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December 1940 - January 1941

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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2/16 BN. 7 DIV.

Unit 2/16Bn AIF

Date and Time.—From 3 Dec 40 To 31 Dec 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	3 Dec	0900	Heavy rain. Trg carried out in tents. Offrs & Sgts' Mess utilised. Bn in quarantine (C.S.M. case)	<i>only</i>
"	4 Dec	0900	Stationery box astray causing shortage of all kinds of paper Bde pde cancelled owing to rain	<i>only</i>
"	6 Dec	1000	Brigadier J.E.S. Stevens, E.D. inspected Unit.	<i>only</i>
"	7 Dec	0900	Formation of cadre. Bren Gun course	<i>only</i> See Appx 1 RO 148
"	10 Dec	0900	Bde pde. Special order of the day by Brigadier Stevens	<i>only</i> Appx 1 RO 152 Appx 3 Circ 10
"	12 Dec	0900	Pl Comdrs' course	<i>only</i> Appx 1 RO 153
"	13 Dec	1100	Inspection by Lt Gen Sir Thomas Blamey	<i>only</i> Appx 3 Circ 15
"	"	1430	Conference by Div Comdr Maj Gen Laverack	Appx 3 Circ 16
"	14 Dec	0900	Bn in quarantine owing to case of C.S.M.	<i>only</i>
"	16 Dec	0900	Quarantine lifted. Efficiency medal presented to L/Cpl Morris	<i>only</i> Appx 1 RO 156
"	18 Dec	0900	Special duty party left for IKINGI MARYUT	<i>only</i> Appx 1 RO 158 Appx III
"	24 Dec	0900	Unit quarantined again. Preparations for Xmas Day finalised	<i>only</i> Appx 1 RO 165

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D. C. O.
C.O. 2/16 Bn. A.I.F. Lieut. Col.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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2/16 BN. 7 DIV.

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Unit 2/16Bn Date and Time.—From 26 Dec 40 To 31 Dec 40

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	26 Dec	0900	Warning order for pde for Minister for Army (Mr P.C. Spender)	<i>only</i> Appx 3
"	27 Dec	0900	A/Gas cadre formed	<i>only</i> Appx 1 RO 167
"	28 Dec	0900	Maj Gen Lavarack called on Lt Col Baxter Cox	<i>only</i>
"	30 Dec	0900	Isolation ban lifted. Leave granted	<i>only</i> Appx 1 RO 170
"	31 Dec	0900	Heavy drain on Offrs and NCOs for courses & special duties	<i>only</i> Appx 1 RO 171 & Appx 2

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Baxter Cox
Lieut. Col.
C.O. 2/16 Bn. A.I.F.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

2/16 BATTALION.

ROUTINE ORDERS. Part 1 No. 142

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.
Part "A" 1 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

DUTY COY	1/2	'D' Coy
do	2/3	Reinf Coy

2. GUARDS.

(a) Until further notice the Bde Guard consisting of one Offr, one Sgt, two Cpls and 30 O/Rs will be quartered in the guard tents near the dry canteen. The Bn guard, consisting of one Offr, one Sgt, 3 Cpls and 60 O/Rs will be quartered in the Duty Coy lines. Guard HQ at Coy HQ.

(b) During the day Bn Guard will only supply one sentry post on Bn HQ and Q store. At night there will be double sentries.

3. SHOWERS.

Hot showers for all ranks will be available this afternoon.

4. BLANKETS.

All ~~main~~ ranks in possession of more than two Palestine blankets will return excess blankets to the Q store immediately.

5. BAGS.

Disciplinary action will be taken against all those who have not complied with para 9 RO 141 of 29 Nov 40.

6. LANTERNS.

Coys still in possession of lanterns must return these to Q store immediately.

7. COURSES.

The following personnel have been selected to attend courses:-

WX 2840 Sgt Atkinson, W.M. to attend O.C.T.U. course, ABBASSIA.

5945 Cpl Haines, M.W. to attend Rgtl. Sigs Course, CAIRO.

8. PERSONNEL, OTHER UNITS.

The attention of all ranks is drawn to para 4 RO 140 28 Nov.

9. COLOUR PATCHES.

(a) Offrs, WO's and Sgts: Separate arrangements being made.

(b) O/Rs: As soon as an extra issue ~~mm~~ can be arranged Unit colour patches will be worn with hats, felt, on the right hand side of the hat, centrally disposed, with the bottom of the colour patch in coincidence with the bottom of the hat band.

Part 'B'.

1. PROMOTION.

WX 3568 L/Cpl Impson, H.G. 'B' Coy to be A/Cpl as from 1/12/40.

2. TRANSFER.

WX 4573 A/Cpl Ottewell, J.R. 'B' Coy to Reinf Coy.

M. Goddard Capt.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

2/16 BATTALION.

ROUTINE ORDERS Part 1 No 143.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer
Part "A" 2 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

DUTY COY	2/3	Reinf Coy
do	3/4	"A" Coy

2. LOSS OF DEFENCE REGULATIONS PASSES.

It has been reported that an Offrs' red defence regulations pass No A 3265 issued to Lieut. Vaclav Dedina has been stolen. Pass No 231 for Pte Pounder, J. was lost whilst this man was on duty in Tel Aviv. Sentries, etc. are to detain any person holding either of these passes and the fact reported to these H.Q. immediately.

3. SIDES OF TENTS.

Except in unfavourable weather the sides of all tents should be raised during the day.

4. INSPECTION BY BDE COMDR.

This Bn will be inspected by the Brigadier on Wed 4 Dec at 1130 hrs. The Bn will be fallen in on Bn Pde Grd and after the inspection will march past the Brigadier. Dress: Service dress, drill order. NOTE: For this pde hats will be turned up.

5. BN O SGT'S DUTIES.

Bn O Sgt will detail two men from Bn orderlies to thoroughly sweep out H.Q. offices and verandahs before 0900 hrs each day.

6. RECREATIONAL HUT.

This hut will be open from 1215 to 1300 hrs and from 1730 to 2130 hrs daily. The Chaplain desires to form a small committee consisting of two junior NCOs and four men to assist in the running of the room. Those volunteering to help should hand their names to the Padre as soon as possible.

7. COLOUR PATCHES.

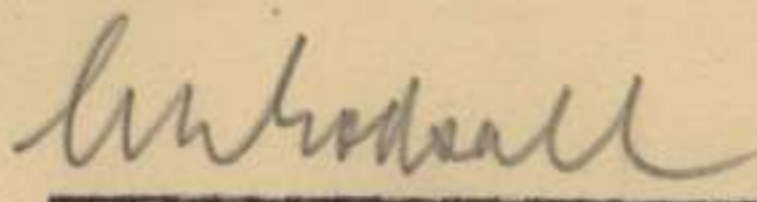
It has been noticed that some men are still wearing the old colour patches on their greatcoats. These are to be removed immediately and handed to the QM through Coys.

8. GUARDS - DRESS.

Guards to mount in service dress, drill order, but to change into shirts, shorts and puttees by day. This change to be completed by 0900 hrs.

9. GAMBLING.

The games of 'two up' and 'crown and anchor' are strictly forbidden.

 Capt.

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ROUTINE ORDERS Part 1 No 144

BY

Lieut. Col. A.R. Baxter Cox, Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 3 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

DUTY COY	3/4	"A" Coy
do	4/5	"B" Coy

2. GUARDS. SECURITY PERSONNEL

Para 4 RO 138 of 27 Nov 40 is cancelled. The following will now obtain:

- (a) The perimeter guard (Bde Gd) will now be increased to 1 Offr, 1 Sgt, 2 Cpls and 48 O/Rs.
- (b) In addition to the five posts already supplied, the above Gd will establish posts at Bn HQ., Canteen and cookhouses.
- (c) The Duty Coy will detail 1 Sgt, 3 other NCOs and 30 O/Rs to report to the I.O. at 1730 hrs. These men will be responsible for the security of the camp during their tour of duty.
- (d) All Coys will be responsible for the security of their own lines at all times. They will detail one man for the Coy by day and one man per tent by night up to 'Lights out.'
- (e) All posts are doubled at night; by day surplus personnel will be returned to the Coy.
- (f) The Canteen Gd will only be furnished at night. It will be dismantled at 'Reveille.'
- (g) Dress for security personnel will be Service Dress, drill order, to change by 0900 hrs daily into shirts and shorts in fine weather. Magazines to be charged but rifles not loaded.

3. LAUNDRY.

The laundry contractor in the camp area has contracted to launder clothes at the prices listed hereunder. By payment of 150 mils per month in advance a soldier is entitled to send 12 articles for washing weekly for four weeks. This method would necessitate Coys making the necessary arrangements. A period of four days is to be reckoned on between the time of handing in the washing to receiving the clean articles.

Khaki shirts	10 mils	Civ. Shirts	10 mils	Collars	5 mils
Drill jacket	20	Drill Trousers	20	Shorts	10
Pyjama suits	20	Ath. Singlets	5	Wool. Singlets	10
Long u/pants	10	Short u/pants	5	Sox	5
Towels	5	Hankies (four for 10 mils)		Table cloths	20
Sheets	20	Pillow case	5	Sweaters	10
Uniformjacket, heavy	40	Trousers, heavy	40	Kitbag	5
				Tie	5

4. DISPOSAL OF RUBBISH.

Rubbish must either be buried in excavations which are in process of being filled or be ~~deposited~~ deposited in the incinerator placed in Bn lines.

W. Roddall

Capt

Adj 2/16Bn AIF

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 145

By

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 4 Dec 40

1. DUTIES.

DUTY COY	4/5	"B" Coy
do	5/6	"C" Coy
Bn O.O.	4/5	Lt. Mackinnon
do	5/6	Lt. Sanderson
do	6/7	Lt. Sublet
do	7/8	Lt. Murdock
do	8/9	Lt. Hearman
do	9/10	Lt. Ovefsby →
Bn O. Sgt	4/5	Sgt. Johnson
do	5/6	Sgt. Phillips
do	6/7	" Bracegirdle
do	7/8	" Inkpen
do	8/9	" Wood
do	9/10	" Crombie
Bn O. Cpl	4/5	Cpl Foy
do	5/6	" Phillips
do	6/7	" Patchett
do	7/8	" Trotter
do	8/9	" Richardson
do	9/10	" Anderson, C.D.
Guard Comdrs	4/5	Lt. Hearman
do	5/6	Lt. Hodge
do	6/7	Lt. Mackinnon
do	7/8	Lt. Leach
do	8/9	Lt. Sublet
do	9/10	Lt. Murdock

2. B. R/O.

Coys will ensure that all ranks are acquainted with Bn R/O. R/O Pt 1 and relevant portions of Pt 2 orders will be read out on appropriate pdes.

3. SECURITY PERSONNEL.

These personnel are responsible for lighting all cookhouse fires at 0430 hrs daily and for awakening cooks at 0530 hrs.

4. PICTURE PICQUET.

A picture picquet of one Offr, 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl and 12 O/Rs is to report to Bn H.Q. at 1730 hrs today. The picquet will consist of Lt. Sanderson, Sgt. Phillips, Cpl. Phillips and 12 men detailed from 'B' Coy.

W. H. H. H. H. Capt
Adj 2/16Bn AIF

NOTICE.

Found: Two rings and one compass. Owners report to Bn H.Q.
Lost: One chrome wrist watch, packed in tobacco tin.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 5 Dec 40.

<u>1. DUTIES.</u>	Duty Coy	5/6	"C" Coy
	do	6/7	"D" Coy
<u>2.</u>	Bn O.O.	5/6	Lt. Sanderson
	do	6/7	Lt. Sublet
	Bn O. Sgt	5/6	Sgt. Phillips
	do	6/7	Sgt. Bracegirdle
	Bn O. Cpl	5/6	Cpl. Phillips
	do	6/7	Cpl. Patchett
	Gd. Comdr	5/6	Lt. Hodge
	do	6/7	Lt. Mackinnon

2. DRESS.

Notwithstanding the fact that instructions have been issued for all O/Rs to wear service dress after 'Retreat' many men are still attending the picture theatre in working dress. The Offr i/c Picquet Picture Theatre will in future ensure that no personnel enter the theatre unless they are properly dressed.

3. RATS.

Due to risk of contracting bubonic plague tps are warned not to handle rats.

4. PICTURE THEATRE AREA.

The Duty Coy is responsible for the cleanliness of this area.

5. CAMP TIME.

Coys are to obtain correct camp time from Bn HQ before 0830 hrs daily.

Part 'B'

1. PROMOTIONS.

WX 4502 A/L/Cpl Lister, T.P. H.Q. Coy to be A/Cpl as from 4/12/40.

4336 A/L/Cpl Scott, R.E. Bn H.Q. to be A/Cpl as from 4/12/40.

2. TRANSFERS.

WX 4502 A/Cpl Lister, T.P. to A.A. Postal Corps & attached to 2/16Bn for duty.

4336 A/Cpl Scott, R.E. to A.A.M.C. & attached to 2/16Bn for duty.

3875 Pte Ford, L.J. Bn H.Q. to A.A.M.C. & attached to 2/16Bn for duty.

5836 Pte Folland, R. Reinf Coy to A.A.M.C. & attached to 2/16Bn for duty.

6102 " Salmond, R.R. Reinf Coy to 'A' Coy.

6149 " Treffene, E.J. Reinf Coy to 'B' Coy

6204 " Trenholme, F.E. do

4737 " Cooper, J. do

6842 " Lilley, J.W.T. do

5655 " Tasker, J.F. do

6005 " Lee, H.S. do

4731 " Baker, G.W.J. do

5107 " Liddelowe, W.H.C. do

6331 " Jackson, T. do

5642 A/L/Cpl Hounsham, J. do

5125 Pte Stapleton, E.P. do

6768 " Campbell, S. do

5606 " Neake, A.D. Reinf Coy to 'C' Coy

4363 " Beatty, M.G. Reinf Coy to 'D' Coy

4376 " Trigwell, W.J.R. do

8213 " Lewis, J.B. do

4578 " Kyd, C.D. 'B' Coy to Reinf Coy.

M. Roddall

Capt.

Adj 2/16Bn AIF

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16th AIF

Part 1 No 147

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer

Part 'A' 6 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

DUTY COY	6/7	*D ^o Coy
do	7/8	Reinf Coy
Bn O.O.	6/7	Lt. Sublet
do	7/8	Lt. Murdock
Bn O. Sgt	6/7	Sgt. Bracegirdle
do	7/8	" Inkpen
Bn O Cpl	6/7	Cpl Patchett
do	7/8	" Trotter
Gd Comdr	6/7	Lt. McKinnon
do	7/8	" Leach

2. TENTS.

Sides of tents must be rolled back to the corners each day (weather permitting). This must be completed before 0900 hrs daily.

3. RUBBISH.

The disposal of rubbish in holes around the Bn lines is to cease forthwith. Coys will arrange that all rubbish from tents, etc and Coy lines will be collected into Coy dumps by 0845 hrs daily. L/Cpl Hillberg will arrange to collect the rubbish from Coy dumps and dispose of it in the incinerator. Tins will be placed in a heap alongside the incinerator for independent removal.

4. BDE PDE.

A Bde Pde will be held at 1430hrs Tues 10 Dec. After inspection the Bde will march past the Brigadier. Service Dress will be worn. Details will be issued separately.

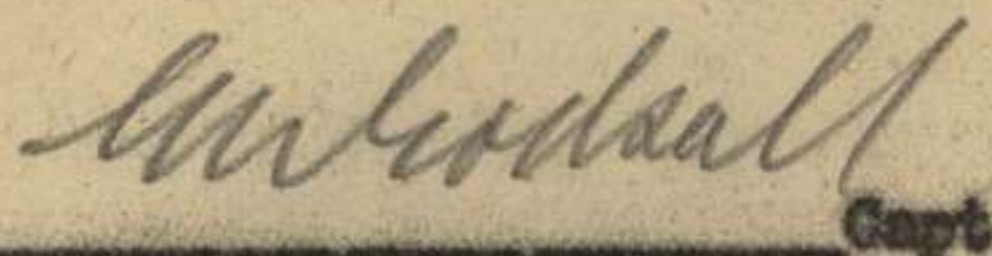
5. TELEPHONE ORDERLY.

No 1 Pl. will detail for duty on Bn telephone from 0800hrs to 2200hrs daily one telephone operator to report to A/S/Sgt Vivian-Williams at 0800hrs.

6. DRESS OFFRS.

- (1) Ceremonial - S.D., Offrs pattern.
- (2) Normal Trg - Wet & cold weather, S.D., all ranks
- (3) " - Hot or warm weather, shorts & shirts.

Offrs will be responsible to contact the Adj. through Coys, etc. each morning to find out the order of dress for the day.


Capt

Adj 2/16 Bn. A.I.F.

Part "B"

1. Appointments.

WX2835 Pte Browne-Cooper P.R. "H.Q." to be A/L/Cpl 6/12/40
WX3069 " Jackson G.B. " do
WX3515 " Dannerly W. " do

2. Reversion to Ranks.

WX3282 A/Cpl Keseling F. "H.Q." Coy reverts to ranks at own request 6/12/40

3. Transfer.

WX2969 Pte Kees T. "B" Coy to "C" Coy 6/12/40

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2 16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 148.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer

Part "A" 7 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

DUTY COY	7/8	Reinf Coy
do	8/9	"A" Coy
Bn O.O.	7/8	Lt. Murdock
do	8/9	" Hearman
Bn O. Sgt	7/8	Sgt Inkpen
do	8/9	" Wood
Bn O. Cpl	7/8	Cpl Trotter
do	8/9	" Richardson
Gd Comdr	7/8	Lt. Leach
do	8/9	" Sublet

2. P.T.

It is contrary to S.O's (P) for P.T. and R.T. to be carried out "stripped to the waist" and all Comds will therefor ensure that such practice ceases, contrary to the indication previously given that such would be allowed.

3. Cadre.

A cadre for prospective N.C.O's will be conducted from Monday 9 Dec - Saturday 14 Dec incl. The total vacancies for candidates is 16. Allotment to Coys are as follow:-

"H.Q." Coy	4	"B" Coy	3
"A" "	3	"C" "	3
"D" Coy	3		

Coy Comds will submit the names of selected personnel to Bn H.Q. by 0900hrs 8 Dec

The cadre will be conducted under the direction of R.S.M. in two groups by Gp 1 Sgt Grenfell Gp 2 Sgt Wallace

Candidates will report to Sgt Grenfell at Bn. H.Q. at 0900hrs on 9 Dec 40.

Trg area for cadre will be N.W. corner of Bn Pde Gd.

4. REMITTANCES FROM AUSTRALIA.

The attention of all concerned is drawn to the facilities available in the Finance Branch of the Army for the remitting of money from Australia by relatives and friends of members of the A.I.F. without cost to either remitter or remittee.

Persons desiring to send money through this service to members of the A.I.F. should deposit the sum desired to be remitted with the D.F.O. for the State in which they reside, giving the Army No and name of the soldier to whom the money is to be sent.

The D.F.O. will advise the Chief Paymaster A.I.F. who will have the amount remitted credited in the soldiers pay book.

In cases of emergency the D.F.O. will remit sums by cable but the cost of the cabled advice to the C.P.M. A.I.F. must be borne by the remitter.

5. READING OF ORDERS.

Comds will ensure that R.O. are read out on the final pde of the day or on the next pde in cases where, through unforeseen circumstances R.Os. are not available in time.

6. CHURCH PDE.

(a) Holy Mass will be celebrated at 0700hrs on 8 Dec for Roman Catholics in the picture Theatre.

(b) Church Pde for R.Cs. will be conducted at 0900hrs on 8 Dec in the Picture Theatre. Personnel to fall in on Bn. Pde Gd at 0845hrs and pde will be marched off under the senior N.C.O.

(c) Church Pde for Protestants will be held on Bn. Pde Gd at 1000hrs on 8 Dec. Markers to report to R.S.M. on Bn. Pde Gd at 0945hrs Pde will be under the command of the Bn O.O. LtHearman.

7. PL. ROLLS.

Pl Comds are to adjust all Pl rolls immediately and have in completed state by 2400hrs 9 Dec

8. TENTS. The Bn. O.O. will obtain from the Adj at Reveille each morning the order in which tent walls are to be dressed by 0900hrs, and will advise all Comds concerned immediately.

9. DRESS.

It is noticed that some men are being permitted to attend the evening meal in other than S.D. This practice will cease at once and

9. DRESS (CONT)

Coys will ensure that S.D. only is worn. Meals will not be served to men dressed incorrectly.

10. CANE BEDS.

Broken beds are to be returned to C.Q.M.S. They will not be disposed of otherwise.

11. CHIROPODIST.

A vacancy occurs in the Bn for a qualified Chiropodist carrying the rank of Sgt. The Sgt Chiropodist is carried on the strength of A.A.M.C. but is attached to the Bn.

Applications from qualified chiropodists for the appointment are to be lodged at Bn H.Q. 0900hrs 9 Dec. The personnel selected for consideration will be required to undergo a course in chiropody and obtain a certificate of proficiency before the appointment is finalised.

12. GUARD INSPECTION.

The guard will be inspected on car park area until further notice.

13. BREN GUN COURSE.

The following personnel have been selected for the above course.

WX3252 Lt. H.P.Cooper	WX4545 A/Sgt Elphick W.T.
	WX2808 A/Sgt O'Loughlin C.E.

14. REVEILLE.

Reveille on 8 Dec will be at 0700hrs. Breakfast will be at 0800hrs.

PART "B"

1. TRANSFERS.

WX2804	Pte Crofts J.S.J.	"A" Coy	to	"H.Q." Coy
WX4306	" Beasley W.E.	"C" Coy	to	do
WX3830	" Maddis n J.	"D" "		do
WX3916	" Harper N.H.	"A" "		do
WX4658	" Charlesworth A.G.	"B" Coy		do
WX7353	" Buck O.C.	"Rein"		do
WX5867	" Stuchbury N.E.	" "		do
WX5706	" Wenn J.	"B" Coy		do
WX5683	" Stafford R.K.	"B" "		do
WX4327	" Bryant A.G.	"B" "		do
WX5614	" Thompson T.H.	"Rein" Coy		do
WX2898	" McCann J.	"H.Q."		to "Rein" Coy,
WX2658	" Jamieson L.H.	do		to "Bn H.Q."
WX6746	" Hambley T.G.	"Rein" Coy		to "D" Coy
WX3559	" Whitehouse B.	"H.Q." Coy		to "Rein" Coy

G.M. [Signature] Capt
Adj 2/16 Bn. A.I.F.

NOTICES.

SOCCER.

The 2/14 Bn A.I.F. have challenged this Unit to a soccer match. The match will be played on soccer oval at rear of 2/1 Pioneer lines at 1430hrs 8 Dec 40. The team will be selected from the following:-

Sgt Young J.S., Pte Thurston E.J., L/Cpl Pumpton J., L/Cpl Bell S., Pte Bacchus J., Cpl Gillard A., Pte Ramsay T., Pte McIntosh, Pt Pte Morton T., Cpl Foy T., Pte Guthrie T., Pte Barrett, Pte Greenfield, Pte Smart, Pte McLaren,

Team and spectators to assemble at "D" Coy Orderly room (D13) at 1400 hrs sharp. Pte Smith D.P. will be referee.

BOXING.

Those wishing to take part in a boxing tournament to be held soon should submit their name to Bn H.Q. before 1400hrs 12 Dec 40

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 149.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer.
Part "A" 8 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

DUTY COY	8/9	"A" Coy
do	9/10	"B" Coy
Bn O.O.	8/9	Lieut. T. Oversby
do	9/10	" E.T.J. Barnett
Bn O. Sgt	8/9	Sgt. Wood, P.B.
do	9/10	" Crombie, R.G.
Bn O. Cpl	8/9	Cpl. Richardson
do	9/10	" Anderson, C.D.
Gd Comdr	8/9	Lieut. F.E. Sublet
do	9/10	" A. J. Prosser

2. WET CANTEEN.

The Bn O.O. will be responsible for the conducting of this canteen. The Duty Coy will supply a picquet consisting of one NCO and six O/Rs.

3. RUBBISH.

Papers, wrapping, etc. from ice creams, chocolates and other purchases are to be deposited in receptacles provided outside the canteen and not dropped indiscriminately in the lines or on the road.

4. FRUIT.

Attention is again directed to the purchase of fruit from hawkers. This practice must cease and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders in future. Medical opinion is definite that the eating of this unwashed fruit is one of the main causes of stomach disorder.

5. HATS.

A great deal more attention is to be given to the cleanliness of hats and the angle at which they are worn. They are to be worn as Australian hats - not American cowboy or larrikin style.

6. DRESS.

Summer and winter dress is not to be mixed, i.e. S.D. Serge jackets are not to be worn with shorts.

7. TOILET PAPER.

The authorised scale of issue represents a reasonable minimum and unless tps curtail the present extravagant use of it, they will be short.

8. TPS WANDERING ABOUT CAMP AT NIGHT.

Gps of tps have been observed wandering about the camp at night untidily dressed. Coys. must strive to inculcate in their personnel a spirit of tidiness and pride in their appearance.

9. COURT OF INQUIRY.

A Court of Inquiry constituted as under will assemble under the direction of the President to enquire into and report on the deficiency in stores taken over from 2/1 Pioneer Bn. Report to reach BN HQ not later than 10 Dec. Court:-

President - Major A. W. Potts, M.C.
Members - Capt. I. Johnson
" F. M. B. Inkpen

L M Godsall

Capt.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 150.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 9 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

DUTY COY	9/10	"B" Coy
Bn O.O.	9/10	Lieut. E. T. J. Barnett
Bn O. Sgt	9/10	Sgt Crombie, R.G.
Bn O. Cpl	9/10	Cpl Anderson, C.D.
Gd Comdr	9/10	Lieut. A. J. Prosser

2. BDE PDE.

A Bde Pde will be held tomorrow 10 Dec 40 at 1430 hrs and will be attended by all but essential duties. The Bde Comdr will make an inspection. The G.O.C. 7 Aust Div (Maj. Gen. J.D. Laverack, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O.) will view the pde and later take the salute during the March Past. Separate instns will be issued for this pde.

3. DUCK-BOARDS.

Duck-boards must not be removed from the showers. The practice of removing them to tents will cease immediately.

4. RETREAT.

When 'Retreat' is sounded all ranks should stand to attention but not salute. Sentries on duty will come to the slope.

5. DEFAULTERS.

Defaulters will be inspected by Bn O.O. at all Defaulter Pdes.

Baxter

for Capt.

Adj 2/16Bn AIF

NOTICES.

1. PICTURES.

The 2/16Bn will attend pictures only as follows:-
2nd showing on Tues, Thurs, Sat, Sun
Picture picquets will strictly enforce this order.

2. CONCERTS.

On the nights shown, concerts as listed hereunder will take the place of pictures at the Camp Picture Theatre:-

11 Dec - The Troupers
14 Dec - The Palestine Light Orchestra
19 Dec - The Spotlights
20 Dec - The Sax Concert Band

ADDENDUM R.O. PART 1 No 150

2. BDE PDE (Cont)

There will be a rehearsal of this Pde by the Bde at 1000hrs 10 Dec on Bde Pde gd. 2/16 Bn will be fallen in on Bn Pde Gd at 0900hrs. DRESS S.D. Drill Order.

Note. Hats will be turned up for these pdes.

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No. 151.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 10 Dec 40.

<u>1. DUTIES.</u>			
DUTY COY	10/11	"C" Coy	
do	11/12	"D" Coy	
BN O.O.	10/11	Lieut. MacKinnon	
do	11/12	" Hodge	
BN O. SGT	10/11	Sgt. Hill	
do	11/12	" Young, H.G.	
BN O. Cpl	10/11	Cpl. Renouf, J.	
do	11/12	" Johnson, S.B.	
ED COLDR	10/11	Lieut. Sanderson	
do	11/12	" Leach	

2. COOKS' CLOTHING.

Approval has been given for the issue of two additional jumpers, khaki, W.D., and trousers, khaki, W.D. to cooks. This additional clothing will be issued on receipt from Ordnance. In future, all cooks will hand over to the Sgt Cook at 0900 hrs each Monday and Thursday one dirty uniform. The uniform handed in on Mon will be returned on the following Thurs and the one handed in Thurs on the following Mon.

3. BOUNDS.

The cinema and all canteens of other Units are out of bounds to all ranks until further notice.

4. PERSONNEL LEAVING CAMP AREA.

Groups of unarmed tps were seen recently beyond the Camp area. Except for trg purposes personnel are not to proceed beyond the perimeter guard unless in possession of a pass. Sentries are to enforce this restriction. The attention of Coys is also directed to AIF S.O. regarding the carrying of arms outside the Camp area.

5. INSPECTION OF LAUNDRIES.

Laundries in the Unit's lines are to be regularly inspected by the O.O. These inspections should be carried out both by day and night. Any serious irregularities should be immediately reported to Bn. H.Q.

6. SECURITY.

All sentries should ensure that civilians entering camp are in possession of an Identity Card as well as an Army Pass. The main road passing through the Camp is considered to be within the Camp bounds and no civilian should be allowed to loiter in this area.

7. OUT OF BOUNDS.

All civilian establishments just outside the perimeter of this Camp are out of bounds to all tps.

L. M. Woodcock

2/16Bn AIF

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED.

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 152

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 11 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

<u>DUTY COY</u>	<u>Gd. COADR</u>	<u>Bn O.O.</u>	<u>Bn O.Sgt.</u>	<u>Bn O Cpl</u>	<u>Date</u>
'D'	Lt Oversby	Lt. Hodge	Sgt. Draper	Cpl Johnson, S.B.	11/12
Reinf	Lt. Barnett	Lt. Leach	Sgt. O'Loughlin	Cpl Haddy	12/13
'A'	Lt. N.B. Meecham	Lt. G. Symington	Sgt Vickers	Cpl Dungey	13/14
'B'	Lt Langridge	Lt Wright	Sgt Macauley	Cpl Ryan	14/15
'C'	Lt O'Neill	Lt Hearman	Sgt Salcm	Cpl Tull	15/16
'D'	Lt R.N. Meecham	Lt. McGee	Sgt Harding	Cpl Waldron	16/17

2. RIFLES.

Personnel are becoming far too careless in leaving rifles lying about. In some cases the bolts have not even been removed. If rifles are left in tents bolts will be removed and the rifle itself will be secured to the tent pole. Personnel not carrying out this instn will incur disciplinary action.

3. CENSORSHIP.

All tps are reminded that they must head their letters:-- No, rank and name
Unit, Abroad.

4. BN H.Q. RUNNERS.

One man per Coy only is to be detailed for this duty until further advice.

5. TENTS.

Sides of tents must be rolled back each day by 0900 hrs. This instn will only be varied by order of the Adj, which will be passed to the O.O. for promulgation to Coys. O.O. to report to the Adj each morning at Reveille.

6. PRESENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE AIF & FROM OTHER SERVICES SERVING ABROAD.

Presents forwarded from abroad by members of the AIF to persons in Aust may be admitted without payment of Customs duties and Sales Tax subject to the following:--

- (a) Concession is limited to the admission of dutiable goods of the value of £10 from any one individual in any 12 months. Payment of duty is required in respect of any excess over £10.
- (b) The term 'presents' is to be taken as including articles of adornment, curios, jewelry, and other such articles, which would ordinarily be sent as presents by travellers abroad.

The foregoing concession does not apply to presents which may be brought back to Aust by members of the services when they return to Aust.

7. SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY BY BRIG. J.E.S. STEVENS, E.D. COMD 21 AUST INF BDE. 11/12/40.

"Today was the first occasion on which the 21 Aust Inf Bde has been on pde and I know that each one of you shared with me a feeling of real pride in belonging to it. To me, the pde was an inspiration and it made me realise more clearly than ever what an honour it is to command this Bde.

I congratulate all ranks on their appearance, steadiness, drill and marching. Today's work is the result of the hard trg we did in Aust and I am confident that because of the keenness manifested by everyone in the Bde, our fighting efficiency will shortly be comparable with our work on the pde ground.

I extend my thanks to each member of the Bde for his efforts in making a success of our first Bde Pde."

H H Goddard Capt.

Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part 'B'

1. TRANSFERS.

WX 3010 Pte Myers, C.H. 'A' Coy to H.Q. Coy. 11/12/40.
4650 " East, J.E.G. 'B' Coy to H.Q. Coy 11/12/40.
7412 " Birkbeck, R. Reinf Coy to H.Q. Coy 11/12/40
4146 " Byrne, E.W. Reinf Coy to H.Q. Coy 11/12/40
6564 " Milroy, W.P. Reinf Coy to 'A' Coy 11/12/40.
6742 " Gibbs, J. do
5775 " Dermody, R. Reinf Coy to 'C' Coy 11/12/40.
3559 " Whitehouse, B. H.Q. Coy to Reinf Coy 11/12/40.

SPORT.

Representatives of each sport.- Hockey, Lt. Prosser; football, Sgt. Elphick; soccer, Sgt. Young, J.S.; basketball, Lt. Murdock; rugby, Lt. Sublet; boxing, Lt. Oversby; Cricket, Sgt. Rose and Cpl Matthews.

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16 Bn AIF

Part 1 No 153

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.
Part "A" 12 Dec 40.1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl	Date
Reinf	Lt Barnett	Lt Leach	Sgt O'Loughlin	Cpl Haddy	12/13
'A'	Lt N.B. Meeham	Lt. G. Symington	Sgt Vickers	Cpl Dungey	13/14

2. PAY.

Pay will, in future, be made on Fridays in lieu of Sats, commencing Fri 13 Dec 40.

3. PAD.

Sufficient progress is not being made with PAD measures. All tents are to be camouflaged immediately with mud splash and the construction of slit trenches is to be commenced immediately. All ranks are warned of the danger of looking when a plane passes overhead as the white face can be very distinctly seen from the air.

4. INVESTIGATION OF OFFENCES.

When an offence of larceny, burglary, etc. is discovered the civil and military police will be advised forthwith and a guard posted at the scene immediately to prevent interference by unauthorised persons until investigations have been completed by the police authorities. Care should be taken that tracks, footmarks, etc are not obliterated and articles of clothing etc on or near the scene of the offence are not touched in order that every assistance may be given to the civil & military police.

5. DRIVING OF ARMY VEHICLES.

Oftrs may drive Aust Military motor vehicles only in the following exceptional circumstances:-

- (a) When the driver is incapacitated.
- (b) In an emergency or
- (c) To afford relief to the driver on long journeys.

6. POLICE POST.- OFFICERS PASSING.

Particulars as set out in the pro forma hereunder will be completed for all vehicles conveying oftrs past the Police post north of QASTINA on the road GAZA-JAFFA.

NAME	RANK	UNIT	DUTY	NATURE OF DUTY	DESTINATION	REMARKS
			ON LEAVE		N or S	

The pro forma will be signed by the senior oftr travelling and handed to the oftr or NCO on duty at the post. O/Rs must be in possession of a Work Ticket, leave or duty pass.

7. EFM CABLES.

EFM cablegrams bearing code or telegraphic addresses will not be accepted for transmission. All cablegrams will bear the ordinary full postal address which, together with the text, will be clearly written in block letters.

Telegrams: Telegrams for transmission to Army destinations in PALESTINE or EGYPT will not be accepted at Field Post Offices. Telegrams for civil addresses may be lodged for transmission providing they comply with censorship regulations.8. BDE COURSES - PL COMDR REFRESHER COURSE.

The following will attend the above course commencing 16 Dec 40:-

Lieut. W.A. MacKinnon	A/Sgt Wood, P.B.
Lieut. E.T.J. Barnett	A/Sgt Elphick, W.T.
Lieut. T. Oversby	A/Sgt Rose, R.N.

9. REGTL BARBER.

Nominations from competent tradesmen are called for the above. Applications should be lodged with 2 i/c by 1000 hrs 13 Dec 40.

10. LATRINES.

Disciplinary action will be taken against unauthorised persons using the latrines reserved for Oftrs and Bn H.Q. Orderly Room staff and situated adjacent to Bn H.Q.

Part 'B'

Baxter
Adj 2/16 Bn AIF Capt.

1. TRANSFERS.

WX 4264	Pte Reid, W.H.	H.Q. Coy to Reinf Coy	12/12/40.
4353	" Nicholls, A.	Reinf Coy to 'B' Coy	"
7356	" Holloway, J.		do
3692	" Brown, H.S.A.		do
5667	" Crouch, R.T.J.		do
5184	" Plumridge, A.S.		do

2. EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL.

WX 2858 Pte Aitken, P. BN HQ, 5655 Pte Braybrook, C.F. 'A' Coy, 5849 Pte Powley, V. Reinf Coy. Struck off Bn strength 11/12/40.

WX 5791 A/Cpl McKenzie, J.R. 'C' Coy. 5794 Pte Tilbee, R.W. Reinf Coy struck off Bn strength 12/12/40.

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 154.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 13 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy	Gd. Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt.	Bn O. Cpl	Date
'A'	Lt N.B. Meecham	Lt. G. Symington	Sgt. Vickers	Cpl. Dungey	13/14
'B'	Lt Langridge	Lt Wright	Sgt Macauley	Cpl Ryan	14/15

2. CENSORSHIP.

All ranks are hereby warned that any gramophone recordings made for the purpose of forwarding messages to any person in Australia or elsewhere will NOT be passed by franking officers of Unit, and such recording will be confiscated as they cannot be sent through the Army Postal Services.

3. SECURITY.

With reference to AIF S.O. PALESTINE Par 1 Sec II para 22 (d) : All persons employed by W.D. contractors in 1 Aust Corps area on or after 12 Dec 40 must hold a certificate of identity issued by the PALESTINE authorities, in addition to the pass issued by the contractor, and certified by a member of RE. The certificate of identity has a photograph of the holder attached for identification purposes.

4. LOSS OF S.A.A.

All tps are warned that loss of ammun. is the subject of a charge under AA sec 24 (2).

5. CLEANLINES OF BN PDE GROUND.

Duty Coy is responsible for the cleanliness of Bn Pde Grd and Theatre areas.

G. H. Goddard Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF.

Part 'B'

1. EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL.

WX 4130 Pte Armstrong, L. 'C' Coy taken off Bn strength 12/12/40.
4376 " Trigwell, W.J.R. Reinf Coy taken off strength 13/12/40.

2. TRANSFERS.

WX 5602 Pte Rainbird, A.A. Reinf Coy to 'C' Coy 13/12/40,
5855 " Ward, S.J. do

NOTICES. CANTERENS. Huts are to be extended on Sundays from 1200 hrs to 2000 hrs inclusive. The new hours will take effect from 15 Dec.

HOCKEY.

All hockey players in the Bn to report on Bn pde grd at 1500 hrs 14 Dec 40 for scratch matches.

SOCCER.

A return match against 2/14Bn will be played at 1430 hrs ¹⁴ Dec 40.

FOOTBALL.

A team from the undermentioned will be selected to represent the Bn against the 2/14Bn on 14 Dec 40. - Lieuts. Oversby and R.N.G. Meecham; I. Souness, F. Devine, C.F. Ross, G. Holland, C.W. Banks, C. Chandler, C.O'Loughlin, H. Mattison, Younger, D. Ryan, H. O'Loughlin, W. Walsh, F. Hogan, W. Kern, W. Elphick, F.C.T. Matthews, V. Treasuro, R. Hill, R.S. Platts, D. Launder, L. Bracegirdle, T. McMahon, A. Nicholls, J. Thomson, C. Harris, A. McGregor, F.T. Reid, O'Meara, W. Harding, J. Mc... T. Taylor, A. Ryan, H. Young, N. Rose, Bromner, E. Keegan, Brophy, W. Adams, Friessbourg, W. Cameron, F. Young.

The above personnel are to report to Bn sports offr on Bn pde grd at 1415 hrs on 14 Dec 40. Opportunity will be afforded all players to train. Any other members of the Bn whose names do not appear above and who are desirous of training should also report as above. All players to wear blue shorts, white shirt or singlet and blue socks (blue).

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No. 155

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 14 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl	Date
'B'	Lt. Langridge	Lt Wright	Sgt. Macaulay	Cpl Ryan	14/15
'C'	Lt. O'Neill	Lt. Hearman	Sgt. Salom	Cpl Tull	15/16

2. LAUNDRY CONTRACT.

The present laundry contract has been cancelled. The present contractor finishes Sat night 14 Dec. All laundry is to be redeemed by that time. Any complaint as to loss or damage to be submitted, with full details, to Bn H.Q.

3. RUBBISH.

Papers, wrappings, etc. from ice creams, chocolates & other purchases are to be deposited in receptacles provided outside the canteen and not dropped indiscriminately in the Bn lines or on the road.

4. TOILET PAPER.

The authorised scale of issue represents a reasonable minimum and unless tps curtail the present extravagant use of it, they will be short.

5. CHURCH PDES.

There will be no church pdes for R.Cs tomorrow. Church pde for Protestants will be held on MT. park at 1100 hrs 15 Dec. Markers to report to RSM on MT park at 1045 hrs. Pde will be under the command of the Bn O.O.

M. Goddall
Adj 2/16Bn AIF Capt.

Part 'B'1. CONFIRMATION OF RANK.

W 7223 L/Sgt. Gigg, T.H. H.Q. Coy. rank of Sgt. confirmed.
 WX 4541 A/Sgt McNaugh, T.E. Bn H.Q. do
 4393 A/L/Sgt Alexander, W.R. A.A.O.C. rank of L/Sgt confirmed.
 3093 A/Cpl Christian, R.H. H.Q. Coy rank of Cpl confirmed.
 5791 A/Cpl McKenzie, J.R. 'C' Coy rank of Cpl confirmed.
 2830 A/Cpl Morrison, H.W. M rank of Cpl confirmed.

2. APPOINTMENTS.

Wx 3890 Pte Edmunds, D.A. H.Q. Coy appointed to T.G. I. 1 Sep 40.
 3053 " Thomas, L.G. do
 4023 " Allen, R. do T.G. III 1 Sep 40.
 7172 " Cullen, R.H. do do 10 Dec 40.
 4650 " East, J.E.G. do do 27 Oct 40.

3. EVACUATED TO HOSPITAL.

WX 7383 Pte Morton, W. Reinf Coy. taken off strength 13 Dec 40.
 5783 " Burton, D.J. "C" Coy taken off strength 14 Dec 40.
 2977 " Bullock, P. H.Q. Coy do
 7412 " Birbeck, R. H.Q. Coy do

4. TRANSFER.

WX 5522 Pte Warmington, W.H. Reinf Coy to "D" Coy 14/12/40.

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NOT TO BE PUBLISHED.

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part : No 156.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX.

Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 15 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

<u>Duty Coy</u>	<u>Gd Comdr</u>	<u>Bn O.O.</u>	<u>Bn O. Sgt.</u>	<u>Bn O. Cpl</u>	<u>Date</u>
'C'	Lt O'Neill	Lt. Hearman	Sgt Salom	Cpl Tull	15/16
'D'	Lt R.N. Meecham	Lt. McGee	Sgt Harding	Cpl Waldron	16/17

2. DECORATION.

A1. Efficiency Medal will be presented to WX 4356 L/Cpl Morris, G.E. in respect of his service with the 10th L.H. Regmt (AMF) on Bn pde 0945 hrs 16 Dec 40. The presentation will be made by Brigadier J.E.S. Stevens, E.D.

W. McIsaac

Adj 2/16Bn AIF Capt

Part "B".

1. CORRIGENDUM.

WX 4650 Pte East, J.E.G. shown Part "B" R.O. No 155 as appointed to T.G. III 27 Oct 40 should read "appointed to T.G. II 27 Oct 40."

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 16 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O. Cpl	Date
'D'	Lt. R.N.Meecham	Lt. McGee	Sgt Harding	Cpl Waldron	16/17
Reinf	Lt. Holley	Lt. Sanderson	Sgt Wallace	Cpl McCullough	17/18
'A'	Lt. G.Symington	Lt. N.B.Meecham	Sgt Wright	Cpl Burgess	18/19
'B'	Lt. Murdock	Lt. Langridge	Sgt. Inkpen	Cpl Hounslow	19/20
'C'	Lt. McGee	Lt. O'Neill	Sgt. Reid	Cpl Goldspink	20/21
'D'	Lt. R.N.Meecham	Lt. Holley	Sgt. Bracegirdle	Cpl Philbin	21/22
Reinf	Lt. Hodge	Lt. Leach	Sgt. Young, H.G.	Cpl Treasure	22/23

2. REGTL BARBER.

2800 Pte Holt, C. has been appointed Regtl barber for this Bn and the barber's shop is located in buildings west of Bn HQ. The barber will be on duty from 0900 till 1220 and 1400 to 1630 hrs. From 1800 to 2100 the Regtl barber will be responsible that at least one approved barber is on duty. Charge will be 20 mils, 10 of which will be placed to the credit of Regtl funds.

3. INSPECTING OFFRS.

If during trg the Bde Comdr or other senior offr approaches a squad the instr shall immediately order the squad to 'stand fast' and ask permission to resume instr.

4. COCKHOUSES.

The surrounds of cockhouses leaves much to be desired. Rubbish bins are left uncovered, wood is littered around the area and dirty washing cloths are spread untidily about. Greater care must also be taken inside the cockhouse. Attention is required particularly to cupboards, wash cloths and the covering of foodstuffs.

5. WET CANTEEN.

All beer purchased will be drunk at the canteen. No beer will be taken away. The O.O. will be responsible that this is carried out. Anyone taking beer to his tent will be guilty of an offence.

6. TENT COMDRS.

Tent comdrs must realise that they are held responsible for their tent and that it is their special duty that personnel in tents carry out the orders relating to kits, security of rifles, etc.

7. LEAVE.

Leave for personnel of this Unit commences 17 Dec. Leave will be to TEL AVIV & JERUSALEM, generally of one day's duration. A very limited amount of two day leave will also be forthcoming in due course.

1. Personnel to be granted leave will be drawn from

(a) Those who have and are trying to do 'a good job'

(b) Those who have not been guilty of misconduct.

2. All personnel going on leave will be personally inspected by the C.O. or 2 i/c.

3. All ranks are exhorted to remember:-

(a) That good behaviour 'reaps its own reward' and that misbehaviour will certainly penalise a man in future selections.

(b) The reputation of this Bn and also of the Bde is in their hands.

(c) That local customs and dress are to be respected and that insularity will damage none but the seldier guilty of such stupidity.

(d) That at all times on leave they are to be properly dressed, with hats correctly worn and on no account are open necks to waists or shirts and ties showing permitted. Offrs & NCOs on leave at the time are to take the names of any member of this Unit transgressing this instr.

(e) That a minimum of £1 (PALESTINE) for one day leave and £2 for two day leave must be held by the soldier before passes will be issued.

(f) That all ranks on leave will report at the embussing point for the return journey at the time given them on the leave pde otherwise they will be charged with AWL which is regarded seriously.

(g) That every man must be in possession of a leave pass and will show it on demand by members of the MP or other authorised persons.

(h) That the MP in PALESTINE are definitely out to help a man whenever they can-not to buy trouble. And it is to be officially known that members of the 6th Div speak highly of the assistance and attitude of this very necessary branch of our forces. Members of this Bn will respect the timely explanation herein.

(i) That certain areas are out of bounds in the interests of the tps, and such excluded areas and shops etc will not be entered by any member of this Bn.

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- (j) That everybody wishes to give and to get as much leave as can be regarded as reasonable and that any misuse of the privilege will only end in its curtailment.
4. Pay for men going on leave will be available at Bn HQ at 1930 hrs on the preceding night and will be arranged by Coys through the Pay Sgt.
 5. Passes will only be given to each man with his return ticket, the money for which is to be handed over to Coys by 2100 hrs on the preceding night. The cost of return fares is TEL AVIV, 145 mils; JERUSALEM, 200 mils.
 6. Coys will ensure that all men proceeding on leave have had AIF Standing Orders (P) Pam 3 Appx H read to them before each party leaves and will certify to the Adj that every man so proceeding is cognisant of the instns contained therein.
 7. Each bus will be under command of an Offr of this Unit or another of this Bde and he is instructed to take any necessary disciplinary action.
 8. All leave parties staying longer than one day will report to Force HQ when reaching JERUSALEM.
 9. The dress for men proceeding on leave is S.D. and hats turned up.- no gaiters, no belts.
 10. The dress for picquets is S.D., with stripped belts, hats turned up and gaiters, no sidearms.
 11. Leave will be allotted to Coys on a pro rata basis and recommendations will be made to BN HQ by 1800 hrs on the day preceding. Approval will not be indicated until applications have been dealt with at Bn HQ.
 12. Leave parties will parade under the O.O. at the western side of the Picture Theatre at 0720 hrs.
 13. Routine for Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday will be Reveille 0600, breakfast, 0645 hrs, LEAVE PICQUET - TEL AVIV.

The following will report at Bn H.Q. at 0715 for picquet as above. Lieut. N.B.G. Meecham, Sgt. Wright, R.J.P., Cpl Thompson, H.C. and 10 O/Rs (to be detailed from 'D' Coy)

Offr in charge of picquet will report to Adj at 2000 hrs on the day preceding for separate instructions.

Barton
Adj 2/16Bn AIF
Capt.

Part 'B'

1. TRANSFER.

WX 5667 Pte Crouch, R.T.J. 'B' Coy to 'C' Coy 16/12/40.
3203 " Durbridge, W.N. 'C' Coy to 'B' Coy "

2. RETURN TO STRENGTH.

WX 2858 L/Cpl Aitken, P, WX 3749 Pte Tranter, J.R.T., H.Q. Coy. WX 3097 Cpl Christian, R.H. H.Q. Coy, WX 5615 Pte Braybrook, C.F. 'A' Coy. WX 3177 Pte Blake, H., WX 3556 Pte Jones, R.G., WX 4244 Pte Lamotte, L., WX 3002 Pte Montgomery, H., WX 2613 Pte McGregor, W.R., WX 3507 Pte Stone, T.H., Reinf Coy.

3. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 2658 Pte Jamieson, L.H., Bn HQ. evacuated to Hospital. 16/12/40.

2993	"	Rogie, J. H.Q. Coy	do	
4035	"	Webber, F. H.Q. Coy	do	1 ✓ Sgn
3751	"	Heaperman, R.A. 'A' Coy	do	2 1 No
3764	"	Bolland, G.D. 'A' Coy	do	2 1 A
4341	"	Earnshaw, G. 'B' Coy	do	6 6 Reinf
4387	"	Archibald, T. 'C' Coy	do	
3889	"	Collas, J. 'C' Coy	do	
4363	"	Beatty, M.G. 'D' Coy	do	1 B
3207	"	Moore, J. Reinf Coy	do	2 B
5785	"	Flower, E.L. Reinf Coy	do	1 D
7492	"	Page, K.A. Reinf Coy	do	6 Reinf
2742	A/Sgt	Crombie, R.G. Reinf Coy	do	
3029	Pte	Hodder, A.J. Reinf Coy	do	
4713	"	Blackburn, H. Reinf Coy	do	

RECOMMENDATION PART 'A'.

MILES.

For 16/17 will be

BY

Lieut. Col. A.R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 17 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt.	Bn O. Cpl	Date
Reinf 'A'	Lt. Holley	Lt. Sanderson	Sgt. Wallace	Cpl McCullough	17/18
	Lt. G. Symington	Lt. N.B. Meecham	Sgt. Wright	Cpl Burgess	18/19

2. TATTOO.

All personnel will be in their respective tents by 'Tattoo'. NCOs in charge of tents will report the names of any absentees to their Coy Orderly Room.

3. BDE RUNNER.

The Duty Coy will detail one man to report to Bde H.Q. at 0830 hrs daily.

4. AIR MAIL LABELS.

The use of air mail labels, or envelopes bearing the air mail label imprint, for letters to be despatched by surface transport, is irregular and will be discontinued forthwith.

5. LEAVE- WOMEN.

"This note is not in the nature of a command but a simple request to each individual to consider carefully the consequences to himself of his actions whilst on leave. Some men are careful, others lucky, but the soundest advice is to avoid risk. The popular belief that to womanise is both natural and manly is both contrary to experience and untrue. The best men physically & mentally are those that leave strange women alone-- and even the dirtiest of these latter look beautiful through a haze of alcohol.

Disregard of this friendly tip has already produced damage in this Bn and may cause irreparable harm in the lives of good men if not carefully watched. Remember, it's not the shrewd head who gives all the 'advice' who suffers, but the decent chap, who, if left to himself would naturally avoid trouble, but who, on the advice of the tough (?) guy experiments and crashes."

6. LEAVE.

The allotment of leave to Coys, etc. for NCOs and Ptes for week-ending 21 Dec is as follows:-

Date	Place	Duration	Bn H.Q.	H.Q. Coy	A	B	C	D	Reinf	Total
17 Dec	TEL AVIV	1 Day	15	45	27	27	27	6	23	170
18 Dec	JERUSALEM	1 "	6	20	10	10	10	31	9	96
18 Dec	TEL AVIV	1 "	2	5	3	4	3	3	3	23
19 Dec	JERUSALEM	2 "	2	6	4	4	4	4	3	27
TOTALS			25	76	44	45	44	44	38	316
19 Dec	JERUSALEM	1 Day	attached personnel							3
17 Dec	TEL AVIV	1 "	Officers							10
18 Dec	JERUSALEM	1 "	do							4
18 Dec	TEL AVIV	1 "	Offrs or NCOs							2
19 Dec	JERUSALEM	2 "	Officers							2
									TOTAL.	337

All ranks will carry pay-books for purposes of identification.

Offrs comd parties will ensure that one man in each bus carries rifle, equipment and 10 rounds of SAA. This will be disposed as contained in AIF SOs (P) Pam 3 Appx H para 11.

All leave parties will be formed up in Coy lines, checked, and inspected by an Offr of the Coy before parading at 0720 hrs or 1245 hrs at the Picture Theatre, according to the time of embussing.

Personnel proceeding on 2-day leave will parade at the Picture Theatre at 1245 hrs.

OsC leave parties will arrange that each bus has a copy of duplicated maps of the city for perusal during the journey. These to be obtained from the I.O.

LEAVE PARTY, JERUSALEM, 18 Dec. Capt. D.G. Horley will be O.C. party. Attention is drawn to SOs (P) Pam 3 Appx H.

LEAVE PARTY - 2 DAY - JERUSALEM. Lieut. F. G. Sims will be O.C. Party. Attention is drawn to SOs (P) Pam 3 Appx. H para 21 (d).

7. SPECIAL DUTY PARTY.

Separate instns are issued for a special party of 9 offrs and 40 O/Rs under command of Capt A.J. Anderson to move out of JULIS CAMP on 18 Dec. All ranks therein will report to Capt Anderson at 0605 hrs 18 Dec outside Bn HQ. QM will arrange early breakfast to include offrs involved.

8. DEMONSTRATION - BREN GUN AND A/Tk. RIFLE

The following offrs are detailed to stand by to attend a special demonstration of the above at JAFFA rifle range 0800 to 1200 hrs 19 Dec 40.- Major W.J. Wain, Capt. A. Robinson, Capt. D.G. Horley, Capt. A.E. Caro, Lieut. J.M. Hearman, Lieut. W.A. MacKinnon, Lieut. E.J.T. Barnett, Lieut. G. Wright, Lieut. F. Sanderson. Separate instns will be issued.

[Signature]
Adj 2/16Bn AIF Capt.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16 Bn AIF

Part 1 No. 159.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 18 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl	Date
6 'A'	Lt. G. Symington	Lt. N. B. Meecham	Sgt. Wright	Cpl Burgess	18/19
c 'B'	Lt. Murdock	Lt. Langridge	Sgt. Inkpen	Cpl Hounslow	19/20

2. DEFAULTERS.

In future defaulters will report to the Kitchens at 1900 hrs for fatigues. The Bn O.O. will ensure that this is carried out.

3. TENTS - WALLS.

It is necessary to again point out that walls of tents are to be rolled back by 0900 hrs, except when orders to the contrary are promulgated by the O.Offr. This applies to ALL tents (except the office end of Ord. Room tents), and INCLUDES tents in which are sick men. Sick men are to wrap up warmly.

4. TATTOO.

In future Coy Ord. Cpls will report direct to Bn Ord Sgt at Bn H.Q. by 2230 hrs the result of Tattoo roll calls. Coy Ord Cpls will personally visit all Coy tents to collect reports from Tent Comds. Sgt. McMaugh will be responsible for reports of Bn H.Q. tents, etc. O.O. will supervise.

5. DRESS.

It has been noticed that some men occasionally wear composite dress, viz say khaki drill trousers and S.D. tunic. This and similar practices are to cease at once and to be supervised by Coys.

6. IDENTIFICATIONS.

- (a) It is the responsibility of all guards and sentries to see that no unauthorised person enters this Camp.
- (b) All ranks must ascertain the pass-word before proceeding outside camp boundaries.
- (c) Should a person not knowing the pass-word desire to enter this Camp, identification will then be made by means of the person's pass, pay-book photograph or identity disc.
- (d) If an identification is not made in any of these ways, the person will be taken to the guard room where he will await identification by somebody he will indicate in the Camp.
- (e) Guards and sentries must realise that the mere wearing of a uniform is not a sufficient means of identification.

7. AIR MAIL POSTAL RATES.

- (a) The reduced air mail rate applies only to letters NOT exceeding one-half ounce in weight, and to single sheet postcards without envelope or wrapper.
- (b) Letters exceeding one-half ounce in weight are chargeable at the full rate of 1/6 per half-ounce as also packets and parcels.

8. OFFRS VISITING OTHER UNITS.

Offrs visiting other Units and intending to stay overnight will take with them a complete kit, including valise or bed roll. This applies especially to offrs visiting Units in Egypt.

9. CADRE.

A cadre for prospective NCOs will be conducted from Fri 20 Dec to Fri 27 Dec (both incl). The total vacancies for candidates is 16. Allotment to Coys is as follows:-

H.Q. Coy	"A" Coy	"B" Coy	"C" Coy	"D" Coy	Reinf
2	3	3	3	3	3

Coy Comds will submit the names of personnel selected to Bn H.Q. by 1800 hrs 19 Dec. The Cadre will be conducted under the direction of the R.S.M. in two groups by:-

- Sgt. Sharman
- " Vickers

Candidates will report to R.S.M. at BN HQ at 0900 hrs on 20 Dec. Trg area for Cadre will be S.E. corner of Bn Pde Gd.

10. BUGLERS.

It is intended to train one bugler in each Coy. Normally the Coy bugler is the batman-orderly to O.C. Coy or 2 i/c Coy. Coys will submit names of personnel likely to fulfil these requirements to Bn H.Q. by 1200 hrs 19 Dec.

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11. SECTION LDERS' CADRE.

Cadre No 2 for this Course will commence on Mon 23 Dec and will conclude on 30 Dec (both incl). The total number to attend is 24. One Sect Ldr from each Pl of Rifle Coys (total 12) and the following from potential NCO Cadre will attend:-

WX 3187 Pte Davis, L.F. "A" Coy	WX 4268 Pte Walsh, E.W. "A" Coy
3831 " Moffat, G. "A" Coy	3153 " Kelman, A.G. "B" Coy
5682 " Gibson, R.C. "B" Coy	4252 " Jones, R.E.H. "B" Coy
5607 " Scott, J. "C" Coy	5966 " Allnutt, E.R.L. "C" Coy
4740 " Lang, J.H. "C" Coy.	4162 " Ashley, M.H. "D" Coy
3655 " Holland, G. "D" Coy	8123 " Lewis, J.B. "D" Coy

The cadre will be conducted by Lieut. G. M. McGee (Inst No. 1)

Assistant instrs will be Sgt Martin ('B' Coy), Inst No. 2.

Sgt Reid ('A' Coy), Inst No 3.

Names of nominations from Coys to be at Bn H.Q. by 1800 hrs 20 Dec.

All personnel will report to Lt. McGee at Bn H.Q. at 0900 hrs 23 Dec.

Dress: Working dress, drill order.

Syllabus: As for Cadre No 1.

Instrs and places as before for No. 1 Cadre except as above.

Burton Libal
for Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B"

1. PROMOTIONS.

WX 4052 Pte Richards, L. Bn H.Q. to be A/Cpl 18/12/40.

4017 Pte Lawrence, A.E., H.Q. Coy. to be A/Cpl 18/12/40.

2. PROMOTION & APPOINTMENT.

WX 3264 A/Sgt Stapledon, H.D. promoted to W.O. I and appointed R.S.M. as from 4/10/40.

3. APPOINTMENTS.

Authority 7 Aust Div memo 33/26/132/ 13 Dec 40.

WX 4043 Pte Ferguson, G.C. Bn H.Q., to be A/L/Cpl 18/12/40.

5627 Pte Palmer, S.M. Bn H.Q. to be A/L/Cpl 18/12/40.

4. TRANSFERS.

WX 4041 Pte Barrett, J.H. H.Q. Coy transferred to 21 Aust Inf Bde 19/12/40.

4014 " Smith, D.P. H.Q. Coy do

5. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX 7678 Pte Byrne, S.S., 7388 Pte Wright, A.K., 5764 Pte White, E.S. and Pte Merritt,

V.F., Reinf Coy; 2940 Pte Hillier, H.A., "D" Coy; 5895 Pte Osborne, C.R.O., 6005

Pte Lee, H.S., "B" Coy; 3104 L/Sgt Thomas, L.E.C. H.Q. Coy. evac. to hospital 18/12/40.

6. INTER-COY TRANSFERS.

WX 3743 Pte Barrett, R.J. Reinf Coy to "A" Coy 18/12/40.

5632 " Cruickshanks, K. do

NOTICE - PICTURES.

Two shows will be given nightly at the Camp Cinema. 2/16Bn personnel may attend either the early or late session.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16 BN A.I.F.

PART 1 NO 160.

BY

Lieut Col A.R. BAXTER COX Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 19 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Date.	Coy	Gd Comd.	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt.	Bn O.Cpl.
19/20	"C"	Lt McEoo	Lt N.Symington	Sgt Inkpen	Cpl Hounslow S.A.
20/21	"D"	Lt N.B.Meecham	Lt F.Sanderson	Sgt Reid	Cpl Goldspink
21/22	"A"	Lt T.Harper	Lt G.Wright	Sgt Bracegirdle	Cpl McCullough

Rein Coy will in future be excluded from Coy Duty Roster but will provide

(a) Security Picquet Dec 19/20, 24/25, 29/30 and Jan 3/4.

(b) Gd Dec 22/23, 27/28 and Jan 1/2.

2. FRUIT.

Attention is again directed to the purchase of fruit from hawkers. This practice must cease and disciplinary action will be taken against offenders in future. Medical opinion is definite that the eating of this unwashed fruit is one of the main causes of stomach disorder.

3. DEFAULTERS.

Defaulters for cook house duty at 1900hrs (R.O. No 159 Para 2) will report to Sgt New at H.Q. & A Coy cook house.

4. TRAINING WITH "I" Sect.

The following personnel will be attached to the I. Sect for trg during a probationary period of 2 weeks commencing 0900hrs 23 Dec 40.

WX3863 Pte Wright H. "C" Coy WX3906 Pte Sanders P.P. "C" Coy
WX5640 Pte Collingwood P.A. "C" Coy WX2908 Pte Salvaris A.R. "D" Coy

5. SPECIALIST DUTIES - BARBER, BOOTMAKER, ARMOURER.

For disciplinary and administrative purposes the above will come directly under the control of the coy concerned, but for specialist duties and their control the following procedure will obtain.

Reg. Barber. will report at 1745hrs each working day to, Sgt Palmer A.A.P.C. and will render an account of the days work and takings and make the necessary adjustments in receipts.

Reg Bootmaker. will work under the direction of Q.M. and deal directly with him for supplies

Reg. Armourer as for Reg Bootmaker.

Note. This includes the assistant bootmakers appointed from A. & D. Coys respectively

6. SECURITY.

Tps are reminded that it is an offence to have in their possession cameras which are not registered.

A. M. Goodhall
Capt.
Adj 2/16 Bn A.I.F.

PART "B"

1. TRANSFERS.

WX3024 Pte Walsh T.H. "D" Coy to H.Q. Coy 19 Dec 40
WX7385 Pte Dymock W.G. "Rein Coy to "D" Coy 19 Dec 40
WX4159 Pte Frost T.M. do do

NOTICES.

FOOTBALL - AUSTRALIAN RULES. There will be a match against 2/27 Bn on Sat 21 Dec 40 All those desirous of playing should hand their names in to Bn H.Q. 0900hrs 20 Dec

SOCCER. A match has been arranged against 2/27 Bn for the 22 Dec. Those desirous of playing will also hand their names in as above.

RUGBY UNION. Those desirous of playing in Rugby will hand their name in to Bn H.Q. by 0900hrs 20 Dec stating positions in which they play. Owing to complete absence of members of the Sports Committee one man or N.C.O. will be detailed from each Coy to report to the Adj at 0830hrs 20 Dec.

HOCKEY There will be 2 matches played on Sat 21 Dec 40 commencing 1400hrs and 1530hrs Teams will be drawn from "A" Coy, H.Q. Coy and "B" Coy, captained by Sgt Reid and "C" Coy, "D" Coy and Rein Coy will be captained by Pte Allnutt E.R.L. All personnel desirous of playing to hand their names in to the respective captains without delay.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16 BN A.I.F.

PART I NO 161

BY
Lieut Col A.R. BAXTER COX Commanding Officer
Part "A" 20 Dec 40

1. DUTIES.

Date	Coy	Gd Comd	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O.Cpl
20/21	"D"	Lt N.B. Meecham	Lt F. Sanderson	Sgt Reid	Cpl Goldspink
21/22	"A"	Lt T. Harper	Lt G. Wright	Sgt Bracegirdle	" McCullough

2. COY COMD.

Lt J.M. Hearman will command "H.Q." Coy until further notice.

3. PAY.

Pay due to the 26 Dec 40 will be made available on Tuesday 24 Dec 40.

4. CADRE - BREN GUN

A cadre for N.C.Os. for inst in the Bren Gun will commence at 0900hrs 23 Dec and terminate on 28 Dec 40.

Each rifle Coy will select 3 N.C.Os, No 2 Pl 2 N.C.Os., and No 4 Pl 4 N.C.Os., names to be handed in to Bn H.Q. by 1800hrs 21 Dec. This personnel to report to Bn H.Q. to attend this course at 0900hrs 23 Dec.

Each rifle Coy will provide 1 Bren Gun complete to be handed in to Bn Q.M. store by 1200hrs 22 Dec. Q.M. will issue to Cadre daily.

The following will conduct the course:-

Lt G.W. Wright Sgt Young J.S.

Syllabus will be drawn up by Lt Wright and submitted to C.O. for approval.

5. BN H.Q. ORDERLY ROOM.

Applications are called from personnel for position in the above orderly room; must be able to type.

6. ADMITTANCE - BN ORDERLY ROOM.

The use of the Bn Orderly Room for BUSINESS only will be rigidly adhered to in future.

7. LEAVE.

The following allotment for leave to Coys etc for N.C.Os. and Ptes for Sun 22 Dec 40 is made:-

Bn H.Q.	H.Q. Coy	"A" Coy	"B" Coy	"C" Coy	"D" Coy	Coy Rein	Coy Attached	Total
4	11	8	8	8	8	6	2	55

Offrs 2

Capt W. Hopkinson will be O.C. party.
After inspection Coys will have personnel report to O.O. at Picture Theatre ready to move by 0720hrs.

8. RESPIRATORS.

In future respirators will be worn:-

- (a) by all duty personnel in the slung position.
- (b) by all ranks on marches and tactical exercises etc in the alert position

G. N. Goddard
Adj 2.16 Bn A.I.F. Capt

PART "B".

1. TRANSFERS.

WX2643	A/Sgt Dickson T.J.M.	"H.Q." Coy to Rein Coy to take effect	23 Dec 40
WX2638	A/Sgt Draper T.A.	" do do	22 Dec 40
WX3085	A/Sgt Harding W.C.N.	"A" Coy do	do
WX2905	A/Sgt Wallace S.	"Rein" Coy to "A" Coy	do
WX4832	A/Sgt White C.M.	"Rein" Coy to "H.Q." Coy	23 Dec 40
WX3001	Pte Montgomery H.R.	"Rein" Coy to "D" Coy to take effect	20 Dec 40
WX3670	Pte Wylie G.M.R.	"B" Coy to "Rein" Coy	do

2. PROMOTION

WX4326 Cpl Scott R.E. A.A.M.C. att. to be A/Sgt 20 Dec 40

3. APPOINTMENT.

WX2723 A/Sgt Young H.G. to act as C.S.M. "H.Q." Coy from 23 Dec 40

4. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX4892	Pte Cooney J.P.	Bn H.Q. Evac to Hosp.
WX3198	Pte Kerry J.M.	"B" Coy Detention Barracks
WX4023	Pte Allen R.F.	"H.Q." Coy Evac to Hosp.
WX4296	Pte Webster J.F.	"A" Coy do
WX7983	Pte Munro J.M.	"Rein" Coy do
WX2747	A/L/Cpl Stewart B.R.	do do

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF.

Part 1 No. 162.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 21 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Duty Coy Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt.	Bn O. Cpl	Date
"A" Lt. Harper	Lt. G. Wright	Sgt. Bracegirdle	Cpl McCullough	21/22
"B" Lt. N. Symington	Lt. Gill	Sgt. Dickson	Cpl Treasure	22/23

2. CHURCH PARADES.

There will be no church pde for RCs tomorrow. Church pde for Protestants will be held at M.T. Park at 0900 hrs, 22 Dec. Markers to report to R.S.M. on MT Park at 0845 hrs. Pde will be under the command of the Bn O.O. Holy Communion will be celebrated at 0730 hrs tomorrow in the Recreational Hall. Holy Communion will also be celebrated at 0715 hrs on Christmas Day.

3. RECREATIONAL & WRITING ROOM.

Up to and including 31 Dec 40 the recreational & writing rooms will be open during the following hours:- Mon to Fri, 12300-1330 and 1630-2130 hrs. Sat, 1230 to 2130; Sun 1000 to 2130. From 1 Jan, 41, hours will be Mon to Sat, 1230-1330 and 1630-2130. Sun 1000 to 2130.

4. WET CANTEEN.

The Wet Canteen will be open during the following hours:- Bn H.Q., H.Q. Coy, "A" Coy, 1900 to 2000 hrs; B, C, D and Reinf, 2000-2100. The O.O. will personally supervise the wet canteen from 1900 to 2100 hrs and will prevent congestion as much as possible. Each Coy will detail one NCO to report to O.O. at wet canteen to assist the O.O. during the canteen period of their respective Coys.

G. N. GODSALL, Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B"

1. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 2658 Pte Jamieson, L. to Bn H.Q.; WX 4253 Pte Smith, A.L.; WX 3268 Pte Colgrove, J.L.; WX 7383 Pte Morton, W.; WX 2977 Pte Bullock, J.; WX 3558 Pte McKenzie, W.D.; WX 2941 Pte Hillier, H.; WX 4713 Pte Blackburn, H.; WX 2993 Pte Rogie, J.E.; WX 3264 Pte Davies, G.J.

NOTICE.

In connection with the sports meeting to be held tomorrow, the Bn Band will leave from the vicinity of the Guard Tent at 1315 hrs for the Sports Ground.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16 Bn AIF

Part 1 No. 163.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 22 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Date	Gd Comdr.	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt.	Bn O. Cpl	Duty Coy.
22/23	Lt. N. Symington	Lt. N.B. Meecham	Sgt. Dickson	Cpl. Treasure	"B"
23/24	" F. Sanderson	" E. Barnett	" Hill	" Patchett	"C"

2. CHRISTMAS GREETINGS.

The Prime Minister of Australia has sent Christmas Greetings and Best Wishes for the New Year to all ranks of the 7 Aust Div.

3. INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS.

Authority has been given for the formation of a Group of the Institution of Engineers (Aust). All Chartered Engineers, Junior & Student members and also students who were attending Engineering Courses prior to enlistment are asked to write direct to the COME, 1 Aust Corps, GAZA, where full particulars are available.

4. LANGUAGES.

Coys will submit returns of all personnel who can speak any languages (other than English) fluently. Returns will state the languages spoken and the standard attained, and be submitted to Bn H.Q. by 0900hrs 27 Dec 40.

5. DUTIES - RECREATION ROOM.

One pte only will in future be detailed for duty from 0900 - 1100hrs at the recreation room in lieu of 2 ptes as hereto for.

The duty Coy will provide 1 Cpl for duty at the Recreational & writing rooms during the hours the rooms are opened and being cleaned. This N.C.O. will be responsible for discipline and is to assist the Chaplain in control of the rooms.

G. N. GCDSELL Capt
Adj 2/16 Bn AIF

PART "B".

1. CONFIRMATION OF RANKS.

The following personnel are confirmed in the rank of Sgt with seniority as shown:-

- ✓ WX2723 Sgt Young H.G.
- ✓ WX4329 " Grenfell R.A.
- ✓ B WX2741 " Martin F.L.
- ✓ WX2607 " Sharman A.M.
- ✓ WX4332 " Young J.S.
- ✓ WX3895A/S/Sgt Vivian-Williams H.
- ✓ WX3037 Sgt Wedderburn S.V.
- ✓ WX2644A/S/Sgt Hughes A.A.
- ✓ B WX2641 Sgt Cohen M.B.
- ✓ C WX5646 " McDonald E.G.
- ✓ D WX2653 " McGovern K.N.
- ✓ H WX2648 " Brown J.G.
- ✓ J WX2725 " Grigg E.W.
- ✓ K WX4541 " McMaugh W.E.
- ✓ L WX2697 " New E.J.C. (Seniority)
- ✓ M WX2734 " Campbell R.P.
- ✓ N WX2811 " Rose R.N.
- ✓ O WX2722 " Gigg T.H. (Seniority)
- ✓ P WX2735 " Hill T.N.
- ✓ Q WX3304 " Gorrie P.R.
- ✓ R WX2846 " Atkinson W.M.
- ✓ S WX3859 " Reid R.J.C.
- ✓ T WX4545 " Elphick W.T.
- ✓ U WX2808 " O'Loughlin C.E.
- ✓ V WX4544 " Wood P.B.
- ✓ W WX4368 " Vickers D.H.
- ✓ X WX4068 " Wright R.J.P.
- ✓ Y WX2905 " Wallace S.
- ✓ Z WX3567 " Salom A.L.
- ✓ AA WX2746 " Phillips A.M.
- ✓ AB WX4251 " Bracegirdle K.P.
- ✓ AC WX3182 " Macaulay K.N.
- ✓ AD WX5678 " Inkpen L.G.J.
- ✓ AE WX4041 " Palmer H.E.
- ✓ AF WX4326 " Scott R.E.

The following personnel are confirmed in the rank of L/Sgt with seniority as shown:-

- ✓ WX2736 A/L/Sgt Corbett J.
 - ✓ W 2990 " Gilmore G.
 - ✓ WX3504 " Thomas L.E.C.
 - ✓ WX4393 " Alexander W.R. (Seniority)
 - ✓ WX2659 " Anderson C.D.
- The following personnel are confirmed in the rank of Cpl with seniority as shown:-
- ✓ WX2901 Cpl Horgan W.J.A.
 - ✓ C WX2743 " Wilson H.R.
 - ✓ D WX3176 " Antill J.B.
 - ✓ H WX5720 " Anderson E.V.
 - ✓ B WX2651 " Brander J.K.
 - ✓ A WX2034 " Burbidge T.
 - ✓ WX2990 A/L/Sgt Gilmore G.
 - ✓ H WX4059 Cpl Foy T.S.
 - ✓ H WX2659 A/L/Sgt Anderson C.D.
 - ✓ H WX2832 A/Sgt White G.M.
 - ✓ H WX3504 A/L/Sgt Thomas L.E.C.
 - ✓ H WX3093 Cpl Christian R.A. (Seniority)
 - ✓ D WX3000 " Craik J.W.
 - ✓ H WX2950 " Griffiths D.E.
 - ✓ C WX4077 " Patchett J.W.
 - ✓ D WX3003 " Thompson H.C.
 - ✓ H WX5679 " Pike A.
 - ✓ H WX2655 " Whiteside H.
 - ✓ C WX 5791 " McKenzie, J.R.
 - ✓ P WX4760 " Burgess, D.R.
 - ✓ A WX 4635 " Kilpatrick, D.J.
 - ✓ A WX4625 " Ryan, A.
 - ✓ H WX 5945 " Haines, M.W.
 - ✓ B WX 3936 " Treasure, V.V.
 - ✓ B WX 3811 " Williams, A.S.
 - ✓ C WX 4759 " Williams, E.F.E.
 - ✓ B WX 3568 " Impson, H.G.

CONFIRMATION OF RANK - CPLS (Cont).

- ✓ A WX 4125 Cpl Hodgson, W.J.
- ✓ WX 2733 " Anderson, N.F.
- ✓ WX 3530 " Trotter, F.J.
- ✓ C WX 2816 " Holmes, A.R.
- ✓ B WX 2839 " Tull, H.S.
- ✓ D WX 2945 " Dungey, B.
- ✓ WX 3008 " McCarthy, S.D.
- ✓ A WX 4335 " McCullough, K.
- ✓ D WX 4020 " Hoare, A.G.F.
- ✓ B WX 3626 " Philbin, J.T.
- ✓ D WX 3636 " Haddy, A.C.
- ✓ H WX 2665 " Goldspink, A.B.
- ✓ C WX 5666 " Duff, L.A.
- ✓ D WX 5768 " Hounslow, S.A.
- ✓ H WX 2930 " Gawned, E.G.
- ✓ WX 3120 " McVeigh, T.
- ✓ WX 4395 " Brockman, J.H.
- ✓ WX 4315 " White, I.L.
- ✓ A WX 2843 " Renouf, J.L.
- ✓ B WX 4349 " Johnston, S.B.
- ✓ B WX 5677 " Teede, L.P.
- ✓ B WX 5671 " Mort, J.W.
- ✓ B WX 5669 " Page, A.B.
- ✓ B WX 5825 " Folland, T.
- ✓ B WX 4240 " Mathews, F.C.T.
- ✓ A WX 2890 " Anderton, F.R.
- ✓ C WX 4365 " Gillard, J.
- ✓ A WX 3239 " Phillips, D.E.
- ✓ D WX 5780 " Hounslow, F.E.
- ✓ C WX 4075 " Kent, F.A.
- ✓ D WX 4150 " Mantow, F.A.P.
- ✓ C WX 3694 " Innes, R.W.
- ✓ H WX 4703 " Baker, H.J.
- ✓ H WX 4052 " Richards, L.

ADDENDUM TO PART A - CADRE, SEC LEADING.

The following personnel will attend the following course commencing Mon 23 Dec:

WX 2834 Cpl Burbidge, T; 4335 Cpl McCullough, K.; 3626 Cpl Philbin, J.T.; 3003 Cpl Thompson, H.C.; 4020 Cpl Hoare, A.G.F.; 5780 Cpl Hounslow, S.A.; 3936 Cpl Treasure, V.V.; 5669 Cpl Page, A.B.T.; 4349 Cpl Johnson, S.B.; 4760 Cpl Burges, D.R.; 4777 Cpl Patchett, J.W. 3544 L/Cpl Hynes, T.W.

CADRE - BREN GUN.

The following personnel will attend above commencing Mon 23 Dec

WX2905 Sgt Wallace S, 3238 Cpl Phillips D.E. 4635 Cpl Kilpatrick D.J. 3568 Cpl Impson H.G. 4240 Cpl Matthews F.C.T. 5677 Teede L.F. 4759 Cpl Williams E.F.E. 2816 Cpl Holmes A.R. 4075 Cpl Kent F.A. 3538 Cpl Trotter F. 3636 Cpl Haddy A.C. 5780 Hounslow F.E. 2665 Cpl Goldspink, H.B. 4125 Cpl Hodgson, W.J.

WX 2736 A/L/Sgt. Corbett, J. (Next in seniority to A/L/Sgt Gilmore).

2. PROMOTIONS.

The following personnel are promoted to the rank of A/S/Sgt with seniority as below:-

- WX 3895 Sgt. Vivian-Williams, H. (Seniority).
- 3873 " Wedderburn, S.V.
- 2644 " Hughes, A.A. (Seniority).
- 2641 " Cohen, M.B.
- 5646 " McDonald, E.G.
- 2653 " McGovern, K.M.
- 2648 " Brown, J.G.

3. APPOINTMENT.

WX 2659 Cpl Anderson, C.D. H.Q. Coy to be A/T

4. TRANSFERS.

WX 3196 Pte Woods, E.J. H.Q. Coy to Reinf Coy.
3264 " Davies, G.W. Reinf Coy to H.Q. Coy.

5. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 5849 Pte Powley, V. WX 4035 Pte Webber, F. Reinf Coy.

ADDENDUM TO PART "A" - BREN-CARRIER COURSE.

A carrier course will be conducted under Bde arrangements for 7 working days commencing 23 Dec. OC No 4 Pl will make carriers available, serviced, by 0900 hrs each day at Bde HQ with work tickets. The following personnel will attend the course: Lt Hearman (instr), Cpls Gawned, E.G., Anderson, N.F., Brockman, J.H., McVeigh, T, Ptes Bates, H.G. Douglas, E., Engelbrecht, Jacobs, E. Farmer, L. Students will report to Bde HQ at 0900 hrs. Dress - W.D., no equipment. Rifles with magazines charged 5 rounds. Note books and pencils to be taken.

- ✓ WX 4635 " Kilpatrick, D.J.
- ✓ WX 4635 " Ryan, A.
- ✓ WX 2945 " Haines, N.W.
- ✓ WX 2936 " Treasure, V.V.
- ✓ WX 3811 " Williams, A.S.
- ✓ WX 4759 " Williams, E.F.
- ✓ WX 3568 " Impson, H.G.
- ✓ WX 4635 " Kilpatrick, D.J.
- ✓ WX 4635 " Ryan, A.
- ✓ WX 2945 " Haines, N.W.
- ✓ WX 2936 " Treasure, V.V.
- ✓ WX 3811 " Williams, A.S.
- ✓ WX 4759 " Williams, E.F.
- ✓ WX 3568 " Impson, H.G.
- ✓ WX 4635 " Kilpatrick, D.J.
- ✓ WX 4635 " Ryan, A.
- ✓ WX 2945 " Haines, N.W.
- ✓ WX 2936 " Treasure, V.V.
- ✓ WX 3811 " Williams, A.S.
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- ✓ WX 3568 " Impson, H.G.

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

2/16Bn AIF.

Part 1. No 164.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 23 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Date	Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
23/24	"C"	Lt. MacKinnon	Lt. Barnett	Sgt. Harding	Cpl Williams, A.
24/25	"D"	Lt. Barnett	Lt. MacKinnon	Sgt. Johnstone	Cpl Tull

2. DUTIES - RECREATIONAL HALL.

Attention is drawn to Para 5 of RO No 163 the provisions of which have not been complied with.

3. PERSONAL ROLL - PL COMDRS.

Coys will ensure that when a man is evacuated or transferred the personal roll sheet is handed in to Bn H.Q.

4. CHURCH PDES - CHRISTMAS DAY.

The following services and pdes will be held on Xmas Day.-

0715 hrs - Holy Communion in writing room

0900 hrs - Church pde at M.T. Park (P.A. system to be installed.)

Dress - S.D. - hats turned up - no gaiters.

O. Offr will be responsible for all arrangements and to form up pde. Pioneer

Offr will erect suitable stand.

5. RECREATION ROOMS & CANTEENS - XMAS DAY.

For Christmas Day the following arrangements for the above will obtain:-

(I) Recreation & writing rooms will be open from 1000 hrs to 2130 hrs.

(II) Dry canteens will be open from 1030 hrs to 2130 hrs.

(III) Wet canteen will be open from 1030-1200, 1600-1700 and from 1800-2100.

Lt. Barnett will be responsible for control 1030 hrs to 1200 hrs. 1100

Lt. MacKinnon do 1600 " 1700 " 1900

O.O. do 1800 " 2100 "

6. COY COMD.

Reinf Coy will be administered by Lt Cooper who will have full powers of O.C. Coy in respect to Reinf Coy.

7. SANITATION - CONSERVANCY SERVICES.

The sanitary contractor has, in certain instances, been emptying his sanitary bins in TEL AVIV drainage pits. Future occurrences of this kind will be reported immediately as this practice, if continued, will block the pits and the drainage system of the camp will be put out of action.

8. MESS ACCOUNTS, PAYMENT OF.

All Offrs and NCOs attending schools or courses or attached for temporary duties to other units or formations will pay their mess bills in full before leaving.

Ref 1 Aust Corps R.O. No 41 para 178 of 17 Dec.

9. AUST H.Q. GD BN.

Applications are called from members of this Bn desiring to transfer to the Aust H.Q. Gd Bn. To be eligible for consideration the applicant must be:- (a) An efficient soldier. (b) Of good character. (c) Medically fit. (d) Above the age of 35 years. (e) Recommended by his O.C. Applications by NCOs will only be considered if there are suitable vacancies. Applications must be lodged at Bn HQ by 0900 hrs 28 Dec 40.

Part

G. N. GODSALL Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF.

1. TRANSFERS.

WX 4167 Pte Craig, J.R. from Reinf Coy to H.Q. Coy & posted T.G. II. 23/12/40.

5505 " Christmass, R.S.R. " " to "C" Coy.

5531 " Graham, G.W. do

5668 " Bloomfield, C.A. do

2. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 3153 Pte Kelman, A.G. "B" Coy evacuated to hospital.

4254 " Lauchlan, T. "B" Coy. Detention.

3674 " Forrester, A.B. do.

NOTICE.

Donkey races and sports meeting which were to have been held on 22 Dec will be held according to programme on 25 Dec commencing at 1330 hrs on Bde recreation ground.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16 BN. A.I.F.

Part 1 No. 165A

By

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX.

Commanding Officer

Part "A"

24 Dec. 40.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

The Commanding Officer extends to all ranks the heartiest Christmas Greetings, best wishes for the New Year, and expressions of appreciation of the efforts of all in the few months the Bn. has been formed in building up the pride we have in the Bn. and in our Comrades, to whom all wishes are extended for the Best of Luck in the future.

Christmas Dinner will be held at 1230 hrs., a "Donkey" Race Meeting will be held on the Bde. Pde. Gd. at 1400 hrs., and there will be no syllabus of Training on Boxing Day.



Lt. Col.

A. R. BAXTER COX
C.O. 2/16 BN. A.I.F.

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

2/16Bn AIF.

Part 1 No. 165

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 24 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O.Cpl.
24/25	"D"	Lt. Barnett	Lt. MacKinnon	Sgt. Johnstone	Cpl. Tull
25/26	"A"	Lt. MacKinnon	Lt. Barnett	Sgt. Phillips	Cpl. Bantow

2. ALTERATION - ROUTINE.

Tomorrow, Xmas Day, Reveille will be as for Sundays. Offrs' Mess will, in future, be at 1800 hrs.

3. XMAS GREETINGS.

The G.O.C., 7 Aust Div has sent a message extending Xmas greetings and best wishes for the New Year to all members of the 7 Aust Div.

4. CHURCH PDE, R.C., XMAS DAY.

There will be a service for R.Cs, conducted by Chapl. Whelan, in the Recreation Hut at 0915 hrs tomorrow. Sgt. Sharman will arrange for a party to prepare this room for the service. He will also inspect it at 0900 hrs and ensure that it is ready.

5. REPAIRS TO RIFLES.

Coys will ensure that when rifles are sent to QM for repairs that they are complete with bolts and that bayonets and scabbards are affixed.

6. RUBBISH.

It has been reported that rubbish containers in Coy lines have had large quantities of sand placed therein. This makes it very difficult for transport to the incinerator and the practice will cease.

7. LIGHT DUTIES.

In order to ensure that those who are fit for duty get the maximum benefit from trg and will not be held for cook-house, etc duties Coys will make full use of light duty personnel. Where there is a surplus of such personnel on any day they will be sent to the RSM who will arrange for them to relieve duty personnel who will then take part in the day's trg. These light duty personnel will report to RSM at 0900 hrs.

8. ISOLATION.

Tps are advised that the cinema is out of bounds. All ranks are confined to camp and may not go beyond the lines of this Unit except for open air trg & organised sports.

G. N. GODSALL, Capt.

Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B"

1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 5637 Pte Martin, J.I. "D" Coy evacuated to Hospital.

2. TRANSFERS.

WX 2615 Pte Williams, L.J., 4244 Pte Lamotte, L; 3211 Pte Malarkey, F.; 3177 Pte Blake, H.; 4253 Pte Smith, A.L.; 2165 Pte Malarkey, C.; 2613 Pte McGregor, W.R.; 5664 Pte Gibson, A.M., Reinf Coy to "B" Coy.

ADDENDUM TO PART "A". - CENSORSHIP.

The attention of all franking offrs is drawn to AIF S.O. (P.) Pam No 1 paras 67, 71, 78 and 86.

AUST ARMY CANTEEN SERVICE.

Vacancies exist for Canteen Sgts, Canteen Assistants and escorts. Qualified accountants are also required as auditors. Applications are invited from Coys to be in at Bn H.Q. by 0900 hrs on 30 Dec, stating appointment applied for and soldier's qualifications for same.

NOTICES.

The donkey races and sports meeting to be held tomorrow will commence at 1410 hrs and in this connection the Bn band will leave the vicinity of the Gd tent at 1345 hrs.

RUGBY.

There will be a practice match for all those interested in rugby on Mon 30 Dec 40 at 1430 hrs. Coys are requested to make players available where possible. There will be a list pasted on Bn H.Q. notice board and intending players will put their names in the appropriate column. The list will be removed on Sat 28 Dec. Pte Harper, 5 Pl, is appointed propertyman and will report to the Adj at 1430 hrs 30 Dec for instns.

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 166

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX.

Commanding Officer.

Part "A"

26 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O.Cpl
26/27	"B"	Lt. Barnett	Lt. MacKinnon	Sgt. Rose	Cpl. Dungey
27/28	"C"	Lt. MacKinnon	Lt. Barnett	Sgt. Wood	Cpl Ryan

2. COURSE FOR SIG INSTRS.

- (1) A Signal Course lasting one month will begin on a date after 29 Dec with the object of trg instrs for various signal schools and courses.
- (2) The work to be carried out will include both theoretical and practical signalling & in the first instance will aim at the standard required of Regtl. Signallers, later including all branches of signal work.
- (3) As there are so many different branches, there is plenty of scope for the individual to find the work most suited to his tastes, and at the same time for the ambitious man to find opportunities for promotion.
- (4) Offrs, NCOs & men of this Unit are invited to submit their names to Bn HQ for selection. The following qualifications are desirable:-
- (a) A good general education, preferably to the Junior or Intermediate standard.
 - (b) A general knowledge of the Army and its organisation.
 - (c) A genuine interest in signal works.
- Those who have had experience in any technical branch of communication work are especially required.
- (5) Although the above qualifications are desirable, this should not deter the man to whom the work of signals appeals and who wants to make headway. The syllabus of the course covers most requirements and the instn given will enable the individual, providing he puts his best into it, to gain the knowledge required.
- (6) Successful candidates at the conclusion of the Course will receive appointments to the Staff of 1 Aust Corps School of Signals or other Signal Units, either as Sgts or commissioned offrs.
- (7) Appointment as an instr to a school does not mean that the NCO will be retained at the school indefinitely. Individuals will have opportunities for re-appointment to a unit after a period of about six months at the School.

Bill
Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Capt.

Part "B".

1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 2852 Pte Browne-Cooper, J. D., H.Q. Coy, evacuated to Hospital.
3811 Cpl Williams, A.S. "B" Coy do
4355 Pte Trussell, E.C. "D" Coy do
5750 L/Cpl Powell, I.C. Reinf Coy do

2. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 5673 Pte Keane, J. Reinf Coy.; WX 4180 Pte Armstrong, L. Reinf Coy; WX 5791 Cpl. McKenzie, J.R., Reinf Coy; WX 4300 Pte Dow, F.J., Reinf Coy.

3. TRANSFERS.

WX 7457 Pte Fannon, C.E. from Reinf Coy to H.Q. Coy.
2993 " Rogie, J.E. do
3888 " Lowe, V.C. from "C" Coy to H.Q. Coy.
4390 " Dow, F.J. from Reinf Coy to "D" Coy.

NOTICES - SPORTS.

Sat, 28 Dec.- Australian rules. 1420 hrs. 2/16Bn v. 2/27 Bn. at Bde sports ground. Reserves are to be given an opportunity of playing in this match also.

Sun, 29 Dec.- Australian rules. 1420 hrs. 2/16Bn v. 2/27Bn
Soccer. 1400 hrs. 2/16Bn v. 2/27Bn
Rugby. Combined team from Bde v. A/Tk Regt.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF.

Part 1 No 167.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX.

Commanding Officer.

Part "A"

27 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Coy</u>	<u>Gd Comdr</u>	<u>Bn O.O.</u>	<u>Bn O. Sgt.</u>	<u>Bn O. Cpl.</u>
27/28	"C"	Lt. MacKinnon	Lt. Barnett	Sgt. Salmon	Cpl Ryan
28/29	"D"	Lt. Barnett	Lt. MacKinnon	Sgt. W. Elphick	Cpl Waldron

2. DUTIES - RECREATIONAL HALL.

Attention is again drawn to para 5 of RO No 163. Duty Coys will ensure that these persons report at the Recreational Hall at 0900 hrs.

3. SENTRIES.

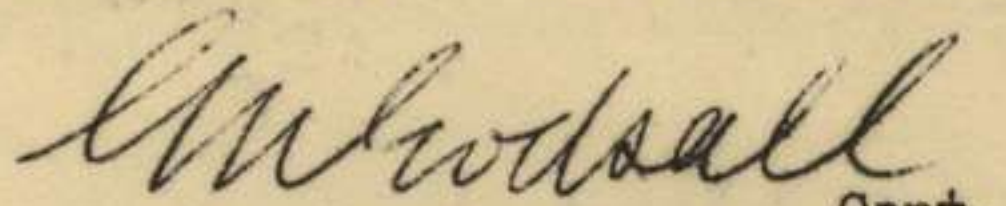
It is noted that sentries are not smart in their movements on their posts. Sentries are to realise that their smartest efforts are required, and that addition trg outside normal trg hours will have to be undertaken by those noted to be inefficient in this duty.

4. JEWISH SERVICES.

A Jewish service will be held on the first Sat of each month, commencing 4 Jan, 41, at 1100 hrs in the canteen, HOBBS LINES, JULIS CAMP.

5. CADRE.

A course of instrn in Anti-gas measures, Field Works and A/Tk rifle will commence on Mon 30 Dec at 1400 hrs and conclude on 11 Jan 41. The course will be conducted by Lieut. T. Harper with an NCO to be detailed as assistant instr. Two NCOs from each Coy will be detailed to attend and names are to be submitted to Bn HQ by 1800 hrs 28 Dec 40. Students will report to Lt. Harper at Bn HQ at 1345 hrs 30 Dec. Dress: Working dress, drill order, & respirators.


Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B"

1. REVERSION TO RANKS.

WX 3202 A/L/Cpl Taylor, D.H. H.Q. Coy reverts to ranks at own request. 26/12/40.

2. TRANSFERS.


WX 3202 Pte Taylor, D.H. H.Q. Coy to Bn H.Q. & appointed to Trade Gp III. 26/12/40.

2658 Pte Jamieson, L.H. Bn H.Q. to H.Q. Coy. 26/12/40.

5756 " Hinsley, R. Reinf Coy to "D" Coy 27/12/40.

5791 Cpl McKenzie, J.R. Reinf Coy to "C" Coy. 27/12/40.

Students will report to Lt. Harper at Bn HQ at 1345 hrs 30 Dec. Dress: Working dress, drill order, & respirators.


Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B"

1. REVERSION TO RANKS.

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5791 Cpl McKenzie, J.R. Reinf Coy to "C" Coy. 27/12/40.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 168.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX.

Commanding Officer.

Part "A"

28 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Coy</u>	<u>Gd Comdr</u>	<u>Bn O.O.</u>	<u>Bn O. Sgt</u>	<u>Bn O. Cpl</u>
28/29	"D"	Lt. Barnett	Lt. MacKinnon	Sgt. Elphick	Cpl Waldron
29/30	"D"	Lt. MacKinnon	Lt. Barnett	Sgt. Draper	Cpl Teede

2. CHURCH PDES.

Holy Mass will be celebrated by Chaplain Whelan in the Recreation Room at 0730 hrs tomorrow. Sgt. Sharman will arrange for a party to prepare room for service.

Holy Communion will be celebrated by Padre Spratling at 0730 hrs in the Reading Room.

Church pde for Protestants will be held on the M.T. park at 0900 hrs 29 Dec. Markers to report to RSM at M.T. park at 0845 hrs. Pde will be under command of Bn O.O.

3. TATTOO REPORTS.

Coys are referred to RO No 159 Part "A" 18 Dec 40 para 4. Tattoo reports at present are far from satisfactory.

4. RUBBISH.

Papers, wrappings, etc from ice creams, chocolates and other purchases are to be deposited in receptacles provided outside the canteen and not dropped indiscriminately in Bn lines or on the road.

W. M. Goddall

Capt.

Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B".

1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 3075 Cpl Kent, F. "C" Coy evacuated to hospital.

3580 Pte Standfield, P.H. "C" Coy do

5666 Cpl Duff, L.O. "C" Coy do

5617 Pte Meddings, K.R. "A" Coy do

2. RETURN TO STRENGTH.

WX 7412 Pte Birkbeck, R.; 2913 Pte Oldfield, E.P.; 3266 A/Sgt Chandler, H.G.; 4387 Pte Archibald, T.; 3029 Pte Hodder, J.P.; 4376 Pte Trigwell, W.J.; 3104 L/Sgt Thomas, L.E.C.; to Reinf Coy.

3. TRANSFER.

WX 2913 Pte Oldfield, E.P. Reinf Coy to H.Q. Coy.

4. REVERSION TO RANKS.

WX 3738 L/Cpl Plumpton, J.W. reverted to ranks at own request. 28 Dec 40.

3104 L/Sgt Thomas, L.E.C. reverted to rank of Cpl. 28 Dec 40.

NOTICE - RUGBY.

Persons desiring playing will enter their names on the list on Bn H.Q. notice board, by 1000 hrs 29 Dec 40. It is hoped to get sufficient players to form a Bn team to play other units.

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF
BY

Part 1 No 169.

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.
Part "A" 29 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Coy</u>	<u>Gd Comdr</u>	<u>Bn O.O.</u>	<u>Bn O. Sgt</u>	<u>Bn O. Cpl</u>
29/30	"A"	Lt. N.B.Meecham	Lt. Sanderson	Sgt. Draper	Cpl Teede
30/31	"B"	Lt. Sims	Lt. Gill	Sgt. O'Loughlin	Cpl McKenzie

2. ISOLATION.

Tps are again advised that the cinema is out of bounds. All ranks are confined to camp and may not go beyond the lines of this Unit except for open air trg and organised sport.

3. A/GAS & FIELD WORKS COURSE.

Students for the above course will now report to Lt. Harper at Bn HQ at 0845 hrs 30 Dec 40 in lieu of 1345 hrs. as notified in Bn R.O. No 167.

Sgt. Sharman, A.M. will report to Lt. Harper as asst.instr. for the course.

4. BREN GUN CADRE.

The above cadre will be discontinued on Mon 30 Dec when all those attending will report to their Coys to give instn in the Bren gun. The course will be resumed on Tues 31 Dec and conclude on that day.

The C.I. of course will report to Bn HQ on all students.

5. SEC LDERS CADRE.

A Cadre No 3 for this course will commence on Thurs 2 Jan 41 and conclude on 8 Jan. Particulars of personnel who will attend this course will be notified later. The cadre will be conducted by Lieut. G.M.McGee (instr No 1); asst instr Sgt. Inkpen (instr No 2); asst instr Sgt. Wright (instr No 3). Syllabus as for Cadre No 1. Instrs and places as before for No 2 cadre except as above.

G. N. GODSALL Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B"

1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 3936 Cpl Treasure, V.V. "B" Coy. Evac to hospital. ✓
4315 Cpl White, I. H.Q. Coy. do ✓

2. TRANSFER.

WX 6003 Cpl Cousins, J.C.E.W. Reinf Coy to "C" Coy. ✓

W D

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 170

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX.

Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 30 Dec 40

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn Q.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
30/31	"B"	Lt. Sims	Lt. GILL	Sgt O'loughlin	Cpl McKenzie
31/1	"C"	Lt. N.Symington	Lt. Wright	Sgt. Wood	Cpl Craik

2. CORREGENDUM R.O. No 160 Para 1 (b).

For "Guard" read "Security Picquet." In addition Reinf Coy will provide Security Picquet on the following dates:- Jan 6/7, 8/9, 11/12, 13/14, 16/17, 18/19.

3. ISOLATION.

Except for direct contacts, the isolation of this Unit has now been lifted.

4. REGTL MESS ACCOUNTS.

An audit board consisting of Capts Horley and Caro will audit all Regtl mess accounts etc. and report on same to Bn HQ by 7 Jan 41.

5. BOARD OF ENQUIRY.

A Board of Enquiry consisting of Capt Hopkinson (Pres), Cpt. Inkpen (member) will assemble at the direction of the president to report on the circumstances surrounding the loss of kits belonging to WX 2858 L/Cpl Aitken, P.; WX 5775 Pte Dermody, R; WX 3071 Pte Kempton. Report to be submitted to Bn HQ by 7 Jan 41.

6. SECTION LDERS CADRE No 3.

The following personnel will attend the above cadre:-

"A" Coy	"B" Coy	"C" Coy	"D" Coy	Reinf
L/Cpl Gray	L/Cpl Morris	Cpl. Cousins, J.C.	L/Cpl Duncan	Cpl Ottewell
Pte Hughes	Pte Pearce, H.W.	L/Cpl Martin, E.	" Weick, S.	Pte Kyd, C.E.
" Grenfell, T.	" Clarke, M.T.	Pte Holland, S.	" Bell	" Shaw, J.R.
" Yates, A.L.	" Mortimer, A.	" Harley, K.	Pte Cubley	
" Marray, J.T.		" Kern, W.	" Donovan, E.	
" Walker, F.			" Hanson, F.	
" Anderson, L.				

Students will report to Lt McGee at Bn HQ at 1345 hrs 2 Jan 41. Dress: W.D. drill order.

7. A/GAS & FD WORKS COURSE.

The following personnel will attend the above cadre commencing 30 Dec:-

"A" Coy	"B"	"C"	"D"	Reinf
Sgt. Phillips, A.M.	Cpl Mathews	Sgt. Salom	Sgt. Vickers	Cpl Willis
Cpl Rencuf, J.L.	Cpl Mort	Cpl McKenzie	Cpl Dungey	Pte Keane
				" McNeil, J.
				" Foster

The Major portion of the course will also be attended by No 5 Pl complete less essential duties, from time to time.

8. BDE PDE.

A rehearsal for a ceremonial Bde pde will be held at 1100 hrs 31 Dec. Bn will be formed on Bn pde grd at 0940 hrs. Markers to RSM at 0930. Dress: SD., drill order. Hats turned up. Separate instns are being issued for subsequent movements.

9. LEAVE.

The following allotment of leave has been made available at short notice out of this fortnight's quota for the camp.

Date	Place	Duratn.	Bn HQ	H.Q.	A	B	C	D	Reinf	Total
1 Jan	TEL AVIV	1 day	3	12	7	7	7	7	5	48
2 Jan	JERUSALEM	1 day	7	30	18	18	18	18	12	121

Attention is drawn to para 6 of Bn R.O. No 158 for detailed instns and to SOs (P) Pam 3 App H.

Lt. MacKinnon will be O.C. leave party for TEL AVIV on 1 Jan. Lt. Barnett will assist.

Maj. Wain will be O.C. leave party to JERUSALEM on 3 Jan. Capt. D.R.C. Wilson, Lt.

G.M. McGee and Lt. Harper will assist.

M. Coomall Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B"1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 3018 Pte Moloney, D. "D" Coy. WX 3002 Pte Montgomery, H.R. "D" Coy. Detention.

2. TRANSFERS.

WX 3105 Cpl Thomas, L.E.C. Reinf Coy to HQ Coy. WX 3556 Pte Jones, R.G. Reinf Coy to HQ Coy. WX 4180 Pte Armstrong, L. Reinf Coy to "C" Coy. WX 4387 Pte Archibald, T. Reinf Coy to "C" Coy.

NOTICE.

Packets will now be accepted for air mail despatch. Rates for air mail letters to England is 42 mils up to 10 grammes.

BY
Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.
 Part "A" 31 Dec 40.

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
31/1	"C"	Lt. J. Prosser	Lt. Wright	Sgt. Wood	Cpl Craik
1/2	"D"	Lt. Holley	Lt. Oversby	Sgt. Harding	Cpl Richardson

2. WET CANTEEN.

Wet canteen times in future will be as follows:--

Daily (except night trg days) 1900 to 2030 hrs
 Night trg days 1800-1830 2100-2145

Tonight (New Year's Eve) the canteen will be open until 2100 hrs.

Tomorrow (New Year's day) the hours will be:-- 1100-1200; 1600-1700; 1900-2030.

3. A/GAS & FD WORKS COURSE.

The following additional person is approved to attend the above course:--
 A. Sgt. Johnson, D.

4. SECT LDRS COURSE.

The following additional personnel are approved to attend the above course:--
 Pte Dilworth, C.F.J. "C" Coy; Pte Bennett, S.B. "C" Coy; Pte Clifton, C.M. "D" Coy.

5. HYGIENE.

If any person see a a native tipping urine, excreta or refuse into trenches within the Camp, the offender is to be apprehended and brought to Bn HQ. All ranks will co-operate in enforcing this order.

5. COURSES.

The following personnel have been approved to attend courses as shown:--

- (1) ME OCTU (3 Jan - 16 weeks). WX 4545 Sgt. Elphick, W.T.; WX 3859 Sgt Reid, R.J.C.; WX 2808 Sgt O'Loughlin, C.E.; WX 2725 Sgt Grigg, E.W.; WX 2811 Sgt Rose, R.N.
- (2) ME WTS (5 Jan-2 Feb 41 - Rifle & LMG).-- WX 2905 Sgt Wallace, S.; WX 4251 Sgt. Bracegirdle, K.B.
- (3) ME WTS (5 Jan-23 Jan 41. Mortar & Grenade).-- WX 4382 Cpl White, C.M.
- (4) ME Pl Comdrs Course.-- Lieut. N.B.G. Meecham

The above personnel will obtain particulars and time of movements from the Adj.

6. PISTOLS - PRIVATELY OWNED.

All privately owned revolvers, automatic pistols, ammunition or weapons of any description held by ORs will be collected by Coys immediately. They are to be clearly labelled with the owner's name and handed to the QM by 1200 hrs 2 Jan 41. The arms, etc will then be forwarded to Base Ordnance Depot for safe-keeping. Disciplinary action will be taken against any OR in possession of privately-owned weapons after this date.

7. CAMOUFLAGE OF TENTS.

All tents in Bn lines will be re-camouflaged immediately.

8. LEAVE PASSES.

Attention is directed to AIF S.O. (P) Pam 3 Appx II para 4 (a). Leave buses are to depart JERUSALEM at 1730 hrs and TEL AVIV at 1800 hrs. Leave passes will be made out to expire at these hrs, and personnel who miss the buses will be AWL as from the time of departure of the buses.

9. ROUTINE - NEW YEAR'S DAY.

Reveille will be at 0700 hrs. Leave personnel will pde at 0720 hrs adjacent to the cinema & be inspected before embussing. Coys will make individual arrangements in connection with early feeding of leave personnel.

A/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B"

1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 2835 Pte Parker, R. "B" Coy. WX 5606 Pte Neale, V. "C" Coy. Evacuated to Hospital.

2. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 2742 Sgt. Crombie, R.G.	WX 2747 L/Cpl Stewart, B.
6005 Pte Lee, H.S.	7678 Pte Byrne, S.S.
7942 " Page, K.	3611 " Merritt, V.
5785 " Flower, J.	All above to Reinf Coy.

NOTICES.

An Aust. rules match, 2/16Bn v. 8 Fd Regt. will be played on Bde sports ground tomorrow (1 Jan 41). Players will report on the ground at 1415 hrs.

A combined sports meeting (2/14Bn, 2/16Bn) will be held on the 2/14Bn sports ground next Sun (3 Jan). Details of this fixture will be promulgated later.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16 BN A I F

PART I No 171A

By

Lt Col

A R BAXTER COX

COMMANDING OFFICER

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

The Commanding Officer extends to all ranks his sincere
wishes for a happy and successful
New Year.

S E C R E T.

APPENDIX II

F I E L D R E T U R N S.

BY

Lt. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Officer Commanding 2/16Bn AIF

From 1 Dec to 31 Dec 40.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/16 Bn.

(Including ^{1st} Reinforcements)
(Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	8		
Lieutenants ...	23		3
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
TOTALS ...	36		3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
LIEUT.	GOLDSMITH DK	2/16 BN.	4-12-40	Evacuated to 2/1 A.G.M. Gaza Ridge

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col	WX 1573	A.R.B. COX	2/16 BN	YES	C.O.
MAJOR	1574	A.W. POTTS	✓	✓	2 I/C.
✓	1576	N.J. WAIN	✓	✓	O.C. 'A' Coy
✓	1587	W.C.J. GAVAN DUFFY	✓	✓	O.C. 'H.G.' Coy
CAPT.	OX 6159	G.N. GODSALL	✓	✓	ADJUTANT
✓	WX 1588	D.C. HORLEY	✓	✓	O.C. 'D' Coy
✓	1589	A. ROBINSON	✓	✓	O.C. 'B' Coy
✓	1590	A.J. ANDERSON	✓	✓	2 I/C 'A' Coy
✓	1591	F.M.B. INKREN	✓	✓	2 I/C 'B' Coy
✓	1592	I. JOHNSON	✓	✓	2 I/C 'C' Coy
✓	3332	H. FRASER	✓	✓	QUARTERMASTER
✓	3373	R.E. CARO	✓	✓	O.C. 'C' Coy
✓	3374	W. HOPKINSON	✓	✓	2 I/C 'D' Coy
LIEUT	1586	J.M. HEARMAN	✓	✓	Platoon Commander
✓	1594	W.A. MACKINNON	✓	✓	✓
✓	1596	E.T.J. BARNETT	✓	✓	✓
✓	1597	W.G. SYMINGTON	✓	✓	✓
✓	1598	F.H. SUBLET	✓	✓	✓
✓	1599	B.D.N. LANGRIDGE	✓	✓	✓
✓	2639	T.H. HODGE	✓	✓	✓
✓	2650	R.A.G. MEECHAN	✓	✓	✓
✓	2719	N.M. SYMINGTON	✓	✓	Intelligence Officer
✓	2701	J.M. DRAKE	✓	✓	Platoon Commander
✓	2738	N.B.G. MEECHAN	✓	✓	✓
✓	2748	A.J. PROSSER	✓	✓	✓
✓	2801	T. OVERSBY	✓	✓	✓
✓	3173	V.H. HOLLEY	✓	✓	✓
✓	3250	G.M. MCGEE	✓	✓	✓
✓	3251	F.G. SIMS	✓	✓	Transport Officer
✓	3282	H.P. COOPER	✓	✓	Acting O.C. Remt. Coy.
✓	3253	G.W. WRIGHT	✓	✓	Platoon Commander
✓	3254	G.K. MURDOCH	✓	✓	✓
✓	3395	V.P. LEACH	✓	✓	✓
✓	2726	S.H.S. GILL	✓	✓	✓
✓	2952	T. HARPER	✓	✓	✓
✓	5639	F. SANDERSON	✓	✓	✓

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain	WX 9320	D.R.C. WILSON	A.A.M.C.		R.M.O.
Chaplain	WX 3392	S.J. SPRATLING	CHAP.		Chaplain

2/16 Bn. A.I.F. (Unit.)

7 DEC. 40. (Date of Despatch.)

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Lieut. Col.
C.O. 2/16 Bn. A.I.F. (Signature of Commander.)

7 DIVISION A.I.F.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/16 Br. A.I.F. (Unit)

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	8		
Lieutenants ...	24		2
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
TOTALS ...	37		2

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
Lieut.	WORNER R.B.	2/16 Br.	Military Hosp. Madagar.
Lieut.	MACKENZIE R.B.	2/16 Br.	B.M.H. DEDDALL.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col.	WX 1573	A R B COX	2/16 Br	YES	C.O.
Major	1574	A W POTTS			2/c
	1576	W J WAIN			O.C. A Coy
	1587	W C J GAVAN DUFFY			O.C. HQ Coy
CAPT.	QX 6154	G N GODSALL			ADJ.
	WX 1588	D G HURLEV			O.C. D Coy
	1581	A ROBINSON			O.C. B Coy
	1590	A J ANDERSON			2/c A Coy
	1591	F M B INKPEN			2/c B Coy
	1592	I JOHNSON			2/c C Coy
	3332	H FRASER			Q.M.
	3373	A E CARO			O.C. C Coy
	3374	W HOPKINSON			2/c D Coy
Lieut.	1586	D K GOLDSMITH		No	2/16 BR GAZA RIDGE
	1593	J M HEARMAN		YES	PL CDR
	1594	W A MACKINNON			
	1596	E T J BARNETT			
	1597	W G SYMINGTON			
	1598	F H SUBLET			
	1599	B D N LANBRIDGE			
	2639	T H HODGE			
	2650	R N G MEECHAM			
	2719	N M SYMINGTON			I.O.
	2731	J M O'NEILL			PL CDR
	2738	N B G MEECHAM			
	2748	A J PRUSSER			
	2801	T OVERSAY			
	3173	V H HOLLEV			
	3250	G M MCGEE			
	3251	F B SIMS			TRANSPORT OFFR.
	3252	H P COOPER			PL CDR
	3253	G W WRIGHT			
	3254	T K MURDOCK			
	3345	V D LEACH			
	2426	S H S GILL			
	2152	T HARPER			
	3639	F SANDERSON			

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPTAIN	KIX 2370	D R C WILSON	A A M C		R.M.O.
CHAPLAIN	2372	S J SPRATLING			CHAPLAIN

2/16 Br A.I.F.
(Unit.)
15 Dec 40
(Date of Despatch.)

Bastion
Lieut. Col.
C.O. 2/16 Br (Signature of Commander.)
7 Division A.I.F.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/16 Bn AIF (Unit)

*For information
purposes only as
1st time for elements
not yet absorbed.*

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
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*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	8		
Lieutenants ...	24		2
2nd Lieutenants ...	-		
Quartermasters ...	1		
TOTALS ...	37		2

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

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

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col	WY 1573	AR.B. COX	2/16 BN	YES	C.D.
MAJOR	1574	A.W. POTTS	✓	✓	2 I/C
✓	1576	W.J. WAIN	✓	✓	D.C. A. Coy
✓	1587	W.C.J. CAVAN DUFFY	✓	NO	D.C. H.Q. Coy (Detached Special Duty)
CAPT	QX 6159	G.N. GODSALL	✓	YES	ADJ
✓	WY 1588	A.G. HARLEY	✓	✓	D.C. D. Coy
✓	1589	A. ROBINSON	✓	✓	D.C. B. Coy
✓	1590	A.J. ANDERSON	✓	NO	2 I/C A. Coy (Detached Special Duty)
✓	1591	F.M.B. INKPEN	✓	YES	2 I/C B. Coy
✓	1592	I. JOHNSON	✓	✓	2 I/C C. Coy
✓	3382	H. FRASER	✓	✓	G.M.
✓	3373	A.E. CARD	✓	✓	D.C. C. Coy
✓	3374	W. HOPKINSON	✓	✓	2 I/C D. Coy
LIEUT	1586	D.K. COLDSMITH	✓	NO	2/1 A.G.H. Gaza Ridge
✓	1593	J.M. HEARMAN	✓	YES	PL. CDR.
✓	1594	W.A. MACKINNON	✓	✓	✓
✓	1596	E.T.J. BARNETT	✓	✓	✓
✓	1597	W.G. SYMINGTON	✓	NO	Detached Special Duty
✓	1598	F.H. SUBLET	✓	✓	✓
✓	1599	B.D.N. LANGRIDGE	✓	✓	✓
✓	2639	T.H. HODGE	✓	✓	✓
✓	2650	R.N.G. MEECHAN	✓	✓	✓
✓	2719	N.M. SYMINGTON	✓	YES	I.D.
✓	2731	J.M. O'NEILL	✓	NO	Detached Special Duty
✓	2738	N.B.G. MEECHAN	✓	YES	PL. CDR.
✓	2748	A.J. PROSSER	✓	✓	✓
✓	2801	T. QUERSBY	✓	NO	2/1 A.G.H. GAZA RIDGE
✓	3173	V.H. HOLLEY	✓	YES	PL. CDR.
✓	3250	G.M. MCGEE	✓	✓	✓
✓	3251	F.G. SIMS	✓	✓	TRANSPORT OFFICER
✓	3252	H.P. COOPER	✓	✓	PL. CDR.
✓	3253	G.W. WRIGHT	✓	✓	✓
✓	3254	T.K. MURDOCH	✓	NO	Detached Special Duty
✓	3395	V.P. LEACH	✓	✓	✓
✓	2926	S.H.S. GILL	✓	YES	PL. CDR.
✓	2952	T. HARPER	✓	✓	✓
✓	5639	F. SANDERSON	✓	✓	✓

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPTAIN	WY 3321	D.R.C. WILSON	A.A.M.C.		R.M.D.
CHAPLAIN	3372	S.J. SPRATLING			CHAPLAIN

2/16 BN A.I.F.

(Unit.)

22 Dec 40.

(Date of Despatch.)

Baillie

Lieut. Col.

C.O. 2/16 Bn. (Signature of Commander.)

7 DIVISION A.I.F.

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/16 Bn. AIF

(Unit)

For information
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PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	5		
Lieutenants ...	24		2
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
TOTALS ...	37		2

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
Lieut.	WORNER R.B.	2/16 Bn	CONVALESCENT CAMP
Lieut.	MACKENZIE R.B.		B.M.H. DEOLALI

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col.	WX 1573	ARB COX	2/16 Bn.	YES	C.O.
MAJOR	1574	AW POTTS	✓	✓	2 I/C.
✓	1576	WJ WAIN	✓	✓	D.C. A Coy
✓	1587	WCT GAVAN DUFFY	✓	No	D.C. HQ Coy (Detached Duty)
CAPT.	WX 6159	C.N. GODSALL	✓	YES	ADJ.
✓	WX 1588	DG HORLEY	✓	✓	D.C. D. Coy.
✓	1589	A. ROBINSON	✓	✓	D.C. B. Coy.
✓	1590	A.J. ANDERSON	✓	No	2 I/C A Coy (Detached Duty)
✓	1591	EMB. INKPEN	✓	YES	2 I/C B. Coy
✓	1592	I. JOHNSON	✓	✓	2 I/C C. Coy
✓	3332	H. FRASER	✓	✓	D.M.
✓	3373	A.E. CARO	✓	✓	D.C. C. Coy
✓	3374	W. HOPKINSON	✓	✓	2 I/C. Coy.
LIEUT	1586	D.K. GOLDSMITH	✓	No	2/1 A.G.H. GAZA RIDGE
✓	1593	J.M. Kenman	✓	Yes	Pl. (DR)
✓	1594	W.A. MacKinnon	✓	✓	✓
✓	1596	E.T.J. Bennett	✓	✓	✓
✓	1597	W.G. Symington	✓	No	Detached Special Duties
✓	1598	T.H. Sulet	✓	✓	✓
✓	1599	B.D.H. Langridge	✓	✓	✓
✓	2639	T.H. Hodge	✓	✓	✓
✓	2650	R.H.G. Meerham	✓	✓	✓
✓	2719	N.M. Symington	✓	✓	I.O.
✓	2731	J.M. O'Neill	✓	No	Detached Special Duties
✓	2738	N.B.G. Meerham	✓	Yes	Pl. CDR
✓	2748	A.J. Prosser	✓	No	Detached Special Duties
✓	2801	T. Oversby	✓	✓	2/1 A.G.H. Gaza Ridge
✓	3173	Y.H. Holley	✓	✓	Detached Special Duties
✓	3250	G.M. Mc Gee	✓	Yes	Pl. CDR.
✓	3251	F.G. Sims	✓	✓	Transport Officer
✓	3252	H.P. Coobel	✓	✓	Pl. CDR.
✓	3253	G.W. Wright	✓	✓	✓
✓	3254	J.K. Murdoch	✓	No	2/3 Gen Hosp. Alexandria
✓	3393	Y.P. Leach	✓	✓	Detached Special Duties
✓	2736	S.H.S. Gill	✓	Yes	Pl. CDR.
✓	2952	T. Harpel	✓	✓	✓
✓	3639	F. Sanderson	✓	✓	✓

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain	WX 3321	DRC Wilson	A.A.M.C.		R.M.O.
Chaplain	3372	S.J. Spurling			Chaplain

2/16 Bn. A.I.F.
(Unit.)
28 Dec. Ho.
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature] Lieut. Col.
C.O., 2/16 Bn. (Signature of Commander.)
7 Division A.I.F.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/16 Bn. A.I.F. (Unit) 7 Dec. 1940. (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required. *(Includes pt. Reinforcements)*

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			1
W.Os. Class II.			6
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			5
Staff Serjeants	2		-
Serjeants	41	9	
Corporals	65		8
Troopers, Privates, &c.	758		21
TOTALS	866	9	41

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
1	A.A.P.C.		
5	A.A.D.C.		
3	A.A.M.C.		
1	A.A. Postal C.		
1	Interpreter		
11			

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
WX 3003	Cpl	CHRISTIAN R.H.		MOASCAR MILIT. HOSPITAL
2722	Sgt	GIGG T.H.		2/1 R.G.H. Sagar Ridge
2657	Pte	MASON L.T.		B.M.H. Deolali, INDIA

2/16 Bn. A.I.F. Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel					9			9	165		821			41	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)					9			9	165		821			41	

2/16 Bn. A.I.F. Unit.

Date of Despatch 7 DEC. 40.

Burton
Lieut. Col.
C.O, 2/16 Bn. A.I.F. Signature of Commander.
7 DIVISION A.I.F.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/16 B AIF (Unit) 15 Dec 1940 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.			1
W.Os. Class II.			1
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2		5
Serjeants	41	9	
Corporals	62		9
Troopers, Privates, &c.	727		37
TOTALS	854	9	53

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
2	AAMC		
1	AADC		
5	AADC		
1	AADetC		
1	INTERPRETER		
11			

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
WX 2713	Pte	OLDFIELD ET	2/16 B	BASE DEPOT BEIT JIRJA
3043	CPL	CHRISTIAN RH		
2722	SBT	GIBB TH		2/1 A G.H. Camp Ridge
3747	Pte	TRANHEM TRT		
5771	CPL	MACKENZIE JR		
2655	Pte	TAMIESON L		

2/16 Bn. A.I.F. Unit.

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

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

2/16 Bn. A.I.F.
Unit.
Date of Despatch 15 Dec 40

Dutton
Lieut. Col.
C.O., 2/16 Bn. A.I.F. Signature of Commander.
J. Dawson A.I.F.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/16 Bn A.I.F. (Unit) 22 Dec 1940 (Date).

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

*For information
true notes only as
1st Reinforcement
not yet absorbed.*

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1	2	3	4
Detail.	Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	Surplus to Establishment.	Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			6
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	2		5
Serjeants	37	5	
Corporals	63		10
Troopers, Privates, &c.	923		36
TOTALS	846	5	57

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
3	A.A.M.C.		
1	A.A.P.C.		
4	A.A.O.C.		
1	A.A. Post. C.		
1	INTERPRETER		
10			

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

Army No.	Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g. present whereabouts if known).
WX 4180	Pte	ARMSTRONG L.	2/16 Bn	2/1 N.C. N. Camp Ridge
WX 5783		BURTON. WJ		2/1 N.C. N. Camp Ridge

2/16 Bn AIF Unit.

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

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

2/16 Bn AIF Unit.
Date of Despatch 22 Dec 40.

Dutton
Lieut. Col.
C.O., 2/16 Bn. A.I.F. Signature of Commander.
7 DIVISION A.I.F.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/16 Bn. AIF (Unit) 29 Dec 1940 (Date).

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

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		-
W.Os. Class II.			6
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			-
Staff Serjeants	6		1
Serjeants	33	1	
Corporals	62		11
Troopers, Privates, &c.	742		37
TOTALS	844	1	55

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
3	A.A.M.C.		
4	A.A.O.C.		
1	A.A.P.C.		
1	A.A. Post. C.		
1	Interpreter.		
10			

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

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

2/16 Bn AIF Unit.

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(page 2)

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

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

2/16 Bn AIF
Unit.
Date of Despatch 29 Dec Ho.

Robertson
Lieut. Col.
Signature of Commander.
C.O. 2/16 Bn. A.I.F.
7 Division A.I.F.
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

H.Q. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.
JULIS.

Commanding Officer

2/16 Br

CONFERENCE.

A conference will be held at Camp E.2., at 1030 hrs on Wednesday, 27 Nov., 1940, for the purpose of discussing various general matters in connection with training, training areas, security, recreation, camp routine, hygiene, etc..

The Brig. Comd. would be pleased if you could attend.

You should bring up at this conference any matters on which you desire a decision.

Pouch

Bde. Maj.

H.Q. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.

MATTERS DISCUSSED

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Retreat | | 17. Sweaters ✓ |
| 2. Routine | | 18. Telephones ✓ |
| 3. Shovels & Picks | 100 + 100 | 19. Mail ✓ |
| 4. Bed boards | | (a) Time daily ✓ |
| 5. Stationery | | (b) Where ✓ |
| 6. Supply stores | | (c) Censor Stamp. |
| 7. Works services | | 20. Bantams ✓ |
| Lights | | 21. Short putties ✓ |
| doors locks | | 22. Church Pdes ✓ |
| 8. Chairs & pallets ✓ | | 23. Revolvers ✓ |
| 9. Own equipment | | 24. Sandbags ✓ |
| 10. Own blankets | | 25. Putrefelias |
| 11. Towlers stores inside ✓ | | |
| 12. Wood ration | | |
| Mtn 6 lb | } 2 1/2 wood & 1/2 coal | |
| Here 3 lb | | |
| 13. Cafeteria system ✓ | | |
| 14. Sandbags | | |
| 15. Laundries ✓ | | |
| 16. Request for evacuation | | |

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H.Q. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.
JULIS
23 Nov '40.

CIRCULAR NO.2

ALL UNITS

VISIT OF G.O.C. 1 AUST. CORPS

The G.O.C. 1 AUST. CORPS will visit this CAMP at 1500 hrs today.

Commanding Officers will please assemble at BDE. H.Q. to meet him at 1445 hrs.

They will have with them particulars of strength of their Units, deficiencies in officers and O.R's where personnel were left en route etc and will be prepared to discuss any matter which might be brought up about their particular Unit.

Dress will be shirts and shorts.

Cooch
Maj.
B.M. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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*Attended meeting
See other copy for
note of discussion
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21 AUST. INF. BDE.

CIRCULAR No.10

H.Q. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.
8 Dec '40.

ALL UNITS

BRIGADE PARADE 1430 hrs - 10 DEC '40.

The following additional instructions are issued in connection with the above parade:-

1. INSPECTING OFFICERS

The Brigade will be inspected on the Bde Parade Ground by the Brig. Comd. The Divisional Comd. (Maj.Gen. J.D. Lavarack C.B., C.M.G. D.S.O.) and Staff will be present to view the parade but will take no part in the inspection. The Div. Comd. will later take the salute during the march past.

2. LOCATION.

The Bde Parade Ground will be the open area N.W. of the lines of the 2/1 Pnr Bn.

3. FORMATION.

The Bde will be formed up in MASS with BNS in close column of companies (H.Q. Coys to be divided into two Coys) in order from right to left:-

Bde. H.Q. and 21 A.T. Coy
2/14 Bn
2/16 Bn
2/27 Bn.

Intervals between units 10 yds.

4. MARKING OF GROUND

The right and left of the leading Coy of units will be marked by flags. For this purpose unit Adjts will meet the B.M. at Bde. Parade Ground at 0900 hrs 9 Dec. They should know the frontage of their strongest Coy which will be on the parade next day. The ground will be marked out accordingly. 2/14 Bn will provide a party under the R.S.M. to actually mark the parade.

5. COMMAND.

Lt. Col. A.R. Baxter Cox, C.O. 2/16 Bn will command the parade and will give all necessary commands. Unit Comds will report to him immediately their units are in position on the Bde Parade. All units will work on the executive command of the Parade Comd. if conditions are suitable and the voice will carry.

If the voice will not carry a pennant carried behind the Parade Comd will be lowered to indicate the executive portion of the order. Orders will then be given and executed as follows:-

BY PARADE COMD.	BY UNIT COMDS.	BY BUGLER AND PENNANT BEARER	ACTION
The Bde will come to ATTENTION	Bn. ATTEN	G on bugle - Pennant lowered	Units come to attention
The Bde will SLOPE ARMS	Bn. SLOPE	" "	Units slope arms
GENERAL SALUTE Bde will PRESENT ARMS	Bn.- GENERAL SALUTE - PRESENT	" "	Units present arms

and so on for all orders which require any movement to be carried out by the whole parade.

/ Both

Both methods of control will be practised during the rehearsal - see para 11. Unit Comds will then be informed as to the method to be adopted at the afternoon parade. For this purpose, C.O. 2/16 Bn should arrange his own bugler, pennant and pennant bearer.

6. BRIGADE FLAG

The installation and breaking of the Bde Flag will be arranged by Bde.

7. MARCH PAST.

Following the inspection the Bde will march past by units in column of threes - distance between units 75 yds. The Div. Comd will take the salute. The saluting base and the route to it will be pointed out to Adjts on the morning of 9 Dec.

On passing the saluting base all offs. will salute - C.O's will not fall out.

The following commands will be given :-

By C.O. - no command;

by Coy Comds = Coy - in succession - "EYES RIGHT"

by Pl Comds = Pl - "EYES RIGHT".

The Pl Comd-officer or N.C.O. - will salute.

After the Pl has cleared the saluting base "- Pl. - EYES FRONT

Notes. (a) When saluting, the left arm should be kept at the side and not swung

(b) On the command "EYES RIGHT" all personnel should turn their heads well to the right with their eyes looking at the height of the face of the reviewing officer.

(c) On arrival at the Main Road after passing the saluting base units should disengage and proceed to their own unit lines.

8. BANDS

Band will be formed up for inspection in rear of Bns - all bands dressed on that of 2/14 Bn

On arrival of the Bde Comd the "GENERAL SALUTE" will be played by the band of 2/16 Bn only. During the inspection each band will play an inspection march as the Bde Comd inspects its own Bn the band of 2/14 Bn playing also during the inspection of Bde H.Q. and A.T. Coy.

The band of the 2/14 Bn will move from the parade ground in front of Bde H.Q. the other bands marching in front of their own units. On reaching the saluting base each band will move and form up opposite the Saluting Base and will then play its own unit past. The 2/14 Bn band in addition playing Bde H.Q. and A.T. Coy past.

Immediately the unit is clear the band will cease playing and follow on behind the Bn. Drums only will then be played until the band reaches the MAIN GAZA- JAFFA ROAD.

9. A.R.P.

2/16 Bn will mount an air sentry on each corner of the parade - total 4 men. The orders to these sentries will be to shout "aircraft" and point in the direction should any aircraft be seen.

For A.A. defence one pl in the rear Coy of all Bns will have magazines charged with ten rounds (bolt closed and springs eased and safety catches securely back). In the event of low flying enemy aircraft appearing during the parade these platoons will engage by fire under the direction of Pl. Comds.

Should enemy aircraft appear and the command "deploy" be given by the Parade Comd, the A.A. Defence Pls will stand fast, the remainder of parade will move off at the double, 2/16 Bn straight forward, Bde H.Q. and 2/14 Bn to the right and 2/27 Bn to the left. As soon as units are clear they will deploy into smaller formations.

10. ATTENDANCE.

All personnel who can possibly be spared are to attend
/the parade
OVER

the parade - all other non essential activities are to cease while it is on. Guards, orderly room, kitchens and Q.M. etc staffs, are to be reduced to a minimum. Bde Courses will not be conducted on 10 Dec.

Parade States, showing numbers actually on parade and accounting for all absentees are to be handed to Bde H.Q. immediately after the parade. An approx. estimate of the strength to be on parade is to be forwarded to Bde H.Q. by 1200 hrs 10 Dec '40.

11. REHEARSAL

A rehearsal will take place at 1000 hrs Tuesday 10 Dec '40.

Gooch

Maj. Bde. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.

2/16 Bn. A.I.F.

RECEIVED

8 DEC 1940 DATE

1655 HRS.

	INITIALS	DATE
No 1		
R.S.M.		
ADJ.		
C.O.	<i>Sp. 3/11</i>	
2 I.C.		
COY		
G.M.		
R.M.O.		
PADRE		
No 1		

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CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

December 9th. 1940.

CONFERENCE
OF
PADRES.

I have to report attending a meeting of Anglican Padres, presided over by the Senior Chaplain (Bishop Riley) at Divisional Headquarters, Deir Suneid, on Dec 3rd last.

The point arising from this Conference of interest to this Battalion was a promise given me by the Bishop to attend our Church Parade, at a date to be fixed, as soon after Christmas as possible, when His Lordship would address our Troops.

RECREATION
HUTS

The question of Recreation Huts was discussed, and the hope was expressed that the Padres would not become in any way responsible for the cleaning etc, but every use to be made in the way of contacting the men and assisting in the running etc.

RETREAT FOR
CLERGY.

An invitation was received from the Bishop in Jerusalem to attend a Retreat for Clergy at St George's Cathedral, Chaplain ^{Wheeler} had strong reasons for attending this Retreat, so I agreed to stand by for Julis Camp for the period Dec 10th to 13th inclusive.

WITHIN OUR
LINES.

Both Recreation and Reading Rooms are functioning to the full, and very much appreciated by the men.

A Wireless Set, & Electric Iron have now been installed
Coffee and Biscuits are now served to the men in the Recreation Hut between the hrs 20.45 and 21.15.

This service will become very popular.

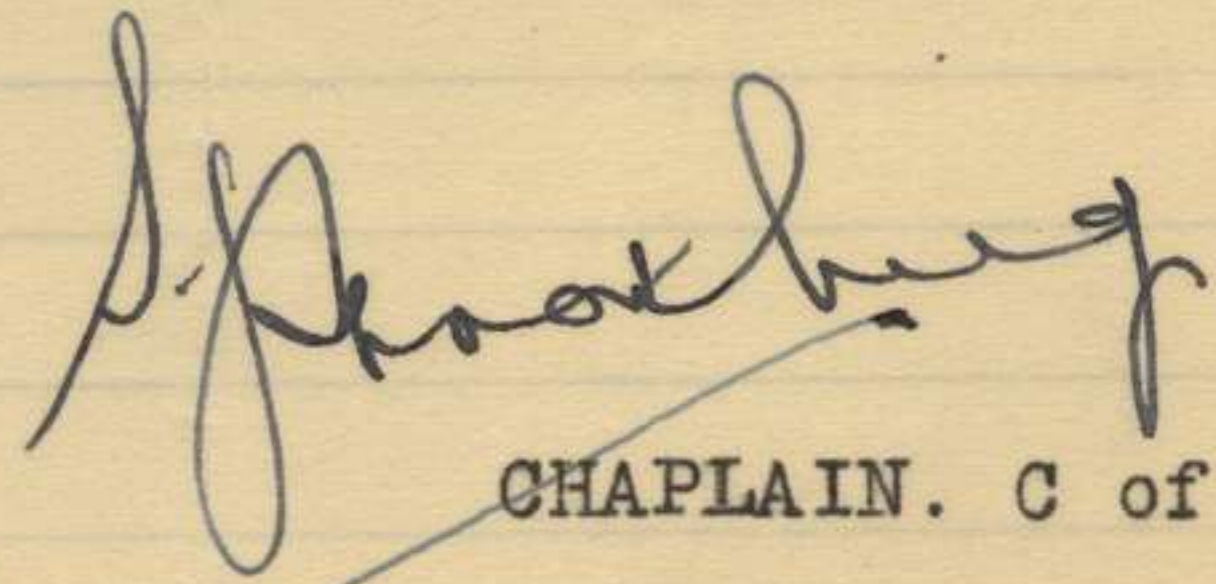
Entries are now being called for a Table Tennis Tournament, to be started on Monday next Dec 16th.

The Committee responsible for the running of the Huts is as follows:-

Cpls Williams and McKenzie, Ptes Leach, Bannigan, Beebe, Hayward, Drummond and Clifton, who was appointed Secretary.

A few simple rules were drawn up, and a Buty Roster arranged, at a Meeting of the Committee held on Sunday last the 8th inst.

A surprise visit was made to the Rooms last night by the Brigadier, who expressed himself very well pleased with what he saw.



CHAPLAIN. C of E.

2/16 Battalion A.I.F.

Special Instructions re

- (a) Rehearsal of Bde Pde
- (b) Bde Pde

to be held on Bde Pde Gd - 10 Dec 40

REHEARSAL :- Phase 1.

- (a) Marker. One N.C.O. as marker from H.Q. Coy only to report to R.S.M. on Bn Pde Gd at 0845hrs.
- (b) Line to be formed up in close column of Coys at 12 paces distance on Bn Pde Gd by 0900hrs 10 Dec
- (c) March On. Coys with Offrs will march on to Bn Pde Gd from rear along line of right flank and form Coys in line on the left.
- (d) Distance. R.S.M. will indicate correct distance to Coy Comds marching on to Bn Pde Gd.
- (e) Band will be formed up facing the front on right flank about centre.
- (f) Dressing:- Major Wain (acting as 2 i/c) will dress the Pde. and hand over to Major Potts M.C. to command.
2 i/c's Coys will dress Coys.
- (g) Dress:- Offrs - S.D. Offrs P. - No sticks - No gloves
O.Rs. - S.D. - Drill Order
Hats. - Turned up
No man without hats to be permitted on Pde
- (h) Pde States. To be handed into Bn H.Q. by 0900hrs accounting for all ranks in Coys etc.
- (i) Bayonets. Bn will fix bayonets before marching off.
- (j) March Off. Bn will march off in column of threes to pass rd and track junction at 2/1 Pioneer lines at 0930hrs.
- (k) Marker for Bde Pde The same marker as used for Bn Pde will report to Pde Comd at Bde Pde Gd at 0930hrs.
- (l) Music. Band will not play after leaving made road. Drums will play.
- (m) Approach to Bde Pde. Bn will skirt ^{rt} at flank of Bde Pde Gd and approach Bn position from rear along rt flank. Band will continue to a position in centre of Bn position and when Bn is formed up will move to position behind centre of Rein Coy at 12 paces distance.
- (n) Forming up on Bde Gd. Coys will form close column of Coys on the left at the halt at 12 paces distance. Note. Rt flank of Coy position will be indicated by small flags or pegs which are not to be disturbed.
- (o) Handing over. Bn will be dressed (as on Bn Pde Gd) and when correct Comd will report to Pde Comd.

REHEARSAL :- Phase 2.

- (a) The Bde Comd on arrival at 1000hrs will receive a General salute for which Band of 2/16 Bn will play.
- (b) The sequence of orders from the Pde Comd will be:-
 - (1) "G" on bugle to gain attention.
 - (11) "The Bde will come to attention - ATTENTION"
 - (111) "The Bde will slope arms - SLOPE ARMS"
 - (iv) "General Salute - The Bde will present arms - PRESENT ARMS"
 - (v) "The Bde will slope arms - SLOPE ARMS"
- (c) The Pde Comd will then report to Bde Comd after which the sequence will be :-
 - (i) "The Bde will order arms - ORDER ARMS"
 - (ii) "The Bde will stand at ease - STAND AT EASE"
- (d) The Bde Comd will then inspect the Pde commencing with Bde H.Q. and 21 A/Tk Coy
 - (i) Unit Comds will bring their comds to ATTENTION but will not open ranks.
 - (ii) Unit Comds will accompany the Bde Comd during the inspection.
 - (iii) Unit bands will play a slow march for their own Units only.
 - (iv) After inspection of the Unit the Bn Comd will stand his Unit at ease.

REHEARSAL :- Phase 3.

Special Inst on Rehearsal for Bde Pde and Bde Pde (cont)
REHEARSAL :- Phase 3.

- (a) When the inspection of all units is completed the Bde Comd will instruct the Pde Comd to have the Bde March Past for which the sequence will be :-
- (i) "The Bde will come to attention - ATTENTION"
 - (ii) The Pde Comd will then order:-
"The Bde will March Past"
 - (iii) Pde Comd then reverts to Comd of 2/16 Bn
- (b) Unit Comds will then carry on to conform to :-
- (i) Bde H.Q. & 21 A/Tk Coy leading, headed by Band of 2/14 Bn which will immediately move to rt flank of Bde H.Q. On the command "The Bde will March Past"
 - (ii) Route.- As for approach to Bde Pde Gd except march direct to Rt flank - thence along rd between GODDARD & GELLIBRAID lines.
 - (iii) Interval between Units to be 75 yards.
 - (iv) Bands will not play until nearing area for counter - marching or until preceding band having stopped playing moves out of counter - marching area behind its own Unit.
 - (v) On leaving counter - marching area drums only will play.
 - (vi) Saluting Base. - will be established in turn-in to 2/27 Bn vehicle park.
 - (vii) After passing saluting base units proceed to own Bn or Unit Pde Gds by main rd JAFFA & GAZA.
 - (viii) 2/16 Bn will move via rd between HOBBS & GELLIBRAID lines to halt with head of Bn in column of threes at entrance to Sgts Mess.
 - (ix) Band will not play after leaving saluting base - Drums will play.
 - (x) C.O. 2/16 Bn will take a salute at Bn H.Q.
 - (xi) After halting - 2 i/cs Coys will move Coys to Coy Pde Gds & Coy Comds will report to C.O. at Bn H.Q.

BDE PDE.

- All details for rehearsal will obtain in afternoon except:-
- (i) Bn will be formed up on Bn Pde Gd at 1330hrs.
 - (ii) Bn will march off with bayonets fxd to pass rd and track junct at 2/1 Pioneer lines at 1335hrs.
 - (iii) Bde Comd arrives at Bde Pde Gd at 1430hrs

Bde Pde General. (Applies also to Rehearsal)

- (a) The whole Bn will Pde with exception of :-
- (i) Q.M. & Q.M. Staff
 - (ii) Kitchen Staffs. (Less orderlies but not fatigues)
 - (iii) One clerk at Bn H.Q.
 - (iv) Provost Staff
 - (v) Prowling picquets in lines - 2 per Coy
- 5 Security Pers.
 - (vi) Perimeter guards & fixed posts (less reliefs)
Coys will substitute for men without hats.
 - (vii) R.M.Os. Staff
 - (viii) One gp Int Sect on special work.
- (b) Accurate pde states of 1330hrs pde will be handed to Major Potts M.C.

ADMINISTRATIVE.

- (a) 2 i/c to arrange breakfast for offrns at 0730hrs
- (b) Midday meal for all ranks 1200hrs.

SECURITY.

I C will maintain security of Bn lines while Bn on Pde

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Lt Col

A.R. Baxter Cox
C.O. 2/16 Bn. A.I.F.

2/16Bn AIF.

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.

From 10 Dec to 27 Dec 40

Day & Date	Coy	Period	Detail	Remarks & References
Tues 10 Dec	All	0645-0700	Checking rifles - Smartening exercises	
		0900-1000	Bn pde	
		1100-1200	Bde rehearsal Rifle exercises.	MED Secs. 46-59
		1200-1330	Recapit. Bn pde	
		1400-1530	Bde pde-Inspection by Bde Comdr	
		1545-1630	Organisation of Coy Sports teams & instr re Security	
Wed 11 Dec	All	0645-0700	Checking rifles & Smartening exercises	
		0900-0915	Coy pde	
		0915-1005	Close order drill & Rifle exercises ($\frac{1}{2}$ each)	MED & Sec 46-49
		1015-1105	Rifle trg	Pam 3 Sec 1 Les 1
		1115-1215	Bayonet trg. Coy dismiss	Pam 12 Les 1
		1400-1450	Rifle trg	Pam 3 Les 2
		1500-1630	Visual trg. Military vocabulary & part of searching ground	Pam 2 Sec 1 Les 1 Part of Les 2
	All	1930-2130	Night marching	By pls across open ctry on compass bearings fixed by Coy Comds
Thur 12 Dec	All	0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart march	
		0900-0915	Coy pde	
		0915-1005	Rifle trg. Load & unload	Pam 3 Les 3
		1015-1105	A/A trg	Pam 6 Les 1 Lecturette
		1115-1215	Close order drill & rifle exercises ($\frac{1}{2}$ each)	MED and Sec 50 & 51
		1400-1450	Rifle trg. Cleaning before & after	Pam 3 Les 4
		1500-1630	Short, smart marches by pls	
Fri 13 Dec	All	0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart march	
		0900-0915	Coy pde	
		0915-1005	Close order drill & rifle exercises ($\frac{1}{2}$ each)	MED & Sec 52-54
		1015-1105	Rifle trg. Examination of rifle.	Pam 3 Les 5
		1115-1215	PT & Games.	P.T.T. Table 5
		1400-1450	Rifle trg. Accuracy of aim	Pam 3 Les 6
		1500-1630	V.T. Searching & studying ground	Pam 2 part Les 2 and Les 4
		1930-2130	Night marching. Keeping direction	By Secs across open country. Point to point route to control posts
Sat 14 Dec	All	0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart march.	
		0900-0915	Coy pdes	
		0915-1215	'Make & mend'. Pay	
		1400-1415	Coy pdes	
		1415-1630	Sports	

Day & Coy Date	Period	References	
Sun 15 Dec	All 0645-0700 a.m.	Checking rifles. Church pde. Details to be issued by Adj	
Mon 16 Dec	All 0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart march.	
	0900-0915	Coy pdes	
	0915-1005	Bn pde & Bn drill	
	1015-1105	Rifle trg. Natural targets	Pam 3 Les 7
	1115-1215	PT & games.	PTT Table 6
	1400-1450	A.A. trg. Direct attacker	Pam 6 Les 2
	1500-1630	Short smarch marches by Coys	
Tues 17 Dec	All 0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart march	
	0900-0915	Coy pdes	
	0915-1005	Close order drill & rifle exercises ($\frac{1}{2}$ each)	MED & Sec 55-58 & 68
	1015-1105	Rifle trg. Aiming at gnd	Pam 3 Les 8
	1115-1215	Bayonet trg	Pam 12 Les 2 & 3
	1400-1450	Rifle trg. Elevation	Pam 3 Les 10
	1500-1630	Recognition	Pam 2 Les 5 Part Les 6
Wed 18 Dec	All 0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart marches.	
	0900-0915	Coy pdes	
	0915-1005	Rifle trg. Aiming off for wind. Natural targets	Pam 3 Les 11
	1015-1105	Recognition	Pam 2 Les 6 & Tests
	1115-1215	PT & Games	PTT Table 1
	1400-1450	Rifle trg. Aiming off for movement	Pam 3 Les 12
	1500-1630	Short smart marches by Coys	
	All 1930-2130	Night marching. Keeping direction	By Secs across open ctry. Circuitous route, around control posts & over some obstacles
Thur 19 Dec	All 0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart marches	
	0900-0915	Coy pdes	
	0915-1005	Close order drill & rifle exercises ($\frac{1}{2}$ each)	MED & Sec 59-62
	1015-1105	Rifle trg. Lying position	Pam 3 Les 13
	1115-1215	PT & Games	PTT Table 2
	1400-1450	Rifle trg. Lying position (cont)	Pam 3 Les 14
	1500-1630	J.D. Unit of measure	Pam 2 Les 7 & part Les 8
Fri 20 Dec	All 0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart marches.	
	0900-0915	Coy pdes	
	0915-1005	A.A. trg. The lead.	Pam 6 Les 4
	1015-1105	Rifle exercises. Pile & unpile	MED Sec 67
	1115-1215	Rifle trg. Kneeling position	Pam 3 Les 15
	1400-1450	Close order drill	MED
	1500-1630	Short smart marches by Coys	
	All 1930-2130	Individual (Pl areas) Keeping direction	Movement in pairs across open ctry with some obstacles Instns to report to control posts. Each pair to be sent off at 1 min intervals
Thur 19 Dec	All 0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart marches	
	0900-0915	Coy pdes	
	0915-1005	Close order drill & rifle exercises ($\frac{1}{2}$ each)	MED & Sec 59-62

Day & Date	Coy	Period	Detail	Remarks & References
Sat 21 Dec	All	0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart march.	
		0900-0915	Coy pdes	
		0915-1315	'Make & mend.' Pay.	
		1400	Coy pdes	
		1415-1630	Sports	
Sun 22 Dec	All	0645-0700 a.m.	Check rifles Church pde. Details to be issued by Adj	
Mon 23 Dec	All	0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart marches.	
		0900-0915	Coy pdes	
		0915-1005	Bn pde. Bn drill	
		1015-1105	Close order drill & Rifle exercises ($\frac{1}{2}$ each)	MED & Sec 46-51
		1115-1215	Bayonet trg	Pam 12 Les 4 & 5
		1400-1450	Rifle trg. Standing & sitting positions	Pam 3 Les 16
		1500-1630	Rifle trg. Snapshooting	Pam 3 Les 17 & 18
	All	1930-2130	Individual (Pl areas) Keeping direction Collection of information	In pairs of secs opposed to each other & finally reporting to control posts with information
NOTE: Miniature range practices with rifle No 2 Mk 1 and .22 ammn. will commence on miniature ranges & may involve slight variation of syllabus. Aiming & trigger pressing to be recapitulated at miniature range.				
Tues 24 Dec	All	0645-0700	Checking rifles Smart marches.	
		0900-0915	Coy pdes	
		0915-1005	Rifle trg. Rapid fire	Pam 3 Les 19
		1015-1105	Close order drill	MED
		1115-1215	PT & games	PTT Table 3
		1400-1450	J.D. Aids.	Pam 2 Part Les 8 & Les 9
		1500-1630	Short smart marches by Coys	
Wed 25 Dec	All	0715-0730	Checking rifles. Xmas Day.	Separate instns will be issued.
Thur 26 Dec	All	0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart marches.	
		0900-0915	Coy pdes	
		0915-1005	Close order drill & Rifle exercises ($\frac{1}{2}$ each)	MED & Sec 59
		1015-1105	Rifle trg. Firing behind cover. (Lying)	Pam 3 Les 20
		1115-1215	Rifle trg. Firing behind cover (kneeling & sitting)	Pam 3 Les 21
		1400-1450	Range cards	Pam 2 Les 10
		1500-1630	Individual fire discipline trg	Pam 3 Les 23
Fri 27 Dec	All	0645-0700	Checking rifles. Smart marches.	
		0900-0915	Coy pdes	
		0915-1005	Rifle exercises. Pile & unpile	MED Sec 67
		1015-1105	Section F.D.T.	Pam 3 Les 24
		1115-1215	PT & games	PTT Table 4
		1400-1450	J.D. Tests	Pam 2 Sec 3
		1500-1630	Short smart marches by Coys	
	All	1930-2130	Individual (Pl areas) Collection of information	Prs of men sent off to find out & report to control posts on certain localities, etc
Sat 28 Dec & Sun 29 Dec		As for Sat 21 Dec & Sun 22 Dec		

Barton
C.O. 2/16Bn AIF

Lieut. Col.

10 Dec. '40.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

by

BRIGADIER J.E.S. STEVENS E.D.

COMD. 21 AUST. INF. BDE.

Today was the first occasion on which the 21 Aust. Inf. Bde. has been on parade and I know that each one of you shared with me a feeling of real pride in belonging to it. To me, the parade was an inspiration and it made me realise more clearly than ever what an honor it is to command this Brigade.

I congratulate all ranks on their appearance, steadiness, drill and marching. Today's work is the result of the hard training we did in Australia and I am confident that, because of the keenness manifested by everyone in the Brigade, our fighting efficiency will very shortly be comparable with our work on the parade ground.

I extend my thanks to each member of the Brigade for his efforts in making a success of our first Brigade Parade.

J.E.S. Stevens
Brig.
Comd. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.

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21 AUST. INF. BDE.

CIRCULAR NO. 15
ALL BNS.

12 Dec '40.

INSPECTION BY COMD. 1 AUST. CORPS.

The Comd. 1 Aust Corps will inspect Units tomorrow,
FRIDAY 13 DEC. as follows -

1000 Hrs. - 2/27 Bn. and 2/5 Fd. Amb.

1100 Hrs. - 2/16 Bn. and 21 A.T. Coy.

PLACE - 2/16 BN. PARADE GROUND.

DRESS - OFFICERS - SERVICE DRESS.
O.R's. - SERVICE DRESS - DRILL ORDER.

MARCH PAST. - The Inspection will be followed by a March Past. The saluting base will be the same as used by the Bde. Comd. during his inspection of individual Battalions.

TRAINING. - After completing the parade, Units will change and proceed with their normal training programme. No other band is to play during the inspection and march past of any Unit.

CONTROL OF CIVILIANS -

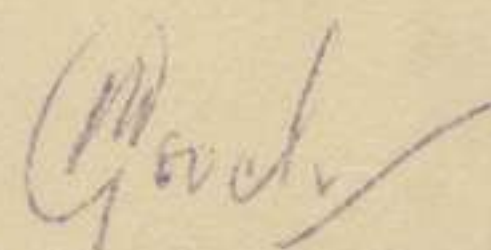
Units as under will be responsible for providing picquets to ensure that no unauthorised civilians remain in the Camp Area during the inspection. Civilians on the main roads are to be moved on and not allowed to loiter -

2/14 Bn. - 0930 hrs. to 1100 hrs.

2/27 " - 1045 " " 1245 "

GENERAL. As this is the first occasion on which the Corps Comd. has inspected the Units of this Bde., the Brig. Comd. is particularly desirous that Units do their utmost to make the parade an absolute success. Duties are again to be cut to a minimum and as many men as possible brought on parade.

A Parade State is to be brought on parade by each Unit. If not required at the time it will be handed to Bde. H.Q. after the parade.


Maj.
E.N. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.

10-5 hrs 13/12/40.

21 AUST. INF. BDE.

CIRCULAR NO.16

13 Dec '40.

ALL UNITS

CONFERENCE BY DIV. CMD.

The G.O.C. 7 Aust. Div. desires to see all Commanding Officers at Bde H.Q. at 1430 hrs today.

2/16 Bn. A.I.F.

RECEIVED
13 DEC 1940

DATE
1000
HRS.

	INITIALS	DATE
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R.M.O.		
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Maj.
B.M. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.

R E P O R T

BY

Major W. C. J. Gavan Duffy

on

Fostering Duties IKINGI MARYUT
from 17 Dec 1940 to 7 Jan 1941

1. AUTHORITY.

On evening of 16 Dec was informed by Bde Comd 21 Aust Inf Bde as to my appointment as O.C. Foster Parties and was instructed to report on following morning to 7 Aust Div and 1 Aust Corps and to depart GAZA by train at 1516hrs for IKINGI MARYUT. D.A.A.G. (M) handed me copy No 8 of 1 Aust Corps A.I. No 39 of 16 Dec 1940. (Appendix A)

2. HANDING OVER.

Arrived IKINGI MARYUT early afternoon of 18 Dec and reported to H.Q. 6 Aust Div, Col Vasey, A.Q., advised that the Div H.Q. was to move out at 0800hrs the following day. Borrowed a car and made an admin recce of the area and selected as H.Q. for Foster Parties, billets formerly occupied by 6 Aust Div Sigs which Unit had already marched out. This site was close by the Inf Bde Area. Contacted DADOS DAAG and DAQMG who received some days as a rear H.Q. 6 Aust Div and gave me great assistance.

The subsequent handing and taking over of tentage and accomodatic stores was complicated by the fact that some 6 Aust Div Units had already moved out and others moved out each day, in some cases during the hours of darkness and in many instances were not in a position to give an indication as to what stores and tentage they were leaving behind. Unit rear parties and Unit Foster Parties had to ascertain this after departure of the Unit. Dates of marching out of 17 Aust Inf Bde and marching in of 18 Aust Inf Bde are shown in appendix B.

3. ADMINISTRATION

For administrative purposes the camp area was subdivided into 2 zones, the inter-zones boundary being WHITEHORSE ROAD.

The eastern area bounded on the right by the CAIRO-ALEXANDRIA ROAD was placed under Capt Mussared 2/27 Bn with 2/27 Bn personnel.

The western area was placed under Capt Anderson 2/16 Bn with 2/16 Bn personnel. Sketch - Appendix C

4. ORGANISATION

The Fostering Road Party of Offrs 20 ORs 80 arrived IKINGI MARYUT from GAZA area at 1700hrs 19 Dec 40. There were also a TO, MO, Mechanic, and 20 Dvrs with this party.

Unit Foster Parties were told off. These consisted of Offrs 2 ORs 10, including a COMS or Storeman, a cook and 2 Dvrs. Each party had the use of 1 15cwt van and 1 30cwt truck so far as maintenance requirements permitted. These parties were allotted Units to be fostered and established themselves early in the lines which their respective Units were going to occupy.

5. DUTIES.

Duties were allotted as follows:-

H. Q. Foster Parties.

O. C.	Maj W. C. J. Gavan Duffy	2/16 Bn.
M. O.	Capt McGregor	AAMC
Mvnts	Lt G. Symington	2/16 Bn
T. O.	Lt Roach	AASC
Adj/CM	Lt Madigan	2/27 Bn.

O. 1/c Areas

Area A
Area B

Capt Mussared	2/27 Bn
Capt Anderson	2/16 Bn

Serial No.	Unit	O/i/c	2 i/c
1	2/3Fd Coy	Lt. Graham 2/14Bn	Lt. Johnson 2/27Bn
2	18 MT Coy	Lt. Gunneen 2/27Bn	Lt. " "
3	2/1 A/T Regt	Lt. Beare "	Lt. Katekar "
4	13 Fd Coy	Lt. Kimber "	Sgt. Laing "
5	2/1 MG Bn	Capt. Nicholls "	Lt. Magarey "
6	H.Q. 18 Bde	Maj. Gavan Duffy 2/16Bn	Lt. Symington 2/16Bn
7	2/10Bn	Lt. Langridge "	Cpl. Norris "
8	2/9Bn	Lt. Sublet "	Lt. Meecham "
9	2/3 Fd Regt	Lt. Leach "	Lt. Hodge "
10	2/12Bn	Lt. O'Neill "	Cpl. Sadleir "

6. O i/c AREAS.

These offrs were responsible for fostering and reception of all units in their area. They made daily visits to each foster party and checked over unit requirements, surpluses of stores and general reception arrangements. They gave particular personal attention to units where the 2 i/c was an NCO and the L/O was absent on duty at the port of disembarkation.

7. PRIORITY TASKS.

Priority tasks were allotted to parties as under:--

- Tentage and stores necessary for minimum requirements of unit over the fostering period.
- Unit surpluses over entitlements for transfer to other units.
- Unit requirements to complete entitlements after the fostering period.
- Checking and taking over of listed accommodation, stores and tentage from unit rear parties as on form 1033 A and maintained guard on these stores.

8. RECEPTION ARRANGEMENTS.

- Liason offrs to proceed to the port of disembarkation and accompany units to unit lines at IKINGI MARYUT.
- 2 i/cs to remain in unit lines to ensure proper provision of hot meal, etc. on arrival but guides to meet L/Os at railway station.
- Coy areas to be prepared with tables, etc. for hot meal to be served there. Wet and dry rations to be carried from adjacent kitchens to the area.
- Two blankets per man to be issued to each Coy CQMS.
- Coy guides to lead tps to tents.
- Tps to move sick and kit bags by Coy dumps from railway station to camp.

9. DETRAINING

Arrangements were made to detrain at the following points to minimise march of troops and transport of baggage.

- AMYRIA railway station.
- IKINGI MARYUT do

10. RECORDS.

O i/c areas and O i/c foster parties were each required to keep a diary setting out date of marching out of units and rear parties, particular of unit requirements ascertained, record of stores and tentage transferred daily, general measures taken, etc.

O i/c foster parties were also required to prepare and hand to C.Os of incoming units a file containing the following:--

- Sketch of IKINGI MARYUT area showing the lines of all incoming units.
- Sketch of the fostered unit lines with Coy, etc areas marked thereon and distinguishing number of each tent.
- Headings of information regarding terrain, soil, water, conservancy, medical arrangements, kitchens, security, postal, leave, pay, etc.
- Movement orders of 1 Aust Corps and G.H.Q. ME

11. MOVEMENT.

A communication dated 19 Dec 40 was received from AQMG 1 Aust Corps by O.C. foster party. As instructed therein personal contact was established with the following:--

- (a) GHQ ME (Lt Col Turner AQMG (M))
- (b) HQ ALEXANDRIA sub-area KOM-EL-DIK (Major Barker DAA & QMG)
- (c) Movement control ALEXANDRIA Rue Fouad (Lt Col Hazeldon Q (M) and Major Yeld (Tn))
- (d) HQ BTE Semiramis Hotel, CAIRO (Brigadier Miller)

It was also found necessary to contact:-

1. Comd No 1 Area L/C (Brig Bewsher?, Lt Col Hatton AQ & Major Spiers DAQMG)
2. Movement control MOASCAR (Lt Col Thickness)
3. Movement control SUEZ (Capt Carlson)
4. Aust Port Det SUEZ (Major Hayes)
5. Major Chapman, M.C. Docks, ALEX. 5A Lt Col McCormack Comdr AMYRIA ^{S/Area}

The movement offr was also in contact with (a) and (b) above & with various KTOs. All of the above were most helpful to both O.C. & movement offr.

12. ADVANCE PARTY.

Advance parties from 13 Pd Coy, 1 A/T Regt and 2/3 Pd Regt arrived in camp to be called to PORT SAID, ALEX AND SUEZ respectively to convey unit vehicles to IKINGI MARYUT.

13. INFORMATION.

Personal contact was made with all installations of 6 Aust Div in the IKINGI MARYUT area and where installation had moved on information as to the sites and method of working were obtained from other parties for the information of HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde. Headings of information were prepared on the following subjects:--

Installations, conservancy, tpt, supplies, communications, security, censorship, blackouts, arming of men, provost arrangements, mail, pay, coinage, medical, amenities, entertainments, sport, schools, maps, interpreters, offrs' identification cards, laundry, leave. Many of these were shown as appendices for use of the appropriate authority.

In addition the following were obtained from 6 Aust Div and H.Q. 17 Aust Inf Bde and passed on to the incoming Bde H.Q. --

- (a) S.Os British tps in EGYPT, 1937.
- (b) 6 Aust Div admin instns.
- (c) 6 Aust Div ROs.
- (d) Map and tracing of security posts.
- (e) Lists of A/A posts.
- (f) 6 Aust Div G.S. instn No 58.
- (g) 17 Aust Inf Bde and 2/7Bn security instns.
- (h) Map of ALEXANDRIA, showing in-bounds and out of bounds.
- (i) Sketch of IKINGI MARYUT area prepared by H.Q. foster parties, showing location of incoming units.
- (j) Large supply of ordnance maps of EGYPT and LIBYA.
- (k) Railway warrant book obtained from G.H.Q. ME (M)
- (l) G.H.Q. ME and 1 Aust Corps Movement Orders

14. AMENITIES. F.Ps.

Arrangements were made for an Xmas dinner for all ranks at 1630 hrs 23 Dec 40. Poultry was supplied by A.C.I., Xmas boxes by A.C.F. and all offrs contributed to purchase one bottle of beer per head. Pay was arranged twice & 48 hrs ALEX leave granted to all ranks in succession.

15. DISCIPLINE. F.Ps

Discipline throughout was good, despite the pressure of work, fatigue and loss of sleep entailed. There was one case of AWL from the lines which incurred one day's loss of pay, a fine of £1 and 7 days' C.B.

16. INDENTS.

Blankets on a scale of two per man were indented for & received on 24 Dec before the arrival of the incoming tps.

On 23 Dec a party under CQMS Laing was sent to CAIRO with two vehicles and an indent for expense stores. These were received at IKINGI MARYUT the next day.

The balance of accommodation stores required by units arrived by the time handing-over was complete.

Forms 1033 in respect to all units fostered have been handed to Ordnance representative.

17. TRAVELLING.

O.C. Foster Parties was absent on duty from IKINGI MARYUT area up to arrival of 18 Inf Bde Group complete as follows:-

Dec 21.-- Reported Comd No 1 Area L of G SIDI BISHR for information on movements, which was not forthcoming for 2 1/2 hrs. Was referred to M.C. ALEXANDRIA for supplementary information. Owing to lateness of hour remained ALEXANDRIA night 21/22 Dec. Spent morning 22 Dec with Lt Col Hazelden and returned Camp early afternoon.

Dec 25.-- Left IKINGI MARYUT at 0400 hrs and arrived by train GHQ ME (M), CAIRO, at 1000 hrs. Received movement orders, etc. and information on a number of points. Left GHQ 1400 hrs. Departed CAIRO by train 1500 hrs and arrived IKINGI MARYUT at 2400 hrs.

Dec 26.-- Left IKINGI MARYUT by train for SUEZ at 2230 hrs.

Dec 27.-- Arrived SUEZ 1450 hrs to arrange accommodation for L/Os, gain information and attend conference.

Dec 28.-- Embarked Strathaird 1600 hrs and reported to Bde Comd 18 Aust Inf Bde.

Dec 29.-- Disembarked Strathaird ISMAILIA 1130 hrs. Visited Movement Control, MOASCAR, for rail warrants, etc. Departed ISMAILIA by train for IKINGI MARYUT at 2030 hrs.

Dec 30.-- Detrained IKINGI MARYUT at 0450 hrs.

Dec 31.-- Left IKINGI MARYUT at 0500 hrs for disembarkation of troopships at ALEXANDRIA and returned camp at 1200 hrs.

18. COMMUNICATIONS.

(a) Communication in the Camp was chiefly through O i/c Areas A & B and by conference at H.Q. Foster Parties. It was also found necessary to issue nine Admin Instns & several ROs.

(b) Signals to formations were enciphered by Rear HQ 6 Aust Div and communications of a secret nature with the B/sh authorities in ALEXANDRIA had to be made by OC or MO personally per van.

19. DIFFICULTIES.

The chief difficulties experienced were due to the early and hurried marching out of 6 Aust Div, to conflicting information from various authorities with regard to movement times and to mutilated signals received. These, however, cannot be considered abnormal in view of war conditions and perhaps cannot be avoided.

It is noted that a saving of time would have been effected by provision of a motor car DS and DR (refer paras 17 & 18) but it is recognised that the optimum is not always obtainable.

20. HEADQUARTERS PERSONNEL.

Experience has shown that a Movements Offr and an Adj or QM are essential to the smooth running of fostering activities & the zoning system worked well.

All ranks worked with enthusiasm despite adverse conditions but the work of Lt Symington, 2/16th & Lt Madigan, 2/27th, as Movement Offr and Adj/QM respectively is especially deserving of mention.

21. INCOMING HQ.

The Bde Comd 18 Aust Inf Bde (Brig Morshead) at the time of marching out of OC Foster Parties expressed satisfaction concerning the carrying out of the foster duties and instructed OC to convey this to the proper authorities.

John Duffell Major
OC Foster Parties IKINGI MARYUT

GAZA 16 Dec 40.

1 AUST CORPS.ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO.39.ARRIVAL OF 18 AUST INF BDE GP IN AMIRIYA AREA.

1. DATE OF ARRIVAL. 18 Aust Inf Bde Gp is due to arrive in AMIRIYA area, EGYPT, between 22 and 29 Dec 40.

2. ACCOMMODATION. Units will be accommodated in existing unit lines as under:-

UNIT.	STRENGTH.		TO BE ACCOMMODATED IN LINES OF
	OFF.	ORS.	
(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde	13	121	HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde
2/9 Bn	39	708	2/5 Bn
2/10 Bn	33	704	2/6 Bn
2/12 Bn	34	684	2/7 Bn
2/1 M.G. Bn	33	645	Div Sup Col & Div Pet Coy
2/3 Fd Regt	33	521	2/1 Fd Regt
1 A.Tk Regt	29	452	6 Aust Cav
3 Fd Coy	5	200	2/8 Fd Coy
13 Fd Coy	6	206	2/2 Fd Pk Coy
Bde A.A.S.C. Coy	7	186	2/1 Fd Amb

3. RECEPTION AND FOSTERING. 7 Aust Div will be responsible for the reception and fostering of the above units in AMIRIYA Area.

4. FOSTER PARTIES. 7 Aust Div will detail:-

- (a) A Field Offr as O.C. Foster Parties.
- (b) Foster Parties of 2 Offrs and 8 ORs per unit (total 20 Offrs and 80 ORs).

5. RAIL MOVE. (a) O.C.FOSTER UNITS. He will depart by ord passenger train ex GAZA at 1316 hrs 17 Dec 40 and proceed direct to IKINGI MARYUT.

(b) 7 Aust Div will issue the necessary rail warrant and Frontier Pass.

6. M.T. (a) ADOS 1 Aust Corps will provide one 30 cwt CVT GS and one 15 cwt CVT GS for the use of each Foster Party (total ten 30 cwt CVT GS and ten 15 cwt CVT GS).

(b) C.O. 7 Div Sub Pk Corps Amm Pk will draw the above vehs from B.O.D. BARBARA at 1700 hrs 17 Dec 40 and have them ready in all respects for the rd move on 18 Dec 40 to IKINGI MARYUT.

(c) Upon completion of the reception of the Bde Gp the vehs will be taken over by the 18 Aust Inf Bde Gp as part of its entitlement.

7. DRIVERS FOR M.T.

DDST 1 Aust Corps will detail drivers for such vehicles and in addition one mechanic and one offr who will be in charge of the drivers.

8. M.T. MOVE.

- (a) Foster parties will proceed by rd from JULIS to IKINGI MARIYUT in the above vehs.
- (b) Vehs will report to HQ 21 Aust Inf Bde JULIS at 0600 hrs 18 Dec 40.
- (c) O.C. Convoy - Senior offr travelling.
- (d) S.P. JULIS Camp.
- (e) ROUTES & STAGINGS.

First Day 18 Dec 40. JULIS-GAZA-BEERSHEBA-ASLUJ-ABU AWEIGLA-ISMAILIA-MOASCAR.

Second Day 19 Dec 40. MOASCAR-CAIRO-IKINGI MARYUT.

- (f) SPEEDS & DENSITY - as laid down by C.O.O., BARBARA.
- (g) TIME TABLE.

Dep JULIS Camp	0700 hrs LT 18 Dec 40
Arr MOASCAR	1700 hrs ET 18 Dec 40
Dep MOASCAR	0630 hrs ET 19 Dec 40
Arr IKINGI MARYUT	1700 hrs ET 19 Dec 40 (approx)

- (h) P.O.L. Tanks will be filled on leaving JULIS and reserve petrol and oil supplies will be carried as there is no refueling point between BEERSHEBA and MOASCAR.
- (j) MEDICAL. A M.O. equipped with 1st Aid kit will move at rear of convoy under instructions to be issued by 7 Aust Div.
- (k) 7 Aust Div will issue composite Frontier pass for rd party.

9. ARMS & EQUIPMENT.

(a) Personnel will move with all arms and equipment on issue to them.

(b) Blankets and W.P. sheets will be carried on the man.

10. DRESS - PERSONNEL CLOTHING.

(a) Dress - Full marching order.

(b) Personnel will move with all personnel clothing on issue to them

11. RATIONS.

(a) Personnel will carry the unconsumed portion of the days ration (cooked).

(b) Water bottles will be filled.

(c) In addition to rations for the duration of the move two (2) days reserve rations will be carried. The reserve rations will not be consumed except on the order of an offr and will be distributed amongst all vehicles.

12. IDENTIFICATION.

In addition to the Frontier pass, paybooks will be carried by all-ranks for identification purposes.

13. ACTION AT DESTINATION.

(a) On arrival at IKINGI MARYUT foster parties will report to O.C. Foster Parties at H.Q., 6 Aust Div.

(b) The Foster Parties will represent every unit of 18 Aust Inf Bde Gp and will be accommodated and rationed by the respective 6 Aust Div units up till the time of departure of the latter.

O.C. Foster Parties will make the necessary arrangements for rations after such departure.

14. TENTAGE & ACCOMMODATION STORES. All tentage and accommodation stores of 6 Aust Div not taken to the Western Desert will be handed over on vouchers to the Foster parties concerned. O.C. Foster Parties in conjunction with HQ. 6 Aust Div will make the necessary arrangements for the balance of the necessary tentage and accommodation stores for the incoming units.

15. DATE & TIME OF DISEMBARKATION OF UNITS. of 18 Aust Inf Bde will be communicated at a later date.

16. RETURN JOURNEY.

(a) Foster parties and drivers will return by train within 48 hours of the time of arrival in camp of the last unit of the Bde Gp under arrangements to be made by HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde.

(b) HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde will signal time of departure of above personnel ex AMIRYA 24 hours prior to departure.

D. A. A. G.

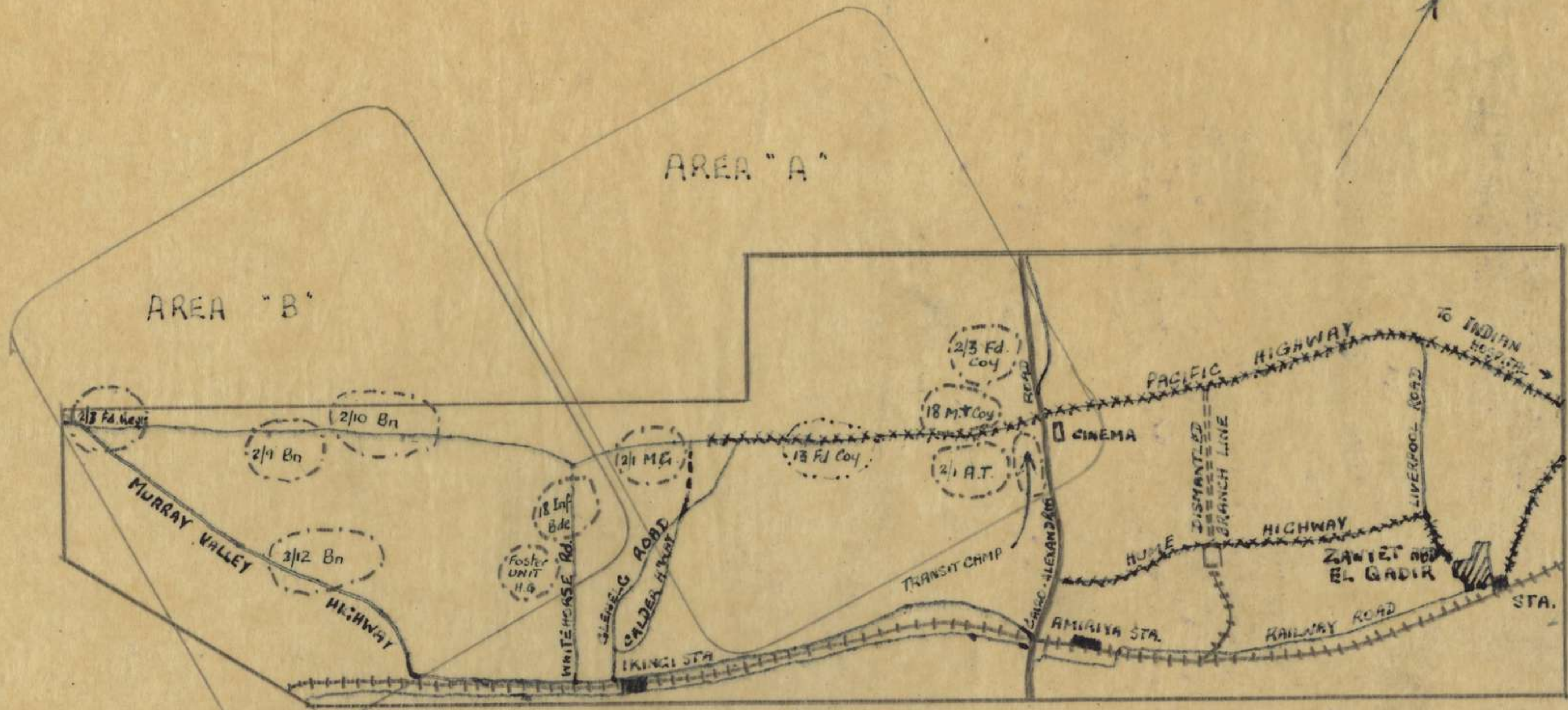
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AREA IKINGI MARYUT



LEGEND

- RAILWAY 
- MAIN DESERT COMMUNICATION PATHS 
- ROADS UNDER CONSTRUCTION 
- PROPOSED ROADS 

SCALE
1 : 50,000.

Appendix 'C'

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY

by

BRIGADIER J.E.S. STEVENS E.D.

COMD. 21 AUST. INF. BDE.

Best wishes for a pleasant Christmas and for a speedy and safe return to your homes with our job well done go to all who are serving with the Twenty-first Brigade from one who is very proud to command it.

The keenness and the good spirits which are so marked throughout our Brigade will help us to tackle whatever tasks may be allotted us in the New Year, and I have no fear that we will fail for lack of trying hard. Fit bodies and alert minds are essential and all of us must do our utmost to attain a high standard of physical and mental fitness.

1941 lies ahead of us and if, at the end of it, we can honestly claim to have done our jobs well and lived our lives decently, the year will have been well spent.

Good luck to you all.

Jes Stevens
Brigadier.
Commanding 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.
24 Dec. 40

2/16/3w

MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN	No. of Groups GR.	OFFICE DATE STAMP
	OUT		

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY)

TO ~~21 A.Th. Coy, 2/14, 2/16, 2/27, 2/5 Pa. Amb.~~

FROM	21 Bde.	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
		Q2	26	

WARNING	ORDER	0	CEREMONIAL	PARADE	OF
21	BDE	AND	2/5	FD	AMB
APPROX	1130 HRS	2	JAN	FOR	C G S
AUSTRALIA	AND	MINISTER	FOR	DEFENCE	0
REHEARSAL	1000 HRS	31	DEC.		

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means,

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

Originator's instructions Degree of periority

Time of origin.

Signed *J Wood*

Signed (BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

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T.H.I.

T.O.R.

C.E.A. 5/40. 50.000 pad

21 AUST. INF. BDE.

28 Dec. '40.

- 2/14 Bn.
- 2/16 Bn. ✓
- 2/27 Bn.
- 2/5 Fd. Amb.
- 21 A. Tk. Coy.
- 59 L.A.D.

WARNING ORDER.

Above Units may anticipate a Bde parade for C.G.S. and Minister for the Army on 2 Jan. '41.

2. A rehearsal will be held at 1000 hrs, 31 Dec.
3. Adjts. of 2/14, 2/16, 2/27 Bns. and 1 Offr. from 21 A. Tk. Coy. and 2/5 Fd. Amb. will report to Capt. M. Austin at 0900 hrs., 30 Dec. on Bde. Parade Ground north of 2/1 Pioneer Lines.
4. Further details will be issued later.
5. 2/16 Bn. are requested to have their Amplifier System ready for use on 31 Dec. and 1 Jan.

Gooch
 Maj.
B.M. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.

Willy

2/16 Bn. A.I.F.		RECEIVED		DATE		HRS.		DATE	
		26 DEC 1940							
No 1	R.S.M.	ADJ.	C. O.	2 I/C.	COY	INITIALS			
						<i>Willy</i>	<i>ab</i>		
Q.M.	R.M.O.	PADRE	No 1						

Sgt Grogg 10
upon
 B. F.
 ADJT.
 29 Dec *16*

2/16 BN. 7 DIV.

2/16 BN. 7 DIV.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

(Erase heading not required).

Army Form C.2118
(adapted.)

Unit 2/16Bn AIF

Date and Time.—From 2 Jan 41 To 31 Jan 41

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	2 Jan	0900	Parade for Mr Spender	See Appx III
"	3 Jan	"	Collective tng proceeding	
"	6 Jan	"	Tng circular from Bde	See Appx III
"	8 Jan	"	Recce of tng area for Bn schemes	
"	9 Jan	"	Coy Comds' recce of Bde scheme. Pl tng proceeding	See Appx III
"	11 Jan	"	Occupation Bde defensive position	See Appx III
"	16 Jan	"	Coy war marches	
"	20 Jan	"	Greater portion of Bn on leave	See Appx I RO 16
"	23 Jan	"	Instructions from Bde as regards scheme	See Appx III
"	24 Jan	"	Coy exercises	
"	25 Jan	"	Capt D.G. Horley left for combined Ops School, GENEIFU. Appointed Chief LO for fostering	See Appx
"	26 Jan	"	Recce of JAFFA RANGE for field firing exercises.	
"	"	"	Lieyts Leach and O'Neill to I Course	

Chas. Potts
C.O. 2/16 Bn. A.I.F.

2/16 BN. 7 DIV.

WAR DIARY or INTELLIGENCE SUMMARY

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(adapted.)

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Unit 2/16Bn AIF Date and Time.—From _____ To _____

Place	Date	Hour	Summary of Events and Information	Remarks and references to Appendices, Diaries, &c.
JULIS	27 Jan	0900	Instns received that Lt Col A.R. Baxter Cox was to take over as OC Base Details	
"	"	"	Coys on field firing exercises	See Appx III
"	28 Jan	"	do do	do
"	"	"	Lt Col Baxter Cox left to take over duty, Major Potts acting CO	
"	30 Jan	"	Conference at Bde for ceremonial for Prime Minister (Mr Menzies)	
"	31 Jan	"	Bn occupied position in Bde defensive scheme	

A. W. Potts
C.O., 2/16 Bn. A.I.F.

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 172

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 1 Jan 41.

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
1/2	"D"	Lt. Holley	Lt. Oversby	Sgt Harding	Cpl Richardson
2/3	"A"	Lt. Sanderson	Lt MacKinnon	Sgt Crombie	Cpl Gawned

2. TELEGRAPH ROUTES.

Considerable damage is being done to insulators by thoughtless youths & children throwing stones. All ranks will cooperate to safeguard these insulators and will take action to apprehend the offenders and bring them to Bn HQ.

3. INTERIOR ECONOMY.

Sentries will prevent waste from taps in their vicinity. One sentry was recently noticed to be obivious to a gross waste of water at an ablution point a few yards away from him.

4. SLEEPING.

Coys will ensure that all personnel lay their beds "staggered." Where possible a distance of six feet is to be allowed between the heads of the occupants of the sleeping quarters.

Capt

Adj 2/16Bn AIF.

ADDENDUM - SECRET DOCUMENTS.

All offrs are to return secret documents on charge to them to Bn HQ by 1800 hrs 2 Jan 41 for checking purposes.

Part "B"

1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 4189 Pte ~~Muir~~ Muir, H.J. HQ Coy. Evacuated to hospital.
5775 " Dermody, R. "C" Coy. do

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ROUTINE ORDERS.

2/16Bn AIF.

Part 1 No 3

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX.

Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 2 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd. Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O.Cpl
2/3	"A"	Lt. E. B. Meacham	Lt. MacKinnon	Sgt Crombie	Cpl Gawned
3/4	"B"	Lt. Oversby	Lt. Sims	Sgt Dickson	Cpl Phillips, D.

2. NUMERAL SERIES OF ROs.

A new series of numbers has been commenced as from 1 Jan 41 for ROs Part 1; the previous series finishing at 171. RO of 1 Jan 41 is now re-numbered to No 1.

3. HYGIENE - LEAVE.

Blue lights and condoms may be obtained at RAP and also blue light treatment when necessary after leave. Blue light centres are to be found in all places to which leave is given.

Part "B"

Gill Lieut
Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 4282 Pte Tulloch, J. "A" Coy. WX2830 Pte Holmes, J.V. "C". Evacuated to hospital.

2. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 5326 Pte King, S.J.; WX 7388 Pte Wright, A.K.; WX 5895 Pte Osborne, O.R.O. Reinf Coy.

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF
BY

Part 1 No 3

Lieut. Col. L. R. BAXTER COX,

Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 3 Jan 41.

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O.Cpl
3/4	"B"	Lt. Oversby	Lt. Sims	Sgt. Dickson	Cpl. Phillips
4/5	"C"	Lt. Wright	Lt. Barnett	Sgt. Macaulay	Cpl. Impson

2. ARRESTS - OPEN.

When soldiers are placed under open arrest they are required to report at the Gd tent hourly and also at Bn HQ at each defaulters' pde for check only. They will not be required to carry out any of the duties of defaulters.

3. A.C.F.

As complaints have been published in the Australian Press of shortages and abuses in connection with A.C.F. supplies would any man being able to supply information on this matter please do so at once through his O.C.

4. SICK PDE.

Sick pde will be held at 0900 hrs daily from 4 Jan - 11 Jan inclusive.

5. KIT INSPECTION.

Coys will carry out a kit inspection on Sun 5 Jan 41, after Church pde.

6. LEAVE - CAIRO.

The following personnel have been granted 7 days' leave to Cairo, 6 Jan - 14 Jan 41 inclusive.- WX 5360 Pte Swinhoe, A.; WX 5642 Pte Hounsham, J.; WX 7173 Pte Cowcher, A.; WX 5524 Pte Lamb, R.; WX 4541 Sgt. McMaugh, W.E.; WX 4583 Pte Chaloner, D. The above personnel will report to the Adj for further instns at 1700 hrs 4 Jan 41.

G. N. GODSALL, Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B"1. TRANSFERS.

WX 7387 Pte Dent, H.R. Reinf Coy to "D" Coy. WX 7390 Pte Walker, L. Reinf Coy to "D" Coy.

2. PUNISHMENTS.

WX 3018 Pte Moloney, D. "D" Coy. Charge: AWL AA 15 (1). Award: 21 days' detention. 30/12/40
3002 " Montgomery, H.R. "D" Coy. Charge: AWL. 15 (1). Award: 18 days' detention. 30/12/40.

NOTICES.

A soccer match will be played at 1430 hrs on Sun 5 Jan 41 on Bde soccer ground between 2/16Bn and H.Q., 7 Aust Div.

A combined sports meeting on the 2/14Bn sports ground will be held on Sun 5 Jan. Programmes for this fixture are available on application to Coy Orderly Rooms or at Bn HQ

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 4.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. Baxter Cox. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 4 Jan 41.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
4/5	"C"	Lt. Wright	Lt. Barnett	Sgt. Macaulay	Cpl Impson
5/6	"D"	Lt. Holley	Lt. Prosser	Sgt. Wood	Cpl Gillard

2. CHURCH PDES.

- (a) Holy Communion will be celebrated at 0730 hrs in the Reading Room - Padre Spratling.
- (b) Holy Mass will be celebrated at 0730 hrs in the Cinema - Chaplain Whelan
- (c) Church pde for RCs at 0830 hrs Cinema - Chaplain Whelan. Lt. McGee will conduct this pde.
- (d) Church pde for Protestants will be held on the MT park at 0900 hrs 5 Jan 41. Markers to report to RSM at MT park at 0845 hrs. Pde will be under command of Bn O.O.

3. SECRET DOCUMENTS.

All secret documents are to be produced for checking at Bn HQ before 1200 hrs 5 Jan 41.

4. TRANSFERS TO GD BN.

Applicants for Gd Bn will pde at 1030 hrs Mon 6 Jan 41 for selection by Maj. Worner. They will pde on Bn pde grd. The Bn O.O. will take charge of this pde.

5. BOARD OF ENQUIRY.

A Board of Enquiry constituted as under will enquire into the damage and loss to equipment & clothing of WX 7358 Pte Scott, H.J.-- Capt. W. Hopkinson, Capt F.M.B. Inkpen.

6. RIFLE INSPECTION.

The armourer Sgt will commence inspection of all rifles in the Bn at 0900 hrs Mon 6 Jan. The Gd Comdr will arrange that details not on duty are sent down to assemble in gps of four and stand by while rifles are being inspected. Duty Coy will arrange that rifles, to bring total number per day to 100, are handed in to Armourer by 0900 hrs. Rifles will be handed in complete with bayonet and scabbard, bolts and sling and labelled with owner's name and Coy.

7. LEAVE.

The following allotments of leave is made for Coys and Coys are to notify Bn HQ immediately if they cannot use the whole allotment:

(a) TEL AVIV - 6 Jan (One day).

Bn H.Q.	A	B	C	D	Reinf	HQ & att	TOTAL
17	44	44	44	44	37	72	302

Offrs.- Lts. McGee, Prosser, Sanderson, Oversby, Holley, Wright. Capts Horley & Caro.

(b) JERUSALEM - 11 - 13 Jan (Two Days).

Bn H.Q.	A	B	C	D	Reinf	HQ & Att	TOTAL
3	8	8	8	8	6	11	52

Offrs.- Capt. Robinson, Capt. Johnson, Lt. Sanderson.

Picquet for leave party (a) consisting of 1 Offr, 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl and 10 ORs will be detailed. For instns for leave parties see Bn RO 158 and SO (P) Pam 3 Appx H. Buses for leave parties will leave area adjacent to cinema as follows:- For TEL AVIV, 0730 hrs. For JERUSALEM, 1300 hrs. Personnel of leave parties will be inspected by 2 i/c prior to embussing.

NOTE. On return from leave, leave passes are to be handed in to Coy HQ who will forward them to BN HQ with tattco roll call reports.

8. BOARD OF ENQUIRY.

A Board of Enquiry as constituted in para (5) will enquire into the loss of equipment of WX 3177 Pte Blake, H.

Part "B".

G. N. GODSALL, Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF.

1. PROMOTION.

WX 5652 Pte Bastyan, G.D. to be A/Cpl. 3/12/41.

2. TRANSFERS.

WX 5673 Pte Keane, J; 5504 Pte Foster, P.; 5501 Pte Graham, D.B. Reinf to "C" Coy.
WX 3085 Sgt Harding, W.C.N. Reinf to "A"; WX 2643 Sgt Dickson, J. Reinf to "B"; WX 3742 Sgt. Crombie, R.G. Reinf to "D"; WX 2905 Sgt. Wallace, S. No 9 to No 7 Pl WX 4023 Pte Allen, R.F. Reinf to H.Q. Coy. WX 4295 Pte Ward, E. HQ to Reinf; 5641 Pte Robinson, J. "B" to HQ Coy.

3. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 4832 A/Sgt White, C.; 4202 Pte Morey, L.G., H.Q. Coy. Evacuated to hospital 4/1/41.
WX 3068 Pte Thornton, C.H. WX 4289 Pte Thompson, A.A. Reinf. do

4. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 3207 Pte Moore, A.J.; 2835 Pte Parker, R.; 4023 Pte Allen, R.F.; 2724 Cpl Higgins, J.T., to Reinf Coy.

5. PUNISHMENTS.

WX 5683 Pte Stafford, R.K. Charge: AWL. Award: 4 days CB. 3629 Pte Gordon, F. Charge: AWL. Award: 21 days detention. 4276 Pte Connells, W.J. Charge: AWL. Award: 21 days detention. 4200 Pte Lee, C.C. Charge: AWL. Award: 21 days detention. 2826 Pte Milstead, A.R. Charge: AWL. Award: 18 days detention. 3026 Pte McVeigh, J. Charge: AWL. Award: 18 days detention.

War Diary

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 5.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 5 Jan 41.

I. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O.Cpl.
5/6	"D"	Lt. Goldsmith	Lt. MacKinnon	Sgt. Wood	Cpl Gillard
6/7	"A"	Lt. Cooper	Lt. Goldsmith	Sgt. Macaulay	Cpl Hounslow

W. H. Dull

Capt.

Adj 2/16Bn AIF

ROUTINE ORDERS.

2/16 Bn AIF.

Part I No 6

Lt Col A. R. Baxter Cox Commanding Officer.

Part " A " 6 Jan 41

I DUTIES.

<u>DATE.</u>	<u>Duty Coy</u>	<u>Gd Comd.</u>	<u>Bn O.O.</u>	<u>Bn O. Sgt.</u>	<u>Bn O. Cpl.</u>
6/7	" A "	Lt Oversby.	Lt. Goldsmith.	Sgt Macaulay.	Cpl Watson S.
7/8	" B "	" Hodge.	" W. Symington.	" Hill.	" Foy

2. DUTIES - RECREATION HALL.

One Cpl from duty Coy will be detailed to attend at the Recreation Room during the hours which it is open vide R. O. I67 para 2

3. SUMMARY WEEKLY NEWS.

A summary of the weeks broadcast news is made each week and is placed on the Bn H.Q. notice board.

4. SECURITY.

It had been reported that soldiers are purchasing goods whilst on leave and instructing the vendor to despatch the article direct, contrary to I Aust Corps S. O. (P) Sec 70

It has also been reported that goods are being ordered whilst on leave for delivery to the camp site, contrary to I Aust Corps S. O. (P) sec 7 Ib.

Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

W. Marshall G

Capt.

Adj. 2/16 Bn AIF.

Part " B "

1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 6023	Pte McConchie R. J.	"A" Coy	Evac to Hospital	6/1/41.
	3238 Cpl Phillips D. E.	do	do	
6331	Pte Jackson T.	"B" Coy	do	✓
7034	" Pearse H.W.T.	do	do	✓
2835	" Parker R.	"Rein Coy	do	
3516	" Sadlier G.	do	do	
3512	" Cameron A. J.	do	do	

2. TRANSFER.

WX 5895	Pte Osborne O.	Rein Coy to " B" Coy	✓	6/1/41.
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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16 Bn AIF

Part 1 No 7

By

Lt Col A.R. Baxter Cox Commanding Officer

Part "A"

7 Jan 41

1. DUTIES

Date	Coy	Gd Comd	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O.Cpl
7/8	"B"	Lt Hodge	Lt G. Symington	Sgt Draper	Cpl Foy
8/9	"C"	" O'Neill	" Hearman	" Crombie	" Ryan

2. APPLICATIONS FOR A.A.O.C.

Applications are called from persons with knowledge of clerical and / or store work for transfer to the above.

M. J. Sedwell

Adj 2/16 Bn AIF ^{Capt}

Part "B"

1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH

W^A6003 Pte Cousins J.C.E.W. "C" Coy Evac to Hospital 7/1/41

2. RETURNED TO STRENGTH

WX5764 Pte White S., WX5637 Pte Martin J.W., WX4363 Pte Beatty M.G.,
WX3889 Pte Collas J.E. to Rein Coy

3. TRANSFERS

WX8394 Pte Watts A.G. Rein Coy to Bn H.Q., WX4322 Pte Griffith J.V. "B"
Coy to "A" Coy, WX2818 Pte Killeen T.J. "D" Coy to "B" Coy, WX5689 Pte
Dyke F. "B" Coy to "D" Coy, WX2987 Pte Foster S.G. Rein Coy to "A" Coy
WX5845 Pte Otter J. Rein Coy to "A" Coy, WX7383 Pte Morton W. Rein Coy
to "A" Coy WX7390 Pte Walker L. Rein Coy to "A" Coy

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ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 8.

BY

Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX.

Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 8 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
8/9	"C"	Lt. O'Neill	Lt. Hearman	Sgt. Crombie	Cpl. Ryan
9/10	"D"	Lt. R. Meecham	Lt. Langridge	Sgt. Wright	Cpl Johnstone, S.B.

2. HYGIENE.

Attention has been directed by the Camp Hygiene Offr to the state of the drains and gutters in the Bn area. Most depressions seem to be utilised as convenient receptacles for papers, orange peel, tobacco tins and bottles. The incinerator is the only authorised receptacle and in the future will be the only one used.

3. LEAVE.

Two day leave in JERUSALEM will be from 13 to 15 Jan in lieu of 11 to 13 Jan as previously stated in RO Part 1 No 4 of 4 Jan 41 Part "A" para 7 (b).

G. N. GODSALL. Capt.

Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B".

1. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX 2979 Pte Lines, C.B., H.Q. Coy; WX 3166 Pte Windsor, J.R., Reinf Coy; WX 7989 Pte Morris, C.T., Reinf Coy. Evacuated to hospital. WX 4200 Pte Lee, C.C.; 2826 Pte Milstead, A.R.; 3026 Pte McVeigh, J.; 3629 Pte Gordon, F.; 4276 Pte Connells, W.J., H.Q. Coy. Detention. 3 Jan 41.

2. CORREGENDUM.

RO Part 1 No 7 of 7 Jan 41 Part "B" para 3 delete "WX 7390 Pte Walker, L. Reinf Coy to "A" Coy. "

By Lieut. Col. A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer

Part "A" 9 Jan 41.

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
9/10	"D"	Lt. R. Meecham	Lt. Langridge	Sgt. Dickson	Cpl. Johnstone
10/11	"A"	Lt. Sublet	Lt. Leach	Sgt. Hill	Cpl. Williams, E.

2. COURSES.

The following personnel have been selected to attend No 7 Course WTS at BEIT JIRJA 13-24 Jan:- WX5639 Lt. Sanderson, F.; WX2643 Sgt Dickson, T.J.M.

3. LEAVE.

Following is the allocation of two-day leave to TEL AVIV:

Date	Bn H.Q.	H.Q. Coy	"A"	"B"	"C"	"D"	Reinf
12-14	2	5	3	3	3	3	3
16-18	1	3	2	2	2	2	1

Buses will depart from Camp at 1400 hrs on Sun 12 Jan and Thurs 16 Jan, returning from TEL AVIV at 1000 hrs Tues 14 Jan and Sat 18 Jan. Men will stay at the King Solomon Hotel, a charge of 110 mils being made for bed, bath and morning tea. Personnel will make own arrangements for meals (the Australian Soldiers' Club is recommended). Lt McGee will be O i/c leave party 12-14 Jan.

4. SMALL ARMS AA DEFENCE.

Aircraft will not be engaged by SA AA defences unless:- (a) They are within range, i.e. below 2000ft and (b) they are definitely recognised as hostile or (c) if of unknown identity, they commit an hostile act against the area so protected.

G. N. GODSALL, Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF.

Part "B".

1. PUNISHMENTS.

WX 5957 Pte Lennox, D. "D" Coy. Charge: A.W.L. AA 15 (1). Award: 14 days detention.
WX 4159 Pte Frost, T.M. do

2. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX 4263 Pte Sullivan, P.J. "A" Coy; 3765 Pte Dickenson, S.P. "C"; 5608 Pte Ramsay, T.M. "C"; 5757 Pte Daniels, A.D., Reinf Coy. Evacuated to Hospital. WX 5630 Pte Craig, W.; 3113 Pte Brogmus, E.J.; 6674 Pte Murray, J.H.; 4361 Pte Blond, G.W.; 7197 Pte Farmer, A.; 2392 Pte. Cole, R.W. HQ.Coy. 5644 Pte Davies, J.; 2965 Pte Cheeseman, C.J.; 3060 Pte Tennent, W.; 3901 Pte Speed, L.V.; 3783 Pte Walters, J.W.; 5663 Pte Davies, H.; 3897 Pte Gagg, H.A.; 3070 Pte Mackie, J. "A" Coy. 6842 Pte Lilley, J.W.T.; 6149 Pte Treffene, P.J.; 6204 Pte Trenholme, F.E.; 5714 Pte Price, W.T.; 5664 Pte Gibson, A.H.; 3799 Pte Bell, E.H.; 4165 Pte Bryant, T.S.; 5184 Pte Plumridge, A.S.; 3540 Pte McIntosh, R.J.; 4244 Pte Lamotte, L. "B" Coy. 3768 Pte Pearce, J.W.; 4199 Pte Carlsson, G.W.E.; 4198 Pte Morrison, J.; 3604 Pte Shaw, J.; 3855 Pte Robertson, J.D.; 6617 Pte Guthrie, T.C.; 3197 Pte Perks, H.; 3163 Pte Doull, I; 4236 Pte Smythe, G.; 4161 Pte Martin, G.; 4372 Pte Gillig G.; 4364 Cpl Gillard, J.; 4077 Cpl Patchett, J.W. "C" Coy. 5700 Pte White, E.P.; 5746 Pte Hambly, T.G.; 3012 Pte King, A; 3653 Pte Carmichael, R.W.; 3586 Pte Jarick, W.H.; 4120 Cpl Hoare, A.G.F., "D" Coy. 4055 Pte Webber, F.; 7378 Pte Stanley, C.G.; 7366 Pte Mason, J.A.; 6750 Pte Anderson, D.A.; 5326 Pte King, T.S.; 3716 Pte Thomas, A.O.; 3196 Pte Woods, E.J.; 6608 Pte Wesson, R.; 5657 Pte Ward, A.; 7381 Pte Knight, W.F.; 6005 Pte Lee, H.S.; 7518 Pte Le Feuvre; 3986 L/Cpl Watson, S.H.; 4076 Cpl Richardson, C.E.T. Reinf Coy. Transferred to Gd Bn.

3. TRANSFERS.

WX 4024 Pte Wallis, T.E. "A" to "C". 5680 Pte Armstrong, F.H. "C" to HQ. 2724 A/Cpl Higgins, J.T.; 3571 Cpl Willis, J.H.A.; 2739 A/L/Cpl Love, A.S.H.; 5777 Ptes Bird, S.W.; 7357 Bisdee, G.J.; 5785 Flower, E.L.; 7964 Hancock, E.S.; 4578 Kyd, C.E.; 6774 McNeil, J. 4573 Cpl Ottewell, J.R.; 5849 Powley, V.; 7580 Puelleine, A.F.; 5795 Scanlon, F.F.; 3917 Stockhausen, H.H.; 7982 Shaw, J.P.; 5788 Stockhausen, F.A.; 3559 Whitehouse, B.; 3512 Wolf, S.F.; 5783 Burton, W.J.; 2830 Holmes, J.V.; 3889 Collas, B.; 7412 Birkbeck, R.; 7678 Byrne, S.S.; 5617 Meddings, K.R.; 5603 Tanner, L.B.; 3611 Merritt, V.F.S.; 7377 Scotford, A.H.; 5762 Hine, J.W.; 7389 Hancock, J.W.; 7391 Kewley, J; 7918 Matthews, E.; 7492 Page, K.A.; 5637 Martin, J; 5211 Robinson, A.R.; 4376 Trigwell, W.J.R.; 5761 Wall, D.J.; 4363 Beatty, M.G.; 3889 White, E.S.; 6505 Williams, T.W.S.; 4119 Haddow, E.R. Reinf Coy to H.Q. Coy.

4. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 5783 Pte Burton, W.J.; 2830 Pte Holmes, J.V.; 5617 Pte Meddings, R.; 3065 Pte Troy, J. 5666 Cpl Duff, L.A. To Reinf Coy.

By Lt Col A.R. Baxter Cox Commanding Officer Part "A" 10 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

Date Coy	Gd Comd	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O.Cpl.
10/11 A	Lt Sublet	Lt Langridge	Sgt Hill	Cpl Williams E.
11/12 B	" Langridge	" Holley	" Wright	" Thompson H.

2. RIFLE & AMMUNITION CHECK.

A return is to be submitted to QM Office by 1800hrs 13 Jan 41 ststing the holder and ordnance Nos of Rifles & Bayonets on issue, also the holder & Ordnance Nos of pistols on issue and privately owned.

A Certificate as to the ammunition held by each Coy is also to be rendered.

3. DAILY ROUTINE AMENDMENT.

As from tonight the daily routine will be amended as follows:- First Post 2145hrs, Last Post (Tattoo) 2215hrs, Lights Out 2230hrs.

4. BDE RUNNER.

Duty Coy will NOT detail a Bde Runner in future.

5. SECURITY - ARMS & EQPT

(a) Attention of all Coys is directed to the fact that during the past few days a number of rifles with bolts and also other articles of Govt property have been stolen from camps in the Corps Area. Coys will take immediate steps to ensure that the provision of SOs (P) Pam 1 Sec 1 covering the safeguarding of arms is rigidly enforced.

(b) The bolts of all rifles will be removed from rifles each night and placed in a secure box in accordance with SOs.

M. J. Marshall
Capt
Adj 2/16 Bn AIF

Part "B"

1. CORREGENDUM

ROs No 9 Part "B" para 3 is deleted.

2. TRANSFER.

WX4024 Pte Wallis T.E. "A" Coy to "C" Coy 9/1/41

3. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX5957 Pte Lennox D., WX4159 Pte Frost T.M. "D" Coy to Detention ✓
 WX7918 Pte Matthews E. Rein Coy Evac to Hospital
 WX5756 Pte Hinsley R. "D" " do
 WX3919 Pte Smith V.C. do do

4. PUNISHMENTS

WX4193 Pte Ivey E.A. Rein Coy Charge: Leaving his post: Award 21 Days Det.
 WX4274 " Thompson R.H. "B" Coy " Creating a Disturbance & resisting an escort: Award 28 Days Detention
 WX4255 " Harding L. "B" Coy Charge Creating a Disturbance and resisting an escort: Award 28 days detention

NOTICES.

Football - Aust. Rules. (Camp Premiership) 2/27 Bn V 2/16 Bn Bde Sports Gd 1430 hrs Sunday 12 Jan 41.

Soccer: 2/16 Bn V HQ & Aust Div Bde Sports Gd 1430hrs Sunday 12 Jan 41.

Hockey: 2/16 Bn V 2/5 Fd Rgt 1430hrs Sunday 12 Jan 41.

ROUTINE ORDERS

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 11

By Lt Col A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer

Part "A" 11 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
11/12	"B"	Lt. Langridge	Lt. Holley	Sgt Wright	Cpl Thompson, H.C.
12/13	"C"	Lt. Goldsmith	Lt. Hodge	Sgt Salom	Cpl Walrond

2. CHURCH PDES.

- (a) Holy Communion will be celebrated at 0730 hrs in reading room - Padre Spratling.
- (b) Holy Mass will be celebrated at 0730 hrs in cinema - Chaplain Whelan
- (c) Church pde for RCs at 0830 hrs at cinema. Chaplain Whelan. Personnel will fall in on Bn pde grd and will move to service under command of Lt McGee.
- (d) Church pde for Protestants will be held on MT park at 0900 hrs 12 Jan 41. Markers to report to RSM at MT park at 0845 hrs. Pde will be under command of Bn O.O. Every available man will attend church pde.

3. FIELD DRESSINGS.

Coys will check field dressings of personnel and requisition to QM to replace any that have been used. When check is made Coys will submit the certificate to Bn HQ.

4. LEAVE - CAIRO.

The following personnel have been granted 7 days' leave to CAIRO 13 - 21 Jan 41:-
 WX 4544 Sgt Wood, P.B.; WX 4395 Cpl Brockman, J.H. Leave personnel will report to Adj for further instns at 1700 hrs 11 Jan 40.

5. CORREGENDUM.

RO No 4 of 4 Jan 41 Part "A" para 7 (b): Delete Lt. Sanderson add Lt. Hearman.

Part "B".

Sill Capt
 Adj 2/16Bn AIF

1. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 3674 Pte Forrester, A.B.; 4254 Pte Laughlan, T.; 3198 Pte Kerry, J.M. Reinf Coy.
 WX 3153 Pte Kelman, A. "B" Coy.

2. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX 5615 Pte Healy, W.F. "A" Coy.; 3266 Sgt Chandler, H.G., Reinf Coy; 4264 Pte Reid, W.H. Reinf Coy. Evac to Hospital. 4274 Pte Thompson, R.H. 4255 Pte Harding, L. "B" Coy; 4193 Pte Ivey, E.A. Reinf Coy. Detention.

3. TRANSFERS.

WX 3332 Capt H. Fraser seconded Rfct Depot 23/12/40 Authority AIF Orders List No 12 of 25 Dec 40. Marched out of camp 9/1/41.
 WX 7357 Pte Bisdee, G.J. WX 7377 Pte Scotford, A. WX 5840 Pte Powley WX 4713 Pte Blackburn, R. WX 5995 Pte Hammond, F. WX 2889 Pte McCann, J. WX 6505 Pte Williams, T.W.S.
 WX 5788 Pte Stockhausen, F.A. WX 3917 Pte Stockhausen, H.H. WX 5512 Pte Wolf, S.F.
 WX 5799 Pte Johnstone, R.A.J. WX 7580 Pte Puelleine, A. Reinf to "B" Coy. WX 3889 Pte Collas, J. WX 2830 Pte Holmes, J.V. WX 5783 Pte Burton, W.J. WX 2798 Pte Johnson, E.F.H. WX 5666 Cpl Duff, L.A. Reinf to "C" Coy. WX 4355 Pte Trussell, E.C. WX 3553 Pte McKenzie, W.D. WX 7388 Pte Wright, A.K. WX 4376 Pte Trigwell, W.J.R. WX 4363 Pte Beatty, M.G. WX 7964 Pte Hancock, E.S. WX 5637 Pte Martin, J.W. WX 7391 Pte Kewley, J. Reinf to "D" Coy.

NOTICES - SPORT.

Football (Aust rules. Camp premiership) 2/27Bn v 2/16Bn. Players to be at Bde Sports Grd at 1430 hrs Sun 12 Jan 41.

Soccer. 2/16Bn v HQ 7 Aust Div. Bde sports ground. 1430 hrs Sun Jan 12 41. Players to report at "D" Coy orderly room.

Hockey. 2/16Bn v. 2/5 Fd Regt. 1430 hrs Sun 12 Jan 41. Players to report at Bn Pde grd 1430 hrs in sandshoes, shorts and shirts. All players will be assured of a game.

ADDENDUM TO PART "A".

6. STATIONERY DEPOT AIF.

A vacancy exists for a Lt in the stationery sec of AIF printing & stationery det. Applications are invited from other ranks or officers of the rank of Lt for the post. Applications must state stationery experience, qualifications, age & military experience. Applications must reach Bn HQ by 0900 hrs 12 Jan 41.

NOTICE.

Received from ACF	Tobacco, tins	879	Papers, cigarettes	879
Distribution:-	Bn H.Q., 55	H.Q. Coy 200	"A" Coy 112	
	"B" Coy 111	"C" Coy 114	"D" Coy 119	
	Reinf Coy 88	Balance 89		

WD

By Lt Col A R BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer

Part "A" 12 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
12/13	"C"	Lt. Goldsmith	Lt. Hodge	Sgt. Salmon	Cpl. Walrond
13/14	"D"	Lt. R. Meecham	Lt. Oversby	Sgt. Inlpen	Cpl Christian

2. RETREAT.

From tonight Retreat will be at 1800 hrs.

3. SCHOOL, BREN CARRIERS.

The following personnel have been selected to attend the above course from 21 Jan to 7 Feb 41:- WX 4125 Cpl Hodgson, W.J.; WX 2665 Cpl Goldspink, H.B.

4. SICK PDE.

In future sick pde will be held at the usual time - 0700 hrs.

5. OFFRS' PDE.

With the exception of 1 offr per Coy, Bn O.O. & Gd Comdr, Offrs will pde at 0930 hrs 13 Jan 41 on Bn Pde Gd. to attend a lecture in the Cinema.

6. CANTEEN ORDERS.

In future Canteen Orders must be endorsed with the Unit stamp and an Offrs signature. To facilitate this orders are to be handed to Bn HQ by Coys at 0900 hrs daily.

7. AMMUNITION.

Care must be taken by personnel during night trg of loose rounds carried in pouches. It is pointed out that any amm lost is the responsibility of the individual soldier. It is suggested that rds be kept in a small tin while being carried in the pouch.

8. MAIL.

(a) Palestinian stamps will not be accepted as payment for postage on articles for overseas transmission. All such articles must be fully prepaid in Aust stamps. Personnel still holding Palestinian stamps may exchange same for equal value in Aust stamps at FPO.

(b) Telegrams for civil addresses may be lodged for transmission but telegrams for military addresses in PALESTINE or EGYPT will not be accepted.

(c) Cables must be wholly printed in BLOCK letters, must have the sender's no. and name and "AIF Abroad" on the back of the form, & must be censored.

(d) All parcels & packets must have the nature and value of the contents shown on the outer cover together with the sender's no. & name. The sender's Unit must NOT be shown.

Part "B".

Lill
Lieut.
2/16Bn AIF

1. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 3751 Pte Heaperman, R.A. To Reinf 5/1/41.

2. TRANSFERS.

WX 3751 Pte Heaperman, R.A. Reinf to 2/1 AGH & T.O.S. 5/1/41.

3. INTER-COY TRANSFERS.

WX 5617 Pte Meddings, K.R. Reinf to "A" Coy. WX 5650 Pte Jenner, L.H.; 7678 Pte Byrne, S.S.; 5761 Pte Wall, D.J.; 5762 Pte Hine, J.W.; 5198 Pte Bone, J.; 5211 Pte Robinson, A.; 5785 Pte Flower, E.; 7942 Pte Page, K.; 5752 Pte Harris, M. Reinf to "C" Coy. WX 7389 Pte Hancock, J.W.; 7391 Pte Kewley, J. Reinf to "D" Coy respectively to No 3 Pl HQ Coy. WX 3674 Pte Forrester, A.; 4254 Pte Laughlan, T. Reinf Coy to "B" Coy. WX 3268 Pte Colgrove, J.L. Reinf Coy to No 6 Pl (Cook, Offrs' Mess); 5522 Pte Warmington, W.H. "D" Coy to No 6 Pl (Cook Bn HQ); 7383 Pte Morton, W.Mc. Reinf Coy to No 6 Pl (reserve cook). 5655 Pte Tasker, F.J. "B" Coy to No 6 Pl (water duties); 7960 Pte Sussmilch, F.G. Reinf Coy to No 6 Pl (Offrs' mess waiter).

4. APPOINTMENTS.

WX5522 Pte Warmington W.H. appt cook and posted TG 11 12/1/41

WX7383 Pte Morton W.Mc. do

By Lt Col A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer

Part "A" 13 Jan

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
13/14	"D"	Lt. R. Meecham	Lt. Oversby	Sgt. Johnston	Cpl Christian
14/15	"A"	Lt. G. Symington	Lt. Hodge	Sgt. Crombie	Cpl McVeigh

M. J. Hall
for Lieut.
Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B".1. CORREGENDUM.

RO No 11 Part "B" Para 3 Transfers Inter-Coy delete WX 4355 Pte Trussell, E.C.
RO No 12 Part "B" Para 3 do WX 7383 Pte Morten, W. Mc should read "A"
Coy to No 6 Pl.

2. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 3068 Pte Thornton, C.H.; 3580 Pte Standfield, P. To Reinf Coy.

3. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 4179 Pte Marshall, F.C. "A" Coy. Evac to hospital.

4. APPOINTMENTS.

WX 2661 Pte Bates, H.G. HQ COY appointed L/Cpl 13/1/41.
4307 " Douglas, E.F.R. do

5. REVERSION TO RANKS.

3913 Pte Gibson, H. HQ Coy app. L/Cpl 13/1/41

WX 4188 A/L/Cpl Cadlolo, C.A. HQ Coy. Reverts to rank of pte.

6. TRANSFERS.

WX 4260 Pte Green, P. HQ Coy to Rfct Depot. WX 3236 Pte Brophy, H. WX 3126 Pte Woodrow, H.L. 3226 Pte McLaren, D.C. HQ Coy to AAOC. 6742 Pte Gibbs, J.; 4671 Pte Lawrence, R.; 3561 Pte Roberts, F.; 5636 Pte Reeder, J.W.; 5661 Pte Quartermaine, R.W., "A" Coy to AAOC. 3692 Pte Brown, H.S.; 4731 Pte Baker, G.W.; 4245 Pte Hill, R.; 6505 Pte Williams, T.W.S.; 4713 Pte Blackburn, H.M. "B" Coy to AAOC. 3906 Pte Sanders, P.; 5796 Pte Jones, L.C. "C" Coy to AAOC. 6006 Pte Jarilk, W.; 3905 Pte Burrows, W.; 4149 Pte Cowley, J.; 7964 Pte Hancock, E.S. "D" Coy to AAOC. 2724 Cpl Higgins, J.T.; 2739 L/Cpl Lov, A.S.H. 7412 Pte Birbeck, R. 3559 Pte Whitehouse, B. 7982 Pte Shaw, J.R. Reinf to AAOC. 5761 Pte Wall, J.G.; 5762 Pte Hine, J.W. "C" Coy to AAOC.

7. INTER-COY TRANSFERS.

WX 4188 Pte Cadlolo, C.A. HQ Coy to Reinf Coy. 3093 Cpl Christian R.H. to be L/Sgt
4578 Pte Kyd, C.E. Reinf Coy to No 1 Pl HQ Coy. 4228 L/Cpl Sadlier J.C. to be A/Cpl
4119 " Hadlow, E.R. Reinf Coy to No 5 Pl HQ Coy 3554 " Hynes T to be A/Cpl "C" Coy
6774 " McNeil, J. do 5966 Pte Allnutt E.R.L. to be A/Cpl do
3507 " Stone, T.H. do 4740 " Lang J.H. do
2861 " Arthur F. Reinf to C Coy 5682 " Gibson R.C. to be L/Cpl "B" Coy
4358 " Delaporte L.E. " A " 3153 " Kelman A.G. do
4389 " Delaporte W.L. " A " 5693 " Clarke M.T. do
3198 " Kerry J.M. " A " 5784 " Mortimer A. do
2941 " Hillier H. " A " 4252 " Jones R.E.H. do
3612 " Merritt V.J. " A " 4162 " Ashley M.H. to be L/Cpl "D" Coy
3611 " Merritt V.F.S. " A " 3655 " Holland G. do
4227 " Maidment G. " B Coy 4222 " Cubloy S.E. do
5621 " Riley G.E. " " 2985 " Kern W.G. to be L/Cpl "C" Coy
7350 " Scott " " 3677 " Bennett S.B. do
5603 Tanna L.B. " D Coy 5648 " Dilwerth C.J. do
3889 " White E.S. " " 5824 " Harley K.M. do
3580 " Standfield E.H. " " 5607 " Scott J. do
3892 " Jackson W.H. "A" Coy to 5 Pl HQ. 5613 " Murray J.T. to be L/Cpl "A" Coy
5777 " Bird S.W. Rein to D Coy 3747 " Grenfell T.P. do
2977 " Bullock T. " A " 4029 " Anderson L.L. do
4178 " Hickman C.S. " A " 4893 " Hughes S. do
5781 " Kelly J.J. " B " 4268 " Walsh B.W. do
7382 " Lane T.H. " B " 3010 " Meyers C.H. to be L/Cpl HQ Coy
7984 " Lyall N.R. " D " 21. POSTING OF NCOs.
3207 " Moore A.J. " C " 3524 A/Cpl Walrond from Rein to No 10 Pl
7962 " Palmer R.H. " A " 3751 " Willis A.H.J. do
4295 " Ward E.F. " C " 2638 A/Sgt Draper T.A. from Rein to No 12 Pl
2744 " Johnson D. " No 10 Pl

8. APPOINTMENT OF OFFR.

WX3254 Lieut J.K. Murdoch is appointed Q.M. 3663 " Negus O.J. Rein to No 7 Pl

9. ATTACHMENT OF OFFRS (Temporary)

WX3795 Lieut V.P. Leach to Int Sec Bn HQ 4573 A/Cpl Ottewell J.R. from Rein to No 7 Pl
WX2726 " S.H.S. Gill to Bn HQ 4559 A/Sgt Robertson J.D. " No 6 Pl
WX2801 " T. Oversby to No 7 Pl 2856 A/Cpl Witty J.M. " to Bn HQ
WX2639 " T.H. Hodge to No 5 Pl

By Lt Col A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 14 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
14/15	" "	Lt. G. Symington	Lt. ...	Sgt. Crombie	Cpl McVeigh
15/16	"B"	Lt. Wright	Lt. Sublet	Sgt. Phillips	Cpl Burbidge

2. FRUIT STEALING.

Complaints have been lodged from time to time regarding tps breaking into orchards & taking fruit and, in some cases, damaging the trees. All tps are again warned that orchards & private property are out of bds. Any transgression of this will be dealt with.

3. CENSORSHIP.

Cases have occurred where personnel have been detected posting letters in civil post offices in order to try to evade censorship. Attention is drawn to AIF SO Pa 1 Sec 5, para 70 & CRO No 31 of 16 Nov 40, para 16, which states, inter alia:-

(a) All letters from all ranks to any destination and with any stamps must be posted in Army Post Offices.

(b) All letters which are posted in civil post offices will be intercepted by the censor & disciplinary action taken against the offender.

"AIF News" & "Parade", which are subject to Military censorship, may be despatched through the Army Postal Service to AUSTRALIA.

4. RETURNED CLOTHING.

Clothing for return to Aust Base Ordnance Depot will NOT be defaced by removal of buttons.

Baxter Cox
Lieut.
Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B".

1. APPOINTMENTS. WX 3931 Pte James, N.A. H.Q. Coy appointed Tde Gp 11 (cook) 13/1/41,
WX 4658 Pte Charlesworth, A.E. H.Q. Coy appointed Trade Gp 11 (carpenter) as from 12/12/40.
7226 " Abotomey, W.J. do 13/1/41
2792 " Affleck, A.J. do 13/1/41
4887 " Sims, H.M. H.Q. Coy do 111 (storeman) 13/1/41

2. INTER-COY TRANSFERS.

WX 4183 Pte Cadlolo, C.A. from Reinf to "A" Coy. 3754 Pte Day, G.J. Reinf Coy to "A" Coy.
3076 Pte Troy, J.L. Reinf to "D" Coy. 3670 Pte Wylie, G.M.R. Reinf to "B" Coy. 7746 Pte Forbes, W.C. Reinf to "A" Coy. 3029 Pte Hodder, J.A. Reinf to "C" Coy. 6753 Pte Holmes, W. Reinf to "B" Coy. 5612 Pte Thompson, R.N. Reinf to "D" Coy. 3931 Pte James, N.A. "C" Coy to H.Q. Coy No 6 Pl. 2792 Pte Affleck, A.J. from No 3 Pl to No 5 Pl.
3931 Pte Kewley, J. HQ Coy to "D" Coy.
WX 5632 Pte Cruickshank, L.J. "A" Coy to H.Q. Coy No 1 Pl
3849 " Powley, V. "B" Coy to H.Q. Coy No 3 Pl
7580 " Puelleine, A.C. "B" Coy to H.Q. Coy No 4 Pl
5512 " Wolf, S.F. "B" Coy to H.Q. Coy No 6 Pl
3786 " Stephens, A.W. "C" Coy to H.Q. Coy No 4 Pl
5198 " Bone, J. "C" Coy to H.Q. Coy No 4 Pl
5777 " Bird, S.W. "D" Coy to H.Q. Coy No 4 Pl
8213 " Lewis, J.B. "D" Coy to H.Q. Coy No 4 Pl
2747 L/Cpl Stewart, B.R. Reinf Coy to H.Q. Coy No 6 Pl

NOTICE.

All persons desirous of becoming cooks at a future date are to report to the Q.M. for interview.

Baxter Cox
Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED.

ROUTINE ORDERS 2/16 Bn AIF

Part 1 No 16

By Lt Col A.R. Baxter Cox Commanding Officer

Part "A" 17 Jan 41.

1. LEAVE.

The following allocation of leave has been made available:-

	Tel Aviv 1 Day 20 Jan	Jerusalem 1 Day 20 Jan	Jerusalem 2 Days 20/22 Jan
Bn HQ	16	11	2
HQ Coy	87	58	6
A Coy	46	31	4
B Coy	46	31	4
C Coy	46	31	4
D Coy	46	31	4
Offrs	15	8	2

Picquets for Tel Aviv and Jerusalem each consisting of 1 Offr, 1 Sgt, 1 Cpl and 10 ORs will be detailed. For instns for leave parties see Bn RO 158 & SO (P) Pam 3 Appx H. Buses will leave area adjacent to Cinema at 0730hrs for 1 Day leave parties and at 1300hrs for the 2 Day leave party.

2. DUTIES.

=Date Duty Coy Gd Comd Bn O.O. Bn O.Sgt Bn O.Cpl
18/19 "C" Lt Cooper Lt Barnett Sgt Draper Cpl Mort

3. AIR MAIL PACKETS.

The concession rates of 9d (30mils) for first 1/2oz applies only to Letters. Packet rates are 1/6 (60 mils) per 1/2oz.

Part "B"

Esil Lieut
Ass/Adj 2/16 Bn AIF

STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX5662 Pte Thomas S.W. "A" Coy Evac to Hospital 16/1/41 ✓
WX4760 Cpl Burgess D.R. "C" Coy do ✓
WX2974 Pte Kennedy H.M.J. " do do ✓

CORRIGENDEM.

RO Part "B" para 1 of 23 Dec 40 reads "WX4167 Pte Craig J.R. Rein Coy to HQ Coy and posted TG II 23/12/40: should read WX5630 Pte Craig W.R. Rein Coy to HQ Coy & posted to TG II 23/12/40

By Lt Col A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 18 Jan 41.

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt.	Bn O. Cpl
18/19	"C"	Lt. Cooper	Lt. Barnett	Sgt. Draper	Cpl Mort

2. CHURCH PDES.

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 (c) Church pde for RCs at 0830 hrs at cinema. Chaplain Whelan. Personnel will fall in on Bn pde grd & will move to service under comd of the senior NCO present.
 (d) Church pde for Protestants will be held on MT park at 0900 hrs 19 Jan 41. Markers to report to RSM at MT park at 0845. Pde will be under command of BN O.O.

3. TRG TALK.

A short talk on trg will be given to offrns by the Bde Comd at the Offrs Mess at 1000 hrs Sun 19 Jan.

4. ROAD SAFETY.

Tps are to keep well clear of the made portion of roads when walking at night as the black-out restrictions limit the vision of drivers of vehicles.

5. LEAVE - TEL AVIV.

Tps are reminded that JAFFA is OUT OF BOUNDS to all ranks. The direct route to the JAFFA Bathing Club is in bounds to offrns only. (SO (P) Pam 1 Para 14 Appx "C")

6. ARMY ISSUES.

Goods received from Aust comforts or other philanthropic societies will be regarded as an Army issue. Cases have occurred where AIF personnel have made gifts of such articles to Arabs, etc. Disciplinary action will be taken against offenders.

7. PERSONNEL - ORDNANCE WKSHOPS.

Applications are called from persons qualified in the following trades who are NOT employed in similar capacities in this Unit:- Fitters, fitters MT, mechanics, mechanics MT, turners, toolmakers, body-builders, panel beaters, spray painters, sign writers, blacksmiths, textile workers, clerks, storemen, drivers, instrument mechanics, etc. Applications must be at Bn HQ by 0900 hrs 20 Jan 41.

8. LATE DELIVERY CABLES.

Action is being taken to expedite the delivery of cables.

9. COURSES.

The following personnel have been selected to attend the courses as shown:--
 Trg of cinema operators - 21 to 25 Jan 41 - WX 5523 Pte Stuart, E.J.
 OCTU - 16 weeks course from 31 Jan 41 - WX 4544 Sgt Wood, P.B.
 Int Course - 27 Jan to 17 Feb 41 - WX 2731 Lt J.H.O'Neill, WX 3795 Lt V.P. Leach; WX5652 Cpl Bastyan, G.D.
 No 5 Fd Wks Course - 5 to 27 Feb. WX 2639 Lt T.H. Hodge.

10. BLUE LIGHT PACS.

Blue Light centres are situated as follows:- TEL AVIV: MP Barracks - off the Esplanade, near Soldiers' Club. CAIRO: Victoria Hall. ALEXANDRIA: Atlantic Hotel. PORT SAID: Golden House and Constantinople House.

Gill Lieut.
Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B".1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 4210 Pte Maloney, B.W. H.Q. Coy;	Evac to hospital	16/1/41.
2961 " Griffith, R. "A" Coy	do	17/1/41.
4771 " Pickett, W.A.	do	18/1/41.
2896 " Campbell, A.J. "D" Coy	do	

2. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 2722 Sgt. Gigg, T.H. H.Q. Coy.	WX 4202 Pte Morey, L.G. H.Q. Coy.
5794 Pte Tilbee, R.W. "A" Coy	6331 " Jackson, T. "B" Coy.
3166 " Windsor, J.R. "B" Coy	7034 " Pearse, H.W.T. "B" Coy.
3002 " Montgomery, H.R. "D" Coy.	

NOTICE - HOCKEY.

The following players are requested to be on Bn hockey grd at 1415 hrs tomorrow for the match against BOD. Players also to report after church pde to mark the grd & erect goal-posts - Cpl Allnutt to supervise. Lts Symington, Langridge, Murdock & Prosser, Cpls Foy, Allnutt & Williams, L/Cpl Bennett, Ptes Keess, Hughes, Tanner & Archibald, Sgt. Gigg. Uniform: Khaki shirts & shorts, sandshoes.

By Lt Col A. R. Baxter Cox. Commanding Officer

Part "A" 19 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt.	Bn O. Cpl
19/20	"D"	Lt. Sublet	Lt. Hodge		Cpl Trotter
20/21	"A"	Lt. Holley	Lt. Cooper		Cpl Ganned

2. COURSE.

The following offr has been selected to attend METS Pl Comd Course from 5 to 27 Feb 41.-
WX 1599 Lieut. B.D.N. Langridge

3. LEAVE PICQUETS.

Above personnel will be issued with the unexpired portion of the day's rations.

4. CENSORSHIP.

A number of telegrams containing words indicating the use of a pre-arranged code have been intercepted. Attention is drawn to AIF SO Pam 1 Sec 5 para 69, which provides that all correspondence will be in plain language.

5. DEFAULTERS.

Coys are reminded that they must notify Bn HQ by 0900 hrs daily when defaulters from their Coy are unable to attend defaulters' pdes due to Coy trg.

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Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

ROUTINE ORDERS.

2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 19.

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By Lt Col A. R. BAXTER COX, Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 20 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

20/21 Gd Comdr: Lt. Barnett Bn O.O.: Lt. Cooper.

2. COURSE.

The following NCO has been selected to attend No 11 Rifle & IMG Course 4 Feb - 5 Mar 41
(Further instns are to be obtained from R.S.M.) WX 4368 Sgt Vickers, D.H.

Bill
Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF Lieut.

Part "B"

1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 2744 Sgt Johnson, D. "C" Coy. Evacuated to Hospital.

By Lt Col A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer

Part "A" 21 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

Date	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt.	Bn O. Cpl
21/22	Lt. Harper	Lt. Overby	Sgt. Negus	Cpl Haines

2. CAIRO LEAVE.

The following have been granted CAIRO leave from 27 Jan to 4 Feb 41 & will report to the Adj at 1700 hrs on 25 Jan for further instns:-

WX 2638 Sgt Draper, T.

WX 2893 Pte Clifton, C.M.

3. LEAVE BUSES.

It is to be clearly understood that, from one day leave, buses will leave on return journeys to Camp at the times published, viz:-

JERUSALEM	1700 hrs
TEL AVIV	1730 hrs

Any men not reporting at that time will not be waited for in future and will consequently be deemed A.W.L.

4. SKILLED TRADESMEN.

A return will be fwded by each Coy to Bn HQ by 0900 hrs 27 Jan 41 showing particulars of personnel who (a) hold trade qualifications in the trades shown below (b) are not at present holding appointments or doing duties calling for the exercise of their trade qualifications (c) are available for placement were their trade skill may be utilised:-

Blacksmiths	Electricians	Saddlers & harness makers
Bricklayers	Engine Artificers	Sawyers
Butchers	Engine Hands I.C.	Ship & radio operators
Carpenters & joiners	Fitters	Shorthand typists
Concretors	Linemen	Stokers (stationary engine)
Cooks	Masons	Surveyors (engineering)
Draughtsmen (Arch)	Mechanics M.T.	Telegraphists
" (Mech)	Plumbers & pipe fitters	Telephone mechanics
Elect. Fitters	Radio Mechanics	Tinsmiths
		Welders, acetylene & electric

The return will include only tradesmen qualified to carry out duties without further trg.

5. COURT OF ENQUIRY.

A Court of Enquiry as constituted hereunder will be assembled at a time & place to be arranged by the Pres to enquire into an accident sustained by WX 5250 L/Cpl Powell, I.C. on the H.M.T. "A" on 31 Oct or 1 Nov 40 & to report on the resulting medical condition of L/Cpl Powell:-

President	-	Major W.C.J. Gavan Duffy
Members	-	Captain A. J. Anderson
	-	" I. Johnson

6. PROCEDURE COY PDES.

The attention of Coys is drawn to MTP No 18 Am/nt No 1.

Bill
Lieut
Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B".

1. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX 2841 Pte Clark, K.M. "B" Coy Evacuated to Hospital 21/1/41.

5698 " Harris, G.H. "B" Coy do

4366 " Robson, G.N. "D" Coy do

2. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 4832 Cpl White, C.M. H.Q. Coy.

WX 6023 Pte McConchie, R.J. "A" Coy

7989 Pte Morris, C.T. "A" Coy

5775 " Dermody, R. "C" Coy

5608 " Ramsay, T.M. "C" Coy

3018 " Moloney, D. "D" Coy

3026 " McVeigh, J. H.Q. Coy

2826 " Milstead, A.R. H.Q. Coy

3. CORRIGENDUM.

RO No 19 of 20 Jan Part "B" Para 1 "WX 2744 Sgt Johnson, D. "C" Coy" should read "WX 2744 Sgt Johnson, D. "B" Coy."

Part "A" ADDENDUM.

Next for Duties.	Gd Comdr	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
	Lt. Mackinnon	Lt. Hearman	Sgt Harding	Cpl Brockman

SPECIAL DUTY DRIVERS.

H.Q. Coy will detail the following party for special duty:- Lt. Harper; 1 Cpl driver; 20 licensed drivers; one fitter. The above to report at Bn H.Q. at 0645 hrs 22 Jan.

Dress: Full marching order. Blankets, Universal kit bags.

Rations: Unexpired portion of day 22 Jan.

NOT TO BE PUBLISHED ROUTINE ORDERS 2/16 Bn AIF. Part 1 No 21.

By Lt Col A.R. Baxter Cox Commanding Officer Part "A" 22 Jan 41.

1. DUTIES.

Date	Gd Comd	Bn O.O.	Bn O.Sgt	Bn O.Cpl
22/23	Lt Mackinnon	Lt Hearman	Sgt Harding	Cpl Brockman
23/24	Lt Langridge	Lt Goldsmith	Sgt Draper	Cpl Tull

2. LEAVE.

The following leave has been allotted to Coys for Tel Aviv- 2 days.
26/28 Jan 41:- Bn H.Q. 2, HQ Coy 5, "C" Coy 5, "D" Coy 5.

Two offrs for above to be detailed.

3. ALTERATION - TIME TABLE.

Coys will now pde at 0845hrs instead of 0830hrs. This extra 15 mins will be devoted to cleaning tents and Coy lines. There will now be no excuse for untidiness.

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Lieut.
Ass/Adj 2/16 Bn AIF

PART "B"

1. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX3670 Pte Wylie G.M.R. "B" Coy Evac to Hospital 22/1/41.

2. TRANSFER.

WX3754 Pte Day G.J. "A" Coy - Transfd to Gd Bn 21/1/41.

3. INTER COY TRANSFERS.

The following are transferred from Bn HQ & HQ Coy:-

WX4079 Pte Eddy F.A., WX4574 Pte Sherrifs A.E. HQ Coy to "A" Coy
WX4287 " Wells H.E., WX5535 " Stanley J.E., do "B" Coy
WX5520 " Jacobs A.L., HQ Coy, WX5521 Pte Golding T., Bn HQ, to "C" Coy
WX5532 Pte Palmer A.W., 7283 Pte Smith J.L., HQ Coy to "D" Coy

The above personnel are then detached from respective Coys for special trg with Bn HQ. They are to be carried on strength of Coys but come under Bn HQ direct for discipline and trg.

WX1600 Lieut R.B. Worner "B" Coy to Repl

4. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX4762 Pte Hill F.C., 5615 Pte Healey W.F. posted to "A" Coy.

WX3618 Pte Lomas C.D. posted to "C" Coy

WX5776 Pte Bentley A.C. posted to "I" Coy

5. POSTING TO TG.

WX2747 A/L/Cpl Stewart reverts to ranks at own request and posted to TGII

NOTICES

Football (Aust Rules) 2/16 v 2/4 Fd Regt at Deir Suneid 1430hrs Sunday 26 Jan 41.

Soccer. 2/16 v 7 Aust Div HQ at Deir Suneid at 1430hrs Sunday 26 Jan 41.

Players of both teams for above matches are to report at 2/16 MT Park by 1435hrs on 26 Jan.

Concerts. The following Concert parties will give 2 performances per night at the Camp Cinema at the usual hours:

Thursday 23 Jan 41 - "SPOTLIGHTS"

Saturday 1 Feb 41 - "TROUPEURS"

FOUND

Leather wallet with initials, envelopes of photographs and silver ring. Owner apply Orderly Room, Hq., 21 Aust Inf Bde.

By Lt Col A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 23 Jan 41

1. COURSE - No 8 WTS.

The following personnel have been selected to attend the above course 27 Jan - 7 Feb 41:-

WX 2801 Lieut T. Oversby

WX 2722 Sgt Gigg, T.H.

3567 Sgt Salom, A.L.

2733 Cpl Anderson, N.F.

WX 5768 Cpl Hounslow, S.A.

Details of the course will be supplied by RSM.

Full

Lieut

Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B".1. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 3131 Pte Pearson, R.O. H.Q. Coy. Evacuated to Hospital 22/1/41.

4234 " Graffin, A.B. H.Q. Coy. do 23/1/41.

2922 " Bralich, V. "B" Coy do

2. TRANSFERS, INTER-COY.

WX 6753 Pte Holmes, W. "B" Coy to 5 Pl H.Q. Coy.

5680 " Armstrong, F.H. "C" Coy to 1 Pl H.Q. Coy.

3. NOTICES.

B.B.C. Broadcast: At 2030 hrs tonight a special request programme will be relayed by the B.B.C. for British Forces in the Middle East. The programme will feature Sandy Macpherson (theatre organ).

Sport: 2/16Bn Rugby team will meet 2/14Ba in a premiership match at JULIS on Sun 26 Jan at 1430 hrs.

A.C.F. Distribution. Lot No 2.

Received - Packets cigarettes 783

Tubes, shaving cream 783

Distribution 23/1/41:-

En H.Q.	48	of each
H.Q. Coy	195	"
"A" "	120	"
"B" "	126	"
"C" "	126	"
"D" "	124	"
C/fwd	44	
Total	783	

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By Lt Col A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer. Part "A" 24 Jan 41

1. ORGANISATION.

Every Offr & NCO is responsible for reporting to his CO through the proper channels whenever personnel proceed **across** cultivated areas or otherwise endanger public property. Reports will give time & place & sufficient detail to enable the damage to be investigated.

2. CANTEEN HOURS.

Owing to the shortage of beer supplies throughout the country, the wet canteen will be open only between 1900 hrs - 1945 hrs until further stocks come to hand.

Bill
Lieut.
Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B".

1. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX 3695 L/Cpl Wieck, W.S. "D" Coy. Evacuated to Hospital 24/1/41.
3104 Cpl Thomas, L.E.C. HQ Coy. " 23/1/41.

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ROUTINE ORDERS 2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 24

By Lt Col A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer

Part "A" 25 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

25/26 Gd Comdr Lt Hearman Bn OO Lt Prosser Bn O Sgt Sgt Harding Bn O Cpl Cpl Foy

2. PAD. SCHEME.

Ref para 6 of the above. Special gongs have been painted & placed in various posns. Anyone removing same will be guilty of an offence.

3. LEAVE. JERUSALEM.

The following allotment for two-days leave to JERUSALEM 27 - 29 Jan 41 has been made:- Bn HQ 2 HQ Coy 7 "A" Coy 4 "B" Coy 4 "C" Coy 4 "D" Coy 4

Capt G. N. Godsall will be in charge of this Unit's party.

4. COURSE.

The following NCO has been selected to attend the ME Sig School No 15 Course:- WX 5945 Cpl Haines, M.W. 1 Pl HQ Coy. Further instns from RSM.

5. CHURCH PDES.

- (a) Holy Communion will be celebrated at 0730 hrs in reading room - Padre Spratling.
(b) Holy Mass will be celebrated at 0730 hrs in cinema - Chaplain Whelan.
(c) Church pde for RCs at 0830 hrs at cinema. Chaplain Whelan. Personnel will fall in on Bn pde grd & will move to service under comd of the Senior NCO present.
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(e) An undenominational service conducted by Adjutant Hocking will be held in the 2/14Bn Recreation Hut at 2000 hrs.

Signature of Lt Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

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Part "B" ROUTINE ORDERS 2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 24

1. STRUCK OFF STRENGTH.

WX 4209 Pte Hahn, A. HQ Coy. Evacuated to Hospital. 18/1/41.

2. TRANSFER. INTER-COY.

WX 5604 Pte Tanner, J.T. "A" Coy to Bn HQ & posted as batman to RMO.

3. TRANSFER.

WX 2878 Pte Brown, J.C. HQ Coy to Bde.

4. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 4276 Pte Connells, W.J. to H.Q. Coy.

4200 " Lee, C.C. to HQ Coy.
3269 " Gordon, F. to HQ Coy.
3675 " Dickison, S.P. to "C" Coy.
2974 " Kennedy, H. to "C" Coy.
2896 " Campbell, A.J. to "D" Coy.
4159 " Frost, T.M. to "D" Coy.
3919 " Smith, V.C. to "D" Coy.

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Part "B" ROUTINE ORDERS 2/16Bn AIF

Part 1 No 24

By Lt Col A. R. BAXTER COX. Commanding Officer.

Part "A" 28 Jan 41

1. BAYONETS, SECURITY.

In future, at night, whenever possible, bayonets will be placed in packs which will then be placed inside cane beds. If this is not possible bayonets and scabbards will be fixed to rifles and securely tied on.

2. STERLING BANK NOTES.

Sterling bank notes must not be accepted or purchased from local inhabitants in LIBYA. Any sterling notes offered by local inhabitants are almost sure to be forgeries. Any individual in possession of, or trying to sell sterling notes should be apprehended. Any attempt to unload sterling notes in large quantities should be reported immediately to HQ, British tps, in Egypt.

3. CAIRO LEAVE.

The following have been granted CAIRO leave from 3 to 11 Feb and will report to the A/Adjt at 1700 hrs on 1 Feb for further instns:-

WX 5645 Pte Sounness, I.T. "D" Coy. WX 3136 Pte Ross, C.N. "C" Coy.

4. FORMATION OF NEW UNIT - BASE AREA SIGS.

Suitable personnel are reqd urgently to man signal offices and switchboards in camps in PALESTINE. It is possible to accept men who are not fitted for front line duty of account of age or minor physical disabilities. The trades particularly reqd are as follows:- Operators with FMG experience or at a high standard of trg; ops with medium trg in signalling; DRs; lineman, preferably with experience in maintenance of permanent poled routes; signalmen, may be untrained, but must be intelligent.

Applications, giving Regtl no, rank, name, age and details of qualifications, must be at Bn HQ by 1200 hrs 29/1/41.

5. JEWISH SERVICES.

Monthly Jewish service will be held on Sat 1 Feb 41.

6. BOUNDS - MOSQUES.

Moslem Mosques are out of bds to all ranks unless arrangements to visit them have been made previously through the District Commissioner of the area concerned.

7. PALESTINE ORCHESTRA.

The Palestine Orchestra has granted 25% reduction to all ranks for all concerts given by it to members of HM Forces. Prices are as follows:- 475 mils reduced to 355 mils; 380 mils to 290 mils; 295 mils to 225 mils; 245 mils to 185 mils. Seats at the following prices are not subject to reduction:- 185 mils; 135 mils.

Part "B".

Lill Lieut
A/Adjt 2/16Bn AIF

1. CORRIGENDUM.

Part "B" RO No 24 of 25 Jan 41. - "WX 4276 Pte Connells, W.J., 4200 Pte Lee, C.C. & 3269 Pte Gordon, F., to HQ Coy" should read "to "A" Coy.

2. DETACHED FOR DUTY.

WX 3719 Pte Pittman, G.A. Bn HQ to 7 Aust Div Int Sec.

3. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

Wx 5701 Pte Rose, B.C. to "B" Coy. 27/1/41.
4760 Cpl Burges, D. to "A" Coy "
4234 Pte Graffin, A.B. HQ Coy "
5756 " Hinsley, R. to "A" Coy "

4. TAKEN OFF STRENGTH.

WX 5107 Pte Liddelow, W.H.C. "B" Coy Evac to hospital. 26/1/41.
3757 " Marshall, E.R. do
4223 " Challis, G.J.A. HQ Coy do 25/1/41.

5. INTER-COY TRANSFER.

WX 3029 Pte Hodder, A.J. "C" Coy to Reinfct Coy.
5756 " Hinsley, R. "A" Coy to "D" Coy.
5612 " Thompson, R.W. "D" Coy to Reinfct Coy.
4760 Cpl Burges, D. "A" Coy to "C" Coy

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ROUTINE ORDERS 2/16Bn AIF.

Part 1 No 26

Part "A" 31 Jan 41

1. DUTIES.

Date	Duty Coy	Bn O.O.	Bn O. Sgt	Bn O. Cpl
31/1	"C"	Lt. Hodge	Sgt Anderson	Cpl Tull
1/2	"D"	Lt. Langridge	Sgt Gorrie	Cpl Folland

2. CHURCH PDES.

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- Church pde for RCs at 0830 hrs at cinema. Chaplain Whelan. Personnel will fall in on Bn pde grd & will move to service under comd of the senior NCO present.
- Church pde for Protestants will be held on MT park at 0900 hrs. Markers to report to RSM at MT park at 0845 hrs. Pde will be under comd of Bn O.O.
- An undenominational service will be held in the 2/14Bn Recreation Hut at 2000hrs.

3. COURSES.

The following personnel have been selected to attend courses as shown:-
CW School METS - No 3 Course 17 Feb - 3 Mar:- WX 2638 Sgt Draper, T.
Courses in Chiropody No 2 Course - 3 - 15 Feb:- WX 3875 Pte Ford, L.J.
5836 " Folland, R.

Further instns are to be obtained from the RSM.

Lill
Lieut.
Asst/Adj 2/16Bn AIF

Part "B".

1. RETURNED TO STRENGTH.

WX 3512 Pte Cameron, A.J. to "A" Coy 28/1/41.
4296 " Webster, J.F. to "A" Coy "
4179 " Marshall, F. to "A" Coy "
5696 " Wimbridge, F. to "B" Coy "
3104 Cpl Thomas, L.E. to H.Q. Coy "
4210 Pte Maloney, B.W. to H.Q. Coy 31/1/41
2961 " Griffiths, R. to "A" Coy "
2744 Sgt Johnston, D. to "B" Coy "
4193 Pte Ivey, E.A. to Reinf att to No 5 Pl H.Q. Coy 31/1/41.
5757 " Daniels, A.D. to Reinf Coy att to "C" Coy "

2. ATTACHMENTS.

WX 2878 Pte Brown, J.C. att to H.Q. Coy from 21 Aust Inf Bde 25/1/41.
VX 17467 Pte Stewart, E.G. att to Bn HQ from AAMC 28/1/41.

3. ADDENDUM.

Addendum to Inter-Coy Transfers - ROs No 25 of 28/1/41 Part "B" Para 5:-
WX 3029 Pte Hodder, A. Reinf Coy att temporarily to "C" Coy.
5612 " Thompson, R.W. Reinf Coy att temp to "D" Coy.

NOTICE.

"The Troupers" Concert Party will give performances at the Camp Cinema on Sat 1 Feb at the usual picture hours.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/16 Bn. A.I.F. (Unit)

For information purposes only as 1st Reinforcements not yet absorbed.

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	8		
Lieutenants ...	24		2
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
TOTALS ...	37		2

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
Lieut.	Worner R.B.	2/16 Bn	Convalescent Camp.
	MacKenzie R.B.	✓	B.M.H. Beolali.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col	WX 1573	AR B. Cox	2/16 Bn	Yes	C.O.
Major	1574	AW Potts	✓	✓	2 Pl.
✓	1576	W.J. Wain	✓	✓	O.C. A Coy
✓	1587	W.C.J. Gowan Duffy	✓	No	O.C.H.V. Coy (detached special)
Capt.	QT 6159	GN Godsell	✓	Yes	Adj.
✓	WX 1588	D.G. Hatley	✓	✓	O.C. D. Coy
✓	1589	A. Robinson	✓	✓	O.C. B. Coy
✓	1590	A.J. Anderson	✓	No	2 Pl. A Coy (detached special)
✓	1591	EMB Inkpen	✓	Yes	2 Pl. B Coy
✓	1592	I. Johnson	✓	✓	2 Pl. C. Coy
✓	3332	H. Fraser	✓	✓	Q.M.
✓	3373	A.E. Caro	✓	✓	O.C. C. Coy
✓	3374	W. Hopkinson	✓	✓	2 Pl. D. Coy
Lieut.	1586	D.K. Goldsmith	✓	Yes	Pl. Cdt.
✓	1593	J.M. Hemman	✓	✓	✓
✓	1594	W.A. MacKinnon	✓	✓	✓
✓	1596	E.T.J. Barnett	✓	✓	✓
✓	1597	W.G. Symington	✓	No	Detached Special Duties
✓	1598	F.H. Sublet	✓	✓	✓
✓	1599	B.D.N. Langridge	✓	✓	✓
✓	2639	T.H. Hodge	✓	✓	✓
✓	2650	R.H.G. Meacham	✓	✓	✓
✓	2719	N.M. Symington	✓	Yes	I.O.
✓	2731	J.M. O'Neill	✓	No	Detached Special Duties
✓	2738	N.B.G. Meacham	✓	Yes	Pl. Cdt.
✓	2748	A.J. Prosser	✓	No	Detached Special Duties
✓	2801	T. Overby	✓	Yes	Pl. Cdt.
✓	3173	V.H. Halliday	✓	No	Detached Special Duties
✓	3220	G.M. Mc Gee	✓	Yes	Pl. Cdt.
✓	3251	F.G. Sims	✓	✓	Transport Officer
✓	3252	H.P. Cooper	✓	✓	Pl. Cdt.
✓	3253	G.W. Wright	✓	✓	✓
✓	3254	J.K. Murdoch	✓	No	2/5 G. Hospit Alexandria
✓	3395	V.P. Leach	✓	✓	Detached Special Duties
✓	2736	S.H.S. Gill	✓	Yes	Pl. Cdt.
✓	2952	T. Halper	✓	✓	✓
✓	2639	F. Sanderson	✓	✓	✓

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain	WV 3321	D.R.G. Wilson	ARMC		R.M.O.
Chaplain	3372	S.J. Spatling			Chaplain

2/16 Bn AIF
(Unit.)
5 Jan 41
(Date of Despatch.)

L. W. Potts
C.O., 2/16 Bn. A.I.F. (Signature of Commander.)
7 Division AIF
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

2/16 Bn AIF Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel					4				6			10			38	
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)					4			4	6			10			38	54

2/16 Bn AIF

Unit.

Date of Despatch

5 Jan 41

Chas Potts
C.O. 2/16 Bn. A.I.F.

C.O. 2/16 Bn. A.I.F.

Signature of Commander.

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

FIELD RETURN OF OTHER RANKS.

2/16 Bn A.I.F. (Unit) 12 JAN 19 41 (Date).

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

For information purposes only as 1st Reinforcements not yet absorbed

Part A. Strength, Surplus or Reinforcements required.

1 Detail.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishments).
W.Os. Class I.	1		
W.Os. Class II.			6
Squadron or Company Quartermaster-Serjeants			
Staff Serjeants	7		
Serjeants	35	3	
Corporals	57		16.
Troopers, Privates, &c.	676		103
TOTALS	776	3	125.

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

Part B. Other Ranks attached from other Corps.

Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.	Detail.	Unit and Corps to which they belong.
2	AA MC		
5	AA OC		
1	AA PC		
1	AA Post C		
1	INTERBYTER		
10			

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

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

2/16 Bn A.I.F. Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.	
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.		TOTAL.
Bricklayers																
Butchers																
Carpenters and Joiners																
Clerks																
Despatch Riders																
Draughtsmen (topo)																
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.																
Electricians																
Farriers																
Fitters																
Masons																
Painters and Decorators																
Plumbers and Gasfitters																
Saddlers and Harness Makers																
Signallers																
Storemen technical																
Vickers Machine Gunners																
Cooks																
General duty personnel					3					6	16	103				
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)					3			3		6	16	103			125	

2/16 Bn A.I.F.

Unit.

Date of Despatch 12 JAN. 41

Barton

Signature of Commander.

7 DIVISION A.I.F.

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/16 Bn A.D.F.

(Unit) For information
purposes only as 1st
Reinforcements not yet
absorbed.

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	8		
Lieutenants ...	23		2
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
TOTALS ...	36		3

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	Murdoch J.K.	2/16 Bn.	7-1-41	Returned from 2/5 G. Hosp. Alexandria.
✓	Cooper H.P.	✓	9-1-41	✓ 2/1 A.G.H. GAZA Ridge.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	Cooper H.P.	2/16 Bn.	6-1-41	Evacuated to 2/1 A.G.H. GAZA Ridge.
✓	Symington N.M.	✓	7-1-41	✓
Capt	Lewis H.	✓	9-1-41	Transferred REFT Hosp at Antwerp. A.D.F. orders List No 12 of 25 DEC 40.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
Lieut.	Worner R.B.	2/16 Bn	CONVALESCENT CAMP.
✓	MacKenzie R.B.	✓	B.M.H. DEOLALI.
✓	Symington N.M.	✓	2/1 A.G.H. GAZA Ridge.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
LT. COL	WX. 1573	A.R.B. COX	2/16 BN	yes	C.O.
MAJOR	" 1574	A.W. Potts	✓	✓	2/1.1.C
✓	" 1576	W.J. WAIN.	✓	✓	O.C. "A" Coy.
✓	" 1587	W.C.J. CAVAN DUFFY	✓	✓	O.C. "H.Q." Coy
CAPT	QX. 6159	G.N. Goddall	✓	✓	ADJ.
✓	WX. 1588	D.G. HOILEY	✓	✓	O.C. "D" Coy
✓	" 1589	A. ROBINSON	✓	✓	2/1.1.C. "A" Coy
✓	" 1590	A.J. ANDERSON	✓	✓	2/1.1.C. "C" Coy
✓	" 1591	E.M.B. INKBERN	✓	✓	2/1.1.C. "D" Coy
✓	" 1592	L. JOHNSON	✓	✓	2/1.1.C. "B" Coy
✓	" 3373	A.E. CARO	✓	✓	O.C. "E" Coy.
✓	" 3374	W. HOBKINSON.	✓	✓	O.C. "B" Coy
LIEUT.	" 1586	D.K. Goldsmith.	✓	✓	Pl. Comdr
✓	" 1593	J.M. HEARMAN	✓	✓	✓
✓	" 1594	W.A. MACKINNON	✓	✓	✓
✓	" 1596	E.T.J. BARNETT	✓	✓	✓
✓	" 1597	W.J. PYMINGTON	✓	✓	PL. Comdr
✓	" 1598	F.H. SUBLET	✓	✓	✓
✓	" 1599	B.D.N. LANGRIDGE	✓	✓	✓
✓	" 2639	T.H. HODGE	✓	✓	Reinf. Coy
✓	" 2650	R.H.G. MEECHAM.	✓	✓	Pl. Comdr
✓	" 2731	J.M. O'NEILL	✓	✓	✓
✓	" 2738	N.B.G. MEECHAM.	✓	NO	Pl. Comdr. Course R/O Part 1/No 171
✓	" 2748	A.J. PROSSER.	✓	YES	Pl. Comdr.
✓	" 2801	T. OVERSBY	✓	✓	Reinf. Coy
✓	" 3173	V.H. HOLLEY	✓	✓	Pl. Comdr.
✓	" 3250	G.M. McCree	✓	✓	✓
✓	" 3251	F.G. SIMS	✓	✓	Transport Officer.
✓	" 3252	A.P. COOPER	✓	✓	Pl. Comdr
✓	" 3253	G.W. WRIGHT	✓	✓	✓
✓	" 3254	J.K. MURDOCK	✓	✓	Q.M.
✓	" 3395	V.P. LEACH	✓	✓	Reinf. Coy
✓	" 2736	S.H.S. GITT	✓	✓	Ass / ADJ.
✓	" 2952	T. HARBER	✓	✓	Pl. Comdr
✓	" 5639	F. SANDERSON	✓	✓	✓

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
CAPTAIN	WX. 3321	D.R.C. Wilson	R.A.M.C.		R.M.O.
Chaplain	" 3372	S.J. SPARKLING			Chaplain

2/16. BN A.I.F.
(Unit.)

12 JAN. 41.
(Date of Despatch.)

Paulton
(Signature of Commander.)

7. Division A.I.F.
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

2/16 Bn AIF Unit.

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

DETAIL OF SPECIALISTS, TRADESMEN, ETC.	SURPLUS TO ESTABLISHMENT.							REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.							REMARKS.
	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Staff-Serjeants.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	TOTAL.	W.Os. Class I.	W.Os. Class II.	S.Q.M.S.; C.Q.M.S.	Serjeants.	Corporals.	Troopers, Privates, &c.	
Bricklayers															
Butchers															
Carpenters and Joiners															
Clerks															
Despatch Riders															
Draughtsmen (topo)															
Drivers H.T. and/or I.C.															
Electricians															
Farriers															
Fitters															
Masons															
Painters and Decorators															
Plumbers and Gasfitters															
Saddlers and Harness Makers															
Signallers															
Storemen technical															
Vickers Machine Gunners															
Cooks															
General duty personnel					2				6				146		
TOTALS (to agree with Columns 3 and 4 of Part A.)					2			2	6				146	163	

2/16 Bn AIF Unit.
Date of Despatch 19 Jan 41.

Barber
Lieut. Col.
Signature of Commander.
C.O., 2/16 Bn. A.I.F.
7 Division AIF
Bde., Divn., Area, &c., with which unit is serving.

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/16 Bn AIF (Unit)

For information purposes only as 1st Reinforcement not yet absorbed

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	7		2
Lieutenants ...	21		4
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
TOTALS ...	33		6

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Capt.	Lakpa F.M.B.	2/16 Bn	11-1-41	Evacuated to 2/1 A.G.H. Gaza Ridge
Lieut.	McGee G.M.	/	15-1-41	/
/	Sanderson F.	/	12-1-41	to No. 7 Coarse Brierley M.G. Bell T. 50.

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
Capt.	Lakpa F.M.B.	2/16 Bn	2/1 A.G.H. Gaza Ridge
Lieut.	MacKenzie R.B.	/	B.M.H. Dealali
/	Synington N.M.	/	2/1 A.G.H. Gaza Ridge
/	McGee G.M.	/	/
/	Wolmer R.B.	/	1 Aust. Col. Det.

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt. Col	WT 1573	A.R.B. Cox	2/16 Bn	Yes	C.O.
Maj	1574	A.W. Potts	✓	✓	2/16
/	1576	W.J. Weir	✓	✓	O.C. HQ Coy
/	1587	W.C.J. Gordon Duffy	✓	✓	O.C. HQ Coy
Capt	OK 6159	G.H. Godson	✓	✓	Adj.
✓	WT 1588	D.G. Harley	✓	✓	O.C. D Coy
/	1589	A. Robinson	✓	✓	2/16 HQ Coy
/	1590	A.J. Anderson	✓	✓	2/16 C Coy
/	1591	F.M.B. Jackson	✓	✓	2/16 D Coy
/	1592	I. Johnson	✓	✓	2/16 B Coy
/	3373	A.F. Gair	✓	✓	O.C. C Coy
/	3374	W. Hopkinson	✓	✓	O.C. B Coy
Lieut	1586	D.K. Goldsmith	✓	✓	Pl Comdt.
/	1593	J.M. Hedman	✓	✓	✓
/	1594	W.A. Mac Kinnon	✓	✓	✓
/	1596	E.T.J. Baine	✓	✓	✓
/	1597	W.J. Symington	✓	✓	✓
/	1598	F.H. Sublet	✓	✓	✓
/	1599	B.D.N. Langridge	✓	✓	✓
/	2639	T.H. Hodder	✓	✓	Reinf. Attached HQ Coy
/	2650	R.H.G. Meacham	✓	✓	Pl Comdt.
/	2731	J.M. O'Neill	✓	✓	✓
/	2738	N.B.G. Meacham	✓	No	Pl Comdt Course
/	2748	A.J. Prosser	✓	Yes	Pl Comdt
/	2801	T. Overby	✓	✓	Reinf. Attached HQ Coy
/	3173	V.H. Holley	✓	✓	Pl Comdt
/	3351	F.G. Sims	✓	✓	Transport Officer
/	3352	H.P. Cooper	✓	✓	Pl Comdt
/	3353	G.W. Wright	✓	✓	✓
/	3354	J.K. Muddoch	✓	✓	Q.M.
/	3395	V.P. Leach	✓	✓	Reinf. Attached Bn HQ
/	2736	S.H.S. Gill	✓	✓	Reinf. Ass/Adj Bn HQ
/	2922	T. Harper	✓	✓	Pl Comdt
/	5639	F. Sanderson	✓	No	No. 7 Louise Bn Lmg Belt Tng

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Captain	WT 3321	D.R.C. Wilson	RAMC		Rmo.
Chaplain	3372	S.J. Spurling			Chaplain

2/16 Bn AIF
(Unit.)

19 Jan 41
(Date of Despatch.)

[Signature]
Lieut. Col.
C.O. 2/16 Bn AIF
(Signature of Commander.)

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

FIELD RETURN OF OFFICERS

2/16 Bn AIF (Unit)

For information purposes only as 1st reinforcements not yet absorbed.

PART A.—STRENGTH, SURPLUS OR REINFORCEMENTS REQUIRED.

1 Ranks.	2 Posted strength counting against authorized establishment (excluding attached).	3 Surplus to Establishment.	4 Reinforcements required (i.e. deficits on establishment).
*			
*			
Lieut.-Colonels ...	1		
Majors ...	3		
Captains ...	7		2
Lieutenants ...	21		4
2nd Lieutenants ...			
Quartermasters ...	1		
TOTALS ...	33		6

* Insert detail of higher ranks as necessary.

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

Officers JOINED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	<i>F. Sanderson</i>	<i>2/16 Bn AIF</i>	<i>25.1.41</i>	<i>From No 7 Course WTS Bill T. T. O.</i>

Officers QUITTED during week.

Rank.	Name.	Corps.	Date.	Cause.
Lieut.	<i>T. Waipel</i>	<i>2/16 Bn</i>	<i>22.1.41</i>	<i>Detached Special Duty at Inf Bde instructions.</i>

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

Rank.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Remarks (e.g., present whereabouts, if known)
<i>Capt</i>	<i>FMB Inkpen</i>	<i>2/16 Bn</i>	<i>2/1 AGH Gaza Ridge</i>
<i>Lieut</i>	<i>R.B. MacKenzie</i>	<i>/</i>	<i>BIMH Dealah</i>
<i>/</i>	<i>N.M. Symington</i>	<i>/</i>	<i>2/1 AGH Gaza Ridge</i>
<i>/</i>	<i>G.M. McGee</i>	<i>/</i>	<i>/</i>
<i>/</i>	<i>R.B. Wetzel</i>	<i>/</i>	<i>11/021 Colnat Depot</i>

PART D.—NOMINAL ROLL OF OFFICERS ON STRENGTH.

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

1	2	3	4	5	6
Substantive Rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps.	Whether present with Unit (Insert Yes or No).	If not present with Unit, state how employed.
Lt Col	Wt 1573	A.R.B. Coy	2/16 Bn	Yes	C.O.
Major	1574	A.W. Potts	/	/	2/16
/	1576	W.J. Wain	/	/	OC A' Coy
/	1587	W.C.J. Gavan Duffy	/	/	OC HQ Coy
Capt	Qt 459	G.H. Godsell	/	/	Adj.
/	Wt 1588	D.G. Morley	/	/	OC D' Coy
/	1589	A. Robinson	/	/	2/16 A' Coy
/	1590	A.J. Anderson	/	/	2/16 C' Coy
/	1592	L. Johnson	/	/	2/16 B' Coy
/	3373	A.E. Caro	/	/	OC C' Coy
/	3374	W. Hopkinson	/	/	OC B' Coy
Lieut	1586	D.K. Goldsmith	/	/	M Comdt.
/	1593	J.M. Healdman	/	/	/
/	1594	W.H. MacKinnon	/	/	/
/	1596	E.F.J. Barnett	/	/	/
/	1597	W.J. Symington	/	/	/
/	1598	F.H. Splet	/	/	/
/	1599	B.D.N. Langridge	/	/	/
/	2639	T.H. Hodge	/	/	Reinf - Attached HQ Coy
/	2650	R.H.G. Meecham	/	/	M Comdt.
/	2731	J.M. O'Neill	/	/	/
/	2738	N.B.G. Meecham	/	No	M Comdt Course
/	2748	A.J. Prosser	/	Yes	M Comdt.
/	2801	T. Overby	/	/	Reinf - Attached A' Coy
/	3173	V.H. Holley	/	/	M Comdt.
/	3251	F.G. Sims	/	/	Transport Officer
/	3232	H.P. Cooper	/	/	M Comdt.
/	3253	G.W. Wright	/	/	/
/	3234	J.K. Muddock	/	/	Q.M.
/	3395	V.P. Leach	/	/	Reinf - Attached Pm HQ
/	2736	S.H.S. Gill	/	/	Reinf Ass/Pvt Bn HQ
/	2422	T. Halper	/	No	Detached Special Duties
/	2639	F. Anderson	/	Yes	M Comdt

(ii) OFFICERS ATTACHED FROM OTHER CORPS.

Substantive rank, and higher temporary rank, if held.	Personal Number.	Name and Initials.	Corps	Date of attachment.	Nature of attachment.
Capt.	Wt 3331	D.R.C. Wilson	AAAMC		RMO.
Chaplain	3372	S.J. Spratling			Chaplain

2/16 Bn AIF
(Unit.)
26 Jan 41
(Date of Despatch.)

D. Dalton
Lieut. Col.
C.O., 2/16 Bn. A.I.F. (Signature of Commander.)
7 Division AIF
(Bde., Divn., Area, etc., with which Unit is serving.)

SYLLABUS OF TRAINING.

Day	Coys	Period	Detail	Remarks & References	
1	All	0830-0900	Organisation & move out to trg areas		
		0900-1000	Bren	Pam 4 Less 1, 2, 3	
		1000-1100	Fire orders	" 2, " 6, 7.	
		Lunch out	1100-1200	Bren	" 4, " 4, 5, 6
		1330-1500	Message carrying	ISL Sec 88, 89 & ATM 28 App C	
		1500-1630	Formations	ISL Sec 45 - 52	
		1630-1645	Move back to Camp		
		1900-2100	Direction & movement	MTP 33 Sec 14-16, 20 ISL Sec 49	
2	All	0830-0900	Organisation & inspection		
		0900-1000	Move to bde pde		
		1000-1200	Bde pde rehearsal		
		1345-1400	Move on to trg areas		
		1400-1500	Fire orders	Pam 2 Less 10, 12	
		1500-1630	Ground	MTP 33 Sec 10 ISL Sec 47	
		1630-1645	Move back		
		1900-2100	Patrols	ATM 25 App 1 Example 5	
3	All	0830-1200	Bde pde		
		1330-1400	Move out to trg area		
		1400-1500	Patrols	ISL Sec 54, 55, 58, 59 MTP 33 Sec 27, 28	
		1500-1630	Bren	Pam 4 Less 7 - 9	
		1630-1645	Move back		
		1900-2100	Patrol	ATM 28 Sec 29	
4	All	0830-0900	Move out		
		0900-1000	Fire orders	PAM 2 Less 13, 14	
		1000-1200	Patrols	MTP 33 Ch 3 Sec 27, 28 ATM 28 Sec 29	
		Lunch out	1330-1400	Recapit	
		1400-1500	Bren	Pam 4 Less 10 - 12	
		1500-1630	Road blocks	ISL Sec 84 MFE Sec 22, 24	
		1630-1645	Move back		
		1900-2100	Patrols	IT 1937 Sec 36	
5	All	0830-1000	Move out to distant trg area		
		1000-1100	Field craft	MTP 33 Sec 7, 8, 19	
		Lunch out	1100-1200	Sec in defence	ISL Sec 70, 80
		1330-1500	Bren	Pam 4 Less 13 - 15	
		1500-1645	Move back		
6	All	0830-1000	Move out to distant trg area		
		1000-1100	Sec in defence	ISL Sec 70, 80 MTP 33 Sec 31	
		Lunch out	1100-1200	Sec in attack	ISL Sec 4, 68
		1330-1500	Road blocks	ISL Sec 84	
		1500-1645	Move back		
7	All	0830-0915	Coy pde		
		0915-0945	Bn pde		
		1000-1630	Syllabus recapit by Coy Comds to Bn HQ for approval		
		1630-1645	Move back	See note re 30yd range	
8	All	0830-0900	Move out		
		0900-1000	Road blocks	ISL Sec 84 MFE Sec 24	
		Lunch out	1000-1100	Fd craft	MTP 33 Sec 19, 22
		1100-1630	30yd practice ranges	See note re range.	
		1630-1645	Move back		
9	All	0830-0900	Move out	See note re 30 yd range.	
		0900-1000	Fd craft	MTP ch 33 Sec 7, 8, 19	
		1000-1200	Fd works	ISL Sec 70, 78 MFE 45	
		Evening	1330-1700	March out to bivouac area	
		Meal out	1900-2300	Fighting patrol; recce patrol	Schemes set by Coy Comds
		0300-0700	March back		
10	All	0700	Arrive back in camp for breakfast		
		1345-1400	Move out		
		1400-1500	Fd works	MFE Sec 45	
		1500-1630	Sec in attack	MTP 33 Sec 30	
		1630-1645	Move back	See note re 30 yd range.	

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Day	Coys	Period	Detail	Remarks & References	
11	All	0830-0900	Move out		
		0900-1200	Fd works	MFE Sec 25 ISL Sec 73-75, 77, 78	
		Lunch	1330-1500	Fd craft	MTP 33 Sec 7, 8, 19, 21, 22
		out	1500-1630	Sec in attack	MTP 33 Sec 30
		1630-1645	Move back		
12	All	0830-0900	Move out		
		0900-1100	Fd works	ISL Sec 73 -75, 77, 78.	
		1100-1200	Sec in defence	ISL Sec 70, 80 MTP 33 Sec 31	
		1330-1700	March to bivouac area		
		1900-2300	Recce patrols: Raids	Scheme set by Coy Comds IT 37 Sec 72	
		0300-0700	March back		
13	All	0700	Arrive back in camp for breakfast		
		1330-1345	Coy pde		
		1345-1415	Bn pde		
		1430-1630	Recapit of syllabus by Coy Comds to BN HQ for approval		
		1630-1645	Move back		

NOTES.

Attention is directed to Notes on Trg of Men (Night Operations) issued at NORTHAM and to Bde Trg Circ No 6 issued to Coys 26 Dec 40.

30 yd RANGE.

Each Coy will spend 3 hrs on 30yd range as set out below:--

DAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON
7	"A" Coy	"C" Coy
8	"B" Coy	"D" Coy
9	"D" Coy	H.Q. Coy
10		H.Q. Coy

Those personnel who have not qualified will receive first consideration.

Coys will interpolate syllabus for days affected as there are only six rifles. Org and admin arrangements will be completed so that full benefit is derived from the allotted hrs.

Area for fd works will be indicated to Coy Comds by C.O.

G. A. Goddall
for
Lieut. Col.

A. R. Baxter Cox

C.O. 2/16Bn AIF

2/16Bn AIF. SYLLABUS OF TRG For period 13 - 31 Jan 41.

Day & Date	Period	Detail	Remarks & References
Mon	0830-0900	Organ & march out to trg area	
13 Jan	0900-1000	Selection & occupation of fire posns	ISL Sec 37
	1000-1130	Bren	Pam 4 Less 13 & 14
	1200	Midday meal	
	1330-1700	March out, Coy war march - tactical movement with vehicles	
	1700-1900	Evening meal	
	1900-2400	Pl exercises, Outpost posn & recce patrols	
Tues	0200-0700	March back. Rifle exercises	
14 Jan	0700-1200	Rest	
	1330-1500	Bren	Pam 4 Less 13 & 14
	1500-1630	Pl exercises - battle procedure Offrs, less 2 per Coy to attend demo F E demolitions	
Wed	0830-0900	Organ & march out	
15 Jan	0900-1000	Bren	Pam 4 Less 15 & 16
	1000-1200	Pl exercises-application of fire & movement within the Pl as a demo	
	1330-1500	Bren	Pam 4 Less 24 - 25
	1500-1630	Pl exercises - approach & first contact	
Thur	0830-0900	O & M O	
16 Jan	0900-1000	Pl ex - defence - occup & organisation of defensive posn	
	1000-1130	Bren	Pam 4 Less 24 - 25
	1330-2400	As for 13 Jan except Pl recce patrol	
Fri	2400-0530	Rest	
17 Jan	0530-0700	Attack & consolidation	
	0700-0900	Rest & feed	
	0900-1600	Pl exercises - Pl attack & exploitation	
	1600-1800	Rest & feed	
	1800-2400	Pl exercises - attack & consolidation	
Sat	2400-0530	Rest	
18 Jan	0530-0830	March back - drill 15 mins	
	0830-1400	Rest & feed, Pay	
	1400-1500	Pl exercises - the Battle practice for withdrawal	
	1500-1630	Kit inspection	
Sun	0830-0900	O & M O	
20 Jan	0930-1200	30x range practices for No 2 & No 4 Pl - Bren	
	0900-1130	Pl exercises - withdrawal & counter-attack	
	1330-1700	Coy war march - tactical movement with vehicles, etc	
	1700-1900	Rest & evening meal	
	1900-2400	Pl exercises - fighting patrol by night	
Tue	2400-0200	Rest	
21 Jan	0200-0700	March back. Rifle exercises	
	0700-1200	Rest, "A" Coy 5 men per sec - 45 men on 30x range. Bren gun	
	1330-1500	Fd works	MFE sec 45
	1500-1630	"	ISL 70 - 78
	1330-1700	30x range, "B" Coy 5 men per Sec on Bren	
Wed	0830-0900	O & M O	
22 Jan	0900-1100	30x range, "B" Coy continuation	
	0900-1000	Fd works	MFE Sec 45
	1000-1100	"	ISL 70 - 75
	1100-1200	"	
	1100-1200	"C" Coy 30x range	
	1330-1500	" "	
	1330-1500	Fd works	MFE sec 45
	1500-1630	"	ISL 70 - 78
Thur	0830-0900	O & M O	
23 Jan	0900-1000	Fd works	MFE Sec 25
	1000-1130	Pl exercise - deliberate counter attack	
	1330-2400	As for 13 Jan except Pl recce patrol	
	0830-1230	"D" Coy 30x range	
Fri	2400-0530	Rest	
24 Jan	0530-0700	Coy exercise - approach & 1st contact	
	0700-0900	Rest, etc	
	0900-1230	Coy exercise - attack & consolidation	
	1400-1600	Coy march	
	1600-1800	Rest & feed	
	1800-2400	Coy exercise by night - attack & occupation	

Day & Date	Period	Detail	Remarks & References
Sat	0000-0530	Rest	
25 Jan	0530-0830	March back, Drill 15 mins	
	0830-1400	Rest & feed	
	1400-1500	Pay, etc	
	1500-1630	Ceremonial	
Mon	2 & 5 Pls, "A", "B"	Coys & Bn HQ details move to JAFFA Range.	
27 Jan	Remainder, "C" & "D"	Coys as under:-	
	0830-0900	O & M O	
Lunch out	0900-1030	Coy exercise, Attack & consolidation (Bde Defensive system)	
	1030-1200	do	do
	1330-1630	do	do
Tues	2 & 5 Pls, "A", "B"	Coys, Bn HQ details on JAFFA Range & return	
28 Jan	Remainder, "C" & "D"	Coys, as under:-	
	0830-0900	O & M O	
	0900-1200	Coy exercise, Development of defensive system - recce & patrols	
	1300-1630	do	do
Wed	3 & 4 Pls, "C" & "D"	Coys to JAFFA Range	
29 Jan	Remainder, "A" & "B"	Coys, All as for "C" & "D" Coys on 27 Jan	
Thur	3 & 4 Pls, "C" & "D"	Coys on JAFFA Range & return	
30 Jan	Remainder, "A" & "B"	Coys, All as for "C" & "D" Coys on 28 Jan	
Fri	0830-0900	O & close order drill	
31 Jan	0900-1000	Ceremonial Bn	
	1000-1200	Pay, rifle exercises & close order drill	
	1330-1630	Coy exercises, Withdrawal	
Sat	0830-0900	Organisation & close order drill	
1 Feb	0900-1200	Ceremonial	
	1330-1630	Coy exercises, counter attack & pursuit	

NOTES.

1. During the period 13 Jan - 31 Jan, on all occasions where the syllabus permits:-
 - (a) The packing of PL trucks is to be practised (See Specimen Coy Trg programme - G.S. Publication 26/303 Appx 3)
 - (b) Early consideration is to be given to the mounting of Bren guns on vehicles (1 per PL) for AA defence on the move.
 - (c) Constant attention is to be given to the tactical handling of Bren guns in rifle secs & pls. See SAT 1 Pam 4 Sec 5.
 - (d) Compasses are to be used in determining lines of marches, particularly at night & in determining distances across country by speedometers. These are to be used in conjunction with one another. Allow approx 6% increase on speedo for oversize of tyres.
 - (e) ALL details of HQs of Coys are to accompany Coys on bivouacs & on distant trg areas. These details are to constantly practise in the rapid issue of orders & functioning of the organisation for operations.
 - (f) The layout of kits must be such as to facilitate rapid turn-out from bivouacs & camp lines. All kits, Offrs & ORs, must be reduced to minimum & comply with SOs.
 - (g) Tpt is to be used tactically at all times & Coys are to constantly "paint the picture" of the movement of Sub-unit vehicles.
 - (h) Wherever possible, PL exercises are to be, and Coy exercises will be, based on the Bde TEWT, details of which have been issued.
 - (i) Too much stress cannot be given to the preparation of tactical background for all exercises, however small, & steps to this end are to be continuously undertaken.
 - (j) The subject of camouflage & concealment is to be incorporated in all situations.
 - (k) The importance of traffic control & concealment of tracks & vehicles is to be borne in mind & practised.
 - (l) Int gps are to be employed in all tactical situations & their normal role made use of wherever possible.
 - (m) The 2" mortar, one of which is available, is to be introduced to the men in odd periods & classes arranged within Coys for instn to Coy NCOs when they are not required for trg.
 - (n) Thought is to be given to the trg & employment of tank hunting pls for which see Para 13 of Trg Circ No 6.
 - (o) The military situation must be apparent to all, hence every possible effort is to be made to prepare for early action in the fd & every post a winning post.

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SYLLABUS OF TRG

REVISION FOR PERIOD 20 Jan - 1 Feb

NOTE: To be read in conjunction with Syllabus issued 11 Jan 41 particularly in respect of notes therein.

Day & Date	Coy	Period	Detail	Remarks & References
Mon 20 Jan	All	All Day	LEAVE. Those not on leave to receive instn in recapit of Battle Procedure in all phases of pl trg & also weapon trg	
Tue 21 Jan	2 Pl) 4 Pl) H.Q.	0830-1500	30x range practices - Bren Practices 1 & 2	See Appx iv of G 198/9/40
		0830-1500	Indifferent shots to fire practices 1 & 3 on 30x range	See Appx lll of G 198/9/40
		0900-1630	Specialist trg except 3 Pl - 3 Pl to accompany "B" Coy on War march as from 1330 hrs	
	Rifle	0830-0900	O & M O	
	Coys	0900-1130	Pl exercises - withdrawal & counter - attack to be preceded by recapit of battle procedure for withdrawal	Full explanation to all ranks
	3 Pl	1200	Lunch	
	Rifle	1330-1700	Coy war march - tactical movement with vehicles, etc	See O.O. No 2
	Coys			
	Except "A"	1700-1900	Evening meal & rest	
	"A"	1900-2400	Pl exercises - fighting patrols by night	
		1330-1430	Recapit Bren - holding & aiming	Pam 4
		1500-1700	30x range practices - rifle - practices 1 & 3 - ammn 200 rds	See Appx lll of G 198/9/40
Wed 22 Jan	Rifle	0000-0200	Rest	
	Coys	0200-0700	Organ & march back - rifle exes	See O.O. No 2
	& 3Pl (less "A")	0700-1200	Rest & clean out tents	
	"A"	0830-1230	30x range practices - Bren - practices 1 & 2 - 5 men per sec	See Appx iv of G198/9/40 Ammn 1050 rds
	All rifle	1330-1630	Approach with vehicles & occupation of Pl localities in defensive system. Commencement of fd works. Tool drill & marching on to task	Explanation of intention, fire tasks, prep of range cards & reason for selection of sites
	Coys except "B"			
	"B"	1300-1700	(Early lunch) 30x range - practices 1 & 3 of rifle Table B Pt 1 & " 1 & 2 of Table L	Rifle for indifferent shots. See Appx lll & iv of G198/9/40. Amn 1250 rds
Thu 23 Jan	Rifle	0830-0900	O & M O	
	Coys	0900-1130	Occupation of Pl localities in defensive system & development to weapon pit stage	Each Coy (rifle) except "C" to draw 50 shovels "C" to draw 20, 5 Pl 10
	except "C" & "B" modfd			
	"C"	1000-1630	30x range - Bren & rifle -	
	"B"	0800-1000	Bren-Practices 1 & 2 of Table L Rifle- " 1 & 3 of Table B1 For indifferent shots for rifle & Offrs, 3 Sgts & 5 men per Sec for Bren Balance of "C" Coy to report to 5 Pl for improvement of A/Tk defences with 20 shovels	See Appx lll & IV of G198/9/40. Amn 1250 rds
	"A", "B" & "D" Coys	1200	Lunch	
		1330-1700	Coy war march - tactical movement with vehicles	See separate instns "D" Coy short route
	"A", "B", "D"	1700-1900	Evening meal & rest	
	"A", "B"	1900-2400	Pl exercise - occupation of Pl locality & withdrawal to & occupation of new defensive locality	Explanation of procedure reason for withdrawal (good picture - preferably temporary)
	"D"	1900-2200	All as above - short route	do do
	"D"	2200-2400	March back & dismiss	
	"C"	1900-2400	Coy war march & occupation of defended locality	Note: Objects, explanation, etc. Bren guns used on range to be sent to QM for use by "D" Coy next morning

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NOTE: Pls of H.Q. Coy will be attached as under:-

- 1 Pl: Gps each Coy & report centre at Bn H.Q. in the field
- 2 Pl: "A" Coy
- 3 Pl: "C" Coy
- 4 Pl: (Detachment) "A" Coy to 1600 - thence to BN H.Q.
- 5 Pl: In camp on defensive system & development of A/Tk defences
- 6 Pl: With vehicles, with Coys, etc. Remainder to QM.

Bn HQ: Will be established in the field

Fri	All	2400-0530	Rest	
24 Jan	in	0530-0700	Pl exercise - counter attack & occupation of defensive system	Over same gd used for withdrawal. Note: Explanation, etc
	the Fd			
	except	0700-0900	Rest, breakfast, etc	
	"D" Coy	0900-1230	Coy exercise - approach and 1st contact	Precede with story & procedure, reasons, etc.
	& Details			
	as under	1230-1400	Lunch (cold) in field	
		1400-1630	Coy exercise - attack & occupation of bivouac area	Explanation of protective duties & reasons, etc. Routine of bivouacs, rations, etc
		1630-1830	Rest & hot evening meal	Meal to be cooked in Fd at "B" Ech
		1830-2400	Coy exercise - deliberate attack & occupation by night	Note: Posts to be occupied until march continued
	"D"	0800-1230	30x range - Bren & rifle all as for other Coys	Amn 1250 rds. Draw Bren guns from QM
		1300	Lunch (cold) in camp	
		1400-1700	Coy war march	Out to posn occupied at end of withdrawal previous night
		1900-2400	Coy exercise - counter attack & occupn of defended locality by night	On same gd as used for withdrawal
	Details. NOTE.		Being indifferent shots not exercised in previous days on 30x range or unqualified in Practices 1 & 3 of Table B I	
	Details	0900-1200	To be marched back to camp under responsible NCO & report to RSM, who will organise & conduct rifle practices Nos 1 & 3 Tab B I on 30x range	Amn restricted to 10 rds per man. To be drawn from QM by RSM
	All Coys			
		1300-1730	As from 1300-1730 hrs 24 Jan	
			These details will be used as piquets, etc 1900 hrs onwards	
Sat	All	0000-0530	Rest	
25 Jan	in	0530-0830	March back to camp	See separate instns
	Fd.	0830-1400	Breakfast, rest, clean up. Pky in morning. VD inspection HQ, "A" "B" Coys	
	do	1400-1500	Rigid inspection of all arms & eqpt & turn out Rifle exercises	
	less			
	"C" & "D" Coys	1530-1630	Coy ceremonial. Full dress	
	NOTE:		"C" & "D" Coys exempted pdes 1400-1630	
Sun	All	0845	Fall in - inspection	(Statement of those not attending to be submitted to Bn H.Q.)
26 Jan		0900-0945	Church pdes	
	except	1000-1230	Make & men	
	"C" & "D"	1400-2145	Free	
	"C" & "D"	0845	Fall in - full marching order	Blankets & palliasses & kitbags to be arranged in dumps for tpt by Unit M.T.
		0900-2400	March off for special duties. Osg to report to 2 i/c Bn for details	QM to arrange meals during absence
Mon	All	0830-0900	O & M O	
27 Jan	HQ	0900-1200	Specialist trg - 2 Pl morn only	Revised syllabi to be submitted
			3, 4, 5 Pls occupn of def: system & development	
		1330-1630	do do	See later Note for 2 Pl
		1900-2100	Night trg - finding direction	
	"A" & "B"	0900-1200	Coy exercise - approach to & occupn of Bde defensive system - completion of sec posts	
		1230	Lunch	
	"A" & "B" & 2 Pl	1330	Fall in for move to SAFFA Rifle Range. See separate instns	
	"C" & "D"	All day & night	On special duty	

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Day & Date	Coy	Period	Detail	Remarks & References
Tue 28 Jan	H.Q. Less	0830-0900 0900-1630	O & M O Specialist trg	
	2 Pl			Submit revised syllabus
	2 Pl	0800-1700	On fd firing range. See separate instns	With Serial A
	"A" & B	0800-1700	On fd firing - see separate instns	Demonstrations & Pl exerc-
	"C" & "D"	0800-1500 1500-1700	On special duty March back to camp	ises (Practical & general)
Wed 29 Jan	H.Q. Less	0830-0900 0900-1630	O & M O Specialist trg	
	2 Pl. & Pl	1900-2200	Night trg - recce	Submit separate syllabus do
	"A" & "B"	0800-1215	On fd firing range	Coy exercises
	2 Pl			
	"C" & "D"	0830	Fall in for move to JAFFA Rifle Range	See separate instns
	4 Pl			
	"A" & "B"	1330	Fall in for move back from JAFFA Rifle Range	do
	2 Pl			
	"C" & "D"	1300-1700	On Fd Firing Range	Demonstrations & Pl exercises (practical)
	4 Pl			
Thu 30 Jan	H.Q. Less	0830-0900 0900-1630	O & M O Specialist trg	
	4 Pl	1900-2100	Night trg - recce	Submit separate syllabus
	"A" & "B"	0830-0900	O & M O	
(Lunch out)		0900-1200	Coy exercises - withdrawal & counter- attack from defensive system	Note: Reverse role at 1030 hrs
	"A" & 2 Pl	1330-1700	Coy war march	See separate instns
		1700-1900	Rest & evening meal.	
		1900-2400	Fighting patrols - Pl. exercises	
	"B"	1330-1630	Development of Coy locality - daylight patrols POTTS VALLEY, etc Siting of A/Tk rifles	Shovels from QM 60. Explanation
	"C" & "D"	0800-1600	On Fd Firing Range	Pl exercises & Coy exercise See separate instns
	4 Pl	1630	Fall in for move back to JULIS	
Fri 31 Jan	All	0830-0900 0930-1030 1030-1200 1330-1630	Organisation & inspection Bn pde - Ceremonial Packing of vehicles - 2" mortar - explanation A/Tk rifle - recapit Reserved for tactical exercise by Bn	Working dress - drill order Bull ring
Sat 1 Feb	All	0830-0900 0900-1200 1330-1630	O & inspections Ceremonial Kit inspection, Pay, Recapit of exercises conducted by Bn Comd	Pde for recapit at Bn Pde Gd at 1530. P.A. system required

NOTE.- Attention is directed to notes at bottom of original syllabus.

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Lt Col
A. R. Baxter Cox

C.O. 2/16Bn AIF

To be conducted 23 Jan - 25 Jan 41.

Ref: GAZA Sheet 1/100,000.

1. OBJECT.

- (a) To exercise the Coy in protective duties on the march.
- (b) To exercise the Coy in the use of ground & formations.
- (c) To exercise the Coy in rapidity of getting into action from the march at threat of A.F.Vs
- (d) To exercise Coy H.Q. & Q staff in comn duties.

2. LESSONS.

"A Comd is responsible for the protection of his force at all times & is to ensure:-"

- (a) Protection against gd & air observation.
- (b) " " A.F.V. attack
- (c) Facility of control for rapidity of action.

3. LIMITATIONS.

Every endeavour is to be made to use tpt in its relative & best posns for action, but this may have to be modified on account of nature of gd & amount of tpt.

4. SCOPE OF EXERCISE.

The Coy exercise is limited to:-

- (a) The marches from JULIS camp to 1st Bivouacs.
- (b) Approach & 1st contact - 0900/1220 hrs 24 Jan.
- (c) Attack & occupn of bivouac area after exploitation 1400/1630 24 Jan.
- (d) Night attack & occupn - 1830/2400 24 Jan.
- (e) The marches back to camp - 0530/0830 25 Jan.

5. TPS TAKING PART.

- Serial (a) - "A" Coy; 2 Pl; det 4 Pl; det 1 Pl; det Int Sec; 6 S.Bs.
 (b) - "B" Coy; det 1 Pl; det Int Sec; 6 S.Bs.
 (c) - "C" Coy; 3 Pl; det 1 Pl; det Int Sec; 6 S.Bs.
 (d) - "D" Coy; det Int Sec.
 (e) - Bn HQ; det Int Sec; det 1 Pl; det 6 Pl; det 4 Pl after 1600 hrs 23 Jan; 3 SBs.

6. SYLLABUS FOR PERIOD.

See "Syllabus of Trg - Revision for period 20 Jan - 1 Feb."

7. ROUTES.

- Serial (a) D1: HILL 102 - IBDIS - BEIT AFFA - IRAQ SUWEIDAN - HILL 127 - 11961127 (bivouac)
 D2: Across country to 11701132 (bivouac)
 D3: BEIT TIMA - cross rds 11811179 - HILL 113 - Pt 102 - GELLIBRAND
- (b) D1: SAWAFIR ASH SHARQIYA - BEIT AFFA - KARATIYA - 12371133 (bivouac).
 D2: Across country to 11961127 (bivouac)
 D3: KAUKABA - 11691161 - HILL 113 - Pt 102 - GELLIBRAND
- (c) D1: JULIS - track junc 11481192 - track junc 11371177 - 11701163 (bivouac)
 D2: Across country to 11871139 (bivouac)
 D3: Pt 127 - IRAQ SUWEIDAN - IBDIS - Pt 102 - GELLIBRAND
- (d) D1: Pt 102 - HILL 113 - KAUKABA - 11851145 (bivouac) - Across country to 11901164 (occupn) - POLICE BARRACKS - HILL 113 - Pt 102 - GELLIBRAND (2400)
 D2: Pt 102 - track junc 11961202 - POLISH VILLAGE - POLICE BARRACKS - 11901164 (bivouac) - 11851145 (counter attack & occupn)
 D3: KAUKABA - HILL 113 - Pt 102 - GELLIBRAND.

8. PL EXERCISES.

Will be reced by Coy Comds D1 - 1 and 0830-1130 D1 & prepared -
 6 Pl to make vans available 1330 hrs D1 - 1 & 0830 hrs 22

9. UMPIRING.

- (a) Owing to dearth of umpires Coy exercises are to be regarded more as exercising Coys & directors & Coy Comds are to correct faults at subsequent discussions. Each Coy will be directed by nominees of C.O. as under:-

"A" Coy - Major A. W. Potts
 "B" " - Capt. G. N. Godsall
 "C" " - Major W. C. J. Gavan Duffy
 "D" " - C.O.

- (b) Pl exercises will be directed by Coy Comds & umpired by Pl Comd & Pl Sgts of other Pls. In each case an offr will be detailed to observe as enemy & subsequently comment on action.

Description & explanation of exercise will be given to other Pls by 2 i/c or other Offr.

10. ADM.

- (a) Dress - KWD - Battle order.
- (b) Amn - 5 rds in magazine.
- (c) Weapons - To be represented in every case.
- (d) Blankets - 2 in packs on tpt
- (e) Greatcoats - in packs on tpt
- (f) Rations - D1: Evening meal from JULIS camp
("C" Coy to eat meal in JULIS)
D2: Breakfast from JULIS Camp.
("D" Coy to eat meal in JULIS)
Lunch: Hard rations - no tea
("D" Coy & details from Coys to eat lunch at 30x range)
Evening meal - to be cooked & tptd from B Ech lines at Bn HQ
(Details from Coys to have evening meal in JULIS)
D3: Breakfast in Camp.
Hard rations for D2 to be delivered with morning meal.
- (g) Hours of Meals - D1: Evening meal at bivouacs at 1730 hrs.
D2: Breakfast 0730, lunch 1230, evening meal at bivouacs 1700.
D3: Breakfast 0845, lunch 1230.
- (h) Tpt (1) Staff car to 2 i/c & R.M.O.
(2) 4 per serial (one to relay for rations)
(3) 1 to 1 Pl
(4) 1 Camp duties
2 i/c to arrange to borrow necessary additional vehicles.
- (i) Medical - R.M.O. will establish R.A.P. at 11991165. R.M.O. will visit each bivouac between 1700/2100 hrs daily.
- (j) Damage - Every care is to be taken to avoid damage to crops & private property. Vehicles & carriers are NOT to be driven over crops.

11. INTERCOMN.

- (a) 1 Pl will establish report centre at 11991165.
- (b) 1 Pl will establish communication with Coys by day & by night wherever possible.
- (c) Int Sec will establish gp at 11991165 & one gp with each Serial.
Int gp to be used for observation of exercises from enemy posns.
- (d) Bn H.Q. opens 11991165 at 1600 hrs 23 Jan. Closes 11991165 at 0530 hrs 25 Jan.



Lt Col
A. R. Baxter Cox

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Ref GAZA Sheet 1/100000

INFORMATION.

1. Enemy elements of an armed bde have been seen at BEIT JIRJA - BEIT TIMA AL FAJULA - JUSIER.
2. 21 Bde and attached tps is to hold area incl KILO 45 excl SAWAFIR.
3. (a) On our right 2/17Bn
(b) On our left 2/27Bn
(c) 14Bn in reserve vicinity CANNON HILL.

INTENTION.

4. 16Bn will occupy posn on general line S.W. orchard corner - POTTS VALLEY - ROAD and CREEK JUNG 1196 1209.

METHOD.

5. Line of FDLs will include:-
S.W. ORCHARD CORNER - POTTS VALLEY CREEK - ROAD and CREEK JUNG 1196 1209
6. (a) Fwd Coys. Right "A" Coy, 1 sec 4 Pl under Comd to provide defensive fire. Left "C" Coy, 1 sec 4 Pl under Comd to provide defensive fire.
(b) Rear Coys. Right "B"; left "D"
(c) "A" & "C" Coys to coordinate defence with Units on flanks.
(d) See sketch Appx "A"
7. (a) 3 Pl Mortar tasks see Appx "A"
(b) 2 Pl AA tasks see Appx "A"
(c) 5 Pl Wiring see Appx "A"
8. Reserve (a) "B" & "D" Coys and two secs 4 Pl
(b) "B" Coy to prepare counter attack for recapture "A" Coy posn., counter penetration tasks right flank.
(c) "D" Coy to prepare counter attack, recapture "C" Coy posn., counter penetration tasks left flank.
(d) Two secs 4 Pl to be prepared support either counter attack.
9. Covering Force (a) 17 & 18 Pls will establish standing patrols high ground SOUTH of POTTS VALLEY during occupation of posn.
(b) 4 Pl will patrol area SOUTH POTTS VALLEY during occupation.
(c) Patrols will be withdrawn on direct order from C.O.
10. Posn to be occupied by 1700 hrs.
11. Tasks, other arms.-
(a) ARTY see Appx "A"
(b) MG see Appx "A"
(c) A/Tk see Appx "A"
(d) Minefield, see Appx "A"
(e) AA Regt see Appx "A"

ADM

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- (a) SAA reserve TRACK JUNG NORTH of COX HILL.
- (b) R.A.P. see Appx "A"
- (c) B ech tpt ORCHARD 1190 1324

INTERCOMM

- 13 Reports to Bn HQ 1192 1216 Appx "A"
14. Signal for defensive fire GREEN RED ACK.

ACK

Wm Goddall Capt

Adj 2/16Pa AIF

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8	"A"	12 C.O.
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10	"C"	14 & 15 War Diary

War Diary

INFORMATION.

1. Enemy elements of an armed bde have been seen at BEIT JIRJA - BEIT TIMA - AL FAJULA - JUSIER.
2. 21 Bde & att tps is to hold area incl KILO 45 excl SAWAFIR.
3. (a) On our right 2/17Bn (b) On our left 2/27Bn
(c) 14Bn in reserve vicinity CANNON HILL.
4. One sec 2/6 Fd Coy in support 16Bn

INTENTION

5. 16Bn will occupy posn on general lines S.W. orchard corner - POTTS VALLEY - ROAD & CREEK JUNC 11961209

METHOD

6. Line of FDLS will include:-
S.W. ORCHARD CORNER - POTTS VALLEY CREEK - ROAD & CREEK JUNC 11961209.
7. Fwd Coys. Right "A" Coy, excl S.W. ORCHARD CORNER incl COX HILL.
One sec 4 Pl under Comd
Centre "D" Coy incl COX HILL excl STONY HILL.
Left "C" Coy incl STONY HILL excl BN BOUNDARY.
One sec 4 Pl under Comd
(b) Reserve Coy "B"
(c) "A" & "C" Coys to coordinate defence with Units on flanks. See Sk Appx A
8. (a) 3 Pl Mortar tasks. See Appx "A"
(b) 2 Pl AA tasks see Appx "A"
(c) 5 Pl wiring & minefields. See Appx A. A & C Coys to detail one pl each to assist.
9. Fd works in order of priority:-
(a) Weapon pits (b) Wiring (c) Road blocks & minefields
(d) Tk obstacles (e) Sec posts (f) Comm trenches
10. Reserve (a) "B" Coy & two secs 4 Pl
(b) "B" Coy to prepare counter attack to recapture fwd Coy posns. Counter penetration tasks on flanks.
(c) Two secs 4 Pl to be prepared support counter attack.
11. Covering Force (a) 11 & 12 Pls will establish standing patrols high grd SOUTH of POTTS VALLEY during occupation of posn.
(b) 4 Pl will patrol area SOUTH POTTS VALLEY during occupn.
(c) Patrols will be withdrawn on direct order from C.O.
12. Posn to be occupied by 0530 hrs. *2000 hrs*
13. Tasks, other arms:- (a) Sec 2/6 Fd Coy will assist fwd Coys & 5 Pl in construction of fd works. See para 9.
(b) ARTY See Appx "A"
(c) MG See Appx "A"
(d) AA Regt See Appx "A"

Separate Paras

ADMs

14. (a) SAA ~~res~~ TRACK JUNC NORTH of COX HILL
(b) R.A.P. See Appx "A"
(c) A & B ech tpt at 11991246

INTERCOMM

15. Bn HQ at 11921216 See Appx "A"
16. Wireless silence until further orders.
17. Signal for defensive fire:- GREEN RED GREEN

ACK

18. Password

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Stand to

Arms & Loading S.O. besides ord. precautions

Challenges

control Offs H.C.O.

safety precaution

no gas - rate of fire

Col. 0930.

S.O. Battle Plan

(a) Road blocks & minefields
(b) Wire
(c) Barbed wire
(d) Trenches
(e) Positions
(f) Positions
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11 "D" Coy
12 "C.O."
13 "P.I." Coy
14 & 15 "W. Div"

Ady

To be conducted 16 Jan - 18 Jan 41.

Ref : GAZA sheet 1/100,000.

1. OBJECT.

- (a) To exercise the Coy in protective duties on the march & at rest.
- (b) To exercise Pl Comds in the use of grd on the move & passage of villages.
- (c) To exercise the use of scours on the move.
- (d) To exercise Q staff on the move.

2. LESSONS.

"A Comd is responsible for protection of his force at all times."

- (a) (i) Protection against air recce.
(ii) Protection against possible A.F.V. attack.
- (b) The line of advance where possible should provide cover from view & fire through its length.
- (c) A short distance in open country is useless.

3. LIMITATIONS.

= Every endeavour is to be made to use tpt in its relative and best posn for action, but this may have to be modified on account of nature of ground.

4. SCOPE OF EXERCISE.

The Coy exercise is limited to 2 stages:-

- (a) Up to and including establishment of bivouac during night D1/D2.
- (b) Movement back to camp D3.

5. SYLLABUS FOR PERIOD.

From commencement to completion of 2 day march the following exercises will be practised:-

- (a) From start time to occupation of bivouac - Coy exercises as set out herein.
- (b) 1900-2400hrs D1 - Pl exercises - protection & recce patrols.
- (c) 0530-0700hrs D2 - exercise - Pl in attack & consolidation.
- (d) 0900-1600hrs D2 - exercise - Pl in attack & exploitation.
- (e) 1800-2400hrs D2 - Pl in night attack & selection of defensive localities & siting of secs.
- (f) 0530-0830hrs D3 - Coy on march as herein.

6. TPS TAKING PART.Serial.

- (a) "A" Coy - 3Pl - det 1 Pl - det Int Sec - 5 SB.
- (b) "B" Coy - 4Pl - det 1 Pl - do
- (c) "C" Coy - 2Pl - det Int Sect - 5 SB
- (d) "D" Coy - 5Pl - do

7. ROUTES.

- Serial(a) D1 - SAWAFIR AL GHARBIYA - 12611205 - HATTA - KARATIYA - 12371133 (Bivouac)
D2 - across country to 11961127 (Bivouac)
D3 - KAUKABA - 11691161 - HILL 113 → JULIS - Coy pde at bde pde gd (North end) - rifle exercises for 15 mins.
- Serial(b) D1 - IBDIS - BEIT AFFA - IRAQ SUWEIDAN - KAUKABA -11701132 (Bivouac)
D2 - across country to 11521167 (Bivouac)
D3 - 11381175 - 11501191 - JULIS - Bde Pde Gd - North end for rifle exercises for 15 mins.
- Serial(c) D1 - IBDIS - BEIT AFFA - KARATIYA - 11961127 (Bivouac)
D2 - across country to 11701132 (Bivouac)
D3 - BEIT TIMA - cross roads 11811179 - HILL 113 - Pt 102 - Bde Pde Gd - North end for rifle exercises for 15 mins.
- Serial(d) D1 - SAWAFIR ASH SHARQIYA - 12691233 - JUSIER - 12831172 (Bivouac)
D2 - across country N.W. of AL FALUJA to 12371133 (Bivouac)
D3 - IRAQ SOWEIDAN - BEIT AFFA) IBDIS - Bde Pde Gd (North end)- rifle exercises for 15 mins.

8. PL EXERCISES.

Will be recce by Coy Comds D1 -1 and 0830hrs - 1130 D1 & prepared.
6 Pl to make vans available 1330hrs D1 - 1 and 0830hrs D1.

9. UMPIRING.

- (a) Coy exercises are to be regarded more as exercising Coys and Coy Comds are to correct faults en route. C.O. will visit each Coy in turn for same purpose.
- (b) Pl exercises will be directed by Coy Comd and umpired by Pl Comd and Pl Sgts of other Pls. Explanation of exercise will be given to observers by remaining Pl Comd.

(2)

10. ADM.

Dress - KID - Battle order.

Amm - 5 rds in magazines.

Blankets - 2 in packs on tpt

Greatcoats - in packs in Tpts.

Rations - D1 - Evening meal from camp.

D2 - Breakfast from camp.

Lunch - hard rations, no tea.

Evening meal - cooked bivouac.

D3 Breakfast in camp.

Hard rations for D2 to be delivered with morning meal.

Hours of meals - D1: Evening meal 1730hrs

D2: Breakfast 0730hrs, Lunch 1230hrs, Evening Meal 1700hrs

D3: Breakfast 0845hrs, Lunch 1230hrs.

Tpt:- Staff car to 2 i/c and RMO.

5 per serial inc (one vehicle for rations)

1 PI

1 Camp Duties.

2 i/c to arrange to borrow 7 vehicles.

Medical:- RMO will visit each Coy bivouac each night.

Damage to Property:- Every care is to be taken to avoid damage to crops and private property.

11. INTERCOMM.

(a) 1 PI will establish helio & flag stations by day & R/T by night wherever possible & will represent HQ Bn in each case. O.C. 1 PI to see Adj concerning location of Bn HQ.

(b) Int Sec:- Int Sec will establish gp with Bn HQ & 1 Gp with each serial. Int gps to be used for observation both from own & enemy locations. Reports to Bn HQ.

M Woodrall

Adj 2/16 Bn AIF Capt

E/16Bn AIF,
24 Jan 41.

Coy Exercise.

Object. - To practise Coy Comds in the control of their Coys

Stage:-

1. During the approach march out & at first contact
2. During the attack & exploitation.
3. During the attack & consolidation.

Lessons.

Stage 1.

1. Time will be of utmost importance in order that the hostile adv tps may be driven in before the enemy's main body has time to develop an offensive movement or strengthen his advances.

2. Deployment on a wide front within the limits necessary for the maintenance of contact will often be justified.

3. Penetration should be attempted where weakness is disclosed to secure objectives which will best assist the main body.

4. Exploitation of success & continuation of march

~~General idea. See Ede TMT. Narrative to be used to present situation for Coy exercise. Directors: C.O., 2 i/c, Adj, C.S., H.Q. Coy.~~

Stage II

1. Exploitation depends on the leadership of subord comd. On attaining objective reaction sets in, junior ldrs must display energy in overcoming this.

2. Patrols should be pushed out to keep touch with the enemy - situation in front & on flanks.

3. Bold decisions should be taken but next higher comd should be informed.

Stage III

1. A comd should be clear in his own mind what his objective is - his plan should be simple.

2. Every attack calls for reconnaissance & preparation. The procedure during the preparatory phase is described in Chap VIII I.T.

3. The process of consolidation includes the organisation of the posn for defence, the reorganisation of the tps, replenishment SAA, etc., establishment of coms to rear & flanks, provision for observation & information, arrangements for supporting a further advance & plan to meet counter attack.

Control.

- (a) Director - Lt Col A. R. Baxter Cox
~~Chief Empire - Capt G. H. Goddall~~

*Managers see para 9 exercise too
prepared by C.O.*

2/16th AIF,
24 Jan 41.

Coy Exercises.

Object. - To practise Coy Comds in the control of their Coys:-

Stages:-

1. During the approach march out & at first contact.
2. During the attack & exploitation.
3. During the attack & consolidation.

Lessons.

Stage I.

1. Time will be of utmost importance in order that the hostile adv tps may be driven in before the enemy's main body has time to develop an offensive movement or strengthen his advances.

2. Deployment on a wide front within the limits necessary for the maintenance of contact will often be justified.

3. Penetration should be attempted where weakness is disclosed to secure objectives which will best assist the main body.

4. Exploitation of success & continuation of march

~~General instructions for this exercise, to be used to
control the exercise, Director's O.C., 2 1/2,
11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100.~~

Stage II

1. Exploitation depends on the leadership of subord comds. On attaining objective reaction sets in, junior ldrs must display energy in overcoming this.

2. Patrols should be pushed out to keep touch with the enemy - situation in front & on flanks.

3. Bold decisions should be taken but next higher cmd should be informed.

Stage III

1. A cmd should be clear in his own mind what his object is - his plan should be simple.

2. Every attack calls for recess & preparation. The procedure during the preparatory phase is described in Chap VIII I.T.

3. The process of consolidation includes the organisation of the posn for defence, the reorganisation of the tps, replenishment SAA, etc., establishment of comds to rear & flanks, provision for observation & information, arrangements for supporting a further advance & plan to meet counter attack.

Control

(a) Director - Lt Col A. R. Baxter Cox

~~Chief of Staff - Capt G. H. Bennett~~

*Memorandum see para 9 exercise no 2
prepared by C.O.*

Coy Exercises (Page 2)

Control (Cont)

Staff: 2 1/0 Coy
3 Pl Agts

(b) Enemy: C.S.M., 3 G/As, 1 Sec.

Fire. Blue flag : Further movement possible
Red flag : No further movement possible.

Umpire will describe situation to each pl, etc th
has been flagged.

Coy Exercises (Page 2)

Control (Cont)

Staff: 2 i/c Coy
3 Pl Sgts

(b) Enemy: C.S.M., 3 O/Rs, 1 Sec.

Fire. Blue flag : Further movement possible
Red flag : No further movement possible.

Umpire will describe situation to each pl, etc that
has been flagged.

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Ref: GAZA Sheet 1/100,000

Adj

O.O. No 2
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14 Jan 41

INFORMATION.

1. Enemy mob dets reported during D1 S.W. of AL FALUJA.
2. TONI proceeding ASCALON - TALL AS SAFI - AJJUR is to bivouac for night D1/D2 in area TALL AS SAFI - BARQUSYA - BI'LIN.
3. NIKO and att tps is to provide protective det for night D1/D2 on approaches to JUSIER on general line HATTA - Pt 130 12931158. D1 will be advised.

INTENTION.

4. "A" Coy and det 1 Pl will proceed to 12831174 to observe & recce approaches & tracks to JUSIER and HATTA from 12601168 - AL FALUJA - 12831154.

METHOD.

5. Route. SAWAFIR ASH SHARQIYA - 12681236 - JUSIER - bivouac approx 12831174
6. Outpost. incl spur 11721170 - Pt 118
7. Patrols. Recce
8. S.F. June road GAZA-JAFFA/rd BEIT DARAS - BEIT TIMA.
9. Start Time 1400 hrs D1.
10. Return. To coin by 0700 hrs D2 via HATTA - BEIT AFFA - IBDIS. Coy pde for 15 mins rifle exercises at Ede Pde Cd.

AIM

11. Greatcoats & 2 blankets in packs.
12. Battle order, 5 rds in magazines.
13. Rations to be cooked at 1191235. Tptd by MT NOT to leave before 1630 hrs D1.

INTERCOMM.

14. Reports through 1 Pl.
15. March log by Int Sec.

M. Woodrall
Capt.

Adj 2/16Bn AIF

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Signed at 1000 hrs D1

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Ref: GAZA Sheet 1/100,000

Adj

INFORMATION.

1. Enemy mob detts reported during DL around TAL AL QUNAYTIRA 12751055
2. TONI proceeding SARAFAND - GAZA is to bivouac for night D1/D2 in area MI'ILYA - AL JIRA - BARBARA.
3. NIHO and att tps is to provide protective det for night D1/D2 on main approach & high ground on general line SARAFAND - HULRIGAT. DL will be advised later.

INVESTIGATION.

4. "B" Coy & 3 Pl will proceed to 11551133 to observe and recon around HULRIGAT to incl spur and rd 11651112

MARCH.

5. Route. JULIS - track junc 11501192 - track junc 11361175 - BEIT TIMA - bivouac approx 11551133
6. Outpost. KNOLL 11581118 - KNOLL 11631130
7. Patrols. Recon
8. S.P. Junc rd GAZA-JAFFA / rd GELLIBRAND.
9. Start time 1945 hrs DL
10. Return To coln by 0700 hrs D2 via BEIT TIMA - KAIKARA - HILL 113 at 11861188 - Pt 102 11991220 - Coy pde for 15 mins Rifle exercises at NORTH of KILO 43.

AM

11. Greatcoats & 2 blankets in packs.
12. Battle order - 5 rds in magazine.
13. Rations to be cooked at 11931223. Tptd by MF NOT to leave before 1630 hrs DL.

MARCH.

14. Reports through 1 Pl.
15. March log by Int Cp.

Unrodall
Capt.
Adj 2/16Bn AIF.

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Signed at 1000 hrs DL

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5 Jan '41

TACTICAL EXERCISE

The object is to provide a Bde Exercise which, within itself, will, by a change of roles between Bns, afford scope for the training of Coy and Bn Comds in the

- (a) organization and occupation of a defensive position;
- (b) attack;
- (c) withdrawal;
- (d) counter attack.

2. Each phase will be conducted first as a TEWT and then with tps.

3. For the purpose of this exercise, Bns will assume that their War Etab. has been amended on the lines indicated in 7 Aust Div Secret Memo SG 24/1/7 of 20 Dec '40.

4. We are NORTHLAND

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OPENING SITUATION

5. The frontier between NORTHLAND and SOUTHLAND is the general line of the rd through AL JURA - AL MAJDAL - JULIS - QASTINA - LATRUN - JERUSALEM - JERICHO.

The frontier is defended by a series of posts intended, as and when necessary, to be occupied by Bde Gps.

The fwd edge of the defensive works is about 1000^x south-east of the frontier.

6. NORTHLAND has six Inf Divs fully mobilised, three of which are in the area AL JURA - LATRUN

SOUTHLAND also has six Inf Divs plus one Armd Bde, the Inf Divs being organized similarly to those of NORTHLAND.

The air forces of both countries are approx the same but SOUTHLAND includes a greater number of aircraft suitable for low level bombing.

7. SOUTHLAND, although the aggressor nation, has as yet made no attack on NORTHLAND, but elements of the Armd Bde have been seen in BEIT JIRJA, BEIT TIMA, AL FAJULA and JUSIER, and our agents report that offensive action is likely within seven days from 6 Jan '41.

8. On 4 Jan '41, 1 Corps (6, 7 and 9 Divs) moved into the area ISDUD - AQIR with the object of taking over the frontier posts between AL JURA - MASMIYA

NARRATIVE 1

9. On 6 Jan '41 7 Div was ordered to occupy the frontier posts from incl. AL JURA to excl. SAWAFIR al GHARBIYA village where it is to junction with 6 Div. The Comd 7 Div decides to use 20 and 21 Bdes fwd, 20 Bde on right. 26 Bde is to be in Div res in ISDUD area. The boundary between 20 and 21 Bde is to be Kilo 45 incl to 21 Bde (actual boundary pointed out on ground).

10. Both fwd Bdes are allotted one A.T. Bty (16 guns), and one Lt.A.A. Bty (12 guns), under Comd and one Fd Regt, one Fd Coy, one Coy 2/2 M.G. Bn and one Fd Amb are placed in support, 2/1 Pnr Bn is included in 20 Bde Gp Comd.

11. Comd 21 Bde decides to hold the area allotted, viz., incl, KILO 45-excl SAWAFIR, with 16 and 27 Bns fwd, 16 Bn on right. 14 Bn is to be in Bde res in the CANNON HILL area. The inter Bn boundary between fwd Bns is the general line of the rd BEIT DARAS - BEIT TIMA. (Actual boundary pointed out on ground.

/12. 7 Div Recce Regt

12. 7 Div Recce Regt is ordered to maintain recce patrols as far South as the general line HIRBYA - BEIT JIRJA - BEIT TIMA - AL FALUJA to watch for enemy movement.

TASK 1

As Bn Comd, show in detail down to sec posts your dispositions. The A.T. weapons, arty and M.M.G. tasks are as shown on the sketch produced by the B.I.O. during the recce.

NOTE: Your Coy Comds should be given the task of organizing their own Coy areas before the Bn solution is presented.

TASK 2

(As given by C.R.A. to Comds Arty Regt)

The Comd 21 Inf. Bde has asked for defensive fire on the areas shown on the sketch produced by the Bde I.O. How do you propose to allot this task?

(NOTE: This Task 2 is included here for the information of Bn Comds. The C.R.A. is allocating the task independently).


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GENERAL PRESENTATION OF EXERCISE

1. Issue of Opening Situation
2. Warning Order respecting the allocation of Bde posts.
3. Recce and allocation of Bn areas on ground - incl disposition of A.Tk weapons.
4. Int summaries respecting enemy movements.
5. Coy Comds allotted tasks by Bn Comds - organization of Coy areas.
6. Occupation, by Coys, of Coy areas.
7. Night patrols from Coy areas.
8. Coy reliefs within ea Bn.
9. Bn exercise - occupation, by individual Bns, of area allotted to

FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF TEWT

10. Coy Exercise - attack by Coys of 16 Bn on 27 Bn positions and vice versa. 14 Bn to participate similarly. Coys to undertake attacks separately on definite localities - but to assume they are attacking as part of a Bn attack.
11. Imm counter-attack by Res Coys of each Bn in accordance with role allotted them.
12. Bn relief in fwd areas.
13. Bn attack on 27 Bn position
14. Counter attack by Res Bn
15. Bn withdrawal.
16. Bde occupation of position - to paint the picture also of a Bde on the ground.

FIRST PHASE

1. The Exercise opens by the allocation by Bde of Bn areas, the definition of the line of F.D.Ls, the disposition of A.Tk guns and the M.G. and Arty defensive fire tasks.
2. The first task of Bn Comds is to decide the disposition of their Bns. Having done this they should require Coy Comds to indicate how they propose to organize their Coy areas. Having examined the Coy solutions and made any necessary adjustments, the Bn Comd will show on a sketch the dispositions down to Sec Posts. The sketch will also show:-
 - (a) how H.Q. Coy pls are disposed;
 - (b) Bn intercomm;
 - (c) Mortar tasks;
 - (d) any Bren gun fixed lines;
 - (e) proposed wiring (it is to be assumed that 800^x of triple Dunnert are available to each Bn);
 - (f) A.Tk obstacles;
 - (g) any alteration in day and night dispositions;
 - (h) normal patrol arrangements.
3. Notes respecting the role of the Carriers and the work required to improve a natural A.Tk obstacle are also to be submitted.
4. Wherever practicable, without undue interference with cultivation, Coys are to be dug in and natural A.Tk obstacles improved. Bn Comds will submit their proposals in this regard for Bde approval before commencing work.
5. This first phase is to be completed by 11 Jan '41, sketches and notes being handed to B.M. by 1200 hrs on that day.

SECOND PHASE

1. The second phase will open with the occupation of Pl and later Coy areas, this being undertaken as Pl and Coy exercises. Where approved by Bde, digging will be commenced.
2. Fighting patrol exercises from these areas will be undertaken during daylight training as the normal night training during Period 4 is already fully allotted. The purpose of these patrol exercises will be to practice the use of ground, formations and control.
3. Coy Exercises, based upon Coys acting as Adv Gd to Bn and moving straight out from its defensive posn are next to be undertaken, it being assumed that the enemy is within a distance of 2/3 miles. The objects of these exercises is to practice the use of ground, formations and control. Carriers are to co-operate.
4. A Coy Exercise involving an immediate counter attack by the Res Coy to recapture one of the fwd Coy areas is to be staged. In this Exercise, the organization of local support i.e. 3" and 2" mortars, carriers and weapons of adjacent Coys is to be given special attention. The excellent material in the pamphlet "The Attack - Notes for Sec and Pl Comds" should be studied in this connection.
5. During all these exercises, the Bn I Sec must be exercised in observation and in reporting on movement. It can act not only in the Bn area but also at times as an enemy I Sec opposite the front held.
6. Phases 1 and 2 will occupy until 31 Jan '41 which is the conclusion of Period 4 and as a final act the Bn will be disposed on the ground so that all ranks may see the general disposition.

/ THIRD PHASE

THIRD PHASE

1. As a prelude to training in this third phase, the whole Bde will be disposed on the ground so that officers and O.R's may obtain the complete picture.
2. 2/14 Bn will then relieve a fwd Bn. Following this, Bns will, in turn, undertake attacks, first by Coys and then as a Bn on selected fwd areas. Subject to weather conditions permitting, the opposing Bns will be in their respective posns for 48 hours prior to the attack. During this time, patrolling will be carried out to gain information and one raid undertaken. Bn I Secs will be utilised to the fullest possible extent.
3. The next exercise will be a deliberate counter-attack by the Res Bn to regain portion of the forward area presumed lost.
4. Each Bn will then undertake a withdrawal Exercise.
5. At the conclusion of this phase - approx 10 Feb '41 - Bde trng will commence.
6. The development of this Bde Exercise in the manner suggested in these notes is subject to variation if much additional M.T. is made available in which case more mobile operations will possibly be undertaken.
7. Throughout the Exercise, token Bren Guns must be used, as necessary, in all Pls etc to equal the total number of these weapons provided under W.E. (Tables).

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6 Jan 41.

TRAINING CIRCULAR NO 7.

Training period 4 extends from 13 to 31 Jan 41, and is to be subdivided generally as follows:-

13 - 23 Jan.	Pl training.
24 - 31 Jan	Coy training.

During the whole period, the training of bn and coy H Q personnel and of the pls of H Q coy is to be made a feature. In the night exercises referred to in subsequent paras, coordination of the work of H Q and pls of H Q coy is to be practised. Tank hunting training is also to be undertaken during this period.

2. Every post is to be made a winning post with the idea of reaching the stage of fitness for war at the earliest possible moment. At the same time the correction of errors must be given particular attention and slipshod methods absolutely ruled out.

3. Other features of training in this period are to be :-

- (a) temporary fitting of office vehicles;
- (b) packing of pl trucks, due regard being paid to the mounting of Bren guns for A A defence on the move.
- (c) further instn in the use of Bren guns and in the tactical handling of Bren guns in the rifle secs and pls.
- (d) use of compass and car speedometer in cross-country movement of plt.
- ✓ (e) Bn comds recce in M G carrier.
- (f) Bde TEST for bn comds and coy comds (details issued separately).

All these items are dealt with in detail in other paras of this circular.

4. After allowing for two one-night exercises between 13 and 19 Jan and two two-night exercises in the remainder of the training period, there are 66 hrs available. These are to be used as follows :

Pl training	20 hrs.	<i>Spec Training</i>
Coy training	12 hrs.	
30 ^x range Bren	8 hrs.	- Firing Course ✓
Bren	5 hrs.	- Mechanism and handling. ✓
Fd works	10 hrs.	✓
At C O's		
discretion	11 hrs.	✓
	<u>66 hrs.</u>	

5. The one-night exercises are to be conducted as laid down in para 4 of training circular no 6. The two two-night exercises are to be undertaken as follows :

D1 Morning Normal work in training area.
1300 hrs Move out to area not less than 7 miles -
- 2400 bivouac - feed - pl and coy exercises.

D2 2400
- 0530 Rest
0530
- 0700 Attack and consolidation
0700
- 0900 Rest and feed.

/ 0900 - 1600

	0900 hrs	
	- 800	Pl and coy exercises
	1600	
	- 1800	Rest and feed
	1800	
	- 2400	Pl and coy exercises
D3	2400	
	- 0530	Rest
	0530	
	- 0830	March back to camp - drill (15 minutes)
	0830	
	- 1400	Rest
	1400	
	- 1630	Normal training.

The above may be varied slightly at C O's discretion. PAD and A G measures must be adopted right throughout.

7. Manning details in respect of vehicles and personnel will be brought up to date. Experiments will be made, where equipment allows, with the fitting out of vehicles. Only temporary fittings will however, be used pending further advice as to standard designs.

Offrs are to be given special training in movement across country using compass and speedo in conjunction. The allowance to be made with vehicles fitted with oversize tyres where the speedo has not been altered is 6 % increase in speedo reading to give true mileage.

4 and 6 pls may be employed in conjunction with the training of offrs in this direction to practise drs in driving across unknown country at night.

The equipment taken by offrs during two-day exercises should be as suggested by units in the replies to bde training circular No 1 of 28 Nov 40. No additional kit will be taken.

8. To date, coys have had to train without Bren guns. During period 4, sec and rifle pl comds must be made to realise that there are three Bren guns in the pl and their tactics must be adjusted accordingly. Attention is directed to SAT I P4 Sec 5.

Coys, in turn, will be equipped as far as possible with complete ipt and equipment to enable the coy and pl comds to gain the correct picture.

Pl and coy exercises will be based primarily on the bde TEWT to commence on 6 Jan 41, but there is no objection to other exercises on different ground being undertaken if time permits.

Investigations will be carried out to determine the practicability of so packing pl trucks as to allow for one Bren gun per pl to be mounted for AA protection on the move.

The layout of kits must be such to facilitate rapid turnout from bivouacs and camp lines. Kits, both offrs and men, must be reduced to essentials.

Coy H Q office will accompany coys on bivouacs and training will be given on the rapid issue of orders and the functioning of R O F and T gps.

9. Bn H Q will carry out the night exercises as laid down with a selected coy. A temporary office lorry should be used on these occasions (see para 2)

Attention will be directed to the smooth working and rapid /packing up

packing up and movement of bn HQ from place to place and its correct functioning in the fd.

Efforts will be made to camouflage bn HQ when it is functioning in the fd and the importance of truck and traffic control will be stressed.

The int and medical secs will co-operate with rifle coys on all possible occasions. Int sec must be exercised continually in ground observation. Attention is drawn to 7 Aust Div Circular A 50 and the training of int sec is to proceed on the lines indicated therein

Bn comds will practice the carrying out of recess from carriers and the rapid issue of O Os.

In the first instance to practice bn HQ it may be better to do several sand table exercises with only essential personnel present, the Director working in a different room to the students and transmitting his orders, where not given verbally, through bn sigs, and obtaining information from int sec.

10. HQ coy 1 pl:

Will be practised as much as possible in cooperation with rifle coys both by day and night, but periods will be reserved for intensive individual training.

W/T will be used for the rapid issue of orders during movement with the object of bn and coy comds becoming familiar with this means of comm. It must always be borne in mind however that there are definite limits to the value of W/T and that its use may be restricted by order.

2 pl: To be used for the protection of coys on the move and bivouac areas.

3 pl: It is realised that lack of equipment will hamper the work of this pl but the siting of weapons and a study of the tasks which will normally be allotted should occupy portion of the period.

4 pl: Intensive training must be carried out with the limited facilities available so that drs can handle their vehicles and crews their weapons in all types of country both by day and night. The types of gun mounting, of course, will make it necessary to improvise a drill. Particular care must be paid to maintenance.

Close cooperation between carriers and fwd inf posts must be practised during exercises and the disposal of carriers at night will be studied.

5 pl: Extensive use must be made of this pl for the protection of bn HQ during exercises.

Experience should be given in digging in sand, and, to the extent that suitable material can be produced, to revetting all fd works.

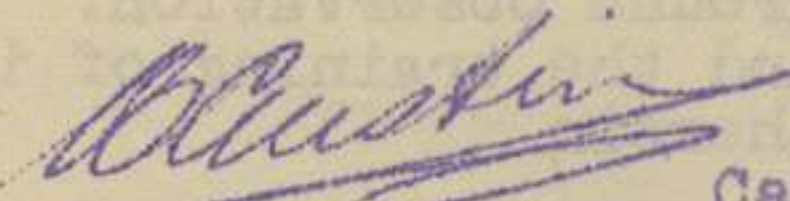
1. Fd works already dug will be extended from the weapon pit stage to task II with comm trenches if possible. The construction of fd works in the area selected for the bde TEWT will be discussed on the ground with bn comds.

2. TANK HUNTING: Attention is directed to para 13 of training circular NO 6.

13. Bn syllabi (3 copies) are required at this HQ by 0900 hrs 12 Jan. Alternative wet weather syllabus must be prepared.

14. One copy of all tactical exercises prepared will be forwarded to this HQ before being used.

15. Before the end of this training period probably one coy will be dug in, in the bde TEWT area. The question of the tpt of rations and the feeding of men in the sec posts can then be studied.


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APPX A.

NOTES ON M T TRAINING.

It is suggested that training syllabi for M T drs should include the following subjects :

S O's for drs of M T.
S O's for the Operation and Maintenance of M T.
F S P B pamphlet No 6.
Manual of Driving and Maintenance of M T (Wheeled)
A I F S O's PALESTINE, pamphlet No 3, sec III - appx D.
Map Reading.
Flags distinguishing, colour patches, and badges of rank.
Vehicle markings and types.
Avoidupois weights.
Loading vehicles and securing a load.
Max No of personnel to be carried in each type of Vehicle.
Convoy defence against land, air and gas attack.
Passing alarm signals along convoys.
Vehicle movement when arriving at or moving out of a halting place on bivouac.
Simple road repairs, getting vehicles out of bogs - types of military bridges and their load carrying capacity.
Speed and density, explanation of.
Concertina effect of convoys,
Anticipation of traffic blocks and passage through villages, etc when moving at low density.
General road sense.
Moving vehicles in fwd areas, avoiding skylines, etc. Making use of all possible cover.
Camouflage.
How to send intelligent messages.
Tips on night driving without lights.
Tips on desert driving.
Tips on estimating distance.
Action in event of accidents.
First aid.
Vehicle records and petrol accounts.

L A D will provide an instructor to give lectures in unit lines to classes not exceeding 40 personnel on service, roadside repairs and elementary motor engineering.

As only one instr is available the following times are allotted:

HQ & A T coy.	A M	Mon	A M	Wed
2/14 bn	P M	"	P M	"
2/16 bn	A M	Tue	A M	Thu
2/27 bn	P M	"	P M	"

21 INF BDE.

SECRET.
OO No 1.
Copy No.
18 Jan 41.

Ref Map GAZA 1/100000
Bde enlargement Gaza 1/100000

INFORMATION

1. No further information concerning the enemy.
2. Inter bde boundary right, all incl 21 bde, trig 311 11871206 - KILC 45 11861212; left, all excl 21 bde, IEDIS 122121 - SAWAFIR EL GHABIYA 122123.

INTENTION

3. 21 Inf Bde gp will hold frontier defences between incl KILC 45 excl SAWAFIR EL GHABIYA.

METHOD

4. FDLs to include north edge of POTTS VALLEY in squares 118121 and 119121 - STONEY HILL in square 119121 - POPES SPUR in square 120121 - MOTEN RIDGE in square 120121.
5. Fwd Bns : Right 2/16 Bn
Left 2/27 Bn
6. Boundary between fwd bns all incl 2/27 Bn; trig 309-5 12001205 - rd at 11941222 - BALD KNOLL in square 119121 - rd at 11931214.
7. Routes from assembly area
Right bn cross country to HOBBS rd : left bn via rd BEIT DARAS 120125 - BEIT TIMA 116116.
8. Posn to be occupied by 0530 hrs 20 Jan 41.
9. Outposts
Each fwd bn will find outposts on its own front employing not more than one coy and 4 pl for this purpose. One tp A Tk Regt available to each fwd bn for outposts. Outpost line to include rd immediately south of POTTS VALLEY and high ground ^{immediate} south of MOTEN RIDGE. Outpost posns to be occupied by 0530 hrs 19 Jan and tps NOT to be withdrawn until ordered by bde.
10. Res Bn
2/14 Bn area CENTRE RIDGE in square 119123 - CANNON HILL in square 120123 - ORCHARD 11981226. To be prepared to counter attack in event of loss of either fwd bn area.
11. WOCs remain under bde control - tasks as shown on att tracing.
12. Arty tasks
 - (a) 2/4 Fd Regt will provide defensive fire for outposts from 0530 hrs 19 Jan to 0600 hrs 20 Jan 41.
 - (b) defensive fire as shown on att tracing.

/ 15 A Tk

13. A Tk

(a) allotment of guns as shown on att tracing.

(b) A Tk mines allocated as follows :-

2/16 Bn 400
2/27 Bn 750
2/14 Bn 250

Delivery to bns by 1700 hrs 18 Jan 41.

Minefields to be laid in posns indicated on att tracing - open spacing.

14. AA defence of area undertaken by one lt AA bty from posns shown on att tracing.

15. Fd Works in order of priority :

Weapon pits
Wiring
Rd blocks and minefields
Improvement of A Tk obstacles
Sec posts
Comm trenches

800 yards triple dannert and 10 dannert concertinas will be delivered each bn by 1700 hrs 10 Jan 41.

No additional tools are available for fwd bns.

16. Engrs

(a) one sec in support of each fwd bn for A Tk defence.

(b) 2/6 Fd Coy less two secs, water sup and A Tk defences in bde res area.

17. Patrols

(a) Fwd bns will patrol constantly between sec and pl localities between 1900 hrs and 0600 hrs.

(b) 2/14 Bn will provide two fighting patrols of pl strength daily between 1900 hrs and 0600 hrs. One patrol will operate in POTTS VALLEY and as far south as rd JULIS 118121 - IBDIS. The other patrol will operate between left reserve coy 2/27 Bn and SAWAFIR EL GHABIYA. Details to be arranged direct between bn comds.

ADM

18. A D S on track at 12011200

19. A and B ech tpt at 11991248.

20. No lights in area between 1800 hrs and 0600 hrs.

21. Bde res of tools at ORCHARD 11971227.

22. MP at rd junc 11951260

23. Water pts 2/14 - HOBBS LINES
2/16 - GELLIBRAND LINES
2/27 - GODDARD LINES
2/4 Fd Regt - BROWNE LINES
Other units - LEANE LINES

/ INTERCOMM

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- 24. Bde HQ at CENTRE RIDGE 12021244.
- 25. Wireless silence until further orders.
- 26. SOS right sector green over red over green ; left sector white over green over white.

ACK

Issued through sigs at 1230 hrs

Signed at 1200 hrs.

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DISTRIBUTION

Copy 1	2/14 Bn	tracing	1 copy
2	2/16 Bn		"
3	2/27 Bn		"
4	2/4 Fd Regt		"
5	6 Bty 2 A Tk Regt		"
6	2/6 Fd Coy		"
7	A Coy 2/2 MG Bn		"
8	One lt AA bty		"
9	2/5 Fd Amb		"
10	Brig		"
11	File		"
12	War diary		"
13	War diary		"

NOTE.

This OO has been issued for insta only and therefore will NOT be implemented in any way. The tracing referred to is NOT att but has already been supplied to bns, fd arty and A Tk regt.

21 AUST INF BDE.

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23 Jan 41.

2/14 Bn.
2/16 Bn.
2/27 Bn.

BDE T&WT.

In order to lend realism to the Bde T&WT and to present the picture of a bde disposed in defence the defensive position is to be occupied on 31 Jan in accordance with 21 Inf Bde CO No 1.

2. Tps will be in position by 1100 hrs and will remain there until 1215 hrs after which they may move without further orders to private parades and resume normal training.

3. Bns will represent the following in their areas :-

Woods A Tk guns - by utilities with an indication of the arc of responsibility;

NG beaten zones - by sig flags; *→ 4 Pl.*

5 Pl Road blocks - with danner wire;

5 Pl A Tk mine-fields - by dummy mines, where available, or by a notice on the actual site of the minefield.

4. The representation referred to above is to be explained to all ranks participating.

5. Bn and coy comds, and comds att tps should make a quick tour of the area in order to study the dispositions.

Conf Coy Comds

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SYLLABUS OF TRG

REVISION FOR PERIOD 20 Jan - 1 Feb

NOTE - To be read in conjunction with Syllabus issued 11 Jan 41 particularly in respect of notes therein.

Day & Date	Coy	Period	Detail	Remarks & References
Mon 20 Jan	All	All Day	LEAVE. Those not on leave to receive instrn in recapit of Battle Procedure in all phases of pl trg & also weapon trg	
Tue 21 Jan	2 Pl 4 Pl H.Q.	0830-1500	30x range practices - Bren Practices 1 & 2	See Appx iv of G 198/9/40
		0830-1500	Indifferent shots to fire practices 1 & 3 on 30x range	See Appx lll of G 198/9/40
		0900-1630	Specialist trg except 3 Pl - 3 Pl to accompany "B" Coy on War march as from 1330 hrs	
	Rifle Coys	0830-0900	O & M O	
		0900-1130	Pl exercises - withdrawal & counter - attack to be preceded by recapit of battle procedure for withdrawal	Full explanation to all ranks
	3 Pl Rifle Coys	1200	Lunch	
		1330-1700	Coy war march - tactical movement with vehicles, etc	See O.O. No 2
	Except "A"	1700-1900	Evening meal & rest	
	"A"	1900-2400	Pl exercises - fighting patrols by night	
		1330-1430	Recapit Bren - holding & aiming	Pam 4
		1500-1700	30x range practices - rifle - practices 1 & 3 - ammn 200 rds	See Appx lll of G 198/9/40
Wed 22 Jan	Rifle Coys	0000-0200	Rest	
	& 3Pl (Loss "A")	0200-0700	Organ & march back - rifle exes	See O.O., No 2
	"A"	0700-1200	Rest & clean out tents	
	"A"	0830-1230	30x range practices - Bren - practices 1 & 2 - 5 men per sec	See Appx iv of G198/9/40 Ammn 1050 rds
	All rifle Coys except "B"	1330-1630	Approach with vehicles & occupation of Pl localities in defensive system. Commencement of fd works. Tool drill & marching on to task	Explanation of intention, fire tasks, prep of range cards & reason for selection of sites
	"B"	1300-1700	(Early lunch) 30x range - practices 1 & 3 of rifle Table B Pt 1 & " 1 & 2 of Table L	Rifle for indifferent shots. See Appx lll & iv of G198/9/40. Amn 1250 rds
Thu 23 Jan	Rifle Coys except "C" & "B" modfd	0830-0900	O & M O	
		0900-1130	Occupation of Pl localities in defensive system & development to weapon pit stage	Each Coy (rifle) except "C" to draw 50 shovels "C" to draw 20, 5 Pl 10
	"C"	1000-1630	30x range - Bren & rifle -	
	"B"	0800-1000	Bren-Practices 1 & 2 of Table L Rifle= " 1 & 3 of Table B1 For indifferent shots for pl & Offrs, 3 Sgts & 5 men per Sec for Bren Balance of "C" Coy to report to 5 Pl for improvement of A/Tk defences with 20 shovels	See Appx lll & IV of G198/9/40. Amn 1250 rds
	"A", "B" & "D" Coys	1200	Lunch	
		1330-1700	Coy war march - tactical movement with vehicles	See separate instrns "D" Coy short route
	"A", "B", "D"	1700-1900	Evening meal & rest	
	"A", "B"	1900-2400	Pl exercise - occupation of Pl locality & withdrawal to & occupation of new defensive locality	Explanation of procedure reason for withdrawal (good picture - preferably temporary)
	"D"	1900-2200	All as above - short route	do do
	"D"	2200-2400	March back & dismiss	
	"C"	1900-2400	Coy war marsh & occupation of defended locality	Note: Objects, explanation, etc. Bren guns used on range to be sent to QM for use by "D" Coy next morning

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SYLLABUS OF TRG - REVISION FOR PERIOD 20 Jan - 1 Feb Page II

NOTE:- Pls of H.Q. Coy will be attached as under:-

- 1 Pl: Gps each Coy & report centre at Bn H.Q. in the field
- 2 Pl: "A" Coy
- 3 Pl: "C" Coy
- 4 Pl: (Detachment) "A" Coy to 1600 - thence to BN H.Q.
- 5 Pl: In camp on defensive system & development of A/Tk defences
- 6 Pl: With vehicles, with Coys, etc. Remainder to QM.

Bn HQ : Will be established in the field

Fri	All	2400-0530	Rest	
24 Jan	in	0530-0700	Pl exercise - counter attack & occupation of defensive system	Over same gd used for withdrawal. Note: Explanation, etc
		the Fd		
	except	0700-0900	Rest, breakfast, etc	
	"D" Coy	0900-1230	Coy exercise - approach and 1st contact	Precede with story & procedure, reasons, etc.
	& Details			
	as under	1230-1400	Lunch (cold) in field	
		1400-1630	Coy exercise - attack & occupation of bivouac area	Explanation of protective duties & reasons, etc. Routine of bivouacs, rations, etc
		1630-1830	Rest & hot evening meal	Meal to be cooked in Fd at "B" Ech
		1830-2400	Coy exercise - deliberate attack & occupation by night	Note: Posts to be occupied until march continued
	"D"	0800-1230	30x range - Bren & rifle all as for other Coys	Amn 1250 rds. Draw Bren guns from QM
		1300	Lunch (cold) in camp	
		1400-1700	Coy war march	Out to posn occupied at end of withdrawal previous night
		1900-2400	Coy exercise - counter attack & occupn of defended locality by night	On same gd as used for withdrawal
	Details. NOTE.		Being indifferent shots not exercised in previous days on 30x range or unqualified in Practices 1 & 3 of Table B I	
	Details	0900-1200	To be marched back to camp under responsible NCO & report to RSM, who will organise & conduct rifle practices Nos 1 & 3 Tab B I on 30x range	Amn restricted to 10 rds per man. To be drawn from QM by RSM
	All Coys			
		1300-1730	As from 1300-1730 hrs 24 Jan	
			These details will be used as piquets, etc 1900 hrs onwards	
Sat	All	0000-0530	Rest	
25 Jan	in	0530-0830	March back to camp	See separate instns
	Fd.	0830-1400	Breakfast, rest, clean up. Pay in morning. VD inspection HQ, "A" "B" Coys	
	do	1400-1500	Rigid inspection of all arms & eqpt & turn out Rifle exercises	
	less			
	"C" & "D" Coys	1530-1630	Coy ceremonial. Full dress	
	NOTE:		"C" & "D" Coys exempted pdes 1400-1630	
Sun	All	0845	Fall in - inspection	(Statement of those not attending to be submitted to Bn H.Q.)
26 Jan		0900-0945	Church pdes	
	except	1000-1230	Make & men	
	"C" & "D"	1400-2145	Free	
	"C" & "D"	0845	Fall in - full marching order	Blankets & palliasses & kitbags to be arranged in dumps for tpt by Unit M.T.
		0900-2400	March off for special duties. OSc to report to 2 i/c Bn for details	QM to arrange meals during absence
Mon	All	0830-0900	O & M O	
27 Jan	HQ	0900-1200	Specialist trg-2 Pl morn only	Revised syllabi to be submitted
			3, 4, 5 Pls occupn of def: system & development	
		1330-1630	do do	See later Note for 2 Pl
		1900-2100	Night trg - finding direction	
	"A" & "B"	0900-1200	Coy exercise - approach to & occupn of Bde defensive system - completion of sec posts	
		1230	Lunch	
	"A" & "B" & 2 Pl	1330	Fall in for move to JAFFA Rifle Range. See separate instns	
	"C" & "D"	All day & night	On special duty	

SYLLABUS OF TRG - REVISION FOR PERIOD 20 Jan - 1 Feb (Page III)

Day & Date	Coy	Period	Detail	Remarks & References
Tue 28 Jan	H.Q. Less	0830-0900 0900-1630	O & M O Specialist trg	Submit revised syllabus
	2 Pl			
	2 Pl	0800-1700	On fd firing range. See separate instns	With Serial A
	"A" & B	0800-1700	On fd firing - see separate instns	Demonstrations & Pl exerc-
	"C" & "D"	0800-1500 1500-1700	On special duty March back to camp	ises (Practical & control)
Wed 29 Jan	H.Q. Less	0830-0900 0900-1630	O & M O Specialist trg	Submit separate syllabus
	2 Pl, 4 Pl	1900-2200	Night trg - recce	do
	"A" & "B"	0800-1215	On fd firing range	Coy exercises
	2 Pl			
	"C" & "D"	0830	Fall in for move to JAFFA Rifle Range	See separate instns
	4 Pl			
	"A" & "B"	1330	Fall in for move back from JAFFA Rifle Range	do
	2 Pl			
	"C" & "D"	1300-1700	On Fd Firing Range	Demonstrations & Pl exercises (practic)
	4 Pl			
Thu 30 Jan	H.Q. Less	0830-0900 0900-1630	O & M O Specialist trg	Submit separate syllabus
	4 Pl	1900-2100	Night trg - recce	
	"A" & "B"	0830-0900	O & M O	
(Lunch out)		0900-1200	Coy exercises - withdrawal & counter- attack from defensive system	Note: Reverse role at 1030 hrs
	"A" & 2 Pl	1330-1700	Coy war march	See separate instns
		1700-1900	Rest & evening meal.	
		1900-2400	Fighting patrols - Pl. exercises	
	"B"	1330-1630	Development of Coy locality - daylight patrols POTTS VALLEY, etc Siting of A/Tk rifles	Shovels from QM 60. Explanation
	"C" & "D"	0800-1600	On Fd Firing Range	Pl exercises & Coy exercise See separate instns
	4 Pl			
		1630	Fall in for mové back to JULIS	
Fri 31 Jan	All	0830-0900 0930-1030 1030-1200 1330-1630	Organisation & inspection Bn pde - Ceremonial Packing of vehicles - 2" mortar - explanation A/Tk rifle - recapit Reserved for tactical exercise by Bn	Working dress - drill order Bull ring
Sat 1 Feb	All	0830-0900 0900-1200 1330-1630	O & inspections Ceremonial Kit inspection, Pay, Recapit of exercises conducted by Bn Comd	Pde for recapit at Bn Pde Gd at 1530. P.A. system required

NOTE.- Attention is directed to notes at bottom of original syllabus.

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To be conducted 23 Jan - 25 Jan 41.

Ref: GAZA Sheet 1/100,000.

1. OBJECT.

- (a) To exercise the Coy in protective duties on the march.
- (b) To exercise the Coy in the use of ground & formations.
- (c) To exercise the Coy in rapidity of getting into action from the march at threat of A.F.Vs
- (d) To exercise Coy H.Q. & Q staff in comm duties.

2. LESSONS.

"A Comd is responsible for the protection of his force at all times & is to ensure:-

- (a) Protection against gd & air observation.
- (b) " " A.F.V. attack
- (c) Facility of control for rapidity of action.

3. LIMITATIONS.

Every endeavour is to be made to use tpt in its relative & best posns for action, but this may have to be modified on account of nature of gd & amount of tpt.

4. SCOPE OF EXERCISE.

The Coy exercise is limited to:-

- (a) The marches from JULIS camp to 1st Bivouacs.
- (b) Approach & 1st contact - 0900/1220 hrs 24 Jan.
- (c) Attack & occupn of bivouac area after exploitation 1400/1630 24 Jan.
- (d) Night attack & occupn - 1830/2400 24 Jan.
- (e) The marches back to camp - 0530/0830 25 Jan.

5. TPS TAKING PART.

- Serial (a) - "A" Coy; 2 Pl; det 4 Pl; det 1 Pl; det Int Sec; 6 S.Bs.
 (b) - "B" Coy; det 1 Pl; det Int Sec; 6 S.Bs.
 (c) - "C" Coy; 3 Pl; det 1 Pl; det Int Sec; 6 S.Bs.
 (d) - "D" Coy; det Int Sec.
 (e) - Bn HQ; det Int Sec; det 1 Pl; det 5 Pl; det 4 Pl after 1600 hrs 23 Jan; 3 SBs.

6. SYLLABUS FOR PERIOD.

See "Syllabus of Trg - Revision for period 20 Jan - 1 Feb."

7. ROUTES.

- Serial (a) D1: HILL 102 - IBDIS - BEIT AFFA - IRAQ SUWEIDAN - HILL 127 - 11961127 (bivouac)
 D2: Across country to 11701132 (bivouac)
 D3: BEIT TIMA - cross rds 11811179 - HILL 113 - Pt 102 - GELLIBRAND
- (b) D1: SAWAFIR ASH SHARQIYA - BEIT AFFA - KARATIYA - 12371133 (bivouac).
 D2: Across country to 11961127 (bivouac)
 D3: KAUKABA - 11691161 - HILL 113 - Pt 102 - GELLIBRAND
- (c) D1: JULIS - track junc 11481192 - track junc 11371177 - 11701163 (bivouac)
 D2: Across country to 11871139 (bivouac)
 D3: Pt 127 - IRAQ SUWEIDAN - IBDIS - Pt 102 - GELLIBRAND
- (d) D1: Pt 102 - HILL 113 - KAUKABA - 11851145 (bivouac) - Across country to 11901164 (occupn) - POLICE BARRACKS - HILL 113 - Pt 102 - GELLIBRAND (2400)
 D2: Pt 102 - track junc 11961202 - POLISH VILLAGE - POLICE BARRACKS - 11901164 (bivouac) - 11851145 (counter attack & occupn)
 D3: KAUKABA - HILL 113 - Pt 102 - GELLIBRAND.

8. PL EXERCISES.

Will be recced by Coy Comds D1 - 1 and 0830-1130 D1 & prepared - 6 Pl to make vans available 1330 hrs D1 - 1 & 0830 hrs 22

9. UMPIRING.

- (a) Owing to dearth of umpires Coy exercises are to be regarded more as exercising Coys & directors & Coy Comds are to correct faults at subsequent discussions. Each Coy will be directed by nominees of C.O. as under:-

"A" Coy - Major A. W. Potts
 "B" " - Capt. G. N. Godsall
 "C" " - Major W. C. J. Gavan Duffy
 "D" " - C.O.

- (b) Pl exercises will be directed by Coy Comds & umpired by Pl Comd & Pl Sgts of other Pls. In each case an offr will be detailed to observe as enemy & subsequently comment on action.

Description & explanation of exercise will be given to other Pls by 2 i/c or other Offr.

10. ADM.

- (a) Dress - KWD - Battle order.
- (b) Amn - 5 rds in magazine.
- (c) Weapons - To be represented in every case.
- (d) Blankets - 2 in packs on tpt
- (e) Greatcoats - in packs on tpt
- (f) Rations - D1: Evening meal from JULIS camp
("C" Coy to eat meal in JULIS)
D2: Breakfast from JULIS Camp.
("D" Coy to eat meal in JULIS)
Lunch: Hard rations - no tea
("D" Coy & details from Coys to eat lunch at 30x range)
Evening meal - to be cooked & tptd from B Ech lines at Bn HQ
(Details from Coys to have evening meal in JULIS)
D3: Breakfast in Camp.
Hard rations for D2 to be delivered with morning meal.
- (g) Hours of Meals - D1: Evening meal at bivouacs at 1730 hrs.
D2: Breakfast 0730, lunch 1230, evening meal at bivouacs 1700.
D3: Breakfast 0845, lunch 1230.
- (h) Tpt (1) Staff car to 2 i/c & R.M.O.
(2) 4 per serial (one to relay for rations)
(3) 1 to 1 Pl
(4) 1 Camp duties
2 i/c to arrange to borrow necessary additional vehicles.
- (i) Medical - R.M.O. will establish R.A.P. at 11991165. R.M.O. will visit each bivouac between 1700/2100 hrs daily.
- (j) Damage - Every care is to be taken to avoid damage to crops & private property. Vehicles & carriers are NOT to be driven over crops.

11. INTERCOMN.

- (a) 1 Pl will establish report centre at 11991165.
- (b) 1 Pl will establish communication with Coys by day & by night wherever possible.
- (c) Int Sec will establish gp at 11991165 & one gp with each Serial.
Int gp to be used for observation of exercises from enemy posns.
- (d) Bn H.Q. opens 11991165 at 1600 hrs 23 Jan. Closes 11991165 at 0530 hrs 25 Jan.



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2/16Bn AIF - FIELD FIRING - NAFFA RANGES.

1. 2/16Bn will fire field practices 28 Jan - 30 Jan incl.
2. Serial A will fire from 0800 hrs 28 Jan to 1200 hrs 29 Jan
Serial B will fire from 1300 hrs 29 Jan to 1600 hrs 30 Jan
3. COMPOSITION:- Serial A - Maj. Wain to cmd "A" & "B" Coys 2 Pl
" B - Capt. Caro to cmd "C" & "D" Coys 4 Pl

4. NUMBERS TO FIRE.

	Bren	Rifle	Total
(a) Rifle Coys: All ranks less offr, CSM, CQMS, O/R Cpls, Storeman (Nos 1 & 2 of Secs fire Bren only)	18	102	120
Four Coys	72	408	480
(b) No 2 Pl	16		16
(c) No 4 Pl	29		29
	117	408	525

5. SAA ALLOTMENT.

Each Coy	Bren	Rifle	Total
(a) Pl exercises. 10 rds per rifle		1020	1020
Ea Bren - 15 rds	135		135
Four Coys - Total	135	1020	1155
2 Pl - 16 @ 20 rds	320		320
4 Pl - 29 @ 20 "	580		580
Total for Pl exercises	1440	4080	5520
(b) Coy exercises. 5 rds per rifle		510	510
20 rds per Bren			
(6 Brens only in use)	120		120
Four Coys Total	120	510	630
2 Pl - 16 @ 20	320	2040	2520
4 Pl - 29 @ 20	580		320
Total for Coy exercises	1380	2040	3420
(c) Demonstrations.			
(i) Effect of fire of riflemen in Sec - 5 rds per man (normal sec 1 NCO & 6 men) - 4 @ 5		20	
(ii) Effect of IMG same tile target	20		
(iii) Effect of complete sec - rapid fire	25	20	
(iv) The EBZ of IMG from tripod	25		
(v) The cone of fire of IMG	25		
	95	40	135
Demo reqd twice			270
Total SAA reqd			9210
Reserve 15 rds (reqd twice Total 30 rds)			790
TOTAL			10000

Remaining 37 rds of tracer reserved for AA

6. EXERCISES.

Instns for exercises issued separately. Appx B

7. SAFETY PRECAUTIONS.

Issued separately as Appx A

8. BREN GUNS.

QM will arrange to deliver ALL Bren guns to the Range with each Serial. Careful inspection on taking over weapons from Coy to Coy is to be made.

9. ADVANCE PARTY.

The following will comprise advance and rear parties:-

Advance Party	Rear Party
(a) 2 Offrs of Serial A (1 from ea Coy)	(a) 2 Offrs of Serial B
(b) RQMS	(b) RQMS
(c) Storeman	(c) Storeman
(d) Cpl cook	(d) Cpl cook
(e) 3 cooks	(e) 3 cooks (clean up)
(f) 1 OR Hygiene Sec	(f) 1 OR hygiene (clean up)
(g) 1 orderly Offrs' Mess	(g) 1 orderly Offrs' Mess
(h) 1 " Sgts "	(h) 1 " Sgts "
(i) 6 ORs detailed D Coy	(i) 6 ORs "A" Coy
(j) 1 bugler	(j) 1 bugler

- NOTES.-
- (a) To include 2 i/c of one Coy
 - (b) to (h) incl. To be detailed by QM
 - (i) To be detailed by Coy concerned & to report to "A" & "C" Coys respectively as reqd.
 - (j) To be detailed by Bandmaster.

2/16Bn AIF FIELD FIRING (Cont)

10. MOVEMENT.

The following movement table will take effect:-

Sub-Unit	Nos to Embus	How Travel	Leave JULIS Outward	Embuss Homeward JAFFA
Unit	Offrs ORs	Unit	Hrs Date	Hrs Date
Advance Party	2 16	M.T.	0900 27 Jan	
Serial A				
"A" Coy	4 121	Bus	1415 27 Jan	1400 29 Jan
				(4 offrs 115 ORs)
"B" Coy	4 121	Bus	1430 27 Jan	1415 29 Jan
2 Pl	1 16	Bus	1430 27 Jan	1415 29 Jan
T ^o tl Ser	9 258			
Serial B				
"C" Coy	4 121	Bus	0915 29 Jan	1700 30 Jan
"D" Coy	4 115	Bus	0930 29 Jan	1715 30 Jan
4 Pl	1 29	Bus	0930 29 Jan	1715 30 Jan
T ^o tl Ser	9 265			
Rear Party	2 16	M.T.		1730 30 Jan

- (a) Sub-Units will pde on Bn Pde Gd 30 mins prior to time of departure from JULIS & on Camp Pde Gd 30 mins prior to time of departure from Range Camp.
- (b) QMSs, storemen and 1 man per Coy are to travel on Unit vehicles with blankets & kitchen utensils (See para 14).

11. EQUIPMENT & DRESS.

- (a) All ORs will wear khaki working dress. S.D. will not be taken. Cardigans will be taken.
- (b) Full marching order. (Hats may be taken at discretion of Coy Comds but will not be worn on range)
- (c) Blankets to be rolled in ground-sheets & each man's roll marked in chalk & arranged in dumps for loading into Unit vehicles as under.
- (d) Greatcoats to be carried in packs.

12. CAMP EQPT.

- (a) Palliasses will not be taken.
- (b) Bed boards are available at the range.
- (c) Coys will take kitchen eqpt, arranged for loading into Unit vehicles as under.
- (d) Sub-Units will take their own rifle oil & flannelette.

13. MESS EQPT.

Mess Secs will arrange with QM to send sufficient gear.

14. BLANKETS & KITCHEN EQPT.

HQ Coy will make six vehicles available for each Serial for tptg blankets & kitchen eqpt. Time to be arranged with QM.

15. TPT.

- (a) Outward vehicles with Serial A to return immediately they are offloaded.
- (b) " " " " B to onload for homeward journey for Serial A.
- (c) 6 vehicles to be sent to JAFFA RANGE by 1600 hrs 30 Jan to onload for Serial B.
- (d) 3 vehicles to be available for Advance Party at 0830 27 Jan at Bn HQ. These vehicles to return immediately offloaded.
- (e) 3 vehicles to report to Rear Party at 1630 hrs 30 Jan to onload rear party for homeward journey.
- (f) One vehicle to be made available to Sgt Carr, A.A.C.S. for tptg canteen stores to range. Time to be arranged with QM. Vehicle to return immediately.
- (g) One vehicle to report to Canteen at Range for unloading for homeward journey at 1630 hrs 30 Jan.

16. MEALS.

Serial	Date	Where Taken & Nature		
		Breakfast	Lunch	Evening Meal
A	27 Jan	Hot at JULIS	Cold at JULIS	Hot at Range Camp
	28 "	Hot at Range Camp	Cold at Fd Firing Range	Hot at Range Camp
	29 "	Hot at Range Camp	do	Hot at JULIS
B	29 "	Hot at JULIS	Cold at Range Camp	Hot at Range Camp
	30 "	Hot at Range Camp	Cold at Fd Firing Range	Hot at JULIS
Advance Party	27 "	Hot at JULIS	Cold at Range Camp	Hot at Range Camp
Rear Party	28 "	Hot at Range Camp	Cold at Range Camp	Hot at Range Camp
	29 "	As for Serial "B" except lunch to be cold at Range Camp		
	30 "			

2/16Bn AIF FIELD FIRING (Cont).

17. RATIONS, SUPPLIES & FUEL.

QM will arrange to deliver from JULIS to JAFFA RANGES all rations, supplies & fuel in accordance with 21 Aust Inf Bde memorandum 44/2 of 16 Jan.

18. CANTEEN.

QM will arrange with Sgt Carr, A.A.C.S., to establish Canteen at Range Camp. Tentage is available, already erected.

19. AMMN.

SAA & tracer on the basis of tables in para 5 will be drawn from RQMS by O.C. each Serial. On no account is more ammn than that set out in table to be used. See safety precautions for checking of rds, etc.

20. RANGE STORES.

Targets, telephones, tiles, range flags, etc will be arranged by OsC Serials direct with Chief Range Warden through Comd JAFFA RANGES.

21. MEDICAL.

The RMO will establish R.A.P. at the Range & will attend all practices.

22. SECURITY.

O.C. Serials will in each case be responsible for security of arms, ammn, eqpt & stores, etc, both Unit & canteen & will establish the necessary piquets & guards by day & night & will comply with all local SOs.

23. REPORTS.

Range Telephone No is RISHON 256. The number of this Camp is MAIN JULIS, Extension 2. All reports to Bn H.Q. Os.C. Serials will report by phone daily.

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2/16Bn AIF FIELD FIRING EXERCISES - JAFFA RANGES.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

APPX "A"

1. OsC Serials & Offrs & NCOs detailed as Safety Offrs are responsible that the following rules are meticulously observed.--
2. The Superintending Safety Offr will ensure that the flag is flying on the Control Point & that the sketch of the Range is in posn on the Board before firing is commenced.
3. He will ensure that no personnel occupy posns or fire at targets outside the area enclosed by the black triangular boards marking the limits of oblique fire.
4. He will ensure that no personnel advance beyond the Board marking the limit of advance.
5. No person who has not qualified in the weapon with which he is to fire will be permitted to take part in fd firing exercises.
6. All ~~weapons~~ & eqpt will be inspected prior to leaving the Range Camp to ensure that they are in a fit condition to be taken on the range. This applies particularly to sights, tripods, bipods, clamps, etc.
7. Pouches, magazines, etc. will be inspected prior to moving out to ensure that no dummies or blanks are taken on to the field firing range & that there is no unauthorised amm on the person.
8. No weapons are to be loaded until the tps reach the first fire posn.
9. All weapons are to be unloaded and, together with bolts, magazines & pouches, etc. inspected before tps leave the last fire posn. During inspection weapons must be kept pointed towards the targets.
10. Safety offrs will ensure that no firer takes up a fire posn likely to cause danger to himself or to any other person. The order to load will not be given until the Safety Offr has satisfied himself on this point.
11. Safety Offrs will order cessation of firing when any person or body of tps comes within 11 degs of the line of fire, or when, for any other reason, continuation of fire would appear to be dangerous, & will immediately report to the Superintending Safety Offr.
12. Safety Offrs will draw the attention of fire unit comds to any laxity of fire discipline & control.
13. All live amm will be collected at the last fire posn at the termination of the exercise, and an offr will inspect all weapons, amm containers & eqpt to ensure that they are unloaded & that the men are definitely not in possession of any amm. A further inspection will be made under the direction of the Coy, etc. Comd before the Coy, etc leaves the fd firing range & AAF C7 will be completed & immediately handed to O.C. Serial.
14. Repairs & replacements will not be carried out until the gun is clear. No one except the gun numbers authorised will be permitted to touch the gun without the permission of an offr when a stoppage occurs.
15. If firing is suspended during the practice, either while moving fwd or by the hoisting of Safety Offr's red flags, safety catches will be immediately applied & magazines of LMGs will be removed. LMGs will be unloaded without firing the round in the chamber.
16. The Superintending Safety Offr will be acquainted with & will comply strictly with the rules for conducting practices in Fd Firing areas as laid down in SAT.
17. Attention is drawn to notes on JAFFA RANGES - W T Camp.
18. It is the duty of all persons to use the care necessary to ensure the safety of others.

FD FIRING EXERCISES.APPX "B"
INSTN No 2JAFFA RANGES Jan 41.PL EXERCISE.

1. The exercise will take place on each day incl 28/30 Jan 41.
2. OBJECT. To practise the pl in fire & movement & the use of the pl mortar. Particular attention to be paid to fire control orders by the sec cmd.
3. LESSONS. (a) Cover from view & fire afforded by the ground.
(b) Covering fire to destroy or blind the enemy & so reduce the accuracy of his fire.
(c) The necessity for rapid decisions & bold action to press fwd.

4. ORGANISATION OF STAFF.

Director Maj W.J. Wain (for all Pl exercises)
 Chief Umpire with Pl Comd OC Coy or 2 i/c Coy.
 With each sec Pl Comds from other Pls of non-firing Coy.
 (To be detailed by Director).
 Superintending Safety Offr Maj W.J. Wain
 Safety Offrs with all Secs Pl Sgts from other Pls, either Coy (Detailed by Director)

Safety Offrs will function independently under the Superintending Safety Offr & they will concern themselves with only the following:-

- (a) That the sub-unit to which they are allotted does not enter dangerous ground.
- (b) That the sub-unit to which they are allotted does not fire in a direction dangerous to other tps or outside the safety limits set by the Superintending Safety Offr.
- (c) That should they find it necessary to interfere with fire & movement they make it clear through the umpire that the interference is due solely to the necessary safety precautions.

Umpires are to be concerned only with the tactical problem in hand, & the lessons to be taught.

5. ORGANISATION OF TPS PARTICIPATING IN EACH PL EXERCISE.

- (a) WE. It is to be made clear that although secs will, in action, be reduced to one NCO & six men, the present WE will obtain during these exercises in order to permit the max number to fire. Strict attention is, however, to be paid to fire control.
- (b) Present Offrs & NCOs.
- (c) With SERIAL A - 2 Pl will be used for Bren demonstrations & will be put through the Pl exercise in order to familiarise them with the gun.
- (d) With SERIAL B - 4 Pl will be used for the Bren demonstrations & will give supporting fire for the Coy exercises. One sec only will be used at a time. Pl Comds 2 & 4 Pls will prepare Bren demos in consultation with Adj & Director.

6. SCREENS & FLAGS.

Sufficient men from the non-firing Coy will be detailed by the Director so that one man is allotted to every fire unit & will carry a red & a blue screen. All umpires will carry a blue & a red flag.

Umpires & screen men will receive special instn in the conduct of the exercise before exercises commence. The Director will be responsible for each instn.

7. ARM BANDS.

- (a) The Chief Umpire will wear a white arm band on EACH arm.
- (b) Other umpires will wear one white arm band on the right arm.
- (c) Safety offrs will wear white over steel helmets.

/ 8. AMN.

8. AMN.

See also previous instrn on Fd Firing - JAFFA RANGES.

- (a) Amn will be allotted as follows.-
 - Per rifle to be used 10 rds
 - Per IMG to be used 20 rds
- (b) For demos - see para 5 (c) of previous instrn.
- (c) Amn will be issued only on the battle practice ranges when authority is given by the Superintending Safety Offr.
- (d) Strict observance of the safety precautions issued as Appx A with previous instrns will obtain throughout.

9. TARGETS & TARGET MEN.

- (a) Tiles only are to be used for these exercises. (These will be drawn from the 2/27Bn & returned under instrns by the SSO to the Senior Range Warden at conclusion of the exercises on 30 Jan)
- Men to place tiles in posn will be organised by the Director under an NCO of the non-firing Coy. They will take cover in the pits on the range during practices.
- A red flag will be placed on the high post E.W. of pt F when tiles are being placed.
- Telephones to pits will be arranged by the Director through the Senior Range Warden.
- Detailed instrns on safety precautions to be observed by target men will be given by the Superintending Safety Offr before taking up their posns.

10. DRESS.

For all exercises - KWD - fighting order.

11. ASSEMBLY.

The Director will be responsible for the assembly of the various sub-units at times and places reqd. Every effort is to be made to conserve as much time as practicable.

12. EXPLANATION.

The Director will give a clear explanation of the purpose of the exercise to all tps participating & explain any reasons for departure from sound tactical practices for safety reasons.

13. TPT.

See previous instrn - No 1 on fd firing practices - JAFFA RANGES. Tpt will NOT be used between camp & battle practice area.

14. MEDICAL.

The RMO will attend all practices & will open an RAP alongside the control pit on FLAG HILL.

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 for Lt Col
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CO 2/16Bn AIF

Distribution.

ALL Offrs (incl RMO)	Copy No
Superintending Safety Offr	1 - 36
All safety Offrs	37
RSM	38 - 50
21 Aust Inf Bde	51
	52 - 54

Safety angle 12°

JAFFA FIELD FIRING RANGE.
Prepared by 2/16 Bn. AIF.

☉ of Fed firing range.

Approx. N.

Line beyond which cannot fire.

Tel poles.

Existing pits.

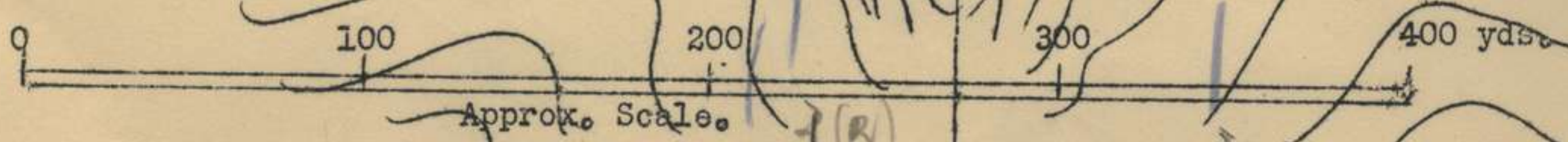
Oblique line beyond which cannot fire.

Oblique line.

(does not return fire)

Control pit.

Flag pole



b. section = 22

Pe 4/0

ofc

P/sgt

Runner ✓

Master ✓

Batman ✓

5

1. ser

- Mills
- Kelman
- Kalford
- Blake
- Jones
- O'Keefe
- Buckley
- Whitcomb
- Heenan

9

2. ser

- Malsank
- Keane
- Bynum
- Carlson
- Laird
- Moss
- Lambert
- Calphour
- Mulvey
- Mulvey
- Ross
- Marth

11

3. ser

- Impton
- Keane
- Wheat
- Beche
- O'Keefe
- Henderson
- Mapleton
- Starkweather
- Ross
- Killeen
- Boone

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COY EXERCISE.

1. The exercises will take place on the morning of 29 Jan & the afternoon 30 Jan. Two Coys will be put through on each occasion.

2. OBJECT.

To exercise the Coy in fire & movement & the co-ordination of supporting fire with particular attention to control by the Pl comd.

3. LESSONS.

To launch Inf to the attack without adequate covering fire will only result in unnecessary casualties.

The main Inf problem in attack will generally be the passage of open ground when exposed to the fire of modern weapons. This can be accomplished by the provision of well-placed & adequate covering fire & by a judicious utilisation of the facilities offered by the ground both by providing suitable posns for small arms fire & for giving covered avenues of approach & above all by bold action.

4. ORGANISATION OF STAFF.

Director COO
 Chief Umpire with Coy HQ Adj or 2 i/c Bn
 With each Pl Pl Comd from non-firing Coy.
 Superintending Safety Offr Maj W.J. Wain

Safety Offrs

With each Sec of Coy NCOs from non-firing Coy detailed by SSO.
 With one Sec 4 Pl Pl Comd 4 Pl

Safety Offrs will function independently under the SSO & will concern themselves only with the following:-

- (a) That the sub-unit to which they are allotted does not enter dangerous ground.
- (b) That the sub-unit to which they are allotted does not fire in a direction dangerous to other tps or outside the safety limits set out by the SSO.
- (c) That should they find it necessary to interfere with fire & movement they make it clear through the umpire that the interference is due solely to necessary safety considerations.

The SSO & his staff will be thoroughly familiar with all details of the plan not only of their own sub-units but of all fire units in the Coy. This will be the responsibility of the SSO.

Umpires are to concern themselves only with the tactical problem in hand & the lessons to be brought out.

5. ORGANISATION OF TPS PARTICIPATING.

- (a) With SERIAL A. One Coy at a time with one sec of 4 Pl all on WE. Present Offrs & NCOs.
- (b) With SERIAL B. One Coy at a time with one sec of 4 Pl all on WE. Present Offrs & NCOs.
- (c) See also instn No 2 - Pl exercises.

6. SCREENS & FLAGS.

Sufficient men from the non-firing Coy will be detailed by the SSO so that one man is allotted to every fire unit & will carry a red & a blue screen.

All umpires will carry a blue & a red flag.

QM will arrange that sufficient flags & screens are delivered to the JAFFA RANGE Camp site with the advance party on 27 Jan.

Umpires & screen men will receive special instn in the conduct of the exercise before any exercises for Coys commence.

7. ARM BANDS.

See Instn No 2 - Pl exercise.

8. AMN

Amn will be allotted on the basis of 5 rds per rifle in use & 20 rds per LMG in use.

See also sub-paras (c) & (d) of Para 8 Instn No 2 - Pl exercise.

/9. TARGETS & TARGET MEN.

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See also Instn No 2 - P1 exercise - to be read with this instn except for "Director" read "Superintending Safety Offr."

10. LIMIT OF FIRE.

On no account will tps be permitted to fire outside the line of 'black triangles' representing the limit of oblique fire permitted.

11. DRESS.

As for para 10 of Instn No 2.

12. ASSEMBLY.

The Chief Umpire will be responsible for the assembly of the sub-units reqd for the exercise at times & places reqd by the Director. Time will be the 'essence of the contract' and is, on no account, to be wasted.

13. EXPLANATION.

On assembly the Director will give an explanation of the exercise to all participating.

14. MEDICAL.

All as for Instn No 2 - P1 exercise.

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Distribution.

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8th Phase Ser 1

JAFFA FD FIRING RANGES
JAN 41

THE EXERCISE No 2
COY IN ATTACK - Ref Sketch of JAFFA RANGE.
1. NARRATIVE. To be given by Director.

A small enemy force has been able to effect a landing on the coast immediately North of the RUBIN RIVER, and in spite of the resistance of coast gds, has established a series of posts approx 1 1/2 miles inland, with the obvious intention of effecting cover for the landing of a larger force. Speed in annihilating this covering force is essential to dislocating the enemy's plans. The 2/16Bn has been rushed up by Ld from JULIS & ordered to capture the enemy posts immediately West of FLAG HILL.

2. PLAN.

The orders of CO 2/16Bn included:-
 (a) Dets of Coast Gds advised that enemy posts had been located at F & U (pointed out on ground) with evidence of other posts established in depth. These posts appeared to be equivalent to an Inf Sec in strength & strong IMG fire had been encountered from F & U when attempting to dislodge them.
 The inter-coy boundaries are:-
 (i) Between X & Y Coys - from a pt 150 yds North of FLAG HILL through HILL E all incl. Y Coy (Point out on ground).
 (ii) Between Y & Z Coys - From a pt 300 yds South of FLAG HILL thence through another pt 100 yds South of HILL H (Point out on ground). All incl Y Coy.
 (b) His intention is to capture enemy posts & consolidate on HILLS K & R (Point out on ground) (You are Y Coy).

3. ACTION.

As Coy Comdr give your verbal orders for the attack & carry it through.

Serial No.	SEQUENCE OF EVENTS		
	6 Pl	7 Pl	8 Pl
	Coy in assembly area	do	do
1	Coy Comd recce & issue order Pl comdrs.		
2	Recce Pl Comdr & issue order Sec Ldrs		
3	Secs move to posns		
4	Attack starts	do	do
	1 Sec Pt I	4 Sec Pt III	Coy reserve
	2 Sec Pt II	5 Sec Pt IV	7 Sec on right
	3 Sec Pt V	6 Sec Pt VI	8 Sec on left
			9 Sec Pl reserve.
			Line of advance inter-Pl boundary
1st Phase Ser 5	1 Sec-Pt VII	4 Sec-Pt X	8 Pl moving on line of advance - fwd Sec at Pts II & III
	2 Sec-Pt VIII	5 Sec-Pt XI	
	3 Sec-Pt IX	6 Sec-Pt XII	
2nd Phase Ser 6	1 Sec held at Pt VII	4 Sec-Pt X moving towards Pt XV.	8 Pl fwd Secs moving to Pts VIII & X
	2 Sec-Pt VIII badly knocked by enemy mortars. Pl Comdr decides to send 3 Sec round Pt VIII to Pt XIV & 1 Sec to Pt XIII & employ Mortars on F	5 Sec badly knocked by enemy mortars when at Pt XI. Pl Comdr decides to assault U with 6 Sec which moves to Pt XVI	
	3 Sec on moving round F is fired on from W & engages.	5 Sec remains Pt XI	
3rd Phase Ser 7	2 Sec in reserve Pt XVII.	4 Sec on reaching Pt XV is fired on from Y & engages.	7 Sec on reaching Pt VIII is held pending action fwd Pl.
	3 Sec on reaching Pt XIV is fired on from X & engages	5 Sec Pl res-Pt XVIII	8 Sec on reaching Pt X is held ditto
		6 Sec on reaching Pt XVI is fired on from V & engages	9 Sec Pl res

2/16Bn AIF EXERCISE No 2 (Page 2)

Serial No	6 Pl	7 Pl	8 Pl
4th Phase Ser 8	Hold up at Pts XIII & XIV Messages to Coy HQ	Held up at Pts XV & XVI Messages to Coy HQ	Hold at Pts VIII, X & Pl reserve
5th Phase Ser 9	Coy Comdr rocco & decides to employ Mortars of fwd Pls on Pts W & X and assault feature R behind Y with 8 Pl. Issues orders - Pl Comdrs at G		
6th Phase Ser 10	Covering fire (For safety reasons when 8 Pl reaches G firing must cease)	Covering fire	Moves to assault through G
7th Phase Ser 11	Picture to be painted that 1 & 3 Secs continue to engage W & X & mortar continues to engage W while 8 Pl assaults	Picture to be painted that 4 Sec fires on Y until 8 Sec comes within safety angle while 6 Sec continues to engage V & mortar engages X	Assaults R
8th Phase Ser 12	6 Pl moves up to W & X for consolidation	7 Pl moves to left of feature R for consolidation	Reaches R at Pts XIX, XX & XXI & is fired on from Z & Z1, which they engage. 7 Sec engages Z1 8 Sec engages Z1 9 Sec engages Z
9th Phase Ser 13	Enemy retires from Z & Z1. Coy Comdr issues orders for consolidation		
10th Phase Ser 14	DISCUSSION.		

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A. R. Baxter Cox Lt Col

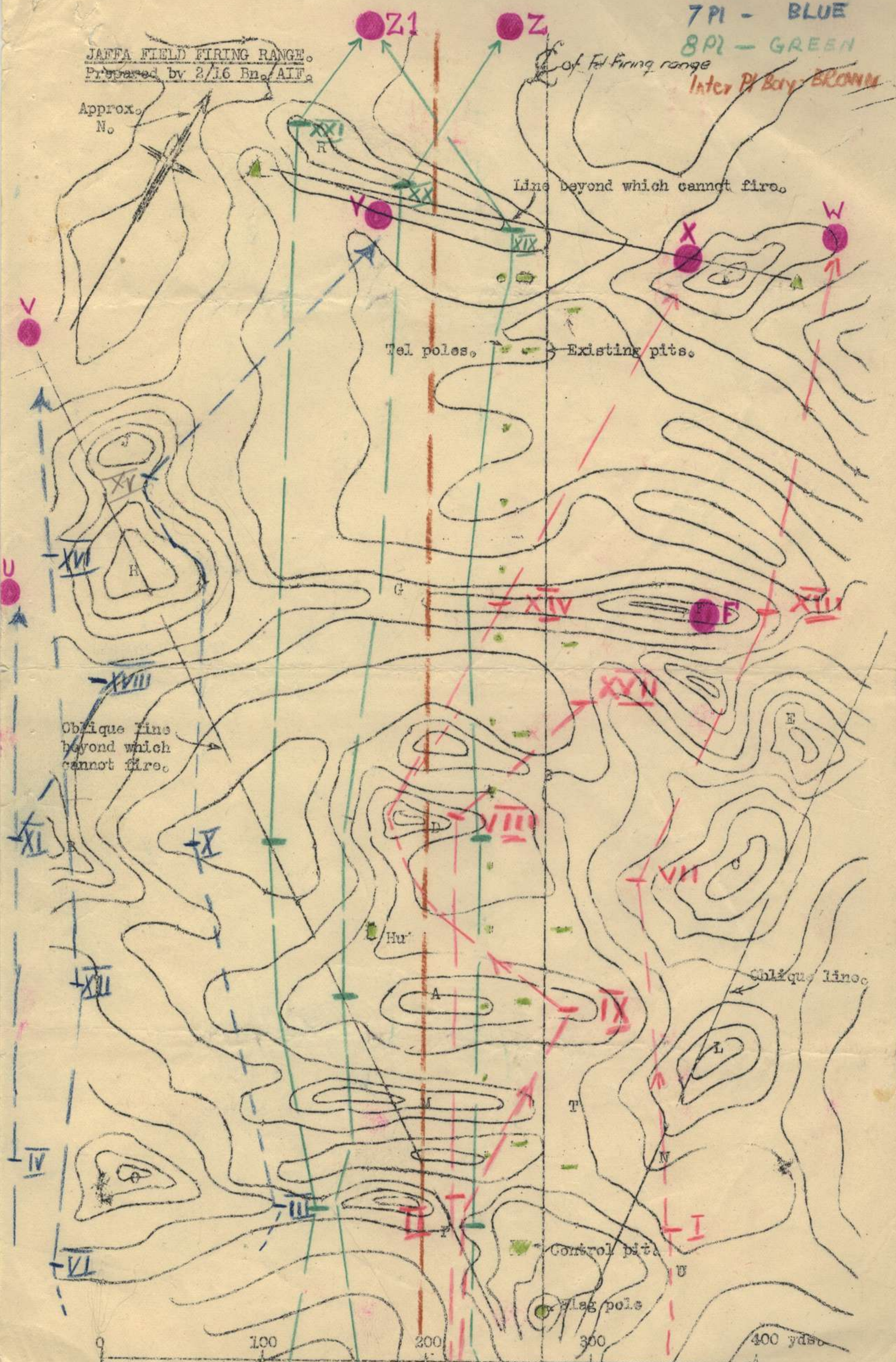
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EXERCISE 2

Enemy
6PI - Red
7PI - BLUE
8PI - GREEN
Inter PI Bay - BROWN

JAFFA FIELD FIRING RANGE.
Prepared by 2/16 Bn. AIF.

Approx.
No.



Line beyond which cannot fire.

Tel poles. Existing pits.

Oblique line beyond which cannot fire.

Oblique line.

0 100 200 300 400 yds

BS 13

21 AUST. INF. BDE.

Copy No 5

SECRET.

ALL UNITS.

CEREMONIAL PARADE ON THURSDAY, 2 JAN. '41.

COMD., LOCATION AND TIME.

A ceremonial parade will be held on an area approx. 1½ miles N.E. of Julis Camp at 1130 hrs on Thursday, 2 Jan. '41. Troops from Julis and Gastina Camps will participate and will be in position by 1100 hrs. A rehearsal will be held in the same area at 1130 hrs on Tuesday, 31 Dec. '40. Troops will be in position for the rehearsal by 1100 hrs.

The parade will be comd. by Brig. J.E.S. Stevens, 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.. Prior to his arrival the parade will be comd. by Lt.-Col. A.R. Baxter-Cox, 2/16 Bn.

2. FORMING UP.

Units will be formed up in close coin. of coys. at 3 yds. distance - interval between units 5 yds. Units will occupy a frontage of 25 files only. The right flank of all coys. will be marked by flags. The attached sketch shows the positions of all units on parade.

3. STRENGTH.

The approx. strength of units on parade will be as follows:-

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>
2/7 Fd. Regt.	500	7 coys.
2/12 Fd. Regt.	300	4 coys.
2 A. Tk. Regt.	540	8 coys.
3 A. Tk. Regt.	500	7 coys.
(H.Q. 7 Div. Engrs.)		
(2/4 Fd. Coy.)		
(2/5 Fd. Coy.)		
(a) (2/6 Fd. Coy.)	- 700	10 coys.
(2/7 Fd. Coy.)		
(2/5 Fd. Pk. Coy.)		
2/14 Bn.	750	10 coys.
2/16 Bn.	750	10 coys.
2/27 Bn.	750	10 coys.
2/1 Pnr. Bn.	750	10 coys.
(2/5 Fd. Amb.)		
(b) (H.Q. 21 Inf. Bde.)	- 320	5 coys.
(21 A. Tk. Coy.)		
TOTAL	<u>5860</u>	

- (a) to be organized as one unit under the C.R.E.
- (b) to be organized as one unit under C.O. 2/5 Fd. Amb. - personnel with rifles to form the leading coy or coys.

4. MOVE TO PARADE.

Units in Julis Camp will move to the parade ground in accordance with the attached March Table which applies to both rehearsal and review.

/Gastina Units....

S E C R E T21 AUST INF BDEBS 15

14 Jan '41

2/16 Bn ✓
2/27 BnCOMBINED TRAINING CENTRE BABRIT (near GENEIFA)
No 1 COURSE - 27 Jan - 6 Feb

1. Object of this course is to train offr's in combined operations with tps.
2. The following will attend:
Lieut-Col M.J. MOTEN E.D. 2/27 Bn
Capt D.G. HORLEY 2/16 Bn
Immediate notice is to be given if any of the above offr's are unable to attend.
3. Travelling arrangements.
Bulk rail warrants and frontier passes will be supplied by HQ 7 Aust Div. Offr's will travel by day train ex GAZA 25 Jan and will report to RTO GAZA not later than 1230 hrs that day. Meals will be provided at KANTARA EAST upon presentation of movement order or warrant. Tpt to GAZA will be supplied by this HQ.
4. Offr's undergoing the course will be accommodated in tents. Camp kit will be taken. Batmen will not be taken as civilian servants are being provided.
5. Students will take suitable kit for working in boats, e.g. shorts, stockings, canvas shoes, and in addition, notebooks and Manual of Combined Operations - if available.
6. Both offr's will report to Bde Comd at 1100 hrs on 25 Jan.

W. Clouston Capt
A/BM 21 Aust Inf Bde

WJ
Advice Capt Horley
3/1/41

Qastina Units will move to the parade ground in accordance with March Table to be issued by Camp Comd., Qastina. A copy of the March Table is to be sent to this H.Q.

5. PROCEDURE.

Procedure from the time the Reviewing Officer arrives at the parade ground, with necessary words of command and relevant details, are shown in Appx. attached.

6. POSITION OF OFFICERS.

(a) On the Parade: C.O.'s will be 8 paces in front of the centre of their units. All other officers will be in line 3 paces in front of their respective sub-units.

(b) During the March Past: C.O.'s will move 3 paces ahead of the right file of the right sub-unit. Other officers will move in the same relative positions as they occupied on the parade.

7. DRESS.

The dress for the parades will be :-

(a) Officers - Service Dress, Officers pattern - with gaiters - hats turned up - web belt. Pistols carried if in possession of same.

(b) Other Ranks - Service Dress - gaiters - hats turned up - drill order - bayonets fixed by personnel armed with the bayonet.

8. CARS.

Cars of the official party will be parked under the direction of Bde. T.O. in the area adjacent to the saluting base.

9. TRAFFIC CONTROL.

Any necessary traffic control on the main Qastina - Julis road will be undertaken by 1 Aust. Corps. Details affecting units will be issued later.

10. SANITARY ARRANGEMENTS.

The S.C. 21 Inf. Bde will supervise the construction of latrines in rear of the parade ground. He will arrange direct with the 2/14 Bn for the necessary working party. He will indicate the location of the latrines in the rest areas allotted to QASTINA units which will be responsible for the construction, screening and filling in of their own latrines.

11. FEEDING AREAS

Feeding areas will be selected by S.C. 21 Inf Bde. Unit representatives will report to him at the Parade Ground at 0630 hrs on the days of the rehearsal and parade. They will guide their units to the area at the conclusion of each parade. The midday meal on each day will be provided by QASTINA units in the feeding areas under unit arrangements.

12. P.A.D.

The defence of the route QASTINA - JULIS against air attack during the move on both the rehearsal and review days is the responsibility of 2 A.T. Regt. P.A.D. arrangements at the review area will be organized by the B.I.O., 21 Bde. 2/14, 2/16 and 2/27 Bns will each provide two Bren Guns with A.A. Mountings and necessary detts. These detts. will report to B.I.O. at the flagstaff on the parade ground at 0930 hrs each day.

In the event of air alarm and the command DEPLOY being given by the Parade Comd, units will move as follows:-

1 (a) 2/14 Bn

- (a) flank units, 2/7 Fd Regt and 2/5 Fd Amb will turn outwards and double off;
- (b) 2/12 Fd Regt, Engrs, 2/16 Bn and 2/1 Pnr Bn will double straight forward. When clear of the parade 2/12 Fd Regt will move to the right and 2/1 Pnr Bn to the left;
- (c) 2 A.T. Regt, 2/14 Bn, 2/27 Bn, 3 A.T. Regt will turn about and double off. When clear 2 A.T. Regt will move to the left (original right of parade) and 3 A.T. Regt to the right (original left);
- (d) as soon as possible all units will deploy into smaller groups.

13. WET WEATHER ARRANGEMENTS

In the event of wet weather, the ceremonial parade on 2 Jan will be cancelled, suitable advice of this being issued to all concerned. The reviewing officer will then address representatives of all dets. of all units in the picture theatres, Gastina and Julis, at 1130 and 1215 hrs respectively, the theatres being filled to only half their capacity.

The Camp Comd. Gastina will make all necessary arrangements in connection with the Gastina Picture Theatre.

Julis units will send parties to the local picture theatre as follows:-

3 A.T. Regt	-	50
H.Q. 21 Inf. Bde	-	10
21 A.T. Coy	-	10
2/14 Bn	-	90
2/16 Bn	-	1 officer
2/27 Bn	-	90
2/1 Pnr Bn	-	90
2/5 Fd. Amb.	-	30

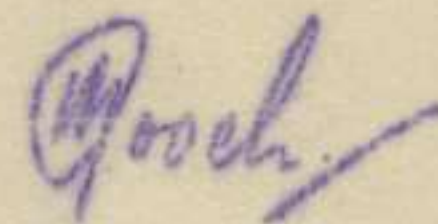
All unit parties will be in the theatre at a time to be notified, all C.O's attending.

14. BANDS

Bands may play their own units to the parade ground but will cease playing on entering the area. Bands will form up in rear of their own units on the parade ground, taking their dressing from the band on the right. The General Salute will be played by the 2/16 Band only. During the March Past, the bands of 2/14 and 2/16 Bns. only will play, the 2/16 Band playing until its own Unit moves off. It will then cease playing and will march past on the left of the Bn. The Band of the 2/14 Bn. will then commence to play and will continue to play until the last Unit has passed the Saluting Base. It will then cease playing and return to Camp by the shortest route. All other bands will remain silent throughout the parade and will march past the parade on the left of their Units.

15. PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM.

2/16 Bn. will install and operate their Public Address System on the parade ground for both the rehearsal and Parade, the equipment being available each day by 1000 hrs.



Maj.
B.M. 21 Aust. Inf. Bde.

MARCH TABLE - JULIS UNITS - BDE. PARADES - 31 DEC. 2 JAN.

Serial No.	Unit	S.P.	Time Pass S.P.	Route	Remarks
1	21 Bde.H.Q. 21 A.Tk.Coy 2/5 Fd.Amb.	Crossing over drain opposite 2/1 Pnr.Bn.H.Q.	1000 hrs.	As pointed out to C.O's by Bde. Cond. 30 Dec.	Cond. - Lt.-Col. Green, C.O. 2/5 Fd.Amb.
2	3 A.Tk.Regnt.	as above	1006 hrs.	as above	
3	2/1 Pnr.Bn.	as above	1012 hrs.	as above	
4	2/27 Bn.	as above	1018 hrs.	as above	
5	2/16 Bn.	as above	1024 hrs.	as above	<i>Move from the Pde Col. 10.10</i>
6	2/14 Bn.	as above	1030 hrs.	as above	

NOTE. All watches are to be carefully synchronised with Bde. time between 0800 and 0900 hrs. each day.

PROCEDURE AND SEQUENCE OF ORDERS.

APPENDIX II.

Serial No	Command	Given by	When	Action to be taken in Comd.
1.	"The parade will come to attention and slope arms."	Lt.-Col. A.R. Baxter Cox.	On arrival of Parade Comd. at Flag Pole.	Units called to attention by C.O's and preparatory Comd. given "Unit, slope....." The Executive will be indicated by the lowering of the Pde.Comds.pennant after a "C" on bugle and Unit Comds.will then give the Executive comd. "Arms".
2.	"The parade will present arms".	Lt.Col. A.R. Baxter Cox.		Prep. by C.O's - "Unit = present". Executive on lowering of pennant = "Arms".
3.	"The parade will slope arms".	As for 2		as above.
4.	"The parade will order arms and stand at ease."	Parade Comd.	After taking over parade.	Preparatory orders by C.O's "Unit, order....." Executive by pennant as for 1. "Stand at ease" by Unit Comds.
5.	As for 1	Parade Comd.	Prior to arrival of Reviewing Officer.	As for 1.
6.	"General Salute. Parade will present arms".	Parade Comd.	On arrival of Reviewing Off. at Flag Pole.	C.O's "Unit - General Salute present". Executive on Parade Comd. pennant. 2/16 Bn. Band plays General Salute. Flag breaks.
7.	"Parade will slope arms".	Parade Comd.	On conclusion General Salute.	Prep. by C.O's. Exec. on lowering of pennant.
8.	"Parade will order arms".	Parade Comd.	After slope complete.	Prep. by C.O's. Exec. on lowering of pennant. Parade Comd. moves to front to meet Reviewing Officer.
9.	"Parade will stand at ease"	Parade Comd.	After Pde. Comd. returns to Parade.	Prep. order by C.O's "Stand at". Executive, "Ease" on lowering of pennant.
10.	"Parade will come to attention."	Parade Comd.	On completion of address.	Prep. by C.O's. Executive "Shun" on lowering of pennant.
11.	"Parade will march past from the left by units in line of Coys in coln. of route "threes"	Parade Comd.	After slope complete.	Unit C.O's in succession: "Slope Arms. Unit move to the left in line of Coys in Col. of route - left turn". 35
12.	"Unit, eyes right."	C.O's only.	On reaching 1st. Red Flag at saluting point.	All officers salute between red flags.
13.	"Unit, eyes front".	C.O's only.	When unit passes 2nd. Red Flag at Sal. Point.	
14.	"Units right (or left) turn, Double March"	All C.O's.	When unit reaches left flank.	Qastina units give left turn. Julis units right turn. Thence to private parades.

Distances. Distances marching past = 100 Yds between Units.

REVIEWING OFFICER

DIAS

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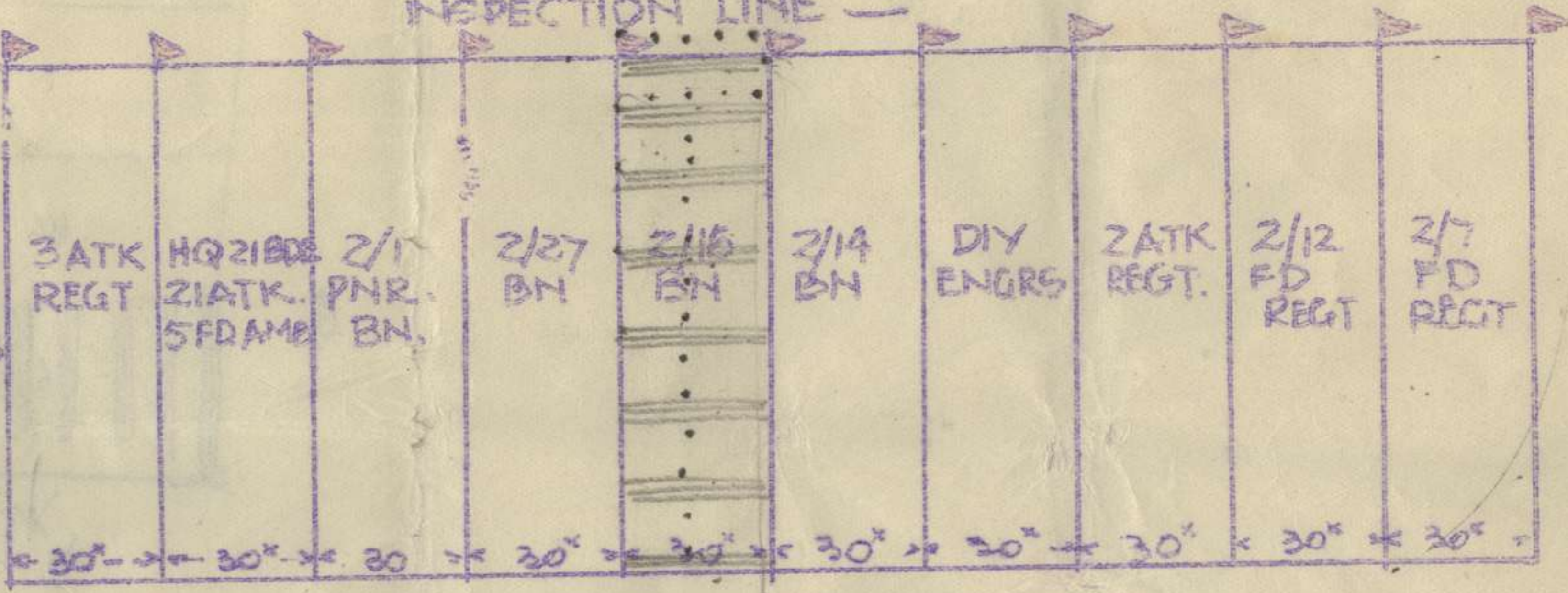
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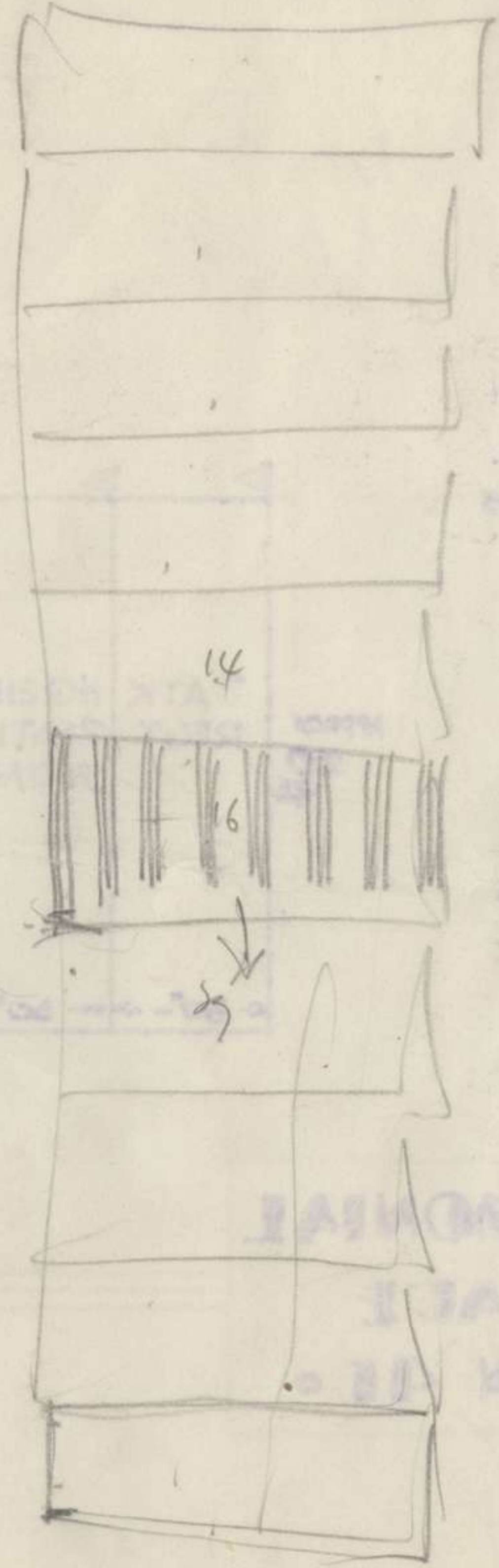
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GENERAL
REMARKS

SPECIAL DUTIES 26th Jany to 28th Jany Incl.

1. INFORMATION. The 2/16 Bn. will act as fostering unit for
 - (a) 3 Lt A A Regt and Details.
 - (b) 2/28 Bn.
2. INTENTION. "C" & "D" Coys will provide from ~~26th~~ ²⁴ to ~~28th~~ ^{Completion} Jany incl. working parties and guards as follows:-

216
5x40 157
24 Completion

<u>COY.</u>	<u>FOSTERED UNIT</u>	<u>AREA</u>	<u>LINES.</u>
"C"	3 Lt A A Regt and Details	Khassa Camp	Jess
"D"	2/28 Bn	Khassa Camp	Wilson

3. <u>OFFICERS IN CHARGE.</u>	<u>Fostering.</u>	2 i/c. Q.M.	
	<u>Jess Lines</u>	Capt. Anderson	"C" Coy.
	<u>Wilson Lines.</u>	Capt. Johnson	"D" Coy.
	<u>Liaison.</u>	3 Lt A A Regt & Details 2/28 Bn.	Lt.R.N.G.Meecham. Lt.G.Symington.

4. MOVEMENT. "C" & "D" Coys will parade at 08,45 hrs to march to their respective fostering lines Khassa Camp, via Julis. Dress. W.D. fighting order with felt hats.

Tents. Excepting for beds tents will be left empty with sides rolled.

Personnel's Gear. Packs palliasses blankets and kit bags and steel helmets will be dumped at Coy's HQ. These will be ~~xxx~~ moved by MT under QM arrangements.
5. ATTACHED DETAILS. QM will arrange for details ~~from~~ store and hygiene personnel for each line.
6. MEALS. These will be cooked in Gellibrand Lines and transported to the respective Coys.
7. STORES. Picks Shovels Axes and Camp Equipment will be transported under arrangement by the QM.
8. WATER. QM will arrange for taps to be fitted in cookhouses in new lines.
9. ACCOMODATION. Coys will be accomodated in tents erected by them in Jess and Wilson Lines.
10. AMMUNITION. Personnel will carry five (5) rounds each.
11. MEDICAL. MO will arrange to visit fostering Coys at times to be arranged.
12. RELIEF. Fostering parties will take over from Coys at 16.30 hrs 28 ~~Jany '41.~~ ^{On completion}
13. SECURITY. The usual security measures will be adopted, particular notice and a strict watch being observed on all civilian movement within the lines.

... Bill Sims ... H. Adj.

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A.I.F. BASE AREA

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION NO. 8

GAZA

24 Jan 41

ARRIVAL AND RECEPTION CONVOY US 8.

1. Ref 1 Aust Corps Adm Instn No. 42, dated 8 Jan 41, the following amendments and additions are made.

Para of 1 Aust Corps Adm Instn	Remarks
1. Arrival	Date & place of disembarkation - see schedule attached.
2. Units & Strengths 4. Lines and 5. Foster Units	Delete Appx "A" and see detail in schedule att.
12. Change of location units in camps	Delete Serials 1, 2, 10 and 13. Serial 4 new location FOOT Lines, QASTINA
13. Plans of camp	HILL 69. Transfer units from HODGSON to L8 " " " MILLS to L7 " " " BROCKMAN to L6 " location of HQ to GLASSFURD

2. Train timings will be issued later.

3. Liaison Offrs will report to A.Q.M.G., A.I.F. Base Area, GAZA, at 1600 hrs 25 Jan 41.

J.F. Lyne

Lt-Col.
A.Q.M.G. A.I.F. Base Area.

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DISEMBARK		Serial No	Aust Serial No	UNIT	STRENGTH				Detrain	Thence by	T		Foster Unit
Place	Date				Offrs	Wcs & Sgts	CRs	Total			Camp	Lines	
JUEZ	28 or 29	13	160	Corps Sigs (less No 3 Coy) and 1st Reinfets	27	44	509	660	AMIRIYA			Detailed by L of C Sub-Area	
	ex SLAMAT	37	430	Details Sigs 9 Div	16	12	238	260	MAJDAL	M.T.	JULIS	McNASH	from 7 Aust Div
		16	229	Details Sigs 7 Div	1	-	11	12	DEIR SUNEID	March Baggage by M.T.	DIMRA	COX	Sigs 7 Div
		42		Det 6 A.G.H. A.A.N.S.	1 4	- -	- -	1 4	GAZA "	M.T. "	GAZA RIDGE "	FEATH-ERSTON "	1 A.G.H. "
KANT-ARA	29	5	295	Corps Pet Pk & 1st Reinfets	17	25	678	720	MAJDAL	M.T.	HILL 69	L 6	from 9 Aust Div
	ex RACNA 0500	33	394	2/3 Fd Amb & Reinfets	12	17	216	245	MAJDAL	M.T.	KHASSA	McNICOLL	from 7 Aust Div
		54	186	Reinfets 2/1 MG Bn	6	4	100	110	BEIT JIRJA	March Baggage by M.T.	BEIT JIRJA	?	Reinfet Depot
				A.A.N.S.	4	-	-	4	GAZA	M.T.	GAZA RIDGE	FEATH-ERSTON	1 A.G.H.
CHRISTIAN HURGENS 1000	29	23	335	Hq 24 Inf Bde & 1 Sec	10	5	54	69	MAJDAL	M.T.	KHASSA	HQ	from 7 Aust Div
	29	300	24 A Tk Coy	4	5	73	82	"	"	"	"	"	
	1000	10	291	2/2 MG Bn & Reinfets	33	54	732	824	"	"	"	CNSLOW	"

DISEMBARK		Serial No.	Aust Serial No.	UNIT.	STRENGTH				Detrain	Thence by	TO		Foster Unit.
Place	Date				Offrs.	WOs & Sgts.	ORs	Total			Camp	Lines	
KANTARA	29			M.G. Bn. Details	1	-	-	1	NOT YET DETERMINED.				
		1	347	2/3 CCS & Reinfts.	9	12	77	98	MAJDAL	M.T.	HILL 69	GLASS- PURE	from 9 Aust Div.
		26	402	Mob Laundry 9 Aust Div.	2	8	125	135	"	"	"	ROBERT- SON	"
		57		Salvation Army	1	-	-	1	BEIT JIRJA	March	BEIT JIRJA		Reinft Depot
		21	436	AASC 9 Aust Div	1	-	-	1	MAJDAL	M.T.	HILL 69	HQ	from 9 Aust Div.
				AANS	8	-	-	8	GAZA	M.T.	GAZA RIDGE	FEATHER- STON	1 A.G.H.
		3	154	Corps Tps Sup Col	21	28	633	682	MAJDAL	M.T.	HILL 69	L8	from 9 Aust Div
RAJULA	ex 1400	52	173	Reinf. 2/9 Bn.	14	12	279	305	BEIT JIRJA	March Baggage by M.T.	BEIT JIRJA		Reinft Depot
		42		Det 6 A.G.H.	2	-	-	2	GAZA	M.T.	GAZA RIDGE	FEATH- ERSTON	1 A.G.H.
				AANS	-	4	-	4	"	"	"	"	"
		20	235	2/15 Bn & Reinfts	41	43	855	939	KILO 89	March Baggage by M.T.	KILO 89	HOLMES	from 7 Aust Div.
INDRA POENA	ex 0530	42		Det 6 A.G.H.	1	-	-	1	GAZA	M.T.	GAZA RIDGE	FEATH- ERSTON	1 A.G.H.
		"		AANS	4	-	-	4	"	"	"	"	"

DISEMBARK		Ser- ial No.	Aust Serial No.	U N I T.	STRENGTH				Detrain	Thence by	TO		Page 3. Foster Unit
Place	Date				Offrs	WOs & Sgts	ORs	Total			Camp	Lines	
KANTARA	30	25	401	9 Aust Div Mob Bath	1	1	18	20	MAJDAL	M.T.	HILL 69	ROBERTSON	from 9 Aust Div
	ex	24	437	9 Aust Div Sup Coll.	8	16	273	297	"	"	"	"	"
JOHANN	27	403		9 Aust Div Salvage Unit	1	2	39	42	"	"	"	"	"
DE	21	436		HQ 9 Aust Div AASC	1	-	-	1	"	"	"	HQ	"
WITT	12	272		2/3 A Fd. Wkshop	8	50	301	359	KILO 89	March Baggage by M.T.	KILO 89	SQUIRES	from 7 Aust Div.
1000	34	397		2/4 Fd. Hyg Sec & Reinfts.	1	4	24	29	MAJDAL	M.T.	KHASSA	MONICOLL	"
	39	345		1 Sup Per Sec AASC	1	2	17	20	MAJDAL	-	MAJDAL	SUPPLY DEPOT	
	40	346		2 Sup Per Sec AASC	1	2	17	20	IKINGI MARYUT	ARRANGED BY BASE	SUB - AREA		
	30	389		76 L.A.D.	1	1	11	13	MAJDAL	M.T.	KHASSA	HQ	from 7 Aust Div.
	11	345		77 L.A.D.	1	1	10	12	"	"	"	ONSLow	"
				Medical Party A.A.N.S.	2 4	- -	- -	2 4	GAZA	M.T.	GAZA RIDGE	FEATH- ERSTON	1 A. G.H.
	58 62			Y.M.C.A. Reinft Details & Stragglers	1 1	- -	- 3	1 4	BEIT JIRJA	March Baggage by M.T.	BEIT JIRJA		Reinft Depot.

DESEMBARE		Serial No	Serial No	UNIT	STRENGTH			Total	Location	Thence by	Name	Rank	Remarks
Place	Date				Officers	WOs & Sgts	Other						
KAN-TARA	30 ex NIEU ZEE-LAND 1600	31	7 387	2/28 Bn	41	47	859	947	MAJDAI	M.T.	KHASSA	WILSON	From 7 Aust Div
				Medical Party	2	-	-	2	GAZA	M.T.	GAZA RIDGE	FEATHER-STON	L.A.G.H.
				AMNS	4	-	-	4	"	"	"	"	"
BAIFA	30 ex DEVON-SHIRE	6	267	3 Lt AA Regt & Reinfets	38	51	657	741	MAJDAI	M.T.	KHASSA	JESS	From 7 Aust Div
		7	289	3 Lt AA Sig Sec & Reinfets	1	1	33	35	"	"	"	"	"
		8	355	67 LAD	1	1	11	13	"	"	"	"	"
		9	423	3 Lt AA Regt Wkshop & Reinfets	1	1	34	36	"	"	"	"	"
		19	251	2/6 Fd Amb & Reinfets	12	17	215	244	DIMRA	March Baggage by M.T.	LIMRA	MCGAY	"
				HQ Adv Crd Wkshop	1	1	-	2	BEIT JIRJA	"	BEIT JIRJA		Reinfet Depct
		51	141	Reinfet 2/6 Bn	7	7	140	154	"	"	"		"
		53	176	" 2/12 Bn	1	1	43	45	"	"	"		"
		56		Details 23 Bn	-	1	1	2	"	"	"		"
		62		Stragglers	1	3	145	149	"	"	"		"
				AMNS	4	-	-	4	GAZA	M.T.	GAZA RIDGE	FEATHER-STON	L.A.G.H.

Place	Date	Serial No	Aust Serial No	UNIT	STRENGTH				Detrain	Thence by	Camp	Lines	Unit	
					Offrs	Wcs & Sgts	CRs	Total						
HAIFA	30	4	157	Corps Amn Pk	22	32	667	721	MAJIAL	M.T.	HILL 69	L 7	From 9 Aust Div	
	ex	22	438	Amn Coy 9 Aust Div	4	5	147	156	"	"	"	GLASS-FURI	"	
	LIL-WARA	35	369	2/4 Fd Pk Coy & Reinfcts	3	9	154	166	"	"	KHASSA	McNICOLL	From 7 Aust Div	
		53	176	Reinfcts 2/12 Bn	6	7	149	153	BEIT JIRJA	March baggage by M.T.	BEIT JIRJA		Reinfct Depot	
		41-44	347-348	6 A.G.H.	21	17	131	169	GAZA RIDGE	"	GAZA RIDGE	FEATHERSTON	1 A.G.H.	
				" AANS	35	-	-	35	"	"	"	"	"	"
				Medical Cases	-	-	20	20	Special arrangements by 5 A.G.H.					
KAN-TARA	31	15	159	1 ord Fd Pk & Reinfcts	18	26	362	406	BARBARA	March Baggage by M.T.	BARBARA	WISDOM	B.O.I.	
LANCASHIRE	12	272	2/3 A Fd Wkshp & Reinfcts	3	16	127	146	KILO 29	"	KILO 29	SQUIRES	from 7 Aust Div		
	23	439	Pet Coy 9 Aust Div	3	1	129	133	MAJDAL	M.T.	HILL 69	GLASS-FURD	from 5 Aust Div		
	2	301	1 MAC & Reinfcts		14	210	232	"	"	"	ROBERTSON	"		
	36	370	72 EAD	1	1	11	13	"	"	KHASSA	McNICOLL	from 7 Aust Div		
	17	212	7 Div Cav Regt & Reinfcts	30	36	430	504	DIMRA	March Baggage by M.T.	LIMRA	TIVEY	"		

Place	Date	Serial No	Aust Serial No	UNIT	Strength			Total	Main	Whence	Camp	Lines	Remarks
					Offrs	W's & Sgts	Q's						
KAN-TARA	31	10	213	50 LAI	1	1	10	12	LIMRA	March	LIMRA	TIVEY	from 7 Aust Div
	ex LANCA-SHIRE 0530	57-58 63 62	-	YMCA Salv Army Chap. 2/1 Pnr Pn	3	-	1	4	BETT JIRJA	"	BETT JIRJA		Reinfct Depot
		41	347	AANS	4	-	-	4	GAZA	M.T.	GAZA RIDGE	FEATH-ERSTON	1 AGH
NEV-ASSA 1000	31	46	317	4 A.G.H.	23	22	129	174	ALD EL QADIR	Arrangements made by L of C Sub-Area			
	ex	45&47	"	AANS & Masseuses	19	-	-	19	"	"	"	"	"
		32	342	2/43 & Reinfcts Bn	34	52	302	948	MAJMAL	M.T.	KHASSA	MARTYN	from 7 Aust Div
		53	176	Reinfcts 2/52 Bn	6	6	98	110	BETT JIRJA	March Baggage by M.T.	BETT JIRJA		Reinfct Depot
		48		Dets 7 Div Sup Col	1	-	-	1					
		49		" " Pet Coy	1	-	-	1					
				" 1 Aust Corps	1	-	-	1					
	57-58 59		Salv Army & Y.M.C.A. Ca nteens Red Cross	2 1 1	- - -	- - -	2 1 1						