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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
TARAKAN	1 Jun 45		<p>Following a successful air strike by 18 Liberators each carrying 9 x 500 lb bombs and 24 Lightnings with Napalm and strafing, B Coy attacked the 102 feature. 12 Pl moved forward and killed 6 enemy in their positions. Moving towards West, a further party of enemy were observed moving back to their positions. These were quickly engaged by the flame throwers and the enemy party destroyed. 12 Pl now over-ran the 102 feature. 10 Pl passed through and exploited for approx 200 yards West of 102 without making contact.</p> <p>On other coy fronts, patrols were active throughout day. 16 Pl engaged an enemy standing patrol of 6 astride creek junc at 436683 but results could not be observed.</p> <p>The Pnr Offr (Lt SIMPER), 3 Pnrs and 9 ORs from A Coy engaged a patrol of 12 Japs at 444684 killing two and wounding one.</p> <p>Changes to Bn's dispositions: B Coy on 102 Feature. Enemy cas for 24 hrs: 12 Killed, 1 probably killed. Own cas for 24 hrs: KIA - WIA 1 offr 1 OR</p>	
	2 Jun 45		<p>At 0830 hrs CO made a recce of 102 and HILDA area by AUSTER aircraft.</p> <p>11 Pl probed West from 102 killing one Jap at 443693. Whilst engaging enemy riflemen in this area a Jap LMG opened up killing one OR and causing patrol to pull back.</p> <p>18 Pl reported LINDA as being still occupied in strength, a total of 12 Japs being observed. A fire fight broke out, one OR being wounded.</p> <p>The boong train to 102 area was ambushed approx half way, 1 OR being killed and 1 OR wounded. Remainder of escort</p>	

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	2 Jun (contd)		<p>section fiercely engaged enemy and the following day 2 dead Japs were found in area.</p> <p>Changes in locations: B Coy to rest area rear of Bn HQ. A Coy less 9 Pl on 102 feature, 9 Pl on LAURA. C Coy occupied OSSIE Tk A Pl relieved Cav on SUSIE</p> <p>Enemy cas for day: 1 killed Own " " " : KIA 2 ORs WIA 2 ORs</p>	
	3 Jun		<p>During early morning mortar pl heard considerable movement around their posns on AGNES. One Jap emerged from the darkness in front of the picquet and was killed by a burst from an OSMG.</p> <p>7 Pl on 102 also heard movement and engaged with fire, results unobserved.</p> <p>15 Pl whilst moving out to take up a posn on SE spur of LINDA at approx 445684 ran into enemy ambush along AGNES-LAURA track - six Japs were seen, one of whom was killed, the remainder escaped - own cas nil. Following the ambush the pl moved off track to right and the fwd tps exploded a mine or booby trap inflicting casualties - 1 killed 1 wounded. By mid afternoon pl dug in on feature.</p> <p>A wire party from mortar pl also ran into an ambush approx 200 yards East of AGNES - one Jap believed killed - own casualties 2 wounded.</p> <p>Following an unsuccessful airstrike (18 Mitchells and 31 Lightnings) on WALLY (442693) A Coy moved forward from 102. They found the enemy in strength on track South of junction (443693) with pillbox on each flank. Left flank had LMG and right flank OSMG. Behind the pillboxes were 4 dug in pits</p>	

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	3 Jun (contd)		<p>from which rifle fire was directed against our troops. Fwd scout reached to within 15 yards of pillbox but owing to fire and difficult approach coy was forced to withdraw back to 102. No evidence of NAPALM found though several craters were seen along left of track. One bomb fell on A Coy HQ area which had been evacuated prior to airstrike, destroying some eqpt left behind. Arty and mortar fire was very accurate in general area of target.</p> <p>A patrol from FREDA (Lt MACDONALD) to LINDA spur contacted an enemy outpost (approx 443685) killing one and possibly a second. Own cas were nil.</p> <p>Only change to Bn dispositions: 15 Pl at 445684</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hrs: 5 killed, 1 est killed.</p> <p>Own cas for 24 hrs: KIA 1 OR WIA 3 ORS</p>	
	4 Jun		<p>Following another airstrike on WALLY by 12 Liberators A Coy again attempted to occupy that posn but found the enemy still holding in strength. The shelling, mortaring and bombing were effective but there is a possibility that weight of bombs (250 lbs) was too light and they burst in trees before hitting ground. Fallen trees made the flanks impassable. Forward troops reached to within 15 yards of pillbox 443693 and were fired on by 2 automatics and rifles. Our troops withdrew and the enemy followed for some distance. The IO observed the airstrike from the Auster aircraft. After mortaring the WALLY posn a pl from A Coy attempted to approach from South but progress was very slow and prevented them from reaching objective.</p> <p>A patrol from D Coy (Lt HARVEY) ran into enemy standing patrol or ambush at 43656825. Owing to nature of country and presence of Pnr Bn's patrol in area our tps withdrew.</p> <p>At last light 2 Japs were skylined against NELLY feature</p>	

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	4 Jun (contd)		<p>and a few bursts from MMGs on 102 killed one of the enemy. No change to Bn's dispositions. Enemy cas for 24 hrs; Own cas for 24 hrs:</p>	
	5 Jun		<p>CO and IO moved out to 102 to make appreciation of situation. Returned to Bn HQ in afternoon. During the day D Coy moved out to LAURA feature from FREDa and 18 Pl (Lt HOLLAND) patrolled South of 102 then West to approx 440691 where they saw 4 Japs. Pl prepared an ambush but enemy did not walk into it. Later set ambush on LINDA track from where they could observe posns on WALLY. Pnr pl, Arty, MMG pl and mortar pl occupied FREDa feature under comd of Capt KING. (KING FORCE). Pnr pl took over patrolling of area. 13 Pl relieved 15 Pl on LINDA spur (445684) and sent out sec patrol and reported knoll at 443685 unoccupied. At 1745 hrs Corps Comd (Lt Gen MORSHEAD) and Brig WHITEHEAD visited Bn HQ area. Enemy cas for 24 hrs: 4 est killed. Own cas for 24 hrs: NIL</p>	
	6 Jun		<p>Patrols were active throughout the day. 16 Pl (Lt HERBERT) moved out from 102 and occupied a posn SW of WALLY approx 440691 and dug in there. Pl saw one Jap as they approached the posn but enemy disappeared. Later saw 3 Japs coming from direction of WALLY. Our troops engaged them with fire killing 3. Later still pl fired on 1 Jap (probably killed) and then engaged 6 Japs who dashed into scrub. 17 Pl (Lt MACDONALD) followed 16 Pl and after establishing firm base approx 60 yards South of 16 Pl sent a recce party towards North end of LINDA spur; approached to</p>	

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	6 Jun (Contd)		<p>within 20 - 25 yards of top of LINDA and were fired on - own cas - 1 wounded. 5 Japs were seen on LINDA and also what appeared to be a tunnel or pillbox. This approach to LINDA was not considered good.</p> <p>Sec Patrol moved up LINDA spur from 445684 and probably killed one Jap at 445685. Took up firm base and engaged enemy LMG North of them. Patrol later withdrew back to posn.</p> <p>At 1830 Hrs MG From 2/2 MG Bn on 102 feature killed 2 Japs sky lined on NELLY feature.</p> <p>1430 Hrs CO attended Conference at Bde HQ 1615 Hrs Coy Comds " " Bn HQ</p> <p>Enemy casualties for 24 hrs - 7 counted killed 6 est killed Own " " " " WIA 2 ORS</p>	
	7 Jun		<p>Active patrolling was carried out during the day and reorganisation of Bn commenced in preparation for anticipated counter attach by enemy.</p> <p>A patrol from D Coy (16 Pl) moved from Pl posn North of LINDA to attempt to cut track to HILDA and investigate mov to the WEST of their posn. Heard much movement in area and wounded 2 Japs - one probably killed - country was very steep and difficult to patrol. Established two strong listening posts in saddle between WALLY & HILDA with observation to J38691</p> <p>Recce patrol from 17 Pl established LINDA still occupied.</p> <p>A Coy sent a patrol to 441692 and located enemy post at top of sheer cliff. Patrol withdrawn owing to proximity of 17 Pl.</p> <p>Whilst carrier train was between MONTY (445684) and 102 escort fired on 2 Japs who disappeared in an easterly direction.</p>	

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	7 Jun (Contd)		<p>Patrol from FREDa (Lt SIMPER & 6 ORs) laying booby traps contacted enemy vicinity track junc 432683 - result of action - enemy unknown. Own 1 OR KIA, 1 Offr WIA. 12 Pl (Lt O'ROURKE) went to area and found enemy in strength and aggressive.</p> <p>During afternoon CO went to FREDa and AGNES and then to conference at Bde.</p> <p>Towards last light enemy 75mm shelled 102 Area. 10 shells in all most on spur from which MMG's had been firing earlier in evening - own cas two slightly wounded.</p> <p>Changes in Bn dispositions: B Coy - OSTRICH - Galah area 14 Pl at 441679 CCoy HQ & 2 secs 15 Pl at 442665 with 7 sec and sec MMGs and one det mortars approx 300 yds SOUTH.</p> <p>Enemy Cas for 24 Hrs - 1 Est killed Own Cas for 24 Hrs - KIA 1 OR WIA 1 Offr & 4 ORs.</p>	
	8 Jun		<p>12 Pl returned at first light to scene of clash between Lt SIMPER's party and Japs - enemy still holding strongly in area.</p> <p>Supply train from 102 to outpost pls WALLY area when returning saw 3 Japs at ek (442690) apparently collecting water. The escort killed one and 16 Pl following behind moved to flank and accounted for other two.</p> <p>B Coy established all day standing patrol at 435683. No movement seen but heard much noise and chopping.</p> <p>17 Pl moved south to LINDA and found enemy still in occupation. Patrols from A Coy to South of LAURA heard voices of 2 Japs in gully. Failing light forced patrol to return to 102.</p>	

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	8 Jun (Contd)		<p>A Coy was again shelled by 75 mm gun. 18 shells in all - one member of MG Bn slightly wounded.</p> <p>All posns occupied by Bn booby trapped at last light. Some placed on South end of SNAGS TRACK and a SL teed up to light stretch of track if required.</p> <p>Enemy Aircraft dropped 3 bombs on John's Track near District Six.</p> <p>Changes to Bn dispositions: 18 Pl relieved 16 Pl on WALLY Spur (440691)</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hours - 1 counted killed 2 est killed. Own " " " " - Nil</p>	
	9 Jun		<p>B Coy maintained standing patrol vicinity 435683 from first to last light - chopping heard from North and North East. During day patrol from NEI contacted D Coy after moving down through HOPEFUL - LANKY - MICHAEL. A patrol from 16 Pl accompanied NEI on return trip and connected comm between D Coy and NEI pl at HOPEFUL.</p> <p>75 mm gun used by 2/23 Aust Inf Bn from MARGY was shifted to FREDA from where it will be fired over open sights.</p> <p>Some air photos of the area incl LINDA - AGNES - FREDA. The scale is larger than those received previously but considerable delay caused in their arrival here. Taken 26 May - fwded from Corps HQ 28 May - addressed IO 24 BDE TARAKAN - arrived 26 Bde HQ on the morning 9 June.</p> <p>CCS informed Bn of Death of Lt C D SIMPER.</p> <p>Changes to Bn dispositions: 9 Pl relieved 17 Pl on WALLY Spur.</p> <p>Enemy Cas for 24 hours - counted killed 3 . Est killed Nil Own Cas for 24 hours - 1 Offr DOW</p>	

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	10 Jun		<p>At 0300 Hrs enemy plane flew over vicinity of 102. Previously to this 3 flares were fired from WALLY - NELLY area, then rifles on Nelly - LMG from track jung and JUKI from from WALLY all fired in general direction of 102. EA then arrived and dropped 3 flares also one bomb approx 600 yards NE of 102.</p> <p>18 Pl reported that at time of strike movement was heard to NE then N then to NW from which direction Japs attempted to close in on our posns using rifles, possibly an LMG and automatic rifles. Most of the fire fell on the knoll between 18 and 9 pls. Mov then shifted to low ground on flanks. 9 Pl were fired on from direction LINDA by rifles and LMG but by 0445 Hrs firing died down. Six booby traps were sprung but no cas were observed from our own fire or booby traps.</p> <p>13 Pl (Lt STEEL) moved up SE Spur of LINDA and found 5 pillboxes (unoccupied) 442686 (these were blown up in evening to prevent re-occupation) and reached to within 50 yards of top of feature. Enemy LMG fire resulted when our Bren fired up track.</p> <p>At the same time 17 Pl (Lt MACDONALD) approached LINDA from NORTH and got to within 60 yards of feature. Approach from there was accross narrow razor back with enemy pillbox on LINDA covering this ridge.</p> <p>18 Pl (Lt HOLLAND) took a patrol North and saw 6 Japs at junc of HILDA, WALLY spurs. At 439691 small parties of Japs totalling 9 were seen moving about and much movement and noise on West slopes of WALLY. B Coy standing patrol (Lt O'ROURKE) saw 3 Japs at 4335681 and killed one.</p> <p>Just prior to last light enemy 75 mm again shelled 102 - 15 shells (incl 1 dud) fell in area causing No casualties.</p>	

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	10 Jun (Contd)		CO & IO again visited FREDA today. Enemy cas for 24 hrs - counted killed: 1 Own " " " " - WIA 2 ORs	
	11 Jun		<p>A B Coy Patrol (Lt BUCKLEY) moved through FREDA North to track jung 432683 where they saw and killed one Jap. No return fire came from enemy posns on LIZZIE Spur North of ck. In afternoon patrol est firm base at 423683 and killed two enemy who wandered within reach.</p> <p>Patrol from A Coy (Lt TUCKER) to small pimple 100 yds to 150 yds from NELLY obtained good observation of that feature though no movement seen.</p> <p>D Coy est that LINDA was still occupied as fire from 17 Pl brought immediate response.</p> <p>No shelling of 102 during evening. Fire switched from our flank to that of the 2/23 Bn.</p> <p>Accidental springing of booby trap in FREDA area caused two casualty - 1 KIA 1 eng wounded.</p> <p>Changes in dispositions: 15 Pl relieved 13 Pl on MONTY 14 Pl returned to 443665 10 Pl moved back from OSTRICH to ridge behing Bn HQ. Enemy cas for 24 hrs - 3 counted killed Own " " " " - 1 KIA.</p>	
	12 Jun		<p>Patrol activity during day.</p> <p>A Coy (Lt WALKER) out from 102 est that NELLY feature consisted of 5 pimples. Five Japs looked over edge of crest but did not see patrol which withdrew.</p>	

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	12 Jun (Contd)		<p>C Coy (Lt JOHNSTONE) probed to within 100 yds of top of LINDA. Could see no movement but heard chopping and digging on spur to West and also heard movement in gully to left.</p> <p>During day 102 Area and 16 Pl were subjected to odd bursts of SA Fire from WALLY.</p> <p>In the evening NELLY was given a little attention from our mortars, MMGs and Artillery.</p> <p>16 Pl reported 12 explosions - seemed to be from NELLY area - between 2315 and 2359 Hrs - cause presumed to be gelignite as no firing at the time.</p> <p>Another casualty from booby trap - sustained whilst felling a tree in 102 Area.</p> <p>Picture show in shell Theatre during evening.</p> <p>Enemy casualties for 24 hours - 1 counted killed.</p> <p>Own " " " " - KIA 1 OR</p>	
	13 Jun		<p>Preceded by an Arty, Mortar and MG Harassing fire 15 Pl pushed up from MONTY and by 1005 Hrs were about 125x from the top of LINDA. Main feature started about 40 yards from top and at the foot of this slope was an enemy LMG. Approach to this posn was across open ground with fallen trees strewn over it. Unable to cross this obstacle Pl withdrew to MONTY.</p> <p>Meanwhile 17 Pl attempted to reach LINDA from NORTH but last 60 yards was across narrow razor back overlooked by enemy posn on top of LINDA. During an exchange of fire one Jap was killed. 17 Pl withdrew and the feature was then subjected to harassing fire from Mortars & MMGs.</p> <p>NEI Patrol contacted D Coy and on return trip met 6 escaped civilian PW who were brought back through D Coy to Force Head Quarters.</p>	

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	13 Jun (contd)		<p>During afternoon 75 mm gun on FREDA fired 12 rounds on CLARICE.</p> <p>At 1700 hrs CO and IO went to Bde HQ.</p> <p>D Coy reported a light (SL or sig) from North end of NELLY at 2030 hrs.</p> <p>Changes to Bn dispositions:</p> <p>17 Pl relieved 9 Pl on LINDA - WALLY spur.</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hrs: 1 counted killed</p> <p>Own cas for 24 hrs: NIL</p>	
	14 Jun		<p>Extensive patrolling carried out.</p> <p>6 enemy mortar bombs (believed 50 mm) fell in FREDA area this morning - no casualties.</p> <p>A patrol from A Coy moved through PATRICK and MICHAEL then to creek at 44857015. When half of the patrol had crossed creek 6 Japs were sighted. Patrol engaged killing two and wounding one of the enemy - own casualties nil.</p> <p>From FREDA a patrol to area 434685 heard noise from pill-box on LIZZIE and from CLARICE spur. Evidently listening post had been withdrawn to higher ground away from our patrols in creek area.</p> <p>16 Pl sent a patrol up razorback of LINDA where they saw three large pillboxes. Then followed Northern spur to West and saw movement on opposite ridge. Owing to failing light patrol returned.</p> <p>A patrol West from 102 reached 442693 and saw no movement and drew no fire. The approach to WALLY along this track impossible - fallen timber as result of arty fire choking all approaches from flanks.</p>	

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	14 Jun (contd)		<p>On report by NEI of reaching top of ESSIE and killing 5 Japs and finding a possible Jap comd post under construction B Coy moved from GALAH area with the object of moving North through PATRICK and MICHAEL and attempting to reach ESSIE and establish a block against enemy movement to that position. The leading pl encountered some difficulty when crossing creek East of ESSIE as swamps waist deep in places impeded their progress. After much hard work 7 men succeeded in crossing to firm ground when one Jap was observed at base of spur. Probably a sentry so pl rejoined remainder of coy and then dug in for night at 461711. 200 rounds of arty fire was brought down on ESSIE after B Coy was clear of area.</p> <p>15 Pl probed up Sth spur of LINDA from MONTY and found the feature unoccupied. Only sign of enemy were one dead and one grave. Feature was not occupied by our troops. The whole of C Coy returning to OSSIE. During afternoon CO went to LINDA. A Coy withdrew to 443658 for rest after their occupation of 102 for some time.</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hours: 3 counted killed Own " " " " NIL</p>	
	15 Jun		<p>A day of rapid movement on whole Bde front. On our left flank 2/23 Bn occupied HILDA by 0845 hrs and then pushed on to AUNTY-UNCLE area. On our Bn sector -</p> <p>16 Pl moved West and cut HILDA-WALLY track 200 yards from WALLY and pushed EAST along track to occupy WALLY by 1110 hrs killing 2 Japs. This feature had been strongly held with numerous pillboxes and tunnel on the feature and dominated NELLY and track junction area.</p>	

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	15 Jun (contd)		<p>7 Pl meanwhile had moved North from 102 and approached NELLY from the East. This feature was reached by 1120 hrs and the pl found it unoccupied.</p> <p>When 17 Pl occupied NELLY 18 pl moved from posns on LINDA spur via WALLY to NELLY and then pushed on towards FAITH. 150 yards South of FAITH they saw 10/12 "doovers" and 2 Japs coming from FAITH towards them. The enemy were killed and pl pushed on - reaching FAITH by 1355 hrs. A big feature with about 12 defensive positions freshly used.</p> <p>At 1700 hrs pl contacted enemy on DUTCH (444700) where they saw 8-10 Japs on Southern slopes. Probably more than that in area because of volume of fire directed at pl. During exchange of fire 2 Japs were killed without casualties to our side. Enemy were holding across ridge on a front of about 300 yards and were not properly dug in so pl withdrew and area was subjected to 50 rounds of arty fire and 100 rounds as harassing fire during night. 18 pl occupied FAITH for night with 17 Pl - remainder of D Coy on NELLIE and 102.</p> <p>B Coy moved back from their overnight position at 465711 to PATRICK-MICHAEL area. 10 Pl then moved out to contact 18 pl who were at that time probing North from FAITH. 10 pl approached FAITH from EAST and were fired on from a broad front from 444699. No casualties resulted and patrol withdrew. B Coy remained PATRICK-MICHAEL area for the night.</p> <p>By last light all of our former positions South of 102 had been evacuated.</p> <p>During early hours 15 Jun 12 pl suffered two casualties (one DOW) from one rifle shot in own perimeter.</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hrs: 8 counted killed Own cas for 24 hrs: DOW 1 OR, WIA 1 OR</p>	

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	16 Jun		<p>Further patrol activity and movement.</p> <p>10 pl moved out at 0730 hrs and went NW down spur from PATRICK ^{and} at 1055 hrs contacted 17 pl vicinity 445703 having captured a .50 machine gun (less breech block) and 10 pl remained there while 17 pl probed up track to NW. Remainder of B Coy was instructed to move from PATRICK-MICHAEL to 445703 but this order was cancelled when 2/23 and 2/24 Bns reported that they had lost contact with the enemy on ESSIE ridge. Instructions were later issued for B Coy to move North to 461711 (where they had reached 2 nights previously) and 10 pl left 445703 and rejoined coy.</p> <p>17 pl moved North from FAITH to DUTCH (444700) and reported results of arty fire previous evening as excellent - no enemy were sighted. Continuing North pl killed 3 Japs in hut near track junc 445703 where contact was made with 10 pl.</p> <p>18 pl was ordered to make recce of ridge North of DUTCH and moved out from FAITH NE, down ridge to 456706 where ground was very boggy. Though patrol had followed prints of 2-4 Japs all trace was lost at creek.</p> <p>Both pls returned to FAITH area and coy dispositions were same as previous night.</p> <p>The Bn's responsibility now was to prevent escape of the enemy to the East from ESSIE with A Coy 2/23 Pnr Bn and one pl of NEI under command.</p> <p>A Coy 2/3 Pnr Bn took over PATRICK-MICHAEL area and sent out contact patrols to NEI pl on HOPEFUL and B Coy at 461711.</p> <p>NEI patrol towards ESSIE feature killed 3 Japs at 458713.</p> <p>One of two local patrols from B Coy towards last light reported tracks of large number of enemy (estimated up to 100) having moved East across LANKY-HOPEFUL track but taking special</p>	

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	16 Jun (contd)		<p>care (by jumping) NOT to leave prints on the main track. As a result of this information C coy were called back from a picture show and after hasty preparations left their posns in OSSIE area and were transported by LCM to AMAL on EAST coast. Arrangements were completed for A Coy and Tac HQ to move to AMAL by LCM at 0700 hrs 17 Jun.</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hrs: 3 counted killed Own cas for 24 hrs: NIL</p>	
	17 Jun		<p>Early reveille and breakfast for Tac HQ, A Coy, 2 dets mors, 1 sec MMG and at 0645 hrs Tac HQ and party embussed for move to jetty at LINGKAS BAY. On arrival at AMAL by LCM Tac HQ received information that C coy, leaving AMAL early in morning, had advanced without incident to BMALATOENG R. Consequently Tac HQ, A Coy, and MMGs moved from AMAL by LCM to BMALATOENG R. By 1200 hrs dispositions were C coy north of BMALATOENG R, A Coy, Tac HQ and sec MMGs South of BMALATOENG R. At mid afternoon Tac HQ, A coy and MMGs returned by LCM where they dug in for night. Meanwhile C coy had sent small patrols inland and up the coast but no contact was made.</p> <p>On the Bn sector east of ESSIE B coy less pl left overnight position and followed track SE which enemy had been using. After struggling through swamp encountered the first high ground for the day - FANCY feature. A firm base was established here and 11 Pl went forward to 478696 and then across creek along SWAMPY track with definite signs of enemy use. Then returned to coy on FANCY. By this time the third pl had moved down to coy as escort for supply train.</p>	

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	17 Jun (contd)		<p>A coy 2/3 Pnr Bn had moved North from MICHAEL to track junc area at 461711 and set ambushes for any likely enemy moves East from ESSIE. Also maintained contact with NEI pl.</p> <p>The NEI at HOPEFUL were made responsible for locating tracks through to North of ESSIE. During day their patrols contacted parties of Japs totalling about 50 (killing at least 2) but insufficient strength prevented the patrols from engaging the enemy.</p> <p>In the D coy area a patrol from 2/23 had contacted 18 pl on FAITH. The coy was reorganised by evening and dispositions for night were Coy HQ and 18 pl 80 yards SE of PATRICK, 16 pl NELLY, 17 pl PATRICK.</p> <p>Changes during the last two days had provided additional complications for the 2 ic (Maj MORPHETT) in organising his supply trains but they always got through.</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hrs: NIL Own cas for 24 hrs: NIL</p>	
	18 Jun		<p>11 pl moved out early from coy posn and followed SE along track which enemy had been using. After some tough going they established firm base on high ground at 478692 and continued to patrol forward. Sounds of chopping had been heard earlier from approx 481691 and now sounds were heard indicating an attempt by enemy to move round on right of patrol. Pl then withdrew to permit arty fire on general area 481691. After arty fire 5/6 Japs appeared on knoll engaged and patrol fired but were unable to observe results. Movement heard on both flanks so patrol withdrew back to coy. Later claimed 3 possible kills.</p> <p>Meanwhile a patrol from D coy were successful in locating a track from MICHAEL East through PLANE and FANCY to B coy's</p>	

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	18 Jun (contd)		<p>position 471703 and supply train with B coy stores were guided by D Coy and greatly shortened their journey.</p> <p>A small patrol from D coy contacted A coy 2/3 Pnr Bn at 461711 and on return trip contacted 5 Japs at 461707 killing 2 and wounding one - the remainder fled west into swamp.</p> <p>In the coastal sector a patrol from A coy (AMAL) along JOHN'S TRACK to 477649 observed one Nip, possibly a sentry, who saw our forward scout and movement on both flanks of patrol followed. Patrol estimated 6/8 Japs in area. No fire was exchanged.</p> <p>Standing patrol from C coy North of BMALATOENG R saw two Japs come on to beach from NEI supply track. Enemy chased for 300 yards and both killed. A search of area failed to locate any more signs of enemy.</p> <p>Personnel from the mor pl acting as escort for supply train killed one Jap near jeephead on SNAG'S TRACK.</p> <p>During afternoon Tac HQ returned by LCM from AMAL to Bn HQ area. Two jeeps had been landed in morning to be used by A coy for coast patrolling.</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hrs: 5 counted killed 3 estimated killed. Own cas for 24 hrs: NIL</p>	
	19 Jun		<p>Active patrolling throughout day though no contact with enemy resulted.</p> <p>12 pl moved from FANCY via PLANE to NORAH and then West to LAURA whilst remainder of coy moved South to LAURA area.</p> <p>D coy patrolled area along KING'S TRACK and as far West as BUCKS before returning to rest area near Bn HQ.</p> <p>A patrol from AMAL (two pl strength) moved West along JOHN'S TRACK to ring contour 481647 and found number of old</p>	

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	19 Jun (contd)		<p>defensive posns. They then returned to JOHNS TRACK and moved West to 478654 then South to track junc 476647 then East to 30 contour. Sighted one Jap some distance away - patrol then moved back to JOHNS TRACK and returned to AMAL less 9 pl who returned to ring contour 481647 and remained there for night.</p> <p>2 patrols from C coy covered area vicinity BMALATOENG R - NMS, while the NEI contacted one of C coy's patrols at 498713.</p> <p>Bn's positions overnight: A Coy AMAL, B Coy LAURA, C Coy BMALATOENG, D Coy 443658, A Coy 2/3 Pnr Bn 461711, NEI pl HOPEFUL.</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hrs: NIL Own cas for 24 hrs: NIL</p>	
	20 Jun		<p>A Coy sent patrols- one along JOHNS TRACK then North to DAISY, and another South along coast to 496644 without sighting enemy. B Coy patrol from LAURA to NORAH and WYNNE to 477694 also reported no sighting. During day C Coy returned by LCM from BMALATOENG R and took up old posns at 442665.</p> <p>A Coy 2/3 Pnr Bn returned to DISTRICT 1 and passed from under comd this Bn.</p> <p>Our mortar personnel with engineers destroyed explosives and stores in HELEN-SADIE area.</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hrs: NIL Own cas for 24 hrs: NIL</p>	

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	21 Jun		<p>A Coy patrols to District v1 - North and South along coast from AMAL all reported no contact made.</p> <p>B Coy moved down KINGS TRACK to 67 feature area and a patrol was sent out to BUCKS, one set of footprints found at 476685 otherwise nothing to report. Coy dispositions Coy less two pls 67 feature, 12 pl ESMIE, 11 pl DORRY.</p> <p>Main event of today was capture of Jap (first for the Bn in this campaign). 14 Pl at 1915 hrs heard movement vicinity Pump House 446666 and on investigation surprised an unarmed Jap who was promptly taken PW.</p> <p>Enemy cas for day: 1 PW Own cas for day: NIL</p>	
	22 Jun		<p>A Coy are now using jeeps for patrolling beach meeting a certain amount of trouble at mouths of rivers. Today a patrol by jeep to BMALATOENG and per foot for another 1000 yards reported no sign of enemy.</p> <p>A patrol from B Coy covered the area through BUCKS to 483688 and returned via DAISY - nothing to report.</p> <p>No change in Bn's dispositions.</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hrs: NIL Own cas for 24 hrs: NIL</p>	
	23 Jun		<p>A Coy's coastal patrols for today all reported no movement seen.</p> <p>Patrols from C Coy covering general area western sector also reported no movement seen.</p> <p>13 pl relieved B Coy who moved into new area at 442663.</p>	

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	23 Jun (Contd)		<p>Today D Coy was given responsibility for maintaining LCM patrol "B" between Capt SELAJANG and Cape BINALATOENG. Each patrol to be of 24 Hours duration commencing 1200 hrs daily.</p> <p>3 Jav^anese (captives of the Japs) walked into A Coy lines today. Later on another native also an escaped PW turned up at AMAL. All had travelled from the North Coast.</p> <p>Changes to Bn Dispositions: B Coy 442663 13 Pl ESMIE.</p> <p>Enemy casualties for 24 hours - Nil Own " " " " - Nil</p>	
	24 Jun		<p>Two patrols out from AMAL today. See patrol north along coast sighted 3 Japs at approx 75 grid - Enemy dashed into swamp patrol claiming 1 probable kill. Packs of clothing, week's food supply and rifle with no amm left on beach. Other patrol searched area HELEN & SADIE but made no contact. C Coy patrols all reported NMS. LMC Patrol reported NMS</p> <p>No change in Bn Dispositions.</p> <p>Enemy Casualties for 24 Hours - 1 Estimated Killed Own " " " " - Nil</p>	
	25 Jun		<p>At 0900 one Jap walked into A Coy lines at AMAL and was taken PW. He had no weapons and was in a very weak condition. Patrol from A Coy north along coast contacted 4 Japs at 508743 wounding 3. They all fled into swamp, where tracks were lost, leaving behind packs and equipment for 6 Japs. There was a leather suitcase containing soiled linnen, silk stockings and cosmetics. One rifle and food also left behind. Own casualties one wounded.</p>	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	25 Jun (Contd.)		<p>Another patrol from AMAL to District VI reported no contact. G Coy patrols reported NMS -, area covered was from SYKES - SUSIE - SNAGS TRACK - ESMIE out through BUCKS to 483688, FLUTE - MARIE and return. During afternoon CO, Adjt and small protective party visited AMAL and returned to BN HQ in evening. LCM Patrol returned no enemy seen during tour. On way in picked up PW from A Coy and brought him into LINGKAS.</p> <p>No change in Bn's dispositions: Enemy Cas for 24 Hours - 2 counted dead Own " " " " - WIA 1 OR</p>	
	26 Jun		<p>A Sec patrol from AMAL East along Johns Track saw 3 Japs at 477654. Patrol engaged and possibly wounded one and chased them down the track for 200 yards South of AMAL River where one Jap was seen and fired on from 50 yds - possibly wounded. Tracks were then lost in jungle.</p> <p>In conjunction with LCM patrol A Coy combed coastal area between AMAL and Cape SIMAYA. A Pl moved north and contacted a patrol from the LCM moving south. Patrols met at 506744. No contact was made with enemy. Patrols from C Coy in local area reported no movement seen.</p> <p>At 2300 Hrs a party of 13 Japs approached posns at AMAL from the south. They were engaged and searched by moonlight revealed where four bodies had been dragged away but no sign of any bodies.</p> <p>No change to Bn's dispositions. Enemy casualties for 24 hours - Nil Own " " " " - Nil</p>	

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Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	27 Jun	17 00	<p>In early morning tps from SL site adjacent to B Echelon reported they had seen 5 men moving about in undergrowth. At first light D Coy began a comb of area and despite their efforts being hampered by a gallery of personnel from B Echelon they were successful in killing one Jap and capturing two others. The second PW was "Flushed" by use of flamethrowers.</p> <p>A search of area where A Coy had fired on Japs the previous night revealed one dead jap and 1 wounded armed with a rifle so was killed. Tracks left by fleeing Japs were followed but were lost in swamp. A patrol north along beach to 507714 made no contact though a protective party for engineers building a bridge over the mouth of BINALATOENG R were successful in locating a Jap at 502702, where he was killed.</p> <p>C Coy patrols in local area made no contact with enemy. LCM Patrol had a good day bringing in 3 PW found huddled in roots of a floating palm tree in SQ 6383.</p> <p>At 1700 hrs a Jap with one arm and walked into A Coy lines at AMAL and was taken prisoner.</p> <p>Change to Bn's dispositions:</p> <p>14 Pl relieved 13 Pl on ESMIE</p> <p>Enemy casualties for 24 hours - 4 counted killed 6 PW</p> <p>Own " " " " - Nil</p>	
	28 Jun		<p>A Coy patrol of 2 Secs north along beach contacted 4 Japs at 506740. Killed one wounded one. Remainder incl wounded, fled into swamp. On return journey patrol again struck 4 Japs at approx 505737 killing one and wounding one. Remainder also fled into swamp. In both cases patrol followed tracks for 200 yards where they were lost.</p>	

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	28 Jun (Contd)		<p>C Coy patrols reported No movement seen except 14 P1 who sighted one Jap on LAURA. Patrol engaged but missed him, followed his tracks south and finally lost trace of him.</p> <p>There was some excitement at C Coy this morning when what appeared to be Jap Markings were discovered on a roll of sisalcraft in Coy kitchen. Apparently it was the mark of some practical joker as neither the interpreters at Bde nor some Jap PW were able to decipher the markings.</p> <p>A Glow of satisfaction was evident among troops today when the airstrip was put into service. 20 Kittyhawks and 7 Beaufighters landed as well as some un-expected visitors forced down by weather etc.</p> <p>No change in Bn's dispositions.</p> <p>Enemy casualties for 24 Hours - 2 counted killed Own " " " " - Nil</p>	
	29 Jun		<p>Patrol from AMAL journeyed by LCM and disembarked at Capt SIMAYA to work North along coast. Contacted a party of 2 Japs at 511760 and probably killed one as he was bleeding profusely when he fled with his companion. Swamp where Japs dissappeared was mortared from LCM with unobserved results. Patrol then embarked on LCM and returned to AMAL.</p> <p>Another patrol from AMAL north along coast found 2 sets of prints and followed them to 504734 where they sighted 2 Japs who fled into swamp. Patrol withdrew 200 yds and waited on edge of swamp. Soon after 4 men came out with white flag. Proved to be Amboinese who told patrol of 2 Japs in hiding. They then led patrol to Japs hiding place and the two Japs were captured after one was wounded in leg. 15 P1 Patrol through OTWAY killed one Jap on that feature. Jap threw 2 grenades at patrol who were moving into take him prisoner.</p>	

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	29 June (Contd)		<p>Two PW were brought in today by LCM patrol and one was picked up from raft on mud bank at 402798 and the other captured from a raft at 515790.</p> <p>No change in Bn's dispositions.</p> <p>Enemy casualties for 24 Hours - 1 Counted killed, 1 Est killed and 4 PW</p> <p>Own " " " - Nil</p>	
	30 Jun		<p>15 Pl had one member wounded when they surprised a lone Jap between OSSIE and TUBBY. Patrol wounded the Jap and he made off bleeding badly. A patrol to same area later in day could find no trace of enemy.</p> <p>D Coy today relieved A Coy at AMAL. As no LCM's were available both Coys had to walk via John's track. A Coy returned to rest area 443657.</p> <p>On arrival at AMAL D Coy sent a patrol NORTH along coast and at approx 498679 saw smoke 100 yds in from beach. Investigated and killed one Jap but thought probably more in area as meal was cooking over fire. Patrol continued and contacted 4 Japs just NORTH of BINALATOENG R of whom they killed 3 and wounded one.</p> <p>C Coy investigated report from natives from District I but search of area failed to locate any enemy.</p> <p>The LCM Patrol today brought in 5 PW. One collected from Natives on BOENJOE Is and the other four from a raft in Se5175</p> <p>Enemy cas for 24 hours - 4 counted killed 5 PW</p> <p>Own " " " - WIA 1 OR</p>	<p><i>[Handwritten signature]</i> 1.0. 2/48 BN</p>

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7 Jun 45

Ref Maps: TIRAKAN ISLAND SOUTH (Special) 1/25000
DUTCH SPECIAL MAP 1/5000

INFM

1. Enemy

- (a) From reliable sources, it is believed that the enemy may counter attack in an attempt to secure MT API and SNAG'S TRACK. This is expected to take place during period 2300 - 0100 hrs night 8/9 Jun 45.
- (b) The attack is likely to be supported by air forces, arty and mors. Two and possibly more 75 mm guns are known to exist.
- (c) Incl tps suffering from minor wounds, it is believed that enemy would have force of approx 500.
- (d) Trace of Enemy's present dispositions is attached as Appx 'A'.

2. Additional Tps

One pl A Coy 2/3 Pnr Bn will come under comd as from 071300 I.

INTENTION

- 3. 2/48 Aust Inf Bn will continue present offensive and will destroy enemy counter attack.

METHOD

4. Redistribution of Forces and Tasks

- (a) B Coy will take over area from incl OSTRICH to incl OTWAY and be responsible for patrolling in FREDA area.
- (b) C Coy will take over responsibility from incl MORMY 446684 to excl FLUTE with principal task of preventing enemy movement along SNAG'S TRACK or 102 track.
- (c) A Coy will remain present location on 102 and will be responsible for carrying fwd to tps on LINDA.
- (d) D Coy will maintain present block between WALLY and LINDA and will patrol towards WALLY, LINDA and HILDA. D Coy is also responsible for area EAST of pt 102 at present occupied by 18 Pl.
- (e) Pnr pl, see IMMGs and 2 dots will remain FREDA - TRACK JUNG KNOLL area and will come under comd Capt KING.
- (f) Tk A pl will be relieved by one pl A Coy 2/3 Inr Bn by 071300 I and will return to Bn HQ area.

5. Areas of Responsibility

The following areas are allotted for patrolling and booby trapping:

- (a) FREDA FORCE from incl TRACK JUNG knoll to incl re-entrant between FREDA and AGNES and incl creek: junc approx 438685.
- (b) Pnr pl on AGNES from excel re-entrant FREDA - AGNES to excel track junc 443678.
- (c) Pnr pl on SUSIE area between SUSIE - AGNES and from SUSIE to excel track junc 442672.
- (d) B Coy area OSTRICH - GALAH - MACKS - SYKES - OTWAY and will also be responsible for patrolling in and fwd of FREDA sector.
- (e) C Coy from MONTY 446684 to incl track junc 443678 to track junc 442672 to incl OSSIE to excel FLUTE.

6. General policy of defence

- (a) All def measures outlined will be adopted 7 Jun.
- (b) The enemy may either concentrate before or after last light. Patrols will be maintained in order to prevent his concentration before last light or at least give warning of such concentration.
- (c) In addition pressure will be applied as much as possible towards last light as it is likely that enemy recce will be made night 7/8 Jun.
- (d) The enemy may attempt a deliberate counter attack against positions held by us or alternatively may attempt to infiltrate through our positions. If latter course is adopted, the only approach is to follow the line of the creeks. For this reason booby traps will be laid at least 250 yds fwd of positions at likely approaches, particularly creeks.
- (e) It is the responsibility of all such units to ensure that they have control of no man's land until last light by patrolling and after last light by protection of booby traps.

7. Counter Attack Force

- (a) B Coy will be prepared to counter attack any enemy forces in the area FREDA - SUSIE - track junc 442672 at first light. B Coy will also be prepared to mop up any small parties of enemy who may infiltrate through defences.
- (b) Tk A Pl (under comd Lt ROBINSON) with in sp one tp tks will be prepared to move to area SYKES - OTWAY or to SOUTH of OSSIE at first light. Sufficient jeeps will be held in readiness to tpt Tk A pl to RV with tks. Two engrs att to Bn HQ will move with this force.

8. Stand To

- (a) Coys will stand to at 1845 hrs until stand down is ordered by Bn HQ.
- (b) Coys will stand to 082230 I until stand down ordered by Bn HQ.
- (c) Sub unit comds are responsible for ensuring that all personnel are dug in with ample head cover and that each individual pit has definite area of fire.
- (d) Strict orders will be given regarding indiscriminate firing and throwing of grenades.

9. Arty

Arty SOS and DF tasks have been registered as set out in Appx 'B' att.

10. Mors

Mor DF tasks have been registered as set out in att Appx 'B'.

11. MMGs

2 Pl Comd will receive MMG posns in FREDM and SING'S TRACK areas.

12. Engrs

(a) Allotment

The following engrs are allotted:

Two ea with A and D Coys (at present with Coys)
Two ea to B and C Coys and FREDM FORCE.
Two with Bn HQ.
Engrs not at present with unit will report
Bn HQ at 070900 I.

(b) Tasks

Booby traps will be set at least 250 yds from present coy positions and will be set at last light protected by patrols who will NOT withdraw till last possible moment.
Any tracks required for evacuation of wounded will not be booby trapped.
Sketch maps showing all booby traps laid will be fwded to this HQ.

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13. Sups

- (a) Sups sufficient for two days will be dumped in each coy or sub unit area.
- (b) Comds will ensure that these stores are properly installed in mortar or shell proof shelters specifically dug for this purpose.
- (c) Wherever possible additional containers will be provided for res supply of water.

14. Med

- (a) An additional bearer post will be est at B Coy HQ.
- (b) B Coy will ensure that track GALAH - SYKES is suitable for carriage of stretcher cases.

INTERCOM

15. Sitrops

Following sitrops will be submitted by all sub units:

- Night 7/8 Jun - every half hour
- Night 8/9 Jun - every quarter hour

16. LT

Line will be laid to B Coy by SIGG'S TRACK and also by SYKES rd.

17. WT

- (a) 108 sets will be allotted to following:

Bn HQ, D Coy on LINDA, A Coy on 102, PRED. Force, Mor dets on AGNES, C Coy HQ, MONTY 446684, B Coy on G.L.H.

- (b) Netting will be completed by 1830 hrs 7 Jun and 8 Jun.
- (c) Immediately lines are cut, WT comm will be est.

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Issued through Sigs

Signed at *1758 J.*

Robert Ainslie
 (R I AINSLIE) - Lt Col
 Comd 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

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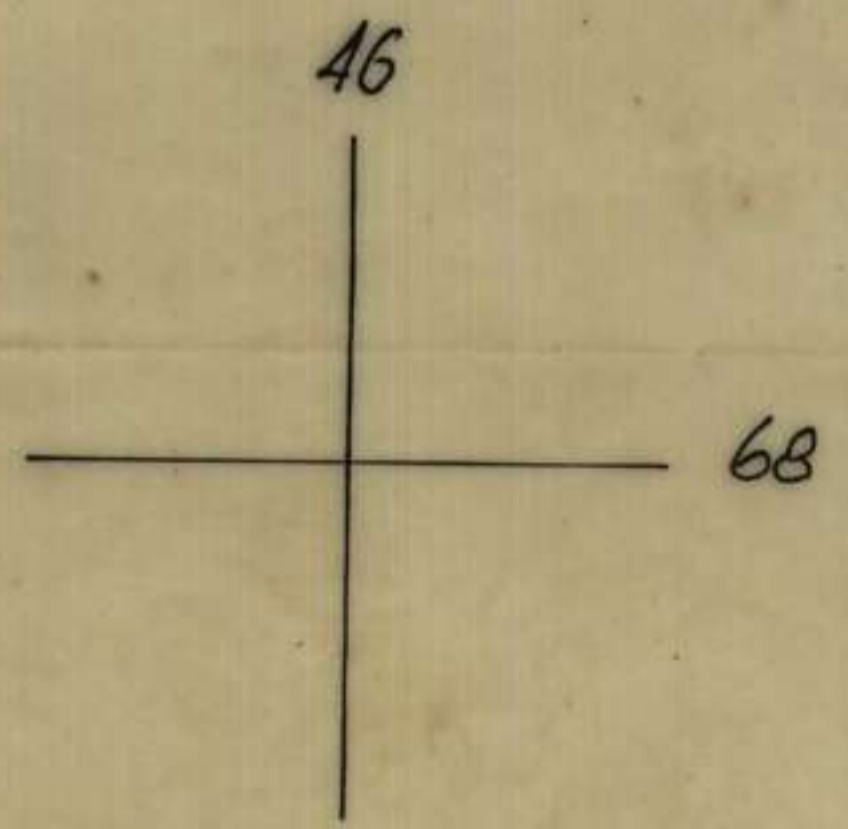
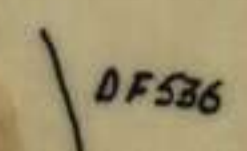
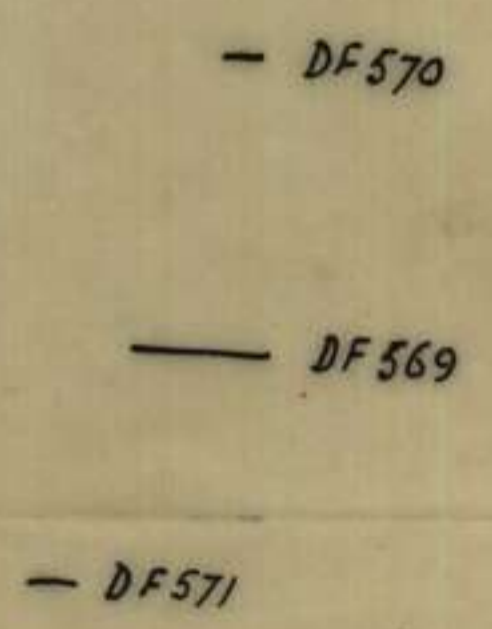
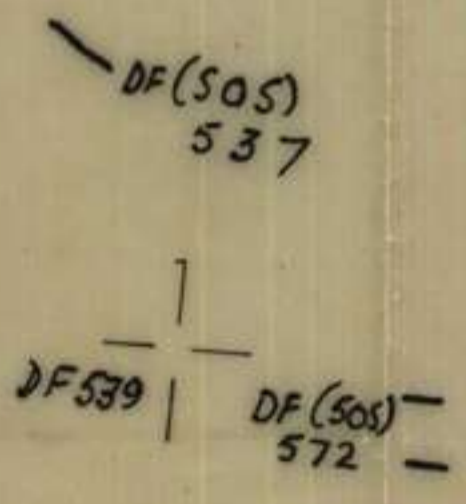
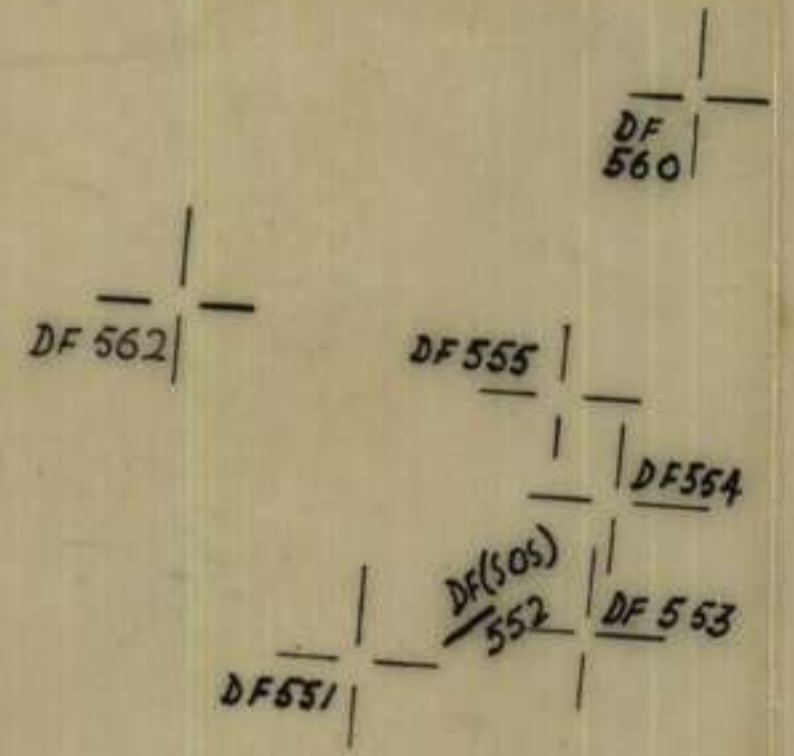
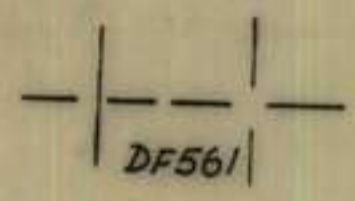
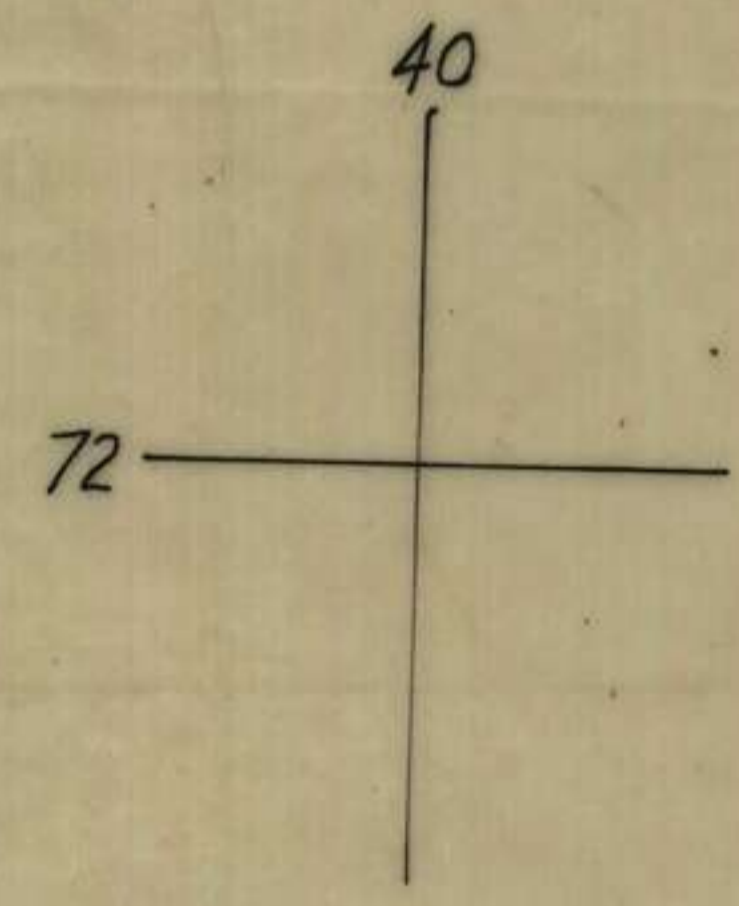
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2/7 AUST FD REGT - DF TASKS

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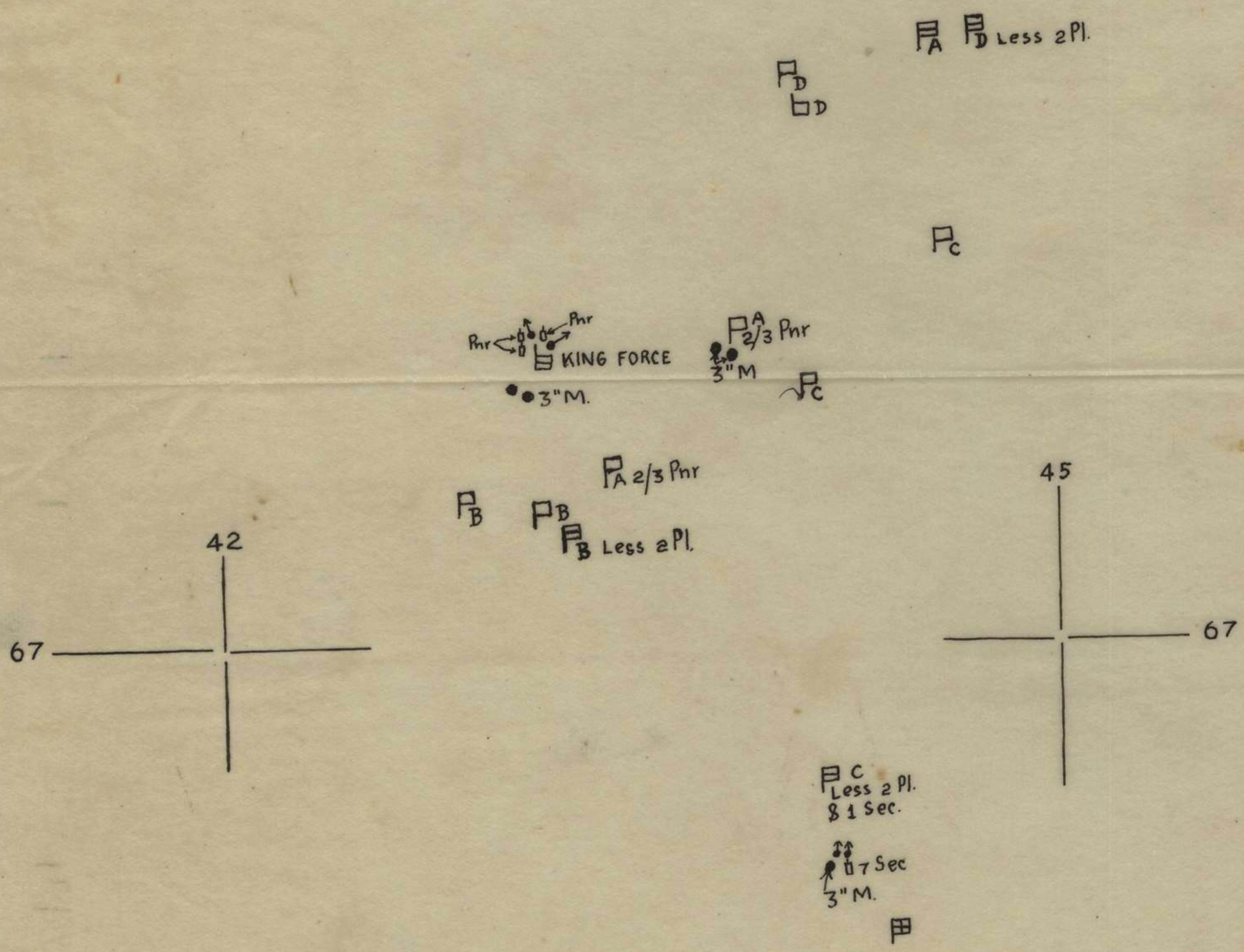
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2/48 Bn. DISPOSITIONS

Night 8/9 Jun 45.

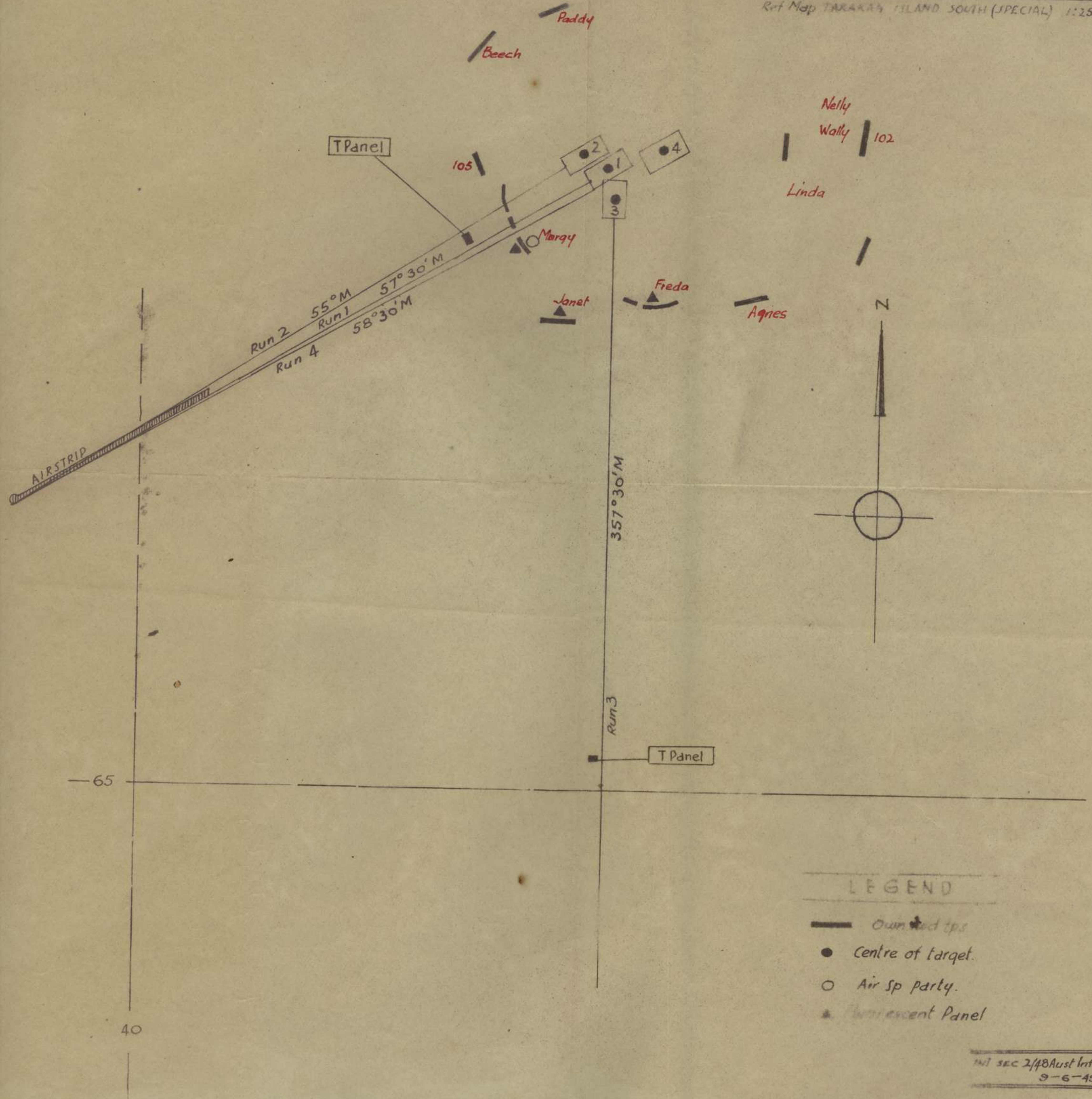
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Trace showing details for air-strike on
FUKUKAKU AREA.

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LEGEND

- Own red tps
- Centre of target.
- Air Sp party.
- ▲ Fluorescent Panel

INT SEC 2/48 Aust Inf Bn
 9-6-45

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14 Jun 45

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ADM INSTN 1

DENGUE PRECAUTIONS

1. There have been cases of Dengue in all Coys.
2. Troops will wear shirts at all times except when going to and from showers or when under mosquito nets.
3. This matter is extremely serious and Coy Comds are directly responsible to see that these instructions are carried out.

M Robinson Lt.

(M ROBINSON)
A/Adjt 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

Lt Col R Y AINSLIE

Commanding 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

6 Jun 45

79. INDISCRIMINATE FIRING

- (a) Reports have been received from US Navy that indiscriminate shooting of small arms fire has been directed across the bay in the vicinity of LINGKAS beach area.
- (b) On NO account will firing be permitted in the area mentioned as NOT only are lives endangered, but barges containing high octane petrol can easily be destroyed by ignition from small arms fire.

80. RUMOURS

- (a) It has been reported to this HQ that rumours of a malicious nature are in circulation amongst the tps in this area.
- (b) The rumours usually originate after an air strike and take the form of "bombing inaccurate, so many of our own tps killed and wounded" etc. These rumours have NO foundation and are a poor reflection on the excellent sp being given to our ops by the 13 USAAF.
- (c) Similar rumours have been extended with ref to naval and arty supporting fire.
- (d) In future, originators of such rumours will be severely dealt with. In addition, it is the duty of all ranks to refrain from passing on rumours of a like nature.

81. DJOEATA OILFIELD

Attention is drawn to Bn RO 60 regarding the town at DJOEATA oilfield. This town is OUT OF BOUNDS to all troops not operationally engaged there. Provost have been posted to turn back all irregular traffic. Special permission for authorised purposes may be granted to visit this town on application to Bn HQ.

82. OILFIELD PROPERTY

All property related to the production of the oilfields must be left intact and not interfered with in any way by service personnel.

83. COCCANUT OIL

There are small dumps of coccoanut oil in 44-gall drums on TARAKAN. These are very valuable and will be handled carefully and either delivered or notified to NICA.

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84. REGIMENTAL TRUST FUNDSSTATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS

<u>Receipts</u>			<u>1 - 31 May 45</u>			<u>Expenditure</u>		
Bal Trust a/c 1/5/45	398	3 8	Postal Imprest	36	4 2			
FFCP of South Aust	200	- -	Bal Trust a/c					
ADCS Dist of Profits	54	6 2	31/5/45	647	13 3			
Refund DFO a/c Sup								
Rations	31	7 7						
	<u>£683</u>	<u>17 5</u>		<u>£683</u>	<u>17 5</u>			

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 MAY 45

<u>Liabilities</u>			<u>Assets</u>		
Outstanding Accounts	24	6 10	Bal in Trust a/c	647	13 3
Surplus	676	11 3	Postal Imprest	50	4 2
			Adv Unit Canteen		
			1/5/45	560	17 1
			Less free Canteen		
			Issues	557	16 5
	<u>£700</u>	<u>18 1</u>		<u>3 - 8</u>	
				<u>£700</u>	<u>18 1</u>

CANTEEN TRANSACTIONS TO 31 MAY 1945

Stock at beginning of period			Sales as per Cash Book	235	14 2
Purchases as per Cash Book	843	8 7	Free Issues	557	16 5
Credit Purchases	231	11 10	Stock 31 May 45	292	12 3
Profit for period	11	2 5			
	<u>£1086</u>	<u>2 10</u>		<u>£1086</u>	<u>2 10</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES
AS AT 31 MAY 45

<u>Liabilities</u>			<u>Assets</u>		
Unrefunded Capital Advance (Regtl Funds Imprest)	3	- 8	Cash as per Cash Book	74	2 3
Sundry Creditors (AACS)	231	11 10	Balance as per Trust Book a/c No	80	17 4
Surplus to last period	201	16 11	Stock as per Stock Book	292	12 3
Profit for period	11	2 5			
	<u>£447</u>	<u>11 10</u>		<u>£447</u>	<u>11 10</u>

Certified that all accounting records and vouchers of the Unit Canteen and Regtl Funds have been audited for period ending 31 May 45 and that the above Trading Transactions and Statement of Liabilities and Assets reveal the true and accurate financial position of the funds as at 31 May 45.

(sgd) R C COOPER Lt

K ALLEN Lt
Unit Audit Board

Free issues from Canteen and Regtl Funds since leaving the mainland now amount of £927 4 2

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

Serial 26/45
Nos 79 - 81

ROUTINE ORDERS PART 1

By

Lt Col R I AINSLIE

Commanding 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

18 Jun 45

79. CENSORSHIP - DUTCH CURRENCY AND/OR JAPANESE INVASION MONEY

- (a) Some confusion still exists in the minds of troops about forwarding through the mail Dutch currency and/or Japanese invasion money in Dutch denominations and the mention of exchange loading of pay.
- (b) Tps may forward local currency and/or Japanese invasion money and mention exchange loading of pay. Green envelopes must not be used for enclosing currency and/or Japanese invasion money.

80. TARAKAN SWIMMING POOL

- (a) This pool has now been renovated and is being opened for use by tps from the 18 Jun.
- (b) Owing to the number of tps in the area it has been necessary to make an allotment of times to the various units and coys will be advised when the pool will be available to them.
- (c) The project of using one swimming pool designed for 2/300 civilians for 7000 personnel per week requires the utmost obedience to all orders connected with the running of the pool.
- (d) Breaches of instructions or irregularities in any way will be viewed with concern and it is hoped that the pool will not have to be closed to the unit because of the behaviour of a few.
- (e) The pool is available at special times for the purpose of teaching non-swimmers and coys will endeavour to see that everyone is taught to swim while the unit is in this area.

81. CINEMA

Where officers' enclosures are made at cinemas, tps are to avoid passing through them, either on entering or leaving the area.

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22 Jun 45

82. DAMAGE TO CAPTURED DOCUMENTS

- (a) It has recently come to the attention of GHQ that the majority of captured letters and postcards are being forwarded to ATIS with stamps and postmarks of the documents out out or otherwise removed.
- (b) Loss of date and location of mailing of such documents, particularly those posted in JAPAN, has already deprived the comd of infm of considerable strategic and tactical value.
- (c) It is apparent that the persons responsible for this damaging of captured letters and postcards are NOT aware of the seriousness of their actions, and believe that the stamps and postmarks are unimportant.
- (d) All personnel handling captured documents must realise the importance of this matter and the practice of removing stamps and postmarks will cease immediately.

83. DESPATCH OF PLANTS ETC TO AUSTRALIA

- (a) Subject to para 2 hereof, a member of the AMF will NOT send or take with him from areas outside AUSTRALIA to the mainland, any plant which grows or any bulb, seed or cutting from such plant.
- (b) Permission will be granted for the despatch of such articles to herbaria or scientific bodies, as approved by the Director-General of Health (Quarantine Section-Plant, CANBERRA).

84. RAAF CASTLE THEATRE

- (a) A showing of pictures has been held at the above location for some time.
- (b) Despite the efforts of Army and RAAF Provosts, it has been found that, at the conclusion of the show, Other Ranks invariably break off by "short-cutting" through the Officers' lines.
- (c) When leaving Castle Theatre troops will move through the exit provided.

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NOTICES

CHURCH SERVICE - Sunday 24 Jun 45

C of E - Cinema area 1030 hrs
Followed by Holy Communion

Immediately afterwards service will
be held in 'B' Coy area.

R.C. - YMCA at 0700 hrs

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ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

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By

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Commanding 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

27 Jun 45

85. AMF PRISONERS OF WAR AND INTERNEES ETC

- (a) For the purposes of the order, a "recovered prisoner of war" means any member of the AMF who has been captured detained or interned by the enemy and has subsequently been repatriated, exchanged or in any other way released, and includes escapees.
- (b) Duty to avoid Capture;
Every member of the AMF will, at all costs, endeavour to avoid falling into enemy hands. If, however, a member is taken prisoner, he will obey the directions given in this order which are applicable to all ranks at all times and under all circumstances.
- (c) Duty during interrogation by the enemy;
During interrogation, a member will supply his number, rank and name only. He will remain courteous and maintain a military bearing, indicating that the obligations of any soldier preclude his answering any other questions.
- (d) Indirect methods of obtaining information;
Every prisoner of war will, at all times, be on guard against carelessness, over-confidence and enemy trickery. Such ruses as the use of agents as nurses or of other agents as bogus Red Cross officials or prisoners of war will always be expected. Even in conversation with known and trusted friends extreme caution will be shown, as the conversation may be overheard by eavesdroppers or concealed listening devices.
- (e) Broadcasts over enemy wireless and enemy propaganda;
A member of the AMF who becomes a prisoner of war will not transmit messages over enemy wireless, except simple messages of the type permitted in correspondence; for example, messages relating to the health of the prisoner of war himself and greetings to family and friends. He will not in any way lend himself to enemy propaganda by taking part in wireless broadcasts (other than for the purpose of transmitting a message of the type described above) or in any other way whatsoever.

(f) Parole:

- (i) A member of the AMF when taken prisoner of war or interned by an enemy or neutral power will not give his parole, except a parole of the limited nature described in para (g) of this order.
- (ii) The term "parole" means an undertaking not to escape given in any form whatever or however described.

- (g) (i) A parole may properly be given to obtain temporary release from confinement for a few hours on odd occasions for specific purposes: e.g., exercise, recreation or medical treatment. Parole so given will be clearly limited to the period of temporary release.
- (ii) Parole in respect of a warrant officer, non-commissioned officer or other rank can be given only through a commissioned officer.
 - (iii) The terms of any parole given will be observed with the greatest strictness for the period for which it is given.

(h) Escape:

It is the duty of every Australian prisoner of war and internee to escape at the first opportunity, regardless of any instructions to the contrary issued by or in any prisoner of war or internment camp or by the detaining power and regardless of any reprisals which might be taken against the remaining prisoners of war and internees.

- (j) (i) Except as provided in paras (k) (l)&(m) of this order, a recovered PW will not give any information in conversation, correspondence, or in any other way whatever to any person regarding the escape of himself or any other person from detention or internment, or about the means where-by he or any other person avoided capture by the enemy.
- (ii) Such information would be useful to the enemy, would prejudice the chances of others in similar circumstances to escape, and would endanger the lives of those who have given help at any stage.
 - (iii) As soon as possible after recovery, every recovered PW will sign an undertaking in the form set out in para (n) of this order. The officer responsible for the interrogation mentioned in para (k) (i) of this order will ensure that this is done and will forward the signed undertaking to the nearest 2nd Echelon component for despatch to the home Records Office of the member where it will be filed in that member's personal dossier.

- (k) (i) A recovered PW will disclose all details of his escape, evasion of capture, release or recovery to interrogating officers authorised by the Director of Military Intelligence (DMI).

(ii) The officers authorised by the DMI are -

1. Any GSO, grade I, on Army or higher formation HQ
2. Any GSO, not below Grade II on Corps or Div HQ.
3. GSO, Grade III (Intelligence) on Div HQ.
4. Any Officers designated by the abovementioned general staff officers.

(iii) Subsequent to interrogation pursuant to para (k) (i) of this order, the Director of Prisoners of War and Internees or, in his absence, the senior "A" Branch officer on the spot acting on his behalf, is authorised to interrogate on any matter other than those referred to in para (k) (i) of this order.

(iv) No member other than one of the officers listed in para (k) (ii) of this order will question any recovered PW on any matter referred to in para (k) (i) of this order. Nothing in this paragraph will, however, preclude any officer who is required in the course of his duty so to do from interrogating a recovered PW for information relating to missing and prisoner of war personnel and to the locations of any known burials.

(1) Lectures

(i) If a recovered PW desires to lecture on his experiences, he will not disclose any information about his own escape, evasion of capture, release or recovery, or that of any other person, unless the script of the proposed lecture is first approved by the DMI or his representative.

(ii) A recovered PW may, however, lecture on personal matters connected with his detention or internment to War Relatives' Associations and the like, but must exercise the greatest care to ensure that his lecture does not disclose any information which could be useful to the enemy, would prejudice the chances of other prisoners of war escaping or would endanger the lives of those who helped the lecturer at any stage of his escape.

(iii) If it is considered desirable for service reasons that recovered PW should lecture on the means employed by him in his escape, the decision as to the desirability will be made by the Director of Military Training or his representative and the text of the proposed lecture will be delivered to the DMI or his representative for approval and censorship.

(m) Interviews with the Press

A recovered PW will not give an interview to any broadcasting station or newspaper, or broadcasting or newspaper correspondent or representative, until such time as the interrogations provided for under para (k) of this order are completed and unless such interview is conducted in the presence of a representative of the Director-General of Public Relations. Similarly, a recovered PW will not submit for publication or broadcasting any article, letter or account dealing with his experiences unless it is first approved by the representative of the Director-General of Public Relations.

(n) Form of undertaking

The form referred to in para (j) (iii) of this order is as follows; "

"I have read and understand the provisions of GRO 157/1945 and I undertake to obey the instructions therein in all respects. I understand that any breach will render me liable to disciplinary action.

.....194..

Signature

Witness

To be witnessed by a commissioned Officer

Number

Rank

Name in full

Unit

49. AMF MAIL

(a) As a result of the destruction by fire of aircraft carrying mail to TARAKAN the following were completely destroyed;

Place of Origin	Date of Posting	No of bags
EX MOROTAI	12 Jun 45	1 Direct Bag 8 Surface Mail
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EX MELBOURNE	5 Jun 45 8 Jun 45 4 Jun 45	1 Air Mail 1 Air Mail 2 Surface Mail
-----	-----	-----
EX SYDNEY	7 Jun 45 9 Jun 45 10 Jun 45 12 Jun 45 13 Jun 45	1 Air Mail 2 Air Mail 1 Air Mail 1 Air Mail 1 Air Mail
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EX BRISBANE	7 Jun 45 8 Jun 45 9 Jun 45 10 Jun 45	1 Air Mail 1 Air Mail 1 Air Mail 1 Air Mail

(b) In respect to private, registered articles, the addressees and senders will be advised in due course regarding their fate. It is regretted that liability for compensation will not be accepted as loss occurred through causes beyond control. The senders of official registered articles enclosed in the Direct Bag have been notified in order that duplicate copies of the correspondence may be sent forward.

(c) The above information is to be published to ALL ranks

87. PURCHASES FROM NATIVES

All ranks are prohibited from purchasing, either by cash or by barter, any article of any description from natives. This prohibition applies particularly to fruit, fish and other food, and to souvenirs.

88. FRATERNISING WITH NATIVES

- (a) Undue familiarity in the treatment of natives by personnel of this Force has in some cases adversely affected the behaviour of the natives, resulting in a lack of respect towards Europeans.
- (b) All ranks must realise the difference in outlook between Natives and Europeans, and whilst treating the natives fairly and courteously must avoid fraternising with them.
- (c) Entering houses inhabited by natives or eating or drinking with them is strictly prohibited.

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NOTICES

The following congratulatory messages are published for information and will be promulgated to all ranks:

Lt Gen Sir Leslie MORSHEAD GOC 1 Aust Corps in a letter to Brig D.A. WHITEHEAD Comd OBOE ONE FORCE has said:

"I have followed your exploits with the greatest interest and satisfaction and am glad that the campaign is virtually over. Congratulations."

Maj Gen G.F. WOOTTEN GOC 9 Aust Div has sent the following signal to Brig D.A. WHITEHEAD.

"I convey to you personally and all officers and men at TARAKAN congratulations from myself and all ranks under my command, on successful conclusion of the TARAKAN operations. Sincerely hope whole Div may be concentrated this area early date."

To which Brig D.A. WHITEHEAD has replied:

"Your message has been made known to the Units of this Force and is greatly appreciated by us all. We have followed with keen interest the variety, speed and success of your operations. All are now looking forward to once again rejoining the fold."

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War diary

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

By

Serial 29/45
Nos 89 - 91

Lt Col R I AINSLIE

Commanding 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

30 Jun 45

89. AIRSTRIIP - TARAKAN

- (a) The Airstrip at TARAKAN will be known as CROYDON Strip and will be operational wef 28 Jun 45.
- (b) The airstrip (and its environs) is OUT OF BOUNDS to AMF Tps at all times from the receipt of this order and until further notice, except for those persons required by their duty to be there.
- (c) RAAF Service Police are authorised to enforce this order.
- (d) Persons and vehicles requiring to move into the airstrip and its environs on duty will only be admitted on production of a pass from this HQ.
- (e) No parking of vehicles will be permitted on the road (ANZAC HIGHWAY) between AIRSTRIIP RIDGE (404671) and 404680 at any time, and all vehicles will pass over this stretch of road as quickly as possible.

90. TRAFFIC CONTROL

The speed limits laid down in Force RO 22 namely: -

Earth and metal surface roads - 20 mph
Tarmac or seabed roads - 25 mph

- are NOT being strictly observed. All offrs will take steps to ensure that speeding does not occur. Failure to observe this instruction will result in rapid deterioration of, and consequently rough, roads.

91. MEDICAL AND DENTAL TREATMENT

NOTE: - This is merely a summary of GRO 155/1945. All members are responsible for acquainting themselves with the full provisions of that GRO.

1. (a) Subject to certain conditions and exceptions set out in GRO 155/1945, a member is entitled to receive medical treatment and to be supplied with medical requisites necessary to render and maintain him fit for military service and to restore him to normal health. A copy of GRO 155/1945 is available for inspection in Bn HQ Orderly Room.

...../ (b)

- (b) Members on occupational LWOP are entitled to medical treatment in accordance with the provisions of LHQ Memo 168085 of 4th Dec 44.

Medical Treatment

2. Except as provided in para 3 below or in GRO 155/1945 or in LHQ Memo 168085 of 4th Dec 44 (dealing with medical treatment of members on occupational LWOP), a member requiring medical treatment at army expense will obtain it from an army medical unit, and will not obtain or attempt to obtain medical treatment at army expense from an area medical officer, or a civilian doctor or a public, intermediate or private hospital.

Application for medical treatment

3. (a) A member requiring medical treatment at army expense will apply for it to: -
- (i) The unit by which he is being administered; or
 - (ii) If that is not practicable, to the nearest army medical unit; or
 - (iii) If that is not practicable, to the nearest RAN or RAAF medical unit; or
 - (iv) If that is not practicable, to the nearest area medical officer; or
 - (v) If that is not practicable, to a repatriation hospital; or
 - (vi) If that is not practicable, to a public hospital; or
 - (vii) If that is not practicable, to a civilian doctor.
- (b) A claim for expense incurred in obtaining medical treatment from a civilian doctor will be rejected unless it is established to the satisfaction of the DDMS or ADMS of the relevant command or L of C Area that it was impracticable for the member to obtain such treatment from any of the abovementioned service units, from an area medical officer, or from a repatriation or public hospital.

Admission to Hospital

4. A member requiring to be admitted to hospital will be admitted:-

- (a) To an army hospital;
- (b) If that is not practicable, to a RAN or RAAF hospital; or
- (c) If that is not practicable, to a repatriation hospital; or
- (d) If that is not practicable, to a public hospital.

5. Under special circumstances, a member may be admitted to a private or intermediate hospital.

6. Medical treatment and hospitalization obtained in accordance with para 3 (a) or in the proper hospital is free. All other treatment is not free and must be paid for by the member.

Medical Certificates:

7. A member unable, because of sickness, or injury, to return from leave on the due date will send a medical certificate to the unit which released him on leave. The certificate should reach the latter unit before the expiry of the leave.

8. The certificate, signed and dated by the doctor, must include -

- (a) The diagnosis of the members' condition;
- (b) The treatment given and/or proscribed;
- (c) The time during which it is estimated by the doctor that the member will be unable to travel.

9. A member unable to travel on the estimated date will forward a further medical certificate on or prior to that date to the unit which released him on leave.

10. Failure to forward the certificates, in accordance with paras 7 and 9, may result in the member being posted AWL and payment of allotment and dependent's allowance being suspended.

11. A member on leave who obtains treatment from a civilian doctor who is not an area medical officer will send to his unit on the conclusion of the treatment a medical certificate containing the following particulars: -

- (a) The diagnosis of the member's condition;
- (b) The treatment given to and/or proscribed for the member.

Medicines and Dressings: -

12. Medicines and dressings proscribed by a service medical officer, an area medical officer and a civilian doctor may be obtained free from -

- (a) An army dispensary; or
- (b) A civilian chemist, if the medical officer or doctor endorses an authority on the prescription for purchase from a civilian chemist. Otherwise, the member will have to pay for them.

Spectacles:

13. Spectacles proscribed by an army medical officer or optometrist are supplied free.

14. Spectacles, whether supplied by the Army or not, worn by a member may be repaired without charge by an army optical unit.

Artificial Limbs and Surgical Aids:

15. Artificial limbs and surgical aids are supplied free, if proscribed by a medical officer.

16. Repairs of and adjustments to surgical aids and artificial limbs used by a member will be made without charge by the Army if authorised by a medical officer.

Dental Treatment.

17. Subject to certain exceptions and conditions in certain cases, a member is entitled to dental treatment necessary to render or maintain him fit for military service.

18. Dental treatment cannot be obtained free from civilian dentists, except on the authority of a CO.

19. Under certain conditions, a member may be reimbursed for dental expenses incurred on leave, but only in accordance with the following scale: -

<u>Nature of treatment</u>	<u>Maximum fee</u>
Extractions (limited to 2 tooth on each period of leave) (including the use of local anaesthetic)	5/- each tooth
Temporary sedative fillings (limited to 2 fillings on each period of leave)	5/- each filling
Simple repairs to dentures (fracture of denture or replacement of tooth)	10/- maximum charge.

Ownership of spectacles etc.

20. Artificial limbs; surgical aids, spectacles and dentures, supplied by the army, belong to it until the member is discharged or finalised, when they become the property of the member.

Forfeiture of Pay.

21. If a member is absent from duty owing to illness, injury or wounds due to an action or conduct constituting an offence of which he is convicted, his CO may authorise the forfeiture of pay for the period of his absence. (WFR 27).

22. If the CO authorises such forfeiture, the cost for medical and hospital attention will also be debited to the pay account of the member at the following rates: -

Officers in Hospital	14/- per day
Soldiers in Hospital	12/- per day
Members in convalescent depots and convalescent homes	6/- per day
Members not in hospitals, convalescent depots or convalescent homes.	2/9 per day

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THE USE OF THE FLAME THROWER IN THE JUNGLE

The following is an account by Lt A J O'ROURKE of an attack on a feature during the operations on TARAKAN in which the flame thrower was used successfully. Lt O'ROURKE's failure at a Flame Thrower Course on the Tablelands has not destroyed his faith in or dimmed his enthusiasm for this weapon.

DESCRIPTION OF ENEMY DEFENCES

1. The enemy were solidly dug in on the highest point of a ridge some 20/30 feet wide, the only possible approach to which was along a three feet wide razorback. The defences consisted of five pillboxes with LMGs and some 30 odd pits with head cover for riflemen. Extensive patrolling had failed to find any other approach and four previous attempts to attack along the razorback had failed.

PLAN OF ATTACK

2. The attack was made by one coy preceded by a strike by 20 Liberators dropping HE followed by 24 Lightnings dropping Napalm. As our own positions were only some 100 yards from the enemy positions our troops had to be withdrawn a distance of approximately 350 yards prior to the air strike. After the withdrawal of our troops the enemy positions were sprayed with MMG fire from the flank in an endeavour to stop the enemy vacating his positions during the bombing and also to prevent him occupying our own positions which had been vacated.

3. After the strike artillery and mortars were brought down on the enemy positions in an endeavour to prevent him again re-occupying his positions and MMG fire was brought on to our old positions until our troops had re-occupied them. The assault was to be made by one platoon who were told to move forward as fast as the ground would allow and as close to the artillery concentrations as possible in order to occupy the feature before the enemy were able to re-occupy it after the bombing or alternatively to catch the enemy while he was still suffering from the shock of the bombing. Three flame throwers moved with the reserve section of the platoon in a position where they could be called forward immediately. Thick fuel was used.

THE ATTACK

4. The platoon followed the artillery in to within 100 yards and when it lifted moved forward and succeeded in gaining the forward slopes of the feature without being fired on, killing five Japs still hiding in their pits from the artillery or dazed by the bombing. Another five Japs

were then observed on top of the hill 30 yards away moving towards the platoon. They had obviously withdrawn from the bombing and were moving back to their positions. They engaged the forward section with grenade and rifle fire. Two of the flame throwers were moved forward quickly into position under cover of heavy small arms fire. One operator sprayed the feature in a wide traverse while the other fired straight up the hill. The result was devastating. The hill was set completely ablaze to a depth of 50 yards, two of the five Japs were set on fire and the other three were killed in their pits. The platoon was able to advance almost immediately through the flames. With the help of the two remaining flame throwers the feature was completely captured within 15 minutes of the advance commencing. The flame which was fired up a slight rise hit the trees on the crest and also sprayed the reverse slope and had the effect of completely demoralizing the enemy and considerably raising the morale of our own troops. The flame throwers were refuelled within 20 minutes and carried forward by the reserve platoon who moved on to exploit a distance of some 300 yards.

LESSONS LEARNED

- (i) As contact is so close in the jungle it is normally necessary to withdraw in order to allow an air strike to take place. If this is done it is necessary to prevent the enemy occupying our own positions by bringing artillery, mortar or MMG fire on to the enemy positions and possibly MMG fire on to our own positions. MMG fire is more satisfactory as artillery or mortar fire which precedes the bombing is likely to partially obliterate the target and confuses the pilots. To attempt to prevent the enemy occupying our own positions by booby trapping them is not satisfactory as a clear passage must be left for our own troops.
- (ii) It is essential that our troops should follow in the bombing as quickly as possible if they are to gain the full effects from the air strike.
- (iii) The full automatic fire power of the platoon should normally be used to cover the operators of the flame throwers in moving up to a suitable position.
- (iv) Until they are required flame throwers should move with the reserve section. Using thick fuel greater range can be obtained and to "spray" the enemy positions is quite effective.
- (v) Using thick fuel our troops can and should be trained to move through the flames as quickly as possible.
- (vi) The operator should have a clear field of fire for several yards in front of the flame thrower as otherwise the fuel is likely to splash back on to himself and our own troops.
- (vii) There must be sufficient fuel, charged pressure tanks, ignition cylinders, tools, etc in close proximity to the operator and there must be sufficient trained personnel close hand to service and refuel the weapons.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

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NAPALM

The following report is submitted on the use of Napalm:

1. The area covered by fire depends upon the nature of the foliage where the bomb is dropped. In dense, virgin jungle an area of approx 10 yards in diameter is covered, where the trees have been broken down and the foliage has had an opportunity to dry an area up to 50 yards in diameter is covered.
2. The duration of the fire is negligible unless the foliage has sufficiently dried to be set alight by the Napalm. In the latter case it may burn up to 10 minutes.
3. Where the bomb bursts in the tree tops very little benefit is obtained as the mixture is dissipated in the air. Much better results are obtained where the area has been cleared of large timber by bombing or shelling.
4. Napalm does help to clear the foliage provided the area has been previously broken down and cleared by bombing or shelling. It has very little effect in clearing the foliage in virgin jungle.
5. A much higher degree of accuracy is obtained if the bombs are dropped into the ridge. The best run is along the line of the ridge and not across the ridge.
6. The accuracy of belly tank Napalm bombing depends on many factors, viz:

- (a) (i) The training and experience of the pilots.
When well trained pilots who have had experience in this type of bombing are used a reasonable degree of accuracy can be obtained. With pilots who have not had the necessary training and experience the bombing simply becomes a menace to our own troops and forces them to remain too far from the target and destroys their confidence in air support generally.
- (ii) Where the target is indicated by smoke the tendency of all pilots is to bomb the smoke and not the point of origin of smoke. Consequently if the wind is blowing towards our troops it is difficult to obtain the same degree of accuracy. Moreover, where the target has not previously been cleared by bombing and shelling the smoke tends to drift through the trees and then rises giving a false point of origin.
- (iii) Other activity in the area.
When the target is being shelled or mortared with HE immediately prior to the Napalm strike a certain amount of smoke and dust is caused which tends to confuse the pilots.

- (iv) Enemy activity
Smoke put down by the enemy on to or near positions occupied by our own troops may confuse the pilots. The answer is of course to use coloured smoke but this was not available during the present operation.
- (v) Visibility
Whilst low cloud does not prevent bombing by low flying aircraft it does prevent the pilot getting a clear view of the target from a reasonable height some distance away and consequently seriously affects the accuracy of the Napalm strike.
- (vi) Availability of aerial photographs
The value of aerial photographs, particularly low obliques, is obvious and must assist the pilots tremendously. At no time during this operation were low obliques available and it was only in the latter stages that any aerial photographs of the area to be covered were obtained. Even these were most unsatisfactory.
- (vii) Proximity of aerodromes to targets
The best results would obviously be obtained where the Flight Comd, Auster pilot and the Infantry Comd are able to personally liase and discuss the nature and appearance of the target, direction of run, etc and together study aerial photographs. It is unlikely that really satisfactory results will be obtained where the only means of briefing the pilot is by signal or by wireless while he is in the air, and especially where aerial photographs are not available.

(b) Under ^{good} ~~reasonable~~ conditions the line of flight is reasonably accurate and bombs not actually on the target will either drop short or overshoot the target. Depending upon conditions the safety margins for our own troops are approximately:

- | | | | |
|-------|-----------------------------------|---|-------------|
| (i) | In line of flight short of target | - | 500 yds |
| (ii) | In line of flight beyond target | - | 700 yds |
| (iii) | To flank of target | - | 200/400 yds |

7 & 8. On FREDA and 102 features enemy were found dead by Napalm, either suffocated or burnt. Fifteen minutes after the bombs had dropped on 102 our own troops felt themselves catching their breath slightly through the effects of Napalm.

9. The effect on enemy morale must be considerable and this is possibly the main virtue of Napalm. On one occasion when two bombs dropped within 30 yards of one of our own Coy Comds he described the experience as somewhat terrifying even though they did not explode. It is considered that experiments should be carried out with a thicker mixture which will burn for a much longer period than the present mixture which dissipates almost immediately in a cloud of smoke.

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ENEMY EQUIPMENT - TARAKAN

To: OC 26 Bde FS (EE) Det

From: Cpl N McLAREN

During the TARAKAN campaign the 2/48 AUST INF BN was successful in capturing the following items of Japanese equipment:

Item	Location	Remarks
1 Type 41 Regimental Gun & 1000 rounds	Colling ^S Highway Ridge	CO 2/7 Fd Regt advised Gun used by 2/7 Regt
1 Flame Thrower TARAKAN Manufacture	WILLS	Forwarded to Bde
2 Meletov Cocktails	Collins Highway Ridge	Destroyed by EE NCO
1 Type 92 HMG	FINCH	Forwarded to Bde
1 Bangalore Torpedo	OTWAY	Forwarded to Bde
4 Field Telephones	427654	Used by Unit Sig O.
300 6" Naval Shells	441666	Salvage advised and requested to remove
10 cases PHE	441666	Removed and used by 2/13 Fd Coy
7 Paravanes	441666	Salvage advised and requested to remove
7 Sea Mines	441666	Salvage advised and requested to remove
2 Boxes Mine Horns	441666	Salvage advised and requested to remove
30 Boxes Dets	441666	Removed by B Coy
1 40 mm Bofors	420651	Reported to Bde
12 Meiji Rifles	FINCH	Sent to Bde
11 Naval Type Respirators	427634	Sent to Bde
8 88mm Mortars TARAKAN Manufacture	427634	Removed by Salvage
93 Boxes Type A (3a) nose fuses	428656	Removed by Salvage
300 6" Naval Shells	428656	Salvage advised and requested to remove
8 cases 75mm nose time fuses	428656	Removed by Salvage
31 boxes fuses (type unknown)	428656	One example sent to Bde for examination and remainder removed by Salvage

Item	Location	Remarks
1 Type 92 HMG Sight	FREDA	Forwarded to Bde
1 Pr Binoculars	FREDA	Forwarded to Bde
6 75mm Shells	FREDA	Deloused by RAE personnel
5 50mm Naval Type Grenades	FREDA	Deloused by RAE personnel
1 50mm Grenade launcher	FREDA	Forwarded to Bde
5 1 Kg smoke candles	OTWAY	Fired by EE NCO
1 Type 96 LMG	-	Forwarded to Bde
1 Type 99 LMG	-	Forwarded to Bde
30 Gun Chargers	441666	Removed by Salvage
75 mm & 37 mm shell cases fused as hand grenades	In all areas occupied by own troops	Specimens sent to Bde for examination and the remainder rendered inert by EE NCO & RAE Personnel
Numerous bags of rice, tinned fruit, and length of clothing material	Homes along Anzac Highway	Commandeered by NICA for feeding and clothing of Natives

1. Johnson 3.76 *LINDA 102*

During the course of operations HQ 1 AUST CORPS made an urgent request for the following items of Enemy Equipment which were required immediately and for a specific purpose: -

- 5 Leather pouches front
- 2 Rubberised pouches back
- 1 leather waist belt
- 2 Rectangular mess tins
- 5 Navy type respirators
- 5 Army type respirators

This Bn was instrumental in supplying the following items: -

- 6 leather pouches front
- 3 Rubberised pouches back
- 6 Navy type respirators

all items reaching FORCE HQ within 24 hrs of receipt of the request.

It is the opinion of EE NCO that 2/48 AUST INF BN is definitely "Enemy Equipment" minded. During the campaign the reporting of Enemy Equipment has been immediate and it is considered that little or no Intelligence value has been lost through neglect or souveniring on the part of our own troops.

Souveniring by RAAF and other personnel not actively engaged with the enemy has been prolific. On one occasion three boxes containing .38 .45 and LUGER Pistols were removed by RAAF Personnel. These souviner hunters are depriving Intelligence of possible valuable information and also hinders EE NCO's in their examination of enemy dumps, storehouses and tunnels.

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 FS (EE) NCO Att 2/48 Cpl Bn

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 2/6/1945 2/48 (Unit)

20/45 (Serial No.)

W.E. 11 220 / 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s. 769 OFFRS. 1 . . . O.R.'s. 32 ATT. BY W.E.
 Less 004 'A' Det (LOB) 2 28

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED				DETAIL	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength		Arm or Corps	Posted Strength	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required
IR	2		1	Lieut.-Colonels					
IR	2		1	Majors					
			7	Captains	AAIG	1			
		3	23	Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offs.					
IR	4	3	32			1			

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) and E(2).	DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL	
	A.		33									33
	E.(1)											
	E.(2)											

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Unit From	Date	CAUSE

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank	Name and Initials	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX29276	Lt	BLUS J S	Hospital	1/6/45	wounded in action

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

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

..... 248 Aust. Inf. Bn. Unit

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday . 2 . / . . 6 / 194 . 5 . . . (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held	Army Number	Surname	Initials	Posting	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	WX 20	ATKINS	R I	CO		Yes	
Maj	SX 9990	MORPHETT	H C	Coy Comd B		Yes	
Capt	SX 7008	KING	B R	Adj't		Yes	
Capt	SX 8647	JOHNSON	G E	Coy Comd C		Yes	
Capt	WX 34687	LAVAN	J F	Coy Comd B		Yes	
Capt	SX 7054	McLELLAN	H	Coy Comd D		Yes	
Capt	SX 9840	NICHOLAS	F W	QM		Yes	
Capt	SX 8048	HALLIS	D H	Coy Comd A		Yes	
Capt	SX 9377	GOODSON	O D	2 1/e A Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 12496	HILL	D C	TO		Yes	
Lt	SX 12498	ALLEN	K F	2 1/e C Coy		Yes	
Lt	VX 81081	MACLURE	A J	F1 Comd 3		Yes	
Lt	SX 6786	FARQUHAR	M F	IO		Yes	
Lt	SX 7047	ROBINSON	M	Asst Adj't		Yes	
Lt	SX 7989	BUCKLEY	J A R	F1 Comd 11		Yes	
Lt	WX 39853	NORRIS	C F W	F1 Comd 2		Yes	
Lt	VX115724	JOHNSTONE	M	F1 Comd 15		Yes	
Lt	WX 36205	O'ROURKE	A J	F1 Comd 12		Yes	
Lt	SX 2312	HARVEY	R J	F1 Comd 16		Yes	
Lt	WX 38532	STEEL	M L	F1 Comd 13		Yes	
Lt	SX 21753	SIMPER	O D	F1 Comd 5		Yes	
Lt	SX 8192	HOLLAND	R R	F1 Comd 18		Yes	
Lt	WX 94764	THOMPSON	R J	F1 Comd 14		Yes	
Lt	WX125350	COOPER	R C	F1 Comd (5)		Yes	
Lt	WX 4823	TUCKER	C H	F1 Comd 7		Yes	
Lt	WX 71509	CHAPMAN	A L	F1 Comd 9		Yes	
Lt	SX 7933	STEWART	W H	F1 Comd 1		Yes	
Lt	SX 3260	LANDER	G	F1 Comd 10		Yes	
Lt	SX 4253	McDONALD	J H	F1 Comd 17		Yes	
Lt	WX 26735	WALKER	W B	F1 Comd (5)		Yes	
Lt	WX 38973	BAUER	A E	F1 Comd (5)		Yes	
Lt	VX104139	HERBERT	G E	F1 Comd (5)		Yes	
<u>ATTACHED ALLOWED BY ME</u>							
Capt	WX 34807	POPE	D C	RMO			

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number	Name and Initials	Unit	Date of Attachment	Nature of Attachment
Chap	WX132875	BRYSON A W	AA Ch D	21 Apr	Pedro

Robert Amos
Signature of Commander

Date of Despatch

2/48 Aust Inf Bn

2 Jun 45

WE 11/12C/3

Trade	Rank	WE	PS	Def ici ent	Sur- plus	Rfts requ ired	#
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>							
Blacksmith	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>							
Carpenter	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Int Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	7	7	-	-	-	
Signallers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	
"	Pte	22	23	-	1	-	
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>							
Butcher	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Clerk	Sjt	2	2	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	6	6	-	-	-	
"	Pte	4	2	2	-	-	NR
Eqpt Repairer	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Rangetaker	Pte	4	2	2	-	-	NR
Storeman Tech	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	3	2	1	-	-	NR
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Gunlayer	Pte	8	5	3	-	-	NR
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>							
RSM	WO 1	1	1	-	-	-	
CSM	WO 2	5	5	-	-	-	
RQMS	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
CQMS	S/Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	12	14	-	2	-	
Batmen	Pte	35	31	4	-	4	
Dr MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	11	15	-	4	-	
Gen Duties Mess	Pte	3	3	-	-	-	
Hyg Duties	Pte	4	6	-	2	-	
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	36	27	9	-	NR	ø (5)
"	Pte	361	254	107	-	110	
MMG Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR	
"	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
"	Pte	20	13	7	-	7	
Mortar Nos	Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	5	4	1	-	NR	
" "	Pte	68	61	7	-	7	
Orderlies	Pte	32	30	2	-	2	
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	3	1	-	NR	
"	Pte	28	25	3	-	NR	
Regtl Police	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Storemen	Pte	6	4	2	-	1	
Stretcher Bearer	Sjt	1	-	1	-	NR	
" "	Cpl	2	3	-	1	-	
" "	Pte	18	18	-	-	-	
Tk A Gun Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR	
" "	Cpl	4	2	2	-	NR	
" "	Pte	7	13	-	6	-	
Water Duties	Pte	2	1	1	-	1	
Total Carried Forward		769	628	157	16	132	

W 11/12G/3

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Appendix 'A' (contd)

Trade	Rank	WE	PS	Def ici ent	Sur- plus	Rfts requ ired	⌘
Total carried forward		769	628	157	16	132	
<u>ATTACHED BY WE</u>							
<u>AAMC</u>							
Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Hyg Inspector	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AACC</u>							
Shoemaker	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR	
<u>AA Post S</u>							
Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAFC</u>							
Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AACC</u>							
Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
Cooks	Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	5	5	-	-	-	
"	Pte	13	13	-	-	-	
Total:		801					

SURPLUS TRADESMEN
NOT ALLOWED BY WE

<u>Trade Group 1</u>							
Topographical Draughtsman			1	-	1		
Bricklayer			1	-	1		
<u>Trade Group 2</u>							
Painter			1	-	1		
<u>Trade Group 3</u>							
Dr Mechs			6	-	6		
Saddler			1	-	1		
Total:			669	158	26	132	

⌘ This column not to be used

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Date of Despatch: 2 Jun 45

∅ Applications for promotions submitted, not yet approved by HQ 9 Div

004 'A' DETACHMENT (LOB) MOROTAI

<u>Trade</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Posted Strength</u>
Rfn	Sjt	1
Rfn	Cpl	4
Pnr	Cpl	1
Tk A	Cpl	1
TG 3 Clerk	Pte	1
TG 3 Tech Storeman	Pte	1
<u>Non Specialists</u>		
Mortar Nos	Pte	2
Storeman	Pte	1
Rfn	Pte	10
Hygiene Duties	Pte	1
Pnrs	Pte	1
Tk A Nos	Pte	2
Batmen	Pte	2
<u>Att allowed by WE</u>		
AAOC : Shoemaker	Cpl	1
AAOC : TG 2 Cooks	Pte	2
		<u>31</u>

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
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(Revised Jan., 1943)

22 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 9 / 6 / 1945 2/18 P.M. (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 129 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 + OFFRS. 2 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.
Less 004 A Det

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

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

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

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX 29276	Lt	BLISS J B	Hospital	6 Jun 45	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
GX 21753	Lt	GIBSON G D	Hospital	7 Jun	Wounded in Action
HX 32873	Capt	DIXON A W	Hospital	8 Jun	Sick

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

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

Unit

Serial No.

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitches			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Bangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radlographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Qty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	*	*	

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

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

2/48 Aust Inf Bn

Appendix 'A'

9 Jun 45

WE 11/120/3

Trade	Rank	WE	PS	Defi- cient	Sur- plus	Rfts Recd	#
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>							
Blacksmith	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>							
Carpenter	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Int Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	7	7	-	-	-	
Signallers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	
"	Pte	22	22	-	-	-	
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>							
Butcher	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Clerk	Sjt	2	2	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	6	5	1	-	-	NR
"	Pte	4	2	2	-	-	NR
Eqpt Repairer	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Rangetaker	Pte	4	4	-	-	-	
Storeman Tech	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Pte	3	2	1	-	-	NR
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Gunlayer	Pte	8	5	3	-	-	NR
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>							
RSM	WO 1	1	1	-	-	-	
CSM	WO 2	5	5	-	-	-	
RQMS	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
CQMS	S/sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	12	12	-	-	-	
Batmen	Pte	35	34	1	-	-	NR
Dr MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	11	15	-	4	-	
Gen duties Mess	Pte	3	3	-	-	-	
Ryg Duties	Pte	4	6	-	2	-	
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	36	23	13	-	-	NR
"	Pte	361	241	120	-	-	NR 128
MMG Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	-	NR
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	20	14	6	-	-	6
Mortar Nos	Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	5	4	1	-	-	NR
" "	Pte	68	60	8	-	-	8
Orderlies	Pte	32	28	4	-	-	4
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	3	1	-	-	NR
"	Pte	28	30	-	2	-	
Regtl Police	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Storeman	Pte	6	4	2	-	-	NR
Stretcher Bearer	Sjt	1	-	1	-	-	NR
" "	Cpl	2	3	-	1	-	
" "	Pte	18	18	-	-	-	
Tk A Gun Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	-	NR
" " " "	Cpl	4	2	2	-	-	NR
" " " "	Pte	7	13	-	6	-	
Water Duties	Pte	2	1	1	-	1	
Total carried forward		769	615	169	15	147	

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WE 11/120/3

Trade	Rank	WE	PS	Defi- cient	Sur- plus	Rfts Reqd	#
Total Carried forward		769	615	169	15	147	
<u>ATTACHED BY WE</u>							
<u>AANC</u>							
Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Hyg Inspector	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AACC</u>							
Shoemaker	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR	
<u>AA Post 8</u>							
Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAFC</u>							
Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AACC</u>							
Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
Cooks	Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	5	5	-	-	-	
"	Pte	13	13	-	-	-	

TOTAL: 801

SURPLUS TRADESMEN
NOT ALLOWED BY WE:

<u>Trade Group 1</u>							
Topographical Draughtsman			1	-	1		
<u>Trade Group 2</u>							
Painter			1	-	1		
<u>Trade Group 3</u>							
Dr Mechs			5	-	5		
Saddler			1	-	1		
<u>TOTAL:</u>			654	170	23	147	

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Date of Despatch: 9 Jun 45

∅ Applications for promotions submitted, not yet approved by
HQ 9 Aust Div

COY 'A' DETACHMENT (I/OB) MOROTAI

<u>Trade</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>Posted Strength</u>
Rfn	Sjt	1
Rfn	Cpl	4
Rnf	Cpl	1
Tk A	Cpl	1
TC 3 Clerk	Pte	2
TC 3 Tech storeman	Pte	1
TC 3 Butcher		1
<u>Non Specialists</u>		
Mortar Nos	Pte	2
Storeman	Pte	1
Rfn	Pte	16
Hygiene Duties	Pte	1
Rns	Pte	1
Tk A Nos	Pte	2
Batacn	Pte	2
<u>Att allowed by WE</u>		
AACC : Shoemaker	Cpl	1
AACC : TC 2 Cooks	Pte	2
		<u>39</u>

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
22/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16/6/1945 2/48 Pn (Unit)

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

Loss 004 11 Det 5 10
PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
NR	2		1	*	AAMC				
NR	2		1	*					
		3	7	Lieut.-Colonels		1			
			23	Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
NR	4	3	32			1			

DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
A.	33									33
E.(1)										
E.(2)										

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 15/6/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	WX 20	AINSLIE	R I	CO		Yes	
Maj	SX 9990	MORPHETT	H C	Coy Comd HQ		Yes	
Capt	SX 7008	KING	B R	Adj't		Yes	
Capt	SX 8647	JOHNSON	G E	Coy Comd C		Yes	
Capt	NX 34687	LAVAN	J F	Coy Comd B		Yes	
Capt	SX 7054	McLELLAN	N	Coy Comd D		Yes	
Capt	SX 9840	NICHOLAS	P W	QM		Yes	
Capt	SX 8048	WALLIS	D N	Coy Comd A		Yes	
Capt	SX 9377	GOODEN	O D	2 ic A Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 12496	HILL	D C	TO		Yes	
Lt	SX 12498	ALLEN	K F	2 ic C Coy		Yes	
Lt	VX 81081	MACLURE	A J	Pl Comd 3		Yes	
Lt	SX 6786	PARQUHAR	M F	IO		Yes	
Lt	SX 7047	ROBINSON	M	Asst Adj't		Yes	
Lt	SX 7985	BUCKLEY	J A R	Pl Comd 11		Yes	
Lt	QX 39833	NORGATE	C F W	Pl Comd 2		Yes	
Lt	VX115724	JOHNSTONE	M	Pl Comd 15		Yes	
Lt	NX 36205	O'ROURKE	A J	Pl Comd 12		Yes	
Lt	SX 2312	HARVEY	R J	Pl Comd 16		Yes	
Lt	NX 38532	STEEL	M L	Pl Comd 15		Yes	
Lt	SX 8192	HOLLAND	R R	Pl Comd 18		Yes	
Lt	NX 94764	THOMPSON	R J	Pl Comd 14		Yes	
Lt	NX125350	COOPER	R C	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	NX 4823	TUCKER	C E	Pl Comd 7		Yes	
Lt	NX 71509	CHAPMAN	A L	Pl Comd 9		Yes	
Lt	SX 7933	STEWIEN	W H	Pl Comd 1		Yes	
Lt	SX 3260	LANDER	G	Pl Comd 10		Yes	
Lt	SX 4253	MACDONALD	J H	Pl Comd 17		Yes	
Lt	WX 29276	BLUE	J S	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	WX 26735	WALKER	W B	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	QX 38975	BAUER	A S	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	VX104139	HERBERT	G E	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
<u>ATTACHED ALLOWED BY WE</u>							
Capt	WX 34807	POPE	D C	RMO		Yes	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.

16 Jun 45
Date of Despatch

Robert Ainslie
(R I AINSLIE) Lt Col
Signature of Commander
Comd 2/48 Aust Inf Bn a.w. 3m bks 12/44

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

WD

Army Form W.3009 (Adapted)

(Page 1)

(Revised Jan., 1943.)

22 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 16/6/1945 2/48 Bn (Unit)

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

Less 004 'A' Det

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

28 729 1 29

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
			1	W.Os. Class I.	A A A A A				
NR	1		5	W.Os. Class II.	A A A A A				
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	M O P P C C C S O C				
				Staff Sergeants	WO Cat	1	1		
NR	4		28	Sergeants	2 - 1 1 5	9			
NR	18		49	Corporals	1 1 - 1 5	7		1	NR
165	141		517	Troopers, Privates, etc.	1 - - - 13 14				
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
165 *	164		605 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		32	31 *	1	NR *

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

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

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	636									636
B(1)										
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
4	AEME			1	2 Aust Adv		
1	FSS Enemy Eqpt Wing				2 Ech		
1	AA Ch D						

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

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

Unit

Serial No.

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitches			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Bangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Biggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bollermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			* *

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

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

E 11/12C/3

16 Jun 45

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Regd	*
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>							
Blacksmith	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>							
Carpenter	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Int Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	7	6	1	-	NR	
Signallers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	
"	Pte	22	22	-	-	-	
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>							
Butcher	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Clerk	Sjt	2	2	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	6	5	1	-	NR	
"	Pte	4	2	2	-	NR	
Eqpt Repairer	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Rangemaker	Pte	4	3	1	-	NR	
Storeman Tech	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	3	2	1	-	NR	
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Gunlayer	Pte	8	5	3	-	NR	
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>							
RSM	WO 1	1	1	-	-	-	
CSM	WO 2	5	4	1	-	NR	
RQMS	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
CQMS	S/sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	12	11	1	-	NR	
Batmen	Pte	35	32	3	-	3	
Dr MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	11	15	-	4	-	
Gen duties Mess	Pte	3	3	-	-	-	
Hyg Duties	Pte	4	6	-	2	-	
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	36	22	14	-	NR	∅ (10)
"	Pte	361	240	121	-	136	
MMG Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR	
"	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
"	Pte	20	14	6	-	6	
Mortar Nos	Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	5	4	1	-	NR	
" "	Pte	68	57	11	-	11	
Orderlies	Pte	32	28	4	-	4	
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	3	1	-	NR	
"	Pte	28	24	4	-	4	
Regtl Police	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Storemen	Pte	6	4	2	-	NR	
Stretcher Bearer	Sjt	1	-	1	-	NR	∅
" "	Cpl	2	3	-	1	-	
" "	Pte	18	18	-	-	-	
Tk A Gun Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR	
" "	Cpl	4	2	2	-	NR	
" "	Pte	7	12	-	5	-	
Water Duties	Pte	2	1	1	-	1	
Total carried forward:		769	597	184	12	165	

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Defi- cient	Sur- plus	Rfts Reqd	*
Total carried forward:		769	597	184	12	165	
<u>ATTACHED BY WE</u>							
<u>AAMC</u>							
Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Hyg Inspector	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAOC</u>							
Shoemaker	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR	
<u>AA Post S</u>							
Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAPC</u>							
Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AACC</u>							
Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
Cooks	Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	5	5	-	-	-	
"	Pte	13	13	-	-	-	
Total:		801					
<u>SURPLUS TRADESMEN</u>							
<u>NOT ALLOWED BY WE:</u>							
<u>Trade Group 1</u>							
Topographical Draughtsman			1	-	1		
<u>Trade Group 2</u>							
Painter			1	-	1		
<u>Trade Group 3</u>							
Dr Mechs			5	-	5		
Saddler			1	-	1		
			636	185	20	165	

Date of Despatch: 16 Jun 45

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004 'A' Det 2/48 Aust Inf Bn - MOROTAI

Trade Group 3

Clerk	Pte	2
Butcher	Pte	1
Storeman Tech	Pte	1

Non Specialists

Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	1
Batmen	Pte	2
LMG/Rfn	Pte	20
Hyg Duties	Pte	1
LMG/Rfn	Cpls	4
MMG Nos	Pte	1
Mor Nos	Pte	2
Pioneers	Cpl	1
Storeman	Pte	1
Tk A Gun Nos	Cpl	1
"	Pte	2

Attached by WE

<u>AACC</u>		
Shoemaker	Cpl	1

<u>AACC</u>		
Cooks	Pte	<u>2</u>

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
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25 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / 6 / 1945 2/48 pm (Unit)

W.E. 11 120 / 3 OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.
Less 004 'A' Det 5 43 2
PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.
28 726 1 30

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4		5	6	7	8	9
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.
NR	2		1	*					
NR	4		1	*					
			5	Lieut.-Colonels	AAMC	1			
			20	Majors					
				Captains					
				Lieutenants					
				Quarter-masters					
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.					
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.					
NR	6		27			1			

	DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).	A.	28									28
	E.(1)										
	E.(2)										

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
132875	Chap	BRYSON A W	Hospital	16 Jun	

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
7008	Capt	KING B R	Hospital	21 Jun	Sick
8647	Capt	JOHNSON G E	"	21 Jun	"
7985	Lt	BUCKLEY J A R	"	21 Jun	"
71509	Lt	CHAPMAN A L	"	21 Jun	"
25350	Lt	COOPER R C	"	19 Jun	"

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 25 / 6 / 1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	WX 20	AINSLIE	R I	CO		Yes	
Maj	SX 9990	MORPHETT	H C	Coy Comd HQ		Yes	
Capt	NX 34937	LAVAN	J F	Coy Comd B		Yes	
Capt	SX 7054	MOLLELLAN	N	Coy Comd D		Yes	
Capt	SX 9840	NICHOLAS	P W	QM		Yes	
Capt	SX 8048	WALLIS	D N	Coy Comd A		Yes	
Capt	SX 9377	GOODEN	O D	2 ic A Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 12498	HILL	D C	TO		Yes	
Lt	SX 12499	ALLEN	K F	2 ic C Coy		Yes	
Lt	VX 81081	MACLURE	A J	Pl Comd 3		Yes	
Lt	SX 6786	PARQUHAR	M F	IO		Yes	
Lt	SX 7047	ROBINSON	M	Asst Adjt		Yes	
Lt	SX 59853	MORGATE	C F W	Pl Comd 2		Yes	
Lt	VX115724	JOHNSTONE	M	Pl Comd 15		Yes	
Lt	NX 36205	O'ROURKE	A J	Pl Comd 12		Yes	
Lt	SX 2312	HARVEY	R J	Pl Comd 16		Yes	
Lt	NX 38532	STEEL	M L	Pl Comd 15		Yes	
Lt	SX 8192	HOLLAND	R R	Pl Comd 13		Yes	
Lt	NX 94764	THOMPSON	R J	Pl Comd 14		Yes	
Lt	NX 4923	TUCKER	C E	Pl Comd 7		Yes	
Lt	SX 7953	STEWIEN	W H	Pl Comd 1		Yes	
Lt	SX 3260	LANDER	C	Pl Comd 10		Yes	
Lt	SX 4253	MACDONALD	J H	Pl Comd 17		Yes	
Lt	WX 29276	BLUE	J S	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	WX 26735	WALKER	W B	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	QX 38975	BAUER	A S	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	VX104139	HERBERT	C E	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
<u>ATTACHED ALLOWED BY WE</u>							
Capt	WX 34807	POPE	D C	RMO		Yes	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chap	WX132875	BRYSON A W	AA Ch D	16 Jun	Padre

23 Jun 45

Date of Despatch

Robert Ainslie

(R I AINSLIE) Lt Col

Signature of Commander
Comd 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

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FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday **23 / 6 / 1945** **2/48 Bn** (Unit)

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

Less 004 'A' Det **5** **43** **2**
Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.
28 726 1 30

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5 DETAIL.	6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.					9 Deficient W.E.	10 Reinfts. Required.
1 Reinfts. Required.	2 Deficient W.E.	3 Surplus to W.E.	4 Posted Strength.		6 Arm or Corps.	7 Posted Strength.	8 Surplus to W.E.	9 Deficient W.E.			
			1	W.Os. Class I.	A A A A A						
			6	W.Os. Class II.	A A A A A						
			5	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.	M O P P C C C S C C						
				Staff Sergeants WO Cat	- - - - 1	1					
NR	4		28	Sergeants	2 - 1 1 5	8		1	NR		
NR	17		50	Corporals	1 1 - 1 5	7		1	NR		
171	148		510	Troopers, Privates, etc.	1 - - - 13	14					
				Civilians counting as O.R.							
171*	169		600 *	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.	32	30 *		2	NR *		

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).
 ** Personnel belonging to a category not provided for in the analysis will be shown in this Col Particulars will be shown, e.g., 20 U.K. Forces, 10 N.Z. Forces.

Detail	A.I.F.	C.M.P.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	630									630
B(1)										
B(2)										

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong
1	AA Ch D		
1	FSS Enemy Eqpt Wing		
4	AEME		

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	2 Aust Adv		
	2 Ech		
1	NEIF		

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

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

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	*	*	

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

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

2/48 Aust Inf Bn (less 004 'A' Det)
WE 11/120/3

Appendix 'A'
23 Jun 45

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts reqd	*
TRADE GROUP 1							
Blacksmith	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
TRADE GROUP 2							
Carpenter	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Int Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	7	6	1	-	NR	
Signallers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	
"	Pte	22	22	-	-	-	
TRADE GROUP 3							
Butcher	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Clerk	Sjt	2	2	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	6	6	-	-	-	
"	Pte	4	2	2	-	NR	
Eqpt Repairer	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Rangetaker	Pte	4	3	1	-	NR	
Storeman Tech	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	3	2	1	-	NR	
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Gunlayers	Pte	8	5	3	-	NR	
NON SPECIALISTS							
RSM	WO 1	1	1	-	-	-	
CSM	WO 2	5	5	-	-	-	
RQMS	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
CQMS	S/Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	12	11	1	-	NR	∅ (1)
Batmen	Pte	35	30	5	-	5	
Dvr MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	11	14	-	3	-	
Gen Duties Mess	Pte	3	3	-	-	-	
Hyg Duties	Pte	4	6	-	2	-	
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	36	23	13	-	NR	∅ (11)
"	Pte	361	236	125	-	140	
MMG Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	20	14	6	-	6	
Mortar Nos	Sjt	5	4	1	-	NR	
" "	Cpl	5	4	1	-	NR	
" "	Pte	68	58	10	-	10	
Orderlies	Pte	32	28	4	-	4	
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	3	1	-	NR	
"	Pte	28	24	4	-	4	
Regtl Police	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Storemen	Pte	6	4	2	-	1	
Stretcher Bearer	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	18	18	-	-	-	
Tk A Gun Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR	
" " " "	Cpl	4	2	2	-	NR	
" " " "	Pte	7	11	-	4	-	
Water Duties	Pte	2	1	1	-	1	
Total carried forward		769	592	186	9	171	

Trade	Rank	WE	Strength	lent	plus	reqd
Total brought forward		769	592	186	9	171
<u>ATTACHED BY WE</u>						
<u>AAMC</u>						
Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Hyg Inspector	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
" "	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
<u>AAOC</u>						
Shoemaker	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR
<u>AA Post S</u>						
Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
<u>AAPC</u>						
Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
" "	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
<u>AACC</u>						
Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-
Cook	Sjt	5	4	1	-	NR
"	Cpl	5	5	-	-	Ø (1)
"	Pte	13	13	-	-	-

Total: 801

SURPLUS TRADESMEN
NOT ALLOWED BY WE:

TRADE GROUP 1

Topographical Draughtsman 1 - 1

TRADE GROUP 2

Painter 1 - 1

TRADE GROUP 3

Dvr Mechs 5 - 5

Saddler 1 - 1

630 188 17 171

* This column not to be used

Robt. Ainslie
(R I AINSLIE) Lt Col
Comd 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

Date of Despatch: 23 Jun 45

Ø Applications for promotions submitted, not yet approved by 9 Aust Div.

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TRADE GROUP 3

Clerk	Pte	2
Butcher	Pte	1
Storeman Tech	Pte	1

NON SPECIALISTS

Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	1
Batmen	Pte	2
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	4
"	Pte	20
MMG Nos	Cpl	1
"	Pte	1
Mer Nos	Pte	2
Hyg Duties	Pte	1
Pioneers	Cpl	1
Storeman	Pte	1
Tk A Gun Nos	Cpl	1
" "	Pte	2
Stretcher Bearer	Pte	1

ATTACHED BY WE

<u>AAOC</u>		
Shoemaker	Cpl	1

<u>AACC</u>		
Cooks	Pte	2

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

24/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30/6/1945. 2/48 Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11/120/3. OFFRS. 33 O.R.'s 769 + OFFRS. 1 O.R.'s 32 ATT. BY W.E.
 Less 004 'A' Det 5 44
PART A.—POSTED STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.
 28 725 1 29

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
NR	2		1	Lieut.-Colonels *	AAMC								
NR	4		1	Majors									
			5	Captains		1							
			20	Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
NR	6		27			1							
		DETAIL		A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.		28									28
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30 / 6 / 1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	WX 20	AINSLIE	R I	CO		Yes	
Maj	SX 9990	MORPHETT	H C	Coy Comd HQ		Yes	
Capt	NX 34687	LAVAN	J F	Coy Comd B		Yes	
Capt	SX 7054	MCLELLAN	N	Coy Comd D		Yes	
Capt	SX 9840	NICHOLAS	P W	QM		Yes	
Capt	SX 8048	WALLIS	D N	Coy Comd A		Yes	
Capt	SX 9577	GOODEN	O D	2 ic A Coy		Yes	
Lt	VX104139	HERBERT	G E	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	WX 29276	BLUE	J S	Pl Comd 11		Yes	
Lt	SX 12496	HILL	D C	TO		Yes	
Lt	SX 12498	ALLEN	K F	2 ic C Coy		Yes	
Lt	VX 81081	MACLURE	A J	Pl Comd 3		Yes	
Lt	SX 6786	PARQUHAR	M F	IC		Yes	
Lt	SX 7047	ROBINSON	M	Asst Adjt		Yes	
Lt	WX 26755	WALKER	W B	Pl Comd 8		Yes	
Lt	QX 38975	BAUER	A S	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	QX 39833	NORGATE	C F W	Pl Comd 2		Yes	
Lt	VX115724	JOHNSTONE	M	Pl Comd 15		Yes	
Lt	NX 36205	O'ROURKE	A J	Pl Comd 12		Yes	
Lt	SX 2312	HARVEY	R J	Pl Comd 16		Yes	
Lt	NX 58532	STEEL	M L	Pl Comd 13		Yes	
Lt	SX 6198	HOLLAND	R R	Pl Comd 18		Yes	
Lt	NX 94784	THOMPSON	H J	Pl Comd 14		Yes	
Lt	NX 4823	TUCKER	C E	Pl Comd 7		Yes	
Lt	SX 7933	STEWIEN	W H	Pl Comd 1		Yes	
Lt	SX 3260	LANDER	G	Pl Comd 10		Yes	
Lt	SX 4253	MACDONALD	J H	Pl Comd 17		Yes	
ATTACHED ALLOWED BY WR							
Capt	WX 34807	POPE	D C	RMO		Yes	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chap	NX132875	BRYSON A W	AA CH D	16 Jun	padre

Date of Despatch

Roll. Irvine
Signature of Commander

Unit

Serial No.

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants			
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen			
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers			
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing			
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental			
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers			
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters			
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders			
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers			
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers			
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer			
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical			
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors			
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters			
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths			
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers			
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors			
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths			
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman							
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners							
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics											
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)											
Fitters				Driver-Operator											
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers											
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians											
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)											
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors							
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Buschers							
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks							
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply							
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical							
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers							
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors							
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks							
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies							
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders							
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals							
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.							
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics							
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant							
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.							
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers							
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers							
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates							
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	*	*	

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

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Reqd	*
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>							
Blacksmith	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>							
Carpenter	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Int Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	7	6	1	-	NR	
Signallers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	
"	Pte	22	22	-	-	-	
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>							
Butcher	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Clerk	Sjt	2	1	1	-	NR	
"	Cpl	6	6	-	-	-	
"	Pte	4	2	2	-	NR	
Eqpt Repairer	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Rangetaker	Pte	4	3	1	-	NR	
Storeman Tech	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	3	2	1	-	NR	
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Gunlayers	Pte	8	8	-	-	-	
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>							
RSN	WO 1	1	1	-	-	-	
CSM	WO 2	5	5	-	-	-	
RQMS	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
CQMS	S/Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	12	11	1	-	NR	
Batmen	Pte	35	25	10	-	10	
Dvr MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Pte	11	14	-	3	-	
Gen Duties Mess	Pte	3	3	-	-	-	
Hyg Duties	Pte	4	6	-	2	-	
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	36	29	7	-	NR	∅
"	Pte	361	233	128	-	139	∅
MMG Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR	∅
"	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
"	Pte	20	14	6	-	6	
Mortar Nos	Sjt	5	4	1	-	NR	∅
" "	Cpl	5	4	1	-	NR	∅
" "	Pte	68	58	10	-	10	
Orderlies	Pte	32	24	8	-	8	
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	2	2	-	NR	
"	Pte	28	25	3	-	3	
Regtl Police	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Storeman	Pte	6	5	1	-	1	
Stretcher Bearer	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	18	18	-	-	-	
Tk A Gun Nos	Sjt	3	1	2	-	NR	∅
" "	Cpl	4	2	2	-	NR	
" "	Pte	7	8	-	1	-	
Water Duties	Pte	2	1	1	-	1	
Total carried forward		769	585	190	6	178	

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Reqd	*
Total carried forward		769	585	190	6	178	
<u>ATTACHED BY WE</u>							
<u>AAMC</u>							
Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Hyg Inspector	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AACC</u>							
Shoemaker	Cpl	1	-	1	-	NR	
<u>AA Post S</u>							
Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAPC</u>							
Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AACC</u>							
Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
Cook	Sjt	5	4	1	-	NR	Ø
"	Cpl	5	5	-	-	-	
"	Pte	13	13	-	-	-	
Total		301					
<u>SURPLUS TRADESMEN</u>							
<u>NOT ALLOWED BY WE</u>							
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>							
Bricklayer			1	-	1		
Topographical Draughtsman			1	-	1		
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>							
Painter			1	-	1		
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>							
Lvr Mechs			4	-	4		
Saddler			1	-	1		
			623	192	14	178	

* This column not to be used

Ø Application for promotions submitted, not yet approved

Robt. Ainslie.
 (R I AINSLIE) Lt Col
 Comd 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

Date of Despatch: 30 Jun 45

004 'A' Det 2/48 Aust Inf Bn - MOROTAI

TRADE GROUP 5

Clerk	Pte	2
Butcher	Pte	1
Storeman Tech	Pte	1

NON SPECIALISTS

Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	1
Batmen	Pte	2
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	3
"	Pte	22
MMG Nos	Cpl	1
"	Pte	2
Mer Nos	Pte	2
Hyg Duties	Pte	1
Pioneers	Cpl	1
Storeman	Pte	1
Tk A Gun Nos	Cpl	1
" "	Pte	2
Stretcher Bearer	Pte	1

ATTACHED BY WE

<u>AACC</u>		
Shoemaker	Cpl	1

<u>AACC</u>		
Cooks	Pte	2

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WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

(Erase heading not required).

Unit..... 2/48 Aust Inf Bn Date and Time.—From..... 1 Jul 45 To..... 31 Jul 45...

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	1 Jul 45		<p>At 0145 Hrs 4 Japs approached D Coy posns at AMAL from the South. They were engaged and one wounded. Remainder fled North along beach through Coy posns and were engaged at other end. Here one was killed and one wounded. Patrols throughout day reported NMS.</p> <p>LCM Patrol killed 3 Japs 1 probably killed and took 4 PW at 505718.</p> <p>At 2205 Hrs a lone Jap threw a grenade into C Coy HQ Area grenade failed to explode and Jap tackled bare handed - subdued and then killed.</p> <p>No change to Bn's dispositions.</p> <p>Enemy casualties for 24 hours - 5 counted killed, 1 Est Killed 4 PW</p> <p>Own " " " " - Nil</p>	
	2 Jul to 8 Jul 45		<p>During this period patrols were active both along coast and in local area. A total of 8 Japs counted killed and 5 PW. This figure coupled with the efforts of the LCM Patrol resulted in the following.</p> <p>Enemy casualties for 7 days ending 8 Jul - 9 counted Killed 15 PW</p> <p>Own " " " " " " - Nil</p>	
	9 Jul to 15 Jul 45		<p>Patrols again active throughout period. A total of 12 counted killed. 17 PW. LCM patrols picked up 3 PW making total for the seven days ending 15 Jul - 12 counted killed and 20 PW. Own casualties during this period - 1 OR accidentally wounded on 15 Jul - DOW 16 Jul. Only change to Bn's dispositions - B Coy relieved D Coy at AMAL and D Coy returned to 442663.</p>	

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY.

Army Form C 3118
(adapted.)

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Unit 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

Date and Time.—From 1 Jul 45 To 31 Jul 45

Place.	Date.	Hour.	Summary of Events and Information.	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
	16 Jul to 22 Jul 45		<p>Patrols in this period accounted for 4 enemy - all killed. Slackening off in patrols as very little contact was made. Extensive patrolling carried out on Bde Front on 17 Jul. Our patrols combed area allotted with little success.</p> <p>Schools within the Bn commenced this week - 1 8 day NCO Course and a 6 day Intelligence Course being started.</p>	
	23 Jul to 29 Jul 45		<p>Only patrolling throughout week was on 24 Jul when an extensive search was made over entire Bde Front. No success resulted in our search of area allotted.</p> <p>Enemy casualties for 7 days ending 29 Jul - 2 counted killed.</p> <p>Own " " " " " " - Nil</p> <p>No change in Bn's dispositions.</p>	
	30 Jul to 31 Jul 45		<p>The last two days of July were quiet. 5 enemy were sighted but succeeded in escaping from our patrols. Own casualties were nil.</p> <p>Change to Bn Dispositions - HQ Coy less 1 & 5 Pls moved out to AMAL and relieved B Coy who moved in the area vacated by HQ Coy.</p>	

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

By

Serial 30/45
Nos 92 - 95

Lt Col R I AINSLIE

Commanding 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

9 Jul 45

92. GAMBLING

- (a) Gambling by any member of the Forces in any part of TARAKAN is prohibited.
- (b) Gambling includes bookmaking and the conduct of any game of chance.

93. CENSORSHIP

The newspapers "TABLE TOPS" and "GUINEA GOLD" may be sent through the post.

94. LEAVE

- (a) A member proceeding on leave (except when released on local leave or to a leave destination in the vicinity of his unit location) will carry messing gear, water bottle and blankets and such articles of clothing, necessaries and personal equipment on issue to him (except arms, ammunition, helmet (steel) and respirator) as are required to meet his needs under the climatic or other conditions likely to be encountered.
- (b) A member proceeding on leave will not carry arms, helmet (steel) or respirator, except in the following circumstances: -
 - (i) If the member will not return to the unit after leave (e.g. personnel of units being disbanded are in some cases granted leave and are required to report to another unit on completion of leave);
 - (ii) If the member is granted leave during movement of his Unit;
 - (iii) If the member is granted leave on completion of which he will report to another unit on transfer or for attachment;
 - (iv) If the member is granted leave from a school or course which he has been attending and will not return to the school or course on completion of the leave;
 - (v) If, for any other reason, the member's CO or the officer commanding the unit responsible for his administration considers it essential.

- (c) A member proceeding on leave will not carry ammunition except when required to carry out a specific military duty for which ammunition is allotted. Such ammunition will be withdrawn from the member immediately the specific duty is completed;
- (d) (i) A Unit will arrange to store items of clothing necessaries and personal equipment not taken by a member proceeding on leave. A record of all items lodged will be maintained by the Unit in AAB 71 or other suitable record.
- (ii) In some cases (e.g. when an entire unit proceeds on leave) it may be impossible to make adequate arrangements within the unit to safeguard the items. In such cases, the matter will be referred to the appropriate formation etc HQ for assistance and directions.
- (e) (i) A member proceeding on leave with his arms, helmet (steel) or respirator, in accordance with this order, will deposit them for safe custody at the Aust Army cloakroom attached to the last LTD or staging camp through which he passes before proceeding on leave.
- (ii) Deposits will be accepted by Aust Army cloakrooms for the duration of the member's leave only, and will be collected by him before commencing the journey to the next place of reporting.
- (iii) Aust Army cloakrooms, under the control of Aust Kit Stores, are located at or adjacent to central railway stations in all capital cities in Australia (except Hobart) and proper facilities for the security of arms and equipment are provided therein. Similar facilities will shortly be available at certain LTDs and RR & GDDs.
- (iv) Arms and equipment will not be taken to the home of a member when their deposit at an Aust Army cloakroom is practicable.
- (v) Arms and equipment will not be deposited by a member in a cloakroom other than an Aust Army cloakroom, nor will they be left unattended in a hotel, restaurant, cafe or similar place.

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95. REGIMENTAL TRUST FUNDS

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS 1 - 30 JUN 45

	£	S	D		£	S	D
Balance trust A/C 1 Jun 45	647	13	3	Supplementary Rations	22	1	10
				Free telegrams and stamps	7	17	9
				Advance to Unit Canteen	596	5	0
				Balance Trust A/C 30 Jun 45	21	8	3
	<u>647</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>3</u>		<u>647</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>3</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AS AT 30 JUN 45

Liabilities

Outstanding Accounts	2	5	0
Surplus	286	14	5
	<u>288</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>5</u>

Assets

Balance in Trust A/C	21	8	8
Postal Imprest	50	4	2
Adv Unit Canteen			
1 Jun 45	£3	0	8
Add Advanced			
during month	596	5	0
	<u>599</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>8</u>
Less Free			
Issues	381	19	1
	<u>217</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>
	<u>288</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>5</u>

CANTEEN TRANSACTIONS TO 6 JULY 1945

Stock at beginning of period	292	12	3	Sales as per Cash Book	1630	12	8
Purchases as per Cash Book	1916	0	8	Free Issues	381	19	1
Profit for period	92	13	5	Profit on 004 A Det Canteen to 15 Jun 45 (L&B)	38	16	1
	<u>2301</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>	Stock on hand at 6 July 45	249	18	6
					<u>2301</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>4</u>

STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AS AT 6 JULY 45

Liabilities

Unrefunded capital advance (Regtl funds imprest)	217	6	7
Surplus to last period	435	19	3
Profit for period	<u>92</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>5</u>
	<u>745</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>3</u>

Assets

Cash in Hand	9	19	10
Balance as per Trust Account Book	413	12	4
Sundry Debtors: Credit sales to Coys	72	8	7
Stock on hand 6 July 45	249	18	6
	<u>745</u>	<u>19</u>	<u>3</u>

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AUDITORS CERTIFICATE

We, the undersigned certify that all accounting records and vouchers of the Unit canteen and Regtl Funds have been audited for the periods shown above and that the above trading transactions and statement of liabilities and assets reveal the true and accurate financial position of the Funds as at 30 Jun 45.

(Sgd) W B WALKER Lt) Regtl
G IANDER Lt) Auditors

Free issues from Canteen and Regtl Funds since leaving the mainland now amount to £ 1309 3 3.

Robinson
(M ROBINSON) Lt
Adj 2/43 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

The C in C has issued the following Order of the Day:

"The C in C regrets to announce to ARMY the death of PRIME MINISTER the RIGHT HON JOHN CURTIN MP PC (.) the removal of executive head of nation at hour when victory is approaching is deep and momentous loss to the ARMY to which he has ever given the greatest support and assistance and in which he took great pride (.) the state funeral will take place on 3 jul at PERTH at 2.30 pm (.) interment at KARRAKAPPA cemetery will be at 3 pm (.) wherever possible tps will be relieved of duty from midday until sunset on 8 jul (.) flags will be flown at half mast for that day"

WRIST WATCHES

The undermentioned personnel were successful in drawing a wristlet watch at the ballot held recently. The draw was conducted by Maj H C MORPHEET and witnessed by Lt A C DODD.

L/Cpl GRAY	P	D Coy
Pte APLIN	C D	HQ Coy
Pte BRIGGS	R S	D Coy
Pte READ	J	HQ Coy
Cpl JAMES	L	A Coy
Pte NUGENT	R J	A Coy
Lt STEEL	M L	HQ Coy

endorsement.

Personnel will purchase watches from QM and will produce AAB 83 for endorsement.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

By

Serial 31/45
No 96

Lt Col R I AINSLIE

Commanding 2/48 Aust Inf Bn 12 Jul 45

96. COMPLAINTS BY MEMBERS OF THE FORCES

- (a) If a soldier considers himself wronged, he may complain, in succession to -
- (i) His Company etc, commander, if any;
 - (ii) His CO, if any;
 - (iii) His Brigade Commander, if any;
 - (iv) His formation etc, Commander, if any;
 - (v) If out of the Commonwealth, or on war service in the Commonwealth, the officer, if any, in Chief Command of the Force to which he belongs; and
 - (vi) The Military Board.
- (b) Each authority mentioned in the last two preceding sub-regulations to whom complaint is made shall, so far as practicable and so far as not already done, cause the complaint to be investigated, and, if it appears to the authority that the officer or soldier has suffered a wrong, shall cause the wrong to be fully redressed, if full redress is within the power of the authority, or if investigation or full redress is not within the power of the authority, shall refer the complaint to the next superior authority, in order that it may be investigated and redressed as fully as possible.
- (c) No authority to whom a complaint is made or referred under this regulation shall attempt to prevent or dissuade any officer or soldier from carrying his complaint to a superior authority in accordance with this regulation.
- (d) It is impressed upon all ranks that complaints must be submitted through the correct channels.

M Robinson Lt.
(M ROBINSON) Lt
Adjut 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

The following Officers have been appointed Bn Sports Representatives

A Coy	Lt WALKER	Bn HQ	Lt FARQUHAR
B Coy	Lt LANDER		Padre BRYSON
C Coy	Lt ALLEN	HQ Coy	Lt NORGATE
D Coy	Lt HILL		

All applications for use of sporting gear and facilities will be made through these Officers.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

By

Serial 32/45
Nos 97 - 100

Lt Col R I AINSLIE

Commanding 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

24 Jul 45

97. ARTY FIELD FIRING RANGE

- (a) The following area is declared an Arty Field Firing Range and will be known as TARAKAN ARTY RANGE.
- (b) That area bounded by 380770 410740 410770 and 380740 - ref map TARAKAN ISLAND NORTH (Special) 1 : 25,000.
- (c) All personnel other than those participating in field firing practices will NOT enter the range area during such times as practices are being carried out. The intended conduct of firing practices will be notified in ROs from time to time.
- (d) It is intended to conduct a field firing practice on 26, 27, and 28 Jul 45, all dates inclusive. The gun area will be at 407719.

98. UNAUTHORISED SIGHT-SEEING AND PATROLLING

- (a) Instances are occurring of unauthorised personnel wandering about the island - some in search of enemy, others on sight-seeing tours.
- (b) The island has been divided into Sectors of Responsibility for security, and the mopping up of enemy remnants. These sectors have been allotted to definite units for the purpose of executing these tasks. It is not only dangerous, but it is impeding the efficient movement of organised patrols and is liable to lead to unfortunate accidents, if unauthorised personnel are found roaming about in their sectors.
- (c) Consequently, in future all units will ensure that personnel do NOT carry out sight-seeing tours without first obtaining permission from Sector Commanders or through Force HQ.
- (d) Private hunting expeditions are strictly forbidden.
- (e) Any organised action required against enemy seen by other than authorised patrols should be referred to Bn HQ.

99. CARRYING OF ARMS

The following provisions will apply forthwith to movement outside camp areas :

- (a) Single individuals will on all occasions be armed.
- (b) Parties of individuals will carry such arms as the unit command directs to ensure adequate protection of the party if surprised.
- (c) Persons being evacuated, except from within the precincts of TARAKAN town, will be armed. Arms will be withdrawn at the CCS.

100. CINEMA

Army Cinema ~~Circuit~~ as from date of this order will operate as under:

DJOEATA	-	Tue and Fri
CAPITOL	-	Wed and Sat
SHELL	-	Mon and Thu

M Robinson
(M ROBINSON) Lt
Adjt 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

Church Services

C of E Communion Service HQ Mess Hut 1830 Hrs Wednesday
25 July

Bible Class HQ Mess Hut 1900 Hrs Wednesday 25 July

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

By

Serial 33/45
Nos 101 - 102

Lt Col R I AINSLIE

Commanding 2/48 Aust Inf Bn 26 July 1945

101. RANGES

- (a) 30 - yd range has been approved for use by C Sqn of 2/9 Aust Arm'd Regt at 437665. Direction of fire 10°.
- (b) The following area is declared a Tank Firing Range and will be known as TARAKAN TANK RANGE.
- (c) That area bounded on by grids 680, 437, 665 and 420 - ref map TARAKAN ISLAND NORTH (Special) 1: 25,000. Firing will NOT be directed SOUTH of SNAGS TRACK.
- (d) All personnel other than those participating in field firing practices will NOT enter the range area during such times as practices are being carried out. The intended conduct of firing practices will be notified in Bn ROs from time to time.

102. AIR MAIL SERVICES

The following are details of Air Mail Services to and from TARAKAN - AUSTRALIA.

- (a) Ex TARAKAN (Mails close daily at 1000 Hrs at Base Post Office)

Destination	Approx time of arrival Post Office at Destination
Aust Army & Civil Post Offices TOWNSVILLE	PM Third day
GPO BRISBANE	PM Third day
GPO SYDNEY	(a) ex TARAKAN Sun, Mon, Wed & Fri PM Fourth day (b) ex TARAKAN Tue, Thu, & Sat PM Third day

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Destination	Approx time of arrival at Post Office at Destination
GPO MELBOURNE	(a) TARAKAN Sun PM Fourth day (b) ex TARAKAN Tue, Thur & Sat AM Third day
GPO ADELAIDE	(a) ex TARAKAN Sun AM fifth day (b) ex TARAKAN Tue, Thu & Sat AM Third day
GPO PERTH	(a) ex TARAKAN Sun PM Fifth day (b) ex TARAKAN Tue, Thu & Sat PM Third day

(b) Mails arrive Base Post Office TARAKAN approx 1130 Hrs daily as follows:

- | | |
|--------------|-------------------------|
| From PERTH | - Wed, Fri and Sun |
| ADELAIDE | - Wed, Fri and Sun |
| MELBOURNE | - Tue, Wed, Fri and Sun |
| SYDNEY | - Daily except Mon |
| BRISBANE | - Daily |
| COVINGSVILLE | - Daily |

M Robinson
 (M ROBINSON) Lt
 Adj 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

NOTICES

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

By

Serial 34/45
Nos 103 -103

Lt Col R I AINSLIE

Commanding 2/48 Aust Inf Bn 31 July 1945

103. INFLAMMABLE FLUIDS

- (a) Fatal accidents have been caused by petrol and other inflammable fluids being used for lighting or boosting fires.
- (b) This practice will cease and under no circumstances will inflammable fluids be used for this purpose.
- (c) Units will ensure that inflammable fluids are not brought within close proximity of naked flame whereby damage might be caused to equipment or personnel.

104. MORTAR RANGES

- (a) The following areas are declared Mortar Fd Firing Ranges. The ranges have been named MARGY MORTAR RANGE and DJOEATA MORTAR RANGE.
- (b) (i) MARGY MORTAR RANGE
That area bounded by grids 70, 44, 68 and 42.
- (ii) DJOEATA MORTAR RANGE
That area bounded by grids 72, 39, 70 and 37
- (c) All personnel other than those participating in field firing practices will NOT enter the range area during such times as practices are being carried out. The intended conduct of firing practices will be notified in ROs from time to time.

105. RANGES 30 YARD

The following additional 30 yd firing ranges have been declared and may be used by the units concerned forthwith.

Unit	Map Ref firing Pt	Direction of fire
2/4 Aust Cdo Sqn	406727	NORTH
2/7 Aust Fd Regt	402723	290 Degrees
HQ 26 Aust Inf Bde	425654	320 Degrees
2/24 Aust Inf Bn	395723	1 Degree
1 ACS (RAAF)	413658	42 Degrees

106. NICA FRUIT SHOP

A Fruit shop has been opened by NICA at 422632 on ANZAC HIGHWAY and is open to all ranks. Priced are marked clearly at the shop and NICA requests that any instances of overcharging be reported immediately.

107. VEHICLE LOADS

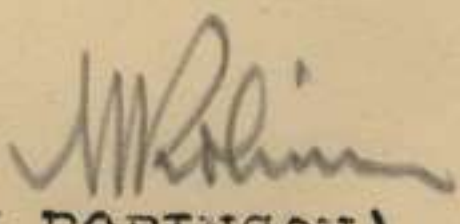
As Force RO 98 has been so flagrantly abused the following limitations on jeep loads will be operative forthwith.

Jeeps	4 persons incl driver
Jeep Trailers	6 persons

On the orders of an offr or special occasion jeep loads may be increased to 5 persons and jeep trailers to 8 persons.

108. AIRGRAPH SERVICE - DISCONTINUANCE OF

Advice has been received that all countries participating in the airgraph scheme will discontinue the acceptance of airgraphs after the termination of business on the 31 Jul 45.


(M ROBINSON) Lt
Adjt 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

25 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 7 / 7 / 1945 . 2/48 Bn (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 12C / 3. OFFRS. 33 O.R's. 769 OFFRS. 1 O.R's. 32 ATT. BY W.E.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.				
NR	3	1	1 3 6 21	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAMC	1							
NR	3	1	31			1							
		DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.	32										32
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
SX 9461	Maj	ISAKSSON O H	004 'A' Det	2 Jul	On cessation of det
SX 10318	Maj	MAXWELL-WRIGHT D	"	2 Jul	"
SX 10330	Capt	KIMBER D G	"	2 Jul	"
SX 7885	Lt	DODD A C	"	2 Jul	"
NX109839	Lt	SMITH R S	"	2 Jul	"

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX 4823	Lt	TUCKER C E	To 110 CCS	4 Jul	Sick

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	WX 20	AINSLIE	R I	CO		Yes	
Maj	SX 10318	MAXWELL-WRIGHT	D	2 ic		Yes	
Maj	SX 9990	MORPHETT	H C	(S)		Yes	
Maj	SX 9461	ISAKSSON	O H	Coy Comd HQ		Yes	
Capt	SX 10330	KIMBER	D G	Coy Comd C		Yes	
Capt	WX 54687	LAVAN	J F	Coy Comd B		Yes	
Capt	SX 7054	McLELLAN	N	Coy Comd D		Yes	
Capt	SX 9840	NICHOLAS	P W	QM		Yes	
Capt	SX 8048	WALLIS	D N	Coy Comd A		Yes	
Capt	SX 9377	GOODEN	O D	2 ic A Coy		Yes	
Lt	VX104139	HERBERT	G E	Pl Comd 9		Yes	
Lt	WX 29276	BLUE	J S	Pl Comd 11		Yes	
Lt	SX 12406	HILL	D G	2 ic D Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 12498	ALLEN	K F	2 ic C Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 7885	DODD	A C	TO		Yes	
Lt	VX 81081	MACLURE	A J	Pl Comd 13		Yes	
Lt	SX 6786	FARQUHAR	M F	IO		Yes	
Lt	SX 7047	ROBINSON	M	Asst Adjt		Yes	
Lt	WX109839	SMITH	R S	Pl Comd 7		Yes	
Lt	WX 26735	WALKER	W B	Pl Comd 8		Yes	
Lt	QX 38975	BAUER	A S	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	QX 39833	NORGATE	C F W	Pl Comd 2		Yes	
Lt	VX115724	JOHNSTONE	M	Pl Comd 15		Yes	
Lt	WX 36205	O'Rourke	A J	Pl Comd 12		Yes	
Lt	SX 2312	HARVEY	R J	Pl Comd 16		Yes	
Lt	WX 38532	STEEL	M L	Pl Comd 4		Yes	
Lt	SX 8192	HOLLAND	R R	Pl Comd 18		Yes	
Lt	WX 94764	THOMPSON	H J	Pl Comd 14		Yes	
Lt	SX 7933	STEWIEN	W H	Pl Comd 1		Yes	
Lt	SX 3260	LANDER	G	Pl Comd 10		Yes	
Lt	SX 4253	MACDONALD	J H	Pl Comd 17		Yes	
<u>ATTACHED ALLOWED BY WE</u>							
Capt	WX 54807	POPE	D G	RMO		Yes	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chap	WX132875	FRYSON A W	AA Ch D	16 Jun	Padre

7 Jul 45
Date of Despatch

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Signature of Commander
(R I AINSLIE) Lt Col

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Reqd	*
TRADE GROUP 1							
Blacksmith	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
TRADE GROUP 2							
Carpenter	Pte	6	5	1	-	NR	
Int Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	7	6	1	-	NR	
Signallers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	22	22	-	-	-	
TRADE GROUP 3							
Butcher	Pte	1	2	-	1	-	
Clerk	Sjt	2	1	1	-	NR	
" "	Cpl	6	6	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	4	4	-	-	-	
Eqpt Repairer	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Rangemaker	Pte	4	4	-	-	-	
Storeman Tech	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	3	3	-	-	-	
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Gunlayers	Pte	8	8	-	-	-	
NON SPECIALISTS							
RSM	WO 1	1	1	-	-	-	
CSM	WO 2	5	4	1	-	NR	∅
RQMS	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
CQMS	S/Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	12	13	-	1	-	
Batmen	Pte	35	25	10	-	10	
Dvr MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	11	15	-	4	-	
Gen Duties Mess	Pte	3	3	-	-	-	
Hyg Duties	Pte	4	6	-	2	-	
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	36	34	2	-	NR	∅
" "	Pte	361	253	108	-	104	∅
MMG Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR	∅
" "	Cpl	2	3	-	1	-	
" "	Pte	20	15	5	-	5	
Mortar Nos	Sjt	5	4	1	-	NR	∅
" "	Cpl	5	4	1	-	NR	∅
" "	Pte	68	61	7	-	7	
Orderlies	Pte	32	23	9	-	9	
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	4	2	2	-	NR	∅
" "	Pte	28	25	3	-	3	
Regtl Police	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	6	5	1	-	NR	
Storeman	Pte	6	5	1	-	NR	
Stretcher Bearer	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	18	18	-	-	-	
Tk A Gun Nos	Sjt	3	1	2	-	NR	∅
" "	Cpl	4	2	2	-	NR	∅
" "	Pte	7	11	-	4	-	
Water Duties	Pte	2	1	1	-	1	
Total carried forward		769	622	160	13	139	

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Reqd	*
Total brought forward		769	622	160	13	139	

ATTACHED BY WE

AAMC

Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Hyg Inspector	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	

AACC

Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
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Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
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AAPC

Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	

AACC

Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
Cook	Sjt	5	4	1	-	NR ∅	
" "	Cpl	5	5	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	13	15	-	2	-	

Total: 801

SURPLUS TRADESMEN
NOT ALLOWED BY WE

TRADE GROUP 1

Topographical Draughtsman			1	-	1		
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TRADE GROUP 2

Painter			1	-	1		
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TRADE GROUP 3

Dvr Mechs			4	-	4		
Saddler			1	-	1		

TOTAL: 662 161 22 139

* This column not to be used

∅ Application for promotions submitted, not yet approved

Date of Despatch: 7 Jul 45

Robert Ainslie
(R I AINSLIE) Lt Col
Comd 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen				
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Bangetakers				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Boughriders				
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers				
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers				
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer				
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores				
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters				
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifn. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman								
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners								
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics												
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)												
Fitters				Driver-Operator												
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers												
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians												
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)												
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors								
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers								
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks								
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals								
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.								
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics								
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant								
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.								
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers								
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*	*

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

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

26/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/7/1945 2/48 Bn (Unit)

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

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.				
NR	3		1 3 6 20	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAMC	1							
NR	3		30			1							
		DETAIL		A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
		A.		31									31
		E.(1)											
		E.(2)											

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

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

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

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
X94764	Lt	THOMPSON H J	110 CCS	7 Jul	Sick

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 14/7/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	WX 20	AINSLIE	R I	CO		Yes	
Maj	SX 10318	MAXWELL-WRIGHT	D	2 ic		Yes	
Maj	SX 9990	MORPHETT	H C	(S)		Yes	
Maj	SX 9461	ISAKSSON	O H	Coy Comd HQ		Yes	
Capt	SX 10330	KIMBER	D G	Coy Comd C		Yes	
Capt	NX 34687	LAVAN	J F	Coy Comd B		Yes	
Capt	SX 7054	McLELLAN	N	Coy Comd D		Yes	
Capt	SX 9840	NICHOLAS	P W	QM		Yes	
Capt	SX 8048	WALLIS	D N	Coy Comd A		Yes	
Capt	SX 9377	GOODEN	O D	2 ic A Coy		Yes	
Lt	VX104139	HERBERT	G E	Pl Comd 9		Yes	
Lt	WX 29276	BLUE	J S	Pl Comd 11		Yes	
Lt	SX 12496	HILL	D C	2 ic D Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 12498	ALLEN	K F	2 ic C Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 7885	DODD	A G	TO		Yes	
Lt	VX 81081	MACLURE	A J	Pl Comd 13		Yes	
Lt	SX 6786	FARQUHAR	M F	IO		Yes	
Lt	SX 7047	ROBINSON	M	Asst Adjt		Yes	
Lt	NX109839	SMITH	R S	Pl Comd 7		Yes	
Lt	WX 26735	WALKER	W B	Pl Comd 8		Yes	
Lt	QX 38975	BAUER	A S	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	QX 39833	NORGATE	C F W	Pl Comd 2		Yes	
Lt	VX115724	JOHNSTONE	M	Pl Comd 15		Yes	
Lt	NX 36205	O'ROURKE	A J	Pl Comd 12		Yes	
Lt	SX 2312	HARVEY	R J	Pl Comd 18		Yes	
Lt	NX 38532	STEEL	M L	Pl Comd 4		Yes	
Lt	SX 8192	HOLLAND	R R	Pl Comd 18		Yes	
Dtz	NX 96792	BRIDGEMAN	NKJK	Pl Comd 14		Yes	
Lt	SX 7933	STEWIEN	W H	Pl Comd 1		Yes	
Lt	SX 3266	LANBER	G	Pl Comd 10		Yes	
Lt	SX 4253	MACDONALD	J H	Pl Comd 17		Yes	
ATTACHED ALLOWED BY WE							
Capt	WX 34807	POPE	D C	RMO		Yes	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chap	NX132875	BRYSON A W	AA Ch D	16 Jun	Padre

Date of Despatch

Robt. Anishie
Signature of Commander

COMD. 2/48 AUST. INF. 6/43m bks 12/44

Unit

Serial No.

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.F.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen				
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangotakers				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders				
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers				
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers				
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer				
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores				
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters				
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman								
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners								
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics												
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)												
Fitters				Driver-Operator												
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers												
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians												
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)												
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors								
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers								
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks								
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals								
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.								
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics								
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant								
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.								
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers								
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*	*

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Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

WE 11/12C/3

14 Jul 45

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts reqd	*
TRADE GROUP 1							
Blacksmith	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
TRADE GROUP 2							
Carpenter	Pte	6	5	1	-	NR	
Int Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
"	Pte	7	7	-	-	-	
Signallers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	
"	Pte	22	22	-	-	-	
TRADE GROUP 3							
Butcher	Pte	1	2	-	1	-	
Clerk	Sjt	2	1	1	-	NR	
"	Cpl	6	6	-	-	-	
"	Pte	4	4	-	-	-	
Eqpt Repairer	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Rangetaker	Pte	4	4	-	-	-	
Storeman Tech	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Pte	3	3	-	-	-	
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Gunlayers	Pte	8	8	-	-	-	
NON SPECIALISTS							
RSM	WO 1	1	1	-	-	-	
CSM	WO 2	5	4	1	-	NR	∅
RQMS	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
CQMS	S/Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	12	13	-	1	-	
Batmen	Pte	35	28	7	-	7	
Dvr MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Pte	11	15	-	4	-	
Gen Duties Mess	Pte	3	3	-	-	-	
Hyg Duties	Pte	4	5	-	1	-	
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	36	33	3	-	NR	∅
"	Pte	361	246	115	-	110	
Canteen Sjt	Sjt	1	-	1	-	NR	
MMG Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR	∅
"	Cpl	2	3	-	1	-	
"	Pte	20	14	6	-	6	
Mortar Nos	Sjt	5	4	1	-	NR	∅
"	Cpl	5	4	1	-	NR	∅
"	Pte	68	60	8	-	8	
Orderlies	Pte	32	23	9	-	9	
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	4	2	2	-	NR	∅
"	Pte	28	23	5	-	5	
Regtl Police	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Pte	6	5	1	-	-	
Storeman	Pte	5	5	-	-	-	
Stretcher Bearer	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
"	Pte	18	18	-	-	-	
Tk A Gun Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR	∅
"	Cpl	4	3	1	-	NR	∅
"	Pte	7	11	-	4	-	
Water Duties	Pte	2	1	1	-	1	
Total carried forward		769	615	166	12	146	

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts Read	*
Total brought forward		769	615	166	12	146	
<u>ATTACHED BY WE</u>							
<u>AAMC</u>							
Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Hyg Inspector	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAOC</u>							
Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AA Post S</u>							
Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAPC</u>							
Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AACC</u>							
Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
Cook	Sjt	5	4	1	-	NR ∅	
"	Cpl	5	5	-	-	-	
"	Pte	13	15	-	2	-	
Total:		801					

ATTACHED NOT ALLOWED BY WE

<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>							
Topographical Draughtsman			1	-	1		
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>							
Painter			1	-	1		
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>							
Dvr Mechs			4	-	4		
Saddler			1	-	1		
TOTAL:			655	167	21	146	

* This column NOT to be used

∅ Applications for promotion submitted, not yet approved

Date of Despatch: 14 Jul 45

Robt. Ainslie
(R I AINSLIE) Lt Col
Comd 2/48 Aust Inf Bn

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Mardian
Army Form W.3008
(Adapted) (Page 1)
(Revised Jan., 1943)
27 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday **21 / 7 / 1945** **2/48 Bn** (Unit)

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

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

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10																																												
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.																																																
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.																																												
NR	3	1	21	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAMC	1																																															
NR	3	1	31			1																																															
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DETAIL	A.I.F.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.																																											
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Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).

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

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
NX 4823	Lt	TUCKER C E	110 CCS	16 Jul	from hesp
NX94764	Lt	THOMPSON H J	"	17 Jul	"

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX 26735	Lt	WALKER W B	110 CCS	19 Jul	Sick

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 21/7/1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	WX 20	AINSLIE	R I	CO		Yes	
Maj	SX 10318	MAXWELL-WRIGHT	D	2 ic		Yes	
Maj	SX 9990	MORPHETT	H C	(S)		Yes	
Maj	SX 9461	ISAKSSON	O H	Coy Comd HQ		Yes	
Capt	SX 10550	KIMBER	D G	Coy Comd C		Yes	
Capt	NX 34587	LAVAN	J F	Coy Comd B		Yes	
Capt	SX 7054	McLELLAN	N	Coy Comd D		Yes	
Capt	SX 9840	NICHOLAS	P W	QM		Yes	
Capt	SX 8048	WALLIS	D N	Coy Comd A		Yes	
Capt	SX 9377	GOODEN	O D	2 ic A Coy		Yes	
Lt	VX104139	HERBERT	G E	Pl Comd 9		Yes	
Lt	WX 29276	ELUE	J S	Pl Comd 11		Yes	
Lt	SX 12496	HILL	D C	2 ic B Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 12498	ALLEN	K F	2 ic C Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 7885	DODD	A C	TO		Yes	
Lt	VX 81081	MACLURE	A J	Pl Comd 13		Yes	
Lt	SX 6786	FARQUHAR	M F	IO		Yes	
Lt	SX 7047	ROBINSON	M	Asst Adjt		Yes	
Lt	NX109839	SMITH	R S	Pl Comd 7		Yes	
Lt	QX 38975	BAUER	A S	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	QX 39833	NORGATE	C F W	Pl Comd 2		Yes	
Lt	VX115724	JOHNSTONE	M	Pl Comd 15		Yes	
Lt	NX 36205	O'ROURKE	A J	Pl Comd 12		Yes	
Lt	SX 2312	HARVEY	R J	Pl Comd 16		Yes	
Lt	NX 38532	STERL	M L	Pl Comd 4		Yes	
Lt	SX 8192	HOLLAND	R R	Pl Comd 18		Yes	
Lt	NX 94764	THOMPSON	H J	Pl Comd 14		Yes	
Lt	NX 4825	TUCKER	G E	Pl Comd 5		Yes	
Lt	SX 7933	STEWIEN	W H	Pl Comd 1		Yes	
Lt	SX 3260	LANDER	G	Pl Comd 10		Yes	
Lt	SX 4253	MACDONALD	J H	Pl Comd 17		Yes	
<u>ATTACHED ALLOWED BY ME</u>							
Capt	WX 34807	POPE	D C	RMO		Yes	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank, if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chap	NX132875	BRYSON A W	AA Ch D	16 Jun	Padre

21 Jul 45

Date of Despatch

Robert Ainslie
(R I AINSLIE) Lt Col
Comd 2/48 Aust Inf Bn
Signature of Commander

Unit

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, B.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen				
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangetakers				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivettors				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders				
Artificer, Artillery								Photographer, Dry Plate				Saddlers				
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers				
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer				
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevadores				
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Refitters				
Draughtsmon				Bakers				Telescope Identfn. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmon (Architectural)				Sty. Comd's Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmon (Engineering)				Boilermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmon (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmon (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman								
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners								
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics												
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)												
Fitters				Driver-Operator												
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers												
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians												
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)												
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors								
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers								
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks								
Grinder, Precision				Helo Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmon, Signals								
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.								
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics								
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant								
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.								
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers								
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*	*

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

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

WE 11/12C/3

21 Jul 45

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts reqd
<u>TRADE GROUP 1</u>						
Blacksmith	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 2</u>						
Carpenter	Pte	6	5	1	-	NR
Int Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-
" "	Pte	7	7	-	-	-
Signallers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
"	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-
"	Pte	22	22	-	-	-
<u>TRADE GROUP 3</u>						
Butcher	Pte	1	2	-	1	-
Clerk	Sjt	2	1	1	-	NR
"	Cpl	6	6	-	-	-
"	Pte	4	4	-	-	-
Eqpt Repairer	Pte	1	1	-	-	-
Rangetaker	Pte	4	4	-	-	-
Stereman Tech	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
"	Pte	3	3	-	-	-
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
Gunlayers	Pte	8	8	-	-	-
<u>NON SPECIALISTS</u>						
RSM	WO 1	1	1	-	-	-
CSM	WO 2	5	4	1	-	NR
RQMS	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-
CQMS	S/Sjt	5	5	-	-	-
Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	12	13	-	1	-
Batmen	Pte	35	29	6	-	6
Dvr MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-
"	Pte	11	17	-	6	-
Gen Duties Mess	Pte	3	2	1	-	1
Hyg Duties	Pte	4	6	-	2	-
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	36	30	6	-	NR
"	Pte	361	243	118	-	113
Canteen Sjt	Sjt	1	-	1	-	NR
MMG Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR
"	Cpl	2	3	-	1	-
"	Pte	20	14	6	-	6
Mer Nos	Sjt	5	4	1	-	NR
"	Cpl	5	4	1	-	NR
"	Pte	68	59	9	-	9
Orderlies	Pte	32	26	6	-	6
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
"	Cpl	4	2	2	-	NR
"	Pte	28	23	5	-	5
Regtl Police	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
"	Pte	6	6	-	-	-
Stereman	Pte	5	5	-	-	-
Stretcher Bearers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-
"	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-
"	Pte	18	18	-	-	-
Tk A Gun Nos	Sjt	3	2	1	-	NR
"	Cpl	4	3	1	-	NR
"	Pte	7	11	-	4	-
Water Duties	Pte	2	1	1	-	1
Total carried forward		769	615	169	15	147

Trade	Rank	WE	Posted Strength	Defic- ient	Sur- plus	Rfts reqd	*
Total brought forward		769	615	169	15	147	
<u>AAMC</u>							
Chiropedist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Hyg Inspector	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAOC</u>							
Shoemaker	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAPS</u>							
Pestal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAPC</u>							
Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AACC</u>							
Caterer	WO 2	1	1	-	-	-	
Cook	Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	5	4	1	-	NR	
"	Pte	13	15	-	2	-	

Total: 801

TRADESMEN SURPLUS
NOT ALLOWED BY WE

TRADE GROUP 1

Topographical Draughtsman 1 - 1

TRADE GROUP 2

Painter 1 - 1

TRADE GROUP 3

Driver Mech 3 - 3

Saddler 1 - 1

TOTAL: 654 170 23 147

* This column not to be used

Ø Applications for promotion
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Date of despatch: 21 Jul 45

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FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

28/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 28/7/1945 2/48 Bn (Unit)

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

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.											
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10							
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.							
	3	2	1 3 6 22	* * Lieut.-Colonels Majors Captains Lieutenants Quarter-masters A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs. Civilians Counting as Offrs.	AAMC	1										
	3	2	32			1										
				DETAIL	A.I.P.	C.M.F.	A.W.A.S.	A.A.N.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL.	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	* *	TOTAL.		
Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 10 of instructions for compilation of form will complete Part E(1) & E(2).				A.										33		
				E.(1)												
				E.(2)												

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

OFFICERS JOINED DURING WEEK

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit From.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX 26735	Lt	WALKER W B	110 CCS	23 Jul	From Hospital

OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

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

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON POSTED STRENGTH

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 28 / 7 / 1945 (Total to agree with Columns 4 and 7 of Part A.)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Surname.	Initials.	Posting.	Whether present with Unit (insert Yes or No)	If not present with Unit, state how employed.	Date of Detachment.
Lt Col	WX 20	AINSLIE	R I	CO		Yes	
Maj	SX 10318	MAXWELL-WRIGHT	D	2 ic		Yes	
Maj	SX 9990	MORPHETT	H C	(S)		Yes	
Maj	SX 9461	ISAKSSON	O H	Coy Comd HQ		Yes	
Capt	SX 10330	KIMBER	D G	Coy Comd C		Yes	
Capt	NX 34687	LAVAN	J F	Coy Comd B		Yes	
Capt	SX 7054	McLELLAN	N	Coy Comd D		Yes	
Capt	SX 9840	NICHOLAS	P W	QM		Yes	
Capt	SX 8048	WALLIS	D N	Coy Comd A		Yes	
Capt	SX 9377	GOODEN	O D	2 ic A Coy		Yes	
Lt	VX104139	HERBERT	G E	Pl Comd 9		Yes	
Lt	WX 29276	BLUE	J S	Pl Comd 11-		Yes	
Lt	SX 12496	HILL	D C	2 ic D Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 12498	ALLEN	K F	2 ic C Coy		Yes	
Lt	SX 7885	DODD	A C	TO		Yes	
Lt	VX 81081	MACLURE	A J	Pl Comd 13		Yes	
Lt	SX 6786	FARQUHAR	M F	IO		Yes	
Lt	SX 7047	ROBINSON	M	Asst Adjt		Yes	
Lt	NX109839	SMITH	R S	Pl Comd 7		Yes	
Lt	WX 26735	WALKER	W B	Pl Comd 8		Yes	
Lt	QX 38975	BAUER	A S	Pl Comd (S)		Yes	
Lt	QX 39833	NORZATE	C F W	Pl Comd 2		Yes	
Lt	VX115724	JOHNSTONE	M	Pl Comd 15		Yes	
Lt	NX 36205	O'ROURKE	A J	Pl Comd 12		Yes	
Lt	SX 2312	HARVEY	R J	Pl Comd 16		Yes	
Lt	NX 39532	STEEL	M L	Pl Comd 4		Yes	
Lt	SX 8192	HOLLAND	R R	Pl Comd 18		Yes	
Lt	NX 94764	THOMPSON	J H	Pl Comd 14		Yes	
Lt	NX 4823	TUCKER	C E	Pl Comd 3		Yes	
Lt	SX 7933	STEWIEN	W H	Pl Comd 1		Yes	
Lt	SX 3260	LANDER	G	Pl Comd 10		Yes	
Lt	SX 4253	MACDONALD	J H	Pl Comd 17		Yes	
<u>ATTACHED ALLOWED BY WE</u>							
Capt	WX 34807	POPE	D G	RMO		Yes	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Chaplain	NX132875	BEYSON A W	AA Ch Dept	16 Jun	Padre

R. I. Ainslie

(R I AINSLIE) Lt Col

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

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	
Ammunition Examiners				Surveyors, Engineering				Operating Room Assts.				G.P.O. Assistants				
Armament Artificer Fitter				Surveyors, R.A.A.				Operator, Keyboard				Hammermen				
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)				Surveyors, Topographical				Operator, Line				Leather Stitchers				
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)				Surveyors, Trigonometrical				Operator, Signal				Orderlies, Nursing				
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)				Toolmakers				Operator, Switchboard				Orderlies, Nursing Mental				
Armament Artificer Instrument				Turners				Operator, Wireless				Plate Layers				
Armament Artificer Radio				Watchmakers				Opticians				Rangefinders				
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Riveters				
Armament Artificer Wireless								Panel Beaters				Roughriders				
Artificer, Artillery								Photographers, Dry Plate				Saddlers				
Artificer, Engine								Predictor Numbers				Saddletree makers				
Blacksmiths								Printers				Shoemaker and Boot Repairer				
Bricklayers								Radiographers				Stevedores				
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine				
Cooks, Hospital				GROUP II.				Sawyers				Storemen, Technical				
Coppersmiths				Armourers				Signallers				Tailors				
Dispensers				Axemen				Signwriters				Textile Reftters				
Draughtsmen				Bakers				Telescope Identifa. Numbers				Tinsmiths				
Draughtsmen (Architectural)				Bty. Comd's. Asst.				Well Borers				Vulcanizers				
Draughtsmen (Engineering)				Bellermakers				Wheelers				Wagon Erectors				
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)				Carpenters				Winchman				Whitesmiths				
Draughtsmen (Topographical)				Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman								
Electricians				Cooks				Woodturners								
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics												
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)												
Fitters				Driver-Operator												
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers												
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians												
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)												
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.				
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors								
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers								
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks								
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply								
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical								
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties				Coach Trimmers								
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors								
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks								
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies								
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.				
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals								
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.								
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics								
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tpin. Plant								
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.								
Photewriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers								
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers								
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates								
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers								
CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				CARRIED FORWARD				Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.			*	*

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

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Appendix "A"

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Trade	Rank	WE	PS	Deficient	Sur - plus	Rfts required	*
TRADE GROUP I							
Blacksmith	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
TRADE GROUP II							
Carpenter	Pte	6	5	1	-	NR	
Int Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	7	7	-	-	-	
Signallers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	4	4	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	22	22	-	-	-	
TRADE GROUP III							
Butcher	Pte	1	2	-	1	-	
Clerk	Sjt	2	1	1	-	NR	
" "	Cpl	6	6	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	4	4	-	-	-	
Eqpt Repairer	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
Rangetaker	Pte	4	4	-	-	-	
Storeman Tech	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	3	3	-	-	-	
Tailor	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Gunlayers	Pte	8	8	-	-	-	
NON SPECIALISTS							
RSM	WO I	1	1	-	-	-	
CSM	WOII	5	5	-	-	-	
RQMS	WOII	1	1	-	-	-	
CQMS	S/Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
Pl Sjt Rfn	Sjt	12	11	1	-	NR	
Batmen	Pte	35	29	6	-	6	
Dvr MT	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	11	17	-	6	-	
Gen Duties Mess	Pte	3	2	1	-	1	
Hyg Duties	Pte	4	6	-	2	-	
LMG/Rfn	Cpl	36	34	2	-	NR	
" "	Pte	361	233	128	-	118	
Canteen Sjt	Sjt	1	-	1	-	NR	
MMG Nes	Sjt	3	3	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	20	14	6	-	6	
Mortar Nes	Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	5	5	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	68	56	12	-	12	
Orderlies	Pte	32	26	6	-	6	
Pioneers	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	4	3	1	-	NR	
" "	Pte	28	24	4	-	4	
Regtl Police	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	6	6	-	-	-	
Storeman	Pte	5	6	-	1	-	
Stretcher Bearer	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	2	2	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	18	18	-	-	-	
Tk/A	Sjt	3	3	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	4	2	2	-	NR	
" "	Pte	7	11	-	4	-	
Water Duties	Pte	2	1	1	-	1	
Total		769	610	173	14	154	

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Trade	Rank	WE	PS	Deficient	Surplus	Rfts required	*
Total Brought Forward		769	610	173	14	154	
<u>ATTACHED ALLOWED BY WE</u>							
<u>AAMC</u>							
Chiropodist	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
Hyg Inspector	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
Med Orderly	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Pte	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAOC</u>							
Shoemaker	Opl	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAPS</u>							
Postal Duties	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AAPG</u>							
Pay Clerk	Sjt	1	1	-	-	-	
" "	Cpl	1	1	-	-	-	
<u>AACC</u>							
Caterer	WOII	1	1	-	-	-	
Cook	Sjt	5	5	-	-	-	
"	Cpl	5	4	1	-	NR	
"	Pte	13	14	-	1	-	
TOTAL		801	642	174	15	154	
<u>SURPLUS TRADESMEN NOT ALLOWED BY WE</u>							
<u>TRADE GROUP I</u>							
Topographical Draughtsmen	Pte		1	-	1		
<u>TRADE GROUP III</u>							
Dvr Mech	Pte		3	-	3		
Saddler	Pte		1	-	1		
TOTAL		801	647	174	20	154	

* This column NOT to be used

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