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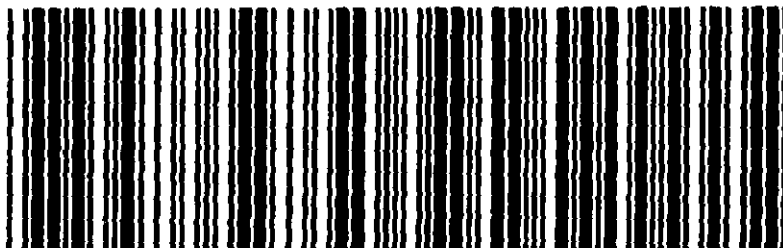
Australian Military Forces, Army headquarters,
formation and unit diaries, 1939-1945

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MILITARY DISTRICTS,
COMMANDS AND LINE
OF COMMUNICATION
AREAS

Queensland Line of Communication
Area (Qld L of C Area)

May 1944, part 2



1/7/3-049B

DIGEST OF LHQ REVSIT NO. 656 to 150015Z MAY

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1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

NEW BRITAIN: On 14 May it was reliably reported that there were no enemy troops at the PONDO PLANTATION, the Japanese there having moved 5 miles up the PONDO RIVER. From the same source reports state that UNALAMA and MANDRES PLANTATIONS and MANDRES Sawmill (all in ATALIKLIKUM BAY) are occupied by the enemy.

ADMIRALTY ISLANDS: From 10 to 13 May 16 Japanese were killed and 6 captured in the area North of PATUSI BAY.

NEW GUINEA - SAIDOR: On 13 May one of our patrols killed 5 Japanese and found 31 dead Japanese in the vicinity of YOGA YOGA and MASIBANG.

ALUYI SHAREN: On 13 May Allied patrols to AMELE, AMRON MISSION, KAURIS (7 miles W. MADANG) and the KURMASS RIVER reported that no enemy movement was observed in these areas.

AITAPE: On 12 May Allied patrols made light contacts with enemy parties inflicting casualties.

LUTCH NEW GUINEA - HOLLANDIA: On 12 May 24 Japanese were killed and 19 captured in the airfields and SENTANI LAKE areas. On 13 May patrols reported that they were contacting Japanese in groups of 20 to 30, all of which were armed and showing aggressive attitude, but the area of contact was not reported.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 12 May 45 Dauntlesses and 20 Avengers bombed the coastal villages S. of SORUM and the supply area of CHABAI respectively. On 13 May 24 Airacobras started a fire in the supply area at BONIS.

NEW BRITAIN: On 12 May 10 Mitchells, 30 Dauntlesses and an unstated number of Avengers, 20 Warhawks and 6 Lightnings bombed the runway and personnel areas at TOBERA. On 13 May 24 Dauntlesses and 12 Avengers bombed the supply area at RATAVAL, starting 12 fires. 21 Mitchells, 24 Airacobras, 11 Warhawks and 8 Lightnings bombed the supply areas at TALILI, destroying 19 storage bays.

NEW GUINEA: On 13 May 11 Bostons and 15 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed the coastal area from ULIGAN HARBOUR to MANSA BAY, damaging bridges and scoring direct hits in the personnel and supply areas. On the same date 12 Mitchells and 67 Bostons bombed and strafed the strip at BORAY, and personnel and stores areas from CAPE WOK to MISSION POINT, scoring hits on dispersal, supply and personnel areas. Large oil fires and many smaller fires were started.

DETACH NEW GUINEA: On 13 May one Liberator strafed and destroyed two grounded bombers on WAKKE ISLAND. On the same date 20 Liberators bombed MAFFIN, SAWAR and WAKKE ISLAND, starting small fires in the stores and personnel areas at MAFFIN, and scoring direct hits on the SAWAR strip. On 13 May 9 Mitchells bombed ARARA (5 miles E. MAFFIN BAY). On 12 May 42 Liberators bombed the supply and revetment areas at MOAMER, starting small fires. On 13 May 3 Liberators bombed the SORIDO strip, causing huge fires and explosions.

4. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

LUTCH NEW GUINEA: At 130212Z 9 barges were sighted 30 miles W. and heading towards WAKKE. At 120113Z 37 to 45 barges were at EIAK ISLAND.

SINGAPORE: At 131250Z 3 A/C carriers, 5 heavy cruisers and 3 or more destroyers were 370 miles NE SINGAPORE, course S.

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ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
16 May 44

NO. Q/3283

MOVEMENT OF 7 AUST DIV. CONCERT PARTY TO SYDNEY.

Reference H.Q. Q'land L of C Area SD.1424, the above Party will move to SYDNEY in accordance with the following arrangements : -

4 1/2 Tons Stores
2 O/Rs.

2. LOADING OF STORES:

Stores will be loaded at SOUTH BRISBANE (GOODS YARD) at 1400 hrs on Wednesday, 17 May, 44 and depart by ordinary goods services same day.

3. TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE:

Escort will be on Travelling Allowance to SYDNEY.

4. CONSIGNMENT NOTES AND RAIL WARRANTS:

R.T.O. SOUTH BRISBANE (GOODS) will issue Consignment Note and Rail Warrants to ALEXANDRIA.

5. SECURITY:

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 16/245K

[Signature]
Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G.
3 Aust M.C.Gp.

DISTRIBUTION : -

1/4 First Aust Army	
5 L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIRMAIL
5/8 Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14 H.Q. Q'land L of C Area	
15/21 3 Aust M C Gp.	
22 Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23 2 L of C Sub-area	
24 D.A.D. Posts	
25 M.F.O.	
26 H.Q. 7 Aust Div.	D.R.L.S.
27 Escort, 7 Aust Div Concert Party (C/- R.T.O. SOUTH BRISBANE GOODS)	
28 R.T.O. SOUTH BRISBANE (GOODS)	
29 " ALEXANDRIA	COURIER
30 1 Aust M C Gp	"
31 NSW L of C Area	"
32 Second Aust Army	"
33/34 Diary	
35/36 File	

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - H.Q., Q'land. L. of C. Area,
Victoria Barracks,
Brisbane.

04311

15 MAY 1944

D.D.M.E.

Copy : G.S.O.

A.Q.M.G.

D.D.O.S.

Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office.

District Accounts Office (Q'ld.).

Capt. Admin.

War Diary (2).

6 AUST. VEH. PARK WKSHP - REORGANIZATION OF.

Reference L.H.Q. SM.4964 of 10 May 44.

An amendment to the OOB, AMF, may be anticipated providing for the expansion of 6 Aust. Veh Park Wksp and D.D.M.E. will please take action accordingly as follows:-

REORGANIZE: 6 AUST VEH PK WKSP (HQ (LE) and No 1 SEC)

AS 6 AUST VEH PK WKSP (HQ (LE) and No 4 SEC)

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Vide WE IV/102/3

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2. It is desired that this reorganization be completed not later than 15 June 44.

3. The adjustment of personnel to conform to the new WE will be effected by cross-posting between AEHE units under command HQ QLD L OF C AREA.

4. Additional personnel required to complete this unit to WE will be provided as follows :-

(a) as many as possible by withdrawals from existing AEHE units under command HQ QLD L OF C AREA;

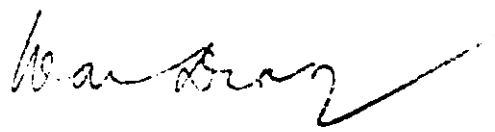
(b) subject to the implementation of sub-para (a) personnel still required to complete to WE, through 2 ECH channels as, and when, available.

5. D.DOS, H.Q., Q'land. L. of C. Area will please arrange the issue of additional equipment required to complete 6 Aust. Veh. Pk Wksp (as expanded) to W.E.T.

6. H.Q., Q'land. L. of C. Area will be advised when the expansion of the Unit has been completed.

7. Acknowledge.


for A.A.G. H.Q., Q'land. L. of C. Area. Capt.,



AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

NO:- 04317

H.Q., Q'LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

16 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from GAYTHORNE on Wednesday, 17 May 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO EUMUNDI:- 5 Italian O.Rs.
ESCORT:- 1 N.C.O.
1 O.R.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
N.C.O. in Charge of Escort:-

Q.187631 Cpl. McPHAIL, D.

1. MOVEMENT TO ROMA ST. STATION:- A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Roma Street Station, leaving Gaythorne at 0720 hours and arriving at Roma St. Station at 0750 hours.

Train departs 0820 hours, 17 May 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:- Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of N.C.O. i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., Roma St.

3. RAIL WARRANTS:- As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O. Roma St. will issue bulk second class Warrants as follows:-

Roma St. to Eumundi	..	5 P.W.
Roma St. to Eumundi	..	2 Escorts
and return.		

4. ARRIVAL EUMUNDI:- N.C.O. i/c Escort will hand over to and receive receipts from O.C., Q7 P.W.C.C., Capt. GRIFFITHS.

5. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

- (1) Nominal Roll in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers (2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area, and 1 copy to Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office).
- (11) A.A. Form A.116 in respect of each P.W.
- (111) Language Booklet for each P.W.

J. C. M. Farlow, Capt
for Lt.-Col.,
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area
- 4. R.T.O., Roma St.
- 5. O.C., Q7 P.W.C.C., Kenilworth
- 6. Internment Camp, Gaythorne
- 7. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp.
- 8. G.S. (Int.)
- 9. 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
- 10. N.C.O. i/c Escort,
C/- Internment Camp,
GAYTHORNE.
- 11-12. War Diary.
- 13-14. File

April 1944

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

SECRET 10/43/44.

No. 04295.

HQ Qld. L. of C. Area,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

AMENDMENT NO. 1.

16 May 44

TO

QLD. L. OF C. AREA LOCATION STATEMENT NO. 52

As at 2359 Hrs 15 May 44.

1. Serial 5(1) - Delete
- Serial 6(g) - Insert "Type A - 384 - MAPEE"
- Serial 8 - Amend to read "HQ 1 Aust Base Sub Area (Type C)"
- Serial 17 - Insert in Phone Col "or Bl261 Ext 602"
- Serial 34 - Amend to read "TS 2/9 Aust Armd Regt (less A & B Sgns)" and amend remark to read "A & B Sgns u/c 1 Aust Corps. Balance to move u/c 1 Aust Corps shortly."
- Page 4 - Opp space between Serial 43 and "SUP & TPT" - insert new arm heading "INF" and insert new serial 43 (a).
- Serial 43(a) - Insert "A" Coy 13/33 Aust Inf Bn - young soldiers Unit, not yet u/c from Second Aust Army for trg.
- Serial 47 - Delete
- Serial 73 - Delete
- Serial 74 - Delete
- Serial 75 - Delete
- Serial 76 - Delete
- Serial 80 - Insert location "STRATHPINE" & delete second remark.
- Serial 83 - Insert location "STRATHPINE" & delete second remark.
- Serial 92 - Insert location "STRATHPINE" & amend second remark to read "Moving to ABERNETHY area shortly."
- Serial 95 - Insert location "STRATHPINE" and delete first remark.
- Serial 96 - Insert location "STRATHPINE" & delete first remark.
- Serial 100 - Insert location "STRATHPINE" & delete first and third remarks.
- Serial 101 - Insert location "STRATHPINE" & amend remark to read "Ex N.G."
- Serial 103 - Insert "HQ 6 Aust AA Gp (LE) - STRATHPINE - Formerly "HQ L&E AA Gp (LE) Ex N.G."
- Serial 104 - Insert "ORO BAY AA Ops Room (Type C) (AIF) - Not yet in Area Ex N.G. To be located STRATHPINE."
- Serial 116 - Amend to read "4 Aust A Tps Coy (AIF)"
- Serial 117 - Amend to read "9 Aust A Tps Coy (AIF)"

111 - 112 - *War Diary*

- Serial 131 - Deloto
- Page 8. - Insert new Serials 131(a), 134(a), and 138(a).
- Serial 131(a) - Insert "Hq RAE 2 Aust Corps Tps (AIF) - To come u/c for staging for on move to NT."
- Serial 134(a) - Insert "4 Aust Mech Egmt Spars Parts Sec - Not yet u/c from Second Aust Army. To be att Serial 124 and be located ROCKLEA."
- Serial 135 - Amend to read "6 Aust A Tps Coy (AIF) - GROVELY - Three Pls TOORBUL PT."
- Serial 136 - Insert "9 Aust CRE (Wks) - Not yet in area from SA L of C Area - To be located STRATHPINE."
- Serial 137 - Insert "12 Aust CRE (Wks) - Not yet in Area from Second Aust Army. To be located TOORBUL PT."
- Serial 138 - Insert "57 Aust DCRE (Wks) - Not yet in Area from Second Aust Army. To be located STRATHPINE."
- Serial 138(a) - Insert "14 Aust Fd Coy - Not yet in Area from Second Aust Army - to be located STRATHPINE."
- Serial 144 - Insert "13 Aust Wksp & Pk Coy - Not yet in Area from Second Aust Army Area - to be located STRATHPINE."
- Serial 145 - Insert "2/1 Aust Forestry Coy - Not yet in Area from Second Aust Army Area. To be located STRATHPINE."
- Serial 163 - Amend location to read "GROVELY" and Phone No to M8011."
- Serial 164 - Amend location to read "GROVELY" and Phone No to M8011."
- Serial 176 - Amend to read "Hq Adv LHq Sigs (HE) (less No. 1 Coy)"
- Page 10. - Insert new serial 176(a).
- Serial 176(a) - Insert "Hq No. 4 Coy ADV LHq Sigs - being raised."
- Page 11 - Insert new serial 220(a).
- Serial 220(a) - Insert "% 59 Aust WT Sec (Type B) - Being raised."
- Serial 242 - Add additional remark "LAD being reduced to Type C".
- Serial 252 - Amend remark to read "Manning PW Control Centre."
- Serial 254 - Insert "1 Aust PW Control Coy - Being raised. To Consist of :
Hq
Four PW Control Centres
One PW Control Hostel (Type A)."
- Page 14. - Insert new serial 288(a).
- Serial 275 - Insert remark "To move shortly to ATHERTON Area u/c First Aust Army."
- Serial 276 - Insert "32 Aust FS Sec - Not yet in Area ex NG."
- Serial 280 - Insert location "NOOSA" and amend remarks to read "Adv Party only u/c from Second Aust Army."
- Serial 288 - Amend location to read "CHERMSIDE" and phone No. to "MY6075" and delete remark.

- Serial 288(a) - Insert "57 Aust BIPOD Pl - Being raised for 1 Aust Corps."
- Serial 332 - Insert remark "To move NG Shortly."
- Serial 333 - Amend to read "196 Aust Sup Depot Pl (AIF) "
- Page 17 - Insert new serials "359(a), 362(a), 364(a) & 367(a).
- Serial 359(a) - Insert "183 Aust Sup Depot Pl (AIF) - Not yet in Area Ex N.G."
- Serial 362(a) - Insert "246 Aust Sup Depot Pl - CHERMSIDE - MY6075 - Ex N.G. Att Serial 363."
- Serial 364(a) - Insert "7 Aust MAC. - Not yet in Area from NSW L of C Area. To be located GROVELY."
- Serial 365 - Insert remark "To relieve Serial 332."
- Serial 366 - Insert "55 Aust Sup Depot Pl - Yeerongpilly - staging for on move to N.G."
- Serial 367 - Insert "36 Aust Sup Depot Pl - Not yet u/c from First Aust Army."
- Serial 367(a) - Insert "1 Aust Base Clerical Increment - Being raised to be att Serial 322."
- Serial 409 - Insert remark "To move shortly to ATHERTON Area u/c First Aust Army."
- Page 19. - Insert new serial 420(a).
- Serial 420(a) - Insert "3 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type A) - ROCKY CREEK."
- Page 20 - Insert new serial 422(a).
- Serial 422(a) - Insert "8 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type A) - KALINGA - Staging for on move to N.G."
- Serial 444 - Amend to read "107 Aust Mob Bath Unit (AIF) "
- Page 21 - Insert new serial 443(a) & 444(a)
- Serial 443(a) - Insert "102 Aust Mob Bath Unit - not yet u/c"
- Serial 444(a) - Insert "Det 12 Aust Malaria Control Unit (Type A) - Being raised for First Aust Army."
- Serial 450 - Delete.
- Serial 487 - Insert "2/3 Aust Dental Unit - not yet u/c"
- Serial 498 - Delete.
- Serial 528 - Amend location to read "TOWNSVILLE" and Phone No. to "2150" and delete first and third remarks.
- Serial 530 - Insert Veh No. 519.
- Page 26 - Insert new serials 531(a), 561(b) and 562(a).
- Serial 561(a) - Insert "Frt Wksp - TOWNSVILLE - TOWNSVILLE - 2150"
- Serial 561(b) - Insert "Frt Wksp - CAIRNS - CAIRNS - 3154"
- Serial 562(b) - Insert "6 Aust Inf Tps Wksp - Not yet in Area from 3 Aust Corps for absorption. To be located MT. GRAVATT."
- Page 27 - Insert new serials 573(a), 573(b) and 575(a).
- Serial 573 - Insert location "TOLGA" and delete remark.

- Serial 573(a) - Insert "3 Aust Mob Gas Generating Sec - Not yet u/c from NSW L of C Area."
- Serial 573 (b) - Insert "4 Aust Mob Gas Generating Sec - Not yet u/c from NSW L of C Area."
- Serial 575(a) - Insert "1 Aust Indop Armd Regt Wksp - Deleted from OOB. Not yet u/c from Second Aust Army Area for absorption in Serial 579."
- Page 27. - Delete bracket between serials 584 and 584(a).
- Serial 584 - Insert location "MT GRAVATT (Det CAIRNS)"
- Serial 584(a) - Insert Location "MT GRAVATT" - Being raised for 1 Aust Corps.
- Serial 587 - Insert "8 Aust Radio Maint Sec - TOWNSVILLE - 2150"
- Serial 588 - Insert "9 Aust Radio Maint Sec - CAIRNS - 3154"
- Page 29 - Insert new serial 606(a).
- Serial 606(a) - Insert "39 Aust Depot Cash Office (Type B) (AIF) TENTERFIELD - TENTERFIELD."
- Serial 632 - Amend to read "Det Aust SIB (Maritime Gp) (AIF)"
- Serial 642 - Insert Veh Serial No. "801."
- Page 31 - Insert new serials 658(a) & 658(b) and delete bracket between Serials 655 and 658.
- Serial 647 - Insert remarks "Services Cafeterias at CAIRNS and at Adelaide St. BRISBANE."
- Serial 653 - Insert remark "Services Lady Bowen Cabaret"
- Serial 654 - Insert location "ATHERTON" and delete remark.
- Serial 655 - Insert location "WONDECLA"
- Serial 656 - Insert remark "Being raised to be located RAVENSHOE"
- Serial 657 - Insert location "KAIRI" and remark "being raised."
- Serial 658 - Insert remark "Being raised to be located MAPEE"
- Serial 658(a) - Insert "27 AA Canteens Service Officers Club (Type D) - Being raised to be located WONDECLA"
- Serial 658(b) - Insert "28 AA Canteens Service Officers Club (Type D) - being raised to be located RAVENSHOE"
- Serial 660 - Insert "6 Aust Div Concert Party - Not yet in Area from NSW L of C Area."
- Serial 661 - Insert "Vic L of C Area Concert Party - CAPE RIVER - En route NT"
- Serial 676 - Insert additional remark "2 Pl moving ATHERTON shortly."
- Serial 708 - Insert remark "Not functioning."
- Serial 760 - Insert remark "To move Vic L of C Area shortly"
- Serial 791 - Insert remark "u/c for local adm."
- Serial 792 - Insert location "NOOSA" and amend remark to read "u/c for local adm"

Serial 793 - Insert "No. 3 Mob Wksp Wing LHQ AASC School."

2. APPENDIX "A"

Serial A4-A8 - Amend name of CO to "Lt-Col A.B.S. Collins."
 Serial A27 - Amend name of CO to "Lt-Col A.C. McEachern"
 Serial A28 - Amend name of OC to "Capt S.E. Cox"
 Serial A29 - Insert name of OC "Lt G. Corringham"
 Serial A47 - Amend name of OC to "Lt H.R. Hicks"
 Serial A69 - Amend name of OC to "Lt H. Tanzer"
 Serial A89 - Amend name of CO to "T/Maj R.D. Rowe"
 Serial A91 - Amend name of OC to "T/Capt R.F. Walker"
 Serial A92 - Amend name of OC to "Lt E.A. Paull"
 Serial A98(a) - Insert name of OC "Capt M.C. Seton"
 Serial A100 - Delete name of OC
 Serial A107 - Amend to read "3 Aust Mob Laundry & Fwd Decon Unit"
 Page 3. - Insert new serials A108(a) & A108(b).
 Serial A108(a) - Insert "Frt Wksp - TOWNSVILLE"
 Serial A108(b) - Insert "3 Aust Radio Maint Sec."

3. APPENDIX "B"

Serial B16(a) - Insert name of CO "T/Maj W.G. Bennett"
 Serial B17 - Insert name of OC "Lt H.S. Thorne"
 Page 1 - Insert new Serials B22(a) & B23(a).
 Serial B22 - Insert "1 Aust Air Maint Coy."
 Serial B22(a) - Insert "246 Aust Sup Depot Pl."
 Serial B23 - Insert "Maj Hislop - % No. 2 Qld. L of C Area BIPOD"
 Serial B23(a) - Insert "2/102 Aust Gen Tpt Coy"
 Serial B36 - Insert name of CO "T/Maj L. Owen"
 Serial B45 - Insert name of CO "T/Maj F.T. Randell"
 Serial B45(a) - Amend name of OC to read "Lt E.D. Clarke"
 Serial B56 - Insert name of OC "Lt W.P.J. Davey"
 Serial B57(a) - Insert name of OC "Lt V.G. Steet"
 Serial B58 - Amend name of OC to read "Lt. N.J. Mitchell"
 Page 2. - Insert new serial B77(a).
 Serial B77(a) - Insert "1 Aust Mob Lithographic Sec"
 Serial B78 - Insert "No. 3 Drawing Sec LHQ Cartographic Coy"
 Serial B79(a) - Insert name of CO "Capt G.A. Bourne"
 Serial B96 - Delete.

Serial B99 - Delete.
 Serial B113 - Amend name of OC to read "Lt. R.F. Watt."
 Serial B118 - Delete.
 Page 3. - Insert new serial B120(a).
 Serial B119 - Insert "1 Aust Landing Craft Wksp Sec"
 Serial B120 - Insert "2 Aust Landing Craft Wksp ~~Sec~~ (less det)"
 Serial B120(a) - Insert "3 Aust Landing Craft Wksp Sec"
 Serial B138 - Insert name of OC "T/Capt R.A. Lynam."
 Serial B139 - Insert name of OC "Lt S.R. Bussell"
 Serial B152 - Amend name of CO to read "T/Maj. F.G. Vidgon"
 Serial B154 - Delete
 Serial B155 - Delete
 Serial B161 - Delete.
 Serial B162(b) - Amend name of OC to read "Capt R.J. Ward"
 Serial B190 - Insert "Capt W. Nixon-Smith - Det Aust SIB
 (Maritime Gp) (AIF)"
 Serial B257 - Amend name of OC to read "T/Capt A.L. Anderson"
 Serial B258(c) - Insert name of CO "T/Capt P.F. Meredith"
 Serial B258(d) - Delete and substitute "2/2 Aust AA Regt (Comp) (IE),
 Sig Sec (IE) & Wksp Sec (IE).
 Page 6. - After serial B258(d) insert new serial B258(dd).
 Serial B258(dd) - Insert "2/3 Aust AA Regt (Comp) (IE), Sig Sec (IE),
 and Wksp Sec".
 Serial B258(e) - Delete and substitute "84 Aust Mob SL Bty."
 Serial B258(f) - Delete and substitute "HQ 6 Aust AA Gp (IE)"
 Serial B258(g) - Delete and substitute "HQ 23 Aust HAA Bty (Static,
 (HE) (AIF)"
 Serial B258(h) - Insert name of CO "Lt-Col F.E. Barnard"
 Serial B258(j) - Amend name of OC to read "Maj F. Whitelaw"
 Serial B258(r) - Insert name of OC "Lt K.A. Eaton"
 Serial B258(t) - Insert name of CO "T/Maj S.C. Taylor"
 Page 6. - After Serial B258(z) Insert new serials B258 (Aa),
 B258(Ab) and B258 (Ac).
 Serial B258 (Aa)- Insert "437 Aust HAA Tp (Static) (HE) (AIF)"
 Serial B258 (Ab)- Insert "438 Aust HAA Tp (Static) (HE) (AIF)"
 Serial B258 (Ac)- Insert "1 Aust Radar Det (Type B)."
 Serial B259 - Delete
 Serial B270(b) - Delete
 Serial B271 - Delete and substitute "Maj S.B. Cann - 2/14 Aust Rd
 Coy"

- Serial B271(a) - Amend to read "Three Pla 6 Aust A Tps Coy"
- Serial B298 - Amend name of CO to read "T/Maj. R.L. Polglase"
- Serial B304 - Amend name of CO to read "Lt-Col G.W. McCartney"

4. APPENDIX "C"

- Serial C7 - Amend name of OC to read "Capt H.V. Porter"
- Serial C12 - Insert name of OC "Lt E.D. Paulsen"
- Serial C22 - Insert "18 AA Canteens Service Other Ranks Club (Type L)"
- Serial C24 - Insert "25 AA Canteens Service Other Ranks Club (Type P)"
- Page 1 - Under "LAKE BARRINE" insert new place name "MAPEE" and opposite insert new serial C25(a). Also insert new Serial C32(a) after Serial C32.
- Serial C25(a) - Insert - "Camp Staff (Type A)"
- Serial C27 - Delete name of OC.
- Serial C32(a) - Insert "3 Aust Hosp Laundry Unit (Type A)"
- Serial C47 - Insert "7 Aust Veh Plk Wksp"
- Serial C92 - Amend name of OC to read "Lt. A. Ginn"
- Serial C95 - Insert "Frt Wksp - CAIRNS"
- Serial C96 - Insert "9 Aust Radio Maint Sec."
- Serial C97 - Insert "Dot 2 Aust Landing Craft Wksp Sec"

5. APPENDIX "D"

- Serial 85 - Insert remarks "To move SYDNEY shortly"

6. Acknowledge.

R. J. Dapdigan
 G.S. Q'LAND Lt.-Col. May
 L. OF C. AREA.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES

SECRET 24/75/44

No. 04435

H.Q., Q'LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
18 May 44.

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G.O.C.	1	17 Aust L of C Sub-Area	4
Brig. 1/o Adm.	1	C.S.O.	1
AA & QMG	1	D.D.M.S.	2
G.S.O.	2	D.D.O.S.	4
A.A.G.	4	S.O. Salvago	1
A.W.A.S. H.Q.	1	D.D.S.T.	4
A.Q.M.G.	1	D.D.M.E.	2
D.A.D. Labour	1	A.P.M.	1
A.A.C.C.	1	S.O. Canteens	1
Capt. Deakin	1	1 Aust. C.E. Works	2
D.A.Q.M.G. (Q)	1	D.A.D. Hirings	1
D.A.Q.M.G. (M.T.)	1	3 Aust. Movement Control Group	4
D.A.Q.M.G. (Adm.)	1	D.F.O.	4
P. & S.S.	1	War Diary	2
1 Aust. L of C Sub-Area	4	Secret Registry	1
2 Aust. L of C Sub-Area	4	Q'ld L of C Central Registry	1

AMENDMENT TO SCHEDULE OF DIRECT BAG SERVICE
FROM AUSTRALIAN POST OFFICE, BRISBANE, WHICH ACCOMPANIED
CONFIDENTIAL MEMO. PS. 44/8/4 OF 27TH JANUARY, 1944.

- (a) On Sheet 1 under heading "APO CAIRNS" add "HQ First Aust Army".
(b) On Sheet 1 delete from footnote the words "630 hrs. enclosure from HQ First Aust Army".

[Signature] Lt.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G., Q'land. L. of C. Area.

WMH/MD. IMMEDIATE.

MOST SECRET.
CLASSIFIED BY LtCol. STUBBS

M.C.G. 62/3/1554.
M.C.O. Q/267.

GOPY NO. 35

ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

No. 3300.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
17 May, 44.

With reference to Adv. L.H.Q. Movement Order No. 211 of 15 May, 44, it is advised that the following personnel will disembark at Brisbane in the near future:

Ser- ial	Unit.	Offrs	ORs.	Total	Stores Tons(M)	Disposal.
1.	2/34 A.G.T. Coy.	4	265	269	5	Kalinga Camp.
2.	11 Aust Water Tpt. Coy.	5	141	246	6	" "
3.	12 Aust. Line Sec.	1	49	50	22	" "
4.	2/153 A.G.T. Coy.	3	46	49	2	" "
5.	1 Aust A.R.D.	2	48	50	19	" "
6.	2/2 Aust Supply Dep. Coy.	1	17	18	2	" "
7.	2/12 Aust. Inf. Bn.	10	433	443	5	" "
		26	999	1025	56	

2. E.T.A. BRISBANE.

and
E.T.A./Ships berth will be advised by 3 Aust. M. C. Cp. only to personnel directly concerned.

3. DISSEMBARKATION.

Disembarkation will take place under the control of the E.S.O. Lieut. A.A. HUSCH. No Aust. Army personnel will board the transport on its arrival without first obtaining the permission of the E.S.O.

4. MOVEMENT FROM WHARF TO STAGING CAMP.

Movement of personnel to Kalinga Camp will be by M.T. under arrangements H.Q. C'd. L. of C. Area.

5. UNLOADING OF STORES.

Unloading of Unit Stores and equipment will be under the control of Port Movement Control Officer.

From the time discharge of vessel commences, Units having stores will arrange for a representative to be in attendance to assist the Port Movement Control Section in the identification of Unit equipment. When Unit equipment is discharged and stacked on the Wharf, Port Movement Control Officer will arrange through H.Q. 3 Aust. M. C. Cp. for transport to convey stores to Staging Camps.

6. SHIPS INSPECTION:

On completion of disembarkation O.C. Troops will arrange for a rear party to remain behind for the purpose of cleaning the vessel. A Ships Inspection will subsequently be arranged, which will be attended by the O.C. Troops, E.S.O., American Ships Inspection Officer and the Ships Master. On completion of this inspection the O.C. Troops will obtain a clearance from the Master.

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7. UNCONSUMED VOYAGE RATIONS.

The E.S.O. will make arrangements for any unconsumed portion of the voyage rations to be handed to S. & T. Representative H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

8. MEDICAL.

Under arrangements D.D.M.S. H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area 2 ambulances will be available on the vessel berthing, for the evacuation of any medical cases which may be on board.

9. SECURITY.

The necessity for maintaining the strictest secrecy in connection with this movement must be impressed upon all concerned.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed

170900 H

Lt.-Col.,
H.Q. M.C. (M)

DISTRIBUTION:

First Aust Army
L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov.)
H.Q. Q'ld L. of C. Area.
4 Aust. M. C. Gp.
Major HALE "Q" Maintenance
2 L. of C. Sub Area
D.A.D. Posts
S.T.O. C/- Navy Office
Fort M.C.O., NEWSTEAD
E.S.O., Lieut. HINSCH
Records Embarkation Officer
D.D.M.S., H.Q. Q'ld L. of C. Area
O.C. ZALINGA Staging Camp
S. & T. (Capt. VIVIAN)
War Diary
File

COPY NO.

METHOD.

1/4	D.R.L.S.
5	AIR MAIL.
6/8	D.R.L.S.
*9/14	HAND.
15/22	"
23	"
24	D.R.L.S.
25	"
26	Unit D.R.
27/28	" "
29	HAND.
30	"
31	D.R.L.S.
32	S.D.R.
33	
34/35	
36/37	

WMW:DC IMMEDIATE

MOST SECRET
CLASSIFIED BY LT-COL. STURDS

M.C.G. 62/3/1545
M.C.O. 6/269.

COPY NO. 35

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H. J. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No. 3328

17 May 44

With reference to Adv. L.H.Q. Movement Order No. 205 of 10 May, 44, it is advised that the following personnel will disembark at BRISBANE in the near future : -

Serial	Unit	Offrs	O.Rs	Total	Stores Tons (M)	Disposal
1	14 Aust. Malaria Cont. Unit	1	12	13	7	Kalinga Camp
2	18 Aust. Operating Sec		37	37	5	" "
3	2/12 Aust. Inf. Bn.	4	150	154		" "
Totals		5	199	204	12	

2. E.T.A. BRISBANE.

E.T.A. and Ship's berth will be advised by 3 Aust M C Gp. only to personnel directly concerned.

3. DISEMBARKATION.

Disembarkation will take place under the control of the E.S.O. Lieut. A.A. HINSCH. No Aust. Army personnel will board the transport on its arrival without first obtaining the permission of the E.S.O.

4. MOVEMENT FROM WHARF TO STAGING CAMP:

Movement of personnel to KALINGA CAMP will be by M.T., under arrangements H.Q., Q'land I. of C Area.

5. UNLOADING OF STORES:

Unloading of Unit Stores and Equipment will be under the control of Port Movement Control Officer.

From the time discharge of vessel commences, Units having stores will arrange for a Representative to be in attendance to assist the Port Movement Control Section in the identification of Unit Equipment. When Unit Equipment is discharged and stacked on the Wharf, Port Movement Control Officer will arrange through H.Q. 3 Aust M C Gp. for transport to convey Stores to Staging Camp.

6. SHIP'S INSPECTION:

On completion of disembarkation, O.C. Troops will arrange for a rest party to remain behind for the purpose of cleaning the vessel. A Ship's Inspection will subsequently be arranged, which will be attended by the O.C. Troops, E.S.O., American Ship's Inspection Officer and Ship's Master. On completion of this inspection, the O.C. Troops will obtain clearance from the Master.

W. J. Sturds

7. UNCONSUMED VOYAGE RATIONS:

The E.S.O. will make arrangements for any unconsumed portion of the voyage rations to be handed to S & T Representative, H.Q., Q'land I of C Area.

8. MEDICAL:

Under arrangements D.D.M.S., H.Q., Q'land I of C Area, Ambulance will be available on the vessel berthing, for the evacuation of any medical cases, which may be on board.

9. SECURITY:

The necessity for maintaining the strictest secrecy in connection with this movement must be impressed upon all concerned.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at

171000 K

Lt.-Col.
H.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION.

First Aust Army
L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)
H.Q. Q'land I of C Area
3 Aust M C Gp
Major HALE "Q" Maintenance
2 I of C Sub-Area
D.L.D. Posts
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office
Port M.C.O., NEWSTEAD
E.S.O., Lieut A.M. HINSCH
Records Embarkation Officer
D.D.M.S., H.Q. Q'land I of C Area
O/C KALINGA STAGING CAMP
S & T (Capt. VIVIAN)
War Diary
File

COPY NO.

METHOD

1/4	D.R.L.S.
5	AIR MAIL
6/8	D.R.L.S.
9/14	HAND
15/22	"
23	"
24	D.R.L.S.
25	"
26	Unit D.R.
27/28	" "
29	HAND
30	"
31	D.R.L.S.
32	S.D.R.
33	
34/35	
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COPY NO. 25ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREAH.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No. 3327

17 May 44.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO. 42 (INWARDS)

Advice has been received that the "LADY ISOBEL" is due to arrive at BRISBANE in the near future and has for discharge the following cargo:-

SERIAL	SERVICE	CARGO	TONNE (M)
1	R.A.E.	920 Bales Landing Mats	356
2	A.A.C.S.	2500 C/L beer	240
3	R.A.A.F.	800 x 44 gall. drums aviation oil	215

2. Services concerned will keep close liaison with Port M.C.O., Capt. ALLSOP (B.6197), who will advise wharf and time of discharge.

3. Lieut. LONGDEN, C.T.O., will be in charge of offloading and delivery of cargo.

Signed at 171000 KLt.-Col.,
R.A.M.G. (M).DISTRIBUTION:-

L.E.Q. (Movement)
 Adv. L.E.Q. (Mov)
 H.Q. 2nd Land L of C Area
 S.T.O., C/- Navy Office
 3 Aust M. C. Gp.
 Port M.C.O. NEWSTEAD
 S.I.B. Maritime Gp C/- NIXON-SMITH
 1 Aust C.E. Wks
 A.A.C.S.
 R.A.A.F. (5 T.M.O.)
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AIR MAIL
 D.R.L.S.
 HAND
 UNIT D.R.

D.R.L.S.

UNIT D.R.

has been

DIGEST OF LHM REVSIT NO. 657 to 160030Z MAY

1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

NEW BRITAIN: On 3 May natives reported that LOLABU ISLAND (UBILI AREA) was free of Japanese troops. On 14 May Allied land patrols reconnoitred MONTAGU HARBOUR.

NEW GUINEA - AITAPE: On 14 May it was reliably reported that the Japanese were moving inland from the coast E. of the AITAPE Sector along the Southern route by-passing AITAPE. The route is reported to pass through the area from SIKI to YERISI (26 miles S. TADJI airfields). Enemy troops are considered to be proceeding to LUMI and TAWETET (34 miles SW airfields), and there is believed to be an enemy base camp at WAPET (30 miles S. SISIANO LAGOON and 35 miles SW AITAPE) where enemy troops escaped to late in April.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: HOLLANDIA: On 14 May it was reliably reported that the Japanese were occupying all buildings of five villages in an area 35 miles SW TANAMERAH. On 14 May recce A/C sighted a large number of European type camouflaged warehouses in the vicinity of BAIM (20 miles W. HOLLANDIA AIRFIELD), and there is also evidence of an excellent road running inland from the GRIME RIVER (mouth 7 miles W. DELTA) and passing close to BAWJOF and BENJOIN (15 and 16 miles S. DELTA respectively). Other A/C reported sighting an all weather road running E. from OETAN (23 miles SSE DELTA). Patrols killed 14 Japanese, captured 6, bringing the total casualties now to 1176 killed and 366 captured.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 14 May 12 Dauntlesses and 24 Airacobras attacked BUKA PASSAGE scoring hits on the supply and bivouac areas.

NEW BRITAIN: On 14 May 18 Dauntlesses, 24 Avengers and 44 fighter bombers bombed the runway, gun positions, and supply and personnel areas at VUNAKANAU, scoring hits on all targets and starting a large probable fuel fire. On the same date 4 Liberators and 42 Dauntlesses bombed gun positions and the runway at LAKUBAI, and 23 Mitchells over TOBERA scored hits on the runway.

NEW GUINEA: On 14 May 54 Bostons and 29 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed coastal targets from ULIGAN HARBOUR to RAMSA BAY. Ammunition dumps, stores and supplies were ignited and direct hits were scored on personnel areas, bridges and gun positions. On the same date 29 Mitchells started fires which demolished buildings on MARKAR ISLAND, and further light strafing attacks were carried out on the SEPIK RIVER villages. On 13 May 3 Liberators, and 12 Bostons bombed and strafed stores, buildings & A/A positions at BORAM scoring hits on fuel dumps. On 14 May 16 Liberators, 55 Bostons, 18 Beauforts and 4 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed WEWAK igniting a gasoline dump which destroyed huts and started fires. On the same date Thunderbolts destroyed 5 grounded A/C at BORAM and 3 at WEWAK. On 14 May 4 Mitchells, 8 Warhawks and 10 Thunderbolts successfully strafed villages in the WEWAK AREA.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: With reference to the attack by 20 Liberators on 13 May at MAFIN, SARAR and WADE ISLAND, it is now reported that an additional 41 Liberators took part in this attack. On 14 May 53 Liberators and 57 Mitchells bombed and strafed WADE ISLAND and the mainland. Heavy A/A positions were hit and large fires were started inflicting heavy damage at MAFIN. Large explosions and fires were also started at WADE. On 15 May 44 Liberators bombed an A/A position and the supply area at BORNEK resulting in large fires and explosions, and on 14 May 45 Liberators attacked the same target. On 15 May 4 Liberators bombed the runway and dispersal areas at SOHIO. A preliminary report to hand states that 5 enemy A/C were destroyed over RIAK ISLAND.

W. A. D. R.

1. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 13 May 6 A/C bombed the HOLLANDIA strip and TANAMERAH BAY without damage. On 14 May 6 A/C dropped 22 bombs on TANAMERAH BAY and HUMBOLET BAY areas and on CYCLOPS and HOLLANDIA airfields with no casualties or damage.

2. ALLIED SEA OPERATIONS:

NEW ISLANDS: On the night 12/13 May PT boats sunk three barges 8 miles NW MAKODUKUDU BAY.

DEWIL ISLAND: On the night 13/14 May PT boats destroyed three barges at PALMEN HARBOR.

3. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

NEW BRITAIN: On 14 May Airacobras strafed and sank two barges at METAKURU (MIKO ISLAND - DUKE OF YORK GROUP).

ST. MATTHIAS GROUP: On 15 May one possible submarine was Southbound off MUSSAU ISLAND.

NEW GUINEA: On 15 May 20 barges of undetermined serviceability were off WENAK POINT.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 14 May one possible submarine was 5 miles N. of WAKDE ISLAND, course NW by W. At 120150- one submarine was 38 miles W of CAPE DUVILLE and at 120140- one submarine was 70 miles WNW CAPE DUVILLE. On 13 May one submarine was 30 miles N. CAPE DUVILLE, course E. At 140125Z one medium cargo vessel was 4 miles S. BOSHEK, and 2 to 10 barges were underway S. of BOSHEK. At 141551Z 2 small vessels were stationary at BIAK ISLAND, one at the Northern tip and the other at the Southern tip. At 150130Z 5 small vessels were at MANOKWARI HARBOR, and one destroyer was sighted leaving the harbour.

AROE ISLANDS: At 150105Z one merchant vessel was at DOBO and another one was at the estuary of the SERWATOE RIVER (FRANGAN ISLAND).

TIMOR: On 15 May photos showed one 400 ton vessel and 6 barges at KOEPANG; 30 barges at TENAU and 6 at HAREISI.

BORNEO: At 140500Z 3 battleships, 3 heavy cruisers, one A/C carrier & one light cruiser were 90 miles ENE DARVEL BAY (NORTH BORNEO), on a SE course. This force possibly anchored at TAWITAWI ISLAND. At 131900Z 3 tankers and three destroyer escorts were off DARVEL BAY, on a S. course.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: At 140800- one heavy cruiser, one light cruiser, one Boyer class A/C carrier and 3 destroyers were in DAVAO GULF.

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DISTRIBUTION AS PREVIOUSLY.

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE
17 May 44

No. 3336

SEA FREIGHT ORDER NO. Q/29 (OUTWARDS)

1. Cargo in accordance with the following Table will be delivered to a Wharf to be advised later for loading to "ALFRED C. TRUE."
2. Services will deliver cargo as called for by Port M.C.O., who will be represented on the Wharf by Lieut. JONES, C.T.O.
3. Documentation will be as laid down in 3 Aust M C Gp's Circular "SHIPPING PROCEDURE AS RELATING TO SERVICE CARGO" of 7 Nov. 43, and subsequent Amendments, with the exception that the 8 copies of Bills of Lading will be handed to the Movement Control Representative on the Wharf.
4. Security of cargo awaiting shipment will be the responsibility of the Service concerned, who will arrange accordingly with Port M.C.O.

SERIAL	SERVICE	CARGO	TONS (M)
1	S & T	8030 x 44 Gal. Drums P.O.L. 135 Pkgs Grease	2300
2	M & V Stores	50 Medical First Aid Outfits	2
3	7 A.B.O.D.	278 Pkgs Ordnance Stores	37
4	A.C.F.	Furniture, tables, forms, etc.	5
5	Engrs	2 C/s Plate Glass	1
6	F.E.L.O.	3 Pkgs Stores & Refrigerator	1
7	3 A.P.O.	Mails	
8	M.F.O.	Pkgs	

Cargo to be loaded in SYDNEY : - 200 Tons P.O.L., Rations, Ordnance Stores,
30 Vehicles.

Signed at

171540K

Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTIONCOPY NO.METHOD

L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)
H.Q. C'land L of C Area
S.T.O. O/- Navy Office
3 Aust M C Gp
Port M.C.O. NEWSTEAD
E.S.O. Lieut A.A. HINSCH
S.I.B. Maritime Gp. (Capt NIXON-SMITH)
S & T (Major KNOWLES)
M & V Stores
Engrs
F.E.L.O.
3 A.P.O.
M.F.O.
7 A.B.O.D. (Lieut. JOHNSTON)
Spare
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1 AIR MAIL
2/4 D.R.L.S.
5/10 HAND
11 UNIT D.R.
12/16 " "
17/19 " "
20 HAND
21 D.R.L.S.
22 HAND
23 D.R.L.S.
24 " "
25 " "
26 " "
27 HAND
28 D.R.L.S.
29/30
31/32
33/34

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

NO:- 04366

H.Q., Q'LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

17 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from GAYTHORNE on Thursday, 18 May 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO NAMBOUR:- 7 Italian O.Rs.

ESCORT:- 1 N.C.O.

1 O.R.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
N.C.O. in Charge of Escort:- Q.271274 Cpl. DELLER, A.H.

1. MOVEMENT TO ROMA ST. STATION:- A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Roma Street Station, leaving Gaythorne at 0720 hours and arriving at Roma St. Station at 0750 hours.

Train departs 0820 hours, 18 May 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:- Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of N.C.O. i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., Roma St.

3. RAIL WARRANTS:- As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O. Roma St. will issue bulk second class Warrants as follows:-

Roma St. to Nambour	..	7 P.W.
Roma St. to Nambour	..	2 Escorts
and return.		

4. ARRIVAL NAMBOUR:- N.C.O. i/c Escort will hand over to and receive receipts from O.C., Q2 P.W.C.C., Capt. J. FLETCHER.

5. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

- (1) Nominal Roll in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers
(2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld.L.of C. Area, and 1 copy to Qld.L.of C. Area Records Office).

(11) A.A.Form A.116 in respect of each P.W.

(111) Language Booklet for each P.W.

J. C. M. Jankaus, Capt
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.
Lt.-Col.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld.L.of C.Area
4. R.T.O., Roma St.
5. O.C., Q2 P.W.C.C., Nambour
6. Internment Camp, Gaythorne
7. 3 Aust.Movt.Control Gp.
8. G.I.(Int.)
9. 1 Aust.Grn.Bn.
10. N.C.O. i/c Escort,
C/- Internment Camp,
GAYTHORNE.

11-12. War Diary

13-14. File.

M.C.C. 56/1/17
M.C.C. Q/269

COPY NO. 40

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
17 May 44

No. 3337

MOVEMENT OF ALLIED FORCES

DET. 93 AIR DEPOT U.S.A. - BRISBANE TO TOWNSVILLE.

Reference Movement Order 191, H.Q. Base Section 3, the above Det. will move to TOWNSVILLE on Thursday, 18 May, 44, in accordance with the following arrangements : -

5 Officers
109 E.M.
(2 Barrack Bags per man)

2. LOADING OF BARRACK BAGS:

Barrack Bags will ^{be} loaded. ROMA ST at 0800 hrs on Thursday, 18 May, 44.

3. ENTRAINMENT:

Personnel will be at EXHIBITION SIDING ready to entrain at 1315 hrs on Thursday, 18 May 44, and will be entrained by U.S.A. Officers, under the direction of R.T.O.

4. TIME-TABLE : -

18/5	
EXHIBITION	depart 1415 hrs
GYMPIE	arrive 1915 hrs
	depart 2020 hrs R
19/5	
GLADSTONE	arrive 0515 hrs
	depart 0615 hrs R
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive 1355 hrs
	depart 1455 hrs R
MACKAY	arrive 1825 hrs
	depart 1940 hrs R
20/5	
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A. 0915 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone K

5. RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS:

Rail Warrants, bulk second class, BRISBANE to TOWNSVILLE, as arranged by H.Q., Base Section 3.

R.T.O. EXHIBITION will issue Meal Requisitions, as per Time-Table.

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

6. SECURITY:

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is required.

Signed at 17/1640

P.H. Sherrington

M.C.O. 56/1/17
M.C.O. Q/269

2.

DISTRIBUTION:-

1/4	First Aust Army	
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIRMAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov.)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land I of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 I of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26	U.S. H.Q. MELBOURNE (C/O L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIRMAIL
27/28	U.S. H.Q. BRISBANE	S.D.R.
29	U.S. Transportation Officer	"
30/31	U.S. Rail Transport Officer	"
32	O.C Train (C/- R.T.O. ROMA STREET)	"
33	R.T.O. ROMA STREET	
34	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIRMAIL
35	" MACKAY	"
36	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG
37	1 I of C Sub-Area	" "
38	2/L Aust Mov & Tn Gp A.I.F.	" "
39	U.S. H.Q. TOWNSVILLE	" "
40/41	War Diary	
42/43	Filo	

R.T.O's GYMIE and BUNDABERG advised by Signal.

M.C.G. 56/1/2321

M.C.O. Q/270

COPY NO. 43ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,

Victoria Barracks,

BRISBANE.

No. 3353

17 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF UNITS TO 1 AUST CORPS AREA.

The undermentioned Units will move to WONGABEL in accordance with the following arrangements:

Serial	Unit	Strength all ranks	Stores Tons	Destination	Authority
1	HQ. 3 Aust Sup. Dep. Coy.	12	3	WONGABEL	Landops CM.2215
2	11 Sup. Depot Pl.	26	4	WONGABEL	Landops CM.2259
3	12 " " "	23	3	WONGABEL	" " "
4	13 " " "	20	3	WONGABEL	" " "

2. MOVEMENT OF STORES:

Stores will move by ordinary goods services from TOOWOOMBA on Wednesday, 17 May, 44 under arrangements R.T.O., TOOWOOMBA.

1 Q/R, ex Serial 1, will accompany stores to destination. Escort will be on travelling allowance TOOWOOMBA to WONGABEL.

3. MOVEMENT OF PERSONNEL:

Personnel will move from TOOWOOMBA to 17 Aust Pers. Staging Camp on Wednesday, 17 May, 44 under arrangements R.T.O., TOOWOOMBA.

On Movement from BRISBANE:

Personnel will report to L.T.D. at 1015 hrs on Friday, 19 May, 44, and ontrain on Train P.501 on same day.

4. TIME-TABLE:

19/5

EXHIBITION depart 1250 hrs

GYMPIE arrive 1802 hrs

depart 1855 hrs R

20/5

ROCKHAMPTON

arrive 0600 hrs

depart 0700 hrs

ST. LAWRENCE

arrive 1110 hrs

depart 1215 hrs

MACKAY

arrive 1550 hrs

depart 1700 hrs

21/5

TOWNSVILLE

E.T.A. 0305 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms

All Timings Zone K

5. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS:

Stores and Escort:

R.T.O. TOOWOOMBA, will issue Consignment Notes and Rail Warrant, TOOWOOMBA TO WONGABEL.

Personnel:

R.T.O. TOOWOOMBA will issue Rail Warrants, bulk second class, TOOWOOMBA to BRISBANE.

R.T.O. EXHIBITION will issue Rail Warrants, bulk second class, BRISBANE to REDLYNCH.

D.O Train P. 501 will issue Meal Requisitions, as per Time-Table.

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess-kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

O.C. TRAIN:

On entrainment, personnel will be under the command of Permanent O.C. Train P.501 for journey BRISBANE to TOWNSVILLE.

7. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE:

On movement as arranged by 2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp (A.I.F.).

8. SECRECY:

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 17 1640K

P.H. Sherrington
Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.C. (M)

DISTRIBUTION:

1/4	First Aust Army	
5	L.H.Q. (movement)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land L of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major Hale Q Maintenance	
23	2 L of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26	17 Aust Pers Staging Camp	S.D.R.
27/30	HQ. 3 Aust Sup. Depot Coy (c/- 17 Aust P.S.C.)	S.D.R.
31	L.T.D.	"
32	O/C Train P.501 (c/- L.T.D.)	"
33	R.T.O. TOOWOOMBA	COURIER
34	" ROMA STREET	
35	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
36	" MACKAY	"
37	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG
38	1 L of C Sub-Area	"
39	2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp. A.I.F.	"
40	Movements, CAIRNS	AIR MAIL
41	1 Aust Corps	"
42/43	War Diary	
44/45	File	

R.T.O's GYMPLIE and BUNDABERG advised by Signal.

DIGEST OF LH, REVEIT NO. 658 to 170015Z MAY

1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

NEW GUINEA: On 15 May it was reliably reported that the Japanese at KEVELO (SE shore OPEN BAY) armed with light machine guns had departed for AILO POINT (POWELL HARBOR). An Allied patrol in the OPEN BAY AREA was fired on by Japanese armed with light machine guns. The enemy are reported to be in force at the headwaters of a small stream inland from AILO POINT with four outposts on the beach, and a large number of dead Japanese are reported to be between SAI and KAPALAI Rivers (OPEN BAY). Natives report that a few Japanese have left the mouth of the KEVELO RIVER (HENRY REID BAY) for LEMINGI (12 miles NW ALLER BAY) where many enemy troops are hiding in native villages.

NEW GUINEA - SAIDORI: On 15 May a patrol to YOGA YOGA found a further 10 Japanese dead.

ALEXISHAREN: On 15 May an Allied patrol reached the GILAGIL river (14 miles NNW CAPE CROISILLES) without making contact with the enemy. All bridges along the coastal road were destroyed, with the exception of the WAGEN and GILAGIL Rivers.

AITAPE: On the night 13/14 May our outpost at BABIANG (mouth of the DAMDRIWAD RIVER) was attacked by enemy troops estimated at one battalion, but the attack was repulsed. On 14 May enemy troops infiltrated our lines between BABIANG and ULAU (1 mile W. BABIANG) forcing our troops to withdraw by sea to NYAPARAKE (6 miles WNW BABIANG). The withdrawal was covered by PT boats which received considerable enemy fire from the shore. On 15 May an Allied patrol repulsed an enemy attack on its position at CHANOV (2 1/2 miles S. NYAPARAKE).

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 15 May 24 Mitchells, 17 Dauntlesses, 24 Avengers, and 45 fighter bombers bombed the personnel area at MUGUAI MISSION (5 1/2 miles N. KAKILI) starting many small fires and destroying four buildings. The MUGUAI MISSION is suspected to be the Japanese No. 17 Army Headquarters. 47 fighters attacked opportunity targets on BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND.

NEW IRELAND: On 15 May 17 Dauntlesses and 4 fighters bombed the airfield at KAVIENG.

NEW GUINEA: On 15 May 24 Bostons and 14 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed the coastal area from ULICAN HARBOR to HANSA BAY, scoring direct hits on 3 bridges, and starting fires on the SUBIA and CONLOR strips. Eleven Bostons and 12 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed the coastal area from HANSA BAY to NIGHTINGALE BAY. Most of the bombs fell on the personnel areas on both sides of the BOROI RIVER (BROKEN WATER BAY) starting large fires. On the same date 6 Liberators, 37 Bostons, 17 Beauforts and 7 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed the supply areas at WENAK setting on fire approx. 300 oil drums at BORAK and starting fires at WENAK and DAGUA. Eleven Warhawks bombed and strafed the DAMDRIWAD RIVER area.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 15 May 59 Liberators and 41 Mitchells dropped 264 tons of bombs and strafed a/a positions, bivouac, personnel and stores areas at WALLE, SAMAI and SARAK, resulting in numerous fires in the general area at KAKILIN BAY, and at least 2 buildings were destroyed and others badly damaged or destroyed at SARAK. Six buildings and one bridge were destroyed at SARAK, and the Japanese Headquarters at SARAK was also well covered. On 16 May 43 Liberators and 44 Mitchells dropped over 200 tons of bombs and strafed gun positions and installations at KAKILIN BAY and KADE IS causing many large fires on the latter target. On the same date

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6 Liberators escorted by Lightnings bombed and strafed the airfield at KAMIRI, and 2 intercepting enemy fighters were destroyed. One Liberator destroyed one enemy bomber 110 miles NW by W MANOKWARI.

3. ALLIED SEA OPERATIONS:

NEW IRELAND: On the night 15/16 May MT boats shelled the vicinity of RAHAT BAY.

4. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

NEW BRITAIN: At 160245Z one probable submarine was 37 miles S. of GASMATA was attacked by surface craft.

NEW GUINEA: On 13 May Allied vessels bombarded enemy positions at KARKAR ISLAND and SUNABUN HARBOR, destroying gun positions at KARKAR ISLAND. On 15 May 12 barges were left burning by strafing Thunderbolts at WEWAK POINT.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 15 May 2 small freighters or luggers and 15 to 20 barges were at SAKAL. One small stack-aft freighter or lugger, which was heavily strafed and 5 barges were South of VANDOEBOER ISLAND, and 9 barges were in MAFFIN BAY. At 160250Z one submarine was 10 miles SE BOSSEK. On 15 May 2 freighters (one 2000 tons) were at BIAK ISLAND. At 160411Z 10 barges were at the N. tip of MOEMBOER ISLAND. At 160544Z 10 barges were 55 miles ESE KAIMANA.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: At 160001Z one heavy and one light cruiser were at the entrance to DAVAO GULF, on a course SE by S.

HQ OLD L. O. C. AREA - 171000K - (IC)

DISTRIBUTION AS PREVIOUSLY.

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(18/5)

SECRET

COPY NO. 26ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREAH.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.No. 3354

18 May 44.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO.43 (INWARDS)

Advice has been received that the "CARADALE" is due to arrive at
BRISBANE in the near future and has for discharge the following cargo:-

SERIAL	SERVICE	CARGO	TONS	
			Moast.	Weight
1	R.A.A.F.	2095 Pkges Stores 2002 x 44 galls.Drums Oil	259 538	10 -
2	7 A.B.O.D.	1118 Pages Stores	142	6
3	R.A.E.	38 " Saws etc.	2	-
4	D.D.S.T.	100 Cases Spaghetti	5	-
5	U.S. Navy	1776 Pkges Sundries	176	-
6	U.S.Supp Off. Base 3	109 Coils Rope etc..	98	18
7	A.A.C.S. a/c " "	19683 Pages Stores 16 C/s Paper Containers 370 Bds. Straw Envelopes	663 5 -	- - 11

2. Services concerned will keep close liaison with Port M.C.O.;
Capt. ALLSQP (B.6197), who will advise wharf and time of discharge..

3. Lieut. LONGDEN, C.T.O., will be in charge of offloading and
delivery of cargo.

Signed at

181250 HLt.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G. (M)DISTRIBUTION:-

L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)
H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office
3 Aust M. C. Gp.
Port M.C.O. NEWSTEAD
S.I.B. Maritime Gp C/- NIXON-SMITH
1 Aust C.E. WAs
A.A.C.S.
R.A.A.F. (5 T.M.O.)
D.D.S.T. C-pt VIVIAN
7 A.B.O.D. Lieut JOHNSTON
War Diary
File
Spare

1 AIR MAIL
2/4 D.R.L.S.
5/10 HAND
11 UNIT D.R.
12/16 "
17/19 "
20 D.R.L.S.
21 "
22 "
23 UNIT D.R.
24 HAND
25 D.R.L.S.
26/27
28/29
30/31

18/5) IMMEDIATE

SECRET

M.C.G. 56/1/2301

M.C.O. Q/ 271

COPY NO. 41

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No.3364

18 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF 8 AUST LINE SEC AND 13 AUST LINE MAINT. SEC.
BRISBANE TO TOLGA.

Reference L.H.Q. SD.32279 and QM.33627; the above Sections will move to TOLGA in accordance with the following arrangements :-

Serial	Unit	Strength All Ranks	Stores Tons D.W.	Destination
1	8 Aust Line Sec and 13 Aust Line Maint Sec.	1	16	TOLGA
2	Ditto	85		TOLGA

2. SERIAL 1 :-

Stores will be transhipped at CLAPHAM on Thursday, 18 May 44, and depart by ordinary goods services same day. 1 O/R Escort will accompany stores to destination. Escort will be on travelling allowance BRISBANE to TOLGA.

3. SERIAL 2 :-

Serial 2 will report to R.T.D. at 1015 hrs on Friday, 19 May 44, and entrain on Train P.501 same day.

4. TIME-TABLE :

19/5	
EXHIBITION	depart 1250 hrs
GYMPIE	arrive 1802 hrs
	depart 1855 hrs R
20/5	
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive 0620 hrs
	depart 0820 hrs R
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive 1230 hrs
	depart 1330 hrs R
MACRAY	arrive 1700 hrs
	depart 1815 hrs R
21/5	
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A. 0655 hrs

R- Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone X

5. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS:

Serial 1:-

Consignment Notes and Rail Warrant to TOLGA have been issued by 2 Aust M C Gp. - M.C.O. 703.

Serial 2:-

R.T.O. EXHIBITION will use Rail Warrants, bulk second class, to REDBANK.

O.G Train P.501 will issue Meal Requisitions as per Time-Table.

5. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS (Contd)

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

6. O.C TRAIN:

On entrainment, personnel will be under the command of Permanent O.C. Train P.501 for journey BRISBANE to TOWNSVILLE.

7. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE:

On movement as arranged by 2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp (A.I.F.)

8. SECURITY:

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 18/43012

P.H. Herrington
Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION : -

1/4	First Aust Army	
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land L of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 L of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26	1 Aust Pers Staging Camp	S.D.R.
27/28	8 Aust Line Sec and 13 Aust Line Maint Sec. (C/- 1 A.P.S.C.)	S.D.R.
29	L.T.D.	S.D.R.
30	O/C Train P.501 (c/- L.T.D)	"
31	R.T.O. CLAREHAM	
32	" ROMA STREET	
33	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
34	" MACKAY	" "
35	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG
36	1 L of C Sub-Area	" "
37	2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp. A.I.F.	" "
38	Movements, CAIRNS	AIR MAIL
39	1 Aust Corps	" "
40/41	War Diary	
42/43	File	

(12/5) IMMEDIATE

SECRET

M.C.O. 56/1/2357

M.C.O. Q/278

COPY NO. 36

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No.3365

18 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF 28 AUST. MALARIAL CONTROL UNIT
TO TOWNSVILLE.

Reference Landops QM.2269, the above Unit will move to TOWNSVILLE in accordance with the following arrangements :-

21 All Ranks
1 1/2 Tons Stores

2. STORES:

Stores will be loaded at ROMA STREET at 0900 hrs on Saturday, 20 May, 44, into Baggage Car to be attached to Train P.501.

3. ENTRAINMENT:

Personnel will report to L.T.D. at 1015 hrs on Saturday, 20 May 44 and entrain on Train P.501 same day.

4. TIME-TABLE:

20/5		
EXHIBITION	depart 1250 hrs	
GYMPIE	arrive 1802 hrs	
	depart 1855 hrs	R
21/5		
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive 0620 hrs	
	depart 0820 hrs	R
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive 1230 hrs	
	depart 1330 hrs	R
MACKAY	arrive 1700 hrs	
	depart 1815 hrs	R
22/5		
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A. 0655 hrs	

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone K

5. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS:

R.T.O. EXHIBITION will issue Consignment Note and Rail Warrants, bulk second class, to OQNOQBA.

O.C Train P.501 will issue Meal Requisitions, as per Time-table.

All Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

6. O.C. TRAIN:

on entrainment, personnel will be under the command of Permanent O.C. Train P.501 for journey BRISBANE to TOWNSVILLE.

7. SECURITY:

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgement is requested.

W. H. Harrington Mgr

M.C.O. 56/1/2357
M.C.O. Q/272

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DISTRIBUTION : -

1/4	First Aust Army		
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR	MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov.)		
9/14	H.Q. Q'tland I of C Area		
15/21	3 Aust M O Gp.		
22	Major HALL Q Maintenance		
23	2 I of C Sub-Area		
24	D.A.D. Posts		
25	M.F.O.		
26	A.T.T.D.	S.D.R.	
27	88 Aust. Malarial Control Unit (O/- A.T.T.D.)	S.D.R.	
28	L.T.D.		
29	O.C Train P.501 (O/- L.T.D.)		
30	R.T.O. ROMA STREET		
31	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL	
32	" MACKAY	" "	
33	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT	BAG
34	1 I of C Sub-Area	"	"
35	2/1 Aust Mov & Tr Op A.I.F.	"	"
36/37	War Diary		
38/39	File		

R.T.O's GYMPIE and BUNDABERG advised by Signal

M.C.G. 62/3/1554

COPY NO. _____

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

H.Q. Movement Control;
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

18 May 44.

AMENDMENT TO 3 AUST. M.C.G. MOVEMENT ORDER NO. Q/267

With reference to 3 Aust. M.C. Cp's Movement Order No. Q/267.

2. It is advised that the following additional personnel and stores will now disembark at BRISBANE : -

Serial	Unit	Offrs	O/Rs	Total	Stores Tons	Vehs.	Disposal
	3 Sec. 3 Aust Fd Svy Coy.	1	37	38	9		KALINGA
2	440 Aust Hy A.A. Tp.	1	21	22	20	2 Trlrs	"
3	441 Aust Hy A.A. Tp.	1	21	22	128	2 "	"
4	H.Q. 33 Aust Hy. A.A. Bty	2	6	8	1		"
5	"G" Aust Hy. Bty	7	113	120	1		"
	Totals	12	198	210	159	4 Trlrs	

Totals will now read 38 1197 1235 215

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 181555 H.

Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION : -

First Aust Army
L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)
H.Q. Q'land I of C Area
3 Aust M C Cp
Major HALE Q Maintenance
2 L of C Sub-Area
J.A.D. Posts
S.T.O. C/- Navy Office
Port M.C.O. NEWSTEAD
E.S.O. Lieut A.A. HINSCH
Records Embarkation Officer
D.D.M.S. H.Q. Q'land I of C Area
O.C. KALINGA Staging Camp
S. & T (Capt VIVIAN)
War Diary
File

COPY NO.

METHOD

1/4 D.R.I.S.
5 AIR MAIL
6/8 D.R.I.S.
9/14 HAND
15/22 "
23 D.R.I.S.
24 "
25 Unit D.R.
26 Unit D.R.
29 HAND
29 "
30 D.R.I.S.
31 S.D.R.
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SECRET.COPY NO. *26*ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
18 May, 44.

NO. 3375.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO.44 (INWARDS).

Advice has been received that the "CYCLE" is due to arrive at BRISBANE in the near future and has for discharge the following cargo:-

Ser- no	Service	Cargo	Tons (m)
1	7 A.B.O.D.	Ordnance Stores incl. 1 disinfecter Trailer	53 tons
2	1 Aust C.E. Wks.	Engineer Stores incl. 1 Excavator.	69 "
3	R.A.A.F.	Sundry Shipments	10 "
4	Navy.	Sundry Shipments incl. 1 Buoy and 4 L/boats.	159 "

2. Services concerned will keep close liaison with Port M.C.O., Capt. ALLSOP (B6197), who will advise wharf and time of discharge.

3. Lieut. LONGDEN, C.T.O., will be in charge of offloading and delivery of cargo.

Signed *18/6/44 K.*

W. W. W. W. W.
Lt.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G.(m).

DISTRIBUTION:

L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q. (mov)
H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office
3 Aust. M. C. Gp.
Port M.C.O. NEWSTEAD
S.I.B. Maritime Gp., C/-NIXON-SMITH
7 A.B.O.D. Lieut JOHNSTON
1 Aust C.E. Wks.
R.A.A.F. (5 T.M.O.)
Naval Store Officer
War Diary
File
Spare

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12/16
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29/30

AIRMAIL.
D.R.L.S.
HAND.
UNIT D.R.
" "
D.R.L.S.
"
UNIT D.R.
"

M.C.G. 56/2/2453
M.C.G. 0273COPY NO. 30ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No. 3402

19 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF OUT-OF-GAUGE M.T. VEHICLES BY ROAD CONVOY
BRISBANE TO ATHERTON AREA.

Reference L.H.Q. QM.45238 and Rear First Aust Army Q.6772, the under-mentioned Out-of-Gauge Vehicles will move to destinations on Sunday, 21 May, 44, in accordance with the following arrangements :-

2. SERIAL 1 :- For 7 Aust Ord. Veh. Pk for 1 Aust Mech Bqpt Platoon RAE
- Issue Order OSI/H/1231.

1 x 3 ton 4 x 4 Machinery Truck "E" Loading
1 x 3 ton 4 x 4 Machinery Truck "E" Loading

- SERIAL 2 :- for 7 Aust. Ord. Veh Pk. for 2 Aust Mech. Bqpt.
Platoon, RAE - Issue Order OSI/H/1232.

1 x 3 ton 4 x 4 Machinery Truck "E" Loading
1 x 3 ton 4 x 4 Machinery Truck "E" Loading

- SERIAL 3 :- for 7 Aust Ord. Veh. Pk. - Issue Order OSI/H/1258,
OSI/H/1284.

2 x 3 ton 4 x 4 Machinery Trucks "E" Loading
2 x 3 ton 4 x 4 Machinery Trucks "E" Loading

- SERIAL 4 :- for 7 Aust Ord. Veh. Pk. - Issue Order OSI/H/1269

1 x 1/4 ton Jeep

- SERIAL 5 :- For 7 Aust Ord. Veh. Pk. - Issue Order OSI/J/883

4 x 3 ton 4 x 4 Machinery Trucks

- SERIAL 6 :- For First Aust. Army Mareeba - Authority Rear First Aust
Army Q/6772

6 Out-of-Gauge M.T. Vehicles

3. PERSONNEL :-

Serials 1 to 5 - 24 O/Rs.

Serial 6 - 12 O/Rs.

O.C. Convoy - SL 8647 Capt. JOHNSON G.E., 9 Div. Carrier Coy.

4. O.C. CONVOY AND PERSONNEL:

O.C. Convoy and

Personnel Serials 1 to 5 are ex leave personnel for Units in the Atherton Area. On completion of duty personnel will report to respective Units as arranged by 2/1 Aust Mov & Trn Gp. A.I.F.

5. MOVEMENT:

Convoy will depart 1 AUST PERS STAGING CAMP at 0730 hrs on Sunday, 21 May, 44.

6. STAGES:

Day 1	21 May 44	BRISBANE	- NANANCO	
"	2	22 May 44	NANANCO	- via KINGAROY 132 miles
"	3	23 May 44	EIDSVOLD	- via CAYNDAH 152 "
"	4	24 May 44	WOWAN	- 159 "
"	5	25 May 44	MAINTENANCE	- EMERALD 166 "
"	6	26 May 44	EMERALD	- TWIN HILLS Turnoff 151 "
"	7	27 May 44	TWIN HILLS	- Turnoff 157 "
"	8	28 May 44	CHARTERS TOWERS	- CHARTERS TOWERS 157 "
			TOWERS	- TOWNSVILLE 92 "
				via SELLHEIM

7. RATIONS:

As arranged by H.Q. Q'land L of C Area, ten (10) days' Reserve Rations, plus two (2) days' fresh Rations will be carried from BRISBANE.

Rations may be replenished at D.I.Ds. KINGAROY and SELLHEIM.

8. P.O.L.

As arranged by H.Q. Q'land L of C Area, each Vehicle will carry 10 x 4 gallon drums filled from BRISBANE, plus full tanks, and replenish at the following points: -

KINGAROY	- D.I.D.
CAYNDAH	- Pool Depot
EMERALD	- Pool Depot
SELLHEIM	- D.I.D.

Where petrol is drawn from Pool Depots, O.C. Convoy will present A.F.F. 59 endorsed - M.C.O. Q/273.

9. MAINTENANCE:

O.C. Convoy will ensure that all vehicles are properly serviced prior to departure. He will also ensure that correct maintenance is carried out en route.

On arrival at destination, he will submit a report stating points at which vehicles were maintained en route.

10. V.T.M. AND M.I.H.

O.C. Convoy will observe limits as to speed and density, as instructed by H.Q. Q'land L of C Area.

11. SPEED:

Speed not to exceed 20 m.p.h.

O.C. Convoy will ensure that all necessary precautions are taken to prevent damage of vehicles by fire or otherwise.

12. BOUNDS:

All Hotels en route will be out of bounds.

13. LIAISON:

O.C. Convoy will contact 2/1 Aust Mov & Tr Gp. A.I.F. by phone from CHARTERS TOWERS, indicating progress of convoy and to receive instructions re route to destination.

3.

14. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE:

On movement to destination as arranged by 2/1 Aust Mov & Tn
Gp. A.I.F.

15. SECURITY:

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to
those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed ~~at~~ 201010K

W. H. Harrington May
Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION: -

1/4 First Aust Army
5 L.H.Q. (Movement) AIRMAIL
6/8 Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)
9/14 H.Q. Q'land I of C Area
15/18 3 Aust M C Gp.
19 Major HALE Q Maintenance
20 2 I of C Sub -Area
21 D.A.D. Posts
22 M.F.O.
23 7 Aust Ord Veh Fk
24 1 Aust Pers Staging Camp
25 O/C Convoy C/- 1 Aust P.S.C.
26 1 I of C Sub-Area
27 2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp A.I.F.
28 Movements, CAIRNS
29 1 Aust Corps
30/31 War Diary
32/33 File

S.D.R.

"

DIRECT BAG

" "

AIR MAIL

" "

M.C.O. 56/1/2301
M.C.O. Q/276

COREY NO. 145

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST-PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

NO.3481

19 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF 24 AUST W.T. SEC (LT) AND 1 AUST W.T. SEC (HY)
BRISBANE TO TOLGA.

Reference Landforces OM.33627, the above Sections will move to TOLGA in accordance with the following arrangements :-

2 SERIAL 1 -

18 Tons Stores
1 O/R Escort

SERIAL 2 -

51 all ranks

3 SERIAL 1 -

Serial 1 will tranship to Queensland Railways at CLAPHAM on Sunday, 21 May, 44 and depart by ordinary goods services same day.

Escort will be on Travelling Allowance BRISBANE to TOLGA.

4 SERIAL 2 -

Serial 2 will report to L.T.D. at 1015 hrs Monday, 22 May 44 and entrain on Train P.501 same day.

Time-Table :-

22.5	
EXHIBITION	depart 1250 hrs
GYMPIE	arrive 1802 hrs
	depart 1855 hrs R
23.5	
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive 0620 hrs
	depart 0820 hrs R
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive 1230 hrs
	depart 1330 hrs R
MACKAY	arrive 1700 hrs
	depart 1815 hrs R
24.5	
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A. 0655 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone K.

5 CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS:

Serial 1 -

R.T.O. CLAPHAM will issue Consignment Note, Rail Warrant, second class, to TOLGA, if required.

Serial 2 -

R.T.O. EXHIBITION, will issue Rail Warrants bulk second class, to REDLYNCH.

O.C. Train P.501 will issue Meal Requisitions, as per Time-table.

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5 CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS (Contd)

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

6 ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE :

On movement as arranged with 2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp (A.I.F.)

7 O.C. TRAIN:

On entrainment, personnel will be under the command of Permanent O.C. Train P.501 for journey BRISBANE to TOWNSVILLE.

8 SECURITY:

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 20/10/44

It.-Col.

A.C.M.C. (M)

DISTRIBUTION :

1/4	First Aust Army	
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land I of Caroa	
15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 I of C Sub-area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26/27	24 Aust W.T. Moc (LT) and 1 Aust. W.T. Soc. (HY)	
	C/- 1 Aust Pers Staging Camp	S.D.R.
28	1 Aust Pers Staging Camp	"
29	L.T.D.	"
30	O.C. Train P.501 (C/- L.T.D.)	"
31	R.T.O. CLAPHAM	
32	" ROMA STREET	
33	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
34	" MACKAY	" "
35	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT : BAG
36	1 I of C Sub-area	" "
37	2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp A.I.F.	" "
38	Movements, CAIRNS	AIR MAIL
39	1 Aust Corps	" "
40/41	War Diary	
42/43	File	

DIGEST OF LHM REVISIT NO. 660 to 190015Z MAY

1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

NEW IRELAND: On 16 May natives reported that there were no Japanese troops at TABAR ISLANDS.

NEW BRITAIN: On 16 May our patrol contacted an unreported number of Japanese troops at TAVALO (7 miles W. CAPE DAMPIER).

NEW GUINEA - WEWAK - AITAPU: On 17 May attacking A/C observed many revetted pits and several pillboxes E. of KANUPIAN, and that the road from this area to BUT was being well used. Allied light naval units on coastal patrol reported that the enemy were moving personnel and equipment in considerable strength by truck along the coastal road from WEWAK as far W. as MATAPAU (1 mile W. of DOGRETO BAY). There was much more activity observed at BUT and DAQUA than at WEWAK. On the night 16/17 May an Allied amphibious patrol landed at three places in the vicinity of cliffs three miles E. CAPE DJERUAN, and made the following observations:- troop movement along a coastal track 1/2 mile E. of the cliff; a small bivouac area 1/2 mile E. of the cliff and troops estimated at one company were observed moving westward one mile E. of the cliff. PT boats were observed many lights along the entire coast area from SONAN (7 1/2 miles E. CAPE DJERUAN) to CAPE DJERUAN and numerous camp fires were observed in the vicinity of SUAIN (6 miles E. CAPE DJERUAN). On 17 May A/C observed a recently cut track S. of the SUAIN VILLAGE.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA - TAKER AREA: On 17 May our troops moving E. from ANABA reached the TSEKTOE RIVER (3 1/2 miles from ANABA) unopposed. An Allied patrol found evidence of a small U/A Headquarters located 1 1/2 miles E. of the TSEKTOE RIVER, whose strength was probably less than one company. Troops in the TOME AREA captured one 75 mm mountain gun, nine cases of ammunition, three trucks and two crated outboard motors. The total enemy casualties on the mainland were 9 killed. There are no Japanese troops on ISOMANAI ISLAND. On the night 17/18 May ISOMANAI ISLAND was shelled by our arty and mortars from ISOSMANAI IS. and at 172300Z Allied troops landed at ISOMANAI ISLAND against opposition from pillboxes and snipers, and the landing was supported by A/C and light naval units. Allied troops advancing against light opposition (mainly sniper fire) reached the edge of the airfield at 150117Z. The advance is being continued against mortar fire.

ARRAKHE: On 17 May it was reliably reported that there were several Japanese landing stages at intervals from the mouth of the ARMANDVILLE RIVER (105 miles ESE ARAKHEAU) to a point 14 miles inland. A possible Japanese hut and landing stage which was used three weeks ago, is reported to be at KAPIO (25 miles inland from the mouth of the ARMANDVILLE RIVER).

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 17 May 12 Airacobras bombed BUN PAISI, and 27 fighter-bombers attacked SIETA and the BUKA PASSAGE areas destroying and damaging bridges. On the same date 6 Dauntlesses bombed a village E. of CAPE PUPUTU and 3 Avengers bombed the bivouac area at KAMAHAN MISSION (both East coast of BUKA).

NEW IRELAND: On 17 May 18 Dauntlesses and 12 Avengers bombed KAVI and photos show one heavy A/A gun destroyed and direct hits on the R.

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NEW GUINEA: On 17 May 25 Mitchells bombed TUBERA scoring hits on the runway. On the same date 42 Dauntlesses, 11 Lightnings, 21 Airacobras and 11 Warhawks bombed the runway and gun positions at VUNAKANAU scoring direct hits and starting fires, and 47 Dauntlesses bombed the LAKUNAI runway, and oil barges at SIAPSON HARBOR.

NEW GUINEA: On 17 May 46 Bostons and 25 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed bridges, stores and supplies at HANSA BAY. On 18 May 11 Bostons and 7 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed HANSA BAY. On 17 May 9 Liberators, 26 Bostons and 2 Warhawks bombed and strafed WENAK, scoring hits on all the airfields. One fuel fire and other small fires were started at BOKAN, hits were also scored on the HAWAIN RIVER and CAPE PUS bridges. On 18 May 14 Beauforts bombed the BOKAN strip. On 17 May 15 Bostons and 14 Warhawks bombed the BOKAN STRIP. On 17 May 15 Bostons and 14 Warhawks bombed and strafed troop concentrations on the DANDRIAD RIVER.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 17 May 5 Liberators and 39 Mitchells bombed the area from SARAK to SARAK starting oil fires and destroying or damaging huts. Ninety-four Liberators bombed the supplies, personnel and A/A areas at NIAK ISLAND resulting in one large and numerous violent explosions and several large fires.

JAVA: On 18 May 7 Liberators bombed SOURABAYA causing several fires and explosions.

3. MALAY SEA OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On the night 17/18 May light naval units shelled TAKI (20 miles SE RIETA).

SEA ISLANDS: On the night 17/18 May PT boats sank one loaded barge at HAKUDORUDU BAY and damaged one off HUPU POINT (20 miles SE HAKUDORUDU BAY).

NEW BRITAIN: On the night 16/17 May PT boats strafed the IORIU RIVER and ALO VILLAGE areas.

NEW GUINEA: On the night 16/17 May PT boats strafed gun positions at FRANKLIN BAY (8 miles NW ULIGAN HARBOR).

4. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

SOLOMONS: On 17 May one probable damaged submarine was observed approaching BUKA from the West.

SEA ISLANDS: On 18 May 6 to 8 small boats were at WENAK. At 170040Z one barge was sighted unloading from a beached 600 ton vessel at BABIANG. On the morning of 17 May 2 barges were at VANIMO.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 17 May 5 to 10 barges were at SARAK, and 40 to 50 barges were on the S. coast at NIAK ISLAND. One possible warship was 9 miles S. of JERI ISLAND (SE NIAK).

SEMPORA: On 17 May the enemy task force, referred to in Digest 374, was still observed anchored at KATITANI ISLAND.

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No. 3407

19 May 44.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO.30 (OUTWARDS)

1. Cargo in accordance with the following Table will be delivered to MERCANTILE WHARF for loading in S.S. "EDNA".
2. Services will deliver cargo as called for by Port M.C.O., who will be represented on the Wharf by Lieut. GILLILAND, C.T.O.
3. Documentation will be as laid down in 3 Aust M. C. Gp's Circular "SHIPPING PROCEDURE AS RELATING TO SERVICE CARGO" of 7 Nov 42, and subsequent Amendments, with the exception that the 8 copies of Bills of Lading will be handed to the Movement Control Representative on the Wharf.
4. Security of cargo awaiting shipment will be the responsibility of the Service concerned, who will arrange accordingly with Port M.C.O.

SERIAL	SERVICE	CARGO	TONS	
			Meas.	D.W.
1.	R.A.E.	Hardwood Timber baulks Arc Mash 3 Prefabricated timber barges Corrugated iron Rilled steel joists 10,000 mines contact General stores	70 86 84 155	30 25
2.	N.S.O.	9 Pk's. Stores 9 Drums Methylated spirits	4	
3.	V.S.O.	24	2	
4.	C.S.O.	2,000 poles sectional steel 115 crossarms	113	
5.	7 A.B.O.D.	3,000 concrete pipes		104
6.	S. & T.	Rations	178	
7.	A.W.C.	Bitumen	1200	

Signed 20103CK

Lt.-Col.,
R.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION:

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METHOD

L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q.
H.Q. 4th Land L. of C. Area
S.T.O. C/- Navy Office
3 Aust M. C. Gp.
Port M.C.O., NEWSTEAD
E.S.O., Lieut A.A. HINSCH
S.I.B. Maritime Gp., Capt. NIXON-SMITH
1 Aust Army
S. & T. Capt. VIVIAN
R.A.E.
7 A.B.O.D.
Chief Signal Officer, Maj. BALL, Adv HQ

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DIGEST OF LHQ NEWSIT NO. 659 to 180015Z MAY

1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS - BOUGAINVILLE: On 15 May Allied patrols NE of the TOROKINA PERIMETER found a hospital area containing 200 to 250 Japanese bodies. A second hospital containing 30 shelters, much equipment and an unreported number of bodies was also found in the same locality.

NEW GUINEA - ALEXISHAFEN: On 16 May our patrols inland and Westward of the MURRAY PLANTATION made no contact with the enemy.

WEWAK: On 16 May the personnel of two Mitchells reported that there was much enemy activity along the coastal area from WEWAK through BUT.

AITAPE: From 13 to 16 May much activity was reported to be taking place at DEIA CHIEK (3 miles ESE MARUBIAN), and captured documents and native reports indicate that an enemy bivouac area and defensive positions are established in this area. There is no report to hand from our patrol from NYAPARAKE to BABIANC. Enemy casualties total 664 killed and 28 captured.

PORT NEW GUINEA - HOLLANDIA: On 16 May patrolling was being continued in this area. Further Japanese parties were contacted and casualties inflicted. Total enemy casualties are 1422 killed and 410 captured. On 13 May allied troops made unopposed landings at DRAKES POINT and BOEKISI (both at IRIS BAY 8 miles W. TANAMERAN BAY), but there are no further details to hand.

WAKDE ISLAND AREA: On 17 May allied forces, supported by cruisers and destroyers, landed unopposed at ARARA (on the mainland 3 miles SW WAKDE). By 1000K hours on the same day the beachhead was extended West to the TOR RIVER and East to POEM (4 miles W and 3 1/2 miles East ARARA respectively) without opposition. Following aerial bombardment and supported by destroyers, Allied troops moved from ARARA by barge and without encountering any resistance. Naval gun fire sank all enemy barges and set two fuel dumps afire on the W. side of INSOLOAR ISLAND (larger of WAKDE ISLANDS). Several fires were started at SAWAR and SAMI POINT by naval bombardment.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 16 May 34 fighter bombers bombed BOUGAINVILLE ISLAND, starting numerous fires. On the same date 18 Dauntlesses and 12 Avengers bombed huts at TABUT, and the runway and gun positions at BONIS.

NEW GUINEA: On 16 May 16 Dauntlesses and 11 Avengers bombed gun positions and an ammunition dump at LENSCHTAROF PLANTATION (5 miles SE KAVIENG). The target area was well covered.

NEW BRITAIN: On 16 May 10 Dauntlesses and 12 Avengers bombed the supply area at TOBERA starting several small fires. On the same date 43 fighter bombers attacked VUNAKAKAS starting numerous fires.

NEW GUINEA: On 16 May 32 Bostons, 22 Thunderbolts and 4 Airacobras bombed and strafed ULIGAN HARBOUR and the area to HANSA BAY resulting in one bridge being destroyed and 2 damaged on the SAMOL RIVER. Fires were started at AWAR, ROTOLAN HARBOUR and HANSA BAY. Eleven Bostons and 11 Thunderbolts attacked coastal targets from HANSA BAY to NIGHTINGALE BAY. On the same date 3 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed YABIN (50 miles up the RAIN RIVER) destroying the bridge and setting the village afire, and 6 Mitchells, 4 Airacobras, and

Warman

4 Thunderbolts strafed the SEPIK RIVER VILLAGE; 6 Thunderbolts bombed A/A positions at WOM POINT; 33 Bostons and 12 Beauforts bombed and strafed WEWAK starting several fires; 21 Bostons and 9 Warhawks bombed and strafed troop concentrations on the DAMDRIWAD RIVER and BABIANG starting fires.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 16 May 41 Liberators and 53 Mitchells bombed and strafed gun positions, and installations on WAKDE ISLANDS, destroying the gun positions and starting numerous fires; 6 Liberators bombed the mouth of the KAMBERAMO RIVER (CAPE BURVILLE AREA); 42 Liberators bombed BOSNEK and the supply areas starting numerous fires and explosions, also igniting ammunition and oil dumps. On the same date 21 Liberators bombed the stores area at MOKMER and the airfield at SORIDO starting fires; 16 Lightnings on recce over GEELVINK BAY destroyed 3 of 8 intercepting fighters over KAIRI. On 17 May 7 Liberators bombed the KAIRI strip and the dispersal area.

3. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

NEW BRITAIN: On 16 May 2 barges and one whaleboat were sunk and 2 barges were fired on by A/C at DOKE OF YORK ISLAND.

NEW GUINEA: At 152215Z one launch was 35 miles up the RAMU RIVER travelling upstream. At 152326Z 5 barges and one motor boat were 2 mile E. of BOIKER MISSION.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 16 May 22 to 26 barges were SE BIAK ISLAND.

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ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No.3395

19 May 44

MOVEMENT OF 2/6 AUST FD REGT., 2/6 AUST FD REPT SIG. SEC.
AND 2/53 AUST I.R.D. - WARWICK TO MAPPE

Reference Adv. L.H.Q. CM.2274, the above Units will move to destination in accordance with the following arrangements :-

Serial		Strength all ranks	Stores Tons (D.W.)	Guns	Destination
1	Advance Party	21			MAPPE
2	Stores Party	3	65	16 x 25 pdra	"
3	Main Party	380	4		"
4	Rear Party	50			"

2. SERIAL 1:

Serial 1 will report to R.T.O. WARWICK at 1400 hrs on Sunday, 21 May 44, and entrain under his direction.

21/5

WARWICK
BRISBANE

depart 1500 hrs
arrive 2302 hrs

Proceed to 17 Aust Pers. Staging Camp, stage overnight and report to L.T.D. at 1015 hrs on Monday, 22 May, 44 and entrain on Train P.501 same day.

Time-Table:-

22/5

EXHIBITION
GYMPIE

depart 1250 hrs
arrive 1802 hrs
depart 1835 hrs

23/5

ROCKHAMPTON

arrive 0620 hrs

depart 0820 hrs R

ST. LAWRENCE

arrive 1230 hrs

depart 1330 hrs R

MACKAY

arrive 1700 hrs

depart 1815 hrs R

24/5

TOWNSVILLE

E.T.A. 0655 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Trains Zone K

3. SERIAL 2:

Serial 2 will commence loading at MORGAN PARK on Sunday, 21 May 44, and depart by ordinary goods services Monday, 22 May 44.

Escort will be on Travelling Allowance WARWICK to TOLGA.

All loading under the direction of R.T.O. WARWICK.

E.T.A. TOWNSVILLE 1440 hrs 26 May 44.

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4. SERIALS 3 and 4:

Serials 3 and 4 will be at MORGAN PARK SIDING on Wednesday, 24 May, 44, at a time to be advised by R.T.O. WARWICK, and will load stores and entrain under his direction.

Time-Table:

24/5	
MORGAN PARK	depart 1010 hrs
TOOWOOMBA	arrive 1300 hrs
	depart 1354 hrs
EXHIBITION	arrive 1900 hrs
(Evening Meal as arranged by H.Q. Q'land I. of C Area will be supplied by L.T.D.)	

5. ON MOVEMENT SERIAL 3:

Serial 3 will re-entrain under direction of R.T.O. EXHIBITION at 1930 hrs on Wednesday, 24 May, 44.

Time-Table:

24/5	
EXHIBITION	depart 2010 hrs
25/5	
BUNDABERG	arrive 0510 hrs
	depart 0610 hrs R
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive 1315 hrs
	depart 1515 hrs R
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive 1925 hrs
	depart 2025 hrs R
26/5	
BOWEN	arrive 0620 hrs
	depart 0730 hrs R
STUART	arrive 1255 hrs
	depart 1355 hrs X
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A. 1420 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms
X - Army Feeding Point.
All Timings Zone K

6. ON MOVEMENT SERIAL 4:

On movement Serial 4 will be advised by Appendix "A" to this Movement Order, to be published later.

7. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS:

R.T.O. WARWICK will issue :-

Serial 1- Rail Warrants, bulk second class, WARWICK to BRISBANE.

Serial 2- Consignment Note, Rail Warrants, bulk second class, MORGAN PARK to TOUGA.

Serials 3 and 4 - R.T.O. WARWICK will issue Consignment Note MORGAN PARK to REDFINCH, and Rail Warrants, bulk second class, MORGAN PARK to BRISBANE. Meal Requisitions, as per Time-Tables.

R.T.O. EXHIBITION will issue :-

Serial 1 - Rail Warrants, bulk second class, BRISBANE to REDFINCH.

O.C Train P.501 will issue Meal Requisitions, as per time-table.

Serial 3 - Rail Warrants, bulk second class, BRISBANE to REDFINCH, and Meal Requisitions, as per time-table.

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7. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS (Cont)

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

8. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE:

On movement as arranged by 2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp. (A.I.F.)

9. O.C. TRAIN :

Copy of Standing Orders for O.C. Troop Trains will be handed to Officer Commanding.

O.C. Train will ensure that no civilians are permitted to travel on train under his command.

O.C. Train will take measures to prevent lighted matches, cigarette butts, etc., being thrown from train, and ensure that standing crops, such as Pineapples, and Sugar Cane, are not interfered with, in any way, during halts of trains.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 191500K

W.H. Livingston
Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION: -

1/4	First Aust Army	
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIRMAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land I of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M O Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 I of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26/31	2/6 Aust Fd Regt, 2/6 Aust Fd Regt Sig Sec and 2/53 Aust IAD	
	(O/- R.T.O. WARWICK)	SAFE HAND
	O.C. Train (O/- R.T.O. WARWICK)	" "
33	L.T.D.	S.D.R.
34	R.T.O. WARWICK	SAFE HAND
35	" ROMA STREET	
36	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
37	" MACKAY	" "
38	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG
39	1 I of C Sub-Area	" "
40	2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp. A.I.F.	" "
41	Movements, CAIRNS	AIR MAIL
42	1 Aust Corps	" "
43/44	War Diary	
45/46	File	

R.T.O. GYMPTIE and BUNDABERG advised by Signal.

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

HLQ. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No. 3401

19 May 44.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER No. 45 (INWARDS)

Advice has been received that the "THOMAS CRAWFORD" is due to arrive at
BRISBANE in the near future and has for discharge the following cargo:-

SERIAL	SERVICE	CARGO	TONS	
			Meast.	Weight
1	D.A.D.O.S. Amn.	2478 Boxes Amn.		118
2	D.A.D.S.T.	5552 x 44 gals. drums empty 2234 Pkges Rations	1388 104	
3	M.F.O.	6 " Effects		1
4	A.B.P.O.	97 Bags Mail	19	
5	A.A.C.S.	1817 C/s Stores	80	
6	Salvage	2354 Pkges Salvage	275	
7	Aust Red Cross	17 " "		1
8	1 Aust C.E.Wks	4000 Camouflage Nets 7021 Pkges Amn & Stores	269	
9	A.I.B.	9 " Operation Gear		1
10	C.O.O. A.O.D.	197 Vehicles 66 Pkges Ordnance Stores	4985 21	
11	R.A.A.F.	777 C/s Canteen Stores 85 Bags Mail 650 Pkges	103	

2. PERSONNEL:-

2 O.Rs. A.I.B. meeting F.C.Os.

3. Services concerned will keep close liaison with Port M.C.O., Capt.
ALLSCP (B.6197), who will advise wharf and time of discharge.

4. Lieut. LONGDEN, C.T.O., will be in charge of offloading and delivery
of cargo.

Signed at 19/5/44

DISTRIBUTION:-

L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv L.H.Q. (Mov)
H.Q. Q'land L.of C.Area
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office
3 Aust M.C.Gp.
Port M.C.O. NEWSTEAD
S.I.B. Maritime Gp
C/- NIXON-SMITH
D.A.D.O.S. Amn. Maj GOWEN
D.A.D.S.T. Capt VIVIAN
M.F.O. Maj LENNON
A.B.P.O.
A.A.C.S.

1 AIRMAIL Salvage
2/4 D.R.L.S. 1 Aust C.E. Wks
5/10 HAND 7 A.B.O.D.
11 UNIT D.R.R.A.A.F.
12/16 War Diary
17/19 File
20 D.R.L.S. Spare
21 HAND
22 "
23 "
24 D.R.L.S.
25 "

26 D.R.L.S.
27 "
28 "
29 UNIT D.R.
30/31
32/33
34/35

A. J. Stinson
Lieut. Col.,
A.Q.M.C. (M)

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

NO:- 04431.

H.Q., Qld. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

19 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from Qld. L. of C. Area on Saturday, 20 May 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO COWRA:- 50 Japanese O.Rs.

ESCORT:- 1 Officer
2 N.C.Os.
8 O.Rs.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn. Officer in charge of Escort, Q.185039 Capt. W. ANDERSON.

1. MOVEMENT TO INTERSTATE STATION:-

A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Interstate Station, leaving Gaythorne at 1045 hours and arriving at South Brisbane at 1115 hours.

Train departs 1150 hours, 20 May 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:-

Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of Officer i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., South Brisbane.

3. MEAL ARRANGEMENTS:-

Internment Camp, Gaythorne, will arrange for a cut lunch to be provided for P.W. and escort, to be consumed after the departure of the train from South Brisbane. As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., the R.T.O. will issue F.59's to cover meals for P.W. and escort at Coffs Harbour and Gosford.

4. RAIL WARRANTS:-

As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O., South Brisbane, will issue second class Warrants as follows:-

South Brisbane to Cowra - 50 P.W.

South Brisbane to Liverpool - 11 Escorts.

5. ARRIVAL SYDNEY:-

H.Q., N.S.W. L. of C. Area will take over responsibility at Sydney and will arrange on-movement to, and relief of escort at, Liverpool.

Escort may be granted 24 hours leave in Sydney

6. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

- (1) Nominal Roll, in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers (2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area, and 1 copy to Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office.)
- (11) A.A. Form A.111 in respect of each P.W.
- (111) A.A. Form W.3000 for each P.W.
- (1v) History Sheet of P.W.

J. C. M. Farlane, Capt
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.
Lt. Col.
P.T.O.:-

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area
 4. R.T.O., Sth. Brisbane
 5. H.Q., N.S.W. L. of C. Area - (AIR MAIL)
 6. R.T.O., Sydney - (AIR MAIL).
 7. Internment Camp, Gaythorne.
 8. 3 Aust.Movt.Control Grp.
 9. 1 Aust.Movt.Cont.Gp. (AIR MAIL)
 10. G.S. (Int.)
 11. 1 Aust.Grn.Bn.
 12. Off. 1/c Escort,
C/- 1 Aust.Grn. Bn. }
 - 13-14. War Diary.
 - 15-16. File.
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COPY NO. 30

ALLIED LAND FORCE IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No. 3416

19 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF 2/1 AUST FORESTRY COY, 2/2 AUST FORESTRY COY,
2/3 AUST FORESTRY COY, AND DET. 1 AUST FORESTRY SURVEY COY,
BRISBANE TO TOWNSVILLE

Reference Landops QM2268 and QM2279, the above unit will move to TOWNSVILLE in accordance with the following arrangements:-

2. PERSONNEL:-

296 All ranks

20 tons D.W. Stores

3. ARRIVAL CLAPHAM:-

Unit will arrive CLAPHAM by Special Train, at 1825 hrs on Saturday, 20 May 44. and will immediately tranship stores to Q'land Government Railways.

As arranged by H.Q. Q'land L. of C Area evening meal will be supplied by 1 A.P.S.C.

4. ON MOVEMENT:-

Personnel will report to R.T.O. CLAPHAM at 2100 hrs on Saturday, 20 May 44, and entrain under his direction.

5. TIME TABLE:-

20.5.44			
CLAPHAM	depart	2150 hrs	
21.5.44			
BUNDAHERG	arrive	0720 hrs	
	depart	0840 hrs	R
GLADSTONE	arrive	1250 hrs	
	depart	1355 hrs	R
ROCHAMPTON	arrive	1635 hrs	
	depart	1835 hrs	R
22.5.44			
BOWEN	arrive	0825 hrs	
	depart	0915 hrs	R
TOWNSVILLE	E.L.	1645 hrs	

R. - Railway Refreshment Rooms.
All Timings Zone K.

6. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS:-

R.T.O. CLAPHAM will issue Consignment Notes to Townsville, Rail Warrants Bulk second class to Oonoonba.

R.T.O. CLAPHAM will issue Meal Requisitions as per Time Table.

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

7. DRINKING WATER:-

All ranks to entrain with full water bottles which are to be refilled en route as opportunity permits.

8. O.C. TRAIN:-

Copy of Standing Orders for O.C. Troop Trains will be handed to Officer Commanding.

O.C. Train will ensure that no civilians are permitted to travel on train under his command.

O.C. Train will take measure to prevent lighted matches, cigarette butts, etc. being thrown from train.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed

14/11/30

I. H. Harrington
Lt.-Col.,
M.C.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION:

1/4	First Aust Army	
5	L.E.C. (Movement)	
6/8	Adv. L.E.C. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Island I of C Area	
15/18	3 Aust M.C.Gp	
19	Capt HALL 3 Maintenance	
20	2 I of C Sub-Area	
21	D.L.D. Posts	
22	M.F.O.	
23	O.C. Train C/- R.T.O. CLAREM	
24	R.T.O. CLAREM	
25	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
26	" MURRAY	"
27	" TOWNVILLE	DIRECT B.L.G
28	1 I of C Sub-Area	"
29	2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp L.I.F.	"
30/31	War Diary	
32/33	File	

R.T.O's CLAREM AND BUNABERG advised by signal

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ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

3400

Headquarters,
3 Aust. M. C. Gp.,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
19 May, 44.

SERIAL 19.
NOS 87 to 92.

ROUTINE ORDER, PART I.

by

LT-COL. G. A. STUBBS.
Comd. 3 Aust. M.C. Gp.

PETROL RATION
TICKETS -
ISSUE TO
MEMBERS OF THE
ARMY ON LEAVE.
G028/44.

NO. 87.

1. The Controller of Liquid Fuel, Department of Supply and Shipping, advises that members of the Services returning on leave are under the impression that they are entitled to receive petrol ration tickets for 4-gallons of petrol for leave purposes at home.

2. Petrol ration tickets may be issued by State Liquid Fuel Control Boards at their discretion to members of the Services to permit them to make business contacts or bona fide visits to relations. Such issues will be under the following conditions:-

- (a) Grants will not exceed one month's ration in Class 2 appropriate to the vehicle proposed to be used.
- (b) The issue will be confined to a member of the Services during leave granted upon return to the mainland after service outside the limits of the mainland and (if unwounded and not invalided) after at least nine months' absence from place of leave.

In the case of wounded or invalided members, the above time limit not to apply.

- (c) Members will produce leave passes with their applications for petrol ration tickets.

3. Members who are entitled to obtain petrol ration tickets under the concession provided for in para 2 above should make application direct to a State Liquid Fuel Control Board.

REMITTANCES
FROM MEMBERS
G.R.O. F176/44

NO. 88.

1. A member may remit cash, or undrawn pay up to the extent of the credit balance shown in his pay book, in accordance with the following provisions.

2. A member serving in a locality where money order or banking facilities are not readily available may make a remittance through army channels to -

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- (a) any person in Australia, or for the credit of any bank account in Australia, including the member's own account;
- (b) any other member of the AMF wherever serving; and
- (c) subject to the conditions set out in para 7 of this order, to any person residing overseas, not being a member of the AMF.

3. Remittances are effected by the member completing and handing to the pay sergeant or paymaster a form WF 131, together with the member's pay book in the case of a remittance of undrawn pay, or a form WF 131A with the requisite amount of cash in the case of a remittance of cash. Where cash is remitted, the member will ensure that he obtains a receipt from the pay sergeant or paymaster.

4. A member should take particular care to ensure that full details are clearly and legibly set out on the remittance form. This applies particularly to the name and address of the person to whom the remittance is to be sent.

5. Remittances overseas may be effected by cable or, where facilities exist, by airgraph. Where transmission by either of these methods is desired, the remitter will sign an endorsement on the WF 131 or WF 131A stating the required method of transmission. Cable or airgraph costs will, in such a case, be deducted from the amount received from the member, and the balance will be remitted in the appropriate overseas currency calculated at the rate of exchange then current.

6. In the case of a remittance to another member of the AMF serving overseas, the remittance will be effected wholly through army channels and will be credited to the remittee's pay book. The cost of cabling such remittances will be according to the following scale:-

	Cost of Cable.
Where remittance is for an amount	s. d.
of even pounds -	
if less than £100	3 6
if £100 or more	5 0
Where the remittance includes	
shillings or pence -	
if less than £100	5 0
if £100 or more	7 6

7. Where the remittee is a person residing overseas and is not a member of the AMF, the provisions of paras 1 to 5 will apply and, in addition, the following conditions will be complied with:-

- (a) such remittance will be accepted only where the member is serving in a remote area;
- (b) a statement signed by the member will be attached to the appropriate remittance form setting out:-

(i) the reason for which the remittance is being made; and

(ii) if the remittance is not a business transaction and payment is to be made in Canada or in any country which is not a part of the British Empire; details of the remittance.

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including relationship to member, nationality,
term of residence in country of domicile, and
financial position.

These details are required for exchange control purposes. While no difficulty should arise regarding approval of remittances to parts of the British Empire other than Canada, remittances to countries outside the Empire or to Canada will not be approved unless very strong reasons exist to support the member's application.

In the case of a remittance to the United Kingdom or Canada under the provisions of this paragraph, the cost of the cable will be charged at a set rate of 7s 6d. In the case of a remittance to any other country, the actual cost of the cable will be charged.

8. GRO F.747/1943 is cancelled.

ISSUE OF FOOD
COUPONS TO
ARMY PERSONNEL
RO Q230/44 HQ.
Q'ld L. of C.
Area.

NO. 89.

1. Advice has been received from the Director of Rationing, to the effect that as from the close of the present ration year, i.e., 3 June 1944, coupons will be issued in sheets of 20, serially numbered, instead of in pads of 100 Food Coupons and sheets of 40 Meat Coupons as are issued at present.

2. Each individual sheet will comprise $\frac{1}{2}$ Tea Coupon, $\frac{1}{2}$ Butter Coupon, $\frac{1}{2}$ Sugar Coupon, and two $\frac{1}{2}$ Meat Coupons.

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3. The new series of Food Sheets will be printed in blue and the coupons will be slightly larger in order to avoid confusion with other coupons.

4. The present series of combined Food Coupons and Sheets of $\frac{1}{2}$ Meat Coupons will cease to be issued as from 3 June, 1944, from which date the new series of coupons in sheets of 20 will be made available for issue. The current ration year's coupons issued prior to 3 June, 1944, will be valid until 31 July, 1944.

5. All units in Q'land L. of C. Area will return promptly, to D.D.S.T. Victoria Barracks, Brisbane, all stocks of coupons unused on 3 June, 1944, together with a reconciliation statement showing receipts and issues to that date. The balance shown on hand should agree with the quantity of coupons returned.

6. Units will forward to D.D.S.T., Victoria Barracks, Brisbane, requisitions for the initial monthly requirements for June 1944, on receipt of this order, so that new type coupons can be forwarded immediately they are available.

7. The new series of food coupon sheets will be issued in accordance with the instructions for the issue of combined coupons as contained in G.R.O. Q.395/43 and Q'land L. of C. Area R.O. Q.25/44.

ECONOMIES IN
THE USE OF
COAL, COKE,
GAS, AND
ELECTRICITY,
RESTRICTION
IN USE OF
RADIATORS
R.O. Q232/44
HQ Q'LD L.OF
C. AREA.

NO. 90.

1. The attention of all Units is again drawn to Q'ld L. of C. Area Routine Order Q.680 dated 16 Nov. 43.
2. Since the promulgation of this order, the need has arisen for the strictest control over the consumption of electricity in the areas supplied from Brisbane Power Stations, owing to the fact that these Stations are now loaded to their effective capacity.
3. All Units will accordingly take immediate action, by
 - (a) Restricting the consumption of current for lighting and general power requirements.,
 - (b) Prohibiting the use of radiators, except in situations where such are necessary for health reasons, specific approval for which will be obtained from the C.O. of the Unit. C.O's will not give such approval without the most careful consideration of the merits of each case.

USE OF PRO
FORMA FOR UN-
COMPLETED
JOURNEYS
ADMINISTRATIVE
INSTRUCTION NO
43. (EXTRACT
FROM LHQ MEMO
Q2/5791 2 MAY
44).

NO. 91

1. The pro forma issued with the above instructions will only be used when a person "detrains before completion of the journey through sickness or other causes".
2. Under no circumstances will use of this form be made to claim a refund in respect of a ticket for a person who, through some mistake or negligence, was not entrained with remainder of draft at the originating station.
3. Cases of such nature will be referred to M.C. Gp. in the area in which the soldier failed to entrain.

TICKET
CHECKING
TROOP TRAINS
(LHQ MEMO
Q2/5784 2
MAY 44).

NO. 92

1. Reports are still being received that on departure of troop trains it is found that the number of tickets held by D.C.Os do not correspond with number of personnel travelling or vice versa.
2. Responsibility for these occurrences cannot be placed on any particular M.C. Gp. or L.of C., but is general throughout all areas.
3. The responsibility for ensuring that all personnel entraining are in possession of tickets covering journey being undertaken is that of M.C. Gps through R.T.Os
4. M.C. Gps, in conjunction with Railway Departments of their areas, will arrange that a complete check of all personnel travelling by troop trains is made at a barrier at entraining stations to ensure that all personnel are covered by either a ticket, bulk warrant or H.L. pass.
5. The difficulties previously encountered in this direction are to a great extent minimised by the introduction of the Draft Conducting system under LHQ 226977 of 28 Dec. '43.

NO. 92 (Contd).

6. When duty personnel are travelling by troop trains on strip tickets, a check will again be made at de-training points to ensure that all used portions of the tickets are passed to Railway Officials.

7. It should be realised by all concerned that the present lax manner in which personnel are checked to ensure that tickets are held for journey to be undertaken and used tickets being surrendered is always a source of encouragements to A.W.L. and irregular travel resulting in much unnecessary correspondence and claims by Railway Departments.

PART "B".

3.
INCREASE IN STRENGTH.

QX. 3173	Pte.	MATTHEWS N. W.	On transfer from 2/1 Aust. Con. Depot and H.Q. 7 Aust Div. - 12.5.44.
Q.138913	Pte.	SHEA D. G.	On transfer from 1 Aust. M.C. Gp. - 15.5.44.
Q.119735	T/Capt	NOBLE E.O.	On transfer from 1 Aust M.V.T.T.C. (A.A.S.C.) - 14.5.44.

DECREASE IN STRENGTH.

NX.125265	Pte.	HALLORAN L.P.	Marched Out to H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area G.D.D. for release from Army - 15.5.44.
Q.267636	Pte.	SWALLOW L.R.	Marched Out to H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area G.D.D. for release from Army - 15.5.44.

RETURNED TO UNIT.

QX. 5501	Cpl.	DUNCAN K.A.K.	R.T.U. ex 2/4 A.G.H. and 102 A.G.H. - 19.5.44.
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PROCEEDED ON LEAVE.

NX.71026	Lieut.	BRAY F.B.	24 days	Commencing	13. 5.44.
QX.15969	Cpl.	STONE R.W.	24 "	"	16. 5.44.
DX. 810	Pte.	SMITH C.A.	22 "	"	20. 5.44.

RETURNED FROM LEAVE.

QX.33164	Pte.	NICHOLSON F.M.	24 days	Returned	18.5.44.
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[Signature]
Lt.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G.(M),
3 Aust. M. C. Gp.

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREAH.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No. 3426

20 May 44.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO.31 (OUTWARDS)

1. Cargo in accordance with the following Table will be delivered to HOWARD SMITH'S WHARF for loading in S.S. "BURMAH".
2. Services will deliver cargo as called for by Port M.C.O., who will be represented on the Wharf by Lieut GILLILAND, C.T.O.
3. Documentation will be as laid down in 3 Aust M. C. Gp's Circular "SHIPPING PROCEDURE AS RELATING TO SERVICE CARGO" of 7 Nov 42, and subsequent Amendments, with the exception that the 8 copies of Bills of Lading will be handed to the Movement Control Representative on the Wharf.
4. Security of cargo awaiting shipment will be the responsibility of the Service concerned, who will arrange accordingly with Port M.C.O.

SERIAL	SERVICE	CARGO	TONS	
			Mens. D.W.	
1	S. & T. P.O.L.	2199 x 44 gal drums P.O.L. 80 pails grease	633	
2	Engineers	Cement Piping, sawmill equipment, steel joists and general stores A.R.C. mesh	150	
3	A.R.C.S.	Canteen Stores	150	
4	Stationery Depot	63 C/s stationery	12	
5	C.S.O.	600 cross arms and spindles	11	
6	A.C.F.	615 Pkgs. Furniture and comforts	69	
7	V.S.O.	261 pkgs Provision and mess gear 46 crates vegetables	14 4	
8	N.S.O.	75 pkgs naval stores 3 drums methylated spirits and turpentine	6 1	
9	Red Shield	9 pkgs comforts 2 wet batteries	1	
10	Y.M.C.A.	11 pkgs. stationery and tent poles	2	
11	U.S. Army	Field ranges and fly spray	1	
12	3 Aust Pigeon Sec	2 pigeon lofts	25	
13	S. & T.	Rations	550	
14	7 A.B.O.D.	Ordnance Stores	160	
<u>VEHICLES</u>				
15	7 A.B.O.D.	2 x 3 ton water trucks, 2 generator trailers		

War Diary

Signed

Lt.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION:-

	<u>COPY NO.</u>	<u>METHOD</u>
.L.H.Q. (Movement)	1	AIR MAIL
Adv. L.H.Q.	2/4	D.R.L.S.
H.Q. 2'land L. of C. Area	5/10	H/ND
S.T.O. C/- Navy Office	11	UNIT D.R.
3 Aust M. C. Gp	12/16	"
Port M.C.O., NEWSTRAD	17/19	"
E.S.O., Lieut. A.A. HINECH	20	H/ND
S.I.B. Maritime Gp., Capt. NIXON-SMITH	21	D.R.L.S.
1 Aust Army	22	"
S. & T. (P.O.L.) Major Knowles	23	H/ND
Engineers	24	D.R.L.S.
A.A.C.S.	25	UNIT D.R.
Stationary Depot	26	"
C.S.O. Major HALL, Adv. L.H.Q.	27	D.R.L.S.
HQ 5 Aust Pigeon Sec, Adv. L.H.Q. (Sigs)	28	"
S. & T. Capt. VIVIAN	29	H/ND
7 A.B.O.D.	30	D.R.L.S.
Spare	31/33	
War Diary	34/35	
File	36/37	

SIGMET 855

CHY NO.....

SIGMET OF AM. AIR NO. 661 to 100111 MAY

1. SUMMARY:

17 MAY - 18 MAY: On 17 May an allied patrol encountered rifle and mortar fire from 40 Japanese North of the 10-01111. Our patrol withdrew and the position was engaged by artillery fire.

18 MAY - 19 MAY: On 18 May our patrol killed 10 Japanese, found a dead and captured one in this area, bringing the total casualties to 1-17 killed and 30 captured.

19 MAY - 20 MAY: With reference to Sig 847, it is now reported that on 19 May our outpost at 10-01111 was attacked by 4 Japanese armed with light machine gun and mortar, but the Japanese withdrew after attack.

20 MAY - 21 MAY: A Japanese prisoner stated on 18 May that the Japanese have a very large number of barges at the 10-01111 mouth, which are to be used in evacuating 10-01111, and the proposed route to be used was up the 10-01111 river and overland to 10-01111. The prisoner also stated that a number of Japanese in an attempt to take from 10-01111 to the 10-01111 (tributary of the 10-01111) nearly all died of hunger.

21 MAY - 22 MAY: On 17 May an allied patrol established a defensive position one mile N. of the 10-01111 mouth after contacting approx. 20 Japanese. The same patrol reported that a party of 12 Japanese were observed moving west along the coastal track near the 10-01111 mouth. Further allied patrol bearing inland N. of 10-01111 encountered fire from the vicinity of 10-01111 (1 mile N. of the 10-01111 mouth). This patrol had light contact with 10-01111 (1 mile N. of the 10-01111 mouth). Total enemy casualties are 112 killed or found dead and 30 captured.

22 MAY - 23 MAY: On 18 May our patrol killed 9 Japanese, found a dead, and captured 15 bringing the total to 1-18 killed and 45 captured. A report that small parties of Japanese, in very poor condition, are moving west from 10-01111 to 10-01111 along the inland trail.

23 MAY - 24 MAY: On 18 May natives reported that 150 armed Japanese passed through 10-01111 en route to 10-01111 (2 1/2 miles N. of 10-01111). On 17 and 18 May our patrols made light contact with enemy forces in the vicinity of the 10-01111 and 10-01111 resulting in 14 Japanese being killed. On 18 May natives reported that enemy guns and defensive positions were located near the 10-01111 (1 mile N. of 10-01111) and that there were numerous unoccupied positions N. of the 10-01111. At 180443Z our troops occupied the airstrip at 10-01111 and moved around the West part of the island around 0100Z. By 190840Z all resistance was overcome after allied troops eliminated stubborn position at the NE corner of the island.

24 MAY - 25 MAY: At 182245Z and 182430Z allied troops landed at 10-01111 and 10-01111 respectively (approx 10 miles N. of 10-01111).

2. SUMMARY:

13 MAY - 14 MAY: On 13 May 12 launchers and 15 Avengers landed and reported enemy Command Post at 10-01111 (1 mile N. of 10-01111), and destroyed bridges 36 and 37 miles N. of 10-01111.

CHINA - 1945-46 On 19 May 1. Liberators bombed HANSHANAI
striking with 2 1/2 ton and 5000 lb bombs, destroying or
damaging grounded A/C and causing explosions. 57 S intercepting
A/C was destroyed.

1. **Introduction**

BIGEST OF MRK REVEAL NO. 662 to 2100304 MAY

1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

NEW BRITAIN: On 15 May Allied scouts landed at MALALIA (18 miles SE of CAPE MOSKING) but were later withdrawn. On 16 May natives reported that 30 Japanese were at ARUL (3 miles NW CAPE DAMPINK).

NEW GUINEA: WENK: On the night 19/20 May moving lights were observed at LUMIN PLANTATION, also camp fires SE of LUMIN and at MATAPAU.

MIAPSA: On 19 May an Allied patrol attempting to encircle Japanese troops 1 mile E. of DRIABOL (1 1/2 miles W. BABIANG) were fired on by heavy mortars and forced to withdraw towards KAPAHKIE, fighting a delaying action. Contact with the enemy was later lost. A further patrol killed 5 of an unstated number of enemy troops one mile E. of LEITRE (14 miles W. PRITWITZ POINT), the remainder of the troops fled West. Eight Japanese, including 2 officers, were killed at LORI No. 2 (5 miles E. PRITWITZ POINT), and these troops were found to be in poor condition with only 2 rifles. A patrol returning from 32 miles SE MIAPSA reported that they had made no contact with the enemy. Enemy casualties to 20 May total 728 killed and 91 captured.

BURCH NEW GUINEA - HOLLANDIA: On 19 May a patrol operating SW of KAPAHKIE BAY, reported that the westward retreat of enemy troops through GENJEL was totally disorganised, and that their rifles and machine guns were discarded. Enemy casualties to 19 May total 1828 killed and 455 captured.

MAFRIK BAY: At 1901304 an aerial recce revealed that approx. 50 well armed Japanese in good physical condition were on the E. bank of the TOR RIVER, but the Japanese left the area by 1908004. A further 50 well equipped Japanese moving East were observed on a track between MAFRIK No. 1 and MAFRIK NO. 2 at 190200Z. Subsequently Japanese patrols twice attacked an Allied bridgehead W. of the TOR RIVER, and enemy harassing fire was experienced during the night 18/19 May. Recce. A/C reported that there was a possible 75 mm gun track on the coastal road 2000 yds E. of the mouth of the TEMENON CR. Up to 19 May 54 Japanese were killed in this area.

MAKDE ISLAND: Up to 19 May 550 enemy dead were counted in this area, but the count is incomplete.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 18 May 12 Dauntlesses, 17 Avengers and 43 fighter bombers bombed supply areas in the BUKI-PAISI Area.

NEW GUINEA: On the night 18 May 12 Mustangs bombed and strafed KAKA BAY. On 19 May 3 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed the KAKI VILLAGE (15 miles W. KOBIA) setting many houses in the village on fire. Twelve Mitchells, 93 Bostons, 18 Beauforts and 63 Lightnings bombed and strafed the coast 1 area NW KEMAK town. The target area was well covered starting large fires and destroying a radar station at KEMAK.

LUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 19 May 12 Bostons and 14 Lightnings bombed and strafed the airfield at KAKIA and shipping at KAKAKARI, destroying 2 grounded bombers and damaging 4 grounded A/C. One of several intercepting enemy fighters were destroyed. 43 Liberators bombed beach defences and supply areas at KOBREX and KOKLEH, but the results were mainly unobserved due to heavy cloud cover, although 2 large fires were observed at KOBREX.

BABAR ISLANDS: On the morning of 20 May 3 Beauforts bombed and strafed TAPA VILLAGE and the wireless station.

EL OH: On the night 19 May 12 Mitchells bombed ALA-BOZA starting many fires. Photos showed at least 30 bldgs--destroyed or damaged,

JAVA: Early on the morning of 17 May 13 Mustangs, 27 Avengers, 22 Hellcats and 16 Corsairs attacked shipping, airfields and installations at SOURABAYA and the airfield at MALANG (48 miles S by W SOURABAYA). Complete surprise achieved this attack, giving the following excellent results:-

SOURABAYA: The Wonokromo oil refinery and ENAT naval engineering works completely destroyed;
The power house destroyed by one direct hit;
Naval installations considerably damaged;
Storage tanks and stills set on fire with smoke rising to 5000 ft; and
4 grounded A/C destroyed, many damaged. XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX set
XXXXXX.

MALANG: 15 grounded A/C destroyed, many damaged and one hangar set on fire. Two of an unstated number of intercepting enemy A/C were destroyed.

3. ALLIED SEA OPERATIONS:

NEW IRELAND: On the night 19/20 May PT boats shelled MEDINA PLANTATION. On the night 18/19 May PT boats probably sank one personnel laden barge at CAPE IRIS. On the same night camouflaged huts signal tower on the SE coast of LAPU LAPU ISLAND were shelled and strafed. Four small craft were destroyed.

4. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

NEW GUINEA: On 13 May light surface craft shelled and strafed enemy positions along the N and W coasts of MARKA ISLAND. On 19 May of 28 to 30 barges (5 loaded) and 9 boats attacked by A/C in WENAK area, 5 barges were hit and 2 boats destroyed.

DDTC, NEW GUINEA: 190020Z two 500/1000 ton freighters and two 1000/2000 ton freighter transports were off MARKA. On 19 May 15 to 20 vessels (majority of which were from 100 to 200 tons) and 50 barges were at MARKA. Of these 7 or 8 vessels (one 1000 tons and one 2000 tons) were destroyed. At 200120Z one destroyer and one small merchant vessel were 60 miles NE MARKA, course E.

JAVA: On 17 May during an attack on SOURABAYA, 10 vessels totalling 35,000 tons (including one small tanker and one possible destroyer) were hit. One ship exploded and the others were probably destroyed. Two floating docks were severely damaged.

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22 MAY 1944

53 Aust. L.A. Regt. (L.S.).
156 Aust. Light L.A. Bty (Airborne)
Copies : H.Q., First Aust. Army
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53 AUST. L.A. REGT. (COMP) (L.S.) - REORGANIZATION OR
156 AUST. L.A. BTY (AIRBORNE) - DELETION OR.

Reference L.H.Q. SN.0023 of 11 May 44.

An amendment to the OPA, AMF, may be anticipated providing for the reorganization of 53 Aust. L.A. Regt (Comp) (L.S.), and the deletion of 156 Aust. L.A. Bty (Airborne), and addressees will please take action in accordance with the following instructions.

2. Particulars of officers transferred, reposted or rendered surplus consequent upon this instruction will be forwarded to this H.Q. in accordance with G.R.O. 4.139/44.

3. All personnel transferred in accordance with this instruction will retain personal arms and equipment and will be issued with clothing in accordance with tropical scale 'B' vide G.R.O. 203/43 and amendments thereto.

Jungle green will not be issued.

4. The officer commanding 156 Aust. L.A. Bty (Airborne) will be responsible for the completion of unit records to the satisfaction of Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office and D.F.O. In this regard particular attention will be given to investigations made in accordance with G.R.O. 315/43 relative to members illegally absent.

5. 156 Aust. L.A. Bty will -

- (a) Make available immediately to 53 Aust. L.A. Regt. sufficient suitable personnel by ranks and/or trade grouping to complete that unit to H.Q. where such personnel are not available similar ranks and/or trade groupings will be transferred.
- (b) All remaining personnel of 156 Aust. L.A. Bty. will be made available to 2 Ech. for reposting as generally reinforcements, and Formal Rolls will be forwarded immediately to this H.Q. in triplicate, in two parts, showing A.M.H.Q. personnel separately and giving the following particulars.

No.
Rank (whether substantive)
Name
Trade Grouping
Medical Class
Age

- (c) Unit stores and equipment will be returned to 2 Aust. R.S.D. under advice to D.D.C.S. H.Q., 2nd Ld. of C. Area.

(1) All outstanding Courts of Inquiry and A.R.s/2069 will be finalised.

(ii) All personnel will be accounted for on Casualty Returns showing Units to which transferred.

(iii) War Diary will be finalised and rendered to 2nd Ld. of C. Area Records Office.

(d) H.Q., 2nd Ld. of C. Area will be advised of the final date of disbandment.

6. 53 Aust. A.A. Regt. (Comp) (12) will -

- (a) Immediately advise 155 Aust. L.A.A. Bty, (copy to this H.Q.) of personnel, by ranks and trades, required to complete that Unit to W.E.

Transfers will be effected forthwith and if it is found necessary to transfer "similar" personnel by ranks and/or trade grouping (vide para 5 (a) above) the C.O. 53 Aust. A.A. Regt (Comp) (12) will immediately undertake the necessary conversion training, and will advise General Staff H.Q., 2nd Ld. of C. Area when such training has been completed.

(b) Advise H.Q., 2nd Ld. of C. Area of the completion of transfer of personnel from 155 Aust. L.A.A. Bty (Airborne), and of the number of such personnel for whom conversion training is necessary.

(c) Advise H.Q., 2nd Ld. of C. Area of particulars of A.A.A. personnel required to complete to W.E.

(d) Ensure that all personnel of the reorganized unit are administratively correct in all respects.

(e) Additional unit equipment (Less vehicles and controlled stores) required to complete 53 Aust. A.A. Regt. (Comp) (12) to W.E.T 22/301 will be issued by D.D.C.S. H.Q., 2nd Ld. of C. Area.

7. Vehicles and controlled stores will be issued under separate instructions from L.H.Q.

8. It is desired that the reorganization be completed by 31 May 44 if possible, and a report will be submitted to reach this H.Q. by 30 May 44 in this regard.

9. Upon completion of reorganization, 53 Aust. A.A. Regt. (Comp) (12) will be allotted to H.Q., First Aust. Army for 1 Aust. Corps as Corps troops.

10. Acknowledge.


Capt.
for A.A.G. H.Q., 2nd Ld. of C. Area.

APPENDIX 'A' issued with SH5023 of 11 May 44.

Unit	War Office Serial No.	WE Ref	Strength		WAT
			Posted as at 28 Apr 44	WE	
255 AUST LAA BTY (Airborne)	46604	III/270/B	6 0/18 0 0/18 6 183 7 145		ER/283
55 AUST AA REGT (Comp) (LR) (less one Lt Troop)	48457	III/25A/3	29 565 27 578		ER/301
Expand to					
55 AUST AA REGT (Comp) (LR)	48457	III/25A/3	29 575		ER/301

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

H.Q., QLD. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

NO:- 04513

22 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from Qld. L. of C. Area on Tuesday, 23 May 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO COWRA:- 1 Japanese Officer

ESCORT:- 1 N.C.O.

1 O.R.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
N.C.O. in Charge of Escort:-

Q.187636 Cpl. McPHAIL, D.

1. MOVEMENT TO INTERSTATE STATION:-

O.C., 2 Aust. P.W. Gd. Coy. will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Interstate Station, leaving Gaythorne, at 1045 hours and arriving at South Brisbane Station at 1115 hours.

Train departs 1150 hours, 23 May 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:-

Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of N.C.O. i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., South Brisbane.

3. MEAL ARRANGEMENTS:-

Internment Camp, Gaythorne, will arrange for a cut lunch to be provided for P.W. and escort, to be consumed after the departure of the train from South Brisbane. As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., the R.T.O. will issue F.59's to cover meals for P.W. and escort at Coffs Harbour and Gosford.

4. RAIL WARRANTS:-

As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O., South Brisbane, will issue Second Class Warrants as follows:-

South Brisbane to Cowra - 1 P.W.

South Brisbane to Liverpool - 2 Escorts.

5. ARRIVAL SYDNEY:-

H.Q., N.S.W. L. of C. Area will take over responsibility at Sydney and will arrange on-movement to, and relief of escort at, Liverpool.

Escort may be granted 24 hours leave in Sydney.

6. DOCUMENTS:-

Escort will carry the following documents:-

- (1) Nominal Roll, in triplicate, quoting P.W.'s number (2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area, and 1 copy to Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office.)
- (11) A.A. Form A.111 in respect of P.W.
- (111) A.A. Form W.3000 for P.W.
- (1v) History Sheet of P.W.

J. C. Farlane Capt
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.
Lt.-Col.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.
 - 4. R.T.O., Sth. Brisbane
 - 5. H.Q., N.S.W. L. of C. Area - (AIR MAIL)
 - 6. R.T.O., Sydney - (AIR MAIL)
 - 7. Internment Camp, Gaythorne.
 - 8. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Grp.
 - 9. 1 Aust. Movt. Control Gp. (AIR MAIL)
 - 10. G.I. (Int.
 - 11. 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
 - 12. N.C.O. i/c Escort, C/- 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
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 - 15-16. Files.
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ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

NO. 3448

22 May 44.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO. Q/46 (INWARDS)

Advice has been received that the "ERA" is due to arrive at
BRISBANE in the near future, and has for discharge the following cargo :-

Serial	Service	Cargo	Tons (D.W.)
1	R.A.N. Vict. Yard	63 Bags Peas	5
2	S & T	1192 Cases Dehydrated Potatoes	55

2. Services concerned will keep close liaison with Port M.C.O.,
Capt. ALLSOP (B.6197), who will advise wharf and time of discharge.

3. Lieut. LONGDEN, C.T.O., will be in charge of offloading and
delivery of cargo.

Signed at 22/10/44

William H. H. H.
Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.C. (M)

DISTRIBUTION :-

L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)
H.Q. Q'land I of C Area
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office
3 Aust M C Gp
Port M.C.O. NEWSTEAD
S.I.B., Maritime Gp. (Capt NIXON-SMITH)
R.A.N. Vict. Yard
A.D.S. & T (Capt. VIVIAN)
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METHOD

1 AIR MAIL
2/4 D.R.L.S.
5/10 HAND
11 UNIT D.R.
12/16 " "
17/19 " "
20 D.R.L.S.
21 UNIT D.R.
22 HAND
23/24
25/26
27/28

War Diary

DIGEST OF U.S. REPORT NO. 663 to 2200154 MAY

1. ALLIED SEAL OPERATIONS:

NEW BRUNSWICK: On 18 May a patrol killed one of three Japanese seen near VAUVA (6 miles SE CAPE MORRIS).

NEW GUINEA: On 20 May patrolling continued. Natives report that a large body of Japanese moved from BUT to MARUK, approx. 12 days ago. Some of these are believed to have moved to MARUK. An aerial recon reveals a serviceable road from MARUK to BUT which is used by motor transport.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA - HOLLANDIA: On 20 May 74 Japanese were killed and 13 were captured.

WAKKE AREA: At 191955Z the enemy counter-attacked our positions on the N. bank of the TOR RIVER, using mortars, light machine guns, grenades and rifles. Supported by A/C the attack was repulsed. Twenty Japanese were killed/ at 200500Z our positions at the bridge-head came under intense enemy machine gun and sniper fire. A/C have sighted heavy enemy defensive positions at MARUK MARUK (4 miles N. of our forward elements on the N. bank of the TOR RIVER) and along a coral road to MARUK No. 1 (a village 2 miles from our forward positions). On the night 18/19 May an allied patrol was subjected to sniper fire on the BAKENICH RIVER. Natives report that 40 Japanese wearing naval insignia are approx. 1200 yds S. of TORUK. The Japanese stated that they were escapees from the main MARUK ISLAND. At 191930Z 37 Japanese attacked our beachhead in the main MARUK ISLAND. All the Japanese were killed. As late on 20 May 676 Japanese killed and one captured were counted on WAKKE IS.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 19 May 12 Warhawks, 6 Corsairs and 6 Airacobras attacked KIEK and TOLORU (3 miles SE KIEK), destroying bridges at TOLORU. 44 Airacobras bombed personnel areas between BOKIS and TOLORU and destroyed 6 barges in BUKA PASSAGE.

NEW IRELAND: On 19 May 6 Dauntlesses destroyed 3 bridges along coastal roads. 13 Dauntlesses bombed NAKAKAI.

NEW BRITAIN: On 19 May 16 Mitchells, 6 Dauntlesses, and 12 Avengers bombed guns and supplies at MALIL, causing fires. 24 Airacobras, 12 Warhawks and 5 Lightnings caused explosions at WAKADA ISLAND (DUNE ON YORK GROUP).

NEW GUINEA: On 20 May 3 Thunderbolts strafed MUCU VILLAGE. 95 Bostons, 29 Mitchells, 17 Thunderbolts and 17 Beauforts bombed and strafed WERAK. Many fires were started in enemy troop bivouacs and installations between CAPE KARAKOP and MUKU. Several huts were demolished and trucks were destroyed. Two large explosions were caused and small fires were started between BOKIS and NIKAHU RIVER. On 21 May 30 Mitchells, 33 Bostons and 43 Lightnings bombed and strafed troop concentrations and installations in the WERAK AREA, starting fires and destroying logs.

ISLAND NEW GUINEA: On 21 May 11 Liberators bombed MARUKU and MARUK. On 20 May 9 Liberators bombed MARUK strip, starting fires in the revetment area. On 21 May 7 Liberators bombed MARUK MARUK.

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3. ALLIED SEA OPERATIONS:

NEW IRELAND: Ref. Dig-st 359 for CAPE IRIS read CAPE REIS
(17 miles SE of NALATANI).

4. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: At 210324Z one 500/1000 ton freighter was sighted at NALATANI Island, and numerous barges at MANOKWARI. At 210210Z two 500/1000 ton freighters and numerous barges were at UTAKOM and one 500/1000 ton freighter was at KALIANA.

HALLAHERRA ISLAND: At 182030Z one destroyer and one small cargo vessel were off POINE LELAI (NE H. L. HERRA ISLAND) on a course E by N. On the afternoon of 20 May one fuel laden cargo vessel and 2 escorts were sighted in MOROTAI STRAIT (N. HALLAHERRA ISLAND).

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ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

NO. 3469.

H.Q., Movement Control,
 Victoria Barracks,
 BRISBANE.
 23 May, 44.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO. Q/47 (INWARDS).

Advice has been received that the "MURADA" is due to arrive at BRISBANE in the near future, and has for discharge the following cargo:-

Serial	Service.	Cargo	Tons (m).
1	Salvage	486 bags Bottles	37
2	R.A.N.	19 cases stores	5
3	U.S. Navy	2 boxes Effects	1

2. Services concerned will keep close liaison with Port M.C.O., Capt. ALLSOP (B6197), who will advise wharf and time of discharge.

3. Lieut. LONGDEN, C.T.O., will be in charge of offloading and delivery of cargo.

Signed at 231245 H

M. J. H. H. H.
 Lt.-Col.,
 A.Q.M.G. (m).

DISTRIBUTION:-

L.H.Q. (Movement)
 Adv. L.H.Q. (mov.)
 H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area
 S.T.O., C/- Navy Office.
 3 Aust. M.C. Gp.
 Port M.C.O. NEWSTEAD.
 S.I.B., Maritime Gp. (Capt. NIXON-SMITH)
 R.A.N. Supply Officer.
 Salvage Depot ENOGGERA.
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METHOD:

1	AIR MAIL.
2/4	D.R.L.S.
5/10	HAND.
11	UNIT D.R.
12/16	" "
17/19	" "
20	D.R.L.S.
21	UNIT D.R.
22	HAND.
23/24	
25/26	
27/28	

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

NO:- 04551

H.Q., Q'LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

23 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from GAYTHORNE on Wednesday, 24 May 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO LANDBOROUGH:- 5 Italian O.Rs.

ESCORT:- 1 N.C.O.
1 O.R.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
N.C.O. in Charge of Escort:-

L/Cpl. DEAN

1. MOVEMENT TO ROMA ST. STATION:- A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Roma Street Station, leaving Gaythorne at 0720 hours and arriving at Roma St. Station at 0750 hours.

Train departs 0820 hours, 24 May 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:- Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of N.C.O. i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., Roma St.

3. RAIL WARRANTS:- As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O. Roma St. will issue bulk second class Warrants as follows:-

Roma St. to Landsborough	..	5 P.W.
Roma St. to Landsborough	..	2 Escorts
and return.		

4. ARRIVAL LANDBOROUGH:- N.C.O. i/c Escort will hand over to and receive receipts from O.C., Q7 P.W.C.C., Capt. GRIFFITHS.

5. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

- (1) Nominal Roll in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers (2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area, and 1 copy to Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office).
- (11) A.A. Form A.116 in respect of each P.W.
- (111) Language Booklet for each P.W.

J. Nicholson Maj.
for Lt.-Col.,
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area
- 4. R.T.O., Roma St.
- 5. O.C., Q7 P.W.C.C., Kenilworth
- 6. Internment Camp, Gaythorne
- 7. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp.
- 8. G.S. (Int.)
- 9. 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
- 10. N.C.O. i/c Escort,
C/- Internment Camp,
GAYTHORNE.

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ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

NO. 3471

23 May 44

MOVEMENT OF 81 AUST. DENTAL UNIT LESS A, D AND F SECTIONS
TO CAIRNS

Reference Rear First Aust Army Q.6773 and First Aust Army SD.4281,
the above Unit will move to CAIRNS, in accordance with the following arrangements :

3 Officers
19 O/N's
4 Tons D.W. Stores.

2. MOVEMENT:

Unit will move from TOOWOOMBA to BRISBANE on Tuesday, 23 May, 44
under arrangements R.T.O. TOOWOOMBA.

3. ON MOVEMENT:

Stores :

Stores will be transhipped at 0900 hrs on Wednesday 24 May 44,
into Baggage Car to be attached to Train P.501.

Entrainment :

Personnel will report to L.T.D. at 1015 hrs on Wednesday 24 May, 44
and entrain on Train P.501 same day.

4. TIME-TABLE:

24/5	
EXHIBITION	depart 1250 hrs
GYMPIE	arrive 1802 hrs
	depart 1855 hrs R
25/5	
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive 0620 hrs
	depart 0820 hrs R
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive 1230 hrs
	depart 1330 hrs R
MACKAY	arrive 1700 hrs
	depart 1815 hrs R
26/5	
TOULNSVILLE	E.T.A. 0655 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone K

5. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS:

R.T.O. TOOWOOMBA will issue Consignment Note and Rail Warrants,
bulk second class, TOOWOOMBA to BRISBANE.

R.T.O. EXHIBITION will issue Consignment Note and Rail Warrants,
bulk second class, to CAIRNS.

O.C Train P.501 will issue Meal Requisitions, as per Time-Table.

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all
Railway Refreshment Rooms

M. J. J.

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5. CONSIGNMENT NOTES; RAIL WARRANTS AND MAIL REQUISITIONS (Contd) :-

Troops will entrain with full water bottles, which are to be refilled en route as opportunity permits.

6. O.C. TRAIN :-

On entrainment, personnel will be under the command of Permanent O.C. Train P.501, for journey BRISBANE to TOWNSVILLE.

7. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE :-

On movement as arranged by 2/1 Aust Mov & Tr Gp A.I.F.

8. SECURITY :-

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Signed at 131530K

W. H. Sherrington Mai
In: Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

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5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL
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22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 L of C Sub-Area	
24.	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26	17 Aust Pers Staging Camps	S.D.R.
27	81 Aust Dental Unit (C/- 17 Aust P.S. C.)	S.D.R.
28	L.T.D.	"
29	O.C. Train P.501 (C/- L.T.D.)	"
30	R.T.O. TOOWOOMBA	S.E.S. BAND
31	" ROMA STREET	
32	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
33	" MACKAY	" "
34	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG
35	1 L of C Sub-Area	" "
36	2/1 Aust Mov & Tr Gp A.I.F.	" "
37	Movements, CAIRNS	AIR MAIL
38	1 Aust Corps	" "
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DIGEST OF LHM, REF: 11 NO. 664 to 230015Z MAY

1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

NBA CHINA - SEPIK RIVER: On 21 May it was reliably reported that KIMBIRI, ANGBIRAN and NYINDUGUM (32 miles, 37 miles and 27 miles SSE KAKUI respectively) were occupied by the enemy. Small parties of Japanese were moving downstream from KAKUI at night by canoe. Natives reported that there was no enemy traffic between KIMBIRI (36 miles SSE KAKUI) and KAPRIK ROAD. On 22 May natives reported that a party of Japanese were camped on the bank of the SEPIK RIVER, a short distance downstream from ANGBIRAN.

ALAPPA: On 13 May a captured document indicated that the main body of one enemy division was in the jungle S. of KROBIAN and was moving inland. On 21 May our patrols S. and E. of MYAPPAKE contacted several parties of enemy troops and observed others, one of which numbered from 50 to 75 troops, and was moving West along the coastal track one mile East of MYAPPAKE. TONG and KUBIKILIM (15 and 20 miles S. of MYAPPAKE respectively) were occupied by the enemy. On 20 May there were indications that the enemy troops at YILI (30 miles SSW ALAPPA) were moving towards LULI (32 miles SW ALAPPA). On 21 May our patrol moving SE from SERBA to KAPPU (distance LAGGON) killed 11 Japanese and found 20 dead.

TURCO NEY GORRA: BOLLANDIA: On 21 May 2 Japanese were captured at KOBISI (IRIS BAY), and it is reported that this is as the result of surrender leaflets dropped by Allied troops. Natives in the area reported that 300 of the enemy fled West. Patrols killed 20 Japanese, and captured 4, bringing the total casualties to 21 May to 1361 killed and 466 captured.

KALIE AREA: On 21 May the final count revealed that 759 Japanese were killed on the main KALIE ISLAND. On 20 May Allied arty maintained harassing fire on KALIE NO.1 and on the road West of the KALIE airfield. On 21 May our troops were subjected to harassing fire from enemy 90 mm mortars located 1 mile SW KALIE NO. 1. A further 10 Japanese were found dead around our perimeter at FOR RIVER. Total enemy casualties to 21 May, including KALIE ISLAND, are 358 killed and one captured.

ALANDER: On 21 May signs of recent Japanese occupation were found in villages in the vicinity of the KILANDEN RIVER and along the KOKIN WEST RIVER (20 miles NW KILANDEN RIVER mouth), and six Japanese and over 100 native troops with a wireless set were at JAKHO. It is reported that the enemy arm only a few natives at any one time.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

CHOCORRA: On 20 May whilst warships bombarded SHORILAND ISLAND, 30 Mitchells, 14 Dauntlesses, 17 Avengers, 24 Airacobras, 12 Warhawks and 8 Lightnings attacked targets in the vicinity of KALIE. Photos show that a direct hit was scored on a heavy gun bty and that other targets were well covered. 24 Airacobras attacked bridges at KILTA and 4/A guns at KOKANA.

NEW BRITAIN: On 20 May 6 Dauntlesses and 3 Avengers over NEW BRITAIN destroyed 3 of 10 bridges attacked, and destroyed a radar station at LYASL ISLAND. On 21 May 40 Corsairs and 4 Avengers fired on 14 houses at KAVIENG and strafed the radar station at LYASL ISLAND.

NEW BRITAIN: On 21 May 10 Dauntlesses, 24 Avengers, 12 Airacobras and 12 Warhawks bombed KOKANA, scoring hits on the concrete strip and starting fires. On the same date 30 Dauntlesses and 10 Avengers bombed KOBENA, resulting in 29 new craters on the runway. 24 Mitchells and 6 Lightnings scored hits on the runway and revetments at KOKANA, and 20 Corsairs strafed the KOKANA AREA.

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NEW GUINEA: On 21 May 52 Thunderbolts and 5 Airacobras bombed and strafed personnel, supplies and stores areas and villages at HANSA BAY. Many fires were started including an oil fire at ULIGAN HARBOR. A further 15 Mitchells, 12 Bostons and 15 Beauforts participated in the attack on WETAK, which was reported in Digest 360. On 22 May 21 Mitchells bombed and strafed enemy installations at WETAK.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 21 May 34 Liberators bombed personnel and supply areas at MORIO starting large fires and causing explosions. With reference to Digest 360, the attack on MANOKWARI by 11 Liberators was carried out on 19 May. Twenty-three escorting Lightnings destroyed five of fourteen intercepting A/C.

AROE ISLANDS: On 22 May 4 Mitchells strafed huts, stores and a gun position at DOKA SARAT.

3. ALLIED SEA OPERATIONS:

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 21 May surface units ignited ^{an}ammunition dump at SARAI.

4. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

NEW BRITAIN: On the night 19/20 May A/C destroyed 5 barges and damaged 4 others at BURE OF YORK ISLANDS.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: At 220245Z one small cargo vessel was 70 miles WNW MANOKWARI.

BORNEO ISLAND: At 211540Z 1 large vessel, and 2 smaller vessels, and 1 small vessel were 37 and 32 miles respectively WNW MANOKWARI.

JAVA AREA: On the evening of 20 May one 6000 ton auxiliary transport and one large patrol boat were in SUNDA STRAIT.

BORNEO: In addition to the vessels which were anchored at TAWITAWI on 14 May ISLAND referred to in Digest 354, on 19 May 3 further 3 destroyers and 2 fleet tankers entered the bay from the South.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - H.Q., Q'land. L. of C. Area,

Victoria Barracks,

04580

Brisbane.

24 MAY 1944

2 Aust. P.W. Grd Coy.

Copies : G.S.O.

A.Q.M.G.

D.D.O.S.

Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office.

District Accounts Office (Q'ld.).

Capt. Admin.

War Diary (2).

D.D.M.S.

H.Q., No. 2 Aust. L. of C. Sub-Area.

D.A.A. & Q.M.G. (P.W. & I).

Q'ld. L. of C. Area Gen Det Depot (2)

(One for Allocation Officer).

ITALIAN P.W. O/Rs - EMPLOYMENT WITHOUT GUARDS
BY PRIVATE EMPLOYERS IN RURAL INDUSTRY.
P.W. CONTROL CENTRE - MONTA (Q9) (100 P.W.).

Reference SM.13210 of 2 Jun 43 and L.H.Q. 66459
of 17 May 44.

Under authority L.H.Q. Memo 226820 of 27 Dec 43,
approval is given for the establishment of a P.W. Control Centre at
Monta and 2 Aust. P.W. Grd. Coy. will please take action to raise the
following personnel for this unit.

P.W.C.O. (Capt) (or Lieut)	1	
W.O.II	1	
Sgt. Interpreter	1	
Cpl. Gen. Duties	1	
Pte. Driver Mech.(T.G.I)	1	(May be 2, if P.W.C.C. has 2 vehicles)
A.A.P.C. W.O.II	1	
" Cpl.	1	
A.A.C.C. Cook Pte.		
Td. Sp. II	2	(where required)
	8	

2. Names and particulars of the officer selected will be
forwarded to this H.Q. as soon as possible.

3. O/Rs personnel required will be secured by transfer
from units under comd. and/or by submission of A.A.F. W.3009 in
the normal manner.

4. Personal arms and equipment will be retained by the
personnel transferred.

5. Unit equipment will be issued by D.D.O.S. H.Q., Q'ld.
L. of C. Area and will consist of 1 15-cwt. G.S. Truck and office
furniture.

6. The officer selected to command the Unit will report to
Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office for instruction in Unit Records
procedure.

7. District Accounts Office (Q'ld) will please supply a
W.O.II and Cpl. A.A.P.C. vide para 1.

8. All personnel will be quartered but not rationed and
payment of subsistence will be arranged.

9. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area will be advised when the above
instructions have been implemented.

10. Acknowledge.

War Diary
for A.A.G. H.Q., Q'land. L. of C. Area.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - H.Q., Q'land. L. of C. Area,

Victoria Barracks,

Brisbane.

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24 MAY 1944

D.D.M.S.

Copy : G.S.O.

A.Q.M.G.

D.D.O.S.

Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office.

District Accounts Office (Q'ld.).

Capt. Admin.

War Diary (2).

7 AUST CAMP HOSP (210 Beds) - DELETION OP.

Reference L.H.Q. SM.5240 of 17 May 44.

An amendment to the OOB, AMF, may be anticipated providing for the deletion of 7 Aust Camp Hosp (210 Beds) and D.D.M.S will please take action as follows:-

DELETE:

War Office

Serial No.

46357

7 Aust Camp Hosp (210 Beds)

No 2 Sub Area

off O/Ra Total

Posted strength as at

29/4/44

21

49

70

2. Officers will be re-allotted by L.H.Q.

3. O/R personnel will be made available to 2 Ech. L.H.Q. for re-allotment under existing priorities.

A Nominal Roll, in triplicate, and showing the following particulars will be forwarded to this H.Q. as soon as possible:-

No. :

Rank:

Name:

Trade Group, if any:

Medical Classification:

Age:

4. Unit equipment and stores of 7 Aust Camp Hosp will be returned to Ordnance and/or Medical Depots as appropriate, under advice to D.D.O.S. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

5. CO of the unit to be disbanded in accordance with this instruction will be responsible for the completion of unit records to the satisfaction of Qld L of C Area Records Office and DFO. In this regard particular attention will be given to investigations in accordance with GRO 813/43 relative to members illegally absent.

6. It is desired that the disbandment of 7 Aust Camp Hosp be completed before 30 Jun 44.

7. ~~Q'ld. L. of C. Area~~ Q'ld. L. of C. Area will be advised when the above instructions have been implemented.

8. ~~ACM. 272103c.~~

[Signature]
for A.A.G. H.Q., Q'land. L. of C. Area. ^{Capt.}

War Diary

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

H.Q., Qld. L. of C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

24 May 44.

CORRIGENDUM -
MOVEMENT ORDER CABLED OF 22 MAY 44.

Prisoner and escort will move from Qld.L.of C.
Area on Wednesday, 24 May 44.

Train departs 1150 hrs 24 MAY 44.

J. C. M. Darlane, Capt
A.A.O., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area
4. R.T.O., Sth. Brisbane
5. H.Q., H.S.W. L. of C. Area - (AIR MAIL)
6. R.T.O., Sydney - (AIR MAIL)
7. Internment Camp, Caythorne
8. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp.
9. 1 Aust. Movt. Control Gp. (AIR MAIL)
10. G.I. (Int.)
11. 1 Aust. Ordn. En.
12. H.Q.O. 2/c Escort, C/- 1 Aust. Ordn. En.
- 13-14. War Diary
- 15-16. File.

War Diary

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

NO:- 04573

H.Q., Q'LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

24 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from GAYTHORNE on Thursday, 25 May 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO EUMUNDI:- 8 Italian O.Rs.ESCORT:- 1 N.C.O.
1 O.R.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
N.C.O. in Charge of Escort:-

TX.14857 L/Cpl. ROUND, L.

1. MOVEMENT TO ROMA ST. STATION:- A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Roma Street Station, leaving Gaythorne at 0720 hours and arriving at Roma St. Station at 0750 hours.

Train departs 0820 hours, 25 May 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:- Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of N.C.O. i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., Roma St.

3. RAIL WARRANTS:- As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O. Roma St. will issue bulk second class Warrants as follows:-

Roma St. to Eumundi	..	8 P.W.
Roma St. to Eumundi	..	2 Escorts
and return.		

4. ARRIVAL EUMUNDI:- N.C.O. i/c Escort will hand over to and receive receipts from O.C., Q7 P.W.C.C., Capt. GRIFFITHS.

5. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

- (1) Nominal Roll in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers (2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office).
- (11) A.A. Form A.116 in respect of each P.W.
- (111) Language Booklet for each P.W.

J. C. M. Farlane, Capt
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area
- 4. R.T.O., Roma St.
- 5. O.C., Q7 P.W.C.C., Kenilworth.
- 6. Internment Camp, Gaythorne
- 7. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp.
- 8. G.S. (Int.)
- 9. 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
- 10. N.C.O. i/c Escort,
G/- Internment Camp,
GAYTHORNE.

WAR DIARY

WREN/HK IMMEDIATESECRETCOPY NO. 27 30ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREAH.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.No. 3508

24 May 44.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO.32 (OUTWARDS)

1. Cargo in accordance with the following Table will be delivered to DALGETY'S WHARF for loading in S.S. "THE DENIS".
2. Services will deliver cargo as called for by Port M.C.O., who will be represented on the Wharf by Lieut GILLILAND, C.T.O.
3. Documentation will be as laid down in 3 Aust M. C. Gp's Circular "SHIPPING PROCEDURE AS RELATING TO SERVICE CARGO" of 7 Nov 42, and subsequent Amendments, with the exception that the 8 copies of Bills of Lading will be handed to the Movement Control Representative on the Wharf.
4. Security of cargo awaiting shipment will be the responsibility of the Service concerned, who will arrange accordingly with Port M.C.O.

SERIAL	SERVICE	CARGO	TONS	
			Meas.	D.W.
1	S. & T. (P.O.L.)	5000 empty 4 gall. drums	157	11
2	N.E.I.	Q'ty general stores	150	122
3	A.A.C.S.	Q'ty Canteen stores	150	110
4	R.A.E.	Q'ty timber baulks	14	19
		100 coils dannert wire	10	3
		12 x 400 gall ships tanks	19	3
		12 x 200 " " "	8	1
		100 garbage tins (bdles of 10)	5	1
		40 rolls hessian	2	1
5	S. & T.	Q'ty rations	350	270
		Q'ty freezer cargo	71)	110
		Q'ty cooler cargo	68)	
6	11 Aust Radar Sec	Q'ty unit equipment	33	5
		<u>VEHICLES</u>		
7	U.S. Army	5 dump trucks ea. 5 T. 5 Cwt.		26
8	11 Aust Radar Sec	1 Radar trlr.		3
			1037	685

Signed 271500 HDISTRIBUTION:COPY NO.METHOD

L.H.Q. (Movement)

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AIR MAIL

Adv. L.H.Q.

2/4

D.R.L.

S. & T., Capt. VIVIAN

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HAND

H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area

5/10

HAND

1 Aust C.E. Works

25

D.R.L.S.

S.T.O. C/- Navy Office

11

UNIT D.R.

A.A.C.S.

26

UNIT D.I

3 Aust M. C. Gp

12/16

"

Spare

27/29

Port M.C.O., NEWSTEAD

17/19

"

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E.S.O., Lieut. A.A.HINSCH

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S.I.B. Maritime Gp., Capt.

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D.R.L.S.

NIXON-SMITH

1 Aust Army

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S. & T. (P.O.L.) Major

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HAND

KNOWLES

Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

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ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA.

NO. 3509.

H.Q., Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

24 May, 44.

MOVEMENT 548 AND 549 SQUADRONS R.A.F.
BRISBANE TO TOWNSVILLE FOR ON MOVEMENT.

Reference verbal arrangements S.T.M.O. the above squadrons will move to Townsville in accordance with the following arrangements.
2. TRAIN NUMBER 1 G.961 departs EXHIBITION SIDING 1415 hrs 25 May, 44

PERSONNEL - 1 Officer.

40 O.Rs.

VEHICLES - 1 Fire Tender.

12 Tankers.

2 Ambulances

6 Tipplers.

4 3 ton water trucks

7 15 cwt trucks.

2 Utilities

6 W/T. Vans.

6 Jeeps.

6 Jeep Trailers

TRAIN NUMBER 2 G991 departs EXHIBITION SIDING 2325 hrs 25 May, 44.

PERSONNEL - 1 Officer

3 O.Rs.

VEHICLES - 1 Fire Tender

12 Tractors

1 Combination Truck

6 M.Cs.

1 Wiles Cooker.

2 KVA. Trailers.

Approximately 170 tons equipment.

TRAIN NUMBER 3 P.501 departs EXHIBITION SIDING 1250 hrs Friday
26 May, 44.

40 All Ranks.

TRAIN NUMBER 4 P.687 departs STRATHPINE 1505 hrs Friday 26 May, 44

380 All Ranks

Approximately 8 tons Baggage.

Time Table as per Appendix "A".

3. TRAIN NOS. 1 & 2.

LOADING:

All M.T. Trains Numbers 1 and 2 will report EXHIBITION SIDING 0800 hrs 25 May 44. 50 tons equipment report EXHIBITION SIDING 1000 hrs 25 May, 44. Balance of equipment 1500 hrs 25 May, 44. All loading under direction of R.T.O. ROMA STREET (Goods).

W. J. Dwyer

TRAIN NUMBER 2

Personnel will report to L.T.D. 1015 hrs Friday 26 May, 44 and entrain on P.501 same day.

TRAIN NUMBER 4

Baggage-car will be placed at STRATHPINE at 0800 hrs Friday 26 May, 44 into which baggage will be loaded. Personnel will be at STRATHPINE Siding ready to entrain at 1400 hrs Friday 26 May, 44 and will entrain under direction of R.T.O.

4. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS, MEAL REQUISITIONS.

Consignment Notes, Rail Warrants, bulk second class to TOWNSVILLE and meal requisitions as per time tables as arranged by 5 T.M.O.

NOTE: Personnel on Train Number 2 will be on travelling allowance to TOWNSVILLE.

5. O.C. TRAIN.

Copy of Standing Orders for O.C. Troop Trains will be handed to Officer Commanding.

O.C. Train will ensure that no civilians are permitted to travel on train under his command.

O.C. Train will take measures to prevent lighted matches, cigarette butts, etc being thrown from train, and ensure that standing crops, such as Pineapples, and Sugar cane, are not interfered with, in any way, during halts of trains.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 531500K

Lt.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G.(M).

DISTRIBUTION:

1/4	First Aust. Army.	
5.	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL.
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov.)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area.	
15/21	3 Aust. M. C. Gp.	
22	Major H.A.L. "Q" Maintenance.	
23	2 L. of C. Sub-Area.	
24	D.A.D. Posts.	
25	M.F.O.	
26	R.T.O. ROMA STREET (Goods)	
27	R.T.O. ROMA STREET	
28/31	5 T.M.O.	
32	R.T.O. ROCKHAMPTON	S.D.R.
33	" MACKAY	AIR MAIL
34	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG.
35	1 L. of C. Sub-Area.	
36	2/1 Aust. mov. & Tn. Gp. A.I.F.	
37/39	O.C. Train C/- R.T.O. ROMA STREET (Goods)	
40/41	War Diary	
42/43	File.	

APPENDIX "A"

to M.C.O. Q/279.

TIME TABLES.TRAIN NUMBER 1.

25/5.				
EXHIBITION	depart	1415 hrs		
GYMPIE	arrive	2110 hrs		
	depart	2150 hrs	R	
26/5				
BUNDABERG	arrive	0535 hrs		
	depart	0645 hrs	R	
GLADSTONE	arrive	1340 hrs		
	depart	1425 hrs	R	
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive	1900 hrs		
	depart	2000 hrs	R	
27/5.				
MACKAY	arrive	0900 hrs		
	depart	1000 hrs	R	
BLOOMSBURY	arrive	1320 hrs		
	depart	1400 hrs	C	
BOWEN	arrive	1715 hrs		
	depart	1800 hrs	R	
28/5.				
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A.	0600 hrs.		

TRAIN NUMBER 2.

25/5				
EXHIBITION	depart	2325 hrs		
28/5				
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A.	1400 hrs.		

TRAIN NUMBER 3.

26/5				
EXHIBITION	depart	1250 hrs		
GYMPIE	arrive	1802 hrs		
	depart	1855 hrs	R.	
27/5				
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive	0620 hrs		
	depart	0820 hrs	R	
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive	1230 hrs		
	depart	1330 hrs	R	
MACKAY	arrive	1700 hrs		
	depart	1815 hrs	R	
28/5				
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A.	0655 hrs.		

TRAIN NUMBER 4.

26/5				
STRATHPINE	departs	1505 hrs		
GYMPIE	arrive	1915 hrs		
	depart	2020 hrs	R	
27/5				
GLADSTONE	arrive	0515 hrs		
	depart	0615 hrs	R	
ST LAWRENCE	arrive	1355 hrs		
	depart	1455 hrs	R	
MACKAY	arrive	1825 hrs		
	depart	1940 hrs	R	
28/5				
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A.	0915 hrs.		

R - Rail Refreshment Rooms.
 C - Carton Meal.
 All Timings Zone K.

ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

NO: 3519.

H.Q., Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
24 May, 44.

With reference to Q.1032 of 23 May, 44, it is advised that the following personnel will disembark at BRISBANE in the near future.

Serial	Unit	Offrs	ORs.	Total	Stores Tons (M)	Disposal.
1	Leave Details	3	203	306	-	KALINGA.
2	18 Aust. Fd. Coy.	4	172	176	-	"
3	73 D.C.R.E.	2	12	14	0	"
4	2/4 Aust. Tk/A.Bty.	2	39	41	-	"
5	2/4 L.A.A. Regt.	18	483	501	45	"
6	10 Aust. Fd. Amb.	8	152	160	15	"
7	15 Aust. Ant. Mal. Cont. Unit	2	10	12	-	"
8	9 Aust. G.R. Unit	1	9	10	1	"
9	2/1 Comp A.A. Regt	24	575	599	-	"
10	1 Aust. Tent Coln. Unit	1	10	11	-	"
11	8 Aust. Tech. Maint. Unit	1	19	20	2	"
12	65 Aust. Oper. Sec.	-	33	34	7	"
13	16 Aust. Ord. Amn. Coy.	-	4	4	-	"
14	1 Aust. Tank Bn.Gp.	6	153	159	37	"
15	84 Aust. S/L Bty.	5	148	153	-	"
		78	2022	2110	115	

2. PARTICULARS OF CARGO.

(a) All Unit equipment stowed in No. 6 Lower Hold.

(b) Heaviest Lift - 2 tons

(c) Draft of Vessel 20' Forward 22' Aft.

3. E.T.A. BRISBANE.

E.T.A. and Ships berth will be advised by 3 Aust. M. C. Gp. only to personnel directly concerned.

4. DISEMBARKATION.

Disembarkation will take place under the control of the E.S.O. Lieut. A. HINSCH. No Aust. Army personnel will board the trans-

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port on its arrival without first obtaining the permission of the E.S.O. All troops being victualled by vessel.

5. MOVEMENT FROM WHARF TO STAGING CAMP.

Movement of personnel to KAMINGA Camp will be by M.T. under arrangements H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

6. UNLOADING OF STORES:

Unloading of Unit Stores and equipment will be under the control of Port Movement Control Officer.

'From the time discharge of vessel commences, Units having stores will arrange for a representative to be in attendance to assist the Port Movement Control Section in the identification of Unit equipment. When Unit equipment is discharged and stacked on the Wharf Port Movement Control Officer will arrange through H.Q. 3 Aust. M.C. Gp. for transport to convey stores to Staging Camp.

7. SHIPS INSPECTION.

On completion of disembarkation O.C. Troops will arrange for a rear party to remain behind for the purpose of cleaning the vessel. A Ships Inspection will subsequently be arranged, which will be attended by the O.C. Troops, E.S.O., American Ships Inspection Officer and the Ships Master. On completion of this inspection the O.C. Troops will obtain a clearance from the Master.

8. UNCONSULSED VOYAGE RATIONS.

The E.S.O. will make arrangements for any unconsumed portion of the voyage rations to be handed to S. & T. Representative H.Q. Q'd. L. of C. Area.

9. MEDICAL.

Under arrangements D.D.M.S. H.Q. Q'd. L. of C. Area 2 ambulances will be available on the vessel berthing, for the evacuation of any medical cases which may be on board.

10. SECRECY.

The necessity for maintaining the strictest secrecy in connection with this movement must be impressed upon all concerned.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed 750900 K.

DISTRIBUTION:

First Aust Army
I.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. I.H.Q. (Mov.)
H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area.
3 Aust. M.C. Gp.
Major HALE "Q" Maintenance
2 L. of C. Sub Area
D.A.D. Posts
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office
Port M.C.O. NEWSTEAD
E.S.O., Lieut. HINSCH
Records Embarkation Officer
D.D.M.S., H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area
O.C. KALINGA Staging Camp
S. E. T. (Capt. VIVIAN)
War Diary
File

Lt.-Col.,
A. Q. M. G. (1st)

<u>COPY NO.</u>	<u>METHOD.</u>
1/4	D.R.I.S.
5	AIR MAIL.
6/8	D.R.I.S.
9/14	HAND.
15/24	"
25	"
26	D.R.I.S.
27	"
28	Unit. D.R.
29/30	"
31/33	HAND
34	"
35	D.R.I.S.
36	S.D.R.
37	
38/39	
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DIGEST OF LHM REPORT NO. 665 to 240015Z MAY

1. ALLIED LAND FORCES:

NEW GUINEA - AIRBORNE: On 22 May a patrol reported that there were indications that the Japanese are recruiting native labour in the vicinity of MARKI. On 16 May 100 native labourers were taken from MARKI to MATAPU (20 miles SE of NIAPARAKE). On 23 May an allied outpost at NIAPARAKE was forced to withdraw 2,500 yds. Westward following an enemy attack by a force estimated at 2 coys with machine guns and mortars. Our patrol returning to SERRA from WARAPU killed a further 12 Japanese stragglers.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA - HOLLANDIA: On 22 May a reliable native went to ARSO (20 miles SE of SENTANI LAKE) and returned and report -ed that there are 1000 Japanese (many sick and wounded) at ARSO. These troops were forced to return to ARSO, being unable to reach GENJER owing to lack of food. The natives have evacuated ARSO village. On 22 May delayed reports state that our troops in the TALI AREA killed 21 Japanese, found 69 dead and captured 13. Enemy casualties to the night 22/23 May total 1373 killed and 471 captured.

PAKDE AREA: On 21 May 15 Japanese stragglers were killed on the main WARDE ISLAND. Allied patrols reconnoitred S. along the FOR RIVER to MAIFIN NO. 2 from FOR and ARANA and West to MAIFIN No. 1. Our bridgehead on the FOR RIVER has been extended and reinforced. Twenty-five Japanese were killed in the MAIFIN BAY AREA. Natives report that the Japanese occupy BEERF, ANGOEDOS, PODEMA, MOSES and MAMOPA (all 20 to 42 miles to the SE of ARANA). Our forward troops report that there are 1500 troops with ample supplies in the MAIFIN-PAKDE area.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

GUADALCANA: On 22 May 44 Airacobras bombed AIBTA and the supply areas at BONIS. Four small bridges were destroyed at AIBTA.

NEW IRELAND: On 22 May 13 Bountlesses, 12 Avengers and 14 Corsairs attacked enemy installations at DYALL Is, destroying 4 bridges.

NEW BRITAIN: On 22 May 12 Bountlesses, 12 Avengers and 42 fighter bombers bombed MAMLI BAY starting fires. 24 Mitchells bombed MOKO ISLAND (just S. of LORE or FOR ISLAND) destroying several buildings and starting one large and many small fires. Twelve Corsairs strafed RAKEL AREA, probably destroying 2 motor trucks.

NEW GUINEA: On 22 May 15 Bostons bombed and strafed ILBUNNE and TAREANUK, and both villages appear to have been badly damaged by this attack. On 21 May a further 33 Bostons bombed and strafed the ARAK area starting fires among stores in the vicinity of the WAKAI strip. On 22 May 42 Mitchells, 48 Bostons, 12 Bountlesses, 48 Thunderbolts and 41 Lightnings bombed and strafed villages, stores and installations in the WAKAI area starting numerous fires throughout the area. With reference to Dig st 861, the 21 Mitchells which bombed and strafed enemy installations at WAKAI on 22 May, are included in the above att.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 20 May 12 Bostons bombed and strafed airfields at OMIDO, BURKOE and MOKER, scoring direct hits on 2 motor trucks and 1 grounded fighter. On 22 May 57 Liberators bombed stores and personnel areas at OMIDO, most of the bombs

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fell in the target area, but the results were unobserved due to heavy cloud and smoke. On the night 22/23 May 3 Liberators bombed the airfield at KAIRI starting fires. On the night 21/22 May 7 Liberators bombed MANOKWARI, all bombs fell in the target area causing numerous explosions in an ammunition dump and four fires were started.

3. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

NEW BRITAIN: At 21115Z a lighted vessel resembling a destroyer was sighted between RAERUL and DEER OF YORK IS.

NEW GUINEA: At 230643Z Allied light surface craft attacked a submarine 125 miles WNW PORT MORESBY. On 22 May 50 unserviceable barges were at MUSCHU ISLAND and KAIRIU STRAIT.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: Early on the morning of 20 May 14 luggers (4 of which were supply laden) and 6 or 7 barges were in the ELAK ISLAND area. One of the above luggers was later sunk by Eostons. At 21016Z 10 barges were at SORIDO. With reference to the sighting of 1 small vessel 70 miles WNW MANOKWARI reported in Digest 361, it is now known that this vessel was sunk by A/C.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: At 220200Z 3 tankers, 2 transports, one cargo vessel and 5 escort vessels were 155 miles SSE CA. E SAN AGUSTIN, course S by E.

BO OLD-L OF C AREA

- 251000K

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AMT:DO IMMEDIATE (25/5)

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ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks, Brisbane.
25 May 44

No. 3524

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO. 9/48 (INWARDS)

Advice has been received that the s.s. "CARLISLE" is due to arrive at BRISBANE in the near future and has for discharge the following cargo : -

Serial	Service	Cargo	Tons (M)
1	D.D.S.T.	2059 C/s Dehydrated Potatoes etc.	82
2	7 A.B.O.D.	680 Pkges Ord. Stores	68
3	R.A.E.	434 Bdles Landing Mats etc.	166
4	R.A.A.F.	409 Pkges Tech. Stores etc.	166
5	U.S. Army	450 Tyres 23 C/s Refrigerators etc.	75
6	A.A.C.S.	1578 C/s Canned Fruit	52

2. Services concerned will keep close liaison with Port M.C.O. Capt. ALLSOP (B.6197), who will advise wharf and time of discharge.

3. Lieut. LONGDEN, C.T.O., will be in charge of offloading and delivery of cargo.

Signed 25/5/44

A. J. Stinson
Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION:-

L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)
H.Q. Q'land I of C Area
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office
3 Aust M C Gp.
Port M.C.O. NEWSTEAD
S.I.B. Maritime Gp (Capt. NIXON-SMITH)
D.D.S.T. (Capt VIVIAN)
7 A.B.O.D. (Lieut. JOHNSTON)
1 Aust C.E. Works
R.A.A.F (5 T.M.O.)
A.A.C.S.
War Diary
File
Spare

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METHOD

AIR MAIL
D.R.L.S.
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UNIT D.R.
D.R.L.S.

AJ/MD. IMMEDIATE (25/5)

SECRET.

COPY NO. 28

ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTHWEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

25 May, 44.

NO. 3525.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO.49 (INWARDS).

Advice has been received that the "NGAKUTA" is due to arrive at BRISBANE in the near future and has for discharge the following cargo:-

SERIAL	SERVICE	CARGO	TONS (m)
1	S. & T.	672 C/s Dehydrated Cabbage	31.

2. Services concerned will keep close liaison with Port M.C.O. Capt. ALLSOP (B.6197), who will advise wharf and time of discharge.

3. Lieut. LONGDEN, C.T.O., will be in charge of offloading and delivery of cargo.

Signed at 25/5/44 K

[Signature]
Lt.-Col.,
M.C.G. (M).

DISTRIBUTION:-

	<u>Copy.</u>	<u>method.</u>
L.H.Q. (movement)	1	AIRMAIL.
Adv. L.H.Q. (mov.)	2/4	D.R.L.S.
H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area.	5/10	HAND.
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office	11	UNIT D.R.
3 Aust. M. C. Gp.	12/16	
Port M.C.O., NEWSREAD	17/19	"
S.I.B. maritime Gp. C/- NIXON-SMITH	20	D.R.L.S.
S. & T. (Capt. VIVIAN)	21	"
War Diary	22/23	
File	24/25	
Spare	26/27	

[Signature]

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks, Brisbane.
25 May 44.

NO. 3528

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER Q/33 (OUTWARDS)

Cargo in accordance with the following Table will be delivered to JOHN BURKE'S WHARF for loading in s.s. "BIDELIA."

2. Services will deliver cargo as called for by Port M.C.O., who will be represented on the Wharf by Lieut. GILLILAND, C.T.O.
3. Documentation will be as laid down in 3 Aust M C Gp's Circular "SHIPPING PROCEDURE AS RELATING TO SERVICE CARGO" of 7 Nov 42, and subsequent Amendments, with the exception that the 8 copies of Bills of Lading will be handed to the Movement Control Representative on the Wharf.
4. Security of cargo awaiting shipment will be the responsibility of the Service concerned, who will arrange accordingly with Port M.C.O.

SERIAL	SERVICE	CARGO	TONS	
			Meas.	D.W.
<u>FOR FIRST PORT OF DISCHARGE</u>				
1	7 A.B.O.D.	400 Crates Ammo 2 Semi Trailers Complete 1 x 3 Ton W/Cart	16	9 13 4
2	4 Aust W/Craft W'shop	Qty. Unit Equipt. 1 x 15 Cwt. Truck 1 x Jeep	84	60 4 1
<u>FOR SECOND PORT OF DISCHARGE</u>				
3	S & T (POL)	1738 Drums P.O.L.	498	350
4	7 A.B.O.D.	50 Canopies M.T. 30 Cylinders Oxygen 137 Pkgs Ammo	200 1 4	3 1 4
5	N.S.O.	99 Pkgs Stores	1	1 2
6	V.S.O.	1 C/s Comforts		
7	S & T	Qty. Rations	150	110
			954	559

Signed at 25/11 MK

DISTRIBUTION: - COPY NO. METHOD

1HQ (Msv) 1 AIRMAIL

Adv. 1HQ 2/4 D.R.L.S.

HQ Q'land LofC Area 5/10 HAND

STO C/- Na:7 Office 11 UNIT D.I.R.

3 Aust M C Gp 12/16 " "

Port MCO NEWSTEAD 17/19 " "

ESO (Lieut. AA HINSCH) 20 HAND

SIB Maritime 9p. Capt NIXON-SMITH 21 D.R.L.S.

First Aust Army 22 "

S&T (POL) Major KNOWLES 23 HAND

S&T (Capt VIVIAN) 24 "

N.S.O. 25 D.R.L.S.

V.S.O. 26 UNIT D.R.

A. R. Johnson
Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.C. (M)

7 ABOD (Lieut JOHNSON) 27 D.R.L.S.

OC 4 Aust W'craft W'shop (Chernside Camp) 28 "

War Diary 29/30

File 31/32

Spare 33/34

REF/AD. (25/5) IMMEDIATE.

SECRET.

M.C.G. 62/3/1565

M.C.O. 281

COPY NO.

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ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

NO. 3526.

H.Q., Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
25 May, 44.

With reference to Adv. L.H.Q. Movement Order No. 216 of 22 May, it is advised that the following personnel will disembark at BRISBANE in the near future.

Ser- ial.	Unit	Offs.	ORs.	Total	Tons	Disposal.
1	9 Pl. 2/2 Aust. Sup. Dpt. Coy.	1	30	31	2	KALINGA.
2	3 Pl. do.	1	30	31	2	"
3	7 Aust. Div. Sigs	4	93	97	11	"
4	2/125 Aust. Bde. W/shops.	1	91	92	-	"
5	47 Aust. Inf. Bn.	26	578	604	105	"
6	42 " " "	28	560	588	74	"
7	HQ. 29 Inf. Bde.	7	63	70	10	"
8	29 Inf. Bde. Sig. Sec.	2	35	37	-	"
9	19 Aust. Sup. Dpt. Pl. A.A.S.C.	1	28	29	4	"
10	154 G.T. Coy.	1	57	58	-	"
11	2/125 Bde. Ord. Fd. Pk.	-	12	12	-	"
12	104 A.D.M.S.	1	9	10	4	"
13	11 Bty. 2/4 L.A.A. Regt.	1	22	23	-	"
14	B. Pl. 15 Aust. GTC.	-	-	-	4	"
15	M.F.O.	-	-	-	23	"
16	5 T.M.O.	-	-	-	5	"
17	R.A.A.F.	74 10	1608 210	1682 220	244 -	"
		84	1818	1902	244	"

3. E.T.A. BRISBANE.

E.T.A. and Ships berth will be advised by 3 Aust. M.C. Gp. only to personnel directly concerned.

3. DISEMBARKATION.

Disembarkation will take place under the control of the E.S.O. Lieut. A.A. HINSCH. No Aust Army personnel will board the transport on its arrival without first obtaining the permission of the E.S.O.

M.C.G. 62/3/1565
M.C.O. 281.

4. MOVEMENT FROM WHARF TO STAGING CAMP.

Movement of personnel to KALINGA Camp will be by M.T. under arrangements H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

5. UNLOADING OF STORES.

Unloading of Unit Stores and equipment will be under the control of Port Movement Control Officer.

From the time discharge of vessel commences, Units having stores will arrange for a representative to be in attendance to assist the Port Movement Control Section in the identification of Unit equipment. When Unit equipment is discharged and stacked on the Wharf Port Movement Control Officer will arrange through H.Q. 3 Aust. M.C. Gp. for transport to convey stores to Staging Camp.

6. SHIPS INSPECTION.

On completion of disembarkation O.C. Troops will arrange for a rear party to remain behind for the purpose of cleaning the vessel. A Ships Inspection will subsequently be arranged, which will be attended by the O.C. Troops, E.S.O., American Ships Inspection Officer and the Ships Master. On completion of this inspection the O.C. Troops will obtain a clearance from the Master.

7. UNCONSUMED VOYAGE RATIONS.

The E.S.O. will make arrangements for any unconsumed portion of the voyage rations to be handed to S. & T. Representative H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

8. MEDICAL.

Under arrangements D.D.M.S. H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area 2 ambulances will be available on the vessel berthing, for the evacuation of any medical cases which may be on board.

9. SECURITY.

The necessity for maintaining the strictest secrecy in connection with this movement must be impressed upon all concerned.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed 25/1/30 K₆

A.A. Hingsch
Lt.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G. (M).

DISTRIBUTION

<u>COPY NO.</u>	<u>METHOD.</u>
1/4	D.R.L.S.
5	AIR MAIL.
6/8	D.R.L.S.
9/14	HAND.
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26	D.R.L.S.
27	"
28	Unit D.R.
29/30	" "
31/33	HAND.
34	"
35	D.R.L.S.
36	S.D.R.
37	
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First Aust Army
L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q. (mov.)
H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area
3 Aust. M.C. Gp.
Major HALE "Q" maintenance
2 L. of C. Sub Area.
D.A.D. Posts
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office
Port M.C.O., NEWSTEAD
E.S.O., Lieut. HINGSCH
Records Embarkation Officer
D.D.M.S., H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area
O.C. KALINGA Staging Camp
S. & T. (Capt. VIVIAN)
War Diary
File

M.C.O. 56/1/2406

M.C.O. Q.282

COPY NO. 38ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREAH.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.No. 3535

25 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF ADV. PARTY 2 AUST DIV. PROVOST COY. (LESS TWO SECTIONS)
TO CAIRNS.

Reference H.Q. Q'land L of C Area SD.1602, the above Party will move to CAIRNS on Friday, 26 May, 44, in accordance with the following arrangements : -

1 Officer
50 O.Rs
5 Tons Stores

2. LOADING OF STORES: -

Stores will be loaded at ROMA STREET at 0900 hrs into baggage car to be attached to Train P.501, Friday, 26 May 44.

3. ENTRAINMENT: -

Personnel will report to L.T.D. at 1015 hrs on Friday, 26 May, 44, and entrain on P.501 same day.

4. TIME-TABLE: -

26/5		
EXHIBITION	depart 1250 hrs	
GYMPIE	arrive 1802 hrs	
	depart 1855 hrs	R
27/5		
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive 0620 hrs	
	depart 0820 hrs	R
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive 1230 hrs	
	depart 1330 hrs	R
MACKAY	arrive 1700 hrs	
	depart 1815 hrs	R
28.5		
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A. 0655 hrs	

R- Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone K.

5. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS: -

R.T.O EXHIBITION will issue Consignment Notes, and Rail Warrants, bulk second class, to CAIRNS.

O.C. Train P.501, will issue Meal Requisitions, as per time-table.

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

6. O.C. TRAIN: -

On entrainment, personnel will be under the command of Permanent O.C. Train P.501 for journey BRISBANE to TOWNSVILLE.

2.

7. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE: -

On movement as arranged with 2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp (A.I.F.)

8. SECURITY: -

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 25/230K

Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.C.(M)

DISTRIBUTION : -

1/4	First Aust Army	
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land I of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 I of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26	2 Aust Div Pro. Co.	
27	A.F.M. H.Q. Q'land I of C Area	S.D.R.
28	L.T.D.	"
29	O.C. Train P.501 (C/- L.T.D.)	"
30	R.T.O. ROMA STREET	
31	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
32	" MACKAY	" "
33	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAC
34	1 I of C Sub-Area	" "
35	2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp A.I.F.	" "
36	Movements, CAIRNS	AIR MAIL
37	1 Aust Corps	" "
38/39	War Diary	
40/41	File	

R.TO's GYMPIE and BUNDABERG advised by Signal.

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M.C.G. 82/3/1570
M.C.O. 283.

COPY NO. 39

ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q., Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
25 May, 44.

NO. 3539.

With reference to N.G. Qm.4910 of 24 May, 44, it is advised that the following personnel will disembark at BRISBANE in the near future.

Serial	Unit	Offs.	ORs.	Total	Stores Tons(M)	Disposal.
1	1 Fd. Sqdn.	7	217	224	74	YEERONGPILLY
2	2/26 Sup.Dpt. Coy.	3	14	17	6	"
3	2 mob Amn. Rep. Shop	1	12	13	-	"
4	2/187 Sup. Dpt. Pl.	1	24	25	11	"
5	2/2 Malaria Cont. Unit	1	16	17	10	"
6	2/1 Dental Unit	1	3	4	2	"
7	2 Coy. A.A. & Frt. Sigs.	1	51	52	2	"
8	110 C.C.S.	10	81	91	90	"
9	2 Pl. 3 Aust. B.I.P.O.D.	1	22	23	8	"
10	78 mob S/L. Bty.	-	36	36	-	"
11	Leave Details	1	44	45	-	"
12	N.G. Details	3	7	10	-	"
13	R.A.N.	2	36	38	-	-
		32	563	595	203	

2. E.T.A. BRISBANE.

E.T.A. and Ships berth will be advised by 3 Aust. M. C. Gp. only to personnel directly concerned.

3. DISSEMBARKATION.

Disembarkation will take place under the control of the E.S.O. Lieut. A.A. HINSCH. No Aust Army personnel will board the transport on its arrival without first obtaining the permission of the E.S.O.

4. MOVEMENT FROM WHARF TO STAGING CAMP.

Movement of personnel to YEERONGPILLY Camp will be by M.T. under arrangements H.Q. Q'd. L. of C. Area.

5. UNLOADING OF STORES.

Unloading of Unit Stores and equipment will be under the control of Port Movement Control Officer.

UNLOADING OF STORES (Contd).

From the time discharge of vessel commences, Units having stores will arrange for a representative to be in attendance to assist the Port Movement Control Section in the identification of Unit equipment. When Unit equipment is discharged and stacked on the Wharf Port Movement Control Officer will arrange through H.Q. 3 Aust. M. C. Gp. for transport to convey stores to Staging Camp.

6. SHIPS INSPECTION.

On completion of disembarkation O.C. Troops will arrange for a rear party to remain behind for the purpose of cleaning the vessel. A ships inspection will subsequently be arranged, which will be attended by the O.C. Troops, E.S.O., American Ships Inspection Officer and the Ships-Master. On completion of this inspection the O.C. Troops will obtain a clearance from the Master.

7. UNCONSULMED VOYAGE RATIONS.

The E.S.O. will make arrangements for any unconsumed portion of the voyage rations to be handed to S. & T. Representative H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

8. MEDICAL.

Under arrangements D.D.M.S. H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area 2 ambulances will be available on the vessel berthing, for the evacuation of any medical cases which may be on board.

9. SECRECY.

The necessity for maintaining the strictest secrecy in connection with this movement must be impressed upon all concerned.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed 251520K

AA Shurick
Lt.-Col.
A.P.M.C. (M).

DISTRIBUTION

COPY NO.

METHOD.

First Aust Army	1/4	D.R.L.S.
L.H.Q. (Movement)	5	AIR MAIL.
Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov.)	6/8	D.R.L.S.
H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area	9/14	HAND.
3 Aust. M. C. Gp.	15/24	"
Major HALE "Q" Maintenance	25	"
2 L. of C. Sub-Area	26	D.R.L.S.
D.A.D. Posts	27	"
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office	28	Unit D.R.
Port M.C.O., NEWSTEAD	29/30	" "
E.S.O., Lieut. HINSCH	31/33	HAND.
Records Embarkation Officer	34	"
D.D.M.S., H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area	35	D.R.L.S.
O.C. Y'FILLY Staging Camp	36	S.D.R.
S. & T. (Capt. VIVIAN)	37	HAND.
War Diary	38/39	
File.	40/42	

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SECRET

M.C.O. 56/1/1689

M.C.O. Q/284

COPY NO. 39

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

NO. 3544

25 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF 1 AUST. PARA. BN. AND 1 AUST PARA
TO MARREEBA

Reference Landforces SD.29578 and QM.45172, 1 Aust Corps SD.4929,
the above Units will move to MARREEBA in accordance with the following arrangements :

2. SERIAL 1 :-

48 all ranks

21 x 3 ton Trucks

2 x 1 ton Trucks

1 x Jeep

1 x Car D.S.

3 x Motor Cycles

86 tons Stores D.W.

18 tons Ammunition D.W.

3. SERIAL 2 :-

36 all ranks

4. SERIAL 1 :-

Serial 1 will tranship to Queensland Government Railways at CLAPHAM
under the direction of R.T.O. CLAPHAM. All loading to be completed by 1100 hrs on
Friday 26 May 44.

Time-Table :

26/5

CLAPHAM

depart 1300 hrs

GYMPIE

arrive 2110 hrs

depart 2150 hrs R

27/5

BUNDABERG

arrive 0535 hrs

depart 0645 hrs R

GLADSTONE

arrive 1340 hrs

depart 1425 hrs R

ROCKHAMPTON

arrive 1900 hrs

depart 2000 hrs R

28/5

MACKAY

arrive 0900 hrs

depart 1000 hrs R

BLOOMSBURY

arrive 1320 hrs

depart 1400 hrs C

BOWEN

arrive 1715 hrs

depart 1800 hrs R

29/5

TOWNSVILLE

arrive 0600 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms

C - Carton Meal

All Timings Zone K

M.C.O. 58/1/1689
M.C.O. 0/284

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SERIAL 2 : -

Serial 2 will report to R.T.O. CLAPHAM at 1900 hrs on Sunday, 28 May, 44, and entrain under his direction.

Time-Table :

28/5	
CLAPHAM	depart 1950 hrs
29/5	
BUNDABERG	arrive 0510 hrs
	depart 0610 hrs R
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive 1315 hrs
	depart 1515 hrs R
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive 1925 hrs
	depart 2025 hrs R
30/5	
BOWEN	arrive 0620 hrs
	depart 0730 hrs R
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A. 1420 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone K

6. RATIONS : -

Serial 1 : -

Two (2) days' Rations will be carried.

7. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS : -

Consignment Notes : -

Consignment Notes BLACKTOWN to MAREEBA have been issued by 1 Aust

M.C. Cp.

R.T.O. CLAPHAM will issue : -

Serial 1 - Rail Warrants, bulk second class, to MAREEBA.

Serial 2 - Rail Warrants, bulk second class, to REDLYNCH.

Meal Requisitions - as per time-tables, both Serials.

8. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE :-

On movement as arranged with 2/1 Aust Mov & Tr Cp. A.I.F.

9. O.C. TRAIN : -

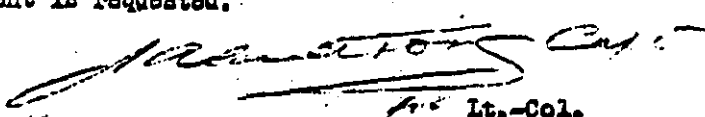
Copy of Standing Orders for O.C. Troop Trains will be handed to Officer Commanding.

O.C. Train will ensure that no civilians are permitted to travel on train under his command.

O.C. Train will take measures to prevent lighted matches, cigarette butts, etc., being thrown from train, and ensure that standing crops, such as Pine-apples and Sugar Cane, are not interfered with, in any way, during halts of trains.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 25/600K


Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

3.

DISTRIBUTION : -

1/4	First Aust Army	
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land I of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 I of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26	1 Aust Pers. Staging Camp	(S.D.R.)
27/29	1 Aust Para Bn and 1 Aust Paratroop (C/- 1 Aust Pers Staging Camp)	S.D.R.
30/31	O.C. Tram (C/- R.T.O. CLAPHAM)	
32	R.T.O. CLAPHAM	
32	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
33	" MACKAY	" "
34	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG
35	1 I of C Sub-Area	" "
36	2/ 1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp A.I.F.	" "
37	Movements, CAIRNS	AIR MAIL
38	1 Aust Corps	" "
39/40	War Diary	
41/42	File	

DIGEST OF LHM REPORT NO. 666 to 250015Z MAY

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1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 21 May an Allied patrol to the North of the ISOROKINA perimeter discovered 60 to 70 dead Japanese and estimated that there were a further 500 buried there. Quantities of enemy ammunition were destroyed by the patrol.

ADJUTANT ISLANDS: On 21 May Allied troops landed at DRABWI (9 miles W. of PAIUSI) for the purpose of patrolling to KUBANU (9 miles W. DRABWI) where enemy troops are reported to be located. Enemy casualties to 23 May total 3395 killed and 35 captured.

NEW GUINEA - HANSA BAY: On 23 May PT boats reported sighting empty gun pits between NEPTUNE POINT and BOGIA, but no enemy were observed.

WENAK: Reliable native reports received on 23 May indicate that that the enemy were moving supplies and equipment from the East to the ANULB RIVER (38 miles WNW WENAK) by truck, and thence the movement was made Westward by native carriers. The area inland from BUT MISSION and ROCKY POINT (2 miles W. of MATAPAU) is reported to be permanently occupied by the enemy, but no artillery was observed. The main enemy strength is located in the BUT area.

AITAPE: On 23 May a patrol observed 120 Japanese crossing the HARECH RIVER at a point 2 miles W. of CHAGOV (2 1/2 miles S. NIAPARAKE) the patrol also observed recent signs of a further two Jap parties a mile and 1 mile S. of YAKABUL (3 miles W. NIAPARAKE). Native reports indicate that the enemy occupied SALATA (23 miles SSE BABIENC) in force. Enemy casualties total 786 killed.

DEITCH NEW GUINEA: On 23 May patrols killed 59 Japs, found 7 dead, and captured 7, bringing the total casualties to 1921 killed and 46 captured.

WAKDE AREA: On 22 May 13 Japs were killed and one was captured on the main WAKDE ISLAND. On 23 May Allied troops were advancing towards MAFFIN No. 1 against heavy rifle and machine gun fire, and sniper fire was encountered approx. 1 mile SE TELENTOE RIVER mouth. Native reports indicate that there are no Japanese at MAFFIN No. 1 and NO. 2. Recce A/C reports that there was much enemy activity 1500 yards W. of MAFFIN No. 1, and large installations at MOUNT HAKKO (1 mile SSE ORAI RIVER mouth). Captured documents dated 16 Jan disclose that the HQ of the 36 Div. are located at this feature. Enemy casualties in the WAKDE-MAFFIN operations total 909 killed and 5 captured.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

NEW BRITAIN: On 23 May 20 Corsairs bombed VUNAKANAU, and 32 Mitchells and 24 Airacobras bombed A/A guns at HOSPITAL RIDGE. On the same date 10 Lightnings and 12 Warhawks and 21 Dauntlesses and 10 Avengers bombed A/A guns at LAKUNAI, TUNNEL HILL and TOBEFA respectively.

NEW GUINEA: On 23 May 24 Bostons bombed and strafed the AWAR ar and 3 Bostons bombed and strafed KAUJ. Four Warhawks strafed stores and dumps in the WENAK AREA. On 24 May 12 Mitchells, 13 Bostons and 16 Lightnings strafed the KAKAWOP PLANTATION and the coastline to CAPE DJERUAN. Thirteen Warhawks in support of ground forces bombed and strafed targets E. of AITAPE.

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3. ALLIED SEA OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 23 May PT boats shelled TAKI.

NEW IRELAND: On 23 May PT boats sank one Northbound barge, carrying cargo and personnel to KAGOH PLANTATION.

NEW GUINEA: On 23 May PT boats destroyed huts in the TOBANUN VILLAGE (2 1/2 miles ENE DOGULUR). On the night 22/23 May PT boats strafed LUAIN starting a fire.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On the night 22/23 May PT boats strafed lights on ARSANGBOER ISLAND (5 miles N. CAPE EARL) and the beach E. of SAWAR.

4. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

SOLOMONS: On 23 May A/C sank one of three barges underway at TONGOLEI HARBOUR.

NEW IRELAND: On 23 May A/C damaged three barges in the central NEW IRELAND AREA.

NEW GUINEA: On the morning of 24 May a small fast motor vessel was sighted proceeding downstream in the RABU RIVER 20 miles inland.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: At 231200Z 2 small warships and one cargo vessel were 2 miles N. CAPE LORE.

TANIMBAR ISLANDS: On 24 May one 250 ton motor vessel was destroyed and one 500/1000 ton stackraft freighter was NW JADENA ISLAND, (which was reported to be damaged in Digest 858) was again attacked and left burning. Destruction of the 2 remaining 500/1000 ton freighters is now confirmed.

MALANHERA ISLANDS: On 23 May a convoy including 4 cargo vessels was sighted in MOROTAI STRAIT. This is possibly portion of the convoy reported to be in the PHILIPPINE ISLANDS in Digest 862.

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COPY NO. 58ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA:H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

26 May 44.

No. 3548MOVEMENT OF NO. 13 SQN. R.A.A.F.
BRISBANE TO CAIRNS FOR ON MOVEMENT TO COOKTOWN.

Reference L.H.Q. QM.45722, the above Sqn will move to CAIRNS on Sunday, 28 May, 44 in accordance with the following arrangements: -

2. SERIAL 1 :-

11 all ranks
 1 x Sedan Car
 2 x 30 Cwt. Utilities
 3 x Tankers
 3 x W.4 Tractors
 1 x Trailer
 1 x Mobile Crane
 4 x Motor Cycles
 76 Tons Stores D.W.

3. SERIAL 2 :-

218 all ranks
 10 tons Stores D.W.

4. SERIAL 1 :-

Serial 1 will tranship to Queensland Government Railways at CLAPHAM at 0800 hrs on Sunday 28 May 44 and depart by ordinary goods services same day.

Escort will be on travelling allowance to CAIRNS.

Time-Table :-

Sunday 28/5	
CLAPHAM	depart 1300 hrs
Wednesday 31/5	
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A. 1810 hrs

5. SERIAL 2 :-

Serial 2 will load Stores at 1400 hrs on Sunday, 28 May, 44 at CLAPHAM, and personnel will report to R.T.O. CLAPHAM at 1900 hrs Sunday 28 May 44 and entrain under his direction.

Time-Table :-

28/5	
CLAPHAM	depart 1950 hrs
29/5	
HUNDABERG	arrive 0510 hrs
	depart 0610 hrs R
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive 1315 hrs
	depart 1515 hrs R
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive 1925 hrs
	depart 2025 hrs R
30/5	
BOWEN	arrive 0620 hrs
	depart 0730 hrs R

W. J. Day

5. SERIAL 2 (Contd)

Time-Table. (Contd)

30/5

TOWNSVILLE

E.T.A. 1420 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone K

6. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS:

Consignment Notes and Rail Warrants, bulk second class, as arranged
by-5 T.M.O.

Serial 2 : -

R.T.O. CLAPHAM, will issue Meal Requisitions, as per Time-Table.

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all
Railway Refreshment Rooms.

7. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE : -

On movement as arranged by 2/1 Aust Mov & Tr Gp. A.I.F.

8. O.C. TRAIN : -

Copy of Standing Orders for O.C. Troop Trains will be handed to
Officer Commanding.

O.C. Train will ensure that no civilians are permitted to travel
on train under his command.

O.C. Train will take measures to prevent lighted matches, cigarette
butts, etc., being thrown from train, and ensure that standing crops, such as
Pineapples, and Sugar Cane, are not interfered with, in any way, during halts of
trains.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 26/10/60 K.

P. H. Sherrington
Jr. Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION : -

1/4	First Aust Army	
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land L of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 L of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26/28	5 T.M.O. (S.D.R.)	
29	O.C. Train (C/- R.T.O. Clapham)	
30	R.T.O. CLAPHAM	
31	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
32	" MACKAY	" "
33	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG
34	1 L of C Sub-Area	" "
35	2/1 Aust Mov & Tr Gp A.I.F.	" "
36	Movements, CAIENS	AIR MAIL
37	1 Aust Corps	" "
38/39	War Diary	
40/41	File	

R.T.O.s GYMPTIE and BUNDABERG advised by Signal.

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ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.NO. 3569

26 May 44

MOVEMENT OF 5 AUST IND. FD. SQN.
SOUTHPORT TO WAGGA

Reference Landforces SD.44978 and QM.45932, the above Unit will move to WAGGA in accordance with the following arrangements : -

2. PERSONNEL : -3 Officers
130 O.R's
5 tons Stores D.W.3. STORES : -

Stores will be loaded at SOUTH BRISBANE RAILWAY STATION 1100 hrs on Monday, 29 May, 44, into baggage car to be attached to Train N.60.

4. PERSONNEL - SOUTHPORT TO BRISBANE : -

Personnel will report to R.T.O., SOUTHPORT, at 1800 hrs on Sunday, 28 May, 44 and entrain under his direction.

Time-Table : -

28/5		
SOUTHPORT	depart	1850 hrs
YEERONGPILLY	arrive	2030 hrs

(Detrain and proceed to 1 Aust Pers Staging Camp - Stage over night.)

5. ON MOVEMENT FROM BRISBANE : -

Personnel will report to R.T.O. SOUTH BRISBANE, at 1300 hrs on Monday 29 May 44, and entrain under his direction.

6. TIME-TABLE : -

29/5		
SOUTH BRISBANE	depart	1405 hrs
CASINO	arrive	1814 hrs
	depart	1915 hrs R
30/5		
GLOUCESTER	arrive	0550 hrs
	depart	0710 hrs R
SYDNEY	arrive	1425 hrs

R- Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone K7. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS : -

R.T.O. SOUTHPORT will issue Rail Warrants, bulk second class, to YEERONGPILLY.

R.T.O. SOUTH BRISBANE will issue Consignment Notes, and Rail Warrants, bulk second class, BRISBANE to SYDNEY.

O.C. Train N.60 will issue Meal Requisitions as per time-table.

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8. ARRIVAL SYDNEY :-

On movement as arranged by 1 Aust M C Gp.

9. SECURITY :-

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at

26/1/23

1 Lt. Col.
A.C.M.C. (M)

DISTRIBUTION :-

1/4	First Aust Army	DIRECT BAG
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land I of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 I of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26	1 Aust Pers Staging Camp S.D.R.	
27/29	H.Q. 4 Aust Armd Bde (C/- RTO SOUTHPORT)	SAFE HAND
30	R.T.O. SOUTHPORT	" "
31	R.T.O. SOUTH BRISBANE	
32	" SYDNEY	COURIER
33	Second Aust Army	"
34	1 Aust M C Gp	"
35	N.S.W. I of C Area	"
36/37	War Diary	
38/39	File	

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

NO:- 04664

H.Q., Q'LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

26 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from GAYTHORNE on Sunday, 28 May 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO KINGAROY:- 8 Italian O.Rs.ESCORT:- 1 N.C.O.
1 O.R.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
N.C.O. in Charge of Escort:- Q.187060 Cpl. IRELAND, W.

1. MOVEMENT TO ROMA ST. STATION:- A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Roma Street Station, leaving Gaythorne at 1630 hours and arriving at Roma St. Station at 1700 hours.

Train departs 1745 hours, 28 May 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:- Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of N.C.O. i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., Roma St.

3. RAIL WARRANTS:- As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O. Roma St. will issue bulk second class Warrants as follows:-

Roma St. to Kingaroy	..	8 P.W.
Roma St. to Kingaroy and return.	..	2 Escorts.

4. ARRIVAL KINGAROY:- N.C.O. i/c Escort will hand over to and receive receipts from O.C., P.W.C.C., Kingaroy, Lieut. T. SMITH.

5. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

- (1) Nominal Roll in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers
(2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area, and 1 copy to Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office).
- (11) A.A. Form A.116 in respect of each P.W.
- (111) Language Booklet for each P.W.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area
- 4. R.T.O., Roma St.
- 5. O.C., P.W.C.C., Kingaroy
- 6. Internment Camp, Gaythorne
- 7. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp.
- 8. G.I. (Int.)
- 9. 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
- 10. N.C.O. i/c Escort.
C/- Internment Camp,
GAYTHORNE.

11-12. War Diary

13-14. File.

J. C. D. [Signature]
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.

[Signature]

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ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

NO. 3568.

Headquarters,
3 Aust. M. C. Gp.,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
26 May, 44.

SERIAL NO. 20.
NOS. 93 TO 95.

ROUTINE ORDER, PART I.

by

LT-COL. G. A. STUBBS.
Comd. 3 Aust. M.C. Gp.

PRE-SELECTION
OF MALE
OFFICERS (EX-
TRACT FROM
G.R.O. A178/44)

NO. 93.

1. Scope of Pre-Selection Scheme.--

(a) It is desired to ensure the best possible utilization of the male personnel available for appointment as officers of the AMF and also that the field for selection should be as wide as possible.

(b) As G.R.O. A.604/1943, Part I, provides that, normally, first appointment to commissioned rank in the arms or corps therein specified will be restricted to members who have qualified at the OCTU, a scheme for the pre-selection of candidates for attendance at the OCTU has been established and detailed instructions for its operation are promulgated in this order.

(c) Qualification at the OCTU is not a pre-requisite to first appointment to commissioned rank in the corps, services or staffs specified in Part II of G.R.O. A.604/1943, which are of a technical or specialized nature, and, accordingly, the pre-selection scheme will not operate in connection with candidates for first appointment in those corps, services or staffs.

(d) A male member desirous of appointment to commissioned rank in one of the corps, services or staffs specified in Part II of G.R.O. A.604/1943 will submit to his CO or OC an application in writing setting out his personal particulars and qualifications. The CO or OC will forward such application to the head of the corps or service concerned, through service channels, accompanied with a detailed statement of the member's service and a confidential report expressing in positive terms the commander's opinion of the candidate, his acceptability as an officer, and stating his age and medical fitness. Selection of candidates for recommendation to first appointment will be made by the head of the corps or service concerned.

NOTE: Australian Army Movement Control Staffs are included in Part II of G.R.O. A.604/43

War Diary

FOOD RATION
COUPONS (EX-
TRACT FROM GRO
Q.182/44.

NO. 94.

1. Issue of Food Coupons to Army personnel.-

The following instructions are issued to consolidate previous orders and instructions relating to the issue of butter, meat, sugar and tea coupons to army personnel.

2. New Food Coupons.-

The 1943-44 food rationing year will terminate on 4th June, 1944. On and from 5th June, 1944, printed food coupons for each rationed commodity, representing a half-week's entitlement, will be issued in sheets of 20, serially numbered, instead of in pads of 100 as are issued at present. Each individual coupon sheet will comprise: $\frac{1}{2}$ tea coupon, $\frac{1}{2}$ butter coupon, $\frac{1}{2}$ sugar coupon and two $\frac{1}{2}$ meat coupons.

The present series of combined coupons and sheets of half meat coupons will cease to be issued on 4th June, 1944. On and from 5th June, 1944, the new series of coupons in sheets of 20 will be made available for issue. The currency of the present series will expire on 31st July, 1944.

3. Entitlement of Food Coupons.-

Specially printed food coupons, combining in one sheet separate coupons for each rationed commodity and representing a half-week's entitlement, will be issued to all ranks of the AMF who are not rationed by the Army, viz:-

- (a) Members living at home or on subsistence;
- (b) Members billeted;
- (c) members on leave, with or without pay, to whom the following scale will apply:-

<u>Period of leave.</u>	<u>Coupon entitlement</u>
1 to 3 days	1 sheet of combined coupons
4 " 7 "	2 sheets of combined coupons
8 " 10 "	3 " " " "
11 " 14 "	4 " " " "
15 " 17 "	5 " " " "
18 " 21 "	6 " " " "
22 " 24 "	7 " " " "
25 " 28 "	8 " " " "

Local leave of 12 hours or more granted on a rest day, under GRO. A.598/1943, para 144, is regarded as a full day; but the entitlement to coupons for rest days will only be on a monthly basis, i.e., a maximum of two sheets of combined coupons per calendar month.

Representatives of recognised philanthropic organizations living in camp will, when proceeding on leave, be issued with coupons on the same basis as members of the AMF.

The quantitative entitlement of each service coupon on the combined coupon sheet will be one half that of the civilian ration entitlement for one week. There is an obligation on the part of soldiers and service women who take advantage of private billeting arrangements to make a voluntary

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contribution in ration coupons towards the entertainment with which they are provided without charge. Food coupons are not required to be surrendered for meals at a hotel or residential establishment if the period of stay is less than six nights.

APPLICATION OF
CLOTHES RATION-
ING TO THE
ARMY (EXTRACTS
FROM G.R.O.
F184/44).

NO. 95.

PART I - MEMBERS' ENTITLEMENTS.

Introduction.-

1. This order will operate on and from 5th June, 1944.
2. The 1943-44 clothes rationing year will terminate on 4th June, 1944, and issues of current coupons will cease on that date. Current series of service coupons must be utilized on or before -
 - (a) in the case of special coupons (printed red) issued to newly commissioned officers and to members on their discharge; 31st December, 1944; and
 - (b) in the case of other coupons: 4th June, 1944.
3. The new clothes rationing year commences on 5 June, 1944. The date on which it will terminate has not yet been decided and will be promulgated later.

Purpose of Issue.-

4. Ration coupons are issued to members of the AMF on full time duty serving in the South West Pacific Area to enable them to purchase the following articles of clothing which are not provided by the Army:-
 - (a) in the case of members of the AANS: pyjamas, corsets, brassieres, slips, etc;
 - (b) In the case of women members (other than members of the AANS): pyjamas, corsets, brassieres, etc;
 - (c) in the case of male officers: pyjamas, shoes slippers, shirts, gloves, etc. In the case of an officer on his first appointment, he will receive a special issue of coupons to enable him to complete his initial outfit. These coupons are additional to any issued to him under this order prior to the date of his appointment;
 - (d) in the case of other ranks: pyjamas, scarves, gloves, etc.

Entitlement of Members.-

5. The allotment of coupons to army personnel for the new rationing year is set out hereunder:-

- (a) Female members -
 - (i) Other female members:

If appointed or enlisted prior to 5th June, 1944. 35 coupons

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	<u>No. of coupons</u>
If appointed or enlisted during period - 5th June, 1944 to 14th October, 1944	35
15th October, 1944 to 14th February, 1945	20
15th February, 1945 to end of rationing year	10
(b) Male officers appointed prior to 5th June, 1944	70
(c) Male officers appointed on or after 5th June, 1944	
(i) Initial issue together with -	90
(ii) Maintenance issue as follows -	
If appointed during period - 5th June, 1944 to 14th October, 1944	25
15th October, 1944 to 14th February, 1945	15
15th February, 1945 to end of rationing year.	5

Special issue for Manchester goods.-

9. An issue of five clothing ration coupons per annum, to cover the purchase of bed linen, will be made to each member of the AIT on continuous full time duty who, while performing duty in living at home and is in receipt of subsistence allowance.

10. This issue will not be made available to members residing in hotels, boarding houses or residential where issues of coupons in respect of service lodgers are made to the proprietors by the Rationing Commission.

11. Issues of coupons for Manchester goods will not be made available to members until 1st August 1945. No issue will, in any case, be made unless a member's duty requires him to live at home prior to 15th February, 1945.

Marriage of members.-

17. Members claiming special clothing ration coupons in order to purchase an initial supply of household linen on the occasion of marriage or setting up of home will apply direct to the Deputy Director of Rationing in the State of Residence.

Purchase of rationed articles of clothing from Army sources.-

25. The following schedule sets out the number of clothing ration coupons to be surrendered by a member for various items of clothing in excess of the authorized issue purchased from quarter-masters' stores. This scale differs in some respects from the coupons rating of similar articles purchased from civilian retail stores:-

Men's Clothing		Women's Clothing	
Item	Coupon Scale.	Item.	Coupon Scale
Boots, per pr.	6	Bloomers (pantettes, rayon)	4
Braces, per pr.	1	Boots, leather, brown women's, per pr.	8
Drawers, cotton, short	5	Knickers, cotton	4
Drawers woollen, short	5	Pantettes, woollen	4
Drawers woollen, full length	6	Collars	1
Jerseys, pullover	9	Gloves, leather, tan, per pr.	3
Shirts, flannel	4	Jackets, cardigan	7
Shirts, military khaki	5	Shirts	5
Shirts, military worsted	5	Shoes, per pr.	8
Shorts, khaki drill	4	Singlets, cotton	4
Singlets, cotton	5	Singlets, woollen	4
Singlets, woollen	5	Socks, ankle, per pr.	2
Socks, woollen, per pr.	2	Stockings, tan, per pr.	4
Towels, hand	3	Ties	1
		Towels, hand	3

26. Officers may purchase the following outer garments coupon free in retail stores:-

Jacket, SD, officers, or Safari jacket
Trousers, SD, officers
Greatcoat
Capt, SD, officers.

27. Officers entitled to the issue of one beret, according to current authorized Scales of Clothing and Necessaries, may be issued, through unit quartermasters' stores, with one additional beret, upon payment, but without surrender of clothing ration coupons.

28. The following procedure will be followed by members when buying rationed articles of clothing in person from an officers' shop, canteen or retail store:-

- Coupons will be surrendered in accordance with the civilian scale published by the Rationing Commission.
- Coupon books or sheets will be presented at time of purchase and the salesman will cut out the necessary coupons.
- Pay book will be the means of establishing rightful ownership to the book or sheet of coupons and will be produced on request.

Members not to apply for coupons.-

30. Except as provided by paras 17 and 22 of this order, members will not make application for clothes rationing coupons direct to the Rationing Commission but will submit applications through army channels.

VOLUNTEERS
FOR 1 AUST.
PARA BN. (Hq.
Q'ED L OF C.
AREA RO.
A.233/44.

No. 96.

1. O/R personnel are required for 1 Aust. Para Bn.

2. Applications will be called for from personnel of all Units under comd. desirous of volunteering for service with 1 Aust. Para Bn.

3. Applications are required from personnel who conform to the following standards:-

Age - Over 20 and under 32 years.

Height - 5 feet 2 inches to 8 feet

Medical Classification - A.1 in all respects

Visual - Normal without glasses.

Dental - May be without natural teeth provided applicant has well-fitting dentures.

Marital Condition - Preferably single, but married men without children may apply.

Standard of Training - Must be thoroughly trained soldiers with not less than three months' service.

General - All applicants must be A.I.F. or C.M.F. willing to become A.I.F. at once.

Applicants must be physically fit and possess courage, determination and average intelligence.

4. Scale of trades and duties required is shown hereunder:-

Td. Gp. II

Carpenters & Joiners
Signallers
Int. Duties

Td. Gp. III

Butcher
Clerks
Dvrs. Mechanic
Equipment Repairers
Technical Storemen
Range Takers

Non-Specialists -

Batman
Drivers M.T.
Hygiene Dutymen
Mortar Numbers
Motor Cyclist Orderlies
Orderlies
Parachute Packers
Pioneers
Riflemen
Storemen
Water Dutymen
M.G. Numbers.

Attached -

A.A.M.C. -
Sgt. Orderlies

A.A.O.C. -
Shoemaker (Td.Gp.III)
A.E.M.E. -
Armourers (Td.Gp.I).

A.A.C.C. -
Ptes Td. Gp. II

A.A.P.C. -
Sgt.
Postal Services -
Sgt.

Aust Corps of Sigs -
Instrument Koch. (Td.Gp.I)

5. Applicants will apply in writing to their C.O. stating their willingness to revert to the rank of Pte. where applicable.

6. N.C.Os or trade grouped personnel, who cannot be

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included in their appropriate rank or trade classification, may volunteer as riflemen if they so desire, provided that they declare in writing their willingness to revert to the rank of Pte. or relinquish proficiency or Trade Grouping, as appropriate. Such reversion or relinquishment will not be effected until the date of classification as a qualified Parachutist, when personnel affected become eligible for additional pay vide G.R.O. A.757/43.

7. All applications received will be forwarded by C.O's direct to this H.Q. together with personal recommendation as to the suitability of the applicant and covered by a certificate in the following form:-

CERTIFICATE OF RECOMMENDATION.

I certify that (NB.) (Rank) (Name)
(Age) is in my opinion a suitable type and sufficiently well trained in his arm to be selected for specialized training as a parachutist, and that he is classified medically fit Class A.1"

8. Volunteers who comply with the foregoing preliminary qualifications will be required to appear before a Selection Board for examination as to general suitability, and to pass a modified R.A.A.F. Medical examination, before being finally selected.

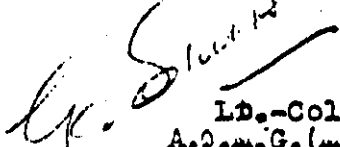
9. C.O's are enjoined to encourage personnel under comd. to volunteer for service with 1 Aust. Para Bn. as it is essential that sufficient personnel be available for selection to fulfill requirements.

Applications of all O/R volunteers who conform to the preliminary standards detailed in Para 3 will be forwarded irrespective of present rank, trade, or duty.

10. Inter-unit transfer of personnel who have volunteered will not be permitted without the approval of this H.Q.

11. It is essential that applications be forwarded by Units with the least possible delay.

12. Applications will NOT be accepted from personnel of Units deleted from the OOB and who have been or are being made available for disposal by 2nd Ech. L.H.Q.


L.D.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G.(M),
3 Aust. M. C. Gp.

JA,DC (27/5) IMMEDIATE

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COPY NO. 28

ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

No. 3596

27 May, 44

MOVEMENT OF ADVANCE PARTY 2/2 AUST. H.Q. GUARD BN.
TO MAREEBA.

Reference 1 Aust Army SD.4351, Q.7149 and Q.7158, the above Advance Party will move to MAREEBA on Saturday, 27 May, 44, in accordance with the following arrangements : -

2. PERSONNEL :

3 Officers
47 O.R.'s
2 Tons D.W. Stores

3. ENTRAINMENT : -

The Party will report to R.T.O. EXHIBITION, at 2120 hrs. and load stores and entrain under his direction.

4. TIME-TABLE : -

27/5	
EXHIBITION	depart 2210 hrs
28/5	
BUNDABERG	arrive 0720 hrs
	depart 0840 hrs R
GLADSTONE	arrive 1250 hrs
	depart 1355 hrs R
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive 1635 hrs
	depart 1835 hrs R
29/5	
BOWEN	arrive 0825 hrs
	depart 0915 hrs R
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A. 1645 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone K

5. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS : -

R.T.O. EXHIBITION, will issue Consignment Notes to MAREEBA, and Rail Warrants, bulk second class, to REDLYNCH. Meal Requisitions, as per Time-Table.

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

6. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE : -

On movement as arranged by 2/1 Aust Mov & Trn Gp. A.I.F.

War Day

7. SECURITY:

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 370930K

R.H. Huntington Maj
Lt.-Col. R.H. Huntington
A.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION : -

1/4	First Aust Army	DIRECT BAG
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land I of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 I of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26	Brisbane Fortress	S.D.R.
27	Adv. Party 2/2 Aust Guard Bn	(HQ) O/- Brisbane Fortress S.D.R.
28	L.T.D.	S.D.R.
29	R.T.O. ROMA STREET	
30	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
31	" MACKAY	" "
32	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG
33	1 I of C Sub-Area	" "
34	2/1 Aust Mov & Tr Gp A.I.F	" "
35	Movements, CAIRNS	AIR MAIL
36	1 Aust Corps	" "
37/38	War Diary	
39/40	File	

R.T.O's GYMPIE and BUNDABERG advised by Signal.

possible destroyer, one small patrol craft, 2 freighter transports (one 5500/8500 and the other 2000/4500 tons) was 23 miles ENE CAPE NGOLOPOPO, course SSE. Two enemy A/C were observed circling the convoy.

BORNEO: On 23 May 2 small cargo vessels were in the vicinity of NATUNA ISLAND (W. coast BORNEO). On the night 23 May probably in the same area 4 large destroyers and 3 large transports were sighted headed for SINGAPORE.

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ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH-WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

NO. 3597

27 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF 2/5 AUST. FD REGT., 2/5 AUST FD REGT. SIG SEC. AND 2/52 AUST L.A.D.
WARWICK TO STRATHPINE AREA

Reference H.Q. Q'land L of C Area SD.1543, the above Units will move to STRATHPINE AREA in accordance with the following arrangements :-

2. PERSONNEL : -

789 all ranks.

VEHICLES : -

6 x 3 Ton Trucks
3 x 30 Cwt. Trucks
5 x 1 Ton Trucks
1 x 8 Cwt Trucks
1 x 3 Ton Garage

100 tons D.W. Stores
56 tons D.W. Ammunition

16 x 25 Pdr. Guns

3. MOVEMENT - M.T.

M.T. Carrying Tentage and accommodation stores will move by road to STRATHPINE AREA on Sunday, 28 May, 44 under Unit arrangements. M.T. will return to WARWICK same night, leaving Advance Party, as detailed by C.O., 2/5 Aust. Fd. Regt. at STRATHPINE. On conclusion of Movement of Main Body, as detailed later, M.T. will move to STRATHPINE AREA by road on Wednesday, 31 May 44.

4. STORES AND GUNS : -

Stores will be loaded at MORGAN PARK and Guns at WARWICK on Sunday, 28 May, 44, and Monday, 29 May, 44, under the direction of the R.T.O. WARWICK.

Escort of 4 O/Rs will accompany Stores and Guns to destination and will be on Travelling Allowance WARWICK to STRATHPINE AREA.

Time-Table : -

28/5			
WARWICK	depart	0300 hrs	
ROMA STREET (Detach Guns)	E.T.A.	1900 hrs	
30/5 PETRIE	arrive	1700 hrs	

5. PERSONNEL : -

Main Body : -

Main Body will move by two Special Trains - 350 all ranks approx, each train, departing WARWICK, Tuesday, 30 May, 44.

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TIME-TABLES: -Train No. 1: -

30/5

MORGAN PARK

TOOWOOMBA

EXHIBITION

(Detrain Evening Meal) - L.T.D.

PETRIE

depart 1010 hrs

arrive 1255 hrs

depart 1354 hrs R

arrive 1810 hrs

depart 1933 hrs

arrive 2015 hrs

Train No. 2: -

30/5

MORGAN PARK

TOOWOOMBA

PETRIE

depart 1513 hrs

arrive 1720 hrs

depart 1810 hrs R

arrive 2335 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms

All Timings Zone K

7.

CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS: -

R.T.O. WARWICK, will issue Consignment Notes -

Stores to PETRIE

Guns to ROMA STREET

Rail Warrants, bulk second class, MORGAN PARK to PETRIE, and Meal Requisitions, as per Time-tables.

Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

8.

O.C. TRAIN: -

Copy of Standing Orders for O.C. Troop Trains will be handed to Officer Commanding.

O.C. Train will ensure that no civilians are permitted to travel on train under his command.

O.C. Train will take measure to prevent lighted matches, cigarette butts, etc. being thrown from train.

Acknowledgments is requested.

Signed at 27/11/30K

P. H. Sherrington May
Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

DISTRIBUTION : -

1/4	First Aust Army	DIRECT BAG
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land I of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 I of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26	7 Aust Div.	
27/30	2/5 Aust Fd Regt (C/- R.T.O. WARWICK)	
31	R.T.O. WARWICK	
32	R.T.O. TOOWOOMBA	
33	R.T.O. ROMA STREET	
34/35	War Diary	
36/37	File	

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Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.NO. 3816

27 May 44

MOVEMENT OF H.Q. 22 AUST. SUP. DEPOT COY., 155, 156 AND 157 AUST. SUP. DEPOT FLS. TO TOWNSVILLE FOR ON MOVEMENT.

Reference Adv. L.H.Q. Movement Order 224, the above Units will move to TOWNSVILLE on Sunday, 28 May, 44, in accordance with the following arrangements : -

6 Officers
64 O/R's
15 Cwt Equipment.

2. EQUIPMENT : -

Equipment will be loaded at 0900 hrs on Sunday, 28 May, 44, at ROMA STREET into Baggage Car to be attached to Train P.501.

3. ENTRAINMENT : -

Personnel will report to L.T.D. at 1015 hrs on Sunday, 28 May, 44, and entrain on Train P.501 same day.

4. TIME-TABLE : -

28/5	
EXHIBITION	depart 1250 hrs
GYMPHEE	arrive 1802 hrs
29/5	depart 1855 hrs R
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive 0620 hrs
	depart 0820 hrs R
ST LAWRENCE	arrive 1230 hrs
	depart 1330 hrs R
MACKAY	arrive 1700 hrs
	depart 1815 hrs R
30/5	
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A. 0655 hrs

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms
All Timings Zone K

5. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS : -

R.T.O. EXHIBITION will issue Consignment Note and Rail Warrants, bulk second class, to OQVQCNBA.

O.C. Train P.501 will issue Meal Requisitions as per time-table. Personnel, including Officers, will use own mess kits at all Railway Refreshment Rooms.

6. SECRECY : -

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 27/120012

A. H. Harrington Maj
for Lt.-Col.
A.Q.M.G. (M)

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15/21	3 Aust M C Gp.	
22	Major HALE Q Maintenance	
23	2 L of C Sub-Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26/27	HQ 22 Aust Sup Depot Coy & 155, 156 and 157 Aust Sup Dep. Fls. (O/- 1 Aust Pers Staging Camp)	S.D.R.
28	1 Aust Pers. Staging Camp	"
29	L.T.D.	"
30	O.C. Train P.501 (C/- L.T.D.)	"
31	R.T.O. ROMA STREET	"
32	" RUCKHAMPTON	"
33	" MACILLY	AIR MAIL
34	" TOWNSVILLE	"
35	1 L of C Sub-Area	DIRECT BAG
36	2/1 Aust Mov & Tn Gp A.I.F.	"
37/38	War Diary	"
39/40	File	"

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SECRET 28/7/44.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - M.C., Q'ld. L. of C. Area,

Victoria Barracks,

04795

Brisbane.

2 Aust. P.W. Grd. Coy.

27 MAY 1944

Copies : C.S.C.

A.Q.M.C.

D.D.O.S.

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District Accounts Office (Q'ld.).

Capt. Admin.

War Diary (2).

D.D.O.S.

M.C., No. 2 Aust. L. of C. Sub-Area.

D.A.A. & P.W. (P.W. & I).

Q'ld. L. of C. Area Gen Det Depot (2)

(One for Allocation Officer).

ITALIAN P.W. O/Rs - EMPLOYMENT WITHOUT GUARDS

BY PRIVATE EMPLOYERS IN RURAL INDUSTRY

P.W. CONTROL CENTRE - BOONAH (C.10).

Reference SM.13210 of 2 Jun 43 and L.H.Q. 69374 of 17 May 43.

Under authority of L.H.Q. Memo 223820 of 27 Dec 43, approval is given for the establishment of a P.W. Control Centre at Boonah and 2 Aust. P.W. Grd. Coy. will please take action to raise the following personnel for this Unit.

P.W. C.C. (Capt) (or Lieut)	1	
W.O.II	1	
Sgt. Interpreter	1	
Cpl. Gen. Duties	1	
Pte. Driver Mech. (W.O.I.)	1	(May be 2, if P.W.C.C. has 2 vehicles)
A.A.P.C. W.O.II	1	
" Cpl.	1	
A.A.P.C. Cook Pte.		
Qd. Gn. II	1	(where required)
	5	

2. Names and particulars of the officer selected will be forwarded to this M.C. as soon as possible.

3. O/Rs personnel required will be secured by transfer from units under comd. and/or by submission of A.A.P. W.3009 in the normal manner.

4. Personal arms and equipment will be retained by the personnel transferred.

5. Unit equipment will be issued by D.D.O.S. M.C., Q'ld. L. of C. Area and will consist of 1 15-cwt. G.S. Truck and office furniture.

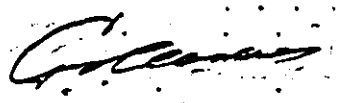
6. The officer selected to command the Unit will report to Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office for instruction in Unit Records procedure.

7. District Accounts Office (Q'ld.) will please supply a W.O.II and Cpl. A.A.P.C. vide para 1.

8. All personnel will be quartered but not rationed and payment of subsistence will be arranged.

9. H.Q., Q'16. D. of C. Area will be advised when the above instructions have been implemented.

10. Acknowledge.



Capt.
for A.A.G. H.Q., Q'16. D. of C. Area.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area,
Victoria Barracks,

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27 MAY 1944

A.A.C.S.

Copy :

G.S.O.

A.C.M.G.

D.D.O.S.

Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office.

District Accounts Office (Q'ld.).

Capt. Admin.

War Diary (2).

D.D.A.S.

2 A.A. CANTEENS SERVICE OFFICERS' CLUB (TYPE B) EXPANSION

Reference L.H.Q. SM.5182 of 17 May 44.

An amendment to the COB, AMF, may be anticipated providing for the expansion of 2 A/A Canteens Officers' Club from Type B to Type A and A.A.C.S. Q'ld. L. of C. Area will please take action as shown hereunder:-

REORGANIZE -

War Office
Serial No.

Unit

48209

2 A.A. CANTEENS SERVICE OFFICERS'
CLUB TYPE B

(WE IV/150A/2)

TO FORM -

48209

2 A/A CANTEENS SERVICE OFFICERS'
CLUB TYPE A

(WE IV/150A/2)

Offrs. O.Rs. Total

Posted strength as at
22 Apr 44

2 41 43

WE strength (Type A)
(IV/150A/2)

2 48 50

Additional personnel required -

7 7

2. The personnel required to complete W.E. of 2 A/A Canteens Service Officers' Club (Type A) will be provided from within the resources of Units under comd. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area, or by posting of unallotted personnel under directions of Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office.

3. Additional equipment which may be required due to this reorganization, will be issued in accordance with Scale 190 EB/500 scales, under instructions from D.D.O.S. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

4. It is requested that the reorganization of the abovenamed Unit will be completed, if possible, by 15 Jun 44.

5. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area will be advised upon implementation of the above instructions.

6. Acknowledge.

John Henry
John Henry for A.A.C. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area. Capt.

DIGEST OF LHQ REVSIT NO. 668 to 270015Z MAY

1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

NEW BRITAIN: On 25 May enemy troops were reported to be at AWUL.

NEW GUINEA - AITAPE: On 25 May a patrol observed Japs cutting a new track 2 miles S. of YAKAMUL. Sounds indicated that similar work was in progress to the East of this position. The patrol made light contacts with the enemy 1 mile E. and 1 mile W. of YAKAMUL. There was evidence of other small enemy parties in the latter area. Our outpost at PARAKOVIO (1 1/2 miles W. of NYAPARAKE) withdrew to a position 2,500 yds West of YAKAMUL to prevent themselves being cut off by Japs moving from CHAROV (2 1/2 miles S. of NYAPARAKE). WIMBE, NUNSI, AUANG, KUKU and SIKAL (all in the area 22 miles S. of AITAPE) are free of the enemy.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA - HOLLANDIA: On 26 May enemy snipers were active along the PIM-Airfields Road. On 24 May 176 Japs were seen moving Westward S. of SENTANI LAKE. On 25 May a track block was established at NARIEDA (3 miles SW of the SW end of SENTANI LAKE).

MAFFIN BAY - EASTERN SECTOR: On 26 May no organized resistance was being encountered at TELETOE RIVER. On 23 May recce A/C reported considerable movement all Westward between ARMOFA and TAKAR, including one party estimated at 300 with arms 2 miles E. of TAKAR.

MAFFIN BAY - WESTERN SECTOR: On 24 May with reinforcements our troops crossed the TIRFOAM RIVER against enemy fire at dusk. Holding a line along the W. bank of the river, our forces commenced an encircling movement of the enemy's right flank. During the advance 62 Japs were killed. Resuming the advance on 25 May our forward elements were holding a line from the jetty (600 yds W. of the mouth of the TIRFOAM RIVER) SE to the TIRFOAM RIVER. Our naval units shelled the area W. of MAFFIN NO. 1 in support of the advance. On 26 May the enemy was withdrawing towards MAFFIN AIRFIELD. Total enemy casualties to 26 May were 1135 killed and 6 captured.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 25 May 16 Airacobras strafed targets in BUNA PASSAGE including LALAHAN radar. 15 Mitchells, 13 Dauntlesses, 9 Avengers, 20 Airacobras and 12 Warhawks bombed POROM supply area, causing fires and explosions.

NEW IRELAND: On 25 May 30 Dauntlesses and 4 Avengers bombed the airfield and guns at KAVIENG.

NEW BRITAIN: On 25 May 3 Liberators and 3 Lightnings and 12 Mitchell bombed LAKUNAI, RAPOPO, and VOLCAN CRATER and a large hideout and TALILI supply areas respectively.

NEW GUINEA: On 25 May a further 21 Bostons and 2 Beauforts bombed and strafed WEWAK, starting fires in the strip and scoring hits on KARAWOP. 5 Airacobras strafed a village 3 1/2 miles SE of KARUBIAN at the HQ at DEIA CREEK. On 26 May 13 Mitchells, 47 Bostons and 3 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed BUT, DAGUA and WEWAK, starting fires among supplies. On 23 May 4 Warhawks bombed a large bivouac area across the river from ARLO village starting several fires.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 26 May 23 Liberators bombed MANOKWARI, causing explosions. Attack on SOURABAYA on 17 May, it is now reported that 17 grounded enemy A/C were destroyed in addition to 3 set on fire and 12 (twelve) damaged.

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CAROLINE ISLANDS: During 20/21 May carrier based A/C dropped 148 tons of bombs in 373 sorties on MARCUS ISLANDS, destroying ammunition and supply dumps and damaging gun positions and bldgs.

3. ALLIED SEA OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On the night 25/26 May light surface units shelled TONOLEI HARBOR and SHORTLAND ISLAND causing fires. On 26 May PT boats and Catalinas destroyed 3 heavily laden barges off CAPE LAVERDY (TIMPUTZ HARBOR).

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On the night 23/24 May PT boats destroyed 5 barges at VANDJEMOER ISLAND and shelled howitzer positions at MAFFIN. On the night 25/26 May PT boats strafed the SARAI beach.

4. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: At 260328Z 2 merchant vessels were on the W. coast of MANSLAN ISLAND and two 500/1000 ton freighters were at WAPPI IS. At 260300Z two 500/1000 ton freighters were at UTAROM. At 232330Z Allied A/C encountered a/A fire from naval vessels at KOKAS ISLAND. At 240015Z several small boats were sighted anchored E. of SAGAN. At 260300 one 500/1000 ton freighter was at TABERFANE.

HALMAHERA ISLANDS: At 250131Z photographs revealed that the convoy referred to in Digest 864 consists of 2 freighter transports (one 7000 tons and the other 3000 tons) 1 minelayer and one small patrol craft.

BORNEO: On 24 May 10 battleships and cruisers, 6 A/C carriers, 1 large auxiliary tanker and 40 warships and one medium cargo vessel were at TAWI TAWI ISLAND.

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ALLIED LAND FORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

28 May 44.

AMENDMENT TO M.C.O. Q/289 - MOVEMENT OF
H.Q. 22 AUST. SUP. DEPOT COY., 155, 156 AND
157 AUST. SUP. DEPOT PLS. TO TOWNSVILLE FOR
ON MOVEMENT

DELETE - 157 AUST. SUP. DEPOT PL.

TO READ - MOVEMENT OF H.Q. 22 AUST. SUP. DEPOT COY.,
155 AND 156 AUST. SUP DEPOT PLS. TO
TOWNSVILLE FOR ON MOVEMENT.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed 281145K

[Signature]
Lt.-Col.,
H.Q.M.G. (M).

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1/4	First Aust Army	DIRECT BAG
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv L.H.Q. (Mov)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land L of C Area	
15/21	3 Aust M.C. Gp.	
22	Major HALE, "Q" Maintenance	
23	2 L of C Sub Area	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.O.	
26/27	HQ 22 Aust Sup Depot Coy & 155, 156 and 157 Aust Sup Depot Pls (C/o 1 Aust Pers Staging Camp)	S.D.R.
28	1 Aust Pers Staging Camp	"
29	L.T.D.	"
30	O.C. Train P.501 (C/o L.T.D.)	"
31	R.T.O. ROMA STREET	
32	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL
33	" MACKAY	"
34	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG
35	1 L of C Sub Area	"
36	2/1 Aust Movt & Tn Up A.I.F.	"
37/38	War Diary	
39/40	File	

Alan Dean
S/Sgt Johnstone

DIGEST OF LRG REVSIT NO. 669 to 280015Z MAY

1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

NEW BRITAIN - NORTHERN COAST: On 26 May a reliable report stated that an enemy party was occupying houses 300 yds W. of EA EA (UBILI AREA).

NEW BRITAIN - SOUTHERN COAST: On 26 May a patrol killed 3 Japs at REKUNIA VAMSEL HARBOUR). A recce patrol reveals that of 1750 Japs in the ADLER BAY AREA, 200 are concentrated on the S. bank of the CLARK RIVER and 1550 at ABE POINT and IOWA (1 mile S. of ADLER BAY). Other Japs are concentrated at PUT PUT PLANTATION and WARABU and WARANGOI RIVERS, just NW of KATALA PLANTATION. Many machine gun nests are located 200 yds inland from PUT PUT to WARANGOI. On 16 May 300 Japs were at LEMINGI and 350 at KATANAKIAU (unlocated - probably in the vicinity of LEMINGI). Large numbers of naval personnel are at LONDIP, KABANGA and TOBERA.

NEW GUINEA - AITAPE: On 25 May there were indications of several small Jap patrols on inland trails 2 miles SE of YAMAMUL.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA - HOLLANDIA: On 26 May our arty and mortars fired on 40 Japs in the vicinity of SEROLIE (1 1/2 miles S. of SIMBORO - S.W. bank of SENTANI LAKE). Patrols found 300 dead Japs and killed a further 59 along the trails S. of GENJEA. One hundred Japs are reported 900 yards E. of GENJEA. Natives report that there are many Japs in the vicinity of TAREIA (4 miles NW of DENTA).

MAFFIN BAY: On 25 May 164 enemy were killed. On the night 25/26 May our troops in the vicinity of the TIRFORE RIVER experienced intermittent sniper fire. Jap defensive positions of Coy size are reported in areas 1 1/2 miles SE of the NE end of MAFFIN airfield and at the NW and NE end of the airfield. The NE defences include dug-in arty positions. On 26 May our advance was resumed, our forward elements reaching 1 1/2 miles W. of MAFFIN No. 1 where they were pinned down by enemy fire. Our troops patrolled to high ground 1 mile SE of the airstrip. Other troops attacking Hill 225 (1 mile SSE of the airstrip) estimate the enemy strength at two coys armed with Mgs, mortars and rifles in defensive positions 1 mile SSE MAFFIN airstrip and on LONG TREE HILL (1 mile SE of MAFFIN airstrip). On the morning of 27 May there were indications that the latter force was withdrawing from its position. Enemy killed to 27 May total 1171.

BIAK ISLAND: At 262115Z following a naval and aerial bombardment our troops landed at BOSNEK, and despite opposition from mortars and automatic fire on the right flank, by 270035Z had gained the ridge overlooking BOSNEK. Our forward elements advanced West and by 270109Z had reached LONDON (2 miles W. BOSNEK), killing 8 Japs. A perimeter was established 1 mile E and W of BOSNEK. At 270237Z Allied cruisers continued shelling the airstrips whilst A/C bombed BOSNEK airstrip and dispersal areas (1 1/2 miles W. of BOSNEK).

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 26 May 12 Mitchells bombed N. of MONOITU MISSION. 24 Miracobras and 9 Lightnings bombed PORTOM AREA, destroying one pier and damaging another.

NEW BRITAIN: On the night 25/26 May 8 Mitchells bombed the HARAU AREA, starting two large fires. On 26 May 23 Miracobras and 11 Warhawks bombed the supply area at KAKADA PLANTATION (just N. of DUKE OF YORK ISLAND), starting 6 large fires.

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NEW GUINEA: On 26 May 4 Liberators bombed gun positions in the vicinity of AWAR STRIP. A further 24 Bostons bombed and strafed the WEWAK AREA. On 27 May 6 Mitchells, 13 Bostons, 13 Beauforts, 32 Lightnings, and 8 Thunderbolts bombed and strafed stores, supplies, and personnel areas in the WEWAK AREA and at MUSCHU and KAIRIRU ISLANDS, destroying a dump S. of BORAK STRIP and starting many fires throughout the target areas.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 26 May 21 Liberators bombed SORIDO, starting many fires. On 24 May 10 Bostons bombed and strafed airfields at KAIRIRU and NAMBER, setting on fire 3 grounded bombers and 5 fighters at KAIRIRU, and 1 grounded dive bomber and 2 vehicles at NAMBER. On 27 May 10 Liberators bombed the airfield at BABO, destroying or damaging 2 grounded A/C.

ABSE ISLANDS: On 26 May 6 Mitchells bombed and strafed DOBO, scoring numerous hits on the wireless station bldg.

TILORI: On 27 May 12 Mitchells bombed SOE VILLAGE, starting many fires, some of which were fuel fires.

Reference Digest 364 for CAROLINE ISLANDS substitute MARSHALL ISLANDS.
Reference Digest 365 for CAROLINE ISLANDS substitute MARCUS ISLAND.

3. ENEMY AIR OPERATIONS:

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: At 270700- 12 bombers attacked Allied vessels in the HIAK ISLAND AREA. A/A fire destroyed four A/C. Early on the morning of 27 May, one bomber dropped four bombs at AT boats at SARAI POINT, but did no damage.

4. ALLIED SEA OPERATIONS:

NEW IRELAND: On the night 26/27 May PT boats strafed DOLOMAKAS BAY (10 miles SSE of NAMATANAI).

ST. MATTHIAS GROUP: At 261223Z Allied escort vessels destroyed one submarine 80 miles NW CAPE SIMONS.

5. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: At 270044- one small merchant vessel was 3 miles S by E of CAPE OERLIKORI (SOEPIORI ISLAND - SCHOUTEN ISLANDS). At 262335Z one destroyer, one 7000/9000 ton transport and one auxiliary vessel were 13 miles N. of CAPE MAIOS on a course E. At 271200- three vessels were entering MASOKWARI HARBOR. This was probably the same convoy. At midday 27 May one small merchant vessel and 1 lugger were at BABO.

BORNEO: On 26 May 6 vessels were 2 miles E. SEBUPU RIVER (in the vicinity of SAMARINDA).

SOUTH CHINA SEA: On the night 24 May 3 large freighters and 2 escorts were sighted 140 miles SE by E of SAIGON.

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

NO:- 04767

H.Q., Q/LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

29 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from GAYTHORNE on Wednesday, 31 May 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO KINGAROY:- 8 Italian O.Rs.ESCORT:- 1 N.C.O.
1 O.R.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
N.C.O. in Charge of Escort:- Q.187483 Cpl. WHITTY, L.

1. MOVEMENT TO ROMA ST. STATION:- A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Roma Street Station, leaving Gaythorne at 1630 hours and arriving at Roma St. Station at 1700 hours.

Train departs 1745 hours, 31 May 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:- Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of N.C.O. i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., Roma St.

3. RAIL WARRANTS:- As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O., Roma St. will issue bulk second class Warrants as follows:-

Roma St. to Kingaroy	..	8 P.W.
Roma St. to Kingaroy and return	..	2 Escorts.

4. ARRIVAL KINGAROY:- N.C.O. i/c Escort will hand over to and receive receipts from O.C., P.W.C.C., Kingaroy, Lieut. T. SMITH.

5. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

- (i) Nominal Roll in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers (2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area, and 1 copy to Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office).
- (ii) A.A. Form A.116 in respect of each P.W.
- (iii) Language Booklet for each P.W.

J.C. m. Tarbuck Capt
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.

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- 5. O.C., P.W.C.C., Kingaroy
- 6. Internment Camp, Gaythorne
- 7. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp.
- 8. G.I. (Int.)
- 9. 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
- 10. N.C.O. i/c Escort,
C/- Internment Camp,
GAYTHORNE.
- 11-12. War Diary
- 13-14. File.

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES - H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area,
Victoria Barracks,
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H.Q., 7 Aust. Div. (Copy of SM.5444 attached).
Copy: H.Q., First Aust. Army.

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A.Q.M.G.

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Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office.

District Accounts Office (Q'ld.).

Capt. Admin.

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REORGANIZATION JUNGLE DIVISIONS - DELETION OF DIV CARRIER
COYS.

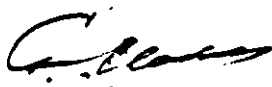
WAR OFFICE SERIAL NO. 47941 7 AUST. DIV. CARRIER COY -
POSTED STRENGTH AT 15 MAY - 5 OFFRS. 165 O/Rs - TOTAL 171.

Reference L.H.Q. SM.5444 of 22 May 44.

Consequent on the decision to delete Div Carrier Coys from the organization of Jungle Divisions, an amendment to the OOB AMF may be anticipated to provide for the deletion of the abovenamed Unit and it is requested that H.Q., 7 Aust. Div. will please take action in accordance with the instructions contained in SM.5444 of 22 May 44.

2. Disposal of vehicles of 7 Aust. Div. Carrier Coy. will be made in consultation with D.D.O.S. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C Area.

3. It would be appreciated if advice of the implementation of the instructions contained in L.H.Q. SM.5444 could be forwarded to this H.Q.


for A.A.G. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area. Capt.



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LIGHT OF L.H. REPORT NO. 670 to 290015- MAX

1. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

NEW GUINEA - ALLIED: On 26 May and 27 May patrolling continued. Ref. Digest 362 a patrol reports that 103 native labourers who were taken by the Japs to KAKIWAU escaped to BOA (JAPANESE AREA). On 26 May a reliable report stated that there are no enemy troops inland from Allard as far East as the PENAMBURI RIVER, (headwaters 25 miles S. of BOA).

ENIGMA AND GUINEA - HOLLANDIA: On 27 May patrolling continued and further casualties were inflicted on Japanese parties. The total casualties number 2339 killed and 512 captured. An unconfirmed report states that there is a party of eight Japanese naval personnel between BOROMINA and JAFASE (both on the W. coast NE of MANAUSARA BAY). The party possibly consists of ADMIRAL ENDO and his staff.

MARIN BAY - MARIN AIRFIELD: On 27 May our troops occupied Hill 225 (1 mile SSE MARIN AIRFIELD) and was last reported as advancing on MARIN AIRFIELD. A patrol 1 mile upstream from the mouth of the ION RIVER encountered machine gun and mortar fire from a party of Japs estimated at 60.

BLACK RIVER: On 27 May our troops were encountering only sniper fire at BORIARA (1 1/2 miles S. BOONEX). Our troops on the W. flank are located in the vicinity of PARAI (5 1/2 miles S. BOONEX) and are moving West unopposed. A number of Japanese located in a cove in the vicinity of BOONEX are being dislodged by our patrols. No organized opposition is being encountered in the general BOONEX area. Resistance is being mainly from sniper fire. 29 Japs have been killed and 1 captured. Equipment and supplies captured include a number of naval guns (unmounted), several steel walled pillboxes, rice, sake, and chemical warfare equipment.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

BOUGAINVILLE: On 27 May an unstated number of fighter bombers flying in 66 parties attacked targets at BOUGAINVILLE. Six Ventura's attacked targets at BUKA PASSAGE, starting fires and destroying huts in coastal villages.

NEW GUINEA: On 27 May a further 12 Mitchells, 61 Bostons, 16 Lightnings and 40 Thunderbolts participated in an attack on NEWIR. Hits and several near misses were scored on bridges. On 28 May 20 Mitchells bombed troop concentrations on the DAMUL and DAMUL RIVER, and strafed villages from SUK to CAPE HENRIK.

BURCH AND GUINEA: On 26 May four Mitchells strafed troop positions at the mouth of the WAKA RIVER. On 27 May in support of the Allied landing on BLACK ISLAND, 13 Liberators bombed coastal targets, starting two fires at BOONEX and scoring hits on the revetments at BOONEX. Following the landing, 7 Liberators escorted by Lightnings carried out neutralising attacks on airfields adjacent to BOONEX. On 28 May 6 Liberators bombed SERONI (JAPEN 13), destroying blugs and starting fires. 12 Mitchells attacked EABO and OLANIRI airfields, scoring direct hits on one transport 4/0 and 3 grounded fighters at the former airfield. Revetment and bivouac areas and blugs were attacked and fires started.

ABOE ISLAND: On 26 May a further 12 Mitchells bombed and strafed BOBO. The target area was well covered.

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3. ENEMY AIR OPERATIONS:

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: Ref. Digest 866 later reports indicate that on 27 May 14 enemy A/C attacked shipping and strafed troops and landing beaches at ELAK-ISLAND. Of these 9 were destroyed.

4. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: Photos taken on 24 May reveal the following; one 400 ton freighter, one 700 ton freighter transport, 32 luggers and 10 barges at MANOKWESI; one destroyer converted for mine-laying, one 250 ton freighter, one 2,300 ton freighter transport, 5 luggers and 20 barges at SOERONG. At 270001Z one 500/1000 ton freighter was sighted 40 miles S by W. of TIMIKA on a course NNE.

BORNEO: Ref. Digest 865 in sighting at TANI MAWI ISLAND, for one medium cargo vessel read medium cargo vessels.

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H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
30 May, 44.

MOVEMENT OF 27 AUST LT. LDY TO WONDECLA.

2. 3 O.Rs.
4 tons D.W. Stores.

Stores will be loaded at Roma Street (Goods) 1400 hrs Tuesday
30 May, 44 and depart by ordinary goods service same day.

Personnel will report to L.T.D. 1015 hrs Wednesday 31 May, 44 and entrain on P.501 same day.

31/5			
EXHIBITION	depart	1250 hrs.	
GYMPIE	arrive	1802 hrs.	
	depart	1855 hrs.	R.
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ROCKHAMPTON	arrive	0620 hrs.	
	depart	0820 hrs.	R.
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive	1230 hrs.	
	depart	1330 hrs.	R.
MACKAY	arrive	1700 hrs.	
	depart	1815 hrs.	R.
2/6 TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A.	0655 hrs.	

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms.
All Timings Zone K.

notes to Stores - R.T.O. Roma Street (Goods) will issue consignment
WONDECLA.

Personnel - R.T.O. EXHIBITION will issue Rail Warrants bulk second class to REDLYNCH. O.C. Train P1501 will issue meal requisitions as per Time Table.

On movement as arranged by 2/1 Just. Mov. & Tn. Gp. (A.I.F.).

Destination will be communication personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

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4A Lt.-Col.,
A.C.M.G. (M).

W. H. Thompson, Major
Lt.-Col.,
A. Q. M. G. (M).
W. H. Thompson

DISTRIBUTION:

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9/14	H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area.	
15/21	3 Aust. M. C. Gp.	
22	Major H. LE "Q" Maintenance.	
23	2 L. of C. Sub Area.	
24	D.A.D. Posts	
25	M.F.Q.	
26	L.T.D.	
27	Camp Commandant, Kedron Park Camp.	S.D.R.
28	27 Aust. Lt. Idy. C/- Camp Commandant, Kedron Park Camp.	"
29	R.T.O. Rema Street.	
30	" " " (Goods).	
31	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIRMAIL.
32	" MACKAY	"
33	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG
34	1 L. of C. Sub-Area.	" "
35	2/1 Aust. Mov. & Tn. Gp. (A.I.F.)	" "
36	Movements Cairns	AIR MAIL.
37	1 Aust. Corps	" "
38/39	War Diary.	
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ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

NO. 3670.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

30 May, 44.

MOVEMENT ADVANCED PARTY 2/13 AUST. COMP. A.I.F. REGT.
TO KAIRI (DETACH. TOLGA).

Reference Adv. L.H.Q. SD.3090 and QM2341, the above party will move to destination in accordance with the following arrangements.

2. 50 All Ranks.
3 Tons D.W. Stores.

3. LOADING OF STORES:

Stores will be loaded at Roma Street at 0900 hrs Wednesday 31 May, 44 into Baggage Car to be attached to P.501.

4. ENTRAINMENT.

Personnel will report to L.T.D. 1015 hrs 31 May, 44 and en-train on P.501 same day.

5. TIME TABLE.

31/5		
EXHIBITION	depart	1250 hrs.
GYMPIE	arrive	1802 hrs.
	depart	1855 hrs. R.
1/6		
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive	0620 hrs.
	depart	0820 hrs. R.
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive	1230 hrs.
	depart	1330 hrs. R.
MACKAY	arrive	1700 hrs.
	depart.	1815 hrs. R.
2/6		
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A.	0655 hrs.

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms.
All timings Zone K.

6. CONSIGNMENT NOTES RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS.

R.T.O. EXHIBITION will issue Consignment Notes to TOLGA and Rail Warrants bulk second class to REDLYNCH. O.C. Train P.501 will issue meal requisitions as per time table.

7. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE.

On movement as arranged by 2/1 Aust. Mov. & Tn. Gp. (A.I.F.)

8. SECURITY.

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Signed at 30 1510 K.

W. H. Herrington May
Lt.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G. (M).
W. H. Herrington

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15/21	3 Aust. M. C. Gp.	
22	Major HALE "Q" Maintenance.	
23	2 L. of C. Sub-Area.	
24	D.A.D. Posts.	
25	M.F.O.	
26	L.T.D.	
27	R.T.O. Roma Street.	S.D.R.
28	R.T.O. ROCKHAMPTON	"
29	" MACKAY	AIR MAIL.
30	" TOWNSVILLE	"
31	1 L. of C. Sub Area.	DIRECT BAG.
32	2/1 Aust. Mov. & Tn. GP. (A.I.F.)	"
33	Camp Staff Officer, CHERMSIDE.	"
34	2/13 Aust. Comp. A.A. Regt.	S.D.R.
35	Movements CAIRNS	"
36	1 Aust. Corps	AIRMAIL.
37/38	War Diary	"
39/40	File.	"

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

NO:- 04766

H.Q., Q'LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

30 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from GAYTHORNE on Wednesday, 31 May 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO NAMBOUR:- 2 Italian O.Rs.

TO GYMPIE:- 1 Italian O.R.

ESCORT:- W.162735 L/Cpl. BROWNE, R.L.

1 Aust.Grn.Bn. will act as escort.

1. MOVEMENT TO ROMA ST. STATION:- A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Roma Street Station, leaving Gaythorne at 0720 hours and arriving at Roma St. Station at 0750 hours.

Train departs 0820 hours, 31 May 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:- Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., Roma St.

3. RAIL WARRANTS:- As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O., Roma St. will issue bulk second class Warrants as follows:-

Roma St. to Nambour	..	2 P.W.
Roma St. to Gympie	..	1 P.W.
Roma St. to Gympie and return	..	1 Escort.

4. ARRIVAL CENTRE:- Escort will hand over to and receive receipts from O.C., Q2 P.W.C.C., Nambour, and O.C., Q3 P.W.C.C., Gympie.

5. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

(1) Nominal Roll in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers (2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area, and 1 copy to Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office).

(11) A.A. Form A.116 in respect of each P.W.

(111) Language Booklet for each P.W.

J.C. M. Darker, Capt.
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area
4. R.T.O., Roma St.
5. O.C., Q2 P.W.C.C., Nambour.
6. O.C., Q3 P.W.C.C., Gympie.
7. Internment Camp, Gaythorne
8. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp.
9. G.I. (Int.)
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11. 1 Aust.Grn.Bn.
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C/- Internment Camp,
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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

H.Q., Qld. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

NO:- 04809

30 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from Qld. L. of C. Area on Thursday, 1 Jun 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO COWRA:- 40 Japanese O.Rs.
ESCORT:- 1 Officer
2 N.C.Os.
8 O.Rs.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust.Grn.Bn. Officer in charge of Escort:- Q.197200 Lieut. T.V. SHIELDS.

1. MOVEMENT TO INTERSTATE STATION:-

A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Interstate Station, leaving Gaythorne at 1045 hours and arriving at South Brisbane at 1115 hours.

Train departs 1150 hours, 1 Jun 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:-

Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of Officer i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., South Brisbane.

3. MEAL ARRANGEMENTS:-

Internment Camp, Gaythorne, will arrange for a cut lunch to be provided for P.W. and escort, to be consumed after the departure of the train from South Brisbane. As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., the R.T.O. will issue F.59's to cover meals for P.W. and escort at Coff's Harbour and Gosford.

4. RAIL WARRANTS:-

As arranged with 3 Aust.Movt.Control Gp., R.T.O., South Brisbane, will issue second class Warrants as follows:-

South Brisbane to Cowra - 40 P.W.
South Brisbane to Liverpool - 11 Escorts,

5. ARRIVAL SYDNEY:-

H.Q., N.S.W. L. of C. Area will take over responsibility at Sydney and will arrange on-movement to, and relief of escort at, Liverpool.

Escort may be granted 24 hours leave in Sydney.

6. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

- (i) Nominal Roll, in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers (2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area, and 1 copy to Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office.
- (ii) A.A.Form A.111 in respect of each P.W.
- (iii) A.A.Form W.3000 for each P.W.
- (iv) History Sheet of P.W.

W. J. C. m. Tarkenton, Capt
W. J. C. m. Tarkenton, Capt
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.
Lt.-Col.

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- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.
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 5. H.Q., N.S.W. L. of C. Area - (AIR MAIL)
 6. R.T.O., Sydney - (AIR MAIL).
 7. Internment Camp, Gaythorne.
 8. 3 Aust.Movt.Control Grp.
 9. 1 Aust.Movt.Cont.Gp. (AIR MAIL)
 10. G.S. (Int.)
 11. 1 Aust.Grn.Bn.
 12. Officer i/c Escort, C/- 1 Aust.Grn.Bn.
 - 13-14. War Diary.
 - 15-16. File.
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DIGEST OF LHQ REVSIT NO. 671 yo 300115Z MAY

1. ALLIED LAND OPERATIONS:

NEW BRITAIN: On 26 May a report from a reliable source stated that 60 serviceable and well camouflaged enemy A/C were hidden beneath a grove of rubber trees approx. 1 mile SE TOBERA. The same source reports that an unknown number of floatplanes were hidden in a camouflaged passage at KUTUNUPAL on UTUAN ISLAND (DUKE OF YORK ISLAND). On 28 May a reliable native report stated that Japanese in the vicinity of RALABANG (4 miles SE TOBERA) were short of rations, were suffering from malnutrition and were poorly clad. / The enemy is training a native Bn near LONDIP (7 miles ESE TOBERA). Enemy guns at WAITAVALO (HENRY REID BAY) have been removed and taken by barge to RALUM (near KOKOPO). Troops from WAITAVALO have left for TOKA (5 miles SE of VUNAKANAU). Ref. Digest 866 enemy strength at ADLER BAY should read 250.

NEW GUINEA - AITAPE: On the night 27/28 May a fighting patrol to DOGRETO BAY killed several Japs and took one prisoner. Patrols made light contacts in the vicinity of YAKAMUL. On 28 May patrols encountered Japs estimated at 100, 2,500 yds W. of YAKAMUL. The enemy was engaged with the support of rocket fire from an LCM. The enemy broke contact which later was regained 1700 yds W. of YAKAMUL. Natives report that small parties of the enemy are located along the HARECH RIVER from a point 3 miles inland to YAKAMUL. On 24 May our patrols killed five Japanese and found an unstated "of dead" at LEITRE (23 miles ESE of VANIMO). Natives report that there are only a few Japanese near VANIMO.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA - HOLLANDIA: On 29 May 3 Dutch troops rescued in the TAMI AREA reported that the enemy movement Westward from WEWAK was continuing. Our patrol along the HOLTEKANG-GOYA track (a track from HUMBOLDT BAY, due South towards ARSO) contacted a Jap outpost manned by a force estimated at 25 at a point 6 miles SW of TAMI AIRFIELD. This outpost is believed to be covering the enemy escape route through ARSO. Our patrols inflicted further casualties on parties of Japanese encountered in the general HOLLANDIA AREA. Total enemy casualties are 2425 killed and 523 captured.

MAFFIN BAY - EASTERN SECTOR: On 27 May 50/60 Japs attacked the TOEK PERIMETER defences. Subsequently 53 Jap dead were counted. On 28 May an air observer reported that 30+ Japs were moving West in an area approx 4/6 miles E. of the TELENTOE RIVER.

MAFFIN BAY - WESTERN SECTOR: On 27 May our troops consolidated a right flank astride the coastal road 1 mile ESE of MAFFIN AIRFIELD. Strong enemy positions overlooking the area between Hill 225 and LONE TREE HILL prevented a further advance on the left flank. The enemy are strongly entrenched with numerous Machine Gun position in a gully 1400 yds SE of the Eastern end of the strip. On 28 May an enemy party numbering 25 was observed digging in at a point covering the coastal road 500 yds NE of Hill 225. The enemy attacked our positions 1000 yds SE of the strip. The attack was repulsed and 45 Japs were killed. Our forward troops estimate that between 2000 and 3000 enemy are in the area between WAKDE and SARAI, including 500 at MT SAKSIN (1300 yds S. of Hill 225). A further force estimated at 300 and operating in groups is moving S. of our perimeter from the W. to the E. On the night 25/26 May an Allied recce patrol landed at MARAKENA (2 miles W. of SARAI) and patrolled 3000 yds East along the coastal track. It is estimated that 50 Japs in the area were observed.

BLAK ISLAND - WESTERN SECTOR: On 28 May Allied troops advancing W. encountered strong opposition from enemy automatic weapons, mortars, and dual purpose guns located inland from MOKMER. The terrain to the Nth is reported to be almost impassible. On 29 May intense enemy fire forced our forward troops to withdraw to 2 1/2 miles NE of MOKMER VILLAGE after being temporarily cut off by an enemy road block. An unconfirmed report states that the enemy is using tanks. On 28 May heavy enemy fire was encountered from caves 1 mile North of IBDI (3 miles W. of BOSNEK). It is reported that the enemy expected our initial landing to be effected in the vicinity of MOKMER and consequently located their defences to cover the airfields and all approaches thereto.

2. ALLIED AIR OPERATIONS:

SOLOMONS: On 28 May fighter bombers flew a total of 45 sorties, attacking the RUIN-FAISI and BUKA PASSAGE AREAS.

NEW BRITAIN: On 23 May 23 Mitchells and 12 Lightnings bombed the airfield at LAKUNAI. 22 Dauntlesses and 17 Avengers bombed the airfield at VUNAKANAU. 28 Dauntlesses, 14 Avengers, 21 Airacobras and 12 Warhawks bombed the airfield at TOBERA. Photos revealed 30 craters on the runway.

NEW GUINEA: On 28 May 61 Bostons, 9 Beauforts, 7 Thunderbolts and 7 Airacobras bombed and strafed troop concentrations and supply areas at WEWAK. The targets generally were well covered. On 29 May 4 Mitchells and 33 Bostons bombed A/A positions and bivouac areas in the vicinity of ROT and DAGUA. All bombs fell in the target areas.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: Early on the morning of 27 May a further 25 Liberators in support of the Allied landing bombed beach defences at the SE end of BLAK ISLAND. Most of the bombs fell in the target area, starting several large fires in the vicinity of BOSNEK. On 28 May 6 Mitchells bombed BORIDO VILLAGE. On 29 May 29 Liberators in support of ground forces dropped 80 tons of bombs on enemy troop positions N. and E. of MOKMER. An unstated number of Mitchells and Bostons gave continuous close support to the Allied task force, hitting gun positions and starting many fires. Two of three enemy fighters were destroyed by naval fire. On 28 May 15 Liberators bombed the airfields at KAIRI and NAMBER. Most of the bombs fell in the target areas starting several large fuel fires and rendering three grounded A/C unserviceable. Six Liberators bombed the airfield at RAMSIKI. Most of the bombs fell in the target area. One Liberator intercepted and destroyed one enemy bomber at MANOKWARI. A further 11 Mitchells bombed and strafed the airfields at BABO, and OTAWIRI, destroying one grounded bomber at BABO.

CERAM: On 28 May 9 Liberators bombed BOELA, scoring hits on the main jetty and enemy installations. The above Liberators were intercepted by five fighters over JEFMAN ISLAND.

CENTRAL PACIFIC: On 26 May 23 SWPA Liberators bombed the airfield at WOLEAI ISLAND, starting four large fires and setting two grounded twin engined A/C on fire.

3. ENEMY AIR OPERATIONS:

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: Early on the morning of 29 May three fighters strafed Allied ground forces on BLAK ISLAND. One fighter was destroyed by A/A fire. Later in the same day a further three fighters in the same area were intercepted and destroyed by Thunderbolts.

4. ALLIED SEA OPERATIONS:

NEW IRELAND: On the morning of 29 May Naval Units shelled seven villages in the vicinity of MEDINA PLANTATION (44 miles SE KAVIENG).

4. ALLIED SEA OPERATIONS (contd)

NEW BRITAIN: On the night 27/28 May PT boats strafed EA-EA.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: On 28 May naval units in support of our ground troops bombarded enemy positions at BIAK ISLAND.

5. ENEMY SIGHTINGS:

NEW IRELAND: At 280630Z two 650/800 ton cargo vessels were underway in KAVIENG HARBOUR.

DUTCH NEW GUINEA: At 281350Z one U/I vessel was sighted 11 miles NE of CAPE BOSNOISBARI (Nth of SOEPIORI ISLAND - SCHOUTEN ISLANDS). At 280225Z one possible stack-aft vessel (500 tons) was sighted 1 mile off shore SW of KAMIRI strip. At 271700Z four U/I vessels (two of which possibly were destroyers) were manoeuvring outside MANOKWARI HARBOUR and 2 U/A vessels were stationary in the harbour. At 280400Z one U/L vessel was in SELE STRAIT (between SALAWATI ISLAND and the mainland of NW DUTCH NEW GUINEA). On the morning of 28 May one 500/1000 ton stack aft vessel was sighted at BABO and was sunk by Mitchells.

GORONG ISLANDS: At 280445Z 2 possible stackaft vessels (500/1000 tons) were sighted 1 mile W. of the S. tip of MANAWOKA IS.

TOBI ISLAND: At 270530Z two 1500 ton merchant vessels were stationary at TOBI ISLAND (160 miles E by N of the Nthn tip of the HALMAHERA GROUP).

CELEBES: On the afternoon of 28 May one seaplane carrier (SANYO MARU class) was sighted 85 miles NNW of the NE tip of the CELEBES.

6. ENEMY SEA OPERATIONS:

AUSTRALIA: On the night 28/29 May one submarine unsuccessfully fired six torpedoes at an Allied vessel 150 miles ESE of CAPE HOWE

HQ JLD L OF C AREA

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ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

NO. 3693.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE,
31 May, 44.

SEA FREIGHT MOVEMENT ORDER NO. 50 (INWARES).

Advice has been received that the "G HEBBARD" is due to arrive at BRISBANE in the near future and has for discharge the following cargo:-

Serial	Service	Cargo.	Tons (M)
1	B.I.P.O.D.	7740 Heavy empty 44 gall drums 2263 Light " " " "	2938

2. Services concerned will keep close liaison with Port M.C.O., Capt. ALLSOP (B6197), who will advise wharf and time of discharge.

3. Lieut. LONGDEN, C.T.O., will be in charge of offloading and delivery of cargo.

Signed at

311110 K

Alfred Jones
Lt.-Col.,
H.Q.M.G. (M),

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Victoria Barracks,
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31 MAY 1944

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Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office.

District Accounts Office (Q'ld.).

Capt. Admin.

War Diary (2).

RAISING OF AAOC UNITS FOR 1 AUST BASE SUB AREA -
16 AUST ADV ORD DEPOT
3 AUST RETURNED STORES DEPOT
5 8 AUST ORD VEH PARK
13 AUST ADV AMN DEPOT (TYPE A)

Reference L.H.Q. SM.5346 of 18 May 44.

Amendments to COB, AMF, may be anticipated providing for the addition of certain AAOC units and it is desired that action be taken forthwith by D.D.O.S. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area in accordance with Appendix "A" attached hereto.

2. It is desired that the raising and equipping of units, vide Appendix "A", be completed not later than 15 Jun 44.

3. Personnel for units vide col 4 of Appendix "A" will be provided as follows:-

- (a) Officers will be posted by LHQ (MS).
- (b) Other ranks personnel will be transferred to the new units from existing AAOC units as nominated in separate instructions by L.H.Q.

Personnel withdrawn from existing units may be replaced by 2 Ech L.H.Q. as and when replacements become available.

4. D.D.O.S. H.Q., Q'ld L of C Area will arrange the issue of unit equipment as follows:-

- 16 AOD in accordance with WET E2/502;
- 5 8 Aust Org Veh Pk, WET E2/176A;
- 13 Aust AAF, WET E2/501;
- 3 RSD, under separate instructions from LHQ (DOS).

Single green clothing will not be issued.

5. The Comd of each new unit, or such other officer as he may nominate, will report to Q'ld L. of C Area Records Office for instruction in unit records procedure.

6. Movement of the abovenamed units to 1 Aust Base Sub Area will be the subject of separate instructions from LHQ.

7. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area will be advised when the above instructions have been implemented and units are available for movement.

8. Acknowledge.


for A.A.G. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area. Capt.,

AAOC UNITS FOR 1 AUST BASE SUB AREA - RAISING OP.

1 Serial No.	2 Action by	3 Action	4 UNIT		5 War Establishment				6 To be drawn from	7 Personnel			8 Remarks
			War Office Serial No	Designation	Ref No	O	ORs	T		Offrs	O/Rs	Total	
1	HQ Qld L of C Area	Raise and equip for LHQ	92338	16 Aust Adv Ord Depot consisting of :-									Personnel withdrawn from existing units wide column 6 may be replaced by 2 Echelon LHQ as and when replacements become available.
				(a) A HQ of an Adv Ord Depot	IV/76/2	27	189	216					
				(b) An MT Spares Section	IV/76B/1	1	25	26					
				(c) A General Stores & Clothing Section	IV/76C/1	1	38	39					
				(d) A Technical Stores Section	IV/76D/1	1	26	27					
				(e) A Provision Section (Type B)	IV/76E/1	4	38	42					
				(f) A Clerical Increment	IV/76F/1	-	27	27					
				(g) Three Stores Increments	IV/76G/1	3	93	96	AAOC Units to be nominated by LHQ	37	436	473	
				Total 16 Aust Adv Ord Depot		37	436	473	Total	37	436	473	
2	HQ Qld L of C Area	Raise and equip for LHQ	92339	3 Aust Returned Stores Depot consisting of :-									Personnel with-drawn from existing units wide column 6 may be replaced by 2 Echelon LHQ as and when replacements become available.
				(a) A HQ of an RSD	IV/84D/1	2	32	34					
				(b) Two Returned Stores Sections	IV/84E/1	2	66	68					
				(c) A Stores Increment	IV/76G/1	1	31	32	AAOC Units to be nominated by LHQ	5	129	134	
				Total 3 Aust Returned Stores Depot		5	129	134	Total	5	129	134	

1	2	3	4		5				6	7			8
Serial No	Action by	Action	UNIT		War Establishment				To be drawn from	Personnel			Remarks
			War Office Serial No	Designation	Ref No	O	O/Rs	T		O	ORs	T	
3	HQ Qld L of C Area	Raise and equip for LHQ	92340	% 8 Aust Ord Veh Park (LE) consisting of:- (a) A Nucleus HQ and HQ Coy Ord Veh Park (b) A Veh Park Coy (less 1 platoon) * Total % 8 Aust Ord Veh Park (LE)	IV/85B/1	2	26	28	AAOC Units to be nominated by LHQ				* Vide approved nucleus W.E. issued separately with SM5227 dated 17 May 44. Personnel withdrawn from existing units vide column 6 may be replaced by 2 Echelon LHQ as and when replacements become available.
						3	74	77		5	100	105	
						5	100	105		5	100	105	
4	HQ Qld L of C Area	Raise and equip for LHQ	92341	13 Aust Adv Amn Depot (Type A) consisting of:- (a) A HQ of an Adv Amn Depot (b) An Ammunition Company Total 13 Aust Adv Amn Depot	IV/77A/2	6	76	82	AAOC Units to be nominated by LHQ				Personnel withdrawn from existing units vide column 6 may be replaced by 2 Echelon LHQ as and when replacements become available.
						2	50	52		8	126	134	
						8	126	134		8	126	134	

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Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office.

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Capt. Admin.

War Diary (2).

81 MAY 1944.

RAISING OF AAOC UNITS FOR 2 AUST BASE SUB AREA -
17 AUST ADV ORD DEPOT
4 AUST RETURNED STORES DEPOT
% 10 AUST ORD VEH PARK
14 AUST ADV AMN DEPOT (TYPE A)

Reference L.H.Q. SM.5806 of 25 May 44.

Amendments to OOB, AMF, may be anticipated, providing for the addition of certain AAOC units and D.D.O.S. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area will please take action in accordance with Appendix "A" attached hereto and the following instructions.

2. It is desired that the raising and equipping of units, vide Appendix "A", be completed not later than 15 Jul 44.

3. Personnel for units vide col 4 of appendix "A" will be provided as follows:-

- (a) Officers will be posted by LHQ (MS).
- (b) Other Ranks personnel will be transferred to the new units from existing AAOC units as nominated in separate instructions by LHQ.

Personnel withdrawn from existing units may be replaced by 2 Ech LHQ as and when replacements become available.

4. D.D.O.S. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area will arrange the issue of unit equipment as follows:-

- 17 AOD in accordance with WET E2/502;
- % 10 Aust Ord Veh Pk, WET E2/176A;
- 14 Aust AAD, WET E2/501;
- 4 RSD, under separate instructions from LHQ (DOS).

Jungle green clothing will not be issued.

5. The Comd of each new unit, or such other officer as he may nominate, will report to Q'ld L. of C Area Records Office for instruction in unit records procedure.

6. Movement of the abovenamed units to 2 Aust Base Sub Area will be the subject of separate instructions from LHQ.

7. H.Q., Q'ld L. of C Area will be advised when the above instructions have been implemented and the Units are available for movement.

8. Acknowledge.


for A.A.G. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area. Capt.

AAOC UNITS FOR 2 AUST BASE SUB AREA - RAISING OF.

1	2	3	4		5				6	7			8
Serial No	Action by	Action	UNIT		War Establishment				To be drawn from	Personnel			Remarks
			War Office Serial No	Designation	Ref No	O	ORA	T		O	ORA	T	
1	HQ Qld L of C Area	Raise and equip for LHQ	92342	17 Aust Adv Ord Depot consisting of:- (a) A HQ of an Adv Ord Depot (b) An MT. Spares Section (c) A General Stores & Clothing Section (d) A Technical Stores Section (e) A Provision Section (Type B) (f) A Clerical Increment (g) Three Stores Increments Total 17 Aust Adv Ord Depot	IV/76/2 IV/76B/1 IV/76C/1 IV/76D/1 IV/76E/1 IV/76F/1 IV/76G/1	27 1 1 1 1 4 -	189 25 38 26 38 27 93	216 26 39 27 42 27 96	AAOC Units to be nominated by LHQ	37 37	436 436	473 473	Personnel withdrawn from existing units vide column 6 may be replaced by 2 Echelon LHQ as and when replacements become available.
2	HQ Qld L of C Area	Raise and equip for LHQ	92343	4 Aust Returned Stores Depot consisting of:- (a) A HQ of an RSD (b) Two Returned Stores Sections (c) A Stores Increment Total 4 Aust Returned Stores Depot	IV/84D/1 IV/84E/1 IV/76G/1	2 2 1	32 66 31	34 68 32	AAOC Units to be nominated by LHQ	5 5	129 129	134 134	Personnel withdrawn from existing units vide column 6 may be replaced by 2 Echelon LHQ as and when replacements become available.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Serial No	Action by	Action	Unit	War Establishment	To be drawn from	Personnel	Remarks
			War Office Serial No. Designation	Ref No O ORs T		O ORs T	
3	HQ Qld L of C Area	Raise and equip for LHQ	92344 10 Aust Ord Veh Park (LE) consisting of:- (a) A Nucleus) HQ and HQ Coy Ord Veh Park (b) A Veh Park Coy (less 1 platoon) * Total 10 Aust Ord Veh Park (LE)	IV/85B/1 2 26 28 3 74 77 5 100 105	AAOC Units to be nominated by LHQ	5 100 105 5 100 105	* Vide approved nucleus WE issued separately with SM5507 dated 25 May 44. Personnel withdrawn from existing units vide column 6 may be replaced by 2 Echelon LHQ as and when replacements become available.
4	HQ Qld L of C Area	Raise and equip for LHQ	92345 14 Aust Adv Arm Depot (Type A) consisting of:- (a) A HQ of an) Adv Arm Depot (b) Arm Ammunition Company Total 14 Aust Adv Arm Depot	IV/77A/2 6 76 82 2 50 52 8 126 134	AAOC Units to be nominated by LHQ	8 126 134 8 126 134	Personnel withdrawn from existing units vide column 6 may be replaced by 2 Echelon LHQ as and when replacements become available.

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Brisbane.

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31 MAY 1944

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Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office.

District Accounts Office (Q'ld.).

Capt. Admin.

War Diary (2).

D.D.M.S.

REORGANIZATION OF CERTAIN AUST GEN TPT COYS AND
AUST COYS AASC.

Reference L.H.Q. SM.5450 of 23 May 44.

Approval has been given for the reorganization of certain AASC Transport Units operating under tropical conditions.

Accordingly, a number of amendments to the OOB, AMF, will shortly be issued in respect of certain AASC units under command of HQ's First Aust Army and Q'ld. L. of C. Area. These amendments may be anticipated and D.D.S.T. will please take action in accordance with the following instructions and Appendix "A" & "B". Appendix "A" is attached hereto, Appendix "B" will be issued at an early date.

2. Transfers and/or promotions of personnel from the units referred to in Appendix "A" & "B" will not be permitted unless authorised by LHQ. In this regard, Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office will not promulgate such transfers and/or promotions unless LHQ authority is quoted.
3. (a) Particulars of the Officers transferred or reposted, consequent upon the implementation of this instruction, will be forwarded as soon as possible to this H.Q.
(b) Nominations of Officers for postings required to complete the units to be raised vide Appendix "A" & "B" will be forwarded to this H.Q. if available, for approval by L.H.Q.
4. Officers, who cannot be absorbed within the units to be raised, vide Appendix "A" & "B", will be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of GRO A13 /44.
5. The units to be raised in accordance with this instruction and Appendix "A" & "B" will be completed to WE:-
 - (i) as far as possible by absorption of suitable other ranks personnel from units to be disbanded vide Appendix "A" & "B".
 - (ii) remainder required to complete to WE through 2 Ech LHQ channels, as and when, available in accordance with existing priorities.

6. A Nominal Roll of O/Rs personnel, who cannot be absorbed within W.E. of the Units to be raised, in accordance with their rank and/or trade classification and showing the details as listed hereunder will be forwarded to this H.Q. as soon as possible.

No.
Rank.
Name:
Trade Classification:
Medical Classification: (in respect of WOs & NCOs only) age.
Whether AIF or CMF:

7. D.D.S.T. will ensure that all WO's and NCO's made available to 2 Ech. L.H.Q. are reduced to their substantive rank, and the particulars forwarded vide Para 6 above will include substantive ranks only.

8. Comds of the units to be disbanded vide Appendix "A" & "B" will be responsible for the completion of unit records to the satisfaction of Q'ld. L. of C. Area Records Office and D.F.O. In this regard, particular attention will be given to investigations in accordance with GPO A813/43 relative to members illegally absent.

9. Personnel being absorbed vide paragraph 5 (1) will be transferred with personal arms and equipment.

Jungle green clothing will not be issued.

10. D.D.S.T. will arrange for -

(i) Equipment for the units to be raised vide Appendix "A" & "B" will, as far as practicable, be provided by the transfer of equipment on charge to the Units to be disbanded.

(ii) Additional equipment required to complete these units to WET will be issued under arrangements to be made by D.D.C.S. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area in accordance with WETs to be issued shortly.

(iii) Equipment on charge to the units to be disbanded which is not provided for on the new WETs will be returned to Ordnance under directions of D.D.C.S. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

(iv) Vehicles will be released under separate instructions being issued by L.H.Q.

11. It is desired that the raising of the units referred to in Appendix "A" be completed not later than 20 Jun 44.

12. H.Q., Q'ld. L. of C. Area will be advised when the above instructions have been implemented.


Capt.
for A.A.G. H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)				(f)			(g)	(h)
Serial	Action and nby whom taken	War Office Serial No	Unit	War Establishment				Poated Strength as at 29 Apr 44			Allotment SM4238 of 26 Apr 44 refers	Remarks
				WE Ref No	O	ORS	T	O	ORS	T		
11	HQ Qld L of C Area											
	(a) DISBAND	61379	2/107 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (Three Tpt Pls)					9	277	286		Units will be completed to v Str-ength vide paragraph 5 (1) and (11) of instruction.
	(b) RAISE:-	92290	2/19 Aust Tpt Pl (TS)	III/710/1	2	97	99				See Serial 10 and Appendix "R" to be issued.	
		92291	2/20 Aust Tpt Pls (TS)	III/710/1	2	97	99					
		92292	2/21 Aust Tpt Pls (TS)	III/710/1	2	97	99					
		92293	2/1 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment	III/718/1	1	25	26					
		92294	2/2 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment	III/710/1	1	25	26					
		92295	2/3 Aust Amphibious Veh Increment	III/718/1	1	25	26					
						9	366	375	9	277		

(a) Serial	(b) Action and by whom taken	(c) War Office Serial No.	(d) Unit	(e) War Establishment				(f) Posted Strength as at 29 Apr 44			(g) Allotment SM238 of 26 Apr 44 refers	(h) Remarks
				WE Ref No	O	ORS	T	O	ORS	T		
7	HQ Old I. of C Area (a) DISBAND (b) RAISE:-	47942 47942 92274 92275 92276 92277	2/153 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (Three Tpt Pls) HQ 2/153 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (TS) 2/7 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 2/8 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 2/9 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 153 Aust Wkshop Pl (TS)	II/147/1 II/148/1 II/148/1 II/148/1 II/148/1 II/148/1	3 2 2 2 2 1	25 97 97 97 97 23	28 99 99 99 99 24	5	315	320	7 Aust Div.	Units will be completed to W.E. Strength vide paragraph 5 (1) and (11) of instruction.
					10	339	349	5	315	320		
8	HQ Old I. of C Area (a) DISBAND (b) RAISE:-	48428 48428 92282 92283 92284 92285	2/156 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (Three Tpt Pls) HQ 2/156 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (TS) 2/13 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 2/14 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 2/15 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 2/156 Aust Wkshop Pl (TS)	II/147/1 II/148/1 II/148/1 II/148/1 II/148/1 II/148/1	3 2 2 2 2 1	25 97 97 97 97 23	28 99 99 99 99 24	8	345	353	9 Aust Div.	* For instructions regarding disposal of personnel refer to paragraph 5 (1) and 6 of instruction.
					10	339	349	8	345	353		
9	HQ Old I. of C Area (a) DISBAND (b) RAISE:-	61376 61377 92301 92303 92304 92305	2/105 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (Three Tpt Pls) HQ 2/105 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (TS) 2/27 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 2/28 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 2/29 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 2/105 Aust Wkshop Pl (TS) One Tpt Pl (TS) One Amphibious Veh Increment	III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1	3 2 2 2 2 1 1 1	25 97 97 97 97 23 23 23	28 99 99 99 99 24 24 24	10	333	343	2 Base Sub Area	(1) Units will be completed to W.E. strength vide paragraph 5 (1) and (11) of this instruction. (11) will be nominated later and personnel will be trained in the use of DUKWS
					10	339	349	10	333	343		
10	HQ Old I. of C Area (a) DISBAND (b) RAISE:-	61373 61373 92314 92315 92316 92317	2/102 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (Four Tpt Pls) HQ 2/102 Aust Gen Tpt Coy (TS) 2/26 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 2/37 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) 2/38 Aust Tpt Pl (TS) One Tpt Pl (TS) One Amphibious Veh Increment Ex Serial 11 2/102 Aust Wkshop Pl (TS)	III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1 III/712/1	3 2 2 2 2 1 1 1	25 97 97 97 97 23 23 23	28 99 99 99 99 24 24 24	10	449	459	1 Aust Base Sub Area	(1) The Tpt Pl and Amphibious Veh Increment will not be transferred to 2/102 Aust Gen Tpt Coy until personnel have completed trg in the use of DUKWS. (11) * For instructions regarding disposal of personnel refer paragraphs 5 (1) and 6 of instruction.
					10	339	349	10	449	459		

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ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

NO. 3708.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
31 May, 44.

MOVEMENT OF 3 A.A.P.I.U. TO BARRINE.

Reference Adv. L.H.Q. SD.3090 and QM.231, the above Unit will move to Barrine Friday the 2 June, 44 in accordance with the following arrangements.

2.

1 Officer.
8 O.Rs.

$\frac{1}{2}$ ton Stores.

3. STORES.

Stores will be loaded at Roma Street Station at 0900 hrs Friday 2 Jun. 44 into Baggage Car to be attached to P.501.

4. ENTRAINMENT.

Personnel will report to L.T.D. at 1015 hrs Friday 2 June, 44 and entrain on P.501 same day.

5. TIME TABLE:

2/7			
EXHIBITION	depart	1250 hrs	
GYMPIE	arrive	1802 hrs	
	depart	1855 hrs	R.
3/7			
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive	0620 hrs	
	depart	0820 hrs	R.
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive	1230 hrs	
	depart	1330 hrs	R.
MACKAY	arrive	1700 hrs	
	depart	1815 hrs	R.
4/7			
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A.	0655 hrs	

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms.
All timings Zone K.

6. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS.

R.T.O. EXHIBITION will issue Consignment Notes to TOLGA and Rail Warrants bulk second class to Redlynch. O.C. Train P.501 will issue Meal Requisitions as per Time Table.

7. ARRIVAL TOWNSVILLE.

On Movement as arranged by 2/1 Aust. Mov. & Tr. Gp. (A.I.F.)

8. SECURITY:

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Signed at. 311300K.

P. H. Thompson
P. Lt.-Col.,
A.O.M.G. (M).

DISTRIBUTION:

1/4	First Aust Army	
5	L.H.Q. (Movement)	AIR MAIL.
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov.)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area.	
15/21	3 Aust. M. C. Gp.	
22	Major HALE "Q" Maintenance.	
23	2 L. of C. Sub Area.	
24	D.A.D. Posts.	
25	M.F.O.	
26	L.T.D.	
27	Camp Staff Officer GROVELY	S.D.R.
28	3 A.A.P.I.U. C/- Camp Staff Officer GROVELY	"
29	R.T.O. Roma Street.	
30	" ROCKHAMPTON	AIRMAIL
31	" MACKAY	"
32	" TOWNSVILLE	DIRECT BAG.
33	1 L. of C. Sub-Area.	" "
34	2/1 Aust. Mov. & Tn. Gp. (A.I.F.)	" "
35	Movements CAIRNS	AIR MAIL.
36	1 Aust. Corps	" "
37/38	War Diary.	
39/40	File.	

JA/MD. (31/5) IMMEDIATE.

SECRET.

M.C.G. 56/1/17.
M.C.O. 2/293.

COPY NO. 43

ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST-PACIFIC AREA.

NO. 3709.

H.Q. Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
31 May, 44.

MOVEMENT OF ALLIED FORCES.

93 AIR DROME SQUADRON - BRISBANE TO TOWNSVILLE.

Reference Movement Order 191 H.Q. Base Section 3, the above Unit will move to TOWNSVILLE, in accordance with the following arrangements.

2. Serial-1.

Organization Equipment 138938 lbs.

4 Tractors.

4 Refuelling Tanks.

4 E.M.

Serial 2

6 Officers.

142 T.M.

1050 lbs Baggage.

3. SERIAL 1.

Serial 1 will report to R.T.O. ROMA STREET (Goods) at 0900 hrs Thursday 1 Jun 44 and will depart by ordinary goods service same day. Escorts will be on travelling allowance to Townsville.

4. SERIAL 2.

Serial 2 will load baggage at 0900 hrs Saturday 3 Jun, 44 into baggage car to be attached to P.501.

5. ENTRAINMENT.

Personnel will report to R.T.O. EXHIBITION at 1200 hrs Saturday 3 Jun, 44 and entrain on P.501.

6. TIME TABLE.

3/6		
EXHIBITION	depart	1250 hrs.
GYMPIE	arrive	1802 hrs.
	depart	1855 hrs. R.
4/6		
ROCKHAMPTON	arrive	0620 hrs.
	depart	0820 hrs. R.
ST. LAWRENCE	arrive	1230 hrs.
	depart	1330 hrs. R.
MACKAY	arrive	1700 hrs.
	depart	1815 hrs. R.
5/6		
TOWNSVILLE	E.T.A.	0655 hrs.

R - Railway Refreshment Rooms.
All timings Zone K.

W. S. R.

7. CONSIGNMENT NOTES, RAIL WARRANTS AND MEAL REQUISITIONS.

Serial 1, consignment notes and rail warrants bulk second class as arranged by H.Q. Base Section 3.

Serial 2, rail warrants bulk second class as arranged by H.Q. Base Section 3. O.C. Train P.501 will issue Meal Requisitions as per Time Table.

8. SECRECY.

Destination will be communicated personally and secretly only to those Officers who are directly concerned, and from whom action is required.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 2/11/50 K.

Lt.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G. (M).

DISTRIBUTION:-

1/4	First Aust. Army	
5	L.H.Q. (Mov.)	AIR MAIL
6/8	Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov.)	
9/14	H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area	
15/21	3 Aust. M. C. Gp.	
22	Major H.L.E. Q Maintenance.	
23	D.A.D. Posts.	
24	2 L. of C. Sub-Area.	
25	M.F.O.	
26	U.S. H.Q. MELBOURNE, G/ T.H.Q. (Mov.)	AIR MAIL
27/28	U.S. H.Q. BRISBANE.	S.D.R.
29	U.S. Transportation Officer.	"
30/31	U.S. Rail Transport Officer.	"
32	O.C. Train, P.501, c/- R.T.O. ROMA STREET	"
33	R.T.O. ROMA STREET (Goods)	"
34	" ROMA STREET.	"
35	L.T.D.	S.D.R.
36	R.T.O. ROCKHAMPTON	AIR MAIL.
37	" MACKAY	"
38	" TOWNSVILLE	"
39	1 L. of C. Sub-Area.	DIRECT BAG.
40	2/1 Aust. Mov. & Tr. Gp. A.I.F.	"
41	U.S. H.Q. TOWNSVILLE.	"
42/43	War Diary.	"
44/45	File.	"

PW/GH

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AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

H.Q., Q'LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

NO:- 04810

31 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from GAYTHORNE on Thursday, 1 Jun 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO GYMPIE:- 11 Italian O.Rs.

ESCORT:- 1 N.C.O.
1 O.R.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.

N.C.O. i/c Escort:- Q.140609 L/CPL. POWER, T.

1. MOVEMENT TO ROMA ST. STATION:- A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld.L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Roma Street Station, leaving Gaythorne at 0720 hours and arriving at Roma St. Station at 0750 hours.

Train departs 0820 hours, 1 Jun 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:- Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., Roma St.

3. RAIL WARRANTS:- As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O., Roma St. will issue bulk second class Warrants as follows:-

Roma St. to Gympie .. 11 P.W.

Roma St. to Gympie
and return. .. 2 Escorts.

4. ARRIVAL GYMPIE:- Escort will hand over and receive receipts from O.C., Q3 P.W.C.C., Lieut. McINNES.

5. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

(1) Nominal Roll in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers
(2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area, and 1 copy to Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office).

(11) A.A. Form A.116 in respect of each P.W.

(111) Language Booklet for each P.W.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld.L. of C. Area
4. R.T.O., Roma St.
5. O.C., Q3 P.W.C.C., Red Hill, Gympie
6. Internment Camp, Gaythorne.
7. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp.
8. G.I. (Int.)
9. 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
10. N.C.O., i/c Escort, C/- Internment Camp, GAYTHORNE.
- 11-12. War Diary
- 13-14. File.

J.C. Fairlane, Capt
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.

W. S. Sear

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

NO: 04811

H.Q., Q'LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

31 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from GAYTHORNE on Thursday, 1 Jun 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO STANTHORPE:- 9 Italian O.Rs.

ESCORT:- 1 N.C.O.
1 O.R.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.

N.C.O. i/c of Escort:- Q.187060 Cpl. IRELAND, W.

1. MOVEMENT TO ROMA ST. STATION:- A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Roma Street Station, leaving Gaythorne at 0640 hours and arriving at Roma St. Station at 0710 hours.

Train departs 0745 hours, 1 Jun 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:- Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of N.C.O. i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., Roma St.

3. RAIL WARRANTS:- As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O., Roma St. will issue bulk second class Warrants as follows:-

Roma St. to Stanthorpe .. 9 P.W.

Roma St. to Stanthorpe
and return. .. 2 Escorts

4. ARRIVAL STANTHORPE:- N.C.O. i/c Escort will hand over to and receive receipts from O.C., Q1 P.W.C.C., Capt. R. CHRIST.

5. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

(1) Nominal Roll in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers (2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area), and 1 copy to Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office.

(11) A.A. Form A.116 in respect of each P.W.

(111) Language Booklet for each P.W.

J. C. M. Farlane, Capt
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area
4. R.T.O., Roma St.
5. O.C., Q1 P.W.C.C., Stanthorpe
6. Internment Camp, Gaythorne
7. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp.
8. G.I.(Int.)
9. N.C.O. i/c Escort
10. 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
- 11-12. War Diary
- 13-14. File

AUSTRALIAN MILITARY FORCES.

NO:- 04812

H.Q., Q'LAND. L. OF C. AREA,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.

31 May 44.

MOVEMENT OF P.W.

The following P.W. will move from GAYTHORNE on Thursday, 1 Jun 44, in accordance with the arrangements set out hereunder:-

TO EUMUNDI:- 7 Italian O.Rs.

ESCORT:- 1 N.C.O.
1 O.R.

Escort will be supplied by 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
N.C.O. in Charge of Escort:-

Q.50734 L/Cpl. HEDGES, G.T.

1. MOVEMENT TO ROMA ST. STATION:- A.Q.M.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area will arrange for transport to convey P.W. and escort to Roma Street Station, leaving Gaythorne at 0720 hours and arriving at Roma St. Station at 0750 hours.

Train departs 0820 hours, 1 Jun 44.

2. ENTRAINING ARRANGEMENTS:- Entraining arrangements will be carried out under supervision of N.C.O. i/c Escort. Carriage accommodation will be indicated by the R.T.O., Roma St.

3. RAIL WARRANTS:- As arranged with 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp., R.T.O., Roma St. will issue bulk second class Warrants as follows:-

Roma St. to Eumundi	..	7 P.W.
Roma St. to Eumundi	..	2 Escorts
and return.		

4. ARRIVAL EUMUNDI:- N. C.O. i/c Escort will hand over to and receive receipts from O.C., Q7 P.W.C.C., Capt. GRIFFITHS.

5. DOCUMENTS:- Escort will carry the following documents:-

- (1) Nominal Roll in triplicate, quoting P.W. numbers (2 copies also to be supplied to H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area Records Office).
- (11) A.A. Form A.116 in respect of each P.W.
- (111) Language Booklet for each P.W.

G. M. Farlane, Capt
Lt.-Col.,
A.A.G., H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area.

DISTRIBUTION:-

- 1-3. H.Q., Qld. L. of C. Area
- 4. R.T.O., Roma St.
- 5. O.C., Q7 P.W.C.C., Kenilworth.
- 6. Internment Camp, Gaythorne
- 7. 3 Aust. Movt. Control Gp.
- 8. G.S. (Int.)
- 9. 1 Aust. Grn. Bn.
- 10. N.C.O. i/c Escort,
C/- Internment Camp
GAYTHORNE.
- 11-12. War Diary
- 13-14. File.

AMJ/MD. (31/5) IMMEDIATE.

SECRET.

M.C.G. 82/3/1564
M.C.O. Q/294.

COPY NO. 40.

ALLIED LANDFORCES IN SOUTH WEST PACIFIC AREA.

H.Q., Movement Control,
Victoria Barracks,
BRISBANE.
31 May, 44.

NO. 3719.

With reference to Adv. L.H.Q. Movement Order 225 of 27 May, 44,
it is advised that the following personnel will disembark at BRISBANE
in the near future.

Ser- ial	Unit.	Off	ORS.	tal	Stores Tons (M)	Vehs.	Disposal.
1.	1 Aust. Tk. Bn.	27	443	470	20	-	KALINGA.
2.	H.Q. 29 Inf. Bde.	5	42	47	6	-	"
3.	2/9 Aust. Fd. Coy.	7	247	254	60	-	"
4.	33 Aust. W/T Sec.	1	27	28	108	-	"
5.	34 Aust. W/T Sec.	2	20	22	8	-	"
6.	14 Aust. C.R.E.	4	12	16	3	-	"
7.	16 Aust. Tech. Maint. Sec.	1	19	20	5	-	"
8.	11 Aust. Fd. Coy.	6	206	212	73	-	"
9.	2 Aust. Air Maint. Coy.	2	73	75	-	-	"
10.	18 Aust. Sup. Dep. Pl.	1	32	33	3	-	"
11.	15 Aust. Inf. Bn.	29	579	608	70	-	"
12.	15 Pl. D. Coy. 2/1 Gl. Regt.	1	36	37	1	-	"
13.	312 L.A.D.	-	15	15	3	-	"
14.	Det. 5 Aust. Prov. Sec.	-	15	15	-	-	"
15.	7 Aust. Fd. Amb.	10	180	90	55	-	"
16.	N.G. Details	5	4	9	-	-	L.T.D.
17.	104 Bde. Wkshop	3	125	128	29	-	KALINGA.
18.	104 Bde. Ord. Fd. Pk.	1	13	14	3	-	"
19.	2/9 Aust. Lt. A.A. Bty.	1	16	17	40	20	"
20.	73 Mob. S.L. Bty.	-	14	14	-	41	"
21.	M.F.O.	-	-	-	1	-	
22.	82 A.A. S.L. Bty. Wkshops.	-	-	-	-	1	
		106	2118	2224	488	62	

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War Secretary

2. E.T. BRISBANE.

E.T. and Ships berth will be advised by 3 Aust. M.C. Gp. only to personnel directly concerned.

3. DISEMBARKATION.

Disembarkation will take place under the control of the E.S.O. Lieut. A.M. JONES. No Aust. Army Personnel will board the transport on its arrival without first obtaining the permission of the E.S.O. All troops being victualled by vessel.

4. MOVEMENT FROM WHARF TO STAGING CAMP.

Movement of personnel to KALINGA Camp and L.T.D. will be by M.T. under arrangements H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

5. UNLOADING OF STORES.

Unloading of Unit Stores and equipment will be under the control of Port Movement Control Officer.

From the time discharge of vessel commences, Units having stores will arrange for a representative to be in attendance to assist the Port Movement Control Section in the identification of Unit equipment. When Unit equipment is discharged and stacked on the Wharf Port Movement Control Officer will arrange through H.Q. 3 Aust. M.C. Gp. for transport to convey stores to Staging Camp.

6. SHIPS INSPECTION.

On completion of disembarkation O.C. Troops will arrange for a rear-party to remain behind for the purpose of cleaning the vessel. A Ships Inspection will subsequently be arranged, which will be attended by the O.C. Troops, E.S.O., American Ships Inspection Officer and the Ships Master. On completion of this inspection the O.C. Troops will obtain a clearance from the Master.

7. UNCONSUMED VOYAGE RATIONS.

The E.S.O. will make arrangements for any unconsumed portion of the voyage rations to be handed to S. & T. Representative H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area.

9. MEDICAL.

Under arrangements D.D.M.S. H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area 2 ambulances will be available on the vessel berthing, for the evacuation of any medical cases which may be on board.

10 SECURITY.

The necessity for maintaining the strictest secrecy in connection with this movement must be impressed upon all concerned.

Acknowledgment is requested.

Signed at 31/7/30

Alfred H. Jones
Lt.-Col.,
A.Q.M.G. (M).

M.C.G. 62/3/1564.
M.C.O. Q/294.

DISTRIBUTION:

First Aust Army
L.H.Q. (Movement)
Adv. L.H.Q. (Mov.)
H.Q. Q'ld. L. of C. Area.
3 Aust. M. C. Gp.
Major HALE "Q" Maintenance
2 L. of C. Sub Area.
D.A.D. Posts.
S.T.O., C/- Navy Office
Port M.C.O., NEWSTEAD
E.S.O., Lieut. JONES.
Records Embarkation Officer
D.D.M.S., H.Q. Q'land L. of C. Area
O.C. KILINGA Staging Camp
Adjutant, L.T.D.
S. & T. (Capt. VIVIAN)
War Diary
File

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METHOD.

1/4	D.R.L.S.
5	AIR MAIL.
6/8	D.R.L.S.
9/14	HAND.
15/24	"
25	"
26	D.R.L.S.
27	"
28	Unit D.R.
29/30	" "
31/33.	HAND.
34	"
35	D.R.L.S.
36	S.D.R.
37	
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41/43	