

**AWM52**  
**2nd Australian Imperial Force and**  
**Commonwealth Military Forces unit war**  
**diaries, 1939-45 War**

**Item number: 8/2/23**

**23 Infantry Brigade**

**October - November 1945**

WAR DIARY  
23 INF BDE.

FROM 1 OCT 45 to 31 OCT 45.

BOUGAINVILLE : 1 : 63,360

TOROKINA : 287958.

OCT 1

0600 Bde Comd and SC watched disembarkation at Torokina of surrendered Japanese from BONIS PENINSULA.

0900 Bde Comd and SC inspected TOROKINA PW Compound and watched 27 Bn taking over the responsibility of that area. Bde HQ issued an instruction outlining policy for treatment of surrendered Japanese. 27 Bn assumed responsibility PW Compound at 1200 hrs.

1317 surrendered Japanese arrived FAURO ex BUIN.

OCT 2

0900 Bde Comd had conference with GOC 3 Div and was informed that 23 Bde would assume responsibility of all surrendered Japanese and eventually be in command of TOROKINA.

2273 PW arrived FAURO ex BUIN.

1400 Bde Comd and SC inspected "COM AIR" site at TOROKINA with a view to moving 23 Bde HQ to that area. The area is considered satisfactory.

OCT 3

0900 Bde Comd had conference with BM, SC and DAQMG 3 Div and pressed for the building of all 3 Bns to full strength.

1100 Conference of COs at Bde HQ where Standing Orders for the treatment of Surrendered Japanese were discussed.

1314 Surrendered Japanese arrived FAURO, making the total to date 18,491, comprising 12,115 Army and 6376 Navy.

1200 23 Fd Coy came under Comd HQ 23 Bde.

OCT 4

0800 Bde Comd, SC, Lt Col DUNKLEY and Maj TODD embarked on HMAS SHEPPARTON, commanded by Comd SHARPEY-SCHAEFFER, for FAURO ISLAND. Party called at KAHILI and after Lt Col COURT, 3 Div, had come aboard, the party proceeded to FAURO. A conference was held on board at which all plans were discussed. With the exception of Bde Comd and SC all party went ashore at FAURO overnight.

0800 Maj BIABY, 7 Bn flew from TOROKINA to KAHILI and proceeded to FAURO IS where he is to be Adm Comd of 7 Bn troops and surrendered Japanese until the arrival of Lt Col DUNKLEY.

OCT 5

0800 Bde Comd and SC went ashore at FAURO and inspected 7 Bn camp area and Japanese working parties. During the afternoon Japanese compounds 3 and 9 were inspected.

OCT 5

2330 4 Base Sub Area Surrender Party closed FAURO IS and 7 Bn assumed command FAURO IS. Location of surrendered Japanese:  
FAURO IS 18,420  
TOROKINA 6,415  
BONIS PENINSULA 803

OCT 6

0600 Bde Comd and party departed for BUIN and brought back surrender staff.  
0001 det ATIS passed from Comd 4 Base Sub Area to 23 Bde.  
0800 Evacuation of surrendered Japanese from BONIS PENINSULA completed and surrender commission returned to TOROKINA.  
1800 244 ASD closed NUMA NUMA ROAD HEAD and opened in TOROKINA.  
1800 naval offrs from SHEPPARTON were entertained at mess at Bde HQ. Unit CO's were also present.

OCT 7

Construction of FAURO ISLAND Camp site continuing satisfactorily. 23 Fd Coy responsible for all accomodation stores.

OCT 8

Advice was received from 3 Div that all troops would be withdrawn from SORAKEN and 8 Bn would concentrate in TOROKINA.  
HQ 8 Bn opened TOROKINA 565950  
243 ASC opened TOROKINA 567933  
det 2 Corps Salvage opened TOROKINA 563943  
"BURDEKIN" arrived with 694 Japanese and 3 Koreans from NAURU IS and 513 Japanese from OCEAN IS.  
1400 Bde Comd inspected TOROKINA PW Compound and spoke to 27 Inf Bn troops on their role.  
1700 Bde Comd, BM and SC attended a memorial service at 7 Bn conducted by Chap PILKINGTON.

OCT 9

Approval was given for the withdrawal of remaining personnel 7 Bn and 23 Fd Coy from NUMA NUMA ROADHEAD on 11 Oct.  
1000 Bde Comd with IO, visited 7 Bn and addressed the troops, thanking them for their work over the war period and outlining their future role.  
1130 Bde Comd, with IO, addressed troops of 23 Fd Coy.  
1800 Bde comd, Unit CO's and BM dined at officers club.

OCT 10

0915 Bde Comd spoke to personnel of 109 Wksp and 109 Fd Pk and expressed his gratitude for the work they had done.  
1000 Bde Comd and BM inspected TOROKINA PW Compound, discipline of own tps is not up to standard and is to be rectified. Maj C JONES 2/i/c 7 Bn departed for FAURO IS assumed comd 7 7 Bn troops there. Lt.Col. DUNKLEY will follow at an early date.

OCT 10

High priority for discharge personnel (175 points and over) of 23 Bde units ~~for~~ marched out to 7 Bde units for movement to Australia. Low priority personnel of 7 Bde units were transferred to units of this Bde.

OCT 11

1200 Following units passed to Comd 23 Inf Bde for FAURO IS FORCE; det 39 W/T ?Sec, det 42 Ldg Craft Coy, det 2 Corps Lang det, det 13 small ships coy, det NGA Canteens, one 62 ft hospital launch of 1 Water Amb Convoy, det 13 Fd Baking Coy.

0900 Bde Comd, with BASCO, visited S & T units within the Bde and spoke to them on their work and future role.

OCT 12

0900 Lt.Col. COURT 3 Div, called and discussed FAURO FORCE With Bde Comd.  
3 Beaufort A/c dropped rations to FAURO FORCE.

OCT 13

0800 Bde Comd, LO(I) and Maj MORAN Adm Comd 8 Bn visited TOROKINA compound, and later had lunch at offrs club with Lt.Col IRWIN and Maj JENNER.

OCT 14

0800 Bde Comd discussed the transfer of low priority officers to this Bde with Lt.Col COURT, who gave assurance that all low priority offrs, as far as possible, would be retained in BOUGAINVILLE area. Communications closed between TOROKINA and SORAKEN.

1300 Bde Comd, S.C. and I.O. witnessed an excellent Rugby League match between Q'land and NSW on Medco Oval. Qld were victorious. Bde Comd ~~ix~~ and party later saw the final quarters of the Aust rules match between 3 Div and 23 Bde.  
7 Bn Gp was warned for movement to FAURO IS on 16/17 Oct.

OCT 15

BM addressed Bde HQ personnel and said goodbye to high priority personnel who are to move to Aust with 7 Bde.

Volunteers for Occupation Force, for Japan were interviewed at Bde HQ by Maj JESSER P1B and Capt LUKIN 27 Bn.

0830 Lt.Col. DUNKLEY called and finalised movement of 7 Bn Gp to FAURO.

0930 Bde Comd addressed 8 Bn and expressed thanks for their work over the last 4 years with the Bde.

OCT 16

0830 Bde Comd, Lt.Col. COURT and Lt JONES visited TOROKINA PW Compound. A further delay in the movement of the remainder of the 7 Bn Gp to FAURO has been occasioned by lack of shipping. AQMG 3 Div assured that the remainder of the Gp will move to FAURO on approx 23 Oct. Lt K BALLARD marched in to take over the posting 2 i/c 23 Bde Sig Sec.

OCT 16

1400 IO and Sig Offr had conference with CSO 3 Div re attachment of high priority signal personnel of 23 Bde Sig Sec to redundant units.

OCT 17

0900 Bde Comd addressed all Bde HQ personnel before they are dispersed to other units. His inspiring remarks left all troops with a feeling of pride that they had been a member of the Aust Army and 23 Inf Bde. Dets 109 Wksp, det ATIS, 243 ASD departed TOROKINA for FAURO.  
Lt.Col P.G.C. WEBSTER is to Comd 27 Inf Bn at an early date.

OCT 18

0830 Bde Comd, Col LEAH, Lt.Col IRWIN, Capt O'DONNELL departed by FSB for FAURO IS. Medical officers inspected Japanese and Aust medical areas, Bde Comd and Maj JONES visited Japanese areas. The discipline of Aust troops is excellent.  
At TOROKINA arrangements were completed for transfer high priority offr from 7 Bn to 15 Bde and low priority offr from 15 Bde to 7 Bn.  
Lt BLANVILLE (OC) 28 Gd Pl was replaced by Lt MULLANEY.

1800 80 pers 7 Bn embarked for FAURO ISLAND.  
Maj IAN SABBY, war disposals commission, addressed Bde pers on policy of disposals commission.

OCT 19

Bde Comd and Maj JONES went from FAURO to BALLIALE with 2 Chinese and located two graves, possibly one containing Japanese and the other English or Indian. Several articles of clothing and equipment indicated the presence of English troops in that area.

OCT 20

0720 Bde Comd and party departed FAURO for TOROKINA, arriving there at 1630.

1900 Conference of Bde Staff to discuss FAURO FORCE and its maintenance.

OCT 21

0830 Lt.Cols COURT and DUNKLEY called and discussed FAURO FORCE with Bde Comd, BM and SC.

0930 Lt.Col WEBSTER called and will take over command 27 Bn on 23 Oct.

1600 Capt MACONACHIE and Lt WRIGHT returned from the mainland after having spent 7 and 9 weeks respectively in BRISBANE awaiting transport.

2359 7 Bn HQ closed TOROKINA and opened FAURO.

OCT 22.

0930 Bde Comd was present at 29 Bde parade at which GOC 3 Div took the salute. A good show.  
11 low priority personnel from 15 Bde marched in to Bde HQ.  
3 offr 609 ORs comprising HQ, A, C, and D coys 7 Bn moved to FAURO.

OCT 23

Bde Comd, BM, SC, and IO, LO(I) attended a farewell dinner at 8 Bn officers.  
Lt.Col. P.G.C. WEBSTER assumed command 27 Bn.

OCT 24

1400 Bde Comd visited MAG 25 area with LO(I) to inspect progress with camp construction.

OCT 25

0945 Bde Comd, LT.COL CHALLON, and BM were present at PIB parade.

1100 Bde Comd had conference with Lt.Col. WEBSTER and staff and Bde staff re TOROKINA Compound.

OCT 26

0200L Change from L time to K time.

2230L LO(I) departed TOROKINA for FAURO.  
Bde Comd watched embarkation of 2700 Japanese for FAURO ISLAND. Approval was received for the appointment MX121135 Capt R M EWING as legal offr vice Capt J M LAVAN.

1500 Bde Comd watched a parade of 8 Bn troops preparing for 3 Div parade.

OCT 27

1000 A rehearsal 3 Div parade was held at PIVA Strip in preparation for the visit of C in C.

0200 9 ALC 40 departed TOROKINA with 2700 Japanese; arrived FAURO 1530 and dispersal to compounds completed 1700.

Only 600 Japanese are available in TOROKINA area for working parties.

2000 Capt WORRALL, LO 1 returned from FAURO.

Lt Col W. G. FRY was appointed chairman and Capt R. M. EWING and Capt J. L. TREVENAN members of a committee formed to investigate war crimes committed by Japanese on BOUGAINVILLE.

OCT 28

VX8342 Capt B COX, 23 Bde Sig Sec marched out to NGDD for 7 days compassionate leave.

1000 Bde Comd watched 8 Bn rehearse for C in C parade.

2200 Bde Comd watched embarkation of 400 Japanese for FAURO

0715 GOC 3 Div called on Bde Comd and discussed war crimes committee, surrendered Japanese and C in C parade.

OCT 29

1000 The Bde Comd was present at C in C parade at PIVA Strip, following which the C in C, GenSir T. A. BLAMEY, GBE, KCB, CMG, DSO, CD met officers of 27 Inf Bn.

1600 Bde Comd, BM, SC met CIC ad with Lt Col IRWIN and Maj R.E.E. TODD inspected 27 Bn area.

OCT 29 (Cont)

NX134323 Capt D.B. McKEW appointed Tpt Officer 23 Bde.

The movement of further Japanese to Fauro has been deferred till 31 Oct.

OCT 30

1000 Lt Col W.G. FRY visited Bde Comd and discussed tasks of War Crimes Committee.

1030 BM inspected TOROKINA PW Compound which is being dismantled.

1030 8 Bn HQ opened at MAG 25 area on CORPS ROAD.

2030 Bde Comd viewed embarkation of 3434 Japs for FAURO 12 barges were used and they departed shortly after midnight.

OCT 31

0900 Bde Comd visited GOC 3 Div and discussed general situation at FAURO IS.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

ROUTINE ORDERS PT I

BY

MAJ R.F. DIXON MC  
BM 23 AUST INF BDE

217. DUTY ROSTER

<u>DATE</u>	<u>DUTY OFFICER</u>	<u>DUTY NCO</u>
Sat 29 Sep 45	Capt E.S. WORRALL	Sgt N.G. LADNER
Sun 30 Sep 45	Lt H.G. GLANVILLE	Sgt R.S. BENNETT
Mon 1 Oct 45	Lt A.W. WILSON	S/Sgt C.H. CUMMINS
Tues 2 Oct 45	Lt R.E. JONES	Cpl K.L. HALL
Wed 3 Oct 45	Capt J.L. TREVENEN	Sgt J.R. McMURRAY
Thur 4 Oct 45	Capt J.J. O'DONNELL	Cpl B.E. O'FARRELL
Fri 5 Oct 45	Capt R.M. EWING	S/Sgt N.S. ANGEL
Sat 6 Oct 45	Lt A.G. ELLIOTT	Cpl H.H. CAIRE
Sun 7 Oct 45	Lt C.C. RIX	Sgt C.R. CLARKE

218. MAILS FOR PW AND CIVILIAN INTERNEES RECOVERED FROM THE ENEMY.

1. Advice has been received through the PMG Dept that letters and photographs may now be sent to Australian and Allied PW and civilian internees in Japanese hands.
2. The address should include Service No., Rank, Name and Unit, Sqn or Ship to which the prisoner was attached before capture, followed by Liberated Prisoner of War, C/- Army Base PO MELBOURNE.
3. To cover later postings, it has been arranged that in the "Notices of Recovery of Personnel" forwarded to next-of-kin information will be given as to which of the following unit addresses, letters should be forwarded to in future:-
  - (a) C/- one of the three reception units (locations MORATAI, SINGAPORE and MANILA) as appropriate for personnel recovered in those areas;
  - (b) C/- Aust Base PO, LAE, for personnel recovered in FIRST AUST ARMY Area.
4. The superscription "Prisoners of War Post" should not be used. Stamps need not be affixed, as postage charges are paid by the Red Cross.

(First Army Order Q.145)

219. DISPOSAL OF MAIL MATTER - PERSONNEL PROCEEDING ON LEAVE OR BEING DISCHARGED.

1. Complications have arisen in the past because mail matter for soldiers on leave, discharge, etc., has been redirected to home addresses contrary to the individual soldier's wishes.

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2. Accordingly units will ensure that the following procedure is adopted:-

- (a) Before marching out from units on leave, discharge, etc., each soldier will be required to fill in a card, APS 17, indicating the address to which he desires mail to be redirected.
- (b) Postal Orderlies will act only on information recorded on APS 17. On no account will mail matter be directed to soldier's home address unless authority in writing from the soldier concerned is held by the unit postal orderly.
- (c) Re-addressing of mail matter by units to GDDs is NOT permitted unless there is some very special reason for contrary action.
- (d) All personnel concerned must be given clearly to understand that mail matter will be redirected to one address only and that no discrimination whatever as to items to be so addressed will be undertaken by Army Postal Services. The sole responsibility for re-directions instructions relating to the forwarding of mail matter will be that of the individual concerned. (First Aust Army Order Q.143)

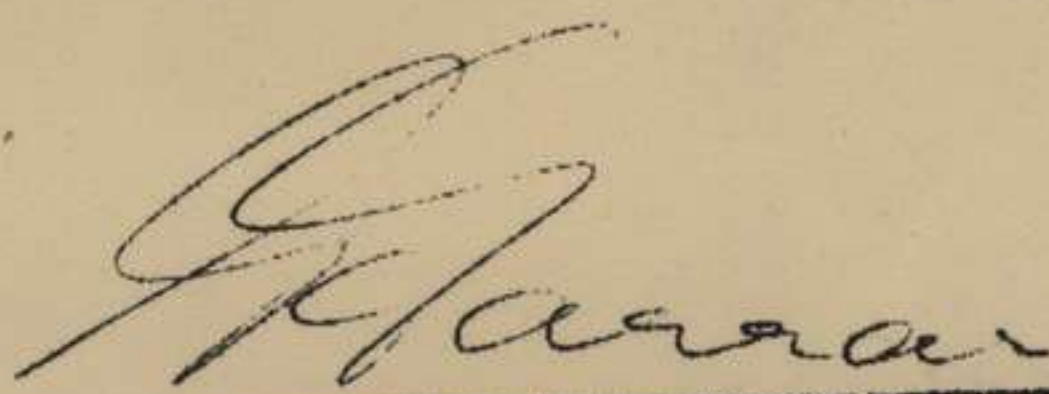
220. DAMAGE TO TELEPHONE LINES AND FIELD CABLE.

1. Many instances have been reported of thoughtless damage to telephone communications within the TOROKINA PERIMETER.

2. A number of the apparently derelict US ARMY Cable routes are still employed by Australian units, and under no circumstances will they be destroyed or interfered with without the prior approval of "B" Aust Corps Sigs (PACIFIC 29).

3. Where accidental damage occurs to any telephone communications it should be reported immediately to the above unit.

(2 Aust Corps RO G.191)

  
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STAFF CAPT 23 AUST INF BDE

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ROUTINE                      ORDERS                      PART 1

by

MAJ R F DIXON MC

BM 23 AUST INF BDE

223. DUTY ROSTER

	<u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Officer</u>	<u>Duty NCO</u>
Thurs	13 Oct 45	Capt WORRALL	Sgt BENNETT
Fri	19 " "	Lt WILSON	S/Sgt CUMMINS
Sat	20 " "	Lt JONES	Sgt McMURRAY
Sun	21 " "	Capt TREVENE N	Cpl O'FARRELL
Mon	22 " "	Capt O'DONNELL	S/Sgt ANGEL
Tues	23 " "	Lt BALLARD	Cpl CAIRE
Wed	24 " "	Capt EWING	Sgt CLARKE
Thurs	25 " "	Lt ELLIOTT	Cpl ROBERTSON
Fri	26 " "	Lt RIX	Sgt FINN
Sat	27 " "	Capt WORRALL	S/Sgt CROSSLEY

224. FUEL & MT DUMP - CAMP RATA

The fuel and MT dump opposite Camp RATA is out of bounds to all AMF personnel.

225. PIB AREA

Cinema screenings in the PIB area are placed out of bounds to all personnel other than members of PIB.

226. POST DISCHARGE MALARIA.

1. (a) The Repatriation Commission will accept responsibility for providing any treatment necessary in respect of the first attack of malaria suffered by an ex-member of the AMF after his discharge from the Army.

(b) During such treatment, the Commission will institute inquiries as to eligibility or otherwise for the treatment of any subsequent attacks of malaria.

2. On the first occasion after his discharge that an ex-member becomes ill with malaria, he should -

(i) If a resident in a capital city - report to the Repatriation Dept's branch office or general hospital, either in person or by telephone, when immediate examination and treatment will be arranged;

(ii) if resident in the country - report to and request treatment from the nearest Repatriation local medical officer, who will send a report to the Repatriation Department. It will be necessary for the ex-member to identify himself by production of his discharge certificate.

3. (a) If it is not possible so to report, the ex-member should consult and request treatment from his local civilian

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doctor, and, provided prompt advice is sent by the doctor or the ex-member to the Repatriation Dept, the Commission will assume full responsibility for the payment of medical fees, hospital fees and the cost of drugs.

(b) Arrangements for any further treatment will be notified to the ex-member by the Repatriation Commission as soon as possible.

4. Information regarding the treatment of malaria, with particular reference to ex-service personnel, has been sent by the Commonwealth Dept of Health to civil medical practitioners.

5. In view of the foregoing, it is unnecessary for any member to be examined by a final medical board at the time of his discharge merely on account of a history of malaria. If the member has had an attack during his service, it will be on record in his medical history. Whether or not the member has had an attack during his service, he will be cared for by the Repatriation Commission should he develop an attack of malaria after his discharge.

(GRO 237/45)

227. VACANCIES - COMMONWEALTH AND STATE PUBLIC SERVICES.

From time to time vacancies in Commonwealth and State Public Services Departments are published in GROs and particulars regarding applications for such vacancies may be obtained at the Orderly Room.

*A. Barron* CAPT  
SC 23 AUST INF BDE

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28 Oct 45.

by  
MAJ R F DIXON MC

BM 23 AUST INF BDE

228. DUTY ROSTER

	<u>Duty Officer</u>	<u>Duty NCO</u>
Sun 28 Oct 45	CAPT MacONACHIE	SGT BENNETT
Mon 29 " "	LT WRIGHT	S/SGT CUMMINS
Tue 30 " "	LT MULLANEY	SGT MACMURRAY
Wed 31 " "	LT NELSON	CPL O'FARRELL
Thur 1 Nov 45	LT JONES	CPL CAIRE
Fri 2 " "	CAPT TREVENEN	SGT CLARKE
Sat 3 " "	CAPT O'DONNELL	CPL ROBERTSON
Sun 4 " "	LT BALLARD	SGT FINN
Mon 5 " "	CAPT EWING	S/SGT CROSSLEY
Tues 6 " "	LT ELLIOTT	SGT AUSTIN
Wed 7 " "	LT RIX	S/SGT REVELL
Thur 8 " "	CAPT CORRAL	SGT FULLER

229. STANDARD TIME

With effect from 270200L OCT all aust army units BOUGAL VILLE area will revert to K time

230. ROUTINE TIMETABLE

as from 27 Oct 45 the following amended timetable will be observed:-

REVELLE	-	0545 hours
BREAKFAST	-	0630 " (Sunday 0700 hrs)
LUNCH	-	1130 "
EVENING MEAL	-	1645 "
LIGHTS OUT	-	2200 "

231. CINEMA

Cinema programmes will commence in TOROPINA area at 1800 hrs in future.

232. MAIL

Outward mails close at 0700 and 1600 hours daily.

233. COMPASSIONATE LEAVE

Approving authorities for compassionate leave to the mainland area, HQ 3 Aust Div, HQ 4 Aust base Sub area and HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

234. POSTAL

Personnel marching out will ensure that the Postal Orderly is given a form APS 1' \* Redirection Card - giving the address to which mail is to be redirected.

If mail is to be sent to a home address an authority in writing MUST be given.

If this is not done, mail will NOT be sent to a home address, and if no other address is given, mail will be returned to sender.


High priority personnel marching out to redundant units will use as their address HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde and NOT that of the redundant unit.

Personnel marched out to a non-redundant unit will adopt their new unit address forthwith.

235. TREATMENT OF SURRENDERED JAP P/W

The following instructions will be strictly adhered to:-

- (i) At no time will any member of the AMF, irrespective of rank, converse, trade, barter or give goods, food, cigarettes or tobacco to, or fraternise in any manner with Jap personnel.
- (ii) All personnel will ensure that Jap personnel do not bath or shower in Brigade area, that they use latrine allotted to them and that they do not enter or use, except in the course of work, buildings or tents used or occupied by Australian personnel.

  
CAPT  
SQ 23 AUST INF BDE

War Diary

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Subject :- LOCATION STATEMENTS AND REPORTS

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
GI/45/4185  
18 Oct 45

1. In order that information required can be compiled by this HQ, units will :
  - (a) Submit LOCATION STATEMENTS as at 2359 hrs 21st to reach this HQ NOT later than 1800 hrs 22nd of each month.
  - (b) Submit LOCATION REPORTS as required.
2. LOCATION STATEMENTS will show location of all units and detachments either under command or in support.
3. LOCATION REPORTS will be submitted by signal, numbered consecutively, and submitted immediately on :
  - (a) Movement of unit
  - (b) Change of Command
  - (c) Change of Designation
  - (d) Detachments of parties from parent unit, including rear and advance parties.
4. All previous instructions are cancelled.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

*R. Dixon* Maj  
BM 23 Aust Inf Bde

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Subject : AMENDMENT NO.1 TO 23 AUST INF BDE LOCATION STATEMENT AND ORDER OF BATTLE NO. 16

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
GI/45/2212

10 Oct 45

1. Attached at Appendix "A" is amendment No. 1 to 23 Aust Inf Bde Location Statement and Order of Battle No. 16.
2. This statement includes all changes as at 2359 hrs 8 Oct 45.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Encl/

*Stevenson*  
 BM 23 Aust Inf Bde

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AND ORDER OF BATTLE NO. 16.

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GI/45/2212 of 10 Oct 45.

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Insert :

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
4a	ENGRS	46157	23 Aust Fd Coy (AIF)	TOROKINA	533958	
15a	INT	45138	Det 2 Aust Corps Language Det	do	678940	
16a	ST		Det 243 Aust Sup Dep #1 (AIF)	SORAKEN	245594	

Amend to read :

10a			B Coy 7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	FAURO IS	720178	
11			8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) less	TOROKINA	565950	
11a			B Coy do	SORAKEN	245594	To mov TOROKINA
12a			C and D Coys 27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	TOROKINA	678940	
15				FAURO IS	720178	
16				TOROKINA	567933	
20				do	584956	Delete
20a			Det 17 Aust Ad Amb (AIF)	FAURO IS	720178	
23			C Sec 62 Aust Dental Unit	TOROKINA	569937	



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Subject: 23 AUST INF BDE LOCATION STATEMENT AND ORDER OF BATTLE NO. 17

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
GI/45/2215

23 Oct 45

1. Attached at Appendix "A" is 23 Aust Inf Bde Location Statement and Order of Battle No. 17.
2. This Statement includes locations and command of units of 23 Aust Inf Bde as at 2359 hrs 22 Oct 45.
3. It is requested that any errors in location or command of units be notified to this HQ by units concerned.
4. Please destroy 23 Aust Inf Bde Location Statement and Order of Battle No. 16.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Encl/

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
 MAJ  
 HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

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23 AUST INF BDE LOCATION STATEMENT AND OOB NO 17  
as at 2359 hrs 22 Oct 45

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 HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
 GI/45/2215

ref maps TOROKINA) 1 in to  
 FAURO IS) 1 ml  
 EMIRAU IS 1 in to 1 ml

SERIAL	ARM OR SERVICE	WAR OFFICE SERIAL NO	UNIT	REF MAP	LOCATION	REMARKS
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
1	EC Units	61547	HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde	TOROKINA	587958	Under comd 3 Aust Div
2	ENGERS	46157	23 Aust Fd Coy (AIF) less	"	583958	
2a			det " " " "	OCEAN IS		Detached to 31/51 Inf Bn
2b			det " " " "	FAURO IS	731159	
3	SIGS	49275	23 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	TOROKINA	587958	
4		47752	det 39 Aust Wireless Sec(lt) (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	
5	INF	46175	7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) less	" "	731159	
5a			A, B, C, D Coys do	" "	742151	
6		46176	8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	TOROKINA	565950	Removed to TOROKINA 601930
7		46170	27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) less	"	602931	
7a			B, C, D Coys do	"	676936	TOROKINA PW COMPOUND
8		45203	101 Aust Hy Mortar Coy (AIF)	"	588963	To move AUST - redundant
9		61005	28 Pl "G" Coy 2/1 Gd Regt	"	586960	
10	INT		Det ATIS	FAURO IS	731159	} 2 Corps and 3 Div dets
10a			Det ATIS	TOROKINA	674938	
11	ST	49446	243 Aust Sup Dep Pl (AIF) less	TOROKINA	567933	
11a			det do	FAURO IS	731159	
12		49447	244 Aust Dup Dep Pl (AIF)	TOROKINA	567933	
13		43448	40 Aust Tpt Pl TS (AIF)	"	566932	
14		47493	Det 13 Aust Fd Baking Coy	FAURO IS	731159	
15	MED	46180	17 Aust Fd Amb (AIF) less	TOROKINA	584956	
15a			Sec do	FAURO IS	731159	
16	DENTAL	46597	A Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit	FAURO IS	731159	
16a			C Sec do	TOROKINA	674938	TOROKINA PW COMPOUND
17	ORD	46238	109 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	"	587959	
18	AEME	46237	109 Aust Bde Wksp (AIF) less	"	587959	
18a			det do	EMIRAU IS	72547621	
18b			det do	FAURO IS	731159	

S	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)
19	AEME	46174	2/108 Aust LAD (Type J)		TOROKINA	588961	
20	AA TN	48276	1st 42 Aust Ldg Craft Coy (AIF)		FAURO IS	731159	
21	CORPS		1st 13 Aust Small Ships		" "	731159	
22	POSTAL	45136	23 Aust Inf Bde Postal Sec		TOROKINA	587958	
23	PRO	49492	14 Aust Indep Bde Gp Pro Pl		"	578955	
24	LISC	45543	Det NG AA Canteens Service		FAURO IS	731159	
25			Det Aust Mob Cinema		TOROKINA		

Awaiting move FAURO IS

23 AUST INF BDE INSTRUCTION

POLICY AND CONTROL OF SURRENDERED JAPANESE

F1

GENERAL

23 Aust Inf Bde will assume command of all disarmed Japanese in the BOUGAINVILLE area as from 1200 hrs 7 Oct 45.

AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

7 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for the custody of Japanese on FAWRO ISLAND.

27 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for the custody of Japanese in TOROKINA COMPOUND.

COMMANDANTS

The CO or Adm Comd of battalions will be Commandants of the Compound or areas for which they are responsible. They will be vested with complete control of all Australian Forces working within the precincts of the compounds or areas and will be directly responsible to Comd 23 Aust Inf Bde for all matters relating to the control and administration of the surrendered Japanese and areas.

COMPOUND STAFFS

Staffs for handling all matters of administration of the Japanese are to be formed outside of the battalions' resources. The staff will come under command of the Commandant and will be responsible to him for the documentation and records of the surrendered Japanese. Full instructions will be issued later as to what records and information are required.

STATUS OF SURRENDERED JAPANESE

Japanese under control of 23 Aust Inf Bde will be treated as disarmed Japanese and NOT as PW. Consequently, PW Regulations will NOT apply.

DISCIPLINE AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Orders under the National Security (Emergency Control) Regulations are being prepared to define the position as regards discipline and legal procedure. When these are completed copies will be forwarded to units.

Until such time as National Security Regulations have been completed, Commandants will take whatever action they deem necessary to quell any disturbances or unrest and to maintain discipline within the compounds and areas.

CONTROL

Instructions and discipline will be administered through the Japanese chain of command in all instances.

Two Japanese liaison officers representing Japanese Army and Navy troops respectively will be appointed. When instructions are issued through them to sub-compound or area commands, they will be issued in writing. Liaison officers so appointed will sign an acknowledgement to the effect the instruction is understood. Similar signatures will be received by them from Japanese area or sub-compound commanders.

PAYMENT TO JAPANESE

NO payment will be made to disarmed Japanese for any work done. All officers will NOT make any promises of payment to Japanese nor will they discuss the subject with them.

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## FRATERNISATION

It is directed that under no circumstances will any fraternisation or exchange of goods be permitted. Guards will be instructed that no cigarettes or food except normal issues will be given to the Japanese.

The attention of all troops will be drawn to the brutal treatment given to Australian PW, including nurses, many of whom died whilst held PW. The apparent docility of the Japanese cannot be accepted at face value, and merely cloaks a deceptive and cunning mind.

All officers will be responsible for the strictest enforcement of this order.

## ESCORTS TO JAPANESE WORK PARTIES

Commandants will ensure that escorts in charge of working parties will conform to the following:-

- (a) Japanese work parties will be called to attention by escorts and salute whenever an Australian officer passes;
- (b) Escorts will be responsible that there will be no fraternisation between the working parties and Australian troops they may come in contact with during the course of their work;
- (c) No trucks carrying working parties will stop to pick up pedestrian traffic;
- (d) Whenever possible a Japanese NCO will be appointed in charge of work parties and will be responsible for the enforcement of discipline on a command of the escort.

Sentries and escorts will be meticulous in the payment of compliments to Australian officers.

## COMPLIMENTS

Japanese will at all times pay compliments to Australian officers. Acknowledgement will only be made by Australian officers when given by Japanese staffs appointed by the Commandant and when on official business.

## VISITORS

No person will be allowed to visit FAURO ISLANDS or TOROKINA compounds areas without prior approval of this HQ. Provost platoons will establish a check post on the EAST WEST Trail on the TOROKINA side of the compound for control of traffic.

## RATIONS

Scale of rations for surrendered Japanese as laid down vide 3 Aust Div Q 1205 of 6 Oct 45.

## MEDICAL

On the completion of construction of hospitals within compounds or areas, as already outlined, the responsibility in handling casualties and sick will rest with Japanese medical service. From a survey of Japanese medical stores it has been determined that they have sufficient stores until early Oct. The position will then be reviewed.

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### CAMP STANDING ORDERS

The Commandants will prepare and submit to this HQ CAMP STANDING ORDERS to include security precautions, camp routine and administration generally.

### CLOTHING

In cases of necessity, prisoners may be issued with the following articles:-

Shirts	1
Trousers	1
Boots pr	1
Blanket	1

Clothing will be drawn from Ordnance in bulk lots for each sub-compound. Surrendered Japanese will arrange individual distribution within the sub-compound.

### HYGIENE

The Commandant, with the assistance of the Medical officer, will ensure that the strictest hygiene discipline is maintained and will enforce the use of surrendered Japanese labour to maintain the desired standards.

### REGISTRATION

Commandant is responsible through his camp staff for registering all surrendered Japanese admitted, which includes the preparation of nominal rolls and such other documents as may be needed and the issue of identity numbers and discs.

The procedure to be followed and the requirements of registration will be as notified by HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde from time to time.

### LABOUR

Commandant will control all labour of surrendered Japanese. Surrendered Japanese may be ordered to perform any work in connection with their own maintenance. Surrendered Japanese rank and file may be set to productive work apart from their own maintenance or any work the Commandant may desire to be done.


Surrendered Japanese rank and file will be allotted as cooks, servants and general duties to surrendered Japanese officers on the basis of one to five officers.

All requirements for Japanese labour within the TOROKINA Perimeter will be submitted to 23 Aust Inf Bde for approval.

### GRAVES

Commandant will establish in consultation with OC 19 Aust War Graves Unit, a cemetery for surrendered Japanese dead and ensure that such cemetery is adequately maintained.

Burials will be carried out by surrendered Japanese under supervision.

  
Capt  
SC 23 Aust Inf Bde

Distribution: As per Appendix "A" attached

Appendix "A"

Distribution:-

Det 42 Aust Jdg Craft Coy	1
23 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	1
23 Aust Fd Coy (AIF)	1
7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	3
8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	3
27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	3
101 Aust Hy Mortar Coy (AIF)	1
28 Pl 2/1 Aust Cd Regt	1
40 Aust Tpt Pl (AIF)	1
243 Aust Sup Dep Pl (AIF)	1
244 Aust S p Dep Pl (AIF)	1
17 Aust Fd Amb (AIF)	3
109 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	1
109 Aust Bde ksp (AIF)	1
2/108 Aust LAD	1
14 Aust Ind Bde Gp Pro Pl (AIF)	1
23 Aust Inf Bde Postal Sec	1
War Diary	2
File	2
Spares	10

For Information:-

3 Aust Div (AIF)	3
4 Aust Base Sub Area	3

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F2

Subject: DEMOBILIZATION - TRANSFER OF PERSONNEL TO AND FROM 7 AUST INF BDE

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

8 Oct '45

7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

For Infm :

7 Aust Inf Bde  
BASCO  
BOO  
War Diary (2)  
File

1. Further to our AG213 of 042045 Oct 45 and current demobilization orders:

2. The following high priority personnel (200 points and over) from 23 Aust Inf Bde units will retain their unit identity and will be attached to 7 Aust Inf Bde units as drafts for adm and movement to Australia for discharge:

	<u>Unit</u>	<u>NCOs</u>	<u>ORs</u>	<u>Unit of attachment</u>
(a)	HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde	2	2	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde
(b)	7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	19	10	9 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
(c)	8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	11	2	25 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)
(d)	27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	10	9	61 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Attached service personnel incl AACCC and AAES, PMF and volunteers for Japan Occupation Force will be held with present units.

3. The following low priority (below 150 points) of 7 Aust Inf Bde units will be transferred to 23 Aust Inf Bde units:

(a) To HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

<u>T.G.</u>	<u>Posting</u>	<u>Rank</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Unit</u>
	Batman	Pte	4	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde
	Gen duties	Pte	3	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde
TG 3	Clerk	Pte	1	25 Aust Inf Bn
	Storemen	Pte	2	61 Aust Inf Bn
	QQMS	S/Sgt	1	25 Aust Inf Bn

(b) To 7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

TG 1	Blacksmith	Pte	1	9 Aust Inf Bn
TG 2	Carpenter	Pte	1	9 Aust Inf Bn
TG 2	Signallers	Pte	7	9 Aust Inf Bn
TG 2	Int duties	Pte	2	25 Aust Inf Bn
TG 3	Gun layers	Pte	1	9 Aust Inf Bn
TG 3	Rangetakers	Pte	1	9 Aust Inf Bn
TG 3	Storeman	Pte	1	9 Aust Inf Bn
	Pioneers	Pte	5	9 Aust Inf Bn
		Cpl	1	25 Aust Inf Bn
		Pte	6	25 Aust Inf Bn



## (b) (contd)

Stretcher bearer	Sgt	1	9 Aust Inf Bn
	Cpl	1	do
	Ptes	2	do
Hygiene	Pte	1	do
Tk A numbers	Ptes	5	do
LMG and rfn	Sgt	1	do
	Sgts	4	25 Aust Inf Bn
	Cpls	11	9 Aust Inf Bn
	Ptes	126	do
MMG numbers	Sgt	1	61 do
	Ptes	4	9 Aust Inf Bn
Mortar numbers	Sgt	1	do
	Cpl	1	do
	Cpl	1	25 Aust Inf Bn
	Ptes	3	do
	Ptes	20	61 Aust Inf Bn
	Ptes	11	9 Aust Inf Bn
Regtl police	Ptes	2	do
Orderlies	Ptes	8	do
Batmen	Ptes	4	do

(c) To 8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

TG 1	Blacksmith	Pte	1	25 Aust Inf Bn
TG 2	Carpenter	Pte	1	do
2	Signallers	Pte	5	do
TG 3	Gun layers	Ptes	2	do
	Range taker	Pte	1	do
	Range taker	Pte	1	9 Aust Inf Bn
	Tk A Sgt	Sgt	1	25 Aust Inf Bn
	Tk A numbers	Ptes	5	do
	MMG	Cpl	1	do
	OR	Ptes	4	do
	Tpt drvrs	Ptes	4	do
	Orderlies	Ptes	7	do
	Gen duties	Ptes	4	do
	Batmen	Ptes	8	do
	Regtl Police	Pte	1	do
	Learner Int duties	Pte	1	do
	Stretcher bearer	Pte	4	do
	Storeman	Pte	1	do
	Sgts Pl	Sgts	3	do
	LMG Cpls	Cpls	9	do
	LMG Ptes	Ptes	60	do
	ESM	WOII	1	9 Aust Inf Bn
	Bandsmen	Ptes	3	61 Aust Inf Bn
	RSM	WOII	1	do

(d) To 27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

TG 3	Dr Mech	Ptes	4	9 Aust Inf Bn
	Clerk	Cpl	1	25 Aust Inf Bn
TG 2	Bricklayer	Pte	1	61 Aust Inf Bn
	Height taker	Pte	1	do
	Carpenter	Pte	1	do
	Signallers	Ptes	4	do
TG 3	Gun layers	Pte	1	do
	A/CSM	Sgts	2	do
	Sec Leaders	Cpls	16	do
	Stretcher bearers	Sgt	1	do
		Ptes	3	do
	Mortar Sec Comd	Sgts	2	do

(d) (Contd)

MMG numbers	Ptes	7	61 Aust Inf Bn
Tk A Sgt	Sgt	1	do
Cpl	Cpl	1	do
numbers	Ptes	5	do
Pioneers	Pte	1	do
Signaller	Pte	1	do
Learner Educ NCO	Cpl	1	do
Trainee Cook	Pte	1	do
Rifleman	Ptes	61	do
Regtl Police	Pte	1	do
Pl Sgts	Sgt	2	do
Batmen	Ptes	8	do
Hygiene duties	Ptes	2	do
Learner Show Repairer	Pte	1	do

4. All personnel will be documented and equipped in accordance with current instructions and the transfer and attachment will be completed by 1200 hrs 10 Oct 45.

5. On completion addressees will advise this HQ


- (a) Action complete in accordance with this instr.
- (b) Unit strength incl attachments then held.
- (c) Number personnel between 150 and 199 points in category blocks of 5 - 150 to 154, 155 to 159 etc.

6. It is anticipated that 7 Aust Inf Bde personnel (para 3) will reach 23 Bde units at 0900 hrs 10 Oct. The vehicles will be used to backload 23 Bde personnel to units of attachment.

7. The unconsumed portion of a fortnight's atebirin will be carried in bulk by OC draft.

8. Tentage on the following scale will be available on demand to B00 23 Aust Inf Bde.

7 Aust Inf Bn	35 tents complete.
8 Aust Inf Bn	25 tents complete
28 Aust Inf Bn	25 tents complete

  
CAPT  
SC 23 AUST INF BDE

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F3

**Subject:** REFERENCE FUTURE MAINTENANCE AND ACCOMMODATION OF AMF  
GARRISON AND JAP PW - FAURO ISLAND

1. SCALE OF RESERVES AMF AND PW.

14 days if maintained from TOROKINA. 30 days if maintained from AUSTRALIA, plus 30 days interim.

2. ORDNANCE ISSUES PW.

Search revealed NO ordnance issues of clothing or cooking equipment required for six months. Boots in short supply but NOT essential.

3. MEDICAL SUPPLIES PW.

NIL issues until Jap hospitals are fully established 30 Oct and an accurate assessment can be made by AMF Medical services.

4. ACCOMMODATION AMF.

Hutted camp (small huts for sleeping quarters) constructed by Jap labour 18' X 10'.

Lighting plants -

1 X 25 KVA set  
1 X 5 KVA set spare,

in addition to 1 X 5 KVA set, shipped from KAHILI.

Layout of camp area requires two plants, one each area.

5. REFRIGERATION.

1 X 1800 cu ft freezer, 1 X 300 cu ft refrigerator,

Garrison unit present holding 1 X 100<sup>cu</sup>/ft refrigerator entirely inadequate to keep fresh commodities.

6. WATER RETICULATION FROM RUNNING STREAM.

Piping available KAHILI.

Pipe fittings etc being made available by Engineers.

Hospital beds and bedding and sheets for all ranks (str approx 1000).

Pontoon wharf approx 120 ft by 60 ft.

7. WATER CRAFT.

One hesp craft already attached.

Two workbeats.

Six ALC 20's.

8. ENGINEER STORES AVAILABLE SHIPMENT IMMEDIATELY.

10,000 ft timber

Roofing material sufficient for 6 x 60 x 18 huts.

Pipe fittings etc

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SCOUVENIRS - POLICY

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
G1/3/3986  
11 Oct 45

Distribution

All Units

1. Subtended is HQ 3 Aust Div (AIF) GS Instruction No.5.

1. " This instruction is issued as a policy directive to Unit Commanding Officers and Officers Commanding and its contents will be promulgated to all ranks including personnel in units under command for local administration.

GRO 209/45

2. The retention of war souvenirs is governed by GRO 209/45 and the relevant extracts are quoted :-

War Souvenirs

29. Personnel are permitted to possess or send to their nominated addressees, but not to Aust Kit Stores, as war souvenirs, items of enemy equipment and documents which are of no value to Intelligence or Ordnance, but they are not permitted to possess or return the following :-

- Pistols
- Rifles and Bayonets
- SMGs, LMGs and HMGs
- Grenade Dischargers
- Mortars
- Field, mountain, A tk and AA artillery sights, technical equipment and parts
- Grenades and ammunition
- Explosives
- Mines
- Flamethrowers
- Rangefinders
- or any original item (unless authorised by Intelligence)

30. Personnel desirous of retaining or returning to their nominated addressees items of enemy equipment (other than those specified in para 29 of this order), as war souvenirs, will present such material to their formation or unit intelligence officers for inspection. Such officers are authorised to issue and sign a certificate, a pro forma of which is reproduced hereunder, certifying that the item is of no value to Intelligence or Ordnance and releasing it as a war souvenir if it complies with the postal regulations. The certificate must accompany the item, otherwise the article will be liable to confiscation by censorship authorities.

Pro Forma

This article.....  
has been examined by me and is not required for Intelligence or Ordnance purposes.  
Signature..... Date.....  
Appointment.....

31. Items of enemy equipment and documents so certified will be forwarded only through the AA Postal Service and not by any other official means. The following is a guide to the type of items which may be regarded as war souvenirs :-

Flags (after examination by Intelligence)  
Post Cards, newspapers (after examination by Intelligence)  
Cigarettes and cigarette cartons  
Pocket or pen knives (unless recovered from living or dead PW whose possessions are required for return to higher formation)  
Spectacles (unless bearing name, identification or particulars of ownership)  
Rice bowls, canteens, mess kits, chopsticks  
Water bottles  
Steel helmets  
Head handkerchiefs  
Rubber-soled tabis (split or solid toe)  
Compasses (commercial type)  
Watches, pens, pencils, whistles, toiled articles, etc (if found and bearing no name identification or particulars of ownership)  
Clothing  
Money  
Field Glasses  
Respirators

JAPANESE EQUIPMENT DUMPS

3. On no account will troops be permitted to have access to Japanese stores or equipment dumps guarded by Allied or Japanese guards. Formation Commanders controlling such dumps will take the following action :-

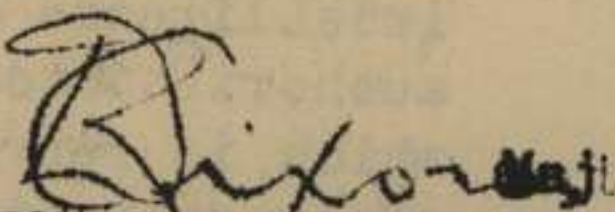
(a) All Japanese equipment dumps and stores will be first examined by FS sections.

(b) Segregate from dumps and stores examined by FS Sections all items authorised as souvenirs. not required as souvenirs.

(c) Destroy all such items referred to in sub para (b) above.

4. All souvenirs will be issued under proper supervision to those desiring them and such personnel covered by the written authority referred to in para 30 of GRC 209/45. This authority may be signed by a unit officer. Soldiers will not be permitted to retain enemy equipment for which no authority is held.

5. The final decision regarding the disposal of swords is not yet available from LHQ. On receipt such information will be promulgated to all concerned."

  
RM 23 Aust Inf Bde

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13 Oct 45

23 AUST INF BDE ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO.21

ADMINISTRATION AND MAINTENANCE OF JAPANESE FORCES  
CONCENTRATED IN FAURO ISLANDS  
(To be read in conjunction with 23 Aust Inf Bde  
Instr of 9 Oct 45)

INFORMATION

1. All Japanese Forces from BUIN and KIETA area have been concentrated in FAURO Islands and all Japanese eqpt disposed of.

Units have been grouped into areas under Japanese Area Comds.

Orders are promulgated through a senior Army and Navy Liaison Officer attached to Garrison HQ.

The maximum use is made of Japanese Area Comds especially in the enforcement of discipline.

Where this instruction is at variance with previous instructions relating to surrendered Japanese concentrated at FAURO ISLAND previous directives will be cancelled and this instruction implemented.

INTENTION

2. 7 Aust Inf Bn will administer and control all Japanese Forces concentrated at FAURO Islands as from 7 Oct 45 in accordance with 23 Aust Inf Bde Instr of 9 Oct 45.

METHOD

3. Garrison

(a) Composition

The following units will come under comd 7 Aust Inf Bn and be located on FAURO ISLAND.

- Det 39 Lt W/T Sec
- Sec 23 Aust Fd Coy
- Coy 17 Aust Fd Amb
- A Sec 103 Aust Dental Unit
- Det 109 Aust Bde Wksp
- Det 243 Aust Sup Dep Pl
- Det 13 Aust Fd Baking Coy
- Det 42 Aust Ldg Craft Coy ( 6 - ALC 20, 2 - wkboats  
(To incl wksp det) ( 1 - dinghy, 1 - hosp craft
- Det Mob Cinema
- Det AA Cannons Service
- Det ATIS (one interpreter)

Although the above dets will be under comd 7 Aust Inf Bn for all ops, local administration, and discipline, normal A matters such as returns, transfers, promotions etc, will continue to be handled by dets direct with parent unit.

(b) Accn

(i) Scale & incl hutage

(ii) Refrigeration will be arranged by HQ 3 Aust Div on the basis of :-

- One 1800 cubic feet refrigerator
- " 300 " " " "

(iii) Electric lighting will be arranged by HQ 3 Aust Div on the basis of :-

- One 25 KVA lighting set
- " 5 " " " "
- " 5 " " " " (reserve set)

(c) Maintenance

(i) 4 Base Sub Area will be responsible for maintenance FAURO GP from TOROKINA on demand by 7 Aust Inf Bn through det 243 Sup Dep P1 FAURO ISLAND.

(ii) 14 days reserve of all commodities will be maintained at FAURO.

(d) Movement

7 Aust Inf Bn Gp will be prepared for movement at an early date and will arrange own priorities.

Due to shortage of shipping, firm dates cannot be advised. Details and timings will be advised by signal.

(e) Engineers

S.18s will be submitted to Sec 23 Aust Fd Coy FAURO, who will be responsible for supply or procurement from local resources or engr dump TOROKINA.

(f) Amn

First line amn will be carried.

(g) Medical

Evacuations direct to det 17 Aust Fd Amb FAURO IS, thence to TOROKINA by 1 Motor Amb Convoy craft placed in support for evacuations.

(h) Rep and Rec

Lt Sec 109 Wksp FAURO IS will be responsible for 1st echelon repairs.

2nd echelon repairs will be evacuated to 109 Wksp TOROKINA.

(j) Ord

Indents for ord stores direct to HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde.

Stores will be despatched under arrangements Bde Ord Offr on normal courier service.

(k) Pay

7 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for establishing a cash office for servicing the Bn Gp at FAURO.

Rep 7 Aust Inf Bn will visit TOROKINA fortnightly or monthly as required, for all pay requirements.

(l) Postal

7 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for all postal arrangements and supplies for units FAURO IS.

(m) CIP

Det NG Canteens Service will establish CIP FAURO under arrangements 7 Aust Inf Bn

Replenishment of stocks to CIP will be automatic by det AA Canteens Service TOROKINA.

Payments for goods will be by cash payment to CIP.

(n) Amenities

YMCA rep will accompany 7 Aust Inf Bn and will establish recreation huts as required.

Final arrangements for provision of films FAURO will be advised at a later date.

All requisitions for amenities stores will be submitted direct to HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde.

4. JAPANESE

(a) Maintenance

(i) Japanese areas have been selected to permit of Japanese Forces being self supporting within the minimum of time. Seeds and roots for commencement of gardens are obtainable from Capt R WATSON, ANGAU, KAHILI.

(ii) Initially rations will be issued to Japanese on the following scale per man per day :-

Rations

<u>Commodity</u>	<u>Ozs</u>
Tea	2/2/7
Biscuits (white)	7
Flour "	1/2
Rice unpolished	3
Salt	3/7
Edible animal fat	1/2
Dried Fruit	1/2
Tinned fish	3-3/7
M and V	1-5/7
Peas blue dried	1/2
Sugar	1/4
Native equivalent for Fresh Potatoes	8 or dehydrated potatoes 2 oz Onions 2 oz
	or Unattractive varieties tinned vegs 1-1/3 ozs

(Note : The above is the maximum scale. Only such items will be issued as are necessary to supplement items available in Japanese stocks or local fresh equivalents to achieve a similarly balanced ration of a total calorific value of 1685 calories.)



Expense Stores

Soap common	12 lbs per 100 men for				
				7 days	
Soda Ash	6 "	"	"	"	"
Water Sterilising Powder	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	"	"	"	"
Chloride of Lime	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	"	"	"	"
Mosquito spray	2 gals	"	"	"	"
Phenyle	1 "	"	"	"	"

(iii) The above ration scale will be reduced from time to time at the discretion of Comd 23 Inf Bde, as Japanese gardens can be developed.

(iv) CO 7 Aust Inf Bn will make a survey of gardens areas and determine the minimum time they will become productive.

He will advise HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde dates by which ration scale can be reduced. On approval of Comd 23 Aust Inf Bde, CO 7 Aust Inf Bn will inform Japanese Forces indicating dates on which ration scale will be reduced. These dates will be rigidly enforced.

(v) Fishing is authorised. For this purpose canoes and small rowing boats may be used. Explosives will NOT be used.

(vi) 14 days reserve of all commodities will be maintained at FAURO.

(vii) Garrison will be responsible for issues to Japanese at FAURO. Japanese labour and tpt will be used to the maximum for this purpose.

(b) Accn

(i) Scale

All authorised engr stores are being issued.

Development of accn <sup>will</sup> be by Japanese exploitation of natural resources.

Japanese Army and Navy sawmills will be permitted to operate. Sawn timber produced will be distributed equitably amongst all areas after AMP Garrison requirements have been supplied.

(ii) Standard

All camps will conform to the standard of design, construction layout, hygiene and sanitation demanded by CO 7 Aust Inf Bn.

A high standard will be insisted on. Special attention will be given to clearing and drainage.

(iii) Time for completion

CO 7 Aust Inf Bn will advise Japanese Area Comds of date by which accn will be finished and labour except essential duties diverted to self sufficiency programme.

(c) Ord Stores incl Clothing

(i) No shortage of clothing, cooking gear and accn stores has been apparent except in the case of boots. Boots are not essential.

- (ii) No issues will be made without prior reference to this HQ. It is not anticipated that any need will arise under six months.

(d) Mail

No responsibility will be accepted for passage or delivery of Japanese mail.

(e) Canteens

NIL until further advised.

(f) Labour

Full use will be made of Japanese labour incl engrs but no reward will be given or promised.

(g) Medical

- (i) Japanese Area and General Hospitals will be used.

There will be no evacuation out of FAURO area.

- (ii) At a later date Japanese Gen Hospitals may be closed if area hospitals are found adequate.

- (iii) Issues of medical stores and drugs will be kept to a minimum and will be based on the recommendation of the Senior Aust Med Officer in the area. No shortages are apparent at present.

(h) Dental

Japanese resources only will be used.

(j) Pay

No pay will be provided unless and until FAURO is declared a permanent PW Camp by direction of LHQ.

(k) Discipline

- (i) Maximum use will be made of Japanese discipline.

- (ii) A complete record of punishments ordered and/or administered by AMF will be forwarded to this HQ weekly.

- (iii) No sentence of death will be executed without prior approval of this HQ.

- (iv) In the absence of any special orders the measure of punishment must be left to the local AMF Comd but should approximate the standards laid in the Manual of Military Law.

(l) Returns and Reports

Until further advised the following returns will be submitted weekly up to 2359 hrs each Sunday :-

- (i) Record of punishments ordered and/or administered by AMF.

- (ii) Strengths of Offrs, WOs and ORs by areas.

- (iii) Nominal roll of deaths showing area and cause.

- (iv) Summary of sickness by areas divided into those sick in lines and those sick in hospital. Summary will also show a dissection of sickness into various diseases and ailments.
- (v) Report of local Australian Comd. Special attention will be given to matters which may have international implications.

INTERCOM

- 5. (a) W/T FAURO-TOROKINA under arrangements 23 Inf Bde.
  - (b) 23 Inf Bde will recon and if suitable site is found, establish with Japanese labour a strip suitable for Auster A/C. If possible strip will be developed to take larger planes.
  - (c) A sea courier service is being arranged by HQ 3 Div under separate instructions.
6. ACK.

*[Signature]*  
 Capt  
 SC 23 Aust Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION

	<u>Copy No.</u>
7 Aust Inf Bn	1
8 " " "	2
27 " " "	3
Det 42 Ldg Craft Coy FAURO	4
243 Aust Sup Dep Pl	5
244 " " " "	6
17 Aust Fd Amb	7
A Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit	8
109 Aust Bde Wkshops	9
23 Aust Fd Coy	10
4 Aust Base Sub Area	11-12-13
Comd	14
BM	15
SC	16
23 Aust Bde Sigs	17
23 Aust Bde Postal Sect	18
BASCO	19
B00	20
Amen Offr	21
Educ Offr	22
File	23
War Diary	24-25
Spares	26-27-28

ND F6

Subject: DISTRIBUTION LISTS

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
GI/8/4108

15 Oct 45

1. Herewith 23 Aust Inf Bde Distribution List as at 15 Oct 45.
2. This list supercedes Distribution List issued under reference GI/8/2893 of 18 Jul 45 which will be destroyed.

Serial	Unit	A	B	C
1	Det 42 Aust Ldg Craft Coy (AIF)	-	1	1
2	23 Aust Fd Coy RAE (AIF)	-	1	4
3	23 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	-	1	1
4.	7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	1	1	6
5	8 " " " "	1	1	6
6	27 " " " "	1	1	6
7	10 Aust Hy Mortar Coy (AIF)	-	1	1
8	28 Pl G Coy 2/1 Aust Gd Regt	-	1	1
9	243 Aust Sup Dep Pl AASC (AIF)	-	1	1
10	244 " " " " " "	-	1	1
11	40 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) (AIF)	-	1	1
12	17 Aust Fd Amb (AIF)	-	1	4
13	109 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	-	1	1
14	109 Aust Bde Wksp (AIF) AEME	-	1	1
15	2/108 Aust LAD (Type J)	-	1	1
16	14 Aust Indep Bde Gp Pro Pl	-	1	1
17	23 Aust Inf Bde Postal Sec	-	1	1
18	<u>Commander Staff Etc</u>			
18	Comd	1	1	1
19	BM	1	1	1
20	SC	1	1	1
21	TO	1	1	1
22	LO	-	1	1
23	TO	-	1	1
24	BASCO	-	1	1
25	BOC	-	1	1
26	Legal Offr	-	1	1
27	Amen Offr	-	1	1
28	Educ Offr	-	1	1
29	Hyg Offr	-	1	1
30	CSM	-	1	1
31	CQMS	-	1	1
32	War Diary	2	2	2
33	File	1	1	1
		10	34	55

*Bingo* Maj  
BM 23 Aust Inf Bde

Distribution: List "B"

*Max Quiry*

**F 7**

Subject :- SEA COURIER SERVICE TOROKINA - FAURO

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde,  
Q6/28/4106,  
15 Oct 45.

1. To provide a regular means of communication TOROKINA-FAURO and return, a sea courier service will be established as from Friday 12 Oct 45.

Time Table is :-

- |                       |                        |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| (i) Dep TOROKINA 0001 | Mondays and Fridays    |
| (*) Arrive FAURO 1600 | " "                    |
| (ii) Dep FAURO 0600   | Tuesdays and Saturdays |
| Arr TOROKINA 2200 *   | " "                    |

\* Subject to variation according to the type of craft used on each voyage.

2. (i) Priority of loading will be :

SDS  
Air Mail  
Films  
Liaison Officers  
Emergency freight and urgent medical supplies  
Priority personnel  
Filler cargo

- (ii) In the event of excess applications, 23 Inf Bde will determine priority TOROKINA - FAURO and AMF Garrison will determine priority FAURO - TOROKINA.

3. All applications for movement TOROKINA - FAURO will be made to 2/1 Mov and Tn Gp at least 12 hours prior to sailing time, except in special circumstances.

All applications for movement FAURO - TOROKINA will be made to AMF Garrison FAUJ at least 12 hours prior to sailing time, except in special cases.

4. (i) 2/1 Mov and Tn Gp will be responsible for loading and despatch of craft from TOROKINA.

- (ii) 8 Aust Inf Bn will establish a small staging area within unit lines. Lt Bowman 8 Aust Inf Bn is appointed LO with 2/1 Mov and Tn Gp.

All bookings for individuals and freight within the Bde for movement to FAURO will be made with Lt BOWMAN.

Personnel or freight for movement to FAURO will be despatched to 8 Bn by 1900 hrs prior to departure of courier.

Lt BOWMAN will advise 2/1 Mov and Tn Gp by times specified of movements required on courier service. He will also be responsible for ensuring that personnel and freight are transported and made available for movement to point of embarkation 30 minutes prior to time of departure of courier service.

- (iii) AMF Garrison will be responsible for loading and despatch of craft from FAURO.

5. Craft may be used to service ANCAU at KANGU HILL BUIN, if schedule is NOT unduly interfered with, and concurrence of 23 Inf Bde is obtained.

6. (i) Nature of craft to be used will be at the discretion of 2/1 Nov and Tn Gp.

(ii) If a small ship is not required, or not available, 4 Base Sub Area will, on demand 2/1 Nov and Tn Gp, provide a workboat or other suitable craft from 1 Aust Water Tpt Gp.

(iii) In such cases 8 Aust Inf Bn will provide loading party.

7. This HQ will advise units concerned of any shipping other than that scheduled above moving TOROKINA - FAURO to ensure earliest movement of personnel or stores.

8. Variations in courier times, or cancellations, may be made only with the concurrence of 23 Inf Bde. Units will be advised of such changes.

*[Signature]*  
Capt  
SC 23 Aust Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION

List B

(i) In the event of excess applications, 23 Inf Bde will advise units concerned of TOROKINA - FAURO at 1200 hrs. All applications for movement TOROKINA - FAURO will be made to 2/1 Nov and Tn Gp at least 12 hours prior to sailing time, except in special circumstances.

All applications for movement TOROKINA - FAURO will be made to 2/1 Nov and Tn Gp at least 12 hours prior to sailing time, except in special cases.

(ii) 2/1 Nov and Tn Gp will be responsible for loading and despatch of craft from TOROKINA.

(iii) 8 Aust Inf Bn will establish a small staging area within unit lines. Lt Bowen is appointed to this area with 2/1 Nov and Tn Gp.

All bookings for individuals and freight within the Bde for movement to FAURO will be made with Lt Bowen.

Personnel or freight for movement to FAURO will be despatched to 8 Bn by 1200 hrs prior to departure of courier.

Lt Bowen will advise 2/1 Nov and Tn Gp by time specified of movements required for courier services. He will also be responsible for ensuring that personnel and freight are ready and ready available for movement to point of departure 30 minutes prior to time of departure of courier service.

(iii) Lt Bowen will be responsible for loading and despatch of craft from TOROKINA.

War Draft **F8**

Subject: INTERCHANGE OF OFFICERS - DEMOBILISATION.

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
A6/24/4205  
18 Oct 45

7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
15 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

Copies to:

3 Aust Div (AIF)  
8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Ref 3 Aust Div AG 5426 of 10 Oct 45 and 3 Aust Div A1/341 of 17 Oct 45, both NOT to all addressees.

1. It is requested that the following low priority officers be transferred to 7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) on 19 Oct 45 to enable postings to be effected before 7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) moves to FAURO IS on 21 Oct 45:-

NO	RANK	NAME	UNIT	RECOMMENDED POSTING
QX 35749	Capt	A.R. BROWN	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	Coy Comd
QX 34214	Lt	W.G. FOSTER	57/60 Inf Bn	Adjt
NX148421	Lt	A.L. LAZARUS (PMF)	9 Aust Inf Bn	QM
VX 81075	Capt	W.H. SCOTT	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd
VX 51665	Capt	E.M. GRIFF	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd
NX146907	Lt	F.R. FOX	24 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd
VX 10172	Lt	J.O. LANGTRY	24 Aust Inf Bn	TO
VX115588	Lt	A.B. BALL	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
VX108720	Lt	W.G. STEVENS	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	Sig Offr
VX 81071	Lt	W.R. LINTON	do	Pl Comd
VX 88365	Lt	I.M. PENDER	do	Pl Comd
NX11810	Lt	J.B. BOYLE	do	Pl Comd
NX129557	Lt	N.H. KELLY	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
VX104452	Lt	D.A. HOGAN	do	Pl Comd
VX144709	Lt	J.H. PIMM	do	Pl Comd or TO
NX123187	Lt	R.C. BALZER	do	Pl Comd
VX102836	Lt	J.L. LYLE	do	Pl Comd
QX 55054	Lt	A.A. WATTS	61 Aust Inf Bn	Asst Adjt
VX104430	Lt	N.E. EATON	24 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd

(At present det to AAAS 3 Aust Div)

2. The following high priority officers of 7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will be attached to units as shown for adm and subsequent mov to Australia. Officers will march into 15 Aust Inf Bde units on AM 21 Oct with exception of Adjt and QM, whose movement will be completed by 23 Oct:-

/Over

NUMBER	RANK	NAME	ATTACHED TO	RECOMMENDED POSTING
VX114147	Maj	K. BLABY	24 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd
VX 39038	Capt	R.W. GUNN	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	do
VX114145	Capt	W.O. McINNES	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	do
VX114145	Capt	R. ROBERTS	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	do
SX 26064	Lt	J.P. CRESP	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
VX146673	Lt	L.E. DONALD	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	Pl Comd
VX 89379	Lt	E.E. DELLAR	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	Sig Offr
VX114154	Lt	K.C. NEVILLE	do	do
QX 60222	Lt	H.G. BELL	do	do
WX 33824	Lt	H.J. VEALE	do	2 Plt
VX 69047	Lt	I.M. MCKENZIE	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
VX103427	Lt	K. ROBSON	do	Pl Comd
VX 88143	Lt	N.H. McPHEE	61 Aust Inf Bn	Asst Adjt
VX114150	Capt	W.O. CAMERON	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	Adjt
VX114149	Capt	L.C. NORMAN	9 Aust Inf Bn	QM
VX 29773	Lt	R.B. PHIPPARD	24 Aust Inf Bn	TO

VX114147 Maj K. BLABY, VX114145 Capt W.O. McINNES, VX103427 Lt K. ROBSON and VX88143 Lt N.H. McPHEE are at present at FAURO and will be moved to TOROKINA earliest.

3. Instructions re disposal of remaining 23 Aust Inf Bde high priority officers will be issued later. Further postings will be made to 7 and 15 Inf Bdes from 8 and 27 Aust Inf Bns.

4. Officers will be documented and equipped in accordance with current instructions.

5. 7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) will advise this HQ when action complete.

*G. Farrier*  
 CAPT  
 SC 23 AUST INF BDE



Mar 1949

Subject: DEMOBILIZATION - REPOSTING OF OFFICERS

HQ23 Aust Inf Bde  
A16/14/4236

19 Oct 45.

1. In accordance with current demobilization instruction it is requested that the following officers from 7, 15 and 29 Aust Inf Bdes be transferred to units of 23 Aust Inf Bde as shown, on morning 24 Oct 45.

To 8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

Number	Rank	Name		Unit	Recommended Posting
VX100095	Capt	CORBOULD	D W	25 Aust Inf Bn	Adjnt
QX 36376	Lt	SIMMONS	N M	" " "	Q.M.
QX 53505	Capt	ANDERSON	M A	42 Aust Inf Bn	2 i/c Bn or HQ Coy Comd
QX 40840	Lt	CRAN	P G	" " "	2 i/c Coy
QX 41900	Lt	CLARKE	C E	9 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd
WX 31393	Lt	KITNEY	R W	1020 Aust Inf Bde	Pl Comd
QX 42375	Lt	COUTTS	R D	15 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
QX 51734	Lt	KELK	E F	" " "	Pl Comd
QX 33908	Lt	HOPKIN	R F W	" " "	Pl Comd
QX 45077	Lt	BENNETT	R J	" " "	Pl Comd
NX128478	Lt	BOWEN	B G	" " "	Pl Comd
QX 61062	Lt	EDWARDS	E C	" " "	Pl Comd
QX 40804	Lt	HOMEWOOD	A L	42 Aust Inf Bn	Sig Offr
QX 35819	Lt	CASSERA	P	7 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd

To 27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

NX104279	Capt	SIMONS	N S	10 29 Aust Inf Bde	Coy Comd or Coy 2 i/c
NX128788	Lt	PEDEN	A H	25 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd
VX102836	Lt	LYLE	J L	18/59 Aust Inf Bn	Coy 2 i/c
NX150794	Lt	SYRETT	J	24 Aust Inf Bn	Coy 2 i/c
WX 26480	Lt	ATKINS	C E	9 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
VX102791	Lt	SCOTT	F L	17/60 Aust Inf Bn	Asst Adjnt
VX80030	Lt	SATORI	R C	" " "	Pl Comd
WX	Lt	BRINKLEY	F R	61 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
WX 28113	Lt	EASTCOTT	T T	42 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
QX 35888	Lt	SHAW	T O	" " "	T.O.
VX 79038	Lt	DICKINSON		7 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
QX 35765	Lt	MULLADY	A L C	" " "	2 i/c Coy
VX102584	Lt	DUGARD	P	" " "	Pl Comd
VX102080	Lt	HOPE	I R	" " "	Pl Comd
	Capt	MARTIN		17/60 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd

To HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

VX134323	Capt	McKEW	G D B	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde	T.O.
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2. The following high priority officers of 23 Aust Inf Bde units will be attached for administration and subsequent movement to Australia for demobilization, to units as under: movement to be effected by 1800 hrs 25 Oct 45.

To 7 Aust Inf Bde

Number	Rank	Name		Present Unit	Unit of Attachment	Recommended Posting
QX 39168	Lt	PATCH	I	8 Aust Inf Bn	61 Aust Inf Bn	T.C. cross posting vice Capt McKEW
SX 25127	Lt	WHITROW	C L	27 Aust Inf Bn	9 Aust Inf Bn	I.O. or Asst Adjt cross posting vice Lt ATKINS
VX 27748	Capt	REED	S J	8 Aust Inf Bn	9 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd. Cross posting vice Lt CLARKE
VX 42841	Capt	ROSS	A A	"	25 Aust Inf Bn	Adjt. Cross posting vice Capt CORBOULD
NX113714	Capt	McGEE	T W	27 Aust Inf Bn	25 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd. Cross posting vice Lt PEDEN
VX 15535	Capt	CULLEN	T B F	8 Aust Inf Bn	25 Aust Inf Bn	Q.M. Cross Posting vice Lt SIMMONS
VX114125	Lt	BRUCE	T R	8 Aust Inf Bn	61 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
VX114124	Lt	BOWMAN	H J M	"	"	Pl Comd
VX 52175	Capt	KENNY	R C	"	25 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd
SX 26534	Lt	CALLER	D A	"	"	Sig Offr
SX 25134	Lt	EDWARDS	F G	27 Aust Inf Bn	"	Pl Comd
SX 25282	Lt	HART	D J	"	9 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
SX 25131	Lt	MILLS	L C	"	"	2 i/c Coy

To 15 Aust Inf Bde

VX 89382	Lt	PAECH	L W	8 Aust Inf Bn	24 Aust Inf Bn	2 i/c Coy vice Lt SYRETT
SX 23948	Lt	RYAN	F W G	27 Aust Inf Bn	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	Asst Adjt. Cross posting vice Lt SCOTT F L
WX 29575	Lt	ORTON	R A	8 Aust Inf Bn	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd. Cross posting vice Lt A B BALL
WX 26030	Lt	FERGUSON	I E	27 Aust Inf Bn	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd
NX113287	Lt	WOLFENDEN	D J	"	"	Pl Comd
SX 25123	Lt	ROBINSON	L W	"	"	2 i/c Coy
WX 23894	Lt	MACKAY	F W	8 Aust Inf Bn	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	Pl Comd

WX 28765 Lt	TUCKEY	S M	8 Aust Inf Bn	58/59 Aust Pl Comd Inf Bn
NX128069 Lt	KATES	A R	"	24 Aust Pl Comd Inf Bn

3. The following high priority officers will be attached to 15 Aust Inf Bde units as from 25 Oct 45, but will remain with present units until required for movement to Australia with 15 Aust Inf Bde.

Capt	BAULDERSTONE A J		27 Aust Inf Bn	24 Aust Inf Bn	Coy Comd
Capt	MACKAY	N	"	"	"
Capt	SUTHERLAND	M D	"	"	"
Capt	MILNE	T S	"	57/60 Aust Inf Bn	"
Capt	STEWART	A D	8 Aust Inf Bn	"	"
Capt	NEVILLE	W H	"	58/59 Aust Inf Bn	"
Capt	BAYES	B T S	"	"	"

4. Officers will be documented and equipped in accordance with current instructions.

5. Authority for transfer 3 Aust Div A1/341 of 17 Oct 45.

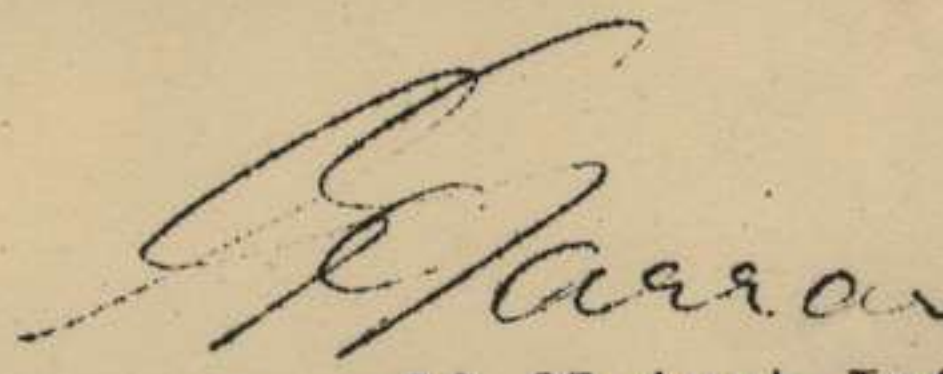
6. 8 and 27 Aust Inf Bns will advise this HQ;

- (a) Action completed
- (b) Total officers by rank present with unit
- (c) Total officers by rank required to complete WE.
- (d) Information in accordance DO 160.

Distribution:

8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)  
7 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
16 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)  
29 Aust Inf Bde (AIF)

Copies to: 3 Aust Div (AIF)  
7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)

  
Capt,  
SC 23 Aust Inf Bde.

# MESSAGE FORM

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Call

Ser. No.

Priority

Transmission Instructions

ABOVE THIS LINE FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY

**FROM**  
(A)

Originator

Date—Time of Origin

Office Date Stamp

23 inf bde

250945L

For Action

**TO**

7 inf bn

(w) For Information (INFO.)

Message Instructions

**GR**

27 inf bn

ORIGINATOR'S No.

GO 462 unclassified (.) warning order (.) authority

has been granted to concentrate at FAURO jap PWs TOROKINA (.)

firm date for move NOT available

This message may be sent **AS WRITTEN**  
by any means { *except* }  
\_\_\_\_\_ } Wireless

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

Originator's Instructions  
Degree of Priority

Time	System	Op
THI or TOR		
Time Cleared		

Signed

Signed

### FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 6 / 10 / 1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 20 O.R's. 67 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5 DETAIL.		6 ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.				DETAIL.		ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	DETAIL.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.	
WE		1	1	W.Os. Class I.						
2			2	W.Os. Class II.						
1			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
1			1	Staff Sergeants						
4	1	2	5	Sergeants						
10	5	1	6	Corporals						
49		5	54	Troopers, Privates, etc.						
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
67	*	6	70	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		*			*	

Detail	C.M.F.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.P.	**	TOTAL.
	A.A.P.	Under 19 Years.							
A	67	3							70
B(1)									
B(2)									

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.

Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	LHQ AAES Pool			15	Leave		
1	LHQ AAAS						

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 6 / 10 / 1945**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)		
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
1	1	-									
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			Sangetakers		
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			Stvedores		
Computers						Riggers			Stokers, Staty. Engine		
Cooks, Hospital			GROUP II.			Sawyers			Storemen, Technical		
Coppersmiths			Armourers			Signallers			Tailors		
Dispensers			Axemen			Signwriters			Textile Reftters		
Draughtsmen			Bakers			Telescope Identfn. Numbers			Tinsmiths		
Draughtsmen (Architectural)			Bty. Comd's Asst.			Well Borers			Vulcanizers		
Draughtsmen (Engineering)			Boilermakers			Wheelers			Wagon Erectors		
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			Carpenters	-	1	Winchman			Whitesmiths		
Draughtsmen (Topographical)	2	1	Carpenters and Joiners			Wireman			AALC Clerk	1	1
Electricians			Cooks	3	3	Woodturners			AAAC "	1	1
Electricians (M.V.)			Dental Mechanics						AAES "	1	-
Electricians (Signals)			Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)						AAAS "	1	1
Fitters			Driver-Operator						AAOC "	-	1
Fitters (Cycle)			Drainers						AAOC Stmn	-	2
Fitters (Electrical)			Electricians						<del>NONTRAD SMEN</del>		
Fitters (Gun)			Electricians (Engineers)						Batmen	13	10
Fitters (Instrument)			Fire Control Operators			GROUP III.			Dvrs MT	9	11
Fitters (M.V.)			Gun Operator			Battery Surveyors			<del>DETAILS OF NONTRAD SMEN</del>		
Fitters, Railway Signal			Hatchman			Butchers			Orderlies	9	10
Fitters, Signals			Height Taker			Clerks	4	4	Water duty	1	1
Grinder, Precision			Helio Operator			Clerks, Supply			Hyg duty	1	1
Mechanics, Instrument			Instrument Operator			Clerks, Technical			Gen duty	3	9
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			Intelligence Duties	4	4	Coach Trimmers			Storeman	1	1
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			Joiners			Concretors			Mess Cpl	1	1
Mechanics, Radio			Lineman			Cooks			Tpt Sgt	1	1
Mechanics, Typewriter			Lineman, Signals			Dental Clerk Orderlies			COMS	1	1
Mechanics, Wireless			Lithographers			Despatch Riders			CSM	1	1
Millwrights			Machinists, Metal			Draughtsmen, Signals			XXXXXXXXXX ATTACHED BY W.E.		
Operators, Excavator			Machinists, Wood			Drivers, H.T.			RSM	1	1
Pattern Maker			Masons			Driver Mechanics			AAAC Batma	1	1
Pharmacist			Masseurs			Driver Tptn. Plant			AALC "	1	1
Photographer, Wet Plate			Mechanics, M.T.			Engine Hands, I.C.			AAOC "	1	1
Photewriter			Miners			Equipment Repairers			AAChD "	3	-
Plumber			Moulders			Farriers			AAAC Ord	1	-
Saw Doctors			Nurses, Trained			Fitters' Mates			AAES Batma	1	-
Surveyors			Observation Post Assts.			Gun Layers			Dvr	1	-
CARRIED FORWARD	3	2	CARRIED FORWARD	10	10	CARRIED FORWARD	14	14	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	67	70

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 (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.

**6 Oct 45**  
Date of Despatch

*[Signature]* Capt  
Signature of Commander  
HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

**DETAILS OF WOs AND NCOs**

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in**

**TRADE RANK WE PS DEFICIENT SURPLUS**

Trade	Rank	WE	PS	DEFICIENT	SURPLUS
<b>Trade Gp 1</b>					
AAOC Ann Exam	Sgt	1	1		
Int Draughtsman	Cpl	1			
<b>Trade Gp 2</b>					
AACC Cooks	Cpl	1			
Int duties	S/Sgt	1			
	Cpl	1			
<b>Trade Gp 3</b>					
Inf Clerks	WO 11	1			
	Sgt	1			
	Cpl	1			
AALC "	Cpl	1			
	Sgt	1			
AAAS "	Sgt	1			
AAES "	Sgt	1			
AASC "	Cpl	1			
AAOC "	Cpl	1			
<b>NONTRADESMEN</b>					
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1			
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1			
Gen duties	Cpl	1			
Mess Cpl	Cpl	1			
CSM	WO 11	1			
RSM	WO 1	1			
CCMS	S/Sgt	1			
AAMC Ord	Cpl	1			
<b>PERSONNEL SURPLUS TO WE</b>					
No	Rank	Name	Age	Trade	Remarks
VX 119783	WO 1	GARDNER	35	RSM	Surplus
WX 41623	Sgt	COWAN	25	Clerk	Carried surplus Auth: 2 Corps AG277 of 6 Jul 45
VX137092	Cpl	CAMERON	30	Gen duty	To be transferred to AACs on RTU
VX112870	Pte	BYRNE	34	TG 3 Carp	Awaiting discharge Med unfit
<p>Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 5 and 1 and 10 of Part A respectively.</p>					

NOTES—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorized trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.  
(c) Where A.W.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are detailed show details on back.  
(d) Where reinforcement not detailed note accordingly on return by insertion of N.E. in col. "Reinforcements".  
(e) Where reinforcement not detailed note accordingly on return by insertion of N.E. in col. "Reinforcements".  
(f) 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.

Signature of Commander  
Date of Despatch

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

41 / 45 (Serial No.) 2

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 13/10/1945 HQ 23 Aust 111(UNIT)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 20 O.R.'s 67 + OFFRS. O.R.'s 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						
W.E.	Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.	Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.						
1				1	Brigadier *										
					Lieut.-Colonels										
2		1		1	Majors										
11	3		1	9	Captains										
6	1			5	Lieutenants										
					Quarter-masters										
					A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
					Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
20	5		1	16											
					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.	16									16
					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 13 10 /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.
Trig	WX 1574	POTTS	A.W.	Bde			W/N/281
Capt (T/Maj)	VX 10378	DIXON	R.F.	Cond	Yes		
Capt	VX 117148	McCONACHIE	G.R.	BM	"		V/N/254S
Capt (T/Capt)	VX 114122	FARRAR	G.C.	BM(L)	No	ARL	
Capt (T/Capt)	VX 114120	TRIVENEN	G.C.	SC	Yes		V/N/201
Capt	VX 47188	WORTALL	J.L.	IO	"		V/M/146
Capt	WX 28748	WRIGHT	E.S.	LC 1	"		V/N/233
			G.D.	LC 2	No	ARL	
<b>SERVICES</b>							
Capt	VX 39042	POWELL	L.G.	BASCO	No	Emergency ARL	
Capt	WX 35868	LAVAN	J.M.	AALC	"	ARL	
Lt	VX 100371	WILSON	A.W.F.	BOO	Yes		V/N/232
Lt	WX 39121	JONES	R.E.	EO	"		W/P/289
Lt	HX 105757	ELLIOTT	A.C.	HO	"		N/D/247
Lt	SX 28344	RIX	C.C.	AO	"		S/A/193
<b>CHAPLAINS</b>							
	NX 162533	FRY	F.J.	Chaplain 4th Class	Det 7 Bn		
	VX 94301	PILKINGTON	C.H.D.	do	do	do	8 Bn
	SX 32806	RAWLINS	H.E.A.	do	do	do	27 Bn

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.
PT	NX 121135	EWING R M	2 Corps	24.6.45	Att as Legal Officer N/N/197
SP	SX 27741	CONSTABLE E V	AACHD	8.9.45	For Duty
J	NX 76249	THOMPSON C W	8 Bn	4.9.45	For duty N/N/214

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander Capt

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS**

41/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 13/10/1945 HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

W.E. 11/2/4 OFFRS. 20 O.R's. 67 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

**Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.**

1	2		3		4		5		6		7		8		9		10	
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.				ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.										
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.					Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.						
		1	1	W.Os. Class I.														
			2	W.Os. Class II.														
		1	2	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.														
			1	Staff Sergeants														
	1	2	5	Sergeants														
	4	3	9	Corporals														
		13	62	Troopers, Privates, etc.														
				Civilians counting as O.R.														
	*	5	20	82	*	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.					*							*

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.P.	**	TOTAL
		Under 19 Years.	19 Years and over.							
A	72		10							82
B(1)										
B(2)										

**Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.**

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	LHQ Aust AAES Pool			15	Leave		
				4	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde		
				1	227 Sup Dep Pl		

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

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

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 13/10/1945**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
Ammunition Examiners	1	1	-	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				Sangetakers			
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		1		Wireman				AALC Clerk	1	1	-
Electricians	2	1	-	Cooks				Woodturners				AASC "	1	1	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics	3	3						AAES "	1	-	-
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								AAAS "	1	2	-
Fitters				Driver-Operator								AAOC "	-	1	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								AAOC Sman	-	2	-
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								<b>NON-TRADESMEN</b>			
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Batmen	13	14	-
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN	9	11	-
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Orderlies	9	9	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Water duty	1	1	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks				Hyg duty	1	1	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply	4	5	-	Gen duty	3	12	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Sman	1	3	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	5	-	Coach Trimmers				Mess Cpl	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Tpt Sgt	1	1	-
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				COMS	1	2	-
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				CSM	1	1	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				ATTACHED BY W.E.			
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				REM	-	1	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				AASC Batmn	1	1	-
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AALC "	1	-	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAOC "	1	1	-
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers				AAChD "	3	-	-
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				AANC Ord	1	-	-
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				AAES Batmn	1	-	-
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers				Dvr	1	-	-
CARRIED FORWARD	3	2	-	CARRIED FORWARD	10	11	-	CARRIED FORWARD	14	16	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A, respectively.	67	82	-

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13 Oct 45  
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander Capt

**Part A of Army Form W.3002**  
**DETAILS OF WO's AND NCO's**  
**Part E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in**

TRADE	RANK	WE	PS	DEPICIENT		SURPLUS		Details of Tradesmen
				GROUP I (cont.)	GROUP II (cont.)	GROUP I (cont.)	GROUP II (cont.)	
<b>Trade Group 1</b>								
AAOC Ann Exam Int Draughtsman	Sgt Cpl	1 1	1 -					
<b>Trade Group 2</b>								
AACC Cooks Int duties	Cpl S/sgt Cpl	1 1 1	- 1 1					
<b>Trade Group 3</b>								
Inf Clerks	WOII Sgt Cpl	1 - 1	1 1 1					
AALC	Cpl	1	-					
AAAS	Sgt	1	-					
AAES	Sgt	1	-					
AASC	Cpl	1	2					
AAOC	Cpl	1	1					
<b>NON-TRADESMEN</b>								
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1					
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1					
Gen duties	Cpl	1	2					
Mess Cpl	Cpl	1	1					
CSM	WOII	1	1					
RSM	WOI	-	1					
CQMS	S/sgt	1	2					
AAMC Ord	Cpl	1	-					
<b>PERSONNEL SURPLUS TO WE</b>								
<b>No.</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Trade</b>	<b>Remarks</b>			
VX119783	WOI	GARDNER	35	RSM	Surplus Carried surplus: Auth 2 Corps AG27 of 6 Jul 45			
WX41623	Sgt	COWAN	25	Clerk				
VX137092	Cpl	CAMERPN	30	J.G.	Gen duty to be transferred to AAC3 on RFU			
VX112870	to	BYRNE	34	H.	WOII Corp Await discharge Med unfit			
CARRIED FORWARD								

NOTES—(1) If rank above that of private is involved the details on back.  
(2) Authorized ranks or specialties not included in list will be added as required in reports provided.  
(3) Where a W.A.S. or A.M.W.S. is mentioned see details on back.  
(4) Where a W.A.S. or A.M.W.S. is mentioned see details on back.  
(5) Where a W.A.S. or A.M.W.S. is mentioned see details on back.  
(6) Where a W.A.S. or A.M.W.S. is mentioned see details on back.  
(7) Where a W.A.S. or A.M.W.S. is mentioned see details on back.  
(8) Where a W.A.S. or A.M.W.S. is mentioned see details on back.  
(9) Where a W.A.S. or A.M.W.S. is mentioned see details on back.  
(10) Where a W.A.S. or A.M.W.S. is mentioned see details on back.

Signature of Commander  
Date of Dispatch

DEMOBILIZATION STATISTICS

Appx "A" to First Aust Army  
A142 Part I Serial No  
35/45

Unit : HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

Date : 13 Oct 45

Serial	Trade	Rank	WE	Present Strength in Army Area	Priority classification under demobilization scheme				
					Under 100 Points	100 Points to 149	150 Points to 199	200 Points to 249	250 Points & Over
<u>Trade Group 1</u>									
	Asst Exam AAO	Sgt	1	1					1
	Draughtsman TGPO	Cpl	1	-					
		Pte	1	-					
<u>Trade Group 2</u>									
	Cooks Sgt	Cpl	1	-					
	Pte	Ptes	2	2		1		1	
	Int duties	S/Sgt	1	1				1	
		Cpl	1	1				1	
		Ptes	2	3	-	3			
<u>Trade Group 3</u>									
	Clerks Inf	WOII	1	--					
		Sgt	-	1				1	
		Cpl	1	1		1			
		Ptes	2	2				2	
	Clerks AALC	Cpl	1	-					
		Sgt	-	1				1	
	- AAES	Sgt	1	-					
	- AAAS	Sgt	1	1				1	
	- AASC	Cpl	1	1		1			
	- AAO	Cpl	-	1-		1			
	AAOC Storemen	Ptes	-	2	1	1			
<u>NON-SPECIALISTS</u>									
	Batmen	Ptes	13	13	2	7		3	
	Dvrs KI	Cpl	1	1	-	1			
		Ptes	8	7		2		6	
	Orderlies	Ptes	9	5	1	2		2	
	Water duty	Pte	1	1		1			
	Hyg Duty	Pte	1	1	-	-		1	
	Gen Duty	Cpl	1	-					
			2	7	1	2		4	

Grade	Rank	WE	Present Str in Army Area	Priority classification					scheme	
				Under 100 Points	100 to 149 pts	150 to 199 pts	200 to 249 pts	250 pts and over		
Storeman	Pte	1	3		3					
Mess Cpl	Cpl	1	1		1					
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1			1				
CQMS	s/Sgt	1	1		1					
GSM	WOII	1	1			1				
RSM - PMF	WOI	-	1					1		
AASC Batman	Pte	1	1			1				
AALC "	Pte	1	-							
AAOC	Pte	1	1		1					
AAES Batman Dvr	Pte	1	-							
AACHD Batman	Ptes	3	-							
AAMC Ord	Cpl	1	-							
<b>TOTAL</b>				<b>67</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008  
(Adapted) (Page 1)  
(Revised Jan., 1943)  
42, 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 20/10/1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11/2/4 OFFRS. 20 O.R's. 67 + OFFRS. O.R's. 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'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.					
1			1		*									
2	1		1	Brigadier *										
11	3	1	9	Lieut.-Colonels										
6	1		5	Majors										
				Captains										
				Lieutenants										
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
20	5	1	16											
				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.	16									16
				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.

### 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 20 / 10 / 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.
Brig	WX 1574	POTTS	A W	Bde Comd	Yes		
Capt (P/Maj)	VX 10378	DIXON	R F	BM	"		W/N/281 V/N/2548
Capt	VX117148	MACONACHIE	G R	BM(L)	NO	ARL	
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114122	PARRAR	G C	SC	Yes		V/N/201
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114120	TREVENEN	J L	IO	"		V/N/146
Capt	VX 47188	WORRALL	E S	LO	"		V/N/233
Lt	WX 28748	WRIGHT	G D	LO 2	NO	ARL	
<u>SERVICES</u>							
Capt	VX 39042	POWELL	L G	BASCO	NO	Emergency ARL	
Capt	WX 33868	LAVAN	J M	AALC	NO	ARL	
Lt	VX100371	WILSON	AWP	BOO	Yes		V/N/232
Lt	WX 30121	JONES	R E	EO	"		W/T/209
Lt	MX105757	ELLIOTT	A G	HO	"		N/D/247
Lt	SX 28244	RIX	C C	Amou	O "		S/A/193
<u>CHAPELAINS</u>							
	MX162533	FRY	F J	Chaplain	4th Class Det	7 Bn	
	VX 94301	PILKINGTON	CDM	do	do	" 8 Bn	
	SX 32801	RAWLINS	REA	do	do	" 27 Bn	

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

Substantive Rank and Higher Temporary Rank if Held.	Army Number.	Name and Initials.	Unit.	Date of Attachment.	Nature of Attachment.
Capt	MX121135	EWING R M	2 Corps	24/6/45	Att as Legal Officer N/N/197

20 Oct 45

Date of Despatch

*[Signature]* Capt  
HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde



# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 30 10 / 1941 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 2 / 4 OFFRS 20 O.R's 67 + OFFRS O.R's ATT. BY W.E.

## Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
1	2	3	4		6	7	8	9	10
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	1	W.Os. Class I.					
			2	W.Os. Class II.					
		1	2	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
			1	Staff Sergeants					
	1	2	5	Sergeants					
	4	2	8	Corporals					
		16	65	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
	*	5	22	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		*			*

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	73		11				■	■		84
B(1)										
B(2)						■				

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.

### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	LHQ AIES Pool			13	Leave		
				22	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde		
				1	227 Sup Dep Pl		

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

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

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 20 / 10 / 1945 .**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
AAOC Ammunition Examiners	1	1	-	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								Radlographers				Stevadores			
Computors								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)	2	1	-	Carpenters and Joiners		1	-	Wireman				AAOC Clerk	1	1	-
Electricians				Cooks	3	3	-	Woodturners				AAOC "	1	1	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								AAES "	1	1	-
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Mcd.)								AAAS "	1	1	-
Fitters				Driver-Operator								AAOC "	1	1	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								AAOC Stmn	1	1	-
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								NON TRADESMEN			
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								Batmen	13	12	-
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				GROUP III.				DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN.			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				Dvrs MT	9	15	-
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				Orderlies	9	9	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	4	5	-	Water duty	1	1	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				Wyg duty	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				Gen duty	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	5	-	Coach Trimmers				Stmn	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				Mess Cpl	1	1	-
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				Tpt Sgt	1	1	-
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				CCMS	1	1	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Riders				CSM	1	1	-
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				ATTACHED BY WEX			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				RSM	1	1	-
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				AAOC Batmn	1	1	-
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				AAOC "	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				AAOCD "	3	3	-
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers				AAOC OFA	1	1	-
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				AAES Batmn	1	1	-
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				DVF	1	1	-
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers							
CARRIED FORWARD	3	2	-	CARRIED FORWARD	10	11	-	CARRIED FORWARD	14	16	-	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	67	84	-

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.

20 Oct 45

Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander

**DETAILS OF WO's AND NCO's**

Part A of Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

**TRADE** \ 194 **RANK** **WE** **PS** **DEFICIENT** **SURPLUS**

Trade Group 1		Trade Group 2		Trade Group 3		NONTRADESMEN		PERSONNEL SURPLUS TO WE		No.	Rank	Name	Age	Trade	Remarks
AAOC Amn Exam	Sgt	1	1												
Int Draughtsmen	Cpl	1	1												
<b>Trade Group 2</b>		<b>Trade Group 3</b>		<b>Trade Group 3</b>		<b>NONTRADESMEN</b>		<b>PERSONNEL SURPLUS TO WE</b>							
AAOC Amn Exam	Sgt	1	1												
Int Duties	S/sgt	1	1												
Int Duties	Cpl	1	1												
Inf Clerks	WO 11	1	1												
	Sgt	1	1												
	Cpl	1	1												
AALC	Sgt	1	1												
	Cpl	1	1												
AAAS	Sgt	1	1												
AAES	Sgt	1	1												
AAAC	Cpl	1	2												
AAOC	Cpl	1	1												
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1												
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1												
Gen duties	Cpl	1	1												
Mess Cpl	Cpl	1	1												
CSM	WO 11	1	1												
RSM	WO 1	1	1												
QMS	S/sgt	1	2												
AAMC Ord	Cpl	1	1												
VX119783	WO 1	GARDNER	35	R P	RSM	Surplus									
WX 41823	Sgt	COWAN	25	C	Clerk	Carried Surplus Auth: 2 Corps AG 27 of 6 Jul 4									
VX112870	Pte	BYRNE	34	H	TG 2 Carp	Awaiting discl Med Unfit									
CARRIED FORWARD															

NOTES - (a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.  
(b) Authorized trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.  
(c) Where A.W.A.S. personnel are desired show details on back.  
(d) Where replacement not desired note accordingly on return by insertion of "N.R." in col. "Reinst. Required."  
(e) Where 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.

Signature of Commander \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Despatch \_\_\_\_\_  
L.H.G. Form 1745-10/41-1010

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008  
(Adapted) (Page 1)  
(Revised Jan., 1943)  
43 45 (Serial No.) **4**

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday <sup>27 10</sup> / <sup>5 HQ 23 Inf Bde</sup> / 194 (Unit)  
<sup>11 2 4</sup> W.E. / <sup>20 67</sup> OFFRS. O.R's. + OFFRS. O.R's. 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.					
			1	Brigadier *										
			1	Lieut.-Colonels										
	1		1	Majors										
	3	1	9	Captains										
	1		5	Lieutenants										
				Quarter-masters										
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
	5	1	16											
				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.	16									16
				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.
NK121135	Capt	EWING R M	HQ 2 Corps	15/10/45	Appointed Legal Offr FMA AMS 9901 of 23 Oct 45 vice Capt J M LAVAN

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
WX 33868	Capt	LAVAN J M	WEST COMD	-	Reposting and discharge ex ARL

## 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 27/10/1945 (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.
Brig	WX 1574	POTTS	A W	Bde		W/N/281	
				Comd	Yes		
Capt (T/Maj)	VX 10378	DIXON	R F	BM	"	V/N/254 S	
Capt	VX117148	MACONACHIE	G R	BM(L)	"	V/N/197	
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114132	FARRAR	G C	SC	"	V/N/201	
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114120	TREVENEN	J L	IO	"	V/N/146	
Capt	VX 47188	WORRALL	E S	LO 1	"	V/N/233	
Lt	WX 28748	WRIGHT	G D	LO 2	"	W/N/186	
<b>SERVICES</b>							
Capt	VX 39042	POWELL	L G	BASCO	NO	Emergency Leave	
Capt	NX121135	EWING	R M	AALC	Yes	N/N/197	
Lt	VX100371	WILSON	AWF	BOO	"	V/N/232	
Lt	WX 30121	JONES	R E	EO	"	W/N/209	
Lt	NX105757	ELLIOTT	A G	HO	"	N/N/247	
Lt	SX 28244	RIX	C C	AO	"	S/A/193	
<b>CHAPLAINS</b>							
	NX162533	FRY	F J	Chaplain		4th Class Det	7 Bn
	VX 94301	PILKINGTON	GDH	de		de	" 8 "
	SX 32801	RAWLINS	HEA	de		de	" 27 "

**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.

27 Oct 45

Date of Despatch

*[Signature]* Capt  
Signature of Commander

# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

Army Form W.3009 (Adapted)  
 (Page 1)  
 45 Revised Jan., 1943. (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 27/10/1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 20 O.R.'s 67 + OFFRS. O.R.'s ATT. BY W.E.

## Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

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	1	W.Os. Class I.					
2			2	W.Os. Class II.					
1		1	2	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
1		1	2	Staff Sergeants					
4	1	2	5	Sergeants					
10	4	2	8	Corporals					
49		22	71	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
67	5	29	91	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.					

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.L.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.	20 Years and over.							
A	89		2							91
B(1)										
B(2)										

### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	LHQ AAES Pool			13	Leave		
				17	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde		
				1	227 Sup Dep Fl		

### 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 27 / 10 / 1945**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)		
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
<b>AAOC</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>									
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						Riggers			Stokers, Staty. Engine		
Cooks, Hospital			<b>GROUP II.</b>			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		<b>1</b>	Winchman			Whitewash		
Draughtsmen (Topographical)	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	Carpenters and Joiners			Wireman			<b>AAOC Clerk</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Electricians			Cooks	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	Woodturners			<b>AAOC "</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
Electricians (M.V.)			Dental Mechanics						<b>AAES "</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
Electricians (Signals)			Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)						<b>AAS "</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Fitters			Driver-Operator						<b>AAOC "</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
Fitters (Cycle)			Drainers						<b>AAOC Stmn</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
Fitters (Electrical)			Electricians						<b>NON TRADESMEN</b>		
Fitters (Gun)			Electricians (Engineers)						<b>Batmen</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>11</b>
Fitters (Instrument)			Fire Control Operators			<b>GROUP III.</b>			<b>Dvrs MT</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>15</b>
Fitters (M.V.)			Gun Operator			Battery Surveyors			<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>		
Fitters, Railway Signal			Hatchman			Butchers			<del>NON-TRADESMEN.</del>		
Fitters/Signals			Height Taker			Clerks	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Orderlies</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>
Grinder, Precision			Helio Operator			Clerks, Supply			<b>Water duty</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Mechanics, Instrument			Instrument Operator			Clerks, Technical			<b>Hyg duty</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			Intelligence Duties	<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	Coach Trimmers			<b>Gen duty</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>18</b>
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			Joiners			Concretors			<b>Storeman</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>
Mechanics, Radio			Lineman			Cooks			<b>Mess Cpl</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Mechanics, Typewriter			Lineman, Signals			Dental Clerk Orderlies			<b>Tpt Sgt</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Mechanics, Wireless			Lithographers			Despatch Riders			<b>COMS</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
Millwrights			Machinists, Metal			Draughtsmen, Signals			<b>CSM</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>
Operators, Excavator			Machinists, Wood			Drivers, H.T.			<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>		
Pattern Maker			Masons			Driver Mechanics			<b>RSM</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
Pharmacist			Masseurs			Driver Tptn. Plant			<b>AAOC Batmn</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
Photographer, Wet Plate			Mechanics, M.T.			Engine Hands. I.C.			<b>AALC "</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
Photewriter			Miners			Equipment Repairers			<b>AAOC "</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
Plumber			Moulders			Farriers			<b>AACHD "</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>
Saw D. ctors			Nurses, Trained			Fitters' Mates			<b>AAOC Ord</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
Surveyors			Observation Post Assts.			Gun Layers			<b>AAES Batmn</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
									<b>Dvr</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>
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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.  
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27 Oct 45  
Date of Despatch

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commandant  
Capt  
HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

# DETAILS OF WOs AND NCOs

## PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W-3000 at 000 hours Saturday 27/10/1943

TRADE	RANK	WE	PS	DEFICIENT	SURPLUS
<b>Trade Gp 1</b>					
AAGC Ann Exam	Sgt	1	1		
Int Draughtsmen	Cpl	1	-		
<b>Trade Gp 2</b>					
AAGC Cooks	Cpl	1	-	1	
Int duties	S/sgt	1	2		
	Cpl	1	1		
<b>Trade Gp 3</b>					
Inf Clerks	WO 11	1	1		
	Sgt	-	1		
	Cpl	1	1		
AALC "	Sgt	-	1		
	Cpl	1	-	1	
AAAS "	Sgt	1	1		
AAES "	Sgt	1	-	1	
AAGC "	Cpl	-	1		
AASC "	Cpl	1	2		

### PERSONNEL SURPLUS TO WE

No	Rank	Name	Age	Trade	Remarks
VK119783	WO 1	GARDNER R P	35	RSM	Surplus

Signature of Commandant  
 [Signature]

Date of Despatch  
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WAR DIARY

FROM 0001K 1 NOV to 2400K 30 NOV 45.

BOUGAINVILLE 1 : 63,360

TOROKINA 287958

NOV 1

It was proposed to leave approx 700 surrendered Japanese in TOROKINA to provide working parties for that area. With that in view, a compound area was selected at the American PW store off SERVICE ROAD.

0200 200 Japanese embarked for FAURO.

NOV 2

0900 Bde Comd visited patients at 2/1 AGH and had morning tea with Col LEAH.

1000 Lt Col FRY called and discussed war crimes committee programme.

1800 Lt Col P.G.C. WEBSTER present at mess.

NOV 3.

1400 Bde Comd and BM(L) attended a 3 Div Swimming Carnival held at 15 Bde Swimming Pool. A cycling contest had taken place at GLOUCESTER PARK during the morning.

1930 731 Japanese were embarked for FAURO, leaving only 700 in TOROKINA area.

NOV 4

2000 War Crimes Committee departed for FAURO ISLAND.

NOV 5

0800 Bde Comd, BM(L) and Lt Col FRY departed by FSB for FAURO.

NOV 6.

0800 Bde Comd visited TAUNO ISLAND and inspected several Japanese areas at FAURO. Went to POYANA and met new Coy Comds 7 Bn.

NOV 7

0800 Bde Comd, BM(L), CO 7 Bn inspected Japanese areas 1, 2 and 3. It was agreed to increase the rations for Japanese employed on working parties.

War Crimes Committee commenced their interrogation and interviewed senior Japanese officers including Lt Gen KANDA.

NOV 8

0800 At FAURO IS Bde Comd visited Japanese army areas 4, 5 and 6.

1015 Army Comd Lt Gen V.A.H. STURDEE arrived at TOROKINA.

1600 Capt MACONACHIE (BM(L)) and Maj TODD returned from FAURO.

BM visited Gp Captain CHAPLAIN, RAAF, during the morning and interviewed Lt COUSENS, 8 Bn, with view to his being appointed LO on HQ 23 Inf Bde.

NOV 9.

0800 At FAURO ISLAND, Bde Comd inspected the proposed saw mill site SOUTH of area 3.

0800 Lt Gen STURDEE and party, incl BRIG MAITLAND, DMS First Army, Maj WRIGHT, PA to GOC, Maj BREHENY, 3 Div, Lt FREEMAN, Mil Hist and BM embarked for FAURO, arriving there at 1630 hrs.

NOV 10

0800 At FAURO, GOC, Bde Comd and party visited Lt Gen KANDA at SAMANSO IS and visited naval area 10. GOC very pleased with set up.

Lt Col DUNKLEY, 7 Bn, is to return to Aust for demob at an early date; Maj C. JONES will adm comd with Capt MACONACHIE 2 i/c.

NOV 11

0700 GOC and party left FAURO by FSB and visited BALLALE ISLAND and requested that construction of the air strip be continued.

1000 Party departed BALLALE and boarded AH off BUIN and returned to TOROKINA.

NOV 12.

1600 BM and Maj BREHENY returned from FAURO.

Bde Comd interviewed Lt Col H.M. FRENCHMAN, DDST 3 Div, and discussed the supply situation at FAURO.

1300 Maj BIRD, 2nd Echelon addressed Adjts and Orderly Room staff of the Bde Gp on completion of records and matters of Adn nature. Lt T.D. SYDES assumed command 40 Tpt Pl.

NOV 13

0915 Lt Col ELLIOTT-SMITH, PIB, called on Bde Comd.

1000 Lt Col COURT, AAQMG 3 Div, called and discussed the role and strengths of FAURO and TOROKINA garrisons.

Total Japanese in Bougainville are:

FAURO	Navy	12629
	Army	11922
	Misc	1500
TOROKINA		<u>704</u>
TOTAL		<u>26747</u>

1800 Bde Comd, BM and SC to Officers Club for dinner.

NOV 14

0600 Capt MACONACHIE, Capt SPRING, DADH 3 Div, Lts JONES AND ELLIOTT departed for FAURO.

At a conference attended by Bde Comd, Brig LEGGE, Comd 4 BSA and Lt Col COURT it was decided that all

Japanese would be moved to FAURO at an early date. Therefore work on the new PW Compound at TOROKINA was suspended.

1400 Bde Comd and SC watched football match between 23 Bde HQ and 8 Bn, the former winning by 1 point. Later with Lt Col IRWIN, they inspected new 17 Fd Amb area, previously occupied by 2 Corps.

An Ordnance issue of cigarette lighters was made throughout the Bde on the following scale - Bn 155, Bde HQ 30, Bde Sig Sec 10, 2/108 LAD 5.

1200 War Crimes Committee departed FAURO for BUIN.

NOV 15.

0800 Bde Comd discussed OOB and future plans with BM and SC.

1600 Lt Col DUNKLEY arrived from FAURO and with Bde Comd, BM and SC attended Officers Club for dinner.

1600 War Crimes Committee returned from BUIN.

NOV 16

0900 Brig SIMPSON, DSO, Comd 29 Inf Bde called and discussed 23 Inf Bde generally and FAURO ISLAND garrison.

0730 Maj TODD, Lt TINSLEY, 23 Fd Coy and Lt R.E. JONES departed for FAURO, the two first named to check the construction of BALLALE airstrip and to visit BUIN and TONOLEI area to assess the value of discarded Jap equipment.

Capt MACONACHIE resumed regimental duties as 2 i/c 7 Bn.

War Crimes Committee reported the exhuming of 90 bodies at BALLALE, believed to be those of British Army pers. It is proposed to effect their burial in TOROKINA AUST WAR CEMETERY.

1800 Bde Comd, BM and Lt Col DUNKLEY guests at 27 Bn for dinner.

NOV 17

0900 Bde Comd attended an exhibition tennis match at 28 L of C Salvage Court - the players were D. AVIS (WA) TONKIN (Vic) STEPHEN (NSW) CARPENTER (NSW).

1200 Lt Col FRY called and reported on the progress of War Crimes Committee.

1300 Capt J. A. OLIVER, BM 29 Inf Bde called and discussed FAURO FORCE. 7 Bn reported the loss of 1900 pay money, suspected of being stolen 16/17 Nov.

1100 Brig SIMPSON, 29 Bde called and had further discussion with Bde Comd.

1800 Bde Comd and staff and COs of Bde Units had dinner at Officers Club.

NOV 18

0830 Bde Comd attended 27 Bn Memorial Service at TOROKINA Cemetery.

- 0930 An interstate Aust Rules Football match between Victoria and "The Rest" was played at 23 Bde Oval. Maj Gen W. BRIDGEFORD, GOC 3 Div, Bde Comd and staff attended. A ragged game resulted in a win for Victoria.
- 1600 Lt A.G. ELLIOTT returned from FAURO ISLAND.
- 1800 Lt Col P.G.C. WEBSTER and Maj MORAN had dinner with Bde Officers.

Advice was received that all personnel with less than 180 points and who have not had leave for 24 months will be returned to Australia on WESTRALIA.

NOV 19

- 0700 Bde Comd, Brig Simpson, 29 Bde, Lt Col COURT, 3 Div, Maj OLIVER, 29 Bde, departed TOROKINA for FAURO ISLAND.
- 1400 Maj GRIMSHAW, OC 109 Bde WkspS departed to LAE for reposting.

NOV 20

- 0900 At FAURO, Bde Comd and party inspected areas 1 and 13, met Lt BOLTON, BSIP and discussed the possibility of Japanese labour being employed by BSIP for construction of roads etc.

NOV 21

- 0630 Bde Comd and party departed FAURO IS and arrived TOROKINA 1500 hrs.
- 0530 Lt Col DUNKLEY and Maj R.F. DIXON departed TOROKINA for AUSTRALIA by liberator for demobilization.
- 1600 Bde Comd discussed FAURO medical plan with Lt Col Irwin.
- 0700 Maj F. G. PULLEN and Capt F. TREATT, Legal Corps, departed for FAURO to conduct a Court of Inquiry into the loss of 1900 public money at FAURO or en route from TOROKINA to FAURO.

NOV 22.

- VX134690 Maj C. JONES appointed Adm Comd 7 Inf Bn vice Lt Col H.E.L. DUNKLEY.
- NX70251 Maj D.C. DENDIE (formerly DADME First Army) reported in as OC 109 Bde WkspS.
- 1000 Maj MORAN, 8 Bn, called and discussed the matter of his release.
- 1100 Maj OLIVER, BM 29 Inf Bde inspected COMAIR site to assess value of installations and the advisability of sending them to FAURO.
- 1000 Capt E.S. WORRALL (LO I) marched out for movement to mainland for demob.

NOV 23

0800 Lt.Col. FRY called on Bde Comd and reported on the progress of War Crimes Committee.  
A signal was received from FIRST ARMY declaring 8 Inf Bn and 27 Inf Bn redundant.

NOV 24

Total strength PWs shows decrease from 26043 to 26025 - 18 deaths having occurred during the week. Garden preparation by the Jap is well up to schedule and engr construction continues.  
Work has been commenced on the new POYANA BAY-WESTERN BAY RD and the BALLAIE AIRSTRIP.

0900 Bde Comd with Capt TREVENEN, inspected a parade and march past of 27 Bn at MAG 25 Oval. The parade was well turned out. An inspection of the camp area followed.

NOV 25

0900 SC held conference with unit adjts and discussed the reorganisation of the 3 battalions.  
Personnel without leave for 15 months or more as at 15 Oct are to be drafted to 8 and 27 Bn and the remainder to 7 Bn.

1000 Maj J OLIVER called on Bde Comd.

NOV 26

1000 Bde Comd discussed the loss at FAURO of public money 1900 with GOC 3 Div, who has instructed that Lt.Col. H E L DUNKLEY be recalled from the mainland to be present at the court martial of Lt LANGTRY 7 Bn, officer in charge of 1900.

1800 Bde Comd, SC and IO dined at 8 Bn mess and later went to pictures at MAG 25.

NOV 27

0800 Lt H FREEMAN, MILHIST, photographed all offrs and ORs of 23 Bde HQ.

0800 Capt FRASER, Adjut 7 Bn, returned to FAURO with Col HYETT, ADMS 3 Div and Lt.Col. IRWIN 17 Fd Amb.

0930 Bde Comd interviewed Lt LANGTRY 7 Bn re loss of 1900 public monies.  
Lt.Col. GOSLETT is appointed to command 8 Bn.

NOV 28

0800 Lt.Col. GOSLETT called on Bde Comd who accompanied him to 8 Bn to meet officers.  
Japanese strength on FAURO now 25945.

NOV 29

0800 Bde Comd and SC carried out an inspection of TOROKINA PW Compound, which is to be vacated today.

1600 Bde Comd and Sc went to BEACH 4 and watched the embarkation of 700 Japanese for FAURO. 3 ALC 40s, departed at 1810, thus completing the movement of all Japanese from TOROKINA. It is proposed to send on 3 Dec a party of 1 Angau offr and 25 senior native officials to FAURO ISLAND to see Japanese working under European supervision and attempt to counter the Jap propoganda which claims that the Japanese were NOT defeated and they will return at a later date.

NOV 30

0900 Bde Comd visited Col. J IEAH, CO 2/1 AGH.

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8 Nov 45

ROUTINE ORDERS PART I

by

MAJ R F DIXON MC

BM 23 AUST INF BDE

236. DUTY ROSTER

	Date		Duty Officer		Duty NCO
Fri	9 Nov 45	Capt	DAVIES	S/Sgt	CUMMINS
Sat	10 "	Lt	WRIGHT	Sgt	McMURRAY
Sun	11 "	Lt	WILSON	Cpl	O'FARRELL
Mon	12 "	Lt	JONES	Cpl	CAIRE
Tue	13 "	Capt	O'DONNELL	Cpl	ROBERTSON
Wed	14 "	Lt	BALLARD	Sgt	FINN
Thu	15 "	Capt	EWING	S/Sgt	CROSSLEY
Fri	16 "	Capt	TREVENEN	Sgt	AUSTON
Sat	17 "	Capt	MACONACHIE	S/Sgt	REVELL
Sun	18 "	Lt	ELLIOTT	Cpl	WILLIAMS
Mon	19 "	Lt	RIX	Sgt	BENNETT
Tue	20 "	Capt	McKEW	Cpl	TULLEY

237. AIR MAIL SERVICE

Commencing Mon 5 Nov a daily air mail service will operate between LAE - TOROKINA. Normal air courier service operates on Sun, Mon, Wed & Fri and Beaufort A/C from 10 LASU will operate on Tues, Thurs & Sat.

238 CHOLERA

As there has been no cholera reported in RABAU, the provisions of GRO A 306/44 still apply and no further inoculations against cholera will be given to troops embarking for RABAU.

*C. D. Wright*  
Capt  
SC 23 Aust Inf Bde

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by

CAPT G.C. FARRAR

SC 23 AUST INF BDE

DUTY ROSTER

<u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Officer</u>			
Mon 19 Nov 45	Lt	WILSON	Cpl	TULLEY
Tue 20 Nov 45	Lt	JONES	Cpl	FARRELL
Wed 21 Nov 45	Capt	WORRALL	Sgt	McMURRAY
Thu 22 Nov 45	Lt	SCOTT	Cpl	CAIRE
Fri 23 Nov 45	Capt	O'DONNELL	Cpl	ROBERTSON
Sat 24 Nov 45	Lt	ELLIOTT	Sgt	FINN
Sun 25 Nov 45	Lt	RIX	S/Sgt	CROSSLEY
Mon 26 Nov 45	Capt	McKEW	Sgt	AUSTIN
Tue 27 Nov 45	Lt	COUSENS	S/Sgt	REVELL
Wed 28 Nov 45	Capt	EWING	Cpl	WILLIAMS
Thu 29 Nov 45	Capt	TREVENEN	Sgt	COWAN

239. AREAS OUT OF BOUNDS

Ammunition Dump eastern end of TOROKINA Fighter Strip is out of bounds to all ranks unless on duty.

240. PURCHASE OF SURPLUS STORES

Personnel have been visiting 16 AOD regarding the purchase of surplus stores on payment. It is advised that as yet, no authority exists through official channels for issues on payment to individuals, and that 16 AOD is out of bounds to all unit representatives, unless an authority is obtained from ADOS 3 Div to visit the depot.

241. TRAFFIC ON TAXIWAYS

Vehicles will not be driven on to taxiways of PIVA Air Strip except on duty. When driving on taxiways drivers will take all care to avoid inconvenience to taxiing aircraft.

241. MAIL CLOSING TIMES

	<u>Mail Closes at F.P.O.</u>	<u>Time Despatched</u>
Mondays )	0700 hrs	1200 hrs
Wednesdays )	1600 hrs	0600 hrs
Fridays )		following day
Sundays )		
Tuesdays )	1400 hrs	1200 hrs
Thursdays )		following day
Saturdays )		

*G. Farrar* Capt  
SC 23 Aust Inf Bde



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CAPT G C FARRAR  
SC 23 INF BDE

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242. DUTY POST 1



<u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Officer</u>	<u>Duty NCO</u>
Fri 30 Nov	Lt WILSON	Cpl FARRELL
Sat 1 Dec	Lt JONES	" TULLEY
Sun 2 "	Capt O'DONNELL	" CAIRE
Mon 3 "	Lt ELLIOTT	" ROBERTSON
Tues 4 "	Lt RIX	Sgt McHUTCHISON
Wed 5 "	Capt McKEW	" FINN
Thur 6 "	Lt WRIGHT	S/Sgt EDWARD
Fri 7 "	Lt COUSENS	" REVEL
Sat 8 "	Capt EWING	Sgt RODD
Sun 9 "	Lt SCOTT	Cpl WILLIAMS
Mon 10 "	Capt TR... EN	Sgt COWAN

*G C Farrar* Capt  
SC 23 INF Bde

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Subject: AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO 23 AUST INF BDE  
LOCATION STATEMENT & ORDER OF BATTLE NO. 17

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
II/45/2217

10 Nov 45

1. Attached at Appendix "A" is Amendment No. 1 to 23 Aust Inf Bde Location Statement and Order of Battle No. 17.
2. This Statement includes all changes as at 2359 hrs 8 Nov 45.
3. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Encl/

*R. K. [Signature]* Maj  
BM 23 Aust Inf Bde

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AND ORDER OF BATTLE NO. 17

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Appendix "A" to HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
G1/45/2217 of 10 Nov 45

Delete : Serials 16 A 18 A

Insert:

Serial	Arm or Service	War Office Serial No.	Unit	Ref Map	Location	Remarks
2 C	ENGKS	47194	Det 7 Aust Army Tps	FAURO	731159	
3 A	SIGS		Det 23 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	"	"	
19 A	AEME		Det 2/108 Aust LAB (Type J)	"	"	
21 A	AATN Corps	92423	Det 1 Water Amb Convoy (AIF)	"	"	

Amend to read:

6						
7 A			A Coy 27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	TOROKINA	601930	Delete remarks
9				"	676936	
12				"	580933	
13				"	569933	
23				"	607930	
25				"	605929	
				FAURO	731159	Delete remarks

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Subject : 23 AUST INF BDE LOCATION STATEMENT  
AND ORDER OF BATTLE NO. 18

HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
G/1/45/2222

23 Nov 45

1. Attached as Appendix 'A' is 23 Aust Inf Bde Location Statement and Order of Battle No. 18.
2. This Statement includes locations and command of units of 23 Aust Inf Bde as at 2359 hrs 22 Nov 45.
3. It is requested that any errors in location or command of units be notified to this HQ by units concerned.
4. Please destroy 23 Aust Inf Bde Location Statement and Order of Battle No. 17.
5. ACKNOWLEDGE.

Encl/

*W. Newman*  
Capt  
SC 23 Aust Inf Bde

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27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	7
101 Aust Hy Mortar Coy (AIF)	8
17 Aust Fd Amb (AIF)	9
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23 AUST INF BDE  
LOCATION STATEMENT AND ORDER OF BATTLE NO. 18

as at 2359 hrs 22 Nov 45

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Appendix 'A' to HQ 23 Inf Bde  
 G1/45/2222 of 23 Nov 45

Ref Maps ( TOPOKINA  
 ( FAURO IS  
 ( SHORTLAND IS (Special)

1 in to 1 mile

Serial	Arm or Service	War Office Serial No.	Unit	Ref Map	Location	Remarks
1	HQ Units	61547	HQ 23 Aust Inf	TOROKINA	587958	Under Comd 3 Aust Div
2	ENGRS	46157	23 Aust Fd Coy (AIF) less	TOROKINA	583958	
2A			Det 23 Aust Fd Coy (AIF)	OCEAN IS		
2B			Det 23 Aust Fd Coy (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	
3		45194	Det 7 Aust Army Tps Coy (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	
4	SIGS	49275	23 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec less	TOROKINA	587958	
4A			Det 23 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	FAURO IS	731159	
5	INF	46175	7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) less	FAURO IS	731159	
5A			A-B-C-D Coys 7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	FAURO IS	742151	
5B			Det 7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	SHORTLAND IS (Spec)	498058	BALLALE IS
6		46176	8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	TOROKINA	601930	
7		46170	27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF) less	TOROKINA	602931	
7A			A Coy 27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	TOROKINA	676936	TOROKINA PW Compound
8		45203	101 Aust Hy Mortar Coy (AIF)	TOROKINA	588963	To move AUST
9		61005	28 Pl 'G' Coy 2/1 Aust Fd Regt	TOROKINA	580933	LHQ Tps

Serial	Arm or Service	War Office Serial No.	Unit	Ref Map	Location	Remarks
10	INT		Det ATIS	FAURO IS	731159	(For local adm only. Comprises { Corps and 3 Div Lang Dets
10A			Det ATIS	TOROKINA	674933	
11	ST	49446	243 Aust Sup Dep Pl (AIF) less	TOROKINA	567933	
11A			Det 243 Aust Sup Dep Pl (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	
12		49447	244 Aust Sup Dep Pl (AI )	TOROKINA	567933	
13		48448	40 Aust Tpt Pl TS (AIF)	TOROKINA	607930	
14		47493	Det 13 Aust Fd Baking Coy	FAURO IS	731159	
15	Al. Tn	48492	Det 13 Small Ships Coy (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	For local Adm only. Army Tps
16		48276	Det 42 Aust Ldg Craft Coy (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	For local Adm only. Army Tps
17		92423	Det 1 Aust Water Amb Convoy (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	
18	MED	46180	17 Aust Fd Amb (AIF) less	TOROKINA	587928	
18A			Sec 17 Aust Fd Amb (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	
19	DENTAL	46597	'A' Sec 63 Aust Dental Unit	FAURO IS	731159	
20	ORD	46238	109 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	TOROKINA	588959	
21	APMF	46237	109 Aust Bde Wksps (AIF) less	TOROKINA	588959	
21A			Det 109 Aust Bde Wksps (AIF)	FAURO IS	731159	
22		46174	2/108 Aust LAD (Type J)	TOROKINA	580934	Ass HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde
23	POSTAL	92913	23 Aust Inf Bde Postal Sec	TOROKINA	587958	
24	PhO	49492	14 Aust Indep Pro Pl	TOROKINA	605929	
25	MISC	45543	Det NG AA Canteens Service	FAURO IS	731159	
26			Det Aust Mob Cinema	FAURO IS	731159	

War Diary F1

Subject: CRTS 1(a): ACCELERATED DISCHARGE - CONTINUATION OF STUDIES

A Edn  
HQ 23 Inf Bde

E/11/10

11 Nov 45

(To be read in conjunction with 3 Div AG 6953 of 051300 (5 Nov 45))

1. The purpose of this statement is to amplify and clarify the abovementioned 3 Div Instruction, and to provide information as to categories of eligibility for full time training under CRTS.
2. The following points should be especially borne in mind:-
  - (a) It should be made clear to intending applicants that, as a preliminary qualification, they must have completed at least the entire first year of a recognised course at a recognised public institution - eg University, Teacher's College, Technical College, Agricultural College, School of Mines, etc. The fact that an applicant has passed one or more subjects by correspondence through AAES will NOT qualify him to apply, unless such subjects collectively constitute the first year of a specified course as laid down in the regulations of the institution concerned, and unless he is enrolled for that course.
  - (b) An applicant who interrupted his studies some time before enlistment does NOT qualify. He must have been pursuing the course immediately before, that is, must have had his studies interrupted by enlistment.
  - (c) Accelerated discharge under this scheme will be granted ONLY to those who will resume their studies as full-time students. It will NOT be granted to personnel who wish to resume part time, even though they were part time students before enlistment and meet the conditions laid down in (a) and (b) above.
  - (d) It must be clearly understood that the whole scheme applies ONLY to those who are eligible, under one or other of the categories mentioned in para 3 below, for Full Time Training, either Professional or Vocational, under CRTS.
3. There are seven categories of eligibility for CRTS Full Time Training, both Professional and Vocational. Full details of these, with examples, will be found in Re-Establishment Pamphlet No 1, Training Scheme, para 6, pp 7 to 11. A copy of this pamphlet is forwarded herewith.
4. Those who cannot or do not apply for accelerated discharge on Form CRTS 1(a), may still apply for a CRTS Training Course, either full or part time, on form CRTS 1 either at Discharge Depot or up to twelve months after discharge
5. Supplies of Form CRTS 1(a) are limited. It is therefore suggested that, in order to avoid wastage and obviate a shortage, Unit Demobilisation and Education Officers collaborate

collaborate to make a careful survey of intending applicants, the criteria of eligibility set out above being rigidly applied. When all applications have been checked, the exact number of forms required can be had on application to AEO 23 Inf Bde.

6. One copy of CRTS 1(a) is attached for reference.

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CRTS 1(a) applies to all eligible members still serving who wish to RESUME their studies at the commencement of the 1946 training year.

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COMMONWEALTH OF AUSTRALIA  
COMMONWEALTH RECONSTRUCTION TRAINING SCHEME

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Eligibility

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### Application Form for Accelerated Release for Training

SURNAME (Block Letters)	OTHER NAMES (In Full)
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INTENDED ADDRESS .....

NUMBER ..... RANK ..... UNIT .....

ADDRESS .....

SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED .....

DATE OF BIRTH ..... PLACE OF BIRTH .....

DATE COMMENCED FULL TIME WAR SERVICE .....

PLACE OF ENLISTMENT .....

If you volunteered and were accepted for full-time War Service on or before your twenty-first birthday, state:—

- 1. Date of offering for full-time service .....
- 2. Date of acceptance .....
- 3. Place of acceptance .....
- 4. Service (R.A.N., R.A.A.F., etc.) .....

#### I — TRAINING DESIRED.

1. State trade, vocation or profession for which training is desired (state alternatives, if any, in order of preference) .....

Course desired .....

2. Where (in what established Educational Institution) do you desire to be trained .....

3. Within what category of eligibility do you consider your claim to training to fall? .....

4. Have you previously applied for training under the Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Scheme?

If so, state where and for what course .....

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### II — CIVIL EMPLOYMENT.

Previous Employment	Type of Work.	Firm or Employer.	Period of Employment.	
			From	To
(1)				
(2)				
(3)				
(4)				

Did you serve Apprenticeship or Articles in your Occupation? .....

IF SO : Which Occupation? .....

Did you complete your Apprenticeship or Articles? .....

If the Apprenticeship is incomplete, state—

(a) the number of years required to complete and .....

(b) whether you intend to do so. (yes or no) .....

### III — TRADE AND TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE IN SERVICES.

1. State any trade or technical branch of the Forces in which you have served (state mustering or grouping) .....

2. State Nature of Technical School Training (if any) under Service control—Course: .....

Length ..... Result .....

(Give details; indicate particularly length of training period and experience.)

3. Indicate Courses studied under Services Education Schemes (if any)—

Subjects studied .....

Subjects and year in which passed .....

### IV — EDUCATION BEFORE ENLISTMENT

(See next page also.)

	Name of Last School.	Grade or Class on Leaving.	Particulars of Certificates gained (if any).	Last Year of Attendance.
1. PRIMARY SCHOOL				
2. SECONDARY SCHOOL (including day junior technical school, if any) . . . .				

3. SENIOR TECHNICAL (Do not include School if Secondary)—

Art, Music, Commercial, Agricultural, etc., School or College

(a) Name of School or College .....

(b) Course(s) studied .....

(State full-time, part-time or correspondence.)

(c) Period of attendance from ..... (year) to ..... (year).

(d) Subject and Grade of Pass.	Year.	Subject and Grade of Pass.	Year.
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.....	19.....	.....	19.....
.....	19.....	.....	19.....

(e) Certificates, Diplomas, held (show year of award) :

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4. TEACHERS' COLLEGE:

(a) Name of College .....

(b) Years of study .....

(c) Course followed .....

(d) Certificate awarded .....

5. UNIVERSITY — Full-time, Part-time Day, Part-time Evening, External.\*  
(\* Cross out those not applicable.)

(a) Name of University ..... Years of attendance—From .....  
to .....

(b) Faculty .....

(c) Subjects Studied.	Subjects Passed.	Calendar Year.
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(d) Diplomas, Degrees held .....

6. OTHER STUDIES—

(a) Were you a student in any other course immediately prior to commencement of full time war service?.....

(b) If so, state particulars—

Course .....

Institution .....

Period of Study .....

Certificates, Diplomas held .....

V — DEPENDANTS.

NAME (in full).	Relationship to Applicant.	For Children under 16.		Place of Residence.
		Birthplace.	Date of Birth.	

DECLARED at \_\_\_\_\_  
 the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_  
 Signature of Applicant.

Before me \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_

FOR OFFICE RECORDS ONLY.

	Full-time Prof.	Full-time Voc.
Decision re eligibility.....		
Eligible under Category . . . . .		
Not eligible . . . . .		

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_

Selection Officers' Report and Recommendation: \_\_\_\_\_

Include if Selected Course \_\_\_\_\_  
 Year \_\_\_\_\_  
 Institution \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

COMMONWEALTH  
RECONSTRUCTION  
TRAINING SCHEME



AUSTRALIAN ARMY EDUCATION SERVICE

INFORMATION BOOKLET No. 1



## COMMONWEALTH RECONSTRUCTION TRAINING SCHEME

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### 1. Purpose of the Scheme.

The Commonwealth Government desires to re-establish ex-soldiers in jobs to which they will be suited, according to their health, skill and education. As one means to this end, the Commonwealth Reconstruction Training Scheme has been set up, giving free full-time training and a living allowance during the period of training to certain categories of service men and women after discharge, and spare time training in classes or by correspondence to all who wish to improve their efficiency in their jobs.

Men and women who are already trained for a job will not be encouraged to train for another job, for colleges and schools will be strained to capacity to deal with all trainees under this scheme; however, if a man who is already trained for a job is eligible for training (see Section 5 — Who is eligible?) he will not be refused training, but may be placed in a low priority for selection.

Training is not a reward for Service; it is open to all soldiers, whether they have served overseas or not, provided that they have six months' service and are honourably discharged; however, servicemen who incur some disability during service which prevents them from going back to their job may have training even if their service in the forces is less than six months. Training is a means of re-establishment in civil life.

Besides being eligible for training, men must be suitable for the type of course they wish to take—suitable physically and have passed the entrance examination for the course where this is necessary. Training will only be given for jobs in which it is known men will be able to get employment. This explains why at present no training will be given in those

trades in which "dilutee" tradesmen have been trained during the war, that is: Engineering, Boilermaking, Welding, Electrical, Sheet Metal, Blacksmithing, Metal Moulding, Boot (other than repairing), Shipbuilding.

## **2. When does the Scheme begin to operate?**

The Training Scheme cannot come into full operation until after the war, but it began to operate in March, 1944, for personnel being discharged during the war. On February 23, 1945, there were 1,100 ex-service men and women in full-time training, and 2,806 studying part-time under the Scheme. Where a soldier is discharged now, if he is not discharged on a Manpower claim, and desires full-time training, he is not placed in employment until after his application for training has been considered.

## **3. Organization.**

This is a Commonwealth scheme, and training will be carried out with the full co-operation of the States in Government teaching institutions — Technical Colleges and Universities. Private institutions are being used for courses not taught in Government schools, e.g., hairdressing, chiropody, radio. Ordinary civilian courses will be followed, and the usual certificate of proficiency will be earned.

Organising the scheme is the Central Reconstruction Training Committee. In each State there is a Regional Committee which deals with applications, and through the training authorities starts men and women in their courses of training and arranges the payment of the living allowance. Both the Central and Regional Committees are appointed by the Ministry of Post-War Reconstruction and consist of representatives of the four training authorities referred to in Section 5 below, representatives of Employers' and Employees' Associations, and of Ex-Servicemen's Associations.

## **4. How can I apply?**

Applications for training can be made either on discharge, at the Rehabilitation Section at GDD, or after discharge to the Regional Reconstruction Training Committee of each State.

Addresses are given in full at the end of this pamphlet.

Applicants who are rejected for training have the right of appeal to the Regional Committee, and if rejected by that body, to the Central Committee, whose address is 8 Degraeves Street, Melbourne.

Soldiers discharged during the war who go straight into employment retain their eligibility to apply for training until twelve months after discharge, or twelve months after the cessation of hostilities, whichever is the later.

## **5. What types of Training are offered?**

Four types of full-time training are offered under the Scheme:—

(i) *Professional Training*, at Universities, Teachers' Colleges, Theological Colleges, and similar institutions, is carried out by the Universities Commission. Professional courses at Technical Colleges are arranged by the Director of Industrial Training, Department of Labour and National Service. Training will be free for three years, after which the living allowance will be paid to the student in the form of a loan, which the trainee repays (excluding amounts received for dependants) later on with 2% interest. Students study the normal University course.

(ii) *Vocational Training*, at Technical Schools and Colleges and Schools of Mines, is carried out by the Department of Labour and National Service. Students in certain trades will be trained in Technical schools until they reach a standard of proficiency equal to an earning capacity of 40% of the award rate payable in the trade in which they are being trained. They will then be placed in employment, paid full award rates and continue their training "on the job." At this stage 40% of the wage is paid by the employer and 60% by the Commonwealth. This "on the job" training takes the place of apprenticeship, so that men who are too old to become apprentices (i.e., in general, over 21) can be admitted to trades. During "on the job" training an Industrial Committee, composed of a representative of the Employers in the trade, a representative of the Employees, and a representative of the Training Authority will assess the

student's skill from time to time until he reaches 100% proficiency. As the trainee's proficiency increases, the employer's contribution towards the wage becomes greater, and the contribution of the Commonwealth less, until, when 100% proficiency is reached, the employer is paying the full amount of the award rate. Industrial Committees of this nature were appointed to do this job in the vocational training scheme conducted by the Repatriation Commission after the last war, and were highly successful, and there is every reason to believe that this time, too, they will be a success.

(iii) *Agricultural Training*, for soldiers who wish to go on the land. A Rural Reconstruction Training Authority will be appointed. The greater part of training will probably be given on approved farms, although Agricultural Colleges will also be used. Men will in this way get practical experience of the working of a farm, rather than mass instruction in isolated subjects.

(iv) *Training of the disabled*, in particular the war blinded, and soldiers incapacitated to a high degree because of their war service, is undertaken by the Repatriation Commission.

In addition to full-time training, the following types are available:—

*Refresher Training* is available for soldiers who desire to brush up their knowledge or skill, because long service in the Forces has taken them away from their former job. There have been developments in certain trades and professions, and soldiers who wish to familiarise themselves with these can do so through refresher training. Short courses in each trade and profession will be arranged by Professional and Industrial Committees in each State, who are in a position to know the needs of the soldier, and what new developments he has missed owing to his war service. One of these committees has been appointed in N.S.W. to arrange refresher courses in Law; it has arranged for lectures on such subjects as the National Security Regulations, to bring ex-service students up to date in their knowledge.

*Part-Time Training*, or spare time courses, by attending evening classes, or by correspondence tuition is available for men and women who desire to complete

a course begun under A.A. Education Service, or who wish to improve their occupational status, or who are doing full-time training and to whom a part-time course would be a helpful addition. A course which will improve occupational status includes any course at primary, secondary or technical schools which will in any way assist a man at his job—in arithmetic, bookkeeping, or whatever the subject may be.

University courses may also be studied part-time. Part-time training will be granted very liberally, particularly to students who wish to complete a course begun in the forces through A.A. Education Service. Home duties are regarded as an "Occupation" for women, and servicewomen may receive part-time training in domestic subjects on discharge. Men and women taking part-time training may be in a job during the day. No living allowance is paid to part-time trainees, but tuition fees and incidental expenses up to £60 are paid.

## 6. Who is eligible?

On reading through the categories of eligibility which are quoted below, it will be noticed that there is no intention of giving free training to men and women who are already trained for a job, except refresher training where it is necessary to recover skill lost on service, or part-time training to improve a man's occupational status. The ones who get the training are those who need it.

### **Full-Time Professional Training**

CATEGORY 1.—Members who, because of war-caused incapacity are unable to return to their pre-war occupation.

*Note.*—War caused incapacity is determined by the Repatriation Commission in respect of pension claims. Category 7 may be used in some cases instead of this category to save reference to the Repatriation Commission for determination of the question of whether the disability is "war caused." Category 7 is, however, restricted to members who cannot, without full-time training, be found other suitable employment. Members not having a pre-war occupation are also included in Category 1.



**CATEGORY 2.**—Members who desire to complete a full-time professional course which has been interrupted by their war service.

*Note.*—To be eligible under this category applicants must have been studying a full-time course immediately before enlistment.

**CATEGORY 3.**—Members who:

(i) enlisted on or before their 21st birthday, and have passed or appear likely, within a specified time, to pass the examination to qualify for admission to the selected institution; or

(ii) although over 21 years at date of enlistment can show that they had contemplated a professional course before entering on war service, and have passed or appear likely within a specified time to pass the examination to qualify for admission to the selected institution.

*Note.*—“Specified time.” Trainees studying full-time will have fees paid and be given the living allowance for one year to enable them to pass the entrance examination for the course they have chosen. Students studying part-time will be expected to qualify in two years. In exceptional cases, e.g., the disabled, this period will be extended. Living allowance and fees for this period of “qualifying training” will be in addition to subsequent training allowances.

“Contemplation” of a course is not just desire to do the course. Some evidence must be produced to show that the course was, in fact, contemplated before enlistment, e.g., recent matriculation or entrance qualification, attendance at coaching colleges, full- or part-time attendance at University or Technical College, a letter to the principal of a college asking for details of a course. It must be proved that, but for the war, the soldier would now be studying the desired course.

**CATEGORY 4.**—Members who, because of war-caused incapacity, are unable to carry on the specialised part of the profession in which they were formerly engaged, and desire to acquire proficiency in some other part of the same profession, or to qualify within a specified time for another profession for which they may be adjudged suitable by the Regional Committee.

*Note.*—Any man wishing to transfer to another profession will be tested for suitability.

**CATEGORY 5.**—Members who because of prolonged dissociation from the practice of their profession can satisfy the Regional Committee of their need for a short refresher course.

*Note.*—Refresher courses may be undertaken full-time or part-time, but they must be in the profession which is the normal occupation of the student.

**CATEGORY 6.**—Members who have displayed during their war-service (including studies under the Services Education Schemes) conspicuous mental ability, and who can satisfy the Regional Committee of their suitability for a professional calling calculated substantially to improve their economic status and who have passed, or seem likely to pass within a specified time, the entrance examination to the selected institution.

*Note.*—Evidence of conspicuous mental ability will be shown in such ways as rapid promotion, nature of appointment held, technical skill. A Company Commander who, before the war, was a messenger, would be said to have shown conspicuous ability.

Specified time—soldiers studying full-time will be expected to qualify in one year. In exceptional cases, e.g., the disabled, the time may be extended.

**CATEGORY 7.**—Members who, because of disablement existing at the date of discharge, are unable to return to their pre-war profession, and cannot without full-time professional training be found other suitable employment.

Provided that the disablement was not self-inflicted, or wilfully concealed on enlistment, or incurred in circumstances which in the opinion of the Regional Committee were substantially due to the member's own actions or default.

*Note.*—To become eligible under this category, members must be unable to find suitable employment without full-time training.

### **Full-Time Vocational Training**

Training will not be given at present in any of the trades covered by the National Security (Dilution) Regulations. These trades are at present: Engineering,

Boilermaking, Welding, Electrical, Sheet Metal, Blacksmithing, Metal Moulding, Boot (other than repairing), and Shipbuilding.

**CATEGORY 1.**—Members who, because of war-caused incapacity, are unable to return to their pre-war occupation.

(See Note on Category 1, professional training.)

**CATEGORY 2.**—Members who, having enlisted on or before their 21st birthday, and not having then acquired any definite vocational skill, desire to enter upon a course for which they are adjudged suitable by the Regional Committee.

*Note.*—Definite vocational skill means skill and employment which is in demand and will insure employment in an established skilled adult vocation or calling.

**CATEGORY 3.**—Members who have displayed during their war service conspicuous ability and can satisfy the Regional Committee of their suitability and willingness:

- (i) to complete vocational courses begun in the Services, or
- (ii) to undertake successfully a vocational course which will substantially improve their occupational status.

*Note.*—Conspicuous ability turns on the contrast between the career in the Services and the pre-enlistment occupation.

**CATEGORY 4.**—Members who desire and can show that they have the ability and will to undertake intensive courses to enable vocational skills previously acquired in civil life or in the Services, but which have come to be in over-supply, to be satisfactorily converted to new vocational skills which have come to be in demand.

**CATEGORY 5.**—Members who, having been self-employed prior to enlistment and who are unable to resume their former activities, but can be suitably re-established by being trained for a skilled or semi-skilled calling for which there is a demand.

*Note.*—A skilled calling is one usually requiring three or more years of training and experience gained in employment such as apprenticeship, learnership, etc.

A semi-skilled calling is an established adult trade or occupation requiring a course of training and experience of from one to three years.

**CATEGORY 6.**—Members who, because of prolonged dissociation from their vocation, or their specialised part of it, or because of a specialisation in one part of it, can satisfy the prescribed authority of their need for a short refresher course. The course must be in the previous vocation.

**CATEGORY 7.**—Members who, because of disablement existing at the date of discharge, are unable to return to their pre-war occupation and cannot without full-time training be found other suitable employment. Provided that the disablement was not self-inflicted or wilfully concealed on enlistment, or incurred in circumstances which in the opinion of the Regional Committee were substantially due to the member's own actions or default.

(See Note on Category 7 to Professional Training.)

### **Part-Time Training (by Class Instruction or Correspondence)**

(a) Members who commenced and showed aptitude for an approved course of professional, vocational, cultural or general educational training under the Services Education Schemes or as a prisoner of war, and desire to complete such a course.

*Note.*—Courses begun in the Services with private institutions are divided into units, and the member may only complete the unit he has commenced. The question of completing further units must be determined under clauses (b) and (c).

(b) Members who desire to enter upon an approved part-time course with a view to improving their occupational status.

*Note.*—Occupational status includes home duties for service women.

(c) Members who, while undergoing full-time vocational training can satisfy the Regional Committee that a part-time course is a desirable addition.

*Note.*—It is intended that part-time training will be granted very liberally, and subject only to the prerequisites normally required of civilian applicants.

## 7. Who is selected for training?

Because a soldier is eligible for training it does not mean that he will be automatically selected.

Besides coming within one of the categories above, he must be suitable for the particular occupation desired, both physically and temperamentally. He must also have the educational qualifications necessary. For instance, it would be inadvisable for a man with merit certificate to apply for a course which requires matriculation for entry, as do the majority of University courses, as it would take him so long to reach matriculation standard.

The second factor which decides whether a man will be selected for the course he desires is the existence of quotas and other conditions applying to the admission of men to trades and occupations, determined by the governing bodies of those occupations. Training will not be given for occupations in which there is little prospect of employment.

To sum up, in order to be selected for training men must—

- (1) be eligible;
- (2) be suitable for the course;
- (3) choose, or be advised to choose, a course leading to an occupation in which prospects of employment are reasonable.

The Ministry of Post-War Reconstruction is at present working on the question of quotas in each occupation in conjunction with Trade Unions and Employers' Organisations. As regards training for industry during the war, arrangements have been made with the A.C.T.U. and Employers' Organisations to enable service men and women who are suitable for training to be trained and fitted into trades as opportunities arise during the war, by means of local negotiations.

## 8. Living allowance and other grants.

### **Full-Time Training**

An ex-serviceman in full-time training will receive the following living allowance:—

Single man or widower without dependants—  
£3/5/- per week.

Married or single man with one adult dependant—  
£4/16/- per week.

Married man with two or more dependants—  
£5/5/- per week.

Man with one or more dependent children, but no dependent adult, for example, widower or divorcee maintaining children only, will be paid £3/5/- per week, plus 9/- for each child up to a maximum £5/5/-.

Normally total dependancy will be assumed in the case of wives and of children under 16 years of age. Where the soldier claims that other persons are dependent or partially dependent on him, this fact will be verified from information held at the Army Finance Office.

The living allowance (other than allowance made for the trainee's dependants) paid to a man or woman during the fourth and subsequent years of professional training is made in the form of a loan, and is repayable by the trainee when he is established, with interest at 2% per annum.

*Rural Training.*—When trainees live-in during their course of training, deduction for board and lodging will be made from the living allowance.

### **Books, Tools and Equipment**

Members in full-time training will be given a grant with which to purchase books, tools or essential instruments, or tools of trade may be issued to them in accordance with the following scale:—

(i) *Full-time professional training:*

For books—a gift up to £10 per annum.

For instruments and equipment—a gift up to £20 per annum.

(ii) *Full-time vocational training:*

For books—a gift up to £10 per annum.

For tools of trade or equipment—a gift up to £10, and a loan of up to £40.

Tools and equipment furnished as a gift will not become the member's personal possession until 12 months after he has received them; they will remain the property of the Repatriation Commission during those 12 months, and the Commission may recall them at any time if not satisfied that the articles are being put to proper use.

### Other Allowances

*Travelling.*—Where ex-servicemen have to travel more than 15 miles for interview, psychological test, appeal to the Regional or Central Committees, or to begin training, the Regional Committee, or Training body which requests the member to travel will arrange for the payment of sustenance expenses necessarily incurred up to 12/- per day plus a second-class railway voucher.

### Living Away from Home Allowance

Where a trainee must live during his course of training in a town other than that in which he is normally domiciled the following allowances will be paid in addition to the living allowance:—

*Single man (no dependants)* — 15/- per week during the first four weeks of residence in the new location.

*Married man without children* — during the first four weeks of the period, 30/- per week, and 15/- per week during the subsequent period of living away from home.

*Married man with children* — 30/- per week during the entire period.

### Deductions from Living Allowances

The following will be deducted from living allowances paid to students in training:—

(i) If trainees are in paid employment during vacations, any earnings above £2 per week.

(ii) Any salary earned in industrial establishments, apprenticeships and the like during the training.

(iii) If a trainee is in receipt of a scholarship which is in fact intended to provide him with funds for board and lodging to allow him to continue his studies, the scholarship will be deducted from the living allowance paid to the trainee. Where a scholarship amounts to more than £50, but is not large enough to cover the cost of board and lodging, any amount in excess of £50 will be regarded as a living allowance, and be deducted from living allowances paid. Prizes will not be deducted, as they carry no obligation of further attendance at a course.

(iv) If a trainee must "live in" at the teaching institution, deduction will be made for board and lodging at a rate to be determined.

### Living Allowances for Women

Living allowances for ex-servicewomen and for widows of deceased members are as follows:—

Women living at a home not maintained by herself — £2 per week.

Women not living at such a home, or with dependants to support — £2/15/- per week.

Widows of soldiers whose death is due to war service as recognised by the Repatriation Commission are eligible for training under the Scheme. However, the amount of war pension which the widow receives, excluding the amount for any dependants, will be deducted from the living allowance payable to her.

Married women supported by their husbands will not be paid a living allowance during training unless special circumstances exist; these may be presented to the Regional Committee for consideration.

Living away from home allowances may be authorised where necessary up to, but not exceeding the living away from home allowances payable to male trainees.

### Part-Time Training

Tuition fees, and expenses incidental to tuition for part-time professional and vocational training will be met up to a limit of £60.

Expenses incidental to tuition includes for technical type trainees, examination fees, the cost of set text books, and such items as drawing instruments, chemical apparatus, tools, etc.

As the fees covering most evening or part-time University courses will exceed £60, the Universities Commission proposes in general to limit benefits to the payment of compulsory fees. In special cases it may be possible to make some allowance for text books and other expenditure.

### Qualifying Training

Living allowance during the period of qualifying training (see Note on Category 3, full-time Professional Training) will be paid at the same rate as for full-time training, and in addition to any allowances the student may receive for full-time training at a later date.

# ADDRESSES OF REGIONAL RECONSTRUCTION TRAINING COMMITTEES

## **Queensland:**

Regional Reconstruction Training Committee,  
City Mutual Buildings,  
Queen Street,  
BRISBANE.

## **New South Wales:**

Regional Reconstruction Training Committee,  
Shell House,  
Carrington Street,  
SYDNEY.

## **Victoria:**

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Regional Reconstruction Training Committee,  
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Victoria Insurance Building,  
St. George's Terrace,  
PERTH.

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Cr. Elizabeth & Liverpool Street,  
HOBART.

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7. JONES (8 Bn)
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9. HARPUR (23 Bde)
10. DYNES (23 Bde)
11. COX (17 Fd Amb)
12. McCANN (27 Bn)
13. WALSH (17 Fd Amb)
14. WALLIKER (27 Bn) V Capt
15. ROBERTS (23 Fd Coy)
16. WILSON (8 Bn) Capt
17. RIDLEY (27 Bn)
18. McHARDY (27 Bn)

1. SANDERSON (17 Fd Amb)
2. EGAN (8 Bn)
4. COWPER (27 Bn)
5. GRIFFITHS (27 Bn) Vice Capt
6. MARTIN (23 Bde)
7. LEARY (23 Bde)
8. CARRELL (27 Bn)
9. RIX (23 Bde) Capt
10. PELVIN (27 Bn)
11. MANSSELL (23 Bde)
12. SEMIENS (27 Bn)
14. WALKER (23 Bde)
15. DAVIDSON (17 Fd Amb)
16. McINTOSH (17 Fd Amb)
17. LANE (23 Bde)
19. EDMONDS (23 Fd Coy)
20. GURNEY (27 Bn)
21. CONSIDINE (23 Bde)

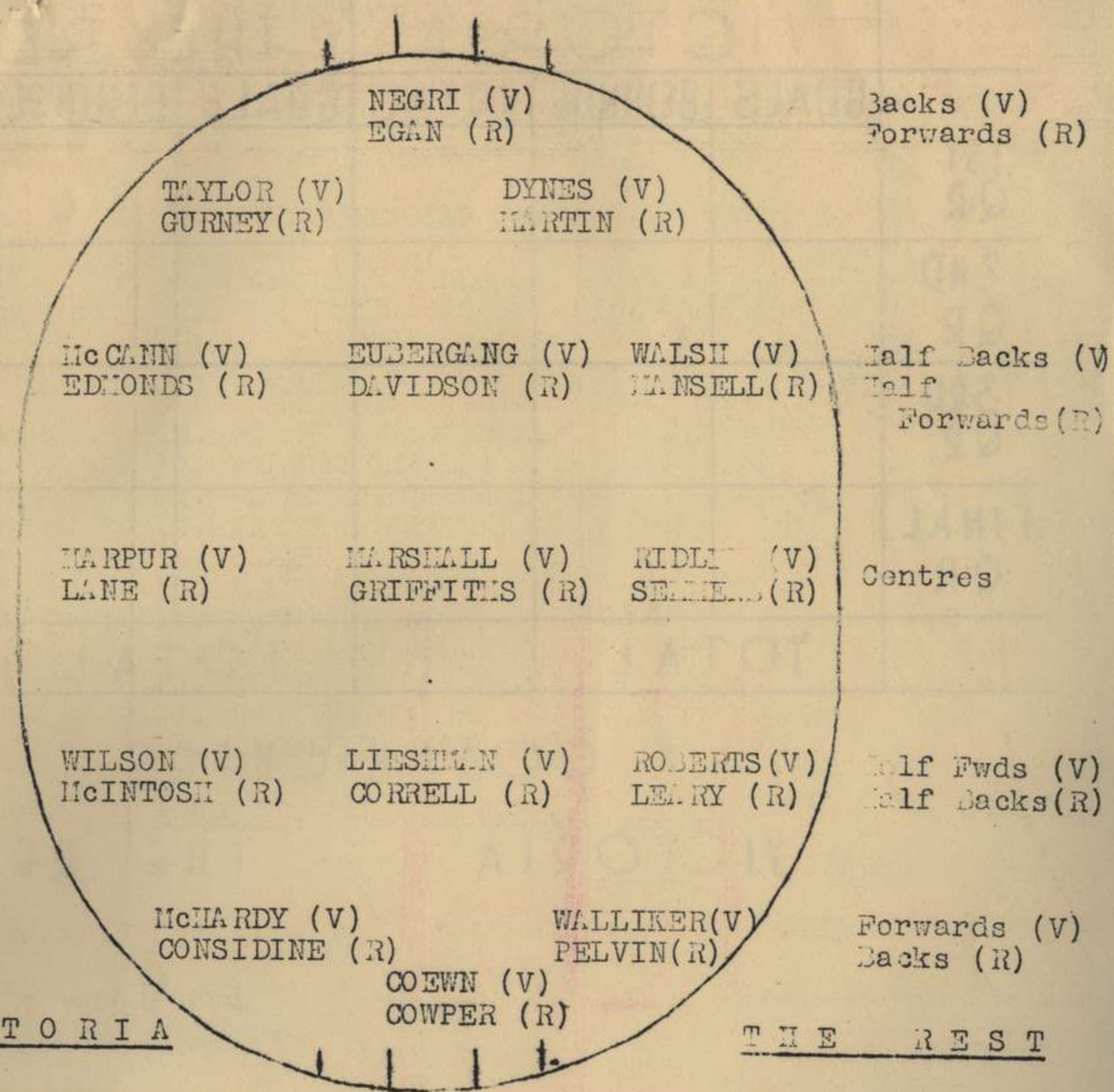
19th Man NEWMAN (8 Bn)

19th Man WRIGHT (27 Bn)

Umpire McMURRAY

Time 0930 hrs Sunday 18 Nov '45

Location 23 Bde Oval - Corps Road



VICTORIA  
 Rucks - JONES COX  
 Rover - PRIESTLEY

THE REST  
 Rucks - WALKER SANDERSON  
 Rover - RIX

# SCORE

	VICTORIA			THE REST		
	GOALS	BEHINDS	TOTAL	GOALS	BEHINDS	TOTAL
1ST QR						
2ND QR						
3RD QR						
FINAL QR						
	TOTAL			TOTAL		

## GOALKICKERS

VICTORIA

THE REST



# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008  
(Adapted) (Page 1)  
(Revised Jan., 1943)  
44 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 3 11 / 1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 20 O.R's 67 + OFFRS. O.R's ATT. BY W.E.

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

WE  
1  
2  
11  
6

20

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10				
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'fts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'fts Required.				
			1	Brigadier *									
			1	Lieut.-Colonels *									
	1		1	Majors									
	2	1	10	Captains									
	1		5	Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
	4	1	17										
		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.		17									17
		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.
NX134323	Capt	McKEW G D B	HQ 7 Inf Bde	29/10/45	Appointed TO vide 3 div A1/341 of 17 Oct 45

### 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 3 11 / 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.
Brig	VX 1574	FORTS	A W	Bde			
Capt (T/Maj)	VX 29376	DIXON	R P	Comd	Yes		W/N/281
Capt	VX117148	MACONACHIE	G R	SM(L)	"		V/N/254 S
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114122	FARRAR	G C	SO	"		V/N/197
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114120	TREVENEN	J L	IO	"		V/N/201
Capt	NX134323	McKEN	G D B	TO	"		V/N/146
Capt	VX 47188	WORRALL	E S	LO 1	"		N/N/145
Lt	VX 28748	WRIGHT	G D	LO 2	"		V/N/233
							W/N/189
<b>SERVICES</b>							
Capt	VX 39042	POWELL	L G	BASCO	NO	Emergency Leave	
Capt	NX121135	EWING	R M	AALC	Yes		N/N/197
Lt	VX100371	WILSON	AWP	SOO	"		V/N/232
Lt	VX 30121	JONES	R E	SO	"		W/N/209
Lt	NX105757	ELLIOTT	A G	HO	"		N/N/247
Lt	SX 28244	RIX	C C	AO	"		S/A/193
<b>CHAPLAINS</b>							
	NX102533	FRY	F J	Chaplain	4th	Class Det	7 Bn
	VX 94301	PILKINGTON	GDH	do	do		8 Bn
	SX 32801	RAWLINS	HEA	do	do		27 Bn

**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.

3 Nov 45

Date of Despatch

*G Macnachie* Capt  
for Capt  
Signature of Commander

# FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 3 11 / 5 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 20 O.R.'s. 67 + OFFRS. O.R.'s. ATT. BY W.E.

### Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E.	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.
			<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	W.Os. Class I.					
<u>2</u>			<u>1</u>	<u>3</u>	W.Os. Class II.					
<u>1</u>				<u>1</u>	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
<u>1</u>			<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	Staff Sergeants					
<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>	Sergeants					
<u>10</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>13</u>	Corporals					
<u>49</u>		<u>22</u>	<u>71</u>	<u>71</u>	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
					Civilians counting as O.R.					
<u>67</u>	<u>*</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>31</u>	<u>96</u>	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.				<u>*</u>	<u>*</u>

Analysis of Part A to be shown here by ALL units. Only units notified in para. 7 of instructions for compilation of this return will complete analysis of Part B(1) and B(2).	Detail	A.A.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.	10 Years and over.							
** 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.	A	<u>94</u>		<u>2</u>							<u>96</u>
	B(1)										
	B(2)										

### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
<u>1</u>	<u>LHQ AAES Pool</u>			<u>13</u>	<u>Leave</u>		
				<u>14</u>	<u>HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde</u>		
				<u>1</u>	<u>227 Sup Dep Pl</u>		

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

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

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 3 / 11 / 1945**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
<b>AAOC</b> Ammunition Examiners	1	1	-	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				Stevedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				<b>GROUP II.</b>				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	-	1	-	Winchman				<b>AAOC Clerk</b>	1	1	-
Draughtsmen (Topographical)	2	2	-	Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				<b>AAOC "</b>	1	2	-
Electricians				Cooks	3	3	-	Woodturners				<b>AAES "</b>	1	-	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								<b>AAAS "</b>	1	1	-
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								<b>AAOC "</b>	-	1	-
Fitters				Driver-Operator								<b>AAOC Stmn</b>	-	1	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								<b>NONTRADESMEN</b>			
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								<b>Batmen</b>	13	11	-
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								<b>Dvrs MT</b>	9	15	-
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators				<b>GROUP III.</b>				<b>XXXXXXXXX</b>			
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				Battery Surveyors				<b>NON-TRADESMEN.</b>			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Butchers				<b>Orderlies</b>	9	12	-
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Clerks	4	5	-	<b>Water duty</b>	1	1	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks, Supply				<b>Hyg duty</b>	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Technical				<b>Gen duty</b>	3	19	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	7	-	Coach Trimmers				<b>Storeman</b>	1	3	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Concretors				<b>Mess Cpl</b>	1	1	-
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Cooks				<b>Tpt Sgt</b>	1	1	-
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Dental Clerk Orderlies				<b>QQMS</b>	1	1	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Despatch Elders				<b>GSM</b>	1	2	-
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Draughtsmen, Signals				<b>XXXXXXXXX</b>			
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Drivers, H.T.				<b>ATTACHED BY W.E.</b>			
Pattern Maker				Masons				Driver Mechanics				<b>RSM</b>		1	-
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Tptn. Plant				<b>AAOC Batman</b>	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Engine Hands, I.C.				<b>AALC "</b>	1	1	-
Photowriter				Miners				Equipment Repairers				<b>AAOC "</b>	1	-	-
Plumber				Moulders				Farriers				<b>AACHD "</b>	3	-	-
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Fitters' Mates				<b>AAAC Ord</b>	1	1	-
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Gun Layers				<b>AAES Batmn</b>	1	-	-
												<b>Dvr</b>	1	-	-
<b>CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>CARRIED FORWARD</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>-</b>	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	<b>67</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>-</b>

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.

3 Nov 45

Date of Despatch

*[Signature]*  
Capt  
HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde  
Signature of Commander



# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

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

45 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 10 / 11 / 1945 HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 20 O.R's. 67 + OFFRS. O.R's. 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.					
WE					*										
1				1	* Brigadier										
2		1		1	Lieut.-Colonels										
11		2	1	10	Majors										
6		1		5	Captains										
					Lieutenants										
					Quarter-masters										
					A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.										
					Civilians Counting as Offrs.										
20		4	1	17											
					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.	17									17
					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 10 11 /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.
Brigadier	WX 1574	POTTS	A W	Bde Comd	Yes	W/N/281	
Capt (T/Maj)	VX 10378	DIXON	R F	BM	"	V/N/254 S	
Capt	VX117148	MAGONACHIE	G R	BM(L)	"	V/N/197	
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114182	FARRAR	G G	SC	"	V/N/201	
Lt (T/Capt)	VX114120	TREVENEN	J L	IO	"	V/N/146	
Capt	NK134323	McKEW	G D B	TO	"	N/N/140	
Capt	VX 47188	WORRALL	E S	LO 1	"	V/N/233	
Lt	WX 28748	WRIGHT	G D	LO 2	"	W/N/189	
<b>SERVICES</b>							
Capt	VX 39042	POWELL	L G	BASCO	NO	Emergency Leave	
Capt	NK121135	EWING	R M	AALC	Yes	N/N/197	
Lt	VX100371	WILSON	AWF	BOO	"	V/N/232	
Lt	WX 30121	JONES	R E	EO	"	W/N/209	
Lt	NX105757	ELLIOTT	A G	HO	"	N/N/247	
Lt	SX 28244	RIX	G G	AO	"	S/N/193	
<b>Chaplains</b>							
	NX162533	FRY	F J	Chaplain 4th class Det		7 Bn	
	VX 94301	PILKINGTON	CDH	do		8 "	
	SX 32801	RAWLINS	NEA	do		27 "	

**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.
Lt	SX 11347	SCOTT R G	HQ 3 Div	2/11/45	For duty with War Crimes Com

10 Nov 45

Date of Despatch

*[Signature]* Capt  
Signature of Commanding Officer  
HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

## FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 10 / 11 / 1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS. 20 O.R's. 67 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

### Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
Reinfts. Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Reinfts. Required.
		1	1	W.Os. Class I.					
		1	3	W.Os. Class II.					
			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
		1	3	Staff Sergeants					
	1	1	4	Sergeants					
	1	4	13	Corporals					
		23	72	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
				Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.					
67	2	31	96						

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	C.M.P.		A.W.A.S.	A.A.M.W.S.	CIVIL	R.A.N.	R.A.A.F.	**	TOTAL.
	A.I.F.	Under 19 Years.							
A	94								96
B(1)									
B(2)									

#### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	LHQ AAES Pool			13	Leave		
1	HQ 3 Aust Div			14	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde		
				1	227 Sup Dep Pl		

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

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



**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 10 / 11 / 1945**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
<b>AAOC</b> Ammunition Examiners	1	1	-	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				Rangefakers			
Armament Artificer Signals				Welders				Painters				Rivetters			
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				Stvedores			
Computers								Riggers				Stokers, Staty. Engine			
Cooks, Hospital				<b>GROUP II.</b>				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)	2	2	-	Carpenters and Joiners				Wireman				<b>AALC Clerk</b>	1	1	-
Electricians				Cooks	3	4	-	Woodturners				<b>AASC "</b>	1	2	-
Electricians (M.V.)				Dental Mechanics								<b>AAES "</b>	1	-	-
Electricians (Signals)				Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)								<b>AAAS "</b>	1	1	-
Fitters				Driver-Operator								<b>AAOC "</b>	-	1	-
Fitters (Cycle)				Drainers								<b>AAOC Stmn</b>	-	1	-
Fitters (Electrical)				Electricians								<b>NONTRADESMEN</b>			
Fitters (Gun)				Electricians (Engineers)								<b>Batmen</b>	13	10	-
Fitters (Instrument)				Fire Control Operators								<b>Dvrs MT</b>	9	15	-
Fitters (M.V.)				Gun Operator				<b>GROUP III.</b>				<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>			
Fitters, Railway Signal				Hatchman				Battery Surveyors				<b>NON-TRADESMEN.</b>			
Fitters, Signals				Height Taker				Butchers				<b>Orderlies</b>	9	13	-
Grinder, Precision				Helio Operator				Clerks	4	5	-	<b>Water duty</b>	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument				Instrument Operator				Clerks, Supply				<b>Hyg duty</b>	1	1	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)				Intelligence Duties	4	7	-	Clerks, Technical				<b>Gen duty</b>	3	19	-
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)				Joiners				Coach Trimmers				<b>Storeman</b>	1	3	-
Mechanics, Radio				Lineman				Concretors				<b>Mess Cpl</b>	1	1	-
Mechanics, Typewriter				Lineman, Signals				Cooks				<b>Tot Sgt</b>	1	-	-
Mechanics, Wireless				Lithographers				Dental Clerk Orderlies				<b>CQMS</b>	1	1	-
Millwrights				Machinists, Metal				Despatch Riders				<b>CSM</b>	1	2	-
Operators, Excavator				Machinists, Wood				Draughtsmen, Signals				<del>XXXXXXXXXX</del>			
Pattern Maker				Masons				Drivers, H.T.				<b>RSM</b>	-	1	-
Pharmacist				Masseurs				Driver Mechanics				<b>AASC Batman</b>	1	1	-
Photographer, Wet Plate				Mechanics, M.T.				Driver Tptn. Plant				<b>AALC "</b>	1	1	-
Photowriter				Miners				Engine Hands, I.C.				<b>AAOC "</b>	1	-	-
Plumber				Moulders				Equipment Repairers				<b>AACHD "</b>	3	-	-
Saw Doctors				Nurses, Trained				Farriers				<b>AAMC Ord</b>	1	1	-
Surveyors				Observation Post Assts.				Fitters' Mates				<b>AAES Batmn</b>			
								Gun Layers				<b>Dvr</b>	1	-	-
CARRIED FORWARD	3	3	-	CARRIED FORWARD	10	15	-	CARRIED FORWARD	14	20		Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	67	96	-

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.

10 Nov 45

Date of Despatch

Signed *[Signature]* Capt

Capt



*Diary*

**FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS**

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

46 / 45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 17 / 11 / 1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11 / 2 / 4 OFFRS 20 O.R's 67 + OFFRS. O.R's ATT. BY W.E.

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

WE  
1  
2  
11  
6

20

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
			1	Brigadier *									
				Lieut.-Colonels									
	1		1	Majors									
	2	1	10	Captains									
	1		5	Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
	4	1	17										
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).		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.		17									17
		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 ...../...../194. (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.
Brigadier	WX 1574	POTTS	A W	Bde Comd	Yes		
Capt (T/Maj)	VX 10378	DIXON	R F	Bn	"	W/N/281	
Capt	VX 117148	MACONACHIE	G R	Bn(L)	"	V/N/254 S	
Lt (T/Capt)	VX 114122	FARRAR	G C	SC	"	V/N/197	
Lt (T/Capt)	VX 114120	TREVENEN	J L	IC	"	V/N/201	
Capt	NX 134323	McKEW	G D	BTO	"	V/N/146	
Capt	VX47138	WORTHALL	E S	LO 1	"	N/N/140	
Lt	WX 29746	WRIGHT	G D	LO 2	"	V/N/233	
						W/N/189	
<b>SERVICES</b>							
Capt	VX 39042	POWELL	L G	BASCO	NO	Emergency Leave	
Capt	NX 121135	EWING	R M	AALC	Yes		N/N.197
Lt	VX 100371	WILSON	A W P	BOO	"		V/N/232
Lt	WX 30121	JONES	R E	EO	"		W/N/209
Lt	NX 105757	ELLIOTT	A G	HO	"		N/N/247
Lt	SX 28244	RIX	C C	AO	"		S/N/193
<b>CHA PLAINS</b>							
	NX 162533	FRY	F J	Chaplain 4th Class Det			7 Bn
	VX 94301	PILKINGTON	C D H	"			8 Bn
	SX 32801	RAWLINS	H E A	"			27 Bn

**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.
Lt	SX 11347	SCOTT	R G HQ 3 Div	2/11/45	Per duty with War Crimes Commission

17 Nov 45  
Date of Despatch

*[Signature]*  
EQ 23 Aust Inf Bde Capt  
Signature of Commanding Officer

## FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 17/11/1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11/2/4 OFFRS 20 O.R's 67 + OFFRS ..... O.R's ..... ATT. BY W.E.

### Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.				
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.	10 Reinfts. Required.
		1	1	W.Os. Class I.					
2	1	1	2	W.Os. Class II.					
1			1	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.					
1		1	2	Staff Sergeants					
4	2	2	4	Sergeants					
10	1	4	13	Corporals					
49		24	73	Troopers, Privates, etc.					
				Civilians counting as O.R.					
67	*	4	33	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2.		*			*

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	43		3							96
B(1)										
B(2)										

### Part B. Other Ranks Attached from Other Units.

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

Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which they belong	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.	Number of O.Rs.	Unit to which detached.
1	LHQ AAES Pool			12	Leave		
1	HQ 3 Aust Div			14	HQ 7 Aust Inf Bde		
				1	227 Sup Dep Pl		

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

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

**PART E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 17/ Nov/ 1945**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)		
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
1	1	-	Surveyors, Engineering			Operating Room Assts.			G.P.O. Assistants		
			Surveyors, R.A.A.			Operator, Keyboard			Hammermen		
			Surveyors, Topographical			Operator, Line			Leather Stitches		
			Surveyors, Trigonometrical			Operator, Signal			Orderlies, Nursing		
			Toolmakers			Operator, Switchboard			Orderlies, Nursing Mental		
			Turners			Operator, Wireless			Plate Layers		
			Watchmakers			Opticians			Rangetakers		
			Welders			Painters			Elvetters		
						Panel Beaters			Boughriders		
						Photographer, Dry Plate			Saddlers		
						Predictor Numbers			Saddletree makers		
						Printers			Shoemaker and Boot Repairer		
						Radiographers			Stevedores		
						Riggers			Stokers, Staty. Engine		
			GROUP II.			Sawyers			Storemen, Technical		
			Armourers			Signallers			Tailors		
			Axemen			Signwriters			Textile Refitters		
			Bakers			Telescope Identfn. Numbers			Tinsmiths		
			Bty. Comd's. Asst.			Well Borers			Vulcanizers		
			Boilermakers			Wheelers			Wagon Erectors		
			Carpenters			Winchman			Whitesmiths		
			Carpenters and Joiners			Wireman			AALC Clerk	1	1
	2	2	Cooks	3	3	Woodturners			AASC "	1	1
			Dental Mechanics						AAES "	1	1
			Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)						AAAS "	1	1
			Driver-Operator						AAOC "	1	1
			Drainers						AAOC Stann	1	1
			Electricians						<del>NONTRADESMEN</del>		
			Electricians (M.V.)						Batmen	13	10
			Electricians (Signal)						DETAILS OF	13	13
			Fitters			GROUP III.			NONTRADESMEN		
			Fitters (Cycle)			Battery Surveyors			Orderlies	9	14
			Fitters (Electrical)			Butchers			Water duty	1	1
			Fitters (Gun)			Clerks			Hyg duty	1	1
			Fitters (Instrument)			Clerks, Supply	4	5	Gen duty	3	19
			Fitters (M.V.)			Clerks, Technical			Storeman	1	3
			Fitters, Railway Signal			Coach Trimmers			Mess Cpl	1	1
			Fitters, Signals			Concretors			Tpt Sgt	1	1
			Grinder, Precision			Cooks			CQMS	1	1
			Mechanics, Instrument			Dental Clerk Orderlies			CSM	1	2
			Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			Despatch Elders			ATTACHED BY W.E.		
			Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			Draughtsmen, Signals			AASC Batman	1	1
			Mechanics, Radio			Drivers, H.T.			AALC "	1	1
			Mechanics, Typewriter			Driver Mechanics			AAOC "	1	1
			Mechanics, Wireless			Driver Tptn. Plant			AAChD "	3	1
			Millwrights			Engine Hands, I.C.			AAMC Ord	1	1
			Operators, Excavator			Equipment Repairers			AAES Batman	1	1
			Pattern Maker			Farriers			DVR	1	1
			Pharmacist			Fitters' Mates					
			Photographer, Wet Plate			Gun Layers					
			Photowriter								
			Plumber								
			Saw Doctors								
			Surveyors								
CARRIED FORWARD	3	3	CARRIED FORWARD	10	13	CARRIED FORWARD	14	18	Totals of columns marked * to agree with columns 4 and 7, and 1 and 10 of Part A. respectively.	67	98

NOTES.—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.  
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(c) Where A.W.A.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are desired show details on back.  
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(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.

17 Nov 45  
Date of Despatch

Signature of Commander  
Capt  
HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde

**DETAILS OF WOs AND NCOs**

Part A of Army Form W.3009 at 0600 Hours Saturday 17 Nov 43

Part E. Detail of Present Strength and Reinforcements required as shown in

TRADE		RANK		WE		PS		DEFICIENT		SURPLUS	
Details of Trade	Details of Trade	Details of Trade	Details of Trade	Details of Trade	Details of Trade	Details of Trade	Details of Trade	Details of Trade	Details of Trade	Details of Trade	Details of Trade
Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1	Trade Gp 1
AAOC Amn Exam	Sgt	1	1								
Int Draughtsmen	Cpl	1	1								
Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2	Trade Gp 2
AAOC Cooks	Cpl	1	1								
Int duties	S/Sgt	1	2								
	Cpl	1	1								
Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3	Trade Gp 3
Inf Clerks	WO 11	1	1								
	Sgt	1	1								
	Cpl	1	1								
AAOC Clerk	Cpl	1	1								
	Sgt	1	1								
AAAS "	Sgt	1	1								
AAES "	Sgt	1	1								
AAOC "	Cpl	1	1								
AASC "	Cpl	1	2								
<b>NON TRADESMEN</b>											
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1								
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	1								
Gen duties	Cpl	1	3								
Mess Cpl	Cpl	1	1								
CSM	WO 11	1	2								
RSM	WO 1	1	1								
QMS	S/Sgt	1	1								
AAMC Ord	Cpl	1	1								
<b>PERSONNEL SURPLUS TO WE</b>											
VX 119783	WO 1			GARDNER		R P	Age 35		RSM	Surplus	
<p>NOTE—(a) If rank other than private is involved give details on back.          (b) Authorized trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in spaces provided.          (c) Where A.W.S. and/or A.A.M.W.S. personnel are detailed show details on back.          (d) Where replacement not detailed note accordingly on extent of instruction in col. "Reinfs. 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.</p>											

Signature of Commander: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Despatch: 17 Nov 43  
 L.H.O. Form 1743-11/44-104m.

# FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

Army Form W.3008  
(Adapted) (Page 1)  
(Revised Jan. 1942)

47/45 (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday 24/11/1945 HQ 23 Inf Bde (Unit)

W.E. 11/2/4 OFFRS. 20 O.R's. 67 + OFFRS. O.R's. ATT. BY W.E.

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

W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				DETAIL.	ATTACHED ALLOWED BY W.E.								
Rein'ts Required.	Deficient W.E.	Surplus to W.E.	Posted Strength.		Arm or Corps.	Posted Strength.	Surplus to W.E.	Deficient W.E.	Rein'ts Required.				
1			1	* Brigadier									
				Lieut.-Colonels									
2	2			Majors									
11	3		8	Captains									
6	1		5	Lieutenants									
				Quarter-masters									
				A.A.N.S. and A.A.M.W.S. Offrs.									
				Civilians Counting as Offrs.									
20	6		14										
		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.		14									14
		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.
VX134089	Chap	MAHER G	HQ First Army	22/11/45	ANS 10446 of 8/11/45

### OFFICERS QUITTED DURING WEEK.

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Unit To.	Date.	CAUSE.
VX 10378	T/Maj	DIXON R F	Dispersal Cen MELBOURNE	22/11/45	For demob - Longser
VX 47188	Capt	WORRALL E S	do	23/11/45	For demob - High prior
NX162533	Chap	FRY F J	7 Inf Bde	20/11/45	Att for mov & discharge

## 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 24 / 11 / 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.
Brigadier	WX 1574	POTTS	A W	Bde Comd	Yes	W/N/281	
Lt(T/Capt)	VX114122	FARRAR	G C	SC	"	V/N/201	
Lt(T/Capt)	VX114120	TREVENEN	J L	IO	"	V/N/146	
Capt	NX134323	McKEW	G D	TO	"	N/N/140	
Lt	WX 28748	WRIGHT	G D	LO 2	"	W/N/189	
<u>SERVICES</u>							
Capt	VX 39042	POWELL	L G	BASCO	NO	Emergency Leave	
Capt	NX121135	EWING	R M	AALC	Yes	N/N/197	
Lt	VX100371	WILSON	AWF	BOO	"	V/N/232	
Lt	WX 30121	JONES	R E	EO	"	W/N/209	
Lt	NE105757	ELLIOTT	A G	HO	"	N/N/247	
Lt	SX 28244	RIX	C C	AO	"	S/N/193	
<u>Chaplain</u>							
	VX134089	MAHER	G	Chaplain		4th class det	7 Bn
	VX-94301	PILKINGTON	CDM	do		do	8 Bn
	SX 32801	RAWLINS	HEA	do		do	27 Bn

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.
Lt	SX 11347	SCOTT R G	HQ 3 Div	2/11/45	For duty with War Crimes Commission

24 Nov 45

Date of Despatch

*[Signature]*  
Signature of Commanding Officer

**FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS**

**47** / **45** (Serial No.)

At 0600 Hrs. Saturday **24**/**11**/194**5** **HQ 23 Inf Bde**(Unit)

W.E. **11** / **2** / **4** OFFRS. **20** O.R.'s. **67** + OFFRS. O.R.'s. ATT. BY W.E.

**Part A. Posted Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements Required.**

1 W.E. EXCLUDING ATTACHED.				5 DETAIL.		6 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.
		<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	W.Os. Class I.						
<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>1</b>	W.Os. Class II.						
<b>1</b>			<b>1</b>	Squadron or Company Quartermaster Sgts.						
<b>1</b>			<b>1</b>	Staff Sergeants						
<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	Sergeants						
<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>11</b>	Corporals						
<b>49</b>		<b>13</b>	<b>62</b>	Troopers, Privates, etc.						
				Civilians counting as O.R.						
<b>67</b>	*	<b>5</b>	<b>81</b>	Totals of cols. marked * should agree with details shown in Part E on Page 2						*

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).

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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	<b>78</b>		<b>3</b>							<b>81</b>
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
<b>1</b>	<b>LHQ AAES Pod 1</b>			<b>13</b>	<b>Leave</b>		
<b>1</b>	<b>HQ 3 Div (AIF)</b>						

**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 24 / 11 / 1945.**

Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I.			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP I. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP II. (cont.)			Details of Tradesmen. GROUP III. (cont.)		
W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.	W.E.	Posted Strength.	Reints. Required.
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Ammunition Examiners			Surveyors, Engineering			Operating Room Assts.			G.P.O. Assistants		
Armament Artificer Fitter			Surveyors, E.A.A.			Operator, Keyboard			Hammermen		
Armament Artificer Fitter (Electrical)			Surveyors, Topographical			Operator, Line			Leather Stitches		
Armament Artificer Fitter (M.V.)			Surveyors, Trigonometrical			Operator, Signal			Orderlies, Nursing		
Armament Artificer Fitter (A.F.V.)			Toolmakers			Operator, Switchboard			Orderlies, Nursing Mental		
Armament Artificer Instrument			Turners			Operator, Wireless			Plate Layers		
Armament Artificer Radio			Watchmakers			Opticians			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)			Bollermakers			Wheelers			Wagon Erectors		
Draughtsmen (Mechanical)			Carpenters			Winchman			Whitesmiths		
Draughtsmen (Topographical)	2	2	Carpenters and Joiners			Wireman			AAIC Clerk	1	-
Electricians			Cooks	3	3	Woodturners			AAIC "	1	1
Electricians (M.V.)			Dental Mechanics						AAES "	1	-
Electricians (Signals)			Driver-Mech. (Eng. and Med.)						AAAS "	1	1
Fitters			Driver-Operator						AAOC "	-	1
Fitters (Cycle)			Drainers						AAOC Stmn	-	1
Fitters (Electrical)			Electricians						<b>NONTRADESMEN</b>		
Fitters (Gun)			Electricians (Engineers)						Batman	13	9
Fitters (Instrument)			Fire Control Operators			GROUP III.			DETAILS OF NON-TRADESMEN		
Fitters (M.V.)			Gun Operator			Battery Surveyors			Dvrs MT	9	12
Fitters, Railway Signal			Hatchman			Butchers			Orderlies	9	10
Fitters, Signals			Height Taker			Clerks	4	6	Water duty	1	1
Grinder, Precision			Helio Operator			Clerks, Supply			Hyg duty	1	1
Mechanics, Instrument			Instrument Operator			Clerks, Technical			Gen duth	3	15
Mechanics, Instrument (Signals)			Intelligence Duties	4	5	Coach Trimmers			Storemen	1	3
Mechanics, Instrument (Surgical)			Joiners			Concretors			Mess Cpl	1	1
Mechanics, Radio			Lineman			Cooks			Tpt Sgt	1	XX -
Mechanics, Typewriter			Lineman, Signals			Dental Clerk Orderlies			CONS	1	1
Mechanics, Wireless			Lithographers			Despatch Riders			CONS	1	1
Millwrights			Machinists, Metal			Draughtsmen, Signals			CONS	1	1
Operators, Excavator			Machinists, Wood			Drivers, H.T.			RSM	1	1
Pattern Maker			Masons			Driver Mechanics			AAIC Batman	1	1
Pharmacist			Massuers			Driver Tpin. Plant			AAIC "	1	1
Photographer, Wet Plate			Mechanics, M.T.			Engine Hands, I.C.			AAOC "	3	1
Photewriter			Miners			Equipment Repairers			AAChd "	1	1
Plumber			Moulders			Farriers			AAES Batman	1	1
Saw Doctors			Nurses, Trained			Fitters' Mates			DVT	1	-
Surveyors			Observation Post Assts.			Gun Layers			AAIC Ord	1	1
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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.

24 Nov 45

Date of Despatch

*[Signature]*  
SC 23 Inf Bde  
Signature of Commander

**DETAILS OF WOs AND NCOs**

<u>TRADE</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>WE</u>	<u>PS</u>	<u>Deficient</u>	<u>Surplus</u>
<b>Trade Op 1</b>					
AAOC Ann Exam	Sgt	1	1		
Int Draughtsmen	Cpl	1	1		
<b>Trade Op 2</b>					
AACC Cooks	Cpl	1	1		
Int duties	S/sgt	1	1	1	-
	Cpl	1	-		
<b>Trade Op 3</b>					
Inf Clerks	WO 11	1	-	1	-
	Sgt	-	2	-	2
	Cpl	1	1	-	
AALC Clerk	Cpl	1	-	1	-
AAAS "	Sgt	1	1	-	
AAES "	Sgt	1	-	1	-
AAOC "	Cpl	-	1	-	1
AASC "	Cpl	1	1	-	
<b>NON TRADESMEN</b>					
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1		
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	-	1	-
Gen duties	Cpl	1	3	-	2
Mess Cpl	Cpl	1	1		
CSM	WO 11	1	1		
RSM	WO 1	-	1	-	1
COMS	S/sgt	1	1		
AAMC Ord	Cpl	1	1		
<b>PERSONNEL SURPLUS TO WE</b>					
VX119783	WO 1	GARDINER	R P	Age 35	RSM Surplus (Leave)

NOTE: (a) If rank after this column is written, give details as well.  
 (b) Unassigned trades or specialties not included in list will be added as required in future reports.  
 (c) Where A.W.A. or A.M.W. is mentioned, the correct rank details are given.  
 (d) Where 'RSM' is mentioned, it is assumed to be a Reserve Sergeant Major unless otherwise stated.  
 (e) Where 'COMS' is mentioned, it is assumed to be a Company Sergeant Major unless otherwise stated.  
 (f) Where 'CSM' is mentioned, it is assumed to be a Company Sergeant Major unless otherwise stated.

Signature of Commandant

DEMOBILISATION STATISTICS

HQ 23 Inf Bde

24 Nov 45

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Trade	Rank	WE	Present Str in Army Area	PRIORITY PTS FOR DEMOBILISATION					
				Under 100	100- 149	150- 159	160- 169	170- 179	180- 189

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Trade Gp 1

Amn Exam	Sgt	1	1		1				
Draughtsmen	Cpl	1	1		1				
"	Pte	1	-						

Trade Gp 2

Cooks	Cpl	1	1					1	
	Pte	2	1		1				
Int duties	S/Sgt	1	1		1				
	Cpl	1	-						
	Pte	2	4		4				

Trade Gp 3

Clerks	Inf	WO 11	1	-					
		Sgt	-	2		1	1		
		Cpl	1	1		1			
		Pte	2	3		1		2	
Clerk	AALC	Cpl	1	-					
"	AAES	Sgt	1	-					
"	AAAS	Sgt	1	1					1
"	AAOC	Cpl	-	1		1			
"	AASC	Spl	1	1		1			
Storeman	AAOC	Pte	-	1		1			

NON SPECIALISTS

Batmen	Pte	13	7	2	3	1	1		
Dvrs MT	Cpl	1	1		1				
	Pte	8	9		4	1	1	1	2
Orderlies	Pte	9	7	1	6				
Water duty	Pte	1	1		1				
Hyg duty	Pte	1	1		1				
Gen duty	Cpl	1	2						2
	Pte	2	10	4	4			2	
Storeman	Pte	1	3		3				
Mess Cpl	Cpl	1	1		1				
Tpt Sgt	Sgt	1	-						
CQMS	S/Sgt	1	1		1				
CSM	WO 11	1	1			1			
AASC Batmn	Pte	1	1					1	
AALC "	Pte	1	1	1					
AAOC "	Pte	1	1		1				
AACHD "	Pte	3	1		1				
AAES " Dvr	Pte	1	-						
AAMC Ord	Cpl	1	1		1				

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7 INF BN (AIF) STANDING ORDERS - FAURO ISLAND

1. OBJECT --

- (a) To lay down policy and routine adm for Jap disarmed pers under control of Aust Forces in the FAURO area.
- (b) To supplement 7 Inf Bn (AIF) Standing Orders already promulgated, where necessary.

2. RESPONSIBILITY --

As from 1 Oct 45 7 Inf Bn (AIF) is responsible for the custody and maintenance of disarmed Japs, on the FAURO Islands; see 23 Inf Bde Adm Instr 21 of 13 Oct 45.

3. STATUS & POLICY --

Japs in FAURO will be treated as disarmed pers and not as PW. Consequently PW Regs will NOT apply.

No payment will be made to Japs for any work done. Aust pers will NOT make any promises of payment nor will they discuss the matter with them. Mail will NOT be received or despatched by Japs. No cigarettes, tobacco or food other than issues laid down will be given to Japs.

Japs are NOT permitted to have in their possession newspapers, magazines or any other printed matter. Selected news cuttings, approved by the Area Comdt will be kept for distribution to Jap Liaison HQ for infm all Jap areas.

4. ORGANISATION ..

(a) Aust Area Comd is established additional to HQ 7 Inf Bn to handle adm of all Japs in the area. All matters affecting Japs will be dealt with by Area Comd which will be responsible for following -

- (i) Collection & collation of all returns relating to Japs.
- (ii) Provision of work parties to Aust Areas.
- (iii) Rationing of Jap areas.
- (iv) Supply of materials to Jap areas on approval of Area Comdt.
- (v) Implementation of policy of self-sufficiency in Jap areas by provision of plants and cuttings from local resources on BUIN.
- (vi) Inspection and reporting on Jap areas so that they are maintained at the required standard. For this purpose Coy Comds will be used and Jap areas allotted on an equitable basis for each inspecting offr.

(b) Jap Liaison HQ --  
To co-ordinate adm of Japs, a Jap Liaison HQ is established consisting of Army & Navy pers approved by Area Comdt. All orders and instructions will be passed to Liaison HQ for action. Duties consist of the following -

- (i) Implementation and promulgation of all orders and instructions issued by Area Comd.
  - (ii) Adm and discipline of Jap areas as directed.
  - (iii) Attendance at Area Comd HQ for conferences at regular intervals as directed.
- All requests and reports by Jap Area Comds will be passed to Jap Liaison HQ who will forward to Area Comd. For specific instrn see Appx B.

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5. JAP AREAS -

Japs are allotted areas in which accommodation and gardens will be developed. Each area is numbered and under comd of a senior Jap offr approved by Area Comd and will be under control of Jap Liaison HQ.

Areas and numbers of disarmed Japs in each, are shown in Appx A. All Jap areas are out of bounds to Aust tps unless on duty.

6. JAP AREA COMDS -

Responsible for all adm and discipline of Japs in their areas and for the hygiene, development and cleanliness of these areas. They will -

- (a) Ensure that all orders issued by Area Comd applicable to their areas are carried out. Orders issued by Jap Liaison HQ will be obeyed as if issued direct by Area Comd.
- (b) Maintain areas at the required standard and develop them to the greatest possible extent, particularly gardens.
- (c) Submit returns and reports as ordered by Liaison HQ.
- (d) Accompany Aust offr on inspections of their respective areas.

7. WORKING PARTIES -

Japs will provide working parties outside own areas as directed by Area Comd.

These working parties will be supervised by Aust escort pers at all times who will ensure that all matters affecting control of Japs as laid down in these orders are carried out.

8. CONTROL OF WORKING PARTIES

(a) One Inf Pl will be detailed as Escort Pl each week and will be accommodated in CENTRAL BAY area for tour of duty. Adjnt will arrange with Coy Comds. Duties consist of escort duties on barges only. Supervision of Jap working parties is the duty of Coy Comds in whose areas work is being done. Allotment to tasks of Japs reporting for duty in CENTRAL BAY area is under control Escort Pl Comd. No working party will be shifted elsewhere without prior approval from Escort Pl Comd. Provision of escorts to Jap areas for Inspecting Offrs is responsibility of Adjnt 7 Inf Bn (AIF).

(b) Escorts and supervision Jap working parties.

- (i) All tps for escorting or supervision will be correctly dressed while on duty and will conduct themselves in a soldierly manner paying strict attention to saluting. Particular attention will be paid to escort duties for Aust offr inspecting Jap areas.
- (ii) Escorts will be fully armed and when carrying rifles, bayonets will be fixed.
- (iii) Escort Comds will take whatever steps deemed necessary to quell any disturbances.
- (iv) A Jap offr or NCO will be appointed in charge of each party (if no offr or NCO available, Jap OR will be appointed) and all orders to working party passed through him. Comds of escorts will use Jap chain of comd at all times. Any matter requiring disciplinary action will be reported to Jap comd of party and Area Comd. In no circumstances will Japs be man-handled by Aust pers unless violence is offered.
- (v) Working parties will be called to attention and salute whenever an Aust offr passes. Japs will NOT be permitted to smoke except during one 10 min break morning and afternoon or at midday break.
- (vi) Escorts are responsible that there is no fraternisation between work parties and Aust tps. Japs will NOT be permitted in Aust lines or establishments unless closely supervised. Japs will NOT be used for personal work e.g. shifting of personal gear. Aust pers NOT on duty will remain clear of work parties.

9. MEDICAL -

Jap medical services are responsible for health of all Japs in the area. Camp hospitals will be established in all areas for treatment of pers. Army & Navy will each provide a General Hospital which will receive serious cases from respective camp hospitals. Jap medical supplies will be used and may be supplemented by Aust supplies where necessary. Distribution of medical supplies to Japs will be under the direction of SMO who may order that supplies be transferred from one Jap area to another to ensure even distribution. Each area is responsible for the health of Japs in that area and Jap medical officers will take all precautions against epidemics in addition to provision of treatment in camp hospitals. Aust SMO will inspect all Jap areas from time to time to ensure that adequate treatment is being given and hygiene arrangements are satisfactory.

10. HYGIENE-

Jap areas will be maintained at the highest possible standard and Aust inspecting offrs will insist that particular attention is paid to all phases of hygiene. Japs working in Aust areas will use latrines and water provided for them and will NOT use Aust facilities.

11. WATER TPT (Incl Jap-)

(a) All Water tpt incl Jap in FAURO area will be controlled by OC Det Aust Water Tpt. Requisitions for its use will be made to CC Water Tpt Det through T.O. 7 Inf Bn (AIF), such requisitions to reach T.O. by 1200 hrs on day previous to requirement. Jap barges will NOT leave CENTRAL BAY without permission and suitable escort of Aust pers.

(b) T.O. 7 Inf Bn (AIF) will consolidate all requisitions for water tpt and will order in writing by 1500 hrs daily. Orders for craft will state -

- (i) No of craft required.
- (ii) Time & Place of reporting
- (iii) Task & destination
- (iv) Approx duration of task.

(c) T.O. 7 Inf Bn (AIF) will be responsible for -

- (i) Loading and unloading of all pers and stores, shore to ship, ship to shore.
- (ii) Despatch of craft supplied.
- (iii) Co-ordination of pers for mov.
- (iv) Liaison with Aust Water Tpt for advice on Operation, of craft, beach requirements etc.

(d) Under no circumstances will craft (Aust or Jap) be re-directed or task altered without approval of Aust Water Tpt. Craft will NOT be required to land at beaches or jetties unless same have been approved by Aust Water Tpt.

(e) Aust Water Tpt will supply up to availability craft ordered by T.O. 7 Inf Bn (AIF).

(f) Coxswains of craft are responsible for stowage and security of cargoes and will at all times supervise loading.

12. OFFLOADING OF VESSELS FROM TOROKINA -

Area Comd will arrange Jap labour for unloading supplies at CENTRAL BAY ex vessels from TOROKINA.

T.O. 7 Inf Bn (AIF) will supervise ship to shore mov of stores.

Q.M. 7 Inf Bn (AIF) will be responsible for checking of all stores off loaded against loading list. In each case a report will be submitted to Adjt 7 Inf Bn (AIF).

Stores fwded to service detts in this area must be checked by those concerned and report rendered to QM 7 Inf Bn (AIF).



13. RATIONS -

Rations will be issued to all Japanese areas once each week on the scale laid down. Sup O. will check figures and break up in conjunction with sup representatives from Jap Liaison HQ.

14 FRATERNISATION --

Under no circumstances will fraternisation or exchange of goods between Aust and Jap pers be permitted. The attention of all pers is drawn to the brutal treatment given to Aust PW, incl nurses, many of whom died while PW. The apparent docility of Japs cannot be accepted at its face value and merely cloaks a deceptive and cunning mind. Aust pers will speak to Japs only when necessary in the course of duty.

15 SECURITY -

In addition to escorts for each work party, sentries by day and night will be arranged for the protection of all installations and equipment. Every care will be taken to see that no documents, printed matter etc are allowed to fall into Jap hands. In the event of any disturbance, among Japs, the senior Aust offr or OR on the spot will take vigorous action on any lines considered necessary to suppress such disturbance.

16. GENERAL -

- (a) Japs will pay compliments to Aust offr at all times. Acknowledgement will be made only when given by Jap staffs appointed by Aust Comdt and when on official business.
- (b) Japs will NOT leave allotted areas without permission from Area Comd.
- (c) Fishing is permitted, but boats will NOT proceed beyond limits laid down in A ppx "A" Attached.

17. PROMULGATION

The contents of these orders will be passed to all ranks and a certificate to that effect rendered by responsible offr to Bn HQ as soon as completed.

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TIME OF SIGNATURE 190930K

*[Signature]*  
Capt  
Adjt 7 INF BN (AIF)

DISTRIBUTION -

	Order: Copy No	Appx A Copy No		Order Copy No	Appx A Copy No
HQ Coy	1 - 6	1	Area Comd	29	
A "	7 - 10	2	23 Fd Coy	30	6
B "	11 - 14	3	Det 42 ALC	31	7
C "	15 - 18	4	FSD FAURO	32	3
D "	19 - 22	5	SMO	33	9
Comd	23		HQ 23 Bde	34	10
2 i/c	24		File	35	11
Adjt	25		W.D.	36-37	12-13
QM	26		Spares	38-45	
TO	27				
RSM	28				

APPENDIX "B" - DUTIES OF JAPANESE LIAISON HQ

1. Japanese Liaison HQ will be established at TAUNO IS and will consist of a staff approved by Australian HQ.
2. Liaison HQ will receive orders from Aust HQ and pass them to Area Commanders concerned. Liaison HQ will be held responsible to see that these orders are implicitly obeyed, Area Comds will obey all orders issued by Liaison HQ implicitly, and any disobedience or reluctance to obey such orders will be reported to Aust HQ immediately by Liaison HQ.
3. All returns and reports called for by Aust HQ will be collected by Liaison HQ, who will be responsible for their accuracy and that they are forwarded to Aust HQ by time required.
4. Aust HQ will make demands for materials and working parties, these demands will be passed to Liaison HQ for allotment to areas concerned.
5. Through their supply representative, Liaison HQ will assist in supply of rations to all Japanese areas each week.
6. It is the responsibility of Japanese Liaison HQ to see that all Japanese areas are maintained at the standard laid down by the Aust HQ. Particular attention will be paid to hygiene and prevention of epidemics.
7. Liaison HQ will ensure that medical treatment is given to sick in all areas and that serious cases are evacuated to Army & Navy hospitals.
8. One senior officer from Liaison HQ will attend inspections of Japanese areas by the Aust Comd at times notified.
9. Liaison HQ will investigate any contravention of orders issued by Aust HQ and will take any disciplinary action ordered.
10. Any requests from Japanese Area Comds will be forwarded to Aust HQ through Liaison HQ.
11. Returns -- Liaison HQ will compile the following returns and forward to Aust HQ by time stated.
  - (a) Weekly strength returns - showing offrs, WOs and other ranks in each area as at 0800 hrs each Thursday.
  - (b) Sick returns - As at 0800 hrs each Thursday, showing type of disease, number of cases during week, and whether cases were evacuated to hospital or remained in area. Show number of personnel admitted to and discharged from hospital including area hospitals.
  - (c) Deceased personnel - Returns as at 0800 hrs each Thursday, showing PW numbers, unit and rank and names of personnel who died during previous week also date, place, and cause of death. Place of burial will also be shown.
  - (d) Projected development of areas for coming week as at 0800 hrs each Thursday.
  - (e) Buildings, works etc completed during previous week as at 0800 hrs each Thursday.

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## 23 AUST INF BDE INSTRUCTION

### POLICY AND CONTROL OF SURRENDERED JAPANESE

#### GENERAL

23 Aust Inf Bde will assume command of all disarmed Japanese in the BOUGAINVILLE area as from 1200 hrs 7 Oct 45.

#### AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

7 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for the custody of Japanese on FAURO ISLAND.

27 Aust Inf Bn will be responsible for the custody of Japanese in TOROKINA COMPOUND.

#### COMMANDANTS

The CO or Adm Comd of battalions will be Commandants of the Compound or areas for which they are responsible. They will be vested with complete control of all Australian Forces working within the precincts of the compounds or areas and will be directly responsible to Comd 23 Aust Inf Bde for all matters relating to the control and administration of the surrendered Japanese and areas.

#### COMPOUND STAFFS

Staffs for handling all matters of administration of the Japanese are to be formed outside of the battalions' resources. The staff will come under command of the Commandant and will be responsible to him for the documentation and records of the surrendered Japanese. Full instructions will be issued later as to what records and information are required.

#### STATUS OF SURRENDERED JAPANESE

Japanese under control of 23 Aust Inf Bde will be treated as disarmed Japanese and NOT as PW. Consequently, PW Regulations will NOT apply.

#### DISCIPLINE AND LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Orders under the National Security (Emergency Control) Regulations are being prepared to define the position as regards discipline and legal procedure. When these are completed copies will be forwarded to units.

Until such time as National Security Regulations have been completed, Commandants will take whatever action they deem necessary to quell any disturbances or unrest and to maintain discipline within the compounds and areas.

#### CONTROL

Instructions and discipline will be administered through the Japanese chain of command in all instances.

Two Japanese liaison officers representing Japanese Army and Navy troops respectively will be appointed. When instructions are issued through them to sub-compound or area commands, they will be issued in writing. Liaison officers so appointed will sign an acknowledgement to the effect the instruction is understood. Similar signatures will be received by them from Japanese area or sub-compound commanders.

#### PAYMENT TO JAPANESE

NO payment will be made to disarmed Japanese for any work done. All officers will NOT make any promises of payment to Japanese nor will they discuss the subject with them.

### FRATERNISATION

It is directed that under no circumstances will any fraternisation or exchange of goods be permitted. Guards will be instructed that no cigarettes or food except normal issues will be given to the Japanese.

The attention of all troops will be drawn to the brutal treatment given to Australian PW, including nurses, many of whom died whilst held PW. The apparent docility of the Japanese cannot be accepted at face value, and merely cloaks a deceptive and cunning mind.

All officers will be responsible for the strictest enforcement of this order.

### ESCORTS TO JAPANESE WORK PARTIES

Commandants will ensure that escorts in charge of working parties will conform to the following:-

- (a) Japanese work parties will be called to attention by escorts and salute whenever an Australian officer passes;
- (b) Escorts will be responsible that there will be no fraternisation between the working parties and Australian troops they may come in contact with during the course of their work;
- (c) No trucks carrying working parties will stop to pick up pedestrian traffic;
- (d) Whenever possible a Japanese NCO will be appointed in charge of work parties and will be responsible for the enforcement of discipline on a command of the escort.

Sentries and escorts will be meticulous in the payment of compliments to Australian officers.

### COMPLIMENTS

Japanese will at all times pay compliments to Australian officers. Acknowledgement will only be made by Australian officers when given by Japanese staffs appointed by the Commandant and when on official business.

### VISITORS

No person will be allowed to visit FAURO ISLANDS or TOROKINA compounds or areas without prior approval of this HQ. Provost platoon will establish a check post on the EAST WEST Trail on the TOROKINA side of the compound for control of traffic.

### RATIONS

Scale of rations for surrendered Japanese as laid down vide 3 Aust Div Q 1205 of 6 Oct 45.

### MEDICAL

On the completion of construction of hospitals within compounds or areas, as already outlined, the responsibility in handling casualties and sick will rest with Japanese medical service. From a survey of Japanese medical stores it has been determined that they have sufficient stores until early Oct. The position will then be reviewed.

CAMP STANDING ORDERS

The Commandants will prepare and submit to this HQ CAMP STANDING ORDERS to include security precautions, camp routine and administration generally.

CLOTHING

In cases of necessity, prisoners may be issued with the following articles:-

Shirts	1
Trousers	1
Boots pr	1
Blankets	1

Clothing will be drawn from Ordnance in bulk lots for each sub-compound. Surrendered Japanese will arrange individual distribution within the sub-compound.

HYGIENE

The Commandant, with the assistance of the Medical officer, will ensure that the strictest hygiene discipline is maintained and will enforce the use of surrendered Japanese labour to maintain the desired standards.

REGISTRATION

Commandant is responsible through his camp staff for registering all surrendered Japanese admitted, which includes the preparation of nominal rolls and such other documents as may be needed and the issue of identity numbers and discs.

The procedure to be followed and the requirements of registration will be as notified by HQ 23 Aust Inf Bde from time to time.

LABOUR

Commandant will control all labour of surrendered Japanese. Surrendered Japanese may be ordered to perform any work in connection with their own maintenance. Surrendered Japanese rank and file may be set to productive work apart from their own maintenance or any work the Commandant may desire to be done.


Surrendered Japanese rank and file will be allotted as cooks, servants and general duties to surrendered Japanese officers on the basis of one to five officers.

All requirements for Japanese labour within the TOROKINA Perimeter will be submitted to 23 Aust Inf Bde for approval.

GRAVES

Commandant will establish in consultation with OC 19 Aust War Graves Unit, a cemetery for surrendered Japanese dead and ensure that such cemetery is adequately maintained.

Burials will be carried out by surrendered Japanese under supervision.

 Capt  
SC 23 Aust Inf Bde

Distribution: As per Appendix "A" attached

Appendix "A"

Distribution:-

Det 42 Aust Jdg Craft Coy	1
23 Aust Inf Bde Sig Sec	1
23 Aust Fd Coy (AIF)	1
7 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	3
8 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	3
27 Aust Inf Bn (AIF)	3
101 Aust Hy Mortar Coy (AIF)	1
28 Pl 2/1 Aust Cd Regt	1
40 Aust Tpt Pl (AIF)	1
243 Aust Sup Dep Pl (AIF)	1
244 Aust S p Dep Pl (AIF)	1
17 Aust Fd Amb (AIF)	3
109 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk (AIF)	1
109 Aust Bde ksp (AIF)	1
2/108 Aust LAD	1
14 Aust Ind Bde Gp Pro Pl (AIF)	1
23 Aust Inf Bde Postal Sec	1
War Diary	2
File	2
Spares	10

For Information:-

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4 Aust Base Sub Area	3

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APPRECIATION OF THE SITUATION BY NX65 LT.COL. L.J. LOUGHRAN  
COMMANDING 8 AUST INF BN (AIF) at RATSUA, BOUGAINVILLE,  
AT 1000 hrs 7 AUG 45

REF MAP: CHABAI 1/25,000

OBJECT

- 20 Bn
1. To contain the enemy with harassing patrols and, in the event of enemy withdrawal, to maintain contact with a view to obtaining control over BONIS PENINSULA.

FACTORS

2. Enemy Strength and Armament

(a) The enemy opposing this Bn is believed to be 4 Bn, 87 Gd Force, with a maximum strength of 200. However, the enemy has a total strength of approx 800 in the BONIS PENINSULA, and possesses the capability of deploying more than one bn against us, - in fact it is probable that, since the withdrawal of 27 Bn from the RURI BAY area, the enemy has augmented his forces in the centre and WESTERN sectors. Nevertheless he lacks support from fd arty, mortars and air, and his mobility is restricted by lack of engr eqpt and shortage of manpower. He has an ample supply of automatic small arms weapons and is therefore strong in def. In attack he would have to accept a reduction in the ratio of his automatic weapons, and would lack all forms of sp fire.

Deduction The enemy is incapable of launching a serious attack on this bn.

Enemy Morale

(b) From PsW it appears that the enemy in island garrisons intends to hold out, if possible, until Japan surrenders, when they can surrender with honour. Since the surrender of Japan is believed by many of them to be imminent, we can expect them to make every effort to delay their capture until then.

Deduction The enemy will NOT withdraw until forced to do so.

3. Own Tps Strength and Armament

(a) Our strength is one understrength bn, (average strength of a pl is 20), supported by one bty fd arty, two pls 4.2" mortars, and air strikes when arranged. We also have the sp of two inf tks, although these have proved to be a doubtful asset in the terrain so far encountered. Only three rifle coys are in the bn area at one time, and escort parties are needed for all movement on our L of C. Nevertheless, even our present strength, when taken in conjunction with the sp afforded us, compares more than favourably with the total enemy in the entire peninsula. Our right flank is protected by 27 AUST INF BN (AIF), and our left flank by the sea.

Deduction We can successfully eliminate any single enemy posn within the scope of our adm resources.

Our Bases

(b) At present our tps are based on areas determined by higher authority and mov fwd of these areas is confined to patrols. The distance to which it is profitable to send patrols is therefore limited. Long range patrols are NOT likely to be profitable because they would be unlikely to meet the enemy on better than even terms. In addition, the absence of natural features makes it difficult for patrols to know where they have been if they move far from their own bases. To forgo the advantages of having sp arms and attempt to engage the Nip at guerilla warfare, in his own territory, would be playing into his hands.

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(ii) It achieves our mission of containing the enemy in the BONIS PENINSULA.

Disadvantages

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John

Here with - & my blessing!

As per phone - I found, in dealing with factors, that each & every one led me across to the West. And since the arc of my responsibility covers over 2/3<sup>rds</sup> of the frontage, & I virtually take in the NE corner of Porton, I couldn't avoid doing it on a broader scale.

Distance - enemy sbi is on the west, & so is ours. My frontage cuts into it.

LDC to Ruri is out - & nothing in between Coast Road & Taree there is nothing.

Afraid it's a bit scratchy, but a consideration of Time & Space left little time to add fills - & anyway, I didn't bring the Benleigh classics with me! Anyway - you know my views - & I'm not sure it wasn't just a little bastardy on your part, getting me to put it in writing.

Yours  
John Top

APPRECIATION OF THE SITUATION BY

Lt-col A. POPE COMD 27 AUST INF BN (AIF)

AT RATSUA AT 1800 hrs 6 AUG 45

REF MAP CHABAI 1/25000

OBJECT

To contain the enemy with harassing patrols, and in the event of an enemy withdrawal, to maintain contact with a view to obtaining control over BONIS Peninsula.

ENEMY

1. Strength of enemy force on BONIS PENINSULA on 1 Jun 45 was est at 1250 tps. The force comprised 4 Bns of 250 men, and was disposed two Bns forward and two rear to BUKA Passage. The forward Bns divided the peninsula from NW to SE following the line of TASUI Track. Rear bdy of forward Bns appear to be the line TARBUT PORTON, with outposts approx on the line CHINDAWON - PORTON.

The foremost elements of these units on 20 Jun 45 was on the line SIAR, the southern edge of Kunai C and Kunai D to the North of BUIN Pln.

By active and continual patrolling, it has been est without doubt that the areas known as Base 2 and 3 do NOT contain Jap posns of a permanent nature. Posns have been occupied temporarily, mainly it is considered in daylight. Base 1 is still an unknown quantity, but it is ~~is~~ considered to be no more than an outpost posn. Base 4 (COMMO RIDGE), is now in our hands, and there are at least two enemy posns between there and Kunai D to the north, of unknown strength.

The enemy appears to be almost entirely lacking in Sp arms, and his Bns are apparently minus mortars.

The enemy holds the PORTON CHABAI area in some strength, and many base tps, and it appears to be the hub of his activities.

2. During the period 21 Jun - 17 Jul 45 whilst the unit was occupying the area through to RURI BAY, the enemy indulged in harassing tactics only, by use of ambushes and mines on L of C. He had initial success, but counter measures ultimately rendered his efforts almost abortive.

Since 17 Jul 45, the area vacated has been continually and aggressively covered by our patrols, and the initiative has been wrested from the enemy. At no time since has our L of C been molested.

3. Enemy tactics have never been aggressive. He has been content to harass our L of C only. No attempt has been made to attack at anytime, either our patrols or our perimeters.

In def however, he is tenacious, and will hang on until driven out. This characteristic precludes the possibility of frightening him into withdrawal by the use of fighting patrols.

4. From the above, it is obvious that:-

- (a) He does not desire to re-occupy lost territory, and is content to harass from his main def.
- (b) He is aware that he is waging a losing war, and that his role is a containing or delaying one.

- (c) He anticipates any adv by us will be made along the line of TASUI Track onto PORTON.
- (d) He has conceded us the initiative, and we are successfully containing him, but have not got control of the peninsula.
- (e) His morale is not of the highest order.
- (f) He cannot be frightened into a general withdrawal.

5. Deduction

To attain part two of the object (i.e. control of BONIS Peninsula) the destruction of the enemy is necessary. Only a determined aggressive advance will achieve this.

OWN TPS

1. 23 Aust Inf Bde Gp (less 7 Bn and dets) occupies a secure perimeter in the RATSUA Area.  
 The Gp contains one Bty Fd Arty, one tp HAA, one tp tks, one Coy (less one Pl) RAE and one Coy PIB.  
 Air sp up to 4/5 sqns can be obtained by request.  
 There is a possibility of getting some naval sp.

2. As regards 27 Bn, the strength is 562 (as at 6 Aug 45) with 10% on leave. It has been in action, except for a short rest at TOROKINA, since 19 Apr 45.  
 The period on the NUMA NUMA Trail was hard physically, but highly successful, and at the conclusion of that period, morale was particularly high, and there was keen anticipation of a real fight on BONIS Peninsula.  
 The period here has been rather trying. Large areas have had to be covered daily on security and escort duties, in addition to fighting patrols. The cas rate has been heavy, mainly due to ambushes and mines. Battle cas have been

(a)	Deliberate ops	2 killed	4 wounded	
(b)	Ambushes, mines	2 Offrs	6 OR killed	1 Offr 23 OR wounded
(c)	Accidental	3 OR	killed	14 OR wounded
	TOTAL	2 Offrs	11 ORs killed	1 Offr 41 ORs wounded

The incidence of disease is extremely low. After almost 7 weeks in the area and considering the conditions, morale is still very high. The expressed desire of the men, is to get a move on against the enemy. However, it must be expected that there will be a gradual fall in morale and fighting efficiency, if present conditions continue.

3. Details of 8 Bn are not available, but much of the above is applicable.

4. There appears to be no prospect of relief for the Bde Gp.

5. Deductions

- (a) We have superiority in all respects.
- (b) It is essential that the Gp attain the complete object, as continuation of the present role indefinitely will inevitably result in further casualties, and a lowering of morale and fighting efficiency.
- (c) We must mount an attack to drive him from the peninsula.

TOPOGRAPHY

1. No features of any real value exist on the peninsula. It is covered with thick undergrowth and dense banana plants, with patches of kunai.

2. The line RURI BAY - RATSUA is 8000 yds wide. Moving NW,

the peninsula narrows to 4000 yds on the line TARBUT - CHABAI.

3. The only stream and assured water supply of consequence is the RATSUA River.
4. The ground on the east coast, extending over halfway to the west coast is reasonably firm. That on the west, and south of PORTON Pln is inclined to be swampy.
5. The coastal area of PORTON CHABAI is capable of development for sup purposes.
6. Routes

Two main and reasonable routes exist, the East coast Road and the TASUI Track. The East Coast Rd gives no scope for manoeuvre, and does not lead to any vital ground or area. Nor does it lead to any known water sup. The use of it would extend our L of C to impracticable lengths.

The TASUI Track leads directly to the vital enemy area around PORTON CHABAI. It appears to be a main L of C for the Jap, is reasonably solid, and does not encounter swamp lands.

A subsidiary road (Grove Track) is under construction, and could cut onto the TASUI Track in vicinity of COMMO Ridge. When completed, this track could be the L of C from RATSUA forward to and beyond COMMO RIDGE.

#### 7. Deduction

The best route for an advance is by TASUI Track. L of C will be shortened by completion of GROVE Track. No other practicable route exists.

### SECURITY

1. The present dispositions and patrol policy provide adequate security for the Gp, and the L of C has been secure.
2. The occupation of COMMO RIDGE as a patrol base by 27 Bn extends the L of C of the Bn to what is considered a safe limit.
3. The occupation of patrol bases forward of COMMO RIDGE would render the L of C most insecure.
4. Patrol Bases to the NE are impracticable on a permanent basis, due to the additional L of C to be covered, and necessity for daily sup (particularly in relation to water).

#### 5. Deduction

If a policy of acquiring patrol bases forward is to be adopted, the L of C of 27 Bn must be reduced, and this could best be effected by the elimination of the outer line, and disposition of the Gp on the GROVE - TASUI Track.

### COURSES OPEN

1. Since the enemy obviously does not desire to regain lost territory, and has not taken the opportunity of taking aggressive action, and in addition, lost the initiative, his only course is one of def.

The logical def line to adopt is the line TARBUT - CHABAI.

2. (a) The advantages in this line lies in its narrow front (about 4000 yds), on which he could concentrate his two fwd Bns, with a delaying force on the line of Adv.

(b) It denies us control of the peninsula.

(c) Denies us the possible sup base at PORTON CHABAI.

3. This is his last line of def for the retention of the Peninsula. If he lost it, we would be enabled to bring forward our sp arty, and the full weight of our resources on the North of the peninsula to BUKA Passage.

I consider that in the event of the fall of this line, he will withdraw to BUKA without loss of time.

4. This course, in the event of an advance, is certain, and he will fight bitterly before giving up the line.

#### COURSES

1. The undersirability of maintaining the present role has already been discussed, and is discarded.

#### 2. Course 1

(a) To successively acquire patrol bases on the line of TASUI TRACK towards PORTON.

(b) The only advantage to be seen in this is a gradual penetration into enemy territory.

(c) The disadvantages are

(i) It will be a lengthy process.

(ii) The enemy will be enabled to gather himself for each successive move.

(iii) It will invite interference on the L of C.

(iv) The cas and wastage rate will be continuous over the period, and result in a loss of morale and fighting efficiency.

Course is not recommended.

#### 3. Course 2

(a) An advance along TASUI track with one Bn forward, with PORTON - CHABAI as objective. Second Bn to make sympathetic adv with one or two coys, along coastal route with objective SW corner of PORTON Pl.

(b) Advantages are

(i) A short, direct and secure L of C

(ii) The securing of PORTON CHABAI would make possible the est of a beach head.

(iii) The beach head could be developed for sup.

(iv) From the beach head, enemy on the line to East coast could be quickly dealt with by penetration and infiltration. The def of BONIS Peninsula would then collapse.

(v) The advance could be mounted swiftly and with surprise effect. Our past ops have been of a nature to lead him to anticipate a similar one (i.e. a crack at a posn, drive him off and be content). A similar action, immediately followed through, and the momentum maintained, might very possibly catch him unawares, and make difficult the concentration of his outer tps.

(vi) If he had time to concentrate his force, this would ensure complete security of the L of C and enable me to use the rear Bn. Further it

would place the enemy where he could be best dealt with by our full resources.

(c) There appear to be no disadvantages.

The matter of sup initially could be overcome by escort of jeep trains conveying additional Amn, water and sups, for the duration of the op. With the available native labour, track could be improved and maintained behind the adv.

The length of the L of C could be adequately protected, and sup maintained to PORTON until beach improvements were made.

This course is recommended.

PLAN

1. INTENTION

To advance and capture PORTON - CHABAI in two phases.

Phase 1	Capture PORTON PLN
" 2	Exploit to and capture CHABAI.

2. 27 Bn lead straight out of present posns along TASUI Track, and carry out phase 1.

3. 8 Bn secure L of C for Phase 1.  
Then carry out Phase 2 from base est by 27 Bn.

4. To initiate, 27 Bn to locate beforehand the next strong posn fwd of COMMO RIDGE, and open the advance by an attack sp by air, arty, 4.2" and 3" mortars, and tks. Upon capture, follow straight through and get momentum.

5. Upon approach to PORTON - RAN could co-operate.

6. PIB - Right flank protection.

7. Engrs To complete track through to COMMO RIDGE, beforehand.  
Eqpt fwd during adv for road improvement, repair etc.

8. Intercomm Tac HQ - RATSUA.



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*Jim*

CONFIDENTIAL

Subject : PROJECTED ORDER OF BATTLE

HQ 23 Inf Bde

*21* Dec 45

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1. The projected Order of Battle for FAURO ISLAND and TOROKINA Base are attached as Appendices 'A' and 'B' respectively.
2. Appendix 'C' attached is list of Units now redundant following adoption of reduced Order of Battle.

*C. R. Guyer Capt.*

Hq  
HQ 23 Inf Bde

Distribution :

List 'B'

PROJECTED ORDER OF BATTLE  
AS AT 31 DEC 45

FIELD UNITS

PAPUO ISLAND

Ser	Arm	Unit	TS WE		Remarks
			Pers	Vehs	
1.	<u>HQ and HQ UNITS</u>	HQ 23 Inf Bde	85	1	
2.		Det 3 MC Gp	8		Gp LAE
3.	<u>ENGRS</u>	HQ 23 Pd Coy plus increment	73		HQ only raised. Increment of 20 other ranks
4.	<u>SIGS</u>	23 Inf Bde Sig Sec (AIF)	49		
5.		Det 34 Wireless Sec (Cy)	8		Sec NEW BRITAIN
6.		Det One Cipher Sec (Type F)	2		Sec RAHAUL
7.	<u>INF</u>	7 Inf Bn (AIF)	835		
8.		PAPUAN Inf Bn	84		European pers only
9.	<u>INT</u>	Det ATIS (one unit)	2		
10.	<u>S T</u>	% 40 Tpt Pl	18		Raised to one sec only
11.		243 Sup Dep Pl (AIF)	33		
12.		% 11 Pd Baking Pl	16		Raised to one sec only
13.	<u>TN</u>	52 Port Ldg Craft Coy	119		(Type ALC 40)
14.		4 Water Amb Sec AA Tn C (Type A)	11		One 30' HDL. AAMC pers NOT raised.
15.	<u>MED</u>	2 Pd Amb (AIF) (less two coys)	107		Plus surgical team Coys each RAHAUL & WEWAN
16.		19 Malaria Control Unit (Type A) (less det)	16		Det WEWAN
17.	<u>DENTAL</u>	One Sec 77 Dental Unit	5		Unit NEW BRITAIN Pd
18.	<u>ORD</u>	Det 4 Ord Smallcraft Pk	10		Pk RAHAUL
19.	<u>EE</u>	DOUGAINVILLE Area Wksp	63		Comprises Area Wksp Sec (Type A), Watercraft Wksp Sec (Type A)
20.	<u>PAY</u>	Det 11 Div Pd Cash Office	3		Unit NEW BRITAIN
21.	<u>POSTS</u>	Det % 7 Base Postal Unit	4		Unit LAE
22.	<u>PRO</u>	Det 11 Div Pro Coy	20		Unit NEW BRITAIN Pd
23.	<u>CANTS</u>	Det AA Canteens Service	15		
24.	<u>AMEN</u>	Det AA Amenities Service	11		Incl 9 AL Broadcasting Station
25.		Det 1 Cinema Unit	6		Mob Cinemas SM152 NJ129
26.	<u>MISC</u>	Det HQ AIF Pool AA Edn Service	6		
		Det % 23 L of C Sal Sec	5		Sec LAE
<u>TOTAL</u>			1614		

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Appendix 'B' to 23 Inf Bde  
G21/515 of 21 Dec 45

PROJECTED ORDER OF BATTLE

FIRST ARMY BASE UNITS

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Ser	Arm	Unit	TS	WE	
			Pers	Vehs	
1.	<u>HQ and</u> <u>HQ UNITS</u>	% 4 Base Sub Area	100		Cmd to be Col. To be reduced progressively as base evac.
2.		Det 3 MC Gp	3		Gp LAE
3.	<u>SIGS</u>	Det 34 Wireless Sec (Hy)	9		Sec NEW BRITAIN
4.		Det 19 Op Sec	13	}	Secs LAE
5.		Det 15 Line Sec	8		
6.		Det one Cipher Sec (Type F)	2		Sec REPAUL
7.	<u>TN</u>	53 Port Ldg Craft Coy	119		(Type ALC 40)
8.	<u>GRAVES</u>	19 War Graves Unit (AIF)	9		
		Det War Graves Maint Unit	2		Unit LAE

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Appendix 'C' to 23 Inf Bde  
G21/515 of 21 Dec 45

ENTRANTS FROM FIRST ARMY APPX 'A' PART 1 G/4207/SD of 13 DEC 45

UNITS NOW REDUNDANT FOLLOWING ADOPTION REDUCED PROJECTED ORDER OF BATTLE

Serial	Arm or Service	Unit
<u>FIRST ARMY TROOPS</u>		
7.	<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>	6 Port Op Coy
10.	<u>ORDNANCE</u>	16 AOD
12.		3 RSD
		<u>3 DIV</u>
20.	<u>ENGINEERS</u>	23 Pd Coy less HQ (HQ 25 Pd Coy for MATRO)
21.		5 CRE (Wks)
22.		7 A Tps Coy
23.		6 Mech Eqpt Spare Parts Sec
24.	<u>SIGNALS</u>	2 Line Maint Sec
25.	<u>INFANTRY</u>	8 Inf Bn
26.		27 Inf Bn
27.		28 Pl 'G' Coy 2/1 Gd Regt
28.	<u>INTELLIGENCE</u>	P IS Sec
29.	<u>SUPPLY &amp; TRANSPORT</u>	HQ 133 GT Coy
30.		68 Tpt Pl
31.		69 Tpt Pl
32.		70 Tpt Pl
33.		71 Tpt Pl
34.		133 Whsp Pl
35.		HQ 30 Adv Sup Dep
36.		45 Sup Dep Pl
37.		121 Sup Dep Pl
38.		226 Sup Dep Pl
39.		237 Sup Dep Pl
40.		244 Sup Dep Pl
41.		1 Marine Food Sup Pl
42.		6 Port Det AASC
43.		One Sec 12 Air Maint Pl
44.		6 Indep Farm Pl

Serial	Arm or Service	Unit
45.	<u>TRANSPORTATION</u>	7 Water Amb Sec (Type D)
46.		12 Water Amb Sec (Type C)
47.		15 Water Amb Sec (Type C)
48.	<u>MEDICAL</u>	17 Ad Amb
49.		109 CCS
50.	<u>DENTAL</u>	63 Dental Unit (less three secs)
51.	<u>ORDNANCE</u>	109 Bde Ord Ad Pk
52.		2/6 Mob Laundry & Fwd Debn Unit
53.	<u>EME</u>	109 Bde Wksp
54.		250 LAD
55.		2/109 LAD
56.		296 LAD
57.		212 LAD
58.	<u>PAY</u>	82 Dep Cash Office
59.	<u>POSTAL</u>	23 Inf Bde Postal Sec
60.	<u>PRO</u>	2 Corps Pro Coy
61.		14 Indep Pro Pl
62.	<u>MISCELLANEOUS</u>	5 Wks Coy
63.		29 AA Canteens Service Offrs Club (Type P)
64.		31 AA Canteens Service OR Club (Type L)
<u>11 DIV</u>		
78.	<u>ENGINEERS</u>	2/2 Forestry Coy
80.	<u>S T</u>	62 Tpt Pl
81.		63 Tpt Pl
92.	<u>MEDICAL</u>	2/3 Con Depot



CAMP STANDING ORDERS.

These Orders will apply to all offr and ORs quartered at Bde HQ including personnel of Bde HQ, Guard Pl, Sigs, LAD, Pro, Postal, and other attached or visiting personnel.

1. CAMP COMD.

- (1) Bde TO shall be camp comd; a suitable offr may be appointed as asst camp comd.
- (2) Camp Comd is Coy Comd of all other ranks in the camp and is responsible for the local adm within the HQ. His immediate superior will be BM, as CO of all ORs in the camp.
- (3) The duties of camp comd will include:-
  - (a) Interior economy within the HQ incl rations, quarters, pay, clothing, equipment, hygiene and sanitation, anti-malaria and anti-mite precautions, medical arrangements, education, amenities and spiritual welfare.
  - (b) Supervision of the duties of -
    - Pl Comds,
    - CSM,
    - CQMS,
    - Bde HQ P & O Clerk, and any other camp staff placed directly under him.
  - (c) Quartering of visiting offr and ORs,
  - (d) Liaison on the following matters -
    - (i) BM(L) concerning protection and defence of the HQ,
    - (ii) OC Gd Pl concerning construction and maintenance of buildings and installations,
    - (iii) Hygiene Offr concerning hygiene and sanitation, and anti-malaria and anti-mite precautions,
    - (iv) ~~Pro Sjt~~ <sup>SC</sup> concerning traffic control and signposting within the HQ and establishment of a report centre.
- (4) The duties of the Asst Camp Comd shall be as detailed from time to time by Camp Comd.

2. ORGANISATION FOR ADMINISTRATION.

(1) BM, BM(L), <sup>SC</sup> IO, Camp Comd, Asst Camp Comd and CSM are not allotted to any platoon,

(2) Admin Pls shall be as follows:-

	<u>Pl Comd</u>	<u>Offrs allotted to assist</u>	<u>Pl Sjt</u>	<u>Personnel</u>
1.	OC Gd Pl	Hyg Offr Amen Offr	Pl Sjt Gd Pl	Gd Pl
2.	OC Sig Sec	Other Sig offrs	Senior Sig Sjt	Sigs
3.	OC LAD	<del>sc(L)</del> BASCO BOO	CSM LAD	LAD Tpt, AAOC, Postal, CQMS & staff
4.	L03	Educ Offr	NCO i/c	Offrs Mess staff, Batman
5.	L02	L01 <del>SC(L)</del>	Senior WO or NCO.	All other ranks

NOTE: 4 & 5 Pls will combine under L01 for messing, ceremonial etc, as ordered.

- (3) Pl Comd shall be responsible for the compliance with camp orders and carrying out of camp duties by the members of the Pl. His duties shall include:-
- (a) Comd of all pl parades,
  - (b) Daily inspection of sleeping quarters, dress, equipment and arms of members of his pl
  - (c) Supervision of anti-malarial and anti-mite precautions,
  - (d) Ensuring prompt and proper treatment of all skin diseases incl inspections as may be required.
- (4) Offrs allotted to assist Pl Comd shall assist or act as substitute for Pl Comd by mutual arrangement,
- (5) Pl Sjt shall assist Pl Comd and shall keep such duty roster as may be required.

3. CAMP ROUTINE.

(a) TIMES -

0630 Reveille  
0700 (Three whistle blasts) - Mess orderlies and reports of late meals required.  
0710 (Two whistle blasts) - Five minute warning for mess,  
0715 (One whistle blast) - Fall in for mess,  
0730 Sick parade  
0800 Sjt's mess, Offrs' conference,  
0815 Pl parade for inspection,  
0830 Completion of Pl Comds inspection of lines, RAP treatment,  
1000 Morning tea available,  
1200)  
1210) Mess calls (whistle blasts as above)  
1215)  
1500 Afternoon tea available,  
1530 RAP treatment  
1630 (Three whistle blasts) - quarter warning for parade  
1640 (Two whistle blasts) - five minute warning  
1645 (One whistle blast) - Fall in - Talk on current ops,  
1700 OR's mess,  
1715 Sjts mess,  
1745 Atebrin parade,  
1815 Offrs mess,  
2230 Lights out.

(b) Attendance -

Meal parades, morning inspection parade and atebrin parade will be attended by all ORs except those individually detailed for essential duties at these times. Late meals will only be served as ordered by quarter warning time. Platoon Comds will inspect or administer atebrin to those absent from inspection or atebrin parades.

4. RESPONSIBILITY FOR CAMP CLEANLINESS.

This will be on the basis of the occupant of each tent or building keeping clean and tidy both the inside and the immediate vicinity of such tent or building to the satisfaction of the Camp Comd. The labour available is as follows:-

Offrs and Sjts messes and kitchens - mess staffs,  
Comd Area including roadway but excluding office  
accomodation - sig orderlies,  
Office accomodation and Officers' sleeping quarters - occupants, with own batmen, clerks and storemen if any.

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|---|---|
| Sub-units (Gd pl, Sigs, LAD, Pro, FPO etc and incl bde tpt sec) | - will arrange their own,                               |
| Men's mess and kitchen  | - mess orderlies and duty personnel as detailed by CSM, |
| Offrs and OR's latrines, urinals, grease traps and showers      | - hygiene duty men.                                     |

Lay-out of kits in sleeping quarters will conform with specimen lay-out arranged from time to time by CSM.

5. PROVISION OF LABOUR GENERALLY.

- (a) No labour will be provided for camp cleanliness except as above,
- (b) Labour for construction or other special work will be controlled by Camp Comd to whom all requisitions for labour will be addressed,
- (c) Normally special working parties will be drawn from Gd pl, but Camp Comd may, subject to any special directions by BM or SC detail any NCO, clerk, storeman, orderly, batman or other member to perform any camp duty. CSM will maintain any necessary rosters.

6. BATMEN.

- (a) The batman has the important duty of protecting and looking after his officer so that the latter may devote his whole attention to operations, adm, etc.
- (b) Batmen are not normally available for general fatigue duties.
- (c) NCO in charge of batmen will be responsible for their efficiency and where necessary for instructing them in their duties,
- (d) Subject to their primary duty to their offr batmen will perform officer's mess and other duties as directed by their NCO in charge or by camp comd.

7. CAMP OFFICE.

Camp office will be established and all communications and enquiries on camp matters will be taken there.

8. REGTL TRUST FUNDS.

- (a) a regimental trust fund will be maintained in accordance with GRO 819/43 under the name "HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde Trust Fund" ~~for which purpose the unit will comprise the HQ together with 312 Aust LAD, 15 Pl 2/1 Aust Gd Regt and det 5 Aust Div Postal unit.~~
- (b) 29 Bde Sig Sec <sup>3/2 Aust LAD and 15 pl 2/1 Aust Gd Regt will each</sup> will maintain its own Regtl funds. No provision is made for Pro or other attached sub-units. ~~not mentioned in sub-para (a), in these orders.~~
- (c) 29 Aust Inf Bde Regtl Trust Funds will be administered by a committee nominated in Bde HQ Routine Orders comprising ~~Bde HQ - one offr and two ORs; Gd pl - one OR; and LAD - one OR.~~ <sup>four</sup>

9. REQUEST HOUR.

OR's may have informal consultations with camp comd or asst camp comd at any reasonable time.

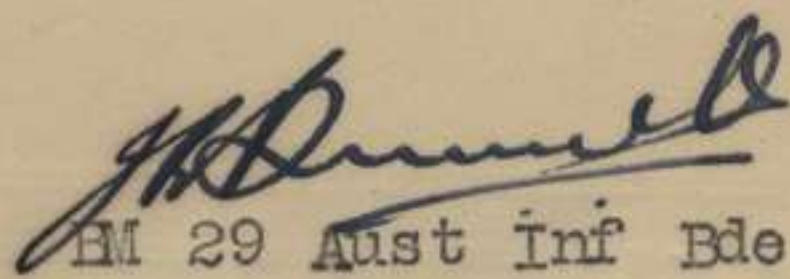
10. FIRE PREVENTION.

- (a) It is the duty of all personnel constantly to be careful in the matter of fires. In particular the utmost care will be exercised in the use of naked lights; smoking and naked lights are forbidden in the vicinity of POL or any building where inflammable liquid is stored; lamps other than electric, will not be left burning in any tent or building unattended; any chafing wires or other damage to electrical installations will be immediately reported to LAD; grass and inflammable debris will be removed to a safe distance from all tents and buildings.
- (b) Fire picquets will be as detailed in camp ROs.
- (c) On the outbreak of fire, the person discovering it, will raise the cry "Fire at....." and continue to call out while endeavouring to put out the fire, until the alarm is sounded. The next person on the scene will sound the alarm. The person discovering the fire, or the Camp Comd or other person taking charge may use his discretion in not sounding the alarm on a minor occurrence.
- (d) Pending the arrival of camp comd or asst camp comd, the senior person will take charge.
- (e) On the sounding of a fire alarm all personnel not in the vicinity of the fire and not on essential duties, will move to their respective parade grounds and remain there pending orders.

11. PROMULGATION OF ORDERS.

- (a) A copy of standing orders for HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde will be available to all ranks at all reasonable times at camp office.
- (b) P & O Clerk will maintain a list of all orders and instructions requiring periodical publication such as anti-malarial precautions - see GRO 321/44, and censorship and security - GRO 371/44.
- (c) GRO's and other orders not kept in camp office will be made available on request to Camp Comd or Asst Camp Comd.

Signed in the Field.  
28 MAY 45.

  
Maj,  
HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde (AIF).

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Copy No. 19.....

9 Dec 44

*For Gafm  
Div 10*

STANDING ORDERS - INTELLIGENCE

29 AUST INF BDE (AIF)

*GSI 6/2*

GENERAL

1. With the prospect of further operations before the brigade the following is promulgated for the attention of all units.
2. The object of Intelligence Sections during operations is four-fold:
  - (a) To provide accurate and **TIMELY** information for the Comd and his staff.
  - (b) To keep higher formations completely conversant with the situation.
  - (c) To relay information to lower and flanking units.
  - (d) To deny information to the enemy.

All other duties are incidental and **MUST** be subordinated.
3. It is again stressed that the duty of all ranks is to constantly and **SPEEDILY** feed intelligence channels with every scrap of available information, regardless of its apparent degree of value.

REPORTING INFORMATION

4. To facilitate the smooth and **RAPID** handling of reports at Bde HQ, units will, when forwarding information by **ANY** means, adopt the appropriate sequence of data as indicated in Appendix "A" attached.
5. During operations all units will constantly maintain one OR, trained in Int duties, on duty as 'phone orderly 24 hrs a day. All reports **WILL BE 'PHONED DIRECT TO BDE HQ** when possible and **CONFIRMED** by "Deferred" signal or by completed appropriate pro forma.

RECORDING INFORMATION - PLANS AND SKETCHES

6. Comd Sheet series BOUGAINVILLE OPS, 1:25000, will be the basis for all sketches and plans, therefore:
  - (a) Plans of defensive layouts and dispositions will be drawn to a scale of 1:6250.
  - (b) Local patrol route maps and overlays will be drawn to a scale of 1:12500, and long range patrol routes as an overlay to 29 Aust Inf Bde Comd Sheet Series BOUGAINVILLE OPS 1:25000.
  - (c) Enemy movement and dispositions will, as far as is practicable be forwarded per overlay to appropriate large scale maps.
  - (d) Attached as Appx "B" is copy of 3 Aust Div Intelligence Instruction No.4 - **CONVENTIONAL SIGNS**.

SECURITY

7. The enemy is an efficient soldier; it must be accepted that his intelligence system is **NO** less efficient. Every map lost, every letter dropped, every least scrap of information carelessly

handled, is simply a gift to the enemy -- no less valuable than the materiel of war. DRIVE THIS POINT HOME!

8. The aspect and values of security must be constantly brought before all ranks. The quip "Out of sight; out of mind" carries no small measure of truth.

9. Listed below are points for special attention:

(a) MAPS AND SKETCHES

- (i) We are particularly fortunate in the capabilities and achievements of our Topographical units. In areas distant from his pre-war control the enemy is often totally lacking in such facilities. HOW OBVIOUS the implication - a single lost map.....
- (ii) On occasions that a patrol or detachment is despatched on a mission in which members are particularly liable to capture, the coverage of maps carried should be NO more than is necessary for the task in hand. Maps are expendable stores, provided they are expended sanely; if circumstances permit, cut out the map portion required and retain the remainder of the sheet until replacements are obtained, or produce traces.
- (iii) In the immediate future cyclostyled patrol maps of the area of operations, to a scale of 1" to 1 mile, will be issued to units on a basis sufficient for all requirements. They will constitute a reduction of Comd Sheet series BOUGAINVILLE OPS 1:25000.

Patrol leaders will submit patrol information on these patrol maps, example of which is attached in Appendix "A", through Battalion IOs to reach this HQ within four (4) hours of the completion of the patrol. The written pro forma on reverse will NOT be filled in until patrol has returned to unit lines.

- (iv) Battalion IOs will ensure that, whenever possible, the RELIABILITY GRADING of any information given is included in all patrol reports.

Copy of RELIABILITY GRADING Instruction is attached as Appendix "C"

- (v) Take CARE of maps; officers are often the worst offenders.

(b) DOCUMENTS - OFFICIAL AND PERSONAL

- (i) There is a complete department of Intelligence devoted solely to the translation of captured enemy documents - largely personal letters and diaries - and the dissemination of the information they contain. The enemy no doubt has a similar organisation, and it is our job to cramp his style through sheer lack of material.

- (ii) Leakages occur through three main channels:

Documents carried on the man and either lost or captured with the bearer.

Documents mislaid or overlooked during movement, PARTICULARLY IN THE CASE OF HQ.

Documents captured in HQ areas.

In this connection when in contact, unit message logs

or action diaries will be confined to two AAB 65s which are replaced as completed, and together with file copies of OOs, etc, will be sent to the rear. By this means no comprehensive survey of past events within in the unit can fall into enemy hands. The books and orders are available for compilation of the War Diary and History of Ops after action.

- (iii) Unit security officers will constantly police the custody and carriage of documents, with particular attention to the terms of GRO G219/44 "CLASSIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS".

(c) UNIT CENSORSHIP

- (i) In the present area of operations, censorship policy aims to provide a complete blanket in all matters which are NOT of a purely personal nature.

- (ii) 3 Aust Div Security memo G25/106 of 22 Sep reads:

"Until further notice the following will NOT be mentioned in private correspondence:

Movement or implication of movement.

Current sea or air voyage.

Name of new area.

The letter heading "AT SEA" will not be used.

- (iii) All officers will pay particular attention to their duties in this regard. Units are referred to GRO 371/44 UNIT CENSORSHIP and to 3 Aust Div Weekly Intelligence Summary No.1 Part V copy of which is attached as Appx "D".

- (iv) The control of unit censor stamps by unit security officers is frequently inadequate. Censor stamps are to be used only under the direct supervision of a commissioned officer.

(d) SECURITY OF PERSONAL ISSUE CONTROLLED STORES

- ((i) When worn pistols will be attached to the body by a securely attached lanyard.

- (ii) All ranks will pay particular attention to the safe custody of watches, binoculars, compasses and pistols, which when not in use will be kept in a locked security box.

CAMERAS

- 10. To date, regulations controlling the possession and use of cameras by members of this brigade are set out in GRO G18/44.
- 11. All units will keep an accurate record showing Type, Serial Number and Film Size of all cameras held by members of the unit, and it will be made clear to all ranks that such record is for check purposes only: there is no question of impressment, and no excuse for un-registered cameras.

COMMUNICATIONS AND LIASON

- 12. The pressure of traffic on signal communications makes a system of message priorities essential. However, if the higher priorities of the system are used without reason the whole object is defeated. Units will draw attention of all officers to GRO G271/44

in this regard and ensure that the terms of the order meet with strict compliance.

13. When operating with support aircraft, ground-air communication will be maintained by the use of the COMBINED PANEL SYSTEM as set out in Combined Communications Publication No.8 (CCBP 8) of August 43.
14. Liaison and other officers, and senior NCOs, will report to the BM or Adjt, SC and IO when leaving or arriving at HQ and will also visit the Sig Office. Track information from members moving between units is at all times valuable, and will be passed to Int Sections at every opportunity.

ENEMY PRISONERS OF WAR, ESCAPEES AND LIBERATED PERSONNEL

15. Attached as Appendix "E" is a copy of 3 Aust Div Int Instruction No.3 of 4 Aug 44, the conditions of which will be closely studied and observed.

CAPTURED MATERIAL - THE WAR SOUVENIR STAMP

16. Captured equipment and documents form an invaluable source of accurate information, and the importance of captured items being submitted for Intelligence examination cannot be too highly stressed.
17. The WAR SOUVENIR STAMP is designed to facilitate the return of captured items to the finder after examination, and to authorise the retention and/or despatch through postal channels of items NOT required by Intelligence. Attached as Appendix "F" is copy of 3 Aust Div Intelligence Instruction No.5 - WAR SOUVENIR STAMP; the provisions of paragraph 13 will be given the fullest attention.

PASSWORDS AND COUNTERSIGNS

18. Passwords and countersigns will :
  - (a) Be issued by this HQ in weekly blocks to all units south of the TAGESSI RIVER 3 days in advance.
  - (b) Only be issued to all ranks during the morning of the day on which each password and reply becomes operative.
  - (c) On no account be reproduced.
  - (d) When NOT in use will be kept under the personal control of each CO or OC.
  - (e) As soon as they become ineffective, be destroyed by fire, and a signal sent to this HQ, codeword PLD will be used.
19. All ranks will be carefully instructed in the use of passwords and replies.
20. The knowledge of a password and its countersign does NOT of itself constitute an authority to enter the Bde area.

*W. Austin* Maj  
BM 29 Aust Inf Bde

DISTRIBUTION

15 Aust Inf Bn  
42 Aust Inf Bn  
47 Aust Inf Bn  
5 Bty 2 Aust Fd Regt  
5 Pl A Coy 1 NG Inf Bn  
18 Aust Sup Depot Pl  
56 Aust Tpt Pl  
7 Aust Fd Amb  
104 Aust Bde Wkshop  
104 Aust Bde Ord Fd Pk

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Appx "A" to 29 Aust Inf Bde  
Standing Orders for Intelligence

9 Dec 44

1. In order to avoid divergence of method in reporting information the following pro formas have been developed for each type of report.

2. Included are the following : they are self explanatory and will be adhered to at all times until amended by further instructions from this HQ.

- (a) Sitrep
- (b) Location Statement
- (c) OP Report
- (d) Patrol and Contact Report
- (e) Patrol Briefing Form
- (f) Track Going Map
- (g) Hostile Shelling Report
- (h) Hostile Aircraft Report
- (j) UXB Report
- (k) CW Int Report.

3. It has been found in the past that considerable waste of signal time and unnecessary work have been incurred by the necessity of telephoning the originators of messages to obtain complete details of reports and actions against the enemy. In order that this may be avoided, all details, no matter how trivial they may appear, will be reported.

4. The following sample headings will also be used as a general guide :

(a) All Incidents

- (i) Designation of observer (e.g. B Coy Standing Patrol)
- (ii) Position of observer
- (iii) Time(s)
- (iv) Where observed (exact map reference on bearings and distance from observer)
- (v) Direction of movement (if any)
- (vi) Number and description of enemy (including all details such as dress, appearance, stature)
- (vii) Weapons and equipment carried.

(b) Report on Enemy Attack

- (i) Position attacked and time.
- (ii) Direction and method of attack
- (iii) Number of enemy involved (always give numerical estimate. Do not use phrases "pl strength", "coy strength". If however, it is known that an actual company was involved, the fact should be stated in addition.)
- (iv) Full details of weapons used.
- (v) Effectiveness or otherwise of attack.
- (vi) Casualties - own and enemy.

PRO FORMA (a) SITREP

SITREP

From : Time and Date

To :

Originator's No.      SECRET (.) SITREP 4(x) to 211130L (.).....

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- x      (a) Consecutive number of sitrep.
- (b) In accordance with the provisions of GRO 219/44, the classification SECRET will be applied only when the text refers to our own operations in progress, disposition of own troops or similar information of extreme value to the enemy. Other types of information will be graded accordingly, e.g., SITNOR requires no security classification.

PRO FORMA (b) LOCATION STATEMENT

LOCATION STATEMENT

From : Time and Date

To :

Originator's No.      SECRET (.) location 211130L (.) ref map

LAE 1/25000 (.) Bn HQ 842367    A 740261    B 708410    C 925341

D 894764    HQ 474828

PRO FORMA (c)

SECRET

OBSERVATION POST REPORT

Note: The first entry serial 1, will give the time and details of establishing the CP, and the action taken, i.e. notified Bn HQ

OP Log No..... Map Ref..... Date..... Manned by.....

1 Serial No	2 Time	3 Bearing Mag	4 Approx Distance	5 Event or Information	6 Deduction	7 Action Taken

PRO FORMA (d)

PATROL AND CONTACT REPORT

Ref Map ..... SCALE ..... Date .....

PATROL FOUND BY ..... Pl. .... Coy ... Patrol Comd .....

Patrol Strength ..... Nature of Patrol  
(Fighting, Standing, Recce, etc)

Time Out ..... hours ..... Time IN ..... hours

Object of Patrol .....

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Route Out .....

Route IN .....

NARRATIVE

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(The following to be used if contact is made with the enemy)

Enemy contacted at (Ref) ..... (Also indicate on sketch on  
reverse side of this report)

Enemy Numerical Strength is estimated to be .....

Enemy was in defensive position (type and extent) .....

Patrolling ..... Advancing ..... (Give direction  
of advance)

Enemy was supported by Mortars ..... MGs .....

Arty ..... AFV .....

Estimated extent of enemy flanks ..... l. ....

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Casualties Inflicted - Killed ..... Wounded .....

Prisoners Taken ..... Own Cas - K ..... Wounded .....

REMARKS

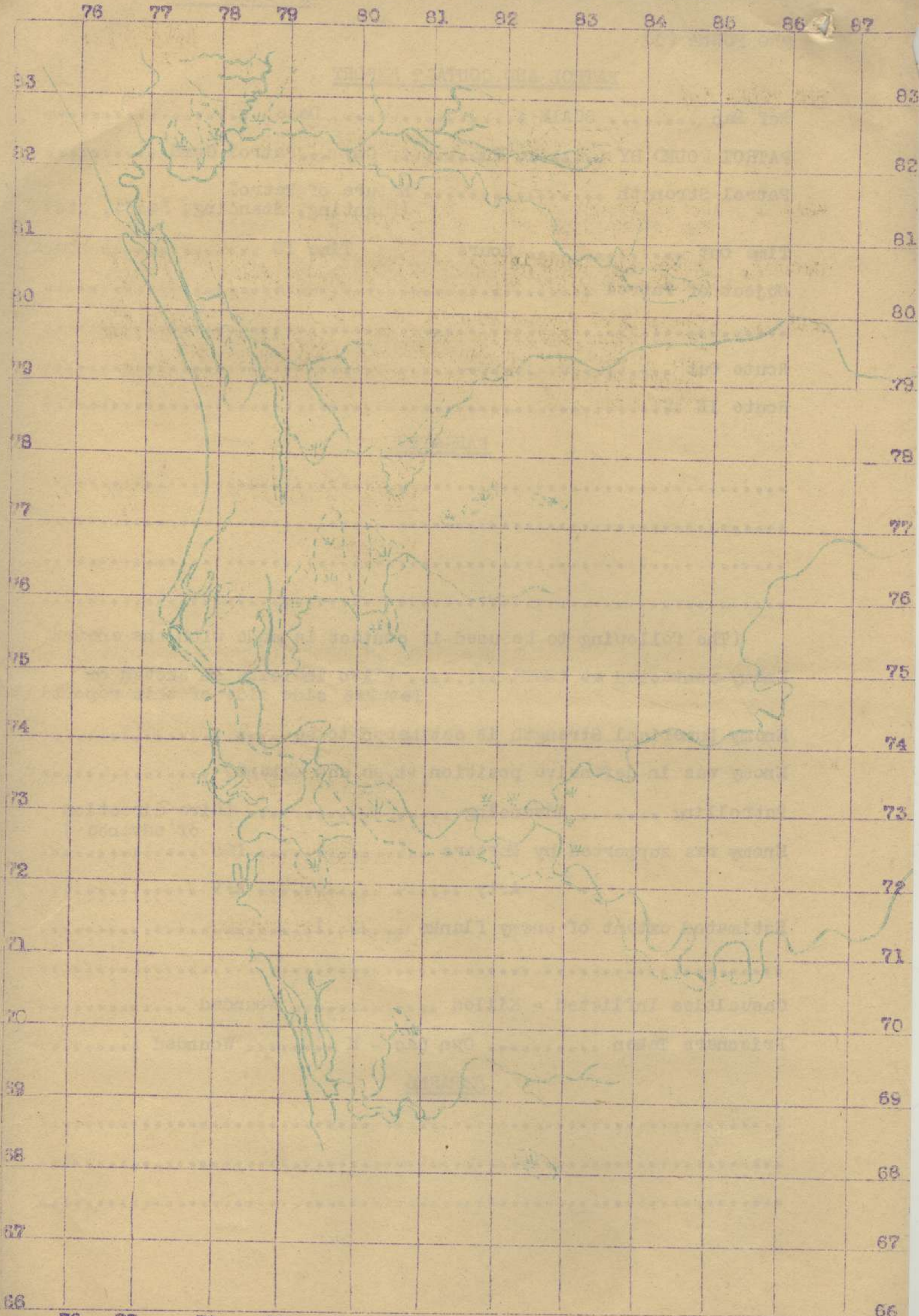
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# PATROL MAP

THIS MUST NOT FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS



Scale



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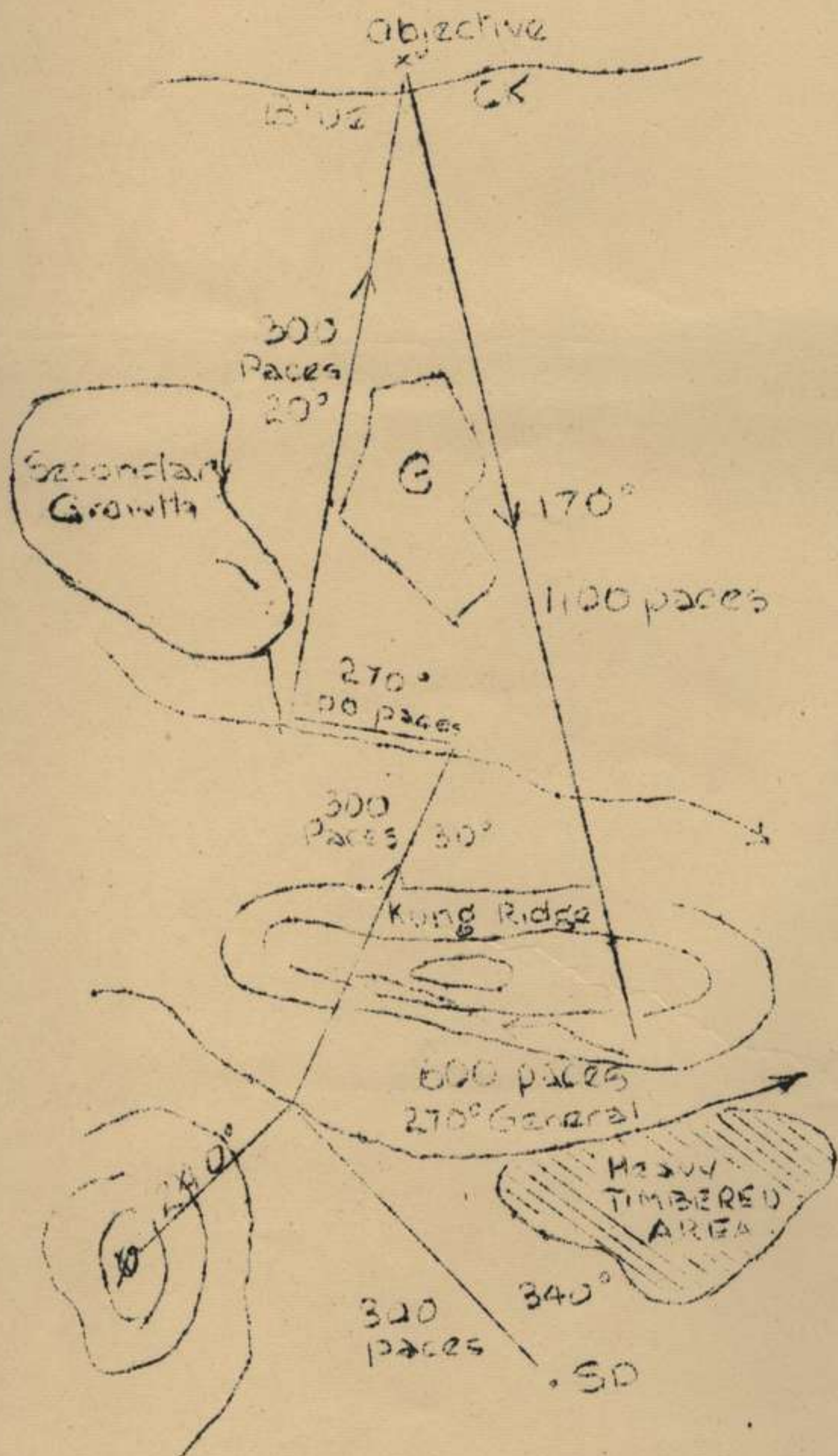
PRO FORMA (e)

PRO FORMAS FOR BRIEFING PATROLS

- Note 1. No reference to Unit, map, nor map refs for security. Use fictitious names where possible.
- Note 2. Paces and description of country are compiled by Bn, or Bde IO after studying map and airphoto.
- Note 3. The patrol leader studies the map and photos with the IO and the sketch is explained, e.g. "After 700 paces you should see feature 'X' on a bearing of 240°. There will be a heavily timbered belt on your right after 250 paces."

INSTNS TO PATROL

Date,.....



1. TASK

- (a) Are there any ENEMY covering the crossing of BLUE CK?
- (b) If so, what is their strength and where are their positions?

2. GEN DIRECTION NORTH

3. STARTING TIME hrs

4. S.P. see trace

5. RETURN BY hrs

6. RETURN TO 5 Sec 13 Coy

7. SPECIAL INSTNS

PRO FORMA (f)  
& Introduction

TRACK GOING MAPS

1. The following instructions were issued early in the MUBO-SALAMAUA Campaign and their practicability of execution has been proven under actual service conditions in New Guinea.
2. The impossibility of Intelligence Section personnel covering all routes in operational area makes it necessary that every patrol leader be able to prepare a simple record of the route and terrain traversed.
3. It is desired therefore that every effort be made to train all personnel in the use of "Track Going Maps".

Owing to the inaccuracy and lack of detail of present maps, it is essential that all units collect as much information as possible concerning the topography of their area. Further in heavily timbered and mountainous country it is often found that maps are of little assistance. It has been found that the "Track Going Map" as described below, provides the best solution to both these problems.

The "Track Going Map" is intended for recording topographical information. If an operational patrol covers new country, one should be included as an appendix to the patrol's report. If convenient, the operational report may make reference to the "track going map", by cross reference using letters.

A specimen is attached, and the form illustrated will be followed. In the centre panel is drawn as accurate a sketch as possible of the country traversed. In the right is shown the track times between each feature. In the left is written a description of the track and country on either side of it. The track should be divided into convenient sections so that the map will fit into foolscap size sheets at a suitable scale. It should be noted that the "track going map" does not supersede a large scale sketch map. A brief sketch however is better than none at all.

In preparation, attention will be paid to the following points :

- (a) General concise summing up of track traversed, dated and signed by person compiling it.
- (b) Starting and finishing points. Where possible give reference of these points on standard map. This will assist in assessing approximately scale of going map.
- (c) Each feature described will be serially numbered.
- (d) Time of travel from each feature to the next. The times will be shown thus 1/20. The figure(s) on either side of the arrow represent hours of travel and the arrow represents the approximate bearing of travel. Thus 1/20 represents one hour 20 minutes in a direction approximately NE. Similarly, 1/35 represents one hour 35 minutes in a SW direction. In addition to giving a rough bearing, this method enables differences in time of travelling in the reverse direction to be shown up.
- (e) Total time travelled.
- (f) Class of track - hunting pad, native, bench cut surface; under fine and wet weather conditions. Whether capable of being made into a jeep or MT track.

- (g) The left hand panel will be ruled off so as to clearly indicate which information applies to a particular feature, and which to the track between.
- (h) Grades. Whether up or down. If possible estimate gradient.
- (i) Indications of hill features and re-entrants by form lines. This is important for the identifying of localities on air photos.
- (j) Alternative tracks and branch tracks leading from route taken.
- (k) Water courses, Width, depth, rate (for large streams) and direction of flow, navigability, whether fordable approaches and possibility of constructing a bridge.
- (l) Observation points. Features from which surrounding country can be seen. Give bearings to any prominent landmarks from a different point.
- (m) Cover from observation; aerial and ground.
- (n) Bivouac sites. Notes on water, accommodation, cover from observation, defence possibilities, native foods, pests, etc.
- (o) Possible landing grounds.
- (p) Existing signal communications.



TRACK GOING MAP

Ref map BUMWAGOA 1/4"

ANGAU TRIG - WOGO

1 40

1 50

Report : Track generally good except in timber. BOTCHA CK major obstacle, Natives friendly at WOGO. Could keep 20 men supplied with food. WOGO good for bivouac except for mosquitoes. WARPIS RIVER fast but navigable to rafts, P. SMITH Pte X Bn (If security permits)

Natives friendly, ANGAU Post. Native food for 20 men. 6 huts accommodate 30 men. Water good but mosquitoes very bad

2 lone white barked trees for landmarks

Good dropping ground. Could be extended to 2000'

Jeepable track follows river as it changes course. PIMPLE only OP possible on left bank.

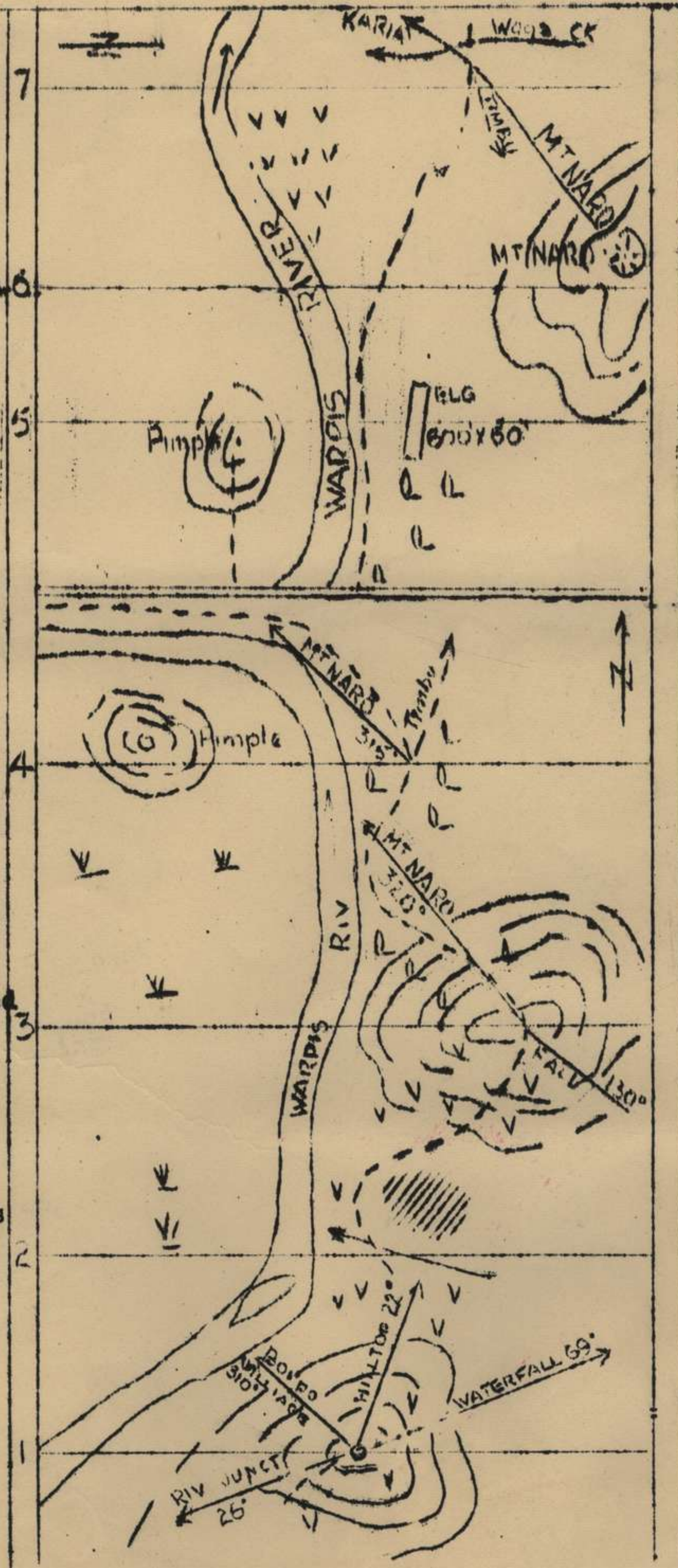
3 old huts, No food or natives 1/2 hour walk to PIMPLE, WARPIS RIVER fordable here, Possible camp site. Very slippery track would need much work to make Jeepable. Alternate track half way up hill

Good OP but NOT concealed. Steep approaches.

Jeepable track but clay soil slippery in wet.

20' x 8' deep steep banks. No ford NO bridging material. Water good though slow running

Good OP but open all round



PRO FORMA (g)

HOSTILE SHELLING REPORT

- (a) one copy direct to RAA
- (b) one copy direct to GS(Int)
- (c) all bearings magnetic

(d) In column 4 put PS or G according to whether Flash sound or groove is being reported (example - Flash observed from bearing 118°)

Ref map .....

	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
From (unit)	Map Ref of (Reporting point)	Time Flash Sound of discharge	Direction of F, S or G	Period of Shelling From To	Area Shelled	No of Rds	Damage being done	Nature of Fire (Registration bombardment harassing)	No calibre Type of Gun(s)	Remarks (e.g. Rates of Fire)

PRO FORMA (h)

HOSTILE AIRCRAFT REPORT

- Note (a) only eight points of compass will be used  
(b) All observed movement of A/C unless positively identified as Allied will be detailed in appropriate columns by the observer or his immediate HQ whether attack is made or not

Unit .....

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Serial	Date	Map Ref Reporting Posn	Direction of Attack (if any)	No and type of A/C	Nature of Attack	Time From	Time To	Area Attacked	Damage Done	Direction of Departing A/C	No of A/C Destroyed	Remarks

FRO FORMA (J)

UXB REPORT

- (a) If so give details of length, diameter of body, tail & identification of fuze.  
 (b) Crater formed? windows (if any) more than 20 feet away broken?  
 Bomb splinters or marks found? Signs of blackening

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Exact Locat ion	Time Date	Type of ground surround- ing bomb	Is bomb visib- le (a)	Diam- eter of hole of entry	Estim- ated depth of hole	Has any of the follow ing occurred (b)	Any reason believed for bomb not exploding

PRO FORMA (k)

C.W. INTELLIGENCE REPORT

Ref Map .....

1. Formation/Unit ..... Date .....

2. Area of Attack (Map Ref) .....

3. Time of Attack - From ..... hrs To ..... hrs

4. Weather and wind at time .....

5. Source of information .....

6. Gas was

- Tear/ CAP/ BBC/ KSK
- Nose/ DA/ DC/ DM
- Choking/ Phosgene/Chloride/Chloropicrin
- Blisters/ Mustard/Lewisite
- Mixture/ Not mixed/ Mixed with smoke

NOT identified but colour .....

Smell .....

Symptoms of Casualties .....

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7. Weapons used was Mortar/Artillery/Air Spray/ Aircraft bomb/Cloud

..... No of rounds used approx .....

Comments (incl direction of the weapon - height of aircraft etc)

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8. Casualties - Tps ..... Dead ..... Affected ..... Contaminated

Civilians ..... Dead ..... Affected ..... Contaminated

9. REMARKS (incl sample fwded etc) .....

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Place ..... Map Ref ..... Signed .....


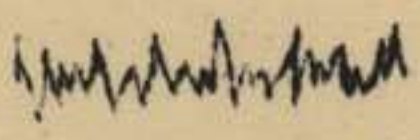

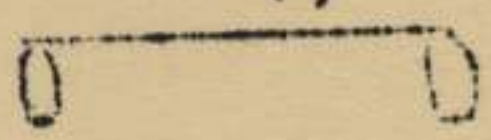




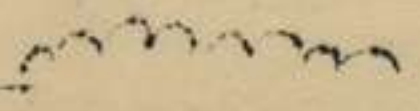
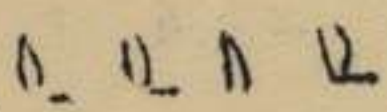
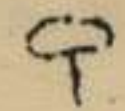
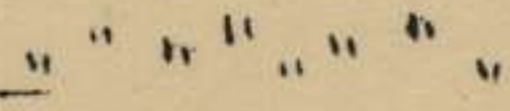
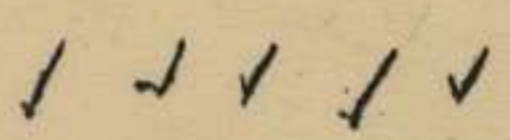
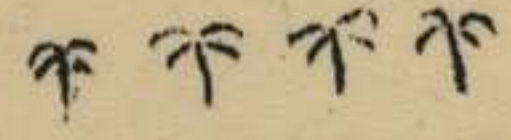
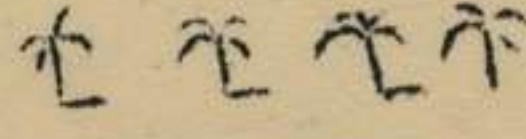
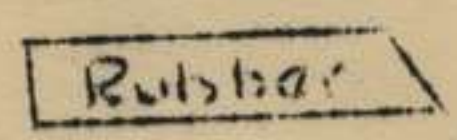
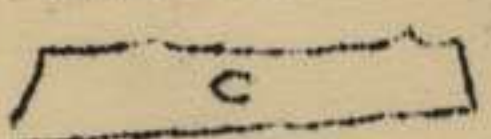
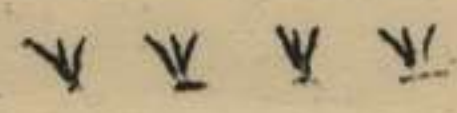
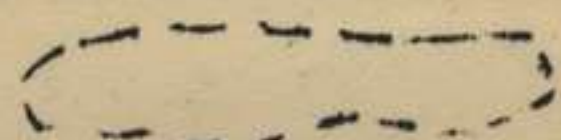
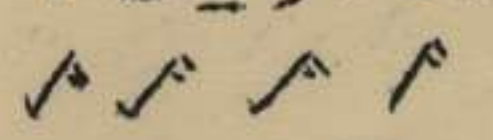
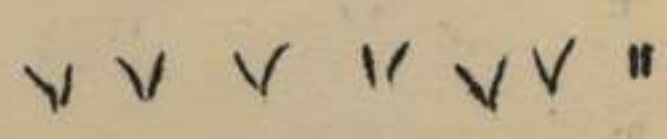


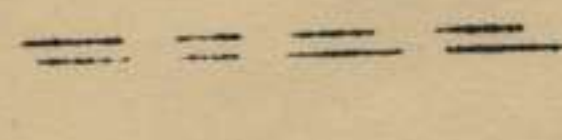
Time ..... Hrs Date ..... Appointment .....

NOTE : Initial use of gas by the enemy will be advised by IMMEDIATE signal direct to Division repeated this HQ and flanking units.

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TOPOGRAPHICAL CONVENTIONAL SIGNS TO BE USED  
ON MAPS, SKETCHES OR ANNOTATED PHOTOGRAPHS

Note : This list is intended as a supplement to standard list of conventional signs (ref MMR) and only deals with those additions or modifications which have been found necessary in recent operations in this theatre.

<u>Shoreline</u>		Colour
Sand		Red
Reef		Black
Underwater obstructions		Blue
Extent of area suitable for beach landing		Red
Safe anchorage - all weather		Blue
- SE season only		"
- NW season only		"
<u>Vegetation</u>		
Jungle		Green
Secondary growth		"
Savannah		"
Conspicuous Tree		"
Grass - Kangaroo, Kunal		"
Pit Pit (or similar very tall thick grass)		"
Coconut		"
Coconut plantation		"
Other plantations		"
Native Garden		Black
<u>Swamps</u>		
General		Blue
Grass		"
Sago		"
Mangrove		"
Probable drainage		"
<u>Roads</u>		
MT		Red
Jeep		"

Roads (contd)

Footpath

Red

Doubtful or ill-defined pads

"

Parit (canoe route through  
or swamp country)  
Barad

Blue

Village



Huts



Mission Station



9 Dec 44

RELIABILITY RATING DESIGNATED BY USE OF SYMPOLS

Copy of order issued by GHQ SWPA on 9 Jan 43.

1. Effective immediately all Intelligence Reports will be rated according to the following system :
  - (a) When reports are known to be true, they will be reported as such, for instance, occurrences witnessed by the reporting officer would be in this category.
  - (b) Reports not constituting "first-hand" or eye-witness information will be graded according to the reliability of the source, and also the probability of the news, and will be designated by the following symbols -

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Evaluations of Information  
as to Source.

Evaluation of Information  
as to TRUTH, CREDIBILITY or  
PROBABILITY

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A - Completely reliable  
B - Usually reliable  
C - Fairly reliable  
D - Not usually reliable  
E - Unreliable

1 - Rpt confirmed by other sources.  
2 - Probable true report  
3 - Possibly true report  
4 - Doubtfully true report  
5 - Improbable report  
6 - Truth cannot be judged.

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For example, "C-2" indicates a report from a fairly reliable source, and the information is probably true. Also "C-6" indicates a report from a fairly reliable source, the truth of which cannot be judged.

- (a) If a report is known to be false, it will be reported as such, as it may be possible to deduce the truth from the fact that certain reports are being circulated by the enemy.
  - (b) The rating "A-1" will be used only when the information is received from the most authentic source, and is confirmed beyond doubt. Due consideration will be given before designating a report "A-1".
  - (c) When reports contain information on several parts or phases of a subject, such as to require separate rating action on the several parts, such separate ratings will be made by marginal notation.
  - (d) When intelligence is forwarded in despatch form, the reliability rating will be given as appropriate.
2. The symbols for indicating the evaluation of intelligence as set forth in this letter, are identical with those being used by British Naval Intelligence. The same system has been adopted by the United States Army and Navy.
  3. It is desired that provisions of this Directorate be brought to the attention of all concerned within your command.



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Appendix D to  
Standing Orders Intelligence  
HQ 29 Aust Inf Bde

9 Dec 44

SECURITY

FAIR CRITICISM AND CENSORSHIP

Recent reports from Base Censorship in First Aust Army areas have indicated a tendency among many franking officers to excise unnecessarily from troops' correspondence, passages expressing criticism or complaints.

Healthy grouching by other ranks involving fair comment and criticism of conditions, rations and what they themselves consider injustices, should be permitted in communications.

One factor, however, must be observed in granting the soldier this reasonable freedom of expression, namely a commonsense discrimination by the franking officer between the personal criticism or grouching of a soldier and a statement that may tend to encourage the effort of the enemy or bring into disrepute our force, our commanders, or the forces of our Allies. These latter statements are a breach of censorship regulations.

It is felt that troops should once more be reminded that censorship, although distasteful to all ranks of the Army, is a necessary imposition in war to prevent valuable information reaching the enemy. At this time also it should be stressed, particularly for the benefit of officers recently commissioned or those arriving from areas where unit censorship has not applied, that the stifling of justifiable grouching in a soldier's mail is not compatible with his responsibilities as a franking officer.

(2 Aust Corps Weekly Intelligence Summary No.1)

Appendix E to  
Standing Orders Intelligence  
29 Aust Inf Bde

ENEMY PRISONERS OF WAR, ESCAPEES AND LIBERATED PERSONNEL

References : MMI Pam 2 Chapter 5  
FSPB " 31  
FSR Vol 1 Section 70

PART I - PRISONERS OF WAR

1. Prisoners of War have always been one of the most fruitful sources of information. The Japanese, who, by very reason of being alive in our hands, has automatically renounced all loyalty to Japan, has proved willing to impart information on a scale never heretofore encountered. His extreme value to Intelligence must be understood by all ranks.
2. Basic principles for handling of prisoners of war still apply in this theatre; but the greater importance and comparative rarity of the Japanese prisoner of war has necessitated the highest priority in notification of capture and arrangement for interrogation.
3. Immediately after capture, all weapons, documents and personal effects should be removed from prisoners of war and placed in an envelope or bag. Duplicate numbered tags are supplied by GS (Int) one to be affixed to the prisoner, the other to his effects. Details as to date, time and place of capture should be added (the Captured Equipment Label will serve this purpose).
4. Although slightly at variance with MMI, it is essential that ALL documents including paybooks, be treated as in paragraph 3 - whether the prisoner be wounded or not - and that they reach ATIS with, or if possible, ahead of the prisoner, since they are invaluable aids to interrogation.
5. Conditions in Island warfare also modify the MMI ruling against giving food or cigarettes to prisoners of war before interrogation. Discretion must be used in this regard, particularly since many Japanese when captured are wounded, starving or both. It should be borne in mind that one of our strongest cards in dealing with Japanese prisoners of war is the surprised reaction that usually occurs when they find they are not immediately killed or tortured. Any brutality will prejudice successful interrogation. It is essential that firm but fair treatment of prisoners by our troops be insisted upon, and that as little contact as possible be allowed.
6. Batches of Japanese prisoners are unusual; but if more than one is captured at a time it is best to keep them all separate if possible. If not, segregation of ranks, must be carried out.
7. It is not possible to lay down a cut and dried chain of movement for prisoners of war. Field Security personnel will usually be available for assistance; but methods will have to be determined on the spot. There is, however, one all-important and invariable rule, applicable to both Prisoners of war and documents - get them to ATIS as quickly as can be.

8. ATIS personnel are not attached as far forward as Brigades. When spot examination is carried out, the interrogator must be provided with a list covering only those questions of immediate value to your headquarters. The prisoner must be moved on expeditiously for complete interrogation further back.

9. Airforce Prisoners of War If enemy air force personnel are captured by Army troops they will be segregated immediately, dealt with as in paragraph 3 and the nearest Air Force headquarters notified simultaneously with higher formation. Air Force will then issue instructions as to disposal.

10. Parachute and Airborne Prisoners of War These are regarded as Army prisoners, but our Air Force will be notified in order that their intelligence may collaborate in examination.

11. Deserters There has been only one admitted deserter from the Japanese forces in this theatre to date. Nevertheless they may appear in future and should be regarded as a special category, to be carefully segregated and clearly designated as such. Their identity and existence must be kept secret from other prisoners of war, as, apart from immediate information, they have great potential value as "stool pigeons" and agents.

12. Photography of prisoners of war by units is prohibited.

#### PART IX - ESCAPEES AND LIBERATED PERSONNEL

1. From now on increasing numbers of Allied prisoners of war or impressed civilians of conquered territories will be recovered from the Japanese. Escapees and liberated personnel will be regarded as a distinct category. Special steps will be taken to ensure that they are precluded from interview by anyone (beyond establishing credentials) unless specially authorised by DMI. They will be passed to Divisional Headquarters under guard by quickest possible means.

2. No photographs will be permitted and particular care will be taken that access by journalists or press representatives (who should be in the area) is NOT allowed.

STANDING ORDERS - INTELLIGENCE  
29 AUSTRALIAN INF BDE (AIF)

WAR SOUVENIR STAMP

1. The War Souvenir Stamp is designed to provide a means whereby troops may obtain certificates authorising immediate possession of any captured articles (including documents) not required for Intelligence purposes. The certificate also enables a soldier to send such articles through the post.
2. It should be clearly understood that the War Souvenir Stamp in no way supersedes the Captured Equipment Label. The latter should be affixed in all cases, with all details carefully completed, and request for return if desired. Those articles not required by Intelligence will be released immediately by the War Souvenir Stamp method; the balance will go through normal routine and every endeavour will be made, as in the past, to forward articles to address nominated after Intelligence examination has been completed.
3. The stamp is held by Divisional Captain (Intelligence). Brigade Intelligence Officers and Field Security Sections are kept informed as to categories which are eligible for immediate release.
4. Unit Intelligence officers receive and hold at their office all articles from troops under command. Souvenirs are checked; those not eligible for release by formation are segregated and handed over, with completed Captured Equipment Label attached, to Field Security Section or Salvage, as circumstances dictate. Those eligible for release are listed on a slip of paper, with owner's name, number, unit and home address, signed by the unit Intelligence officer. In addition, Unit or Brigade Intelligence officer will, where possible, prepare typewritten certificates in duplicate, showing number, name, unit and home address together with description of article or articles. Such lists and certificates are handed into Brigade or Field Security representatives attached, for onward movement to Division. In the case of documents, the certificate will be prepared on the document itself where possible.
5. On arrival at Division, certificates are checked by Captain (Intelligence) who stamps, signs and returns them to Brigade (or direct to unit by Field Security Personnel).
6. The Unit Intelligence Officer removes Captured Equipment Label and returns all released articles to the individual, together with certificate in duplicate complete with War Souvenir Stamp. This certificate is the authority for release by franking officers and by Field Censorship. One copy of the certificate therefore, MUST be enclosed when articles are sent by post.
7. Units and services without Intelligence Officers are contacted by Field Security, and arrangements made for one of the officers to collect troops' souvenirs. Periodically a Field Security representative calls and carries out the same procedure as for a Unit Intelligence Officer in paragraph 4 above.
8. On receipt of completed certificates, the officers responsible for collection then return articles to troops in accordance with paragraph 6.

9. It has been found advisable to ensure that all articles of enemy origin, even blank postcards or trinkets made from shell cases, etc, are treated in the above manner. Any relaxation leads to confusion, and troops must understand that any item not accompanied by a certificate will be confiscated.

10. During operations or movement, Unit Intelligence Officers may issue an instruction stating that they will not accept souvenirs for treatment until further notice; this tends to decrease the traffic of souvenirs but troops still have the privilege of using the Captured Equipment Label, and leaving articles in temporary dumps. They will be dealt with as above as soon as circumstances permit.

11. The real value of War Souvenir Stamp is during the cleaning up of the battlefield and occupied areas. Troops soon realise that these souvenirs are quickly released wherever possible; therefore they hand everything in and very willingly accept the non-release of odd items. Many valuable documents, and some identifications have been obtained in this manner. Previously the use of most of this matter was lost to Intelligence, as there was no recognised channel for the immediate despatch of souvenirs.

12. The work entailed in the drill is not excessive; it takes up little of an Intelligence Officer's time daily and has not interfered with other Field Security duties.

13. In order that the maximum value may be obtained from the use of the War Souvenir Stamp, both from the point of view of GS (Intelligence) and of the troops themselves, it is essential that the foregoing details be advertised as widely as possible. Steps will be taken to ensure maximum publicity to that end.

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