival at my present headquarters, it was impracticable to obtain suitable permanent accommodation during the period claimed".

GRO F.95/1943 is cancelled.

Para 275 ARMY - RAAF RECRUITING (GRO A.412)

GRO A.228/1942 is amended by adding the following to para 2(a)(i)(b) thereof:-

"Any such personnel who are entitled to leave in accordance with the provision of GRO A.559/1942 and who desire to take it in the State of their enlistment will be issued with a home leave pass and instructed to report to the CDD in that L of C Area at expiration of leave for finalization.

Relevant documents will be forwarded to that L of C Area and advice given to the local RAAF Recruiting Centre indicating the State in which finalization of discharge will be effected."

Para 276 ATTENDANCE OF OFFICERS BEFORE CIVIL COURTS (GRO A.413)

Officers will not attend before civil courts, on behalf of members charged with offences, except in the foll owing cases:-

(a) When a formation &c. commander considers it desirable that an officer should attend;

(b) When the accused member has requested an officer to appear on his behalf as a witness as to facts and whether subpoenaed or not;

(c) When an officer has been subpoenaed to give evidence as to the character of the accused member.

Para 277 PAPER BAGS

Owing to supplies of paper bags not being available in NT for some time, it will be necessary for all units to return all bags to D.I.D. for re-issue in detailed break-up of commodities such as flour, sugar, tea etc.

Unit Q.M. will ensure that all such containers are returned and where practicable permanent containers should be carried in unit ration trucks so that bags can be emptied at D.I.D. and returned at the time of issue.

Para 278 CAMOUFLAGE AND CARE OF TENTAGE

NT Force adm instn 69 has been issued separately to units concerned.

COs will ensure that the provisions of the instns are rigidly adhered to and the instn given the widest possible circulation amongst all officers.

Para 279 REPORTING OF OFFICERS IN AND OUT

NT Force circular A/6937 of 11 Jun is repromulgated below.

Movement of all officers will be reported to this HQ in order that the relevant information may be passed to HQ NT Force as directed in the abovementioned circular:

"In future, the arrival of all officers returning to [illegible] from duty and /or leave, or to take up duty in this area, will be reported to Adv. HQ NT Force immediately. If considered necessary, a copy of their movement order is to be produced. The nature of the duty and/or leave from which they have returned, or the duty they are to take up, will be state

Para 279(cont)

If they have been instructed to relieve an officer in this area, that officer's name and appointment will also be stated.

No officer may leave this area by any route without the approval of this HQ.

On a hand-over of duties between officers, where the officer handing over is to move to a new posting outside the area, this HQ will be advised in writing when the hand-over is complete. The necessary instructions for movement will then be issued.

Para 280 MEDICAL BOARDS - PERSONNEL NOT PREVIOUSLY MEDICALLY BOARDED

NT Force circular 9123 of 7 Jun has been issued separately.

Units will submit nominal rolls to this HQ not later than 1800 hours 3 July 43.

Para 281 A.A.L.D. - APPOINTMENT TO

NT Force adm instn 70 has been issued separately.

Applications will be forwarded to reach this HQ not later than 25 Jun 43.

Para 2 of the abovementioned adm instn is cancelled.

Para 282 INNOCULATIONS AND VACCINATIONS

A return showing numbers of personnel requiring completion of initial and refresher injections will be submitted to reach this HQ not later than 1800 hours 27 Jun 43.

The return will be submitted on the following proforma:-

Unit.....	T.A.B.			T.T.		VACCINATION
	1	2	3	1	2	
Numbers of personnel required to complete initial injection						
Number of personnel required to complete refresher injection.						
TOTAL						
Number of personnel completed all courses						
Posted strength of unit						

Signature of C.O.....

C.O. will ensure that this return is complete and accurate.

Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1.

by

COLONEL F.H.NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

SERIAL NO 37 (Paras 283 - 292) 17 Jun 43

Para 283 LHQ SCHOOLS - STUDENTS' LATE ARRIVAL (GRO 0.438)

Attention is drawn to the late arrival of students to LHQ schools. It is the responsibility of formations and movement controls concerned to ensure that every facility is given these students for quick onward movement.

In the case of students travelling long distances, arrangements will be made by formations to see that these students arrive at the school one day before the commencement of the course.

Para 284 CARTRIDGES, SIGNAL AND ILLUMINATING, 1-INCH (GRO 0.439)

Owing to the possibility of pierced caps being encountered with cartridges, signal or illuminating, 1-inch, the following precautions will always be taken:-

(a) When firing pistols, signal, 1-inch, the head must be turned away, in a manner that will ensure that the blow back of small pieces of metal from the cartridge cannot injure the eyes.

(b) In addition, the firer, if possible, should wear a glove or alternatively wrap his hand in sacking or cloth.

Para 285 RIFLES, .303-INCH - BRIGHT MUZZLES (GRO 0.440)

Instances have been reported that camouflage of troops, particularly snipers, in jungle warfare has been completely nullified by reflection from the bright muzzle end of rifle barrels.

Arrangements are being made for the muzzle to be left black in future manufacture and a technical instruction is being promulgated to treat all rifles passing through 4th echelon workshops.

As an expedient, OCs of all units will ensure that the muzzles of all rifles are treated with a dark heat resisting paint, periodical applications being made as necessary. Care will be taken that the paint is kept free of the bore.

Rifles Nos 1 and 3 are affected by the above order. Muzzles of No 4 rifles have been left black in manufacture, but will be treated if black has worn off.

Para 286 BOXES, AMMUNITION, SMALL ARMS. (GRO 0.450)

The maximum care possible will be taken by all units and users of boxes, ammunition, small arms, H1 and H13, to minimise rough handling, particularly in so far as lids are concerned as they present certain difficulties in their manufacture and repair.

Unserviceable H1 and H13 boxes, ammunition, small arms, when returned to salvage depots will be inspected and all serviceable lids will be detached and returned to munitions stores.

Para 287 CLASSIFICATION OF CASUALTIES TO VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENTS (GRO 0.448)

When reporting casualties to vehicles and equipments it is frequently desirable to indicate briefly the extent of the damage. The normal practice, therefore, will be to classify casualties as "X", "Y", or "Z".

It is essential that all formations and units attribute the same meaning to these classifications which are as follows:-

"X" casualty - due to a temporary stoppage only and repairable by the crew of the vehicle or equipment without outside assistance.

"Y" casualty - requiring assistance from repair personnel and likely to be repairable by unit fitters, light aid detachments or 2nd echelon workshops.

"Z" casualty - requiring replacement or extensive repair involving evacuation.

Para 288 GUNS, MACHINE, BREN - EROSION OF BREECH BLOCK. (GRO 0.449)

Reports have been received that breech blocks of Bren Guns have been rendered unserviceable due to deeply penetrated erosion of the breech block face.

The above defect is entirely due to oiled ammunition and indicates that instructions contained in GRO 0.182(c) 1942 are not being complied with.

Immediate action will be taken to ensure that the instructions contained in the abovementioned GRO are implemented, with particular regard to para (5).

Para 289 ISSUE, RETURN AND STORAGE OF TYRES, TUBES AND FLAPS IN COMPLETE ASSEMBLIES (GRO 0.451)

This order will be read in conjunction with GRO 0.409 1942.

Considerable wastage of tyre flaps and tubes has occurred due, in part, to their treatment as individual items and not as component parts of the tyre. To prevent this wastage, the following instructions will apply immediately:-

(a) units returning tyres to ordnance depots will return complete assemblies, each comprising casing, tube and (where used) flap;

(b) stocks of spare tyres held by units for maintenance purposes will be kept in an assembled condition, comprising casing, tube (partly inflated) and flap;

(c) stocks of casings, tubes and flaps held by ordnance depots or field parks will be held and issued in matched assemblies, according to their classification, i.e., "A", "B" or "C".

(d) the only exception to (a) above will be in the case of a tube or flap necessitating replacement while the casing is in serviceable condition, in which case the tube or flap will be returned separately to ordnance depots for replacement;

(e) all units holding stocks of tubes and flaps in excess of requirements for correctly matched assemblies will return same immediately to ordnance depots for inspection and/or repair and classification.

Para 290 TAG FOR RETURNED TYRES - AAF C 155 (GRO 0.452)

AAF C155 has been taken into use and supplies are now available at stationery depots.

The tag will be firmly affixed to all tyres returned by units to ordnance depots for inspection and/or repair.

A unit, when returning a tyre, will enter on the obverse side of the tag affixed thereto the following particulars:-

(a) Name of unit.
(b) Tyre size.
(c) Tyre serial number.
(d) Make of tyre.
(e) Vehicle number
(f) Date of despatch.

Rubber inspectors, after examining and classifying the tyre, will enter on the reverse side of the tag the following particulars:-

(a) Defective code number.
(b) Disposal for repair.
(c) Classification after repair.

The tag will accompany the tyre at all times until it is finally received back into ordnance depots after repair.

Units will requisition for supplies of tags from stationery depots.

Para 291 SECRET DOCUMENTS - TRANSMISSION OF

The attention of all personnel handling correspondence, returns etc of a SECRET nature is drawn to the provisions of AIR & O 1791 (1) reproduced herewith:-

"(1) When a secret document is transmitted outside the office of origin by post or messenger it will be enclosed in two envelopes, the inner envelope only being wax sealed and marked "SECRET" and the outer envelope being superscribed with the address only."

COs will ensure that the provisions of AIR & O are complied with, and that all personnel whose duty it is to handle the despatch of SECRET documents, are cognisant of the correct procedure.

Para 292 RULES "LOST" AND "FOUND"

HQ Force Order 102 of 15 Jun 43 has been issued separately to all units.

Returns as required by this order, will be submitted to this HQ not later than 1200 hours 23 Jun 43 and 1200 hours 23rd of each succeeding month.

Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

ORDERS

CHURCH SERVICES

Church Services in the Fortress Area will be held at usual times on Sunday 20 June 43.

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V3/43 5 & 16
V1/43 1 & 3
TOTAL 6 & 19

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

(B) DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (*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)
	A.I.F.			
Colonel*	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	1	1		
Captains	3	2		1
Lieutenants	1	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters				
Totals	6	6	1	1
	A.I.F.			

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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V1/5/2/ 5 & 16
V1/53 1 & 5
TOTAL 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ ~~DARWIN Fortress~~ (Unit) 19 June 1943 (Date).

To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
~~W.O.~~ Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1			1 (Personnel on HQ
Staff Serjeants 1			1 being trd)
Serjeants 2	4	2	
Corporals 3	2		Cypher Cpl - LHQ Appmnt
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	10		2
TOTALS 19	16	2	4

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	5 Aust A.A.D.	6	D.F.D.
		5	10/48 AUST INF BDE
1	HQ NORTH	1	3 FD CPNSOR
3	U.S.A. HQ	1	HQ (Hill History)
5	HQ POSTAL	1	5 C.E. Wks
5	19 Aust Inf Bn		

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj T/Col	VX55656	[illegible]	[illegible]	YES	
Capt T/Maj	[illegible]254	WILSON A.J.	2/3 Aust Inf	YES	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114228	CRENNICK F.N.	RAA	YES	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114230	[illegible]	RAA	YES	
Lieut	VX114226	[illegible]	RAA	YES	
Lieut	VX54908	[illegible]	RAA	YES	

I certify that I have personally checked and found this return correct in all details.

[signature] Colonel.
Comd [illegible] Fortress Area.

(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	VX63949	[illegible]	A.A.M.C.	24.4.43	S.M.O.
T/Capt	VX141751	BLAIR E.A.	RAA-AAD	3.3.43	L.O.
Lieut	VX1901	[illegible]	2/3 Coy A.S.C.	1.3.43	B.A.S.C.O.
Lieut	VX100135	[illegible]	[illegible]	1.5.43	

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit.)

[signature] Colonel.
(Signature of Commander.)

19 June 43 (Date of Despatch.)

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

IN DARWIN FORTRESS AREA *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 (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
Battery Surveyors			Fitters, M.V.			Plate Layers		
Battery Comdrs. Asst.			Fitters, Railway Signal			Plumbers		
Blacksmiths			Fitters, Signal			Predictor Numbers		
Boilermakers			Grinders			Printers		
Bricklayers			Gun Layers			Radiator Mechanics		
Butchers			G.P.O. Assistants			Radiographers		
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Clerks, Supply			Instrument Mechanics			Saddle Tree Makers		
Clerks, Technical			Instrument Mechanics, Surgical			Saw Doctors		
Coachmakers			Instrument Operators			Sawyers		
Computers			Intelligence Duties			Shoemakers		
Concretors			Joiners			Signallers		
Cooks			Leather Stitchers			Signwriters		
Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
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Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
~~General Purpose~~	2							
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

I certify that I have personally checked and found this return correct in all details.

Colonel.
Comd Darwin Fortress Area.

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

IN DARWIN FORTRESS *Unit.*

Signature of Commander. Colonel.

Date of Despatch 19 June 43

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

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No. 1/35

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS

IN

OUT

No. of Groups GR. 42

OFFICE DATE STAMP 21/6/43

(ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO Forteas

FROM CSO

Originator's Number 3

Date 21

In Reply to Number

For	fortress	bound	O	This	is
a	test	message	for	pigeon	service
O	Please	fill	up	time	of
receipt	on	enclosed	forms	O	Yours
might	also	enter	time	the	reply
was	completed	and	handed	to	sig
orderly					

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN (EXCEPT) BY ANY MEANS: ( ) WIRELESS

Signature

* Originator may delete "except" and insert "including."

This message must be sent IN CYPHER if liable to interception or to fall into enemy hands.

Signature

Originator's Instructions
Degree of Priority

Time of Origin 0906

(BELOW THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

System In	Time In	Reader	Sender	System Out	Time Out	Reader	Sender	System Out	Time Out	Reader	Sender
Phw	1105			O	1150						

T.O.R. 1105

MESSAGE FORM

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

by

COLONEL F.N.NURSE

COMMANDER

DARWIN FORTRESS AREA.

SERIAL NO 38 (Paras 293 -299) 23 June 43

Para 293 GUARD - SECURITY - HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA

10/48 Aust Inf Bn will provide the Security Guard for HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA for the week commencing 25 Jun 43

STRENGTH	:	1 NCO and 8 OR's
DRESS	:	Full Marching Order.
EQUIPMENT	:	Bedding and Messing Gear will be provided by 10/48 Aust Inf Bn.
RATIONS & QUARTERS	:	Provided by HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA.
DUTIES	:	As per Guard Standing Orders. Guard will report to Orderly NCO, HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA at 1630 hours Fri 25 Jun 43.
NEXT FOR DUTY	:	2/14 Aust A Fd Regt commencing Fri 2 Jul 43.

Para 294 SECURITY OF DOCUMENTS IN OPERATIONAL AREAS (GRO G.455)

The loss to the enemy of documents containing details about our forces, movements and plans is always likely to have disastrous results, for experience on all fronts has shown that captured documents provide one of the most fruitful sources of information to the enemy. For example, some of our marked maps captured by the Japanese in New Guinea, and subsequently recaptured by us, show clearly the good use to which they were put by the enemy.

Every soldier should therefore be aware of the grave danger (to himself and to his comrades) of permitting documents to fall into enemy hands - a danger all the more acute in battle zones, or in any situation which may entail contact with the enemy, or when the possibility of attack by enemy exists.

The following documents which, if lost, will give away valuable information, are mentioned :-

(a) Operation and movement orders, secret correspondence reports, etc.

(b) Code and cypher books.

(c) Maps, plans and sketches

(d) Certain Army books (e.g. Vehicle Log Book (AAB 20)) containing names and movements of units.

(e) Personal letters, diaries, notebooks, etc., carried by troops.

To Guard against the danger of documents falling into enemy hands, care will always be taken to :-

Para294 (Cont)

(a) refrain from carrying into or retaining in battle zones any document other than those indispensable for the operation in hand.

(b) arrange for the destruction, at a moment's notice in the event of emergency, of all documents not necessarily retained in battle zones.

Commanders of all units and formations will be responsible for ensuring, before moving to any zone which may entail contact with the enemy :-

(i) that all documents mentioned in 3(a), (b), (c) and (d) above, except those necessarily retained for operational purposes, are disposed of for safe keeping;

(ii) that personnel on HQ staffs have made adequate advance arrangements to destroy by the quickest possible means documents in danger of capture by the enemy;

(iii) that personal diaries and notebooks are withdrawn from troops, in accordance with MEQ Field Censorship Instruction No 4, para 6;

(iv) that such parts of other personal papers carried by troops, as give the unit designation are destroyed or obliterated; e.g., addressed envelopes of letters.

Para 295 SPARE WIRELESS SETS (GRO 6.457)

It has been observed that there is a tendency to utilize spare wireless sets allowed for in war equipment tables to augment the signal plan.

It is pointed out that these wireless sets are included in war equipment tables for replacement purposes in an emergency. The whole of the maintenance organisation is based on the approved operational scale only and no personnel are provided to operate these sets.

If this scale is exceeded, an undue burden will be thrown upon the organization for the charging of wireless batteries and the repair and replacement of wireless equipment and also on operating personnel.

Only in very special circumstances should the operational scale of wireless equipment be amplified from that provided for replacement purposes, and then only with approval of a chief Signal Officer.

Para 296 BLUE AND WHITE (SIGNALS) ARMLET (GRO.458)

GRO 7.211/1943 is amended by deleting para 2 and inserting in lieu the following :-

"2. The armlet will be worn on the right upper arm, with the exception of despatch riders who will wear it on each upper arm. In all cases, it will be worn only while on duty."

Para 296 SMOKING WITHIN BULK OR OTHER PETROL INSTALLATIONS (GRO. 465)

Attention is drawn to Standing Orders for Army Fire Services, paras. 37 and 199(b).

Smoking and the carrying of matches or smoking materials in any petrol depot, dump or installation are absolutely prohibited. Severe disciplinary action will be taken against all offenders.

Before a working party enters such an establishment the officer or NCO in charge will ensure that the members of it give up all matches and smoking materials in their possession.

Para 297 RESPONSIBILITY FOR PUBLIC AND REGIMENTAL MONEY (GRO F.470)

Thefts of public and regimental funds, which have occurred through monies being left in an unoccupied room, have directed attention to the failure of some officers to take proper care to protect such monies. Events have also proved that to have a soldier sleeping in the room where money is kept is not, of itself, an adequate safeguard.

An officer is liable for any such loss of public or regimental monies entrusted to his safe keeping, if such loss is occasioned by his own negligence, i.e., by his failure to exercise proper care, having regard to all the circumstances. An officer's responsibility to protect public or regimental monies held by him is in no way lessened by the fact that no safe is available: on the contrary, such a circumstance emphasises the need for vigilant care.

Balance of cash in excess of essential requirements will not be retained unless such retention is unavoidable.

Para 298 P.O.L.- INDENTING FOR

All indents must be made out on form AB.55(a), in triplicate, and submitted for approval in duplicate at the same time as indenting for rations.

The form must be signed by the demanding officer in the [illegible] may be either the C.O., Q.M. or T.O. of the unit. Indents NOT signed by any of the abovementioned officers will NOT be accepted by the supply officer D.I.D.

Demanding officers will ensure that the form is prepared legibly in order to avoid confusion and consequent delay in supply.

Para 299 RETURN OF EMPTY DRUMS, HEAVY, 44 GALLON

Owing to the increased demands for POL and the serious shortage of containers, it is imperative that all empty heavy 44 gallon drums in unit areas be returned forthwith to the nearest BIPOD installation or DID. It is only by a quick turnaround of these drums that petrol supplies can be maintained in this area.

Commanding officers will therefore personally inspect unit areas, and ensure that this instruction is carried out and that in future there is no delay in the return of these containers,

On no account will heavy drums be used for boilers, wash tubs, incinerators, garbage bins etc. Ample stocks of light drums are available for this purpose and may be obtained from Salvage.

[signature] Capt.
SC DARWIN Fortress Area.

NOTICES

CHURCH SERVICES

Church Services in the Fortress Area will be held at the usual times on Sunday 27 Jun 43.

S E C R E T
Headquarters
DARWIN Fortress Area
NT Force
25 Jun 43

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA OP INSTN NO 18

COPY NO 68...

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

1. HQ DARWIN Fortress Area Op Instn No 15 of 30 Nov 42 is cancelled. The following instns set out the air raid warning procedure and the precautions to be taken in anticipation of attack by hostile aircraft.

AA Defences will act in accordance with CAAD's standing orders.

2. WARNING SIGNALS

SIGNAL	MEANING	ACTION TO BE TAKEN ON RECEIPT
AIR RAID YELLOW	Unidentified or hostile A/C approaching Frt Area.	All ranks will continue the work on which they are engaged.
AIR RAID RED	Hostile A/C over Frt Area	All ranks except those on essential duties will take cover. Fire spotters and AALMG dets will take post.
AIR RAID GREEN	All clear	All ranks resume duty without delay.

These warnings will be used at all times except that during darkness the YELLOW warning will NOT be issued, the AIR RAID RED being timed to give approx 10 mins warning.

The use of AIR RAID WHITE is restricted to the RAAF and indicates 'message to pass'.

The term ALARM will NOT be used in connection with air raid warnings.

3. METHOD OF ISSUE

Air raid warnings normally originate by day from RAAF Fighter Sector and will be passed by AA Gun Ops Room to HQ Frt Area. Warnings will NOT be originated by subordinate units except in the case of Stations outside Frt perimeter when low flying unidentified A/C will be regarded as potentially hostile and protective measures taken by the comd on the spot.

Duty Officer HQ Frt Area will warn the following :-

Through Frt Exchange.

HQ FIXED DEFENCES
FRT INF BN
PARAP EXCHANGE
GOC's MESS (DARWIN)
ADV HQ NT FORCE
NAOU - LEE PT
DUTY STAFF OFFICER - NAVY HQ.

3. METHOD OF ISSUE (CONT)

Direct Line

LARRAKEYAH EXCHANGE
2/11 AUST A FD REGT

LARRAKEYAH Exchange operator will warn the following in the priority shown:-

UNIT	EXTENSION NO
Fortress Commander	81
Fortress Signals	2
Kahlin Hospital	46-57
9 Tk/A Bty	19
Fortress Engineers	17
MT L of C Wkshops (MT Wkshops)	41
HQ 11 AA Wkshops	67
Vesteys Switch	27
Power House	73
Town Major	26
Water Transport	42
82 Fd Ord Depot	10
Francis Bay Guard	62
H.C.O.	47
H.A.C.	9
Canteens	15
Army Post Office	24
D.I.D.	33
12 Fd Bakery	63
Ammunition Section	16
R.T.O.	37
Press Unit	49
D.P.R.	43
R.A.P. LARRAKEYAH	23
RAAF Movements	31
Winnellie Switch	44
Qantas	18
U.S.A. A Hq Switch	77
14 L of C Transit Office	65
A.W.C. Town Yard	78

All units will be responsible for warning their own Sub units and in certain cases have the following additional duties:-

9 TK A BTY	-	PROVOST PATROL PARAP
MT L OF C WKSHOPS	-	14 AA WKSHOPS
FRT SIGNALS	-	SALVAGE UNIT
82 FD ORD DEPOT	-	49 DEPOT CASH OFFICE
D.I.D.	-	54 FD PARK
PARAP EXCHANGE	-	All Units PARAP Area
VESTEYS EXCHANGE	-	All units VESTEYS Area

4. PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES

(i) MORALE : Unnecessary disruption of work is to be avoided and premature movement to shelters will be summarily checked, likewise any tendency to panic. The efficacy of slit trenches against bomb blast and fragments has been demonstrated abundantly in the past. Premature movement and panic are true indices of morale and lack of control by superiors.

4. PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES (CONT)

(ii) SHELTERS

Where Frt Defences are not immediately adjacent to offices or billets slit trenches will be dug in sufficient number for all personnel. Shallow trenches afford little protection against air bursts or strafing but in an extremity when caught in the open tps will lie face downwards in the nearest depression or fold in the ground.

Provision will be made for drainage in the wet season and anti-mosquito measures taken.

(iii) AALMG POSTS: As protection against strafing attacks AALMG posts will be established by all units equipped with automatic weapons. Dets will be organized and trained to man these posts automatically on receipt of the RED warning by day

(iv) FIRE SPOTTING : Each unit will organize a fire spotting detail which will maintain a close watch over the surrounding area for incend bombs or outbreak of fire, burst water mains or disrupted telephone and power lines. Fires and incend bombs will be dealt with without delay If the fire is located in another area the information will be passed as soon as practicable to the appropriate Army or Navy exchange.

Burst mains etc will be reported to HQ Frt Area.

(v) PERSONAL EQUIPMENT : Steel helmets and personal arms will be carried by all ranks while away from billets or when taking shelter. When in billets weapons etc will be kept close handy for emergency.

(vi) CONTROL : Comds will organize their units to ensure movement to shelter is an orderly proceeding, that all ranks during the period of the RED warning remain under cover, and that officers, if available, or senior NCOs are in charge of shelter areas to control their personnel and take charge of emergency measures.

5. AIRCRAFT RECOGNITION AND REPORTS

All ranks will receive instruction in the rapid identification of allied and enemy A/C.

It will be impressed on them that all movements of unidentified A/C must be passed rapidly to their superiors.

All suspicious or unidentified A/C sighted from Frt Area will be reported to HQ Frt Area as soon as practicable, information to include number and type, approx position and course. Sightings of unidentified low flying aircraft will be reported by the most immediate method.

6. LIGHTING RESTRICTIONS

All lights in DARWIN Frt Area will be shaded in order that the minimum of light only is visible from outside. Naked lights will NOT be used and will be shaded so that only a glow emanates from the building, barrack room or tent lines.

(i) Office lights will be so shaded to illuminate office table only.

(ii) All offices and buildings likely to require light during a raid will have windows etc completely blacked out.

(iii) Special precautions must be taken to ensure no lights are visible seawards, at night.

7. ACK by 1800 hours 28 June 43.

W A Glasgow
for Major.
BM DARWIN Fortress Area.

DISTRIBUTION : List "D"

TO BE MADE UP TO AND FOR SATURDAY IN EACH WEEK.

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V1/53 1 & 3
Total 6 & 19

25/43

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

4223

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (*Unit*)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	W. H.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment)
Colonel*	1	1		
Lieut.-Colonels				
Majors	1	1		
Captains	3	2		1
Lieutenants	1	2	1	
2nd Lieutenants				
Quartermasters				
Totals	6	6	1	1

*Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

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PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1 Substantive Rank and higher temporary rank, if held.	2 Personal Number.	3 Name and Initials.	4 Corps.	5 Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	6 If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Maj T/Col	VX85256	NURSE F.N.	GEN LIST	YES	
Capt T/Maj	NX254	WILSON A.S.	2/2 Aust Inf	YES	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114228	CRISWICK W.H.	RAA-Coast Arty	YES	
Lieut T/Capt	VX114230	WHITBY B.J.	RAA-Coast Arty	YES	
Lieut	VX114226	HANSON D.K.	RAA-Coast Arty	YES	
Lieut	VX54998	BRENNAN R.B.	RAA-AA Gp	YES	

I certify that I have personally checked and found this return correct in all details.

Colonel
Comd DARWIN Fortress Area

(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	VX63949	EDWARDS R.K.	(RMO DFD) A.A.M.C.	24.4.43	S.M.O.
T/Capt	NX141751	BLAIR E.A.	RAA-AAD	9.3.43	L.O.
Lieut	VX1901	MOORE H.	2/3Coy AASC	1.3.43	B.A.S.C.O.
Lieut	VX100183	MANNING H.	D.A.D.Hirings	1.5.43	Hirings Offr
Capt	SX24515	HASKARD G.L.	AE Service NT	19.5.43	Education Offr
Capt)	D.454	Chap DWYER J.	AACH Dppt	16.11.42	Army RC Chaplain

(Unit.)

(Signature of Commander.)
Colonel.
Comd DARWIN Fortress Area.

HQDARWIN FORTRESS AREA

26 June 43
(Date of Despatch.)

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

TABLE "F" — NIL

TABLE "G" — NIL

TABLE "H" — NIL

TABLE "I" — NIL

TABLE "J"

Sub Rank and Higher T/Rank if held	Army No	Surname	Initials	Offrs unit	Patent Reason
Capt	VX63949	EDWARDS	R.K.	A.A.[illegible].C.	S.M.O.
T/Capt	NX141751	BLAIR E.A.		RAA-AAD	L.O.
Lieut	VX1901	MOORE	N.	2/3Coy AASC	BASCO
Lieut	VX100183	MANNING H.		DAD Hirings NT Force	Hirings Offr
Capt	SX24515	HASKARD EXX	G.L.	A.E. Service	Educ Offr
Capt	D.454	Chaplain DWYER	J.	AACH	Army RC Chaplain

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Total 6 & 19

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

HQ DARWIN FORTRESS AREA (Unit) 26 June 1943 (Date).

To be furnished by all units and all Headquarter units.)

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e., deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			
W.Os. Class II.			
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants 1			1 (personnel on HQ
Staff Serjeants 1			1 being trained)
Serjeants 2	4	2	
Corporals 3	2		Cypher Cpl - HQ Apptmt
Troopers, Privates, &c. 12	10		2
TOTALS 19	16	2	4

*These totals should agree with the details shown in Part D on page 2 of Army Form W.3009.

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	5 Aust A.A.D.	6	D.F.D.
1	HQ Hygiene	5	10/48 Aust Inf Bn
3	F.S.S. HQ	1	8 Fd Coy C.E.
5	HQ Postal	1	HQ (Hil History)
5	10 Aust Inf Bn	1	3 C.E. Wks
		1	14 L of C Sub Area

Part C. Description of other ranks whose return to the unit is particularly requested.

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

HQDARWIN FORTRESS AREA ..... *Unit.*

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(Adapted) (Aug. 41)
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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 (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)	Detail of Specialists, Tradesmen, etc.	Surplus (a)	Reinfts. Required (a)
Ammunition Examiners			Fire Control Operators			Panel Beaters		
Armament Artificers			Fitters			Pattern Makers		
Armourers			Fitters and Turners			Pharmacists		
Artificers, Artillery			Fitters, Cycle			Photographers, dry plate		
Axemen			Fitters, Drivers			Photographers, wet plate		
Bakers			Fitter's Mates			Photo-Writers		
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Cooks, Hospital			Linesmen			Stokers, Stationary Engine		
Coppersmiths			Linesmen, Signals			Storemen, Technical		
Dental Clerk Orderlies			Lithographers			Surveyors		
Despatch Riders			Machinists			Surveyors, Engineering		
Dispensers			Masons			Tailors		
Draughtsmen			Masseurs			Telescope Identification Numbers		
Draughtsmen, Architectural			Mechanics, Dental			Textile Refitters		
Draughtsmen, Mechanical			Mechanics, M.T.			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen, Signal			Mechanics, Typewriter			Toolmakers		
Draughtsmen, Topographical			Mechanics, Wireless			Turners		
Driver Mechanics			Millwrights			Vulcanizers		
Driver Operators			Miners			Wagon Erectors		
Drivers, Transportation Plant			Moulders			Watchmakers		
Electrical Fitters			Nursing Orderlies			Watermen		
Electricians			Nursing Orderlies (Mental)			Welders		
Electricians, Eng. Units			Nurses, Trained			Well Borers		
Electricians, Signal			Observation Post Assistants			Wheelers		
Engine Artificers			Operating Room Assistants			Whitesmiths		
Engine Hands I/C			Operators, Signal			Wiremen		
Equipment Repairers			Opticians			Woodturners		
Farriers			Painters					
General Duties	2							
Totals (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)								

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H White Lt Colonel.
Comd DARWIN Fortress Area.

Notes—(a) If rank other than Private is involved give details on back.
(b) Authorised Trades or Specialists not included in list above will be added as required in spaces provided.

H. DARWIN Fortress Area
Unit.

H White Lt Colonel.
Signature of Commander.
Comd DARWIN Fortress Area.

Date of Despatch 26 June 43

Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which unit is serving.

M.O.S.T.S.E.C.R.S.T.

Copy No. 8...

Headquarters,
Darwin Fortress Area.

LOCATION STATEMENT FOR DARWIN FORTRESS AREA
AS AT 1359 HRS 22 JUNE 43.
Reference:- Darwin Defence Area 2 Inch to 1 Mile.

	LOCATION MILEAGE UNDER COMD.	PROJECTED MOVES & REMARKS.
HQ Darwin Fortress Area	790028	
12 Aust Div Cypher Sec	789088	
ARTY		
2/11 Aust Army Fd Regt HQ	793087	Fortress
"S" Sec Sigs	793087	"
2/70 L.A.D.	814107	"
21 B.H.Q.	819118	"
"A" Tp.	803101	"
"B" Tp.	816108	"
22 B.H.Q.	789100	"
"C" Tp.	815089	"
"D" Tp.	792098	"
61 B.H.Q.	792089	"
"E" Tp.	792091	"
"F" Tp.	793090	"
HQ HY ARTY Darwin Fixed Defences	782142	"
EAST Bty	782152	"
EMERY Bty	776084	"
WEST Bty	719113	"
89 Aust Depot Sec (Dudley Pt)	782142	"
235 Shore Def " (" ")	782142	"
152 Aust CA SL " (East ")	782152	"
153 " " " " (Dudley ")	782142	"
154 " " " " (Emery ")	776084	"
155 " " " " (West ")	719113	"
AA GP HQ DARWIN	Larrakeyah	"
AA Gun Ops Room (Berrimah)	913109	"
19 Aust AA Bty HQ	808080	"
360 Hy Gun Site (Darwin Oval)	809078	"
359 " " " (Fanny Bay)	799138	"
358 " " " (McMillans)	852180	"
Lt AA Sec (Bofors)	813074	"
	816079	"
	814081	"
	799138	"
2 Aust AA Bty HQ	896116	"
427 Hy Gun Site (Berrimah)	896119	"
428 " " " (Quarantine)	893067	"
Lt AA Sec (Bofors)	893067	"
6 Aust Kob Net Flight (Det)	Larrakeyah	"
65 Aust AASL Bty	809106	"
"A" Tp.	860163	"
"B" Tp.	785087	"
"C" Tp.	810104	"
70 Aust AASL Bty	825140	"
"A" Tp.	933114	"
"B" Tp.	881069	"
"C" Tp.	959088	"
"D" Tp.	793087	"
103 Tk/A Regt		
9 Tk/A Bty	811102	"
ENGINEERS		
HQ Fortress Engrs (Type C)	790091	"
42 Aust W/shops Sec	790091	"
43 " " "	790091	"
61 " S & M "	790091	"
79 Aust Water Tpt Sec (TypeB)	786087	"
INF		
10/48 Aust Inf Bn		
HQ & HQ Coy	804097	"
"A" Coy	810123	"
"B" Coy	809103	"
"C" Coy	813105	"
"D" Coy	811102	"
SIGS		
Darwin Fortress Signals	792090	"
7 MD AA Sig Sec (One Det)	Larrakeyah	"

UNIT	LOCATION MILEAGE UNDER PROJECTED MOVES COND. & REMARKS.	
MEDICAL		
1 Aust MAC (one sec)	799094	Fortress
ORD		
HQ 11 Aust AA W/shop Coy AEME	Larrakeyah	"
14 Aust AA Bty W/shop (Sec)	785023	"
1/54 AASL W/shop (")	785C93	"
70 " " (")	896119	"
MISCELLANEOUS		
Town Major (Class 2) DARWIN	806089	"
HEADQUARTERS		
Det HQ 14 L of C	Vestey's	14 L of C
ARTY		
225 Aust Lt AA Bty.		
"B" Tp HQ	825143	CRA
M1	827161	"
M2	846148	"
M3	838143	"
"C" Tp HQ	866124	"
M4	856142	"
M5	858131	"
M6	846126	"
PAY		
49 Aust Depot Cash Office Type "B"	803087	14 L of C
ENGRS		
No 5 Docks Op Coy RAE	Parap	14 L of C
Det 6 Army Tps Coy (2 sec)	Vestey's	CRE
Det 54 Fd Park Coy	Vestey's	CRE
19 Employment Coy	Parap	14 L of C
13 Aust Fd Coy		
No 2 Sec & No 3 Sec	809103	CRE
6 Aust Camflg Trg Unit	808078	CRE
" " " "	804097	CRE
12 " " " "	Dudley Pt	CRE
8 Sec 1 Aust Bomb Disposal Unit	Vestey's	14 L of C
SIGS		
44 Aust Carr Pigeon Loft DARWIN	Larrakeyah	CSC
S & T		
11 Sup Pers Coy (Det DID)	Vestey's	14 L of C
11 " " " (")	Vestey's Siding	14 L of C
12 Fd Bakery (Det)	Vestey's	Force Tps from 813081
3 Fd Butchery	Vestey's	14 L of C
Det 8 Fd Butchery	Vestey's	14 L of C
MEDICAL		
Fortress Camp Hospital	Kahlin	14 L of C
2/7 Aust Dental Unit HQ Sec	Parap	14 L of C
2/7 " " " B "	Kahlin	14 L of C
ORD		
NT L of C W/shops AEME	Larrakeyah	14 L of C
82 Fd Ord Depot	804086	14 L of C
12 Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit	Kahlin	Force Tps
MISCELLANEOUS		
12 Aust Div Salvage Unit	Larrakeyah	Force Tps
Movement Control	802088	14 L of C
APO DARWIN (065)	803091	14 L of C
NT Force Press Unit	796091	14 L of C
HQ US Army Air Corps	805085	
Barrack Warden	Larrakeyah	
ACF Representative YMCA	807085	
NTF Canteens (One Det)	Vestey's	14 L of C
" " (" ")	808083	14 L of C
Det Dept of Public Relations	805086	Force Tps
A.E.S.	Larrakeyah	

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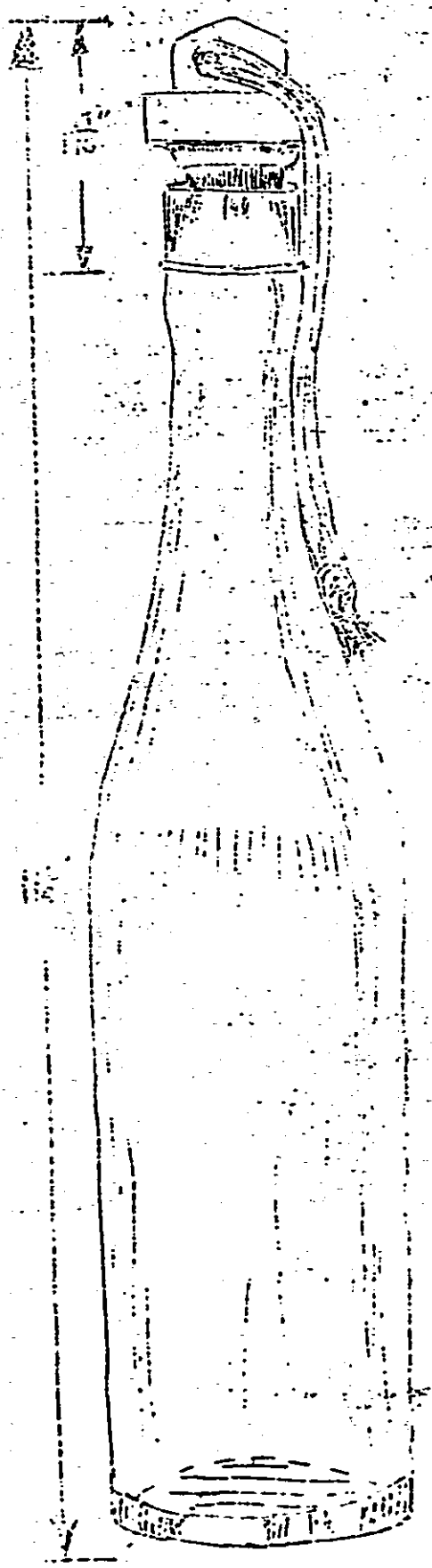
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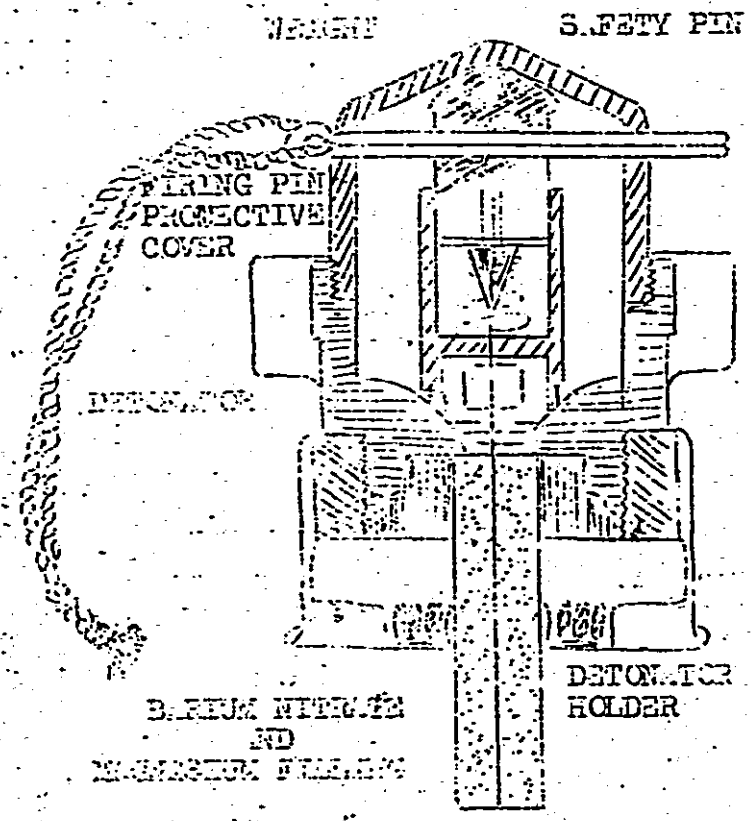
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To "I" Summary No 158

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GRENADE



WAYS" FUSE



COMPONENT PARTS

FUSE : Fits neck of bottle in the manner of a crown stopper.
BOTTLE : Capacity 12 oz.
WASHER : Made of rubber to render liquid tight.
FILLING : Any inflammable, benzine type liquid.

PREPARATION OF GRENADE

Fill Bottle.

Place fuse in neck.

Ensure grenade is liquid tight.

USE OF GRENADE

Tear off protective cover.

Pull out safety pin.

Throw with force.

Headquarters,
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Shipping in WAINGAPOE Harbour was attacked by three Liberators on 8 Jun and two near misses were scored on the larger of the vessels. NABIRE, MANGKWARI, TIMOEKA & DILLI were also attacked. At NABIRE hits were scored on buildings at the end of the runway & the explosion which resulted was felt by the A/C at 12000ft. A large fireswas started.

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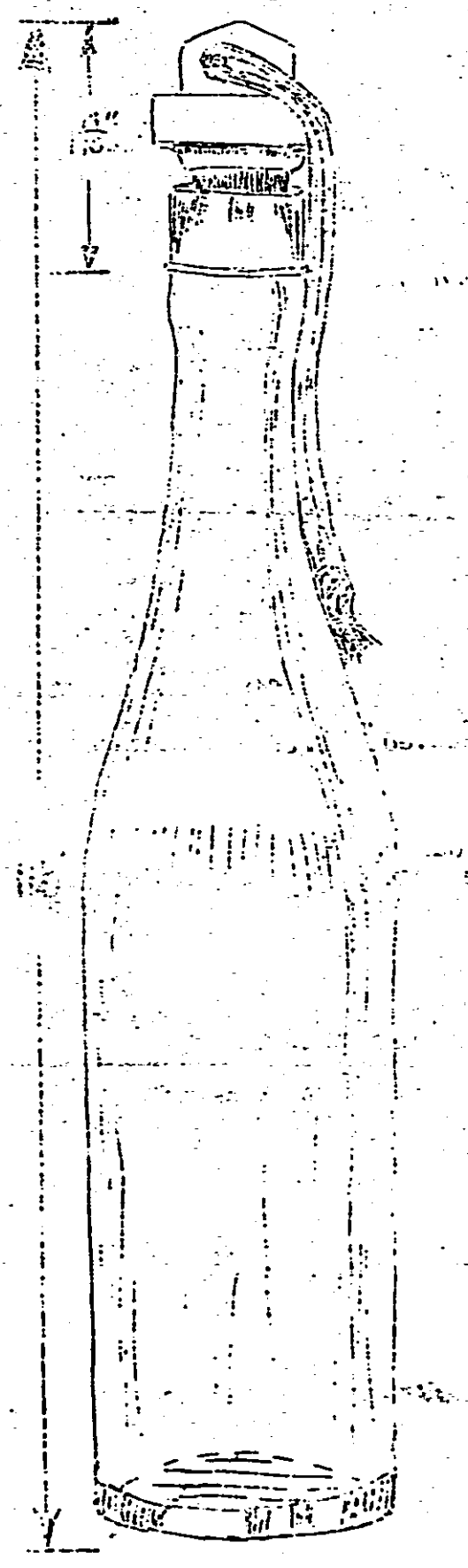
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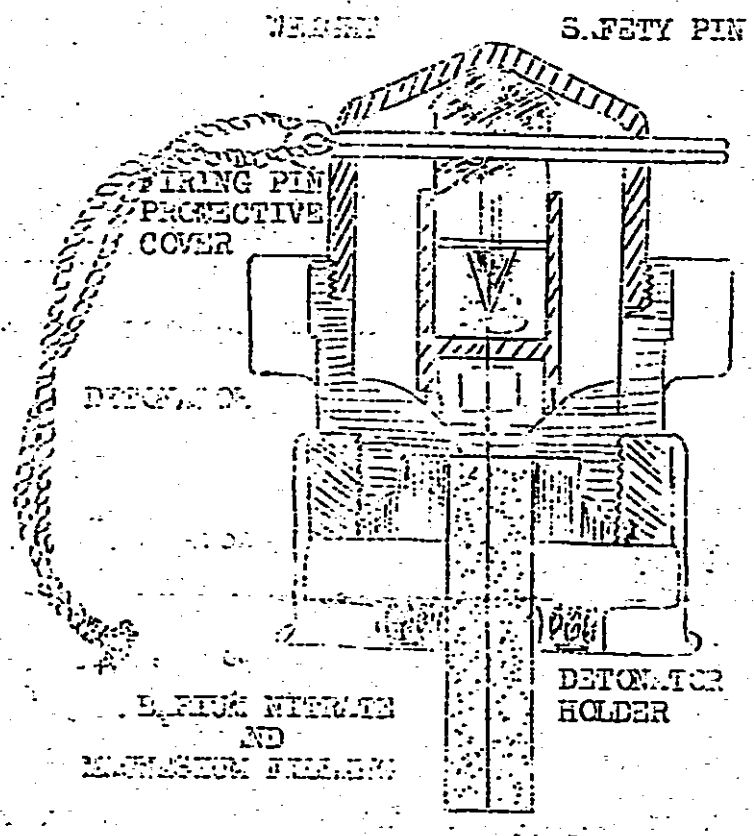
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