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1 Australian Corps General Branch (1 Aust Corps 'G' Branch)

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1 AUST CORPS AND ATT TPS
LOCATION STATEMENT (by Groups)
as at 2359 hrs 7 Oct 41

(1) HQ 1 Aust Corps and Units under Comd

HQ UNITS		
Adv HQ 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	138208
Rear HQ 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	138208
1 Aust Corps Int Sec	ALEY	138208
1 Aust Corps 'A' Sec FSS	ALEY	138208
279 Sec FSS (less dets at Homs, and Qatana)	Wavell Barracks BAALBEK	195228
'E' Coy Aust HQ Gd Bn -		
HQ & 18, 19, 20 Pls	ALEY	13802070
17 Pl	ALEY	13752085
Arty		
HQ RAA 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	138208
HQ 1 Aust Svy Regt, 90 LAD	CHOUEIFAT area	13052094
HQ 1 Bty) B tp) C tp)	BAALBEK area	18642230
F tp (less one sec at PALMYRA)	QATANA area	18251728
14 Coast Regt RA -		
A/M Bty) B/M Bty)	EL MINA area	159279
Engrs		
HQ RAE 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	138208
2/9 Aust A Fd Coy	ALEPPO	16342775
2/14 Aust A Fd Coy	QOUCEIR	229285
2/15 Aust A Fd Coy (less det at TRIPOLI)	HOMS	242311
23 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy, 65 LAD	ALMA	16602770
Sigs		
HQ 1 Aust Corps Sigs	ALEY	138208
ASC		
Det 1 Ech Aust C T Sup Col	Quartier Granger, BEYROUTH	12812164
2 Sub Pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk (less det)	CHOUEIFAT area	132209
Det 2 Sub Pk	TRIPOLI area	162278
4 Sub Pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk	CHOUEIFAT area	129208
1 Aust Corps Pet Pk	BERAGINI	132212
2 Aust Sup Per Sec) 3 Aust Sup Per Sec)	TRIPOLI (Legoult Barracks)	16302775
4 Aust Sup Per Sec) 5 Aust Sup Per Sec)	BAALBEK	195229
6 Aust Sup Per Sec	ALEPPO	283473
25 Army Tk Bde Coy RASC (129 Res MT Coy)	HOMS (moving to BEYROUTH 10 Oct)	242309
Det 2 Aust AA Regt AASC Sec	TRIPOLI (Legoult Barracks)	16302775
Det 2 Aust AA Regt AASC Sec	RAYAK	175213
1 Mob Vet Sec	ABLAH	172214
4 Mob Vet Sec	BAALBEK	195228
Medical		
2/13 Aust Fd Amb	DHOUR CHOUER	14802190
2/3 Aust Fd Hyg Sec	EL QRAYE	14512072
1 Aust MAC - A Sec) B Sec)	JAMHOUR	13452110
HQ 2 MAC		14552070

Medical(cont'd)		
2/1 Aust CCS	Mental Hospital	133213
2/3 Aust CCS	Italian School BEYROUTH	
1 Aust Mob Bact Lab	BEYROUTH (att 2/3 Aust CCS)	
2 Malaria Fd Lab	AIN SOFAR	14752075
Det 2 Aust Base Depot Med Stores	BEYROUTH	
Ord		
2/2 Aust A Fd Wkshop -		
Mainshop	ABLÆH	172214
4 Rec Sec (less det at ALEPPO)	Qartier Petain Barracks	BEYROUTH
5 Rec Sec	MEZZE	199174
2/3 Aust A Fd Wkshop (less three rec secs)	Franchet D'Esperey Barracks, BEYRUOTH	13002155
1 Aust Ord Fd Pk -		
1 Corps Sec	MEZZE	199174
3 Corps Sec	BEYROUTH	13002155
A Div Sec	H4 - temporarily det: under comd HQ BF in P & TJ	
3 Replacement Veh Sec	BEYROUTH	13002155
1 Aust L of C Rec Sec	BARBARA	
6 L of C Rec Sec	BEYROUTH	13002155
Pay		
1 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office	ALEY	138208
Postal		
1 Aust Corps Postal Unit	Rue du Liban, BEYROUTH	
Pro		
1 Aust Corps Pro Coy (less two secs and one det)	ALEY	138208
Two Secs	BEYROUTH	
One Det	DAMASCUS	
Miscellaneous		
1 Aust Corps Emp Pl	ALEY	138208
1 Aust Corps Graves Registration & Enquiries Unit (less one det)	DAMASCUS	
One det		13152110
1 Aust Corps Salvage Unit (less dets)	BEYROUTH	13012157
1 Aust Corps Reception Camp		13152110
1 MH and Infm Sec	ALEY	138208

(2) 7 AUST DIV & ATT TPS

(a) HQ 7 Aust Div and Units under Comd

HQ Units		
HQ 7 Aust Div, Int Sec, 'C' Sec FSS) HQ C Coy and 10 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn)	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777
Cav		
7 Aust Div Cav Regt, less A Sqn) 'C' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div, 50 LAD)	LATTAQUIE area	15984006
A Sqn		177442
Arty		
HQ RAA 7 Aust Div	EL KALMOUNE area	15812722
HQ 2/4 Aust Fd Regt, 51 LAD) 7 Fd Bty) 8 Fd Bty) 'E' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div)	JDAIDE area	16622692
HQ 2/5 Aust Fd Regt, 52 LAD) 9 Fd Bty) 10 Fd Bty) 'F' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div)	BSARMA	16062655
HQ 2/6 Aust Fd Regt, 53 LAD) 11 Fd Bty) 12 Fd Bty) 'G' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div)	JDAIDE (Monastery)	16562688

Arty (cont'd)		
HQ 2 Aust A Tk Regt, 54 LAD 5 Bty 6 Bty 7 Bty 8 Bty H Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div	BSARMA (Convent)	16172658
1 Aust Svy Regt - HQ 2 Bty A tp D tp E tp	JDAIDE area	166269
Engrs		
HQ RAE 7 Aust Div	DAHER EL AIN area	16172765
2/5 Aust Fd Coy	Legoult Barracks TRIPOLI	16312775
2/6 Aust Fd Coy		16812755
25 Aust Fd Pk Coy, 55 LAD		16652763
Sigs		
HQ Sigs 7 Aust Div, 56 LAD	Rue L'Eveque, TRIPOLI	16072777
1 Coy Sigs 7 Aust Div,	DEDDE	15752713
MG		
2/3 Aust MG Bn (less B Coy) 66 LAD	Beach Area from 152271 to 159275 (HQ 15952746)	
B Coy	Legoult Barracks	16302775
ASC		
HQ AASC 7 Aust Div	DAHER EL AIN area	16172765
No 4 AASC Coy 7 Aust Div (7 Aust Div Amn Coy)		16352770
No 5 AASC Coy 7 Aust Div (7 Aust Div Pet Coy)	DAHER EL AIN	16152730
No 6 AASC Coy 7 Aust Div (3 Sub Pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk)	CHEKKA	15252655
4 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	MADJLAYA Area	16462742
10 Ind Mule Coy	CHEKKA Area	15082650
12 Ind Mule Coy	CHEKKA Area	15082650
Medical		
HQ 2/4 Aust Fd Amb	Italian Hosp TRIPOLI	16042777
A Coy	BTERRAM area	15852659
B Coy	Italian Hosp, TRIPOLI	16042777
HQ 2/6 Aust Fd Amb A Coy B Coy	ACHACHE	17012749
HQ 14 Lt Fd Amb A Sec B Sec	Hosp Legoult	16302775
1 Aust Anti-Malaria Control Unit 2 Aust Anti-Malaria Control Unit	EL MINA	159279
2/2 Aust Fd Hyg Sec	Cement Works, CHEKKA	14962635
7 Aust Dental Unit	ABA area	160267
9 Aust Dental Unit	LATTAQUIE	15983996
Ord		
2/3 Aust A Fd Wkshop -		
7 Aust Rec Sec	DAHER EL AIN	16142727
8 Aust Rec Sec	East of TRIPOLI	16512762
9 Aust Rec Sec	Legoult Barracks	16302775
1 Aust Ord Fd Pk -		
B Div Sec	ALEPPO	283473
C Div Sec	East of TRIPOLI (with 8 Aust Rec.Sec)	16512762
Pay		
7 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777

Postal		
7 Aust Div Postal Unit	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777
Pro		
7 Aust Div Pro Coy (less det at ALEPPO)	Prevote TRIPOLI	16122774
Miscellaneous		
7 Aust Div Emp Pl	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777
7 Aust Div Mob Bath Unit	Legoult Barracks	16302775
7 Aust Div Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit	Legoult Barracks	16302775
7 Aust Dic Sec Reception Camp		15252710
7 Aust Div Salvage Unit		16352771
3 MH and Infm Sec	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777

(b) 17 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde (5 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn, 'J' Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div, 46 LAD)	KFAR AKKA	16052623
2/3 Aust Inf Bn (less A,C,D.Coys)	BECH MEZZINE	15702646
A Coy	CHEKKA	150264
C Coy	EL MINA	15932788
D Coy	KFAR HAZIR	15502635
2/5 Aust Inf Bn (less D Coy)	LES CEDRES area	18012559
D Coy	HASROUN area	17362555
HQ 2/2 Aust Pnr Bn	IPC area	16572803
HQ Coy	IPC area	16682801
C Coy) D Coy)	IPC area	16512798

(c) 21 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 21 Aust Inf Bde (9 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn, 'K' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div, 59 LAD)	MADJLAYA	16422752
2/14 Aust Inf Bn (less A & C Coys)	SRAR Area	17512756
A Coy		17672765
C Coy	SRAR Area	17632755
HQ 2/16 Aust Inf Bn	SIR Area	17822713
HQ Coy	SIR Area	17752715
A Coy (9 Pl at 19262683)		18982694
B Coy		17832701
C Coy) D Coy)		17812702
2/27 Aust Inf Bn (less A & B Coys)		17632745
A Coy) B Coy)	HAZINIYE Area	17722742

(d) 25 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde (12 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn, L Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div, 44 LAD)	Legoult Barracks	16312773
2/25 Aust Inf Bn	Caserne Bejat Ghanim, TRIPOLI	16302775
2/31 Aust Inf Bn	MERIATA	16922753
2/33 Aust Inf Bn	Legoult Barracks	16312773

(3) 6 DIV & ATT TPS

(a) HQ 6 Div and Units under Comd

HQ Units		
HQ 6 Div, Int Sec	Wavell Barracks BAALBEK	195228
HQ 6 Aust Div (adv party) det 279 sec FSS	BAALBEK area	195228

Cav		
HQ 9 Aust Div Cav Regt 82 LAD A Sqn B Sqn C Sqn	ALEPPO	283473
'L' Mech Sqn TJFF	PALMYRA	385289
Engrs		
HQ RE 6 Div	Wavell Barracks BAALBEK	195228
2/2 Aust Fd Coy	QATANA	183166
2/4 Aust Fd Coy	RAS BAALBEK	214257
Det 2/8 Aust Fd Coy	BAALBEK Area	195228
54 Fd Coy (less one sec at QATANA)	BAALBEK	195228
22 Aust Fd Pk Coy, 80 LAD	RAYAK	175212
Sigs		
Det 6 Div Sigs	Wavell Barracks, BAALBEK	195228
6 Aust Div Sigs (less 2 & 3 Coys) 42 LAD	Wavell Barracks, BAALBEK	195228
Pnrs		
2/2 Aust Pnr Bn -		
A Coy	DJEDEIDE	211255
B Coy	RAYAK	175213
Labour		
1217 Ind Labour Coy	RAS BAALBEK Area	2125
ASC		
HQ RASC 6 Div	Wavell Barracks BAALBEK	195228
1 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	BAALBEK area	
6 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	BAALBEK area	
6 Ind Mule Coy	ABLAH Area	171215
17 Ind Mule Coy	BAALBEK area	
Medical		
HQ 2/2 Aust Fd Amb Two coys	HOMS	242309
HQ 2/5 Aust Fd Amb One coy	HOMS (moving shortly to ALEPPO)	242309
One Coy	RAS BAALBEK	214257
HQ 215 Fd Amb A Coy B Coy	ZAHLE (one coy moving shortly to ZEBEDANI)	165212
'C' Sec 14 Lt Fd Amb	Wavell Barracks BAALBEK	195228
11 Anti-Malaria Control Unit	QOUCEIR	229285
Postal		
6 Div Postal Unit (less bde dets)	Wavell Barracks BAALBEK	195228
Pro		
6 Div Pro Coy (less dets)	Wavell Barracks BAALBEK	195228
Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy	Wavell Barracks BAALBEK	195228
Miscellaneous		
6 Div Salvage Unit	BAALBEK	195228
8 Mob Laundry	DOUMMAR	197177
One Mob Meteor Unit (RAF)	BAALBEK Range	186224
19 Mob Bath Unit	(att 14 Inf Bde)	17362138

(b) **14 Inf Bde Gp**

HQ 14 Inf Bde & det 279 Sec FSS	QATANA	183166
HQ 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt, 1 A Fd Regt Sig Sec, 70 LAD		18201725
21 A Fd Bty		180172
22 A Fd Bty		179172

14 Inf Bde Gp (cont'd)		
1 Bedfs Herts		18321682
2 Y & L		17731704
2 Black Watch		18031682
14 Inf Bde Gp Coy RASC		18571659
'D' Sec 14 Lt Fd Amb	QATANA	183166
One Sub Sec 6 Div Pro Coy	QATANA	183166

(c) 18 Aust Inf Bde Gp

HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde, sigs, 47 LAD) 255 Sec FSS, 'B' Sec 1 Aust) Corps FSS)	ALEPPO	283473
HQ Royals	ALEPPO	283473
A Sqn	ALEPPO	283473
B Sqn	KARIBACHE	248502
HQ 2/9 Aust A Fd Regt, 2 A Fd) Regt Sig Sec, 68 LAD) 17 A Fd Bty) 18 A Fd Bty)	ALEPPO	283473
2/9 Aust Inf Bn	ALEPPO	283473
2/12 Aust Inf Bn	ALEPPO	283473
Det 11 E Czechoslovak Bn	HADAOU	
7 Aust Div Sup Col	EL AINE (moving shortly to ALEPPO)	211253
23 Inf Bde Gp Coy RASC	ALEPPO	283473
189 Fd Amb	French Military Hosp ALEPPO	
One Sub Sec 6 Div Pro Coy	ALEPPO	283473
Det 205 Pro Coy	ALEPPO	283473

(d) 19 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde, sigs, 79 LAD) 2/4 Aust Inf Bn) 2/8 Aust Inf Bn) 2/10 Aust Inf Bn)	DJEIDE area	2125

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84 L of C Sub Area	1	3 Replacement Veh Sec	1
85 L of C Sub Area	1	2 Aust Adv Ord Depot	1
CCRA	1	3 Adv Ord Depot	4
CRE 1 Aust C Tps	1	Fd Ord Depot DAMASCUS	1
CSO	1	1 Aust Ord Fd Depot	1
GOC	1	Fd Ord Depot BEYROUTH	1
BGS	1	2/3 Aust Fd Hyg Sec	1
G	1	6 Div Postal Unit	1
I	2	1 AIF Printing and Stationery Depot BEYROUTH	1
A	1	HQ BF in P & TJ	6
Q	4	HQ 10 Corps	4
SLO	1	HQ AIF (ME)	3
CE	1	HQ AIF Base Area	2
DDST	3	O 2 E AIF (ME)	1
DDMS	1	6 Aust Div	2
ADMS (Dental)	1	Aust LO GHQ (MEF)	1
DADH	1	Movement Control BEYROUTH	1
ADOS	2	Movement Control TRIPOLI	1
DADOS	1	Movement Control HAIFA	1
APM	1	RTO RAYAK	1
DADPS	2	RTO HOMS	1
1 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office	1	RTO ALEPPO	1
1 Aust Corps Sigs	4	HAIFA Fortress Area	1
Sig Office	2	Army Post Office HAIFA	1
1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	1	War Diary	2
1 Aust Corps Fd Pun Centre (at 14452070)	1	File	6
1 Aust Corps Pro Coy	1		
1 Aust Corps Salvage Unit	1		
1 MH and Infm Sec	1		

To HQ 1 Aust Corps

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Date Oct 41 ..... (Rank)

(Unit)

APPX 'A' to Location Statement as at 2359 hrs 7 Oct 41.
Units NOT under Comd 1 Aust Corps but in Corps Area.

Unit	Location	Remarks
HQ 10 Corps (less Sigs)	BHAMDOUN 14352075	Under comd HQ BF in P & TJ
Det 14 Coast Regt RA	TRIPOLI 15922790	" " "
HQ 171 Lt AA Bty Two Tps	TRIPOLI 15922790	Under comd 1 Aust AA Bde
One tp	BEYROUTH	" " "
4 Aust Hy AA Bty	TRIPOLI 16172783	" " "
Det 1 Aust AA Bde Sig Sec Det 57 Lt AA Regt Sig Sec 1 Aust Lt AA Regt Wkshop Sec	TRIPOLI	" " "
HQ 2 Aust Hy AA Regt 6 Aust Hy AA Bty 2 Aust Hy AA Regt Sig Sec 2 Aust Hy AA Regt Wkshop Sec	BEYROUTH	" " "
One tp 170 Lt AA Bty	BEYROUTH aerodrome	" " "
7 CRE Aerodromes	ALEPPO (att 18 Aust Inf Bde)	Under direct comd E-in-C GHQ (MEF)
660 General Construction Coy RE	RAYAK Aerodrome	Under control 7 CRE Aerodromes
138 Mech Eqpt Coy -		
1/4 Fwd Construction Gp	HAMA	" " "
2/4 " " "	ALEPPO	" " "
1 Sec 1 Aust Svy Coy RAE	QATANA	
Adv Remount Sqn, SYRIA	HOMS - 242309'	Under Comd HQ BF in P & TJ
Det 3 Res MT Coy	ALEPPO	" " "
Det 4 Bulk Pet Storage Coy	ALEPPO	" " "

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'E' Coy Aust HQ Gd Bn -		
HQ & 18, 19, 20 Pls	ALEY	13802070
17 Pl	ALEY	13752085
Arty		
HQ RAA 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	138208
HQ 1 Aust Svy Regt, 90 Aust LAD	CHOUEIFAT area	13052094
HQ 1 Bty) B tp)	BAALBEK area	18642230
C tp) F tp (less one sec at PALMYRA)	QATANA area	18251728
14 Coast Regt RA -		
A/M Bty) B/M Bty)	Pt 37	16662806
Engrs		
HQ RAE 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	138208
2/9 Aust A Fd Coy	ALEPPO aerodrome	286470
2/14 Aust A Fd Coy	QOUCEIR	229285.
2/15 Aust A Fd Coy (less det at TRIPOLI)	HOMS area	242311
23 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy, 65 Aust LAD	ALMA	16602770
Sigs		
HQ Sigs 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	138208
ASC		
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Det 2 Sub Pk	TRIPOLI area	162278
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1 Aust Corps Pet Pk	BERAGINI	132212
2 Aust Sup Per Sec) 3 Aust Sup Per Sec)	TRIPOLI (Legoult Barracks)	16302775
4 Aust Sup Per Sec) 5 Aust Sup Per Sec)	BAALBEK	195229
6 Aust Sup Per Sec	ALEPPO (near ry sta)	283473
Det 2 Aust AA Regt AASC Sec	TRIPOLI (Legoult Barracks)	16302775
Det 2 Aust AA Regt AASC Sec	RAYAK	175213
Vet		
1 Mob Vet Sec	ABLAH	172214
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1 Aust MAC -		
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HQ 2 MAC		14552070

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6 Rec Sec	ABLAH	172214
2/3 Aust A Fd Wkshop (less three rec secs)	Franchet D'Esperey Barracks, BEYROUTH	13002155
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A Div Sec	H4 - temporarily det: under comd HQ BF in P & TJ	
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1 Aust L of C Rec Sec	BARBARA	
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Postal		
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1 Aust Corps Emp Pl	ALEY	138208
1 Aust Corps Graves Registration & Enquiries Unit (less one det)	DAMASCUS	
One det		13152110
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1 Aust Svy Regt - HQ 3 Bty A tp D tp E tp		16842684
Engrs		
HQ RAE 7 Aust Div	DAHER EL AIN area	16172765
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Sigs		
HQ Sigs 7 Aust Div, 56 Aust LAD	Rue L'Eveque, TRIPOLI	16072777
1 Coy Sigs 7 Aust Div	DEDDE	15952713
MG		
HQ 2/3 Aust MG Bn, 66 Aust LAD	CARACOL	15912742
HQ Coy	FIH	15642676
A Coy	CARACOL	15912742
B Coy	Legoult Barracks	16302775
C Coy		15762734
D Coy	RAMLIEH	16812747
ASC		
HQ AASC 7 Aust Div	DAHER EL AIN area	16172765
No 4 AASC Coy 7 Aust Div (7 Aust Div Amn Coy)		16352770
No 5 AASC Coy 7 Aust Div (7 Aust Div Pet Coy)	DAHER EL AIN	16152730
No 6 AASC Coy 7 Aust Div (3 Sub Pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk)	CHEKKA	15252655
4 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	MADJLAYA area	16462742
10 Ind Mule Coy		16522741
12 Ind Mule Coy		16522741
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A Coy	BTERRAM area	15852659
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7 Aust Div Sec Reception Camp		15252710
7 Aust Div Salvage		16352771
3 MH and Infm Sec	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777

(b) 17 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde 'J' Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div 46 Aust LAD 5 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn	KFAR AKKA	16052623
2/3 Aust Inf Bn (less A,C,D Coys)	BECH MEZZINE	15702646
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C Coy	EL MINA	15932788
D Coy	KFAR HAZIR	15502635
HQ 2/5 Aust Inf Bn	LES CEDRES area	18012559
A Coy	" "	17972511
B Coy	"	18222539
C Coy		18402561
D Coy	HASROUN area	17362555

(c) 18 Aust Inf Bde Gp

HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde 'J' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div 47 Aust LAD 'B' Sec FSS 1 Aust Corps 255 Sec FSS	ALEPPO	283473
9 Aust Div Cav Regt 82 Aust LAD	ALEPPO aerodrome	286470
HQ Royals A Sqn B Sqn	Varnieres Barracks, ALEPPO	283473
HQ 2/9 Aust A Fd Regt 2 A Fd Regt Sigs Sec 68 Aust LAD 17 Bty 18 Bty	ALEPPO aerodrome	286470
2/9 Aust Inf Bn	IDLIB	235442
2/10 Aust Inf Bn	ALEPPO	283473
2/12 Aust Inf Bn	Quartier Vinq Barracks, ALEPPO	283473
7 Aust Div Sup Coln	Alexandretta Rd, ALEPPO	283473
2/5 Aust Fd Amb	Italian Hosp, ALEPPO	283473
2/3 Aust A Fd Wkshop -		
9 Rec Sec	Varnieres Barracks, ALEPPO	283473
1 Aust Ord Fd Pk -		
B Div Sec	Varnieres Barracks, ALEPPO	283473
Sec 7 Aust Div Pro Coy	ALEPPO West	282473

(d) 21 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 21 Aust Inf Bde 'K' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div 59 Aust LAD 9 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn	MADJLAYA	16422752
2/14 Aust Inf Bn (less A & C Coys)	SRAR area	17512756
A Coy		17672765
C Coy	SRAR area	17632755
HQ 2/16 Aust Inf Bn	SIR area	17822713
HQ Coy	SIR area	17752715
A Coy (9 Pl at 19252680)		18592700
B Coy		18162694
C Coy		17812702
D Coy		18682648
2/27 Aust Inf Bn (less A & B Coys)		17632745
A Coy B Coy	HAZINIYE area	17722742

(e) 25 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde 'L' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div 44 Aust LAD 12 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn	Legoult Barracks	16312773
2/25 Aust Inf Bn	Caserne Bejat Ghanim, TRIPOLI	16302775
2/31 Aust Inf Bn	MERIATA	16922753
2/33 Aust Inf Bn	Legoult Barracks	16312773

(3) 6 AUST DIV & ATT TPS

(a) HQ 6 Aust Div and Units under Comd

HQ Units		
HQ 6 Aust Div Int Sec 279 Sec FSS (less dets at HOMS & QATANA) 'B' Coy Aust HQ Gd Bn (less three Pls)	Wavell Barracks, BAALBEK	195228
Cav		
'L' Mech Sqn TJFF	PALMYRA	385289
Arty		
HQ RAA 6 Aust Div	Wavell Barracks, BAALBEK	195228
Engrs		
HQ RAE 6 Aust Div	Wavell Barracks, BAALBEK	195228
2/1 Aust Fd Coy	DEIR AASHAIR area	17551804
2/2 Aust Fd Coy	QATANA	183166
2/8 Aust Fd Coy	BAALBEK (Moving shortly to DJEDEIDE area)	195228
22 Aust Fd Pk Coy, 80 Aust LAD	RAYAK	175212
Sigs		
HQ Sigs 6 Aust Div, 42 Aust LAD	Wavell Barracks, BAALBEK	195228
Pnrs		
HQ 2/2 Aust Pnr Bn	I.P.C. area	16572803
HQ Coy	I.P.C. area	16682801
A Coy	DJEDEIDE	211255
B Coy	RAYAK	175213
C Coy D Coy	I.P.C. area	16512798
Labour		
1217 Ind Labour Coy	RAS BAALBEK area	215262

ASC		
HQ AASC 6 Aust Div	Wavell Barracks, BAALBEK	195228
6 Aust Div Amn Coy	EL AINE	211253
1 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	EL HAME	195180
6 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	BAALBEK area	
6 Ind Mule Coy	ABLAH area	171215
17 Ind Mule Coy	BAALBEK area	
Medical		
2/1 Aust Fd Amb	HOMS	242309
HQ 2/2 Aust Fd Amb) 'B' Coy)	HOMS	242309
A Coy	RAS BAALBEK	214257
215 Fd Amb (less one Coy)	ZAHLE	165212
One Coy	ZEBEDANI	
'C' Sec 14 Lt Fd Amb	Wavell Barracks, BAALBEK	195228
2/1 Aust Fd Hyg Sec	BAALBEK	195228
11 Anti-Malaria Control Unit	QOUCEIR	229285
Pay		
6 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	BAALBEK	195228
Postal		
70 Div Postal (less bde det)	Wavell Barracks, BAALBEK	195228
6 Aust Div Postal (less dets)	BAALBEK	195228
Pro		
70 Div Pro Coy (less dets)	Wavell Barracks, BAALBEK	195228
Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy	BAALBEK	195228
Det 6 Aust Div Pro Coy	DAMASCUS	
Miscellaneous		
6 Aust Div Emp Pl	BAALBEK	195228
6 Aust Div Sec Reception Camp	RAYAK	175212
70 Div Salvage	BAALBEK	195228
One Mob Meteor Unit (RAF)	BAALBEK Range	186224
19 Mob Bath	(att 14 Inf Bde)	17362138

(b) 14 Inf Bde Gp

HQ 14 Inf Bde) Det 279 Sec FSS)	QATANA	183166
HQ 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt) 1 A Fd Regt Sig Sec) 70 Aust LAD).		18201725
21 A Fd Bty		180172
22 A Fd Bty		179172
1 Bedfs Herts		18321682
2 Y & L		17731704
2 Black Watch		18031682
14 Inf Bde Gp Coy RASC		18571659
'D' Sec 14 Lt Fd Amb	QATANA	183166
One Sub Sec 70 Div Pro Coy	QATANA	183166

(c) 19 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde) 'L' Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div) 79 Aust LAD) One Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn)	EL AINE	211253
2/4 Aust Inf Bn	RAS BAALBEK Sta	214262
2/8 Aust Inf Bn	RAS BAALBEK	214257
2/11 Aust Inf Bn	RAS BAALBEK	214257

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84 L of C Sub Area	1	3 Replacement Veh Sec	1
85 L of C Sub Area	1	2 Aust Adv Ord Depot	1
CCRA	1	3 Adv Ord Depot	4
CRE 1 Aust C Tps	1	Fd Ord Depot DAMASCUS	1
CSO	1	1 Aust Ord Fd Depot	1
GOC	1	Fd Ord Depot BEYROUTH	1
BGS	1	6 Aust Div Postal	1
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I	2	HQ BF in P & TJ	6
A	1	HQ 10 Corps	4
Q	4	HQ AIF (ME)	3
SLC	1	HQ AIF (ME) Base Area	2
CE	1	O 2 E AIF (ME)	1
DDST	3	Aust LO GHQ (MEF)	1
DDMS	1	Movement Control BEYROUTH	1
ADMS (Dental)	1	Movement Control TRIPOLI	1
DADH	1	Movement Control HAIFA	1
ADOS	2	RTO RAYAK	1
DADOS	1	RTO HOMS	1
APM	1	RTO ALEPPO	1
DADPS	2	HAIFA Fortress Area	1
1 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office	1	Army Post Office HAIFA	1
Sigs 1 Aust Corps	1	War Diary	2
Sig Office	2	File	6
1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	1		
1 Aust Corps Fd Pun Centre (at 14452070)	1		
1 Aust Corps Pro Coy	1		
1 Aust Corps Salvage Unit	1		
1 MH and Infm Sec	1		

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APPX 'A' to Location Statement as at 2359 hrs 14 Oct 41.
Units NOT under Comd 1 Aust Corps but in Corps Area.

Unit	Location	Remarks
HQ 10 Corps (less Sigs)	BHAMDOUN 14352075	Under Comd HQ BF in P & TJ
Det 14 Coast Regt RA	TRIPOLI 15922790	" " "
HQ 171 Lt AA Bty) Two Tps)	TRIPOLI 15922790	Under Comd 1 Aust AA Bde
One Tp	BEYROUTH	" " "
4 Aust Hy AA Bty	TRIPOLI 16172783	" " "
Det 1 Aust AA Bde Sig Sec) Det 57 Lt AA Regt Sig Sec) 1 Aust Lt AA Regt Wkshop Sec)	TRIPOLI	" " "
HQ 2 Aust Hy AA Regt) 6 Aust Hy AA Bty) 2 Aust Hy AA Regt Sig Sec) 2 Aust Hy AA Regt Wkshop Sec)	BEYROUTH	" " "
One tp 170 Lt AA Bty	BEYROUTH aerodrome	" " "
7 CRE Aerodromes	ALEPPO aerodrome (att 18 Aust Inf Bde) Under direct Comd E-in-C GHQ (MEF)	
660 General Construction Coy RE	RAYAK Aerodrome	Under control 7 CRE Aerodromes
138 Mech Eqpt Coy -		
1/4 Fwd Construction Gp	HAMA	" " "
2/4 " " "	ALEPPO	" " "
1 Sec 1 Aust Svy Coy RAE	QATANA	
Adv Remount Sqn, SYRIA	HOMS 242309	Under Comd HQ BF in P & TJ
Remount Depot	ALEPPO	" " "
"B" Sec 3 Res MT Coy	ALEPPO Aerodrome	" " "
53 Res MT Coy	Beach Area 15952740	" " "
Det 4 Bulk Pet Storage Coy	ALEPPO (near ry sta)	" " "
HQ 3 Adv Amn Depot	TALIA	" " "
Det Aust Base Amn Depot	TALIA	" " "

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1 AUST CORPS AND ATT TPS

LOCATION STATEMENT (by groups) as at 2359 hrs 21 Oct 41

(1) HQ 1 Aust Corps and Units under Comd

HQ UNITS		
Adv HQ 1 Aust Corps)		
Rear HQ 1 Aust Corps)	ALEY	138208
1 Aust Corps Int Sec)		
'A' Sec Aust FSS)		
HQ 'E' Coy and 18, 19, 20 Pls,)	ALEY	13802070
Aust HQ Gd Bn)		
17 Pl	ALEY	13752085
Arty		
HQ RAA 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	138208
HQ 2/1 Aust Svy Regt, 90 Aust LAD	CHOUEIFAT area	13052094
HQ 1 Bty)		
B tp)	ABLAH Barracks	17152145
C Tp)		
F Tp (less one sec at PALMYRA)	ABLAH Barracks	17152145
14 Coast Regt RA -		
A/M Bty)	Pt 37	16662806
B/M Bty)		
Engrs		
HQ RAE 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	138208
2/9 Aust A Fd Coy	ALEPPO aerodrome	288470
2/14 Aust A Fd Coy	QOUCEIR	229285
2/15 Aust A Fd Coy (less det at TRIPOLI)	HOMS area	242311
23 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy, 65 Aust LAD	ALMA	16602770
Dets 1 Aust Boring Sec	ALEPPO area	
Sigs		
HQ Sigs 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	138208
ASC		
Det 1 Ech Aust C T Sup Coln	Quartier Granger, BEYROUTH	12812164
2 Sub Pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk (less det)	BAALBEK	195229
Det 2 Sub Pk	TRIPOLI area	162278
4 Sub Pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk	CHOUEIFAT area	129208
1 Aust Corps Pet Pk	BERAGINI	132212
3 Aust DID	TRIPOLI (Legoult Barracks)	16302775
2 Aust DID	BAALBEK	195229
One sub-sec 1 Aust DID	ALEPPO (near ry sta)	283475
Det 2 Aust AA Regt AASC Sec	TRIPOLI (Legoult Barracks)	16302775
Det 2 Aust AA Regt AASC Sec	RAYAK	175213
Medical		
2/13 Aust Fd Amb	DHOUR CHOUER	14802190
2/3 Aust Fd Hyg Sec	EL QRAYE	14512072
1 Aust MAC -		
A Sec)	JAMHOUR	13452110
B Sec)		
HQ 2 MAC		14552070
2/1 Aust CCS	Mental Hospital	133213
2/3 Aust CCS	Italian School BEYROUTH	
1 Aust Mob Bact Lab	BEYROUTH (att 2/3 Aust CCS)	
2 Malaria Fd Lab	AIN SOFAR	14752075
Det 2 Aust Base Depot Med Stores	BEYROUTH	

Ord		
2/2 Aust A Fd Wkshop - Mainshop	ABLAH	172214
4 Rec Sec (less det at ALEPPO)	Qartier Petain Barracks	BEYROUTH
5 Rec Sec	MEZZE	199174
6 Rec Sec	ABLAH	172214
2/3 Aust A Fd Wkshop (less three rec secs)	Franchet D'Esperey Barracks, BEYROUTH	13002155
1 Aust Ord Fd Pk -		
1 Corps Sec	ABLAH	172214
3 Corps Sec	BEYROUTH	13002155
A Div Sec	H4 - temporarily det : under comd HQ BF in P & TJ	
3 Replacement Veh Sec	BEYROUTH	13002155
1 Aust L of C Rec Sec	BEYROUTH	13002155
6 L of C Rec Sec	BEYROUTH	13002155
Pay		
1 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office	ALEY	138208
Postal		
1 Aust Corps Postal	Rue du Liban, BEYROUTH	
Pro		
1 Aust Corps Pro Coy (less two secs and one det)	ALEY	138208
Two Secs	BEYROUTH	
One det	DAMASCUS	
Miscellaneous		
1 Aust Corps Emp Pl	ALEY	138208
1 Aust Corps Graves Registration & Enquiries Unit (less one det)	DAMASCUS	
One det		13152110
1 Aust Corps Salvege (less dets)	BEYROUTH	13052180
1 Aust Corps Reception Camp		13152110
1 MH and Infm Sec	ALEY	138208

(2) 7 AUST DIV AND ATT TPS

(a) HQ 7 Aust Div and Units under Comd

HQ Units		
HQ 7 Aust Div, 7 Aust Div Int Sec, 'C' Sec Aust FSS, HQ C Coy and 10 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777
Cav		
7 Aust Div Cav Regt (less A Sqn), 'C' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div, 50 Aust LAD	LATTAQUIE area	15984006
A Sqn	QASSAB area	177442
Arty		
HQ RAA 7 Aust Div	EL KALMOUNE area	15812722
HQ 2/4 Aust Fd Regt, 'E' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div, 51 Aust LAD	JDAIDE area	16622692
7 Fd Bty	BEIT LARA	17352750
8 Fd Bty	KFAR HABOU	17282756
54 Fd Bty	HELYL area	17222774
HQ 2/5 Aust Fd Regt, 'F' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div, 52 Aust LAD	BSARMA area	16082648
9 Fd Bty	BSARMA area	16002656
10 Fd Bty	BSARMA area	16052649
55 Fd Bty	BSARMA area	16052656
HQ 2/6 Aust Fd Regt, 'G' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div, 53 Aust LAD, 11 Fd Bty, 12 Fd Bty, 56 Fd Bty	JDAIDE (Monastery)	16562688

Arty (cont'd)		
HQ 2 Aust A Tk Regt, 'H' Sec Sigs) 7 Aust Div, 54 Aust LAD) 5 Bty) 6 Bty) 7 Bty) 8 Bty)	BSARMA (Convent)	16172658
1 Aust Svy Regt - HQ 2 Bty) A tp) D tp)	KARIAT SARIA	16842684
E tp	KIZLAKHER	21648039
Engrs		
HQ RAE 7 Aust Div	Armenian village	16172765
2/4 Aust Fd Coy	TRIPOLI area	
2/5 Aust Fd Coy	Legoult Barracks	16312773
2/6 Aust Fd Coy		16812755
25 Aust Fd Pk Coy, 55 Aust LAD		16652763
Sigs		
HQ Sigs 7 Aust Div	Rue L'Eveque, TRIPOLI	16072777
1 Coy Sigs 7 Aust Div) 56 Aust LAD)	DEDDE	15752713
MG		
2/3 Aust MG Bn (less B & D Coys), 66 Aust LAD	FIH	156267
B Coy	Legoult Barracks	16302775
D Coy	RAMLIEH	16812747
ASC		
HQ AASC 7 Aust Div		16172765
7 Aust Div Amn Coy		16352770
7 Aust Div Pet Coy	DAHER EL AIN	16152730
3 Sub Pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk	CHEKKA	15252655
4 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	MADJLAYA area	16462742
10 Ind Mule Coy		16522741
12 Ind Mule Coy		16522741
Medical		
HQ 2/4 Aust Fd Amb	Italian Hosp TRIPOLI	16042777
A Coy	BTERRAM area	15852659
B Coy	Italian Hosp TRIPOLI	16042777
HQ 2/6 Aust Fd Amb) A Coy) B Coy)	ACHACHE	17012749
HQ 14 Lt Fd Amb) A Sec) B Sec) C Sec) D Sec)	Hosp Legoult	16302775
2/2 Aust Fd Hyg Sec	Cement Works, CHEKKA	14962635
1 Aust Anti-Malaria Control Unit) 2 Aust Anti-Malaria Control Unit)	EL MINA	159279
7 Aust Dental Unit	ABA area	160267
9 Aust Dental Unit	LATTAQUIE	15983996
Ord		
2/3 Aust A Fd Wkshop - 7 Rec Sec	ABA area	16032673
8 Rec Sec	East of TRIPOLI	16512762
1 Aust Ord Fd Pk - C Div Sec	Legoult Barracks	16302775
Pay		
7 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777

Postal		
7 Aust Div Postal	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777
Pro		
7 Aust Div Pro Coy (less det at ALEPPO)	Prevote TRIPOLI	16122774
Miscellaneous		
7 Aust Div Emp Pl	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777
7 Aust Div Mob Bath	Legoult Barracks	16302775
7 Aust Div Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit	Legoult Barracks	16302775
7 Aust Div Salvage		16352771
7 Aust Div Sec Reception Camp		15252710
3 MH and Infm Sec	Italian School TRIPOLI	16142777

(b) 17 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde 'J' Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div 46 Aust LAD 5 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn	KFAR AKKA	16052623
2/3 Aust Inf Bn (less A,C,D Coys)	BECH MEZZINE	15702646
A Coy	CHEKKA	150264
C Coy	EL MINA	15932788
D Coy	KFAR HAZIR	15502635
HQ 2/5 Aust Inf Bn	LES CEDRES area (hotel)	18012559
A Coy		17972511
B Coy		18222539
C Coy		18122544
D Coy	HASROUN area	17362555

(c) 18 Aust Inf Bde Gp

HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde 'J' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div 47 Aust LAD 'B' Sec Aust FSS 255 Sec FSS	ALEPPO	283473
9 Aust Div Cav Regt 82 Aust LAD	ALEPPO aerodrome	288470
HQ Royals A Sqn B Sqn	Varnieres Barracks, ALEPPO	283473
HQ 2/9 Aust A Fd Regt 2 A Fd Regt Sig Sec 68 Aust LAD 17 Bty 18 Bty	ALEPPO aerodrome	288470
2/9 Aust Inf Bn	IDLIB	235422
2/10 Aust Inf Bn	ALEPPO	283473
2/12 Aust Inf Bn	Quartier Vinq Barracks, ALEPPO	283473
7 Aust Div Sup Coln	Alexandretta Rd, ALEPPO	283473
2/5 Aust Fd Amb	Italian Hosp, ALEPPO	283473
2/3 Aust A Fd Wkshop - 9 Rec Sec	Varnieres Barracks, ALEPPO	283473
1 Aust Ord Fd Pk - B Div Sec	Varnieres Barracks, ALEPPO	283473
Sec 7 Aust Div Pro Coy	ALEPPO West	282473

(d) 21 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 21 Aust Inf Bde 'K' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div 59 Aust LAD 9 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn	MADJLAYA	16422752
2/14 Aust Inf Bn (less A & C Coys)	SRAR area	17512756
A Coy		17672765
C Coy	SRAR area	17632755

HQ 2/16 Aust Inf Bn	SIR area	17822713
HQ Coy	SIR area	17752715
A Coy		18592700
B Coy		18162694
C Coy		17812702
D Coy		18682648
2/27 Aust Inf Bn (less A & B Coys)		17632745
A Coy)	HAZINIYE area	17722742
B Coy)		

(e) 25 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde)		
'L' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div)	Legoult Barracks	16312773
44 Aust LAD)		
12 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn)		
2/25 Aust Inf Bn	Caserne Bejat Ghanim, TRIPOLI	16302775
2/31 Aust Inf Bn	MERIATA	16922753
2/33 Aust Inf Bn	Legoult Barracks	16312773

(3) 6 AUST DIV AND ATT TPS

(a) HQ 6 Aust Div and Units under Comd

HQ Units		
HQ 6 Aust Div (adv))		
6 Aust Div Int Sec)	Wavell Barracks,	
279 500 FSS (less dets at HOMS)	BAALBEK	195228
& QATANA))		
HQ 'B' Coy and 8 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn)		
Cav		
'L' Mech Sqn TJFF	PALMYRA	385289
Engrs		
HQ RAE 6 Aust Div	Gouraud Barracks, BAALBEK	195229
2/1 Aust Fd Coy		178184
2/2 Aust Fd Coy	QATANA	183166
2/8 Aust Fd Coy	RAS BAALBEK	214257
22 Aust Fd Pk Coy, 80 Aust LAD	RAYAK	175212
Sigs		
HQ Sigs 6 Aust Div, 42 Aust LAD	Gouraud Barracks, BAALBEK	195229
Pnrs		
HQ 2/2 Aust Pnr Bn	I.P.C. area	16572803
HQ Coy	I.P.C. area	16682801
A Coy	RAS BAALBEK	214257
B Coy	RAYAK	175213
C Coy)	I.P.C. area	16512798
D Coy)		
Labour		
1217 Ind Labour Coy	RAS BAALBEK area	215262
ASC		
HQ AASC 6 Aust Div	Gouraud Barracks, BAALBEK	195229
6 Aust Div Amn Coy	EL AINE	211253
1 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	EL HAME	195180
6 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	DJEDEIDE (under comd 19 Aust Inf Bde)	
6 Ind Mule Coy	ABLAH area	171215
17 Ind Mule Coy	BAALBAK area	
Vet		
1 Mob Vet Sec	ABLAH	172214
4 Mob Vet Sec	BAALBEK (Moving shortly to TRIPOLI area)	
Medical		
2/1 Aust Fd Amb (less 'A' Coy & det)	ZEBEDANI	184198
'A' Coy	QATANA	183166
Det	ZAHLE	165212

Medical (cont'd)		
HQ 2/2 Aust Fd Amb	HOMS	242309
'A' Coy	RAS BAALBEK	214257
'B' Coy	BAALBEK	195228
2/1 Aust Fd Hyg Sec	BAALBEK	195228
11 Anti-Malaria Control Unit	QOUCEIR	229385
Pay		
6 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	BAALBEK	19522
Postal		
6 Aust Div Postal (less dets)	BAALBEK	195228
Pro		
6 Aust Div Pro Coy (less dets at DAMASCUS & ZAHLE)	BAALBEK	195228
Miscellaneous		
6 Aust Div Emp Pl	BAALBEK	195228
6 Aust Div Sec Reception Camp	RAYAK	175212
19 Mob Bath		17362138

(b) 16 Aust Inf Bde Gp

HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde, 'K' Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div, 45 Aust LAD, Det 279 Sec FSS, 7 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn	QATANA	183166
HQ 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt, 1 A Fd Regt Sig Sec, 70 Aust LAD		18201725
21 Bty		180172
22 Bty		179172
2/1 Aust Inf Bn	QATANA area	18521679
2/2 Aust Inf Bn	QATANA area	17961689
2/7 Aust Inf Bn	QATANA area	17641706
6 Aust Div Sup Coln	QATANA area	

(c) 19 Aust Inf Bde

HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde, 'L' Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div, 79 Aust LAD, 6 Pl Aust HQ Gd Bn	EL AINE	211253
2/4 Aust Inf Bn	RAS BAALBEK Sta	214262
2/8 Aust Inf Bn	RAS BAALBEK	214257
2/11 Aust Inf Bn	DJEDEIDE	211255

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Unit	Location	Remarks
HQ 10 Corps (less Sigs)	BHAMDOUN 14352075	Under Comd HQ BF in P & TJ
Det One Bty 14 Coast Regt RA	TRIPOLI 15922790	" " " "
HQ 116 Lt AA Bty) One Tp)	TRIPOLI 15922790	Under Comd 1 Aust AA Bde
One Tp	BEYROUTH	" " " "
4 Aust Hy AA Bty	TRIPOLI 16172783	" " " "
Det 1 Aust AA Bde Sig Sec) Det 57 Lt AA Regt Sig Sec) 1 Aust Lt AA Regt Wkshop Sec)	TRIPOLI 16172783	" " " "
HQ 2 Aust Hy AA Regt) 6 Aust Hy AA Bty) 2 Aust Hy AA Regt Sig Sec) 2 Aust Hy AA Regt Wkshop Sec)	BEYROUTH	" " " "
7 CRE Aerodromes	ALEPPO Aerodrome	(att 18 Aust Inf Bde) Under Comd E-in-C GHQ (MEF)
660 General Construction Coy RE	RAYAK Aerodrome	Under control 7 CRE Aerodromes
138 Mech Eqpt Coy -		
1/4 Fwd Construction Gp	HAMA	" " " "
2/4 " " "	ALEPPO	" " " "
1 Sec 1 Aust Svy Coy RAE	QATANA	
Adv Remount Sqn, SYRIA	HOMS 242309	Under Comd HQ BF in P & TJ
Remount Depot	ALEPPO	" " " "
"B" Sec 3 Res MT Coy	ALEPPO Aerodrome	" " " "
53 Res MT Coy	Beach Area 15952740	" " " "
Det 4 Bulk Pet Storage Coy	ALEPPO (near ry sta)	" " " "
8 Ind Mule Coy	BEYROUTH	Under Comd 84 L of C Sub-Area
3 Vet Hosp	BEYROUTH	Under Comd HQ BF in P & TJ
HQ 3 Adv Amn Depot	TALIA	" " " "
Det Aust Base Amn Depot	TALIA	" " " "
1 Aust Ord Amn Coy	TALIA	" " " "
1 AIF Stationery Depot	Rear Spears' Mission Building, BEYROUTH	
One Mob Meteor Unit (RAF)	BEYROUTH Aerodrome	Under Comd HQ RAF: P & TJ

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6 Aust Div	6	Hirings Offr 1 Aust Corps	1
7 Aust Div	6	Maj Warton G(R)	1
Northern L of C District	1	OC 268 Sec, FS Wing, Int Corps BEYROUTH	1
84 L of C Sub Area	1	3 Replacement Veh Sec	1
85 L of C Sub Area	1	2 Aust Adv Ord Depot	1
CCRA	1	3 Adv Ord Depot	4
CRE 1 Aust Corps Tps	1	Fd Ord Depot DAMASCUS	1
CSO	1	1 Aust Ord Fd Depot	1
GOC	1	Fd Ord Depot BEYROUTH	1
BGS	1	6 Aust Div Postal	1
G	2	1 AIF Stationery Depot BEYROUTH	1
I	1	HQ BF in P & TJ	6
A	5	HQ 10 Corps	4
Q	1	HQ AIF (ME)	3
SLO	1	HQ AIF (ME) Base Area	2
CE	3	O 2 E AIF (ME)	1
DDST	1	Aust LO GHQ (MEF)	1
DDMS	1	7 CRE Aerodromes	1
ADMS (Dental)	1	Royal Sigs, HAIFA	1
DADH	2	Movement Control BEYROUTH	1
ADOS	1	Movement Control TRIPOLI	1
DADOS	1	Movement Control HAIFA	1
APM	2	RTO RAYAK	1
DADPS	1	RTO HOMS	1
1 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office	1	RTO ALEPPO	1
Sigs 1 Aust Corps	2	HAIFA Fortress Area	1
Sig Office	1	Army Post Office HAIFA	1
1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	1	Maj Curtis - C/o AACS, BEYROUTH	1
1 Aust Corps Fd Pun Centre (at 14452070)	1	War Diary	2
1 Aust Corps Pro Coy	1	File	6
1 Aust Corps Salvage	1		
1 MH and Infm Sec	1		

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HQ			
	HQ 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	
	HQ 6 Aust Div (adv)	BAALBEK, Wavell Barracks	
	HQ 7 Aust Div	TRIPOLI, Italian School	
INT	1 Aust Corps Int Sec	ALEY	
	6 Aust Div Int Sec	BAALBEK, Wavell Barracks	
	7 Aust Div Int Sec	TRIPOLI, Italian School	
FSS	'A' Sec Aust FSS	~~ALEPPO~~ LATTAQUIE	
	'B' Sec Aust FSS	ALEPPO	
	'C' Sec Aust FSS	TRIPOLI, Italian School	
	255 Sec FSS	ALEPPO	
	279 Sec FSS (less dets at HOMS and QATANA)	BAALBEK, Wavell Barracks	
AUST HQ GD BN	Aust HQ Gd Bn -		
	HQ 'B' Coy and 8 Pl	BAALBEK	
	5 Pl	KFAR AKKA	
	6 Pl	EL AINE	
	7 Pl	QATANA	
	HQ 'C' Coy and 10 Pl	TRIPOLI	
	9 Pl	MADJLAYA	
	12 Pl	TRIPOLI, Legoult Barracks	
	'E' Coy (less 17 Pl)	ALEY	13802070
	17 Pl	ALEY	13752085
Cav			
	7 Aust Div Cav Regt (less 'A' Sqn) 'C' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div 50 Aust LAD	LATTAQUIE Area	15984006
	'A' Sqn	QASSAB	
	9 Aust Div Cav Regt 82 Aust LAD	ALEPPO Aerodrome	
	HQ Royals 'A' Sqn 'B' Sqn	ALEPPO, Varnieres Barracks	
	'L' Mech Sqn TJFF	PALMYRA	
Arty			
	HQ RAA 1 Aust Corps	ALEY	
	HQ RAA 7 Aust Div	EL KALMOUNE Area	15812722
	2/9 Aust A Fd Regt 2 A Fd Regt Sig Sec 68 Aust LAD	ALEPPO Aerodrome	
	HQ 2/11 Aust A Fd Regt 1 A Fd Regt Sig Sec 70 Aust LAD		18201725
	21 Bty		180172
	22 Bty		179172
	HQ 2/1 Aust Svy Regt 90 Aust LAD	CHOUEIFAT Area	13052094
	1 Bty (less sec of 'F' Tp) Sec of 'F' Tp	ABLAH Barracks PALMYRA	
	2 Bty (less 'E' Tp)	KARIAB SARFA	16942684
	'E' Tp	KIZLAKHER	
	2 Aust A Tk Regt 54 Aust LAD 'H' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div	BSARNA (Convent)	16172658
	HQ 2/4 Aust Fd Regt, 'E' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div, 51 Aust LAD	JDAIDE Area	16622692
	7 Fd Bty	BEIBLARA	17352750
	8 Fd Bty	KFAR HABOU	
	54 Fd Bty	HELYL Area	17222774

Arty (cont'd)		
	HQ 2/5 Aust Fd Regt, 'F' Sec Sigs, 7 Aust Div, 52 Aust LAD	BSARMA Area 16082648
	9 Fd Bty	BSARMA Area 16002656
	10 Fd Bty	BSARMA Area 16052649
	55 Fd Bty	BSARMA Area 16052656
	HQ 2/6 Aust Fd Regt, 'G' Sec Sigs, 7 Aust Div, 53 Aust LAD; 11 Fd Bty; 12 Fd Bty; 56 Fd Bty	JDAIDE (Monastery) 16562688
	14 Coast Regt RA - A/M Bty; B/M Bty	Pt 37 16662803
Engrs		
	HQ RAE 1 Aust Corps	ALEY
	HQ RAE 6 Aust Div	BAALBEK, Gouraud Barracks
	HQ RAE 7 Aust Div	Armenian Village 16172765
	2/9 Aust A Fd Coy	ALEPPO Aerodrome
	2/14 Aust A Fd Coy	QOUCEIR
	2/15 Aust A Fd Coy (less det at TRIPOLI)	HOMS Area 178184
	2/1 Aust Fd Coy	QATANA
	2/2 Aust Fd Coy	TRIPOLI Area
	2/4 Aust Fd Coy	TRIPOLI, Legoult Barracks
	2/5 Aust Fd Coy	KHMAILA
	2/6 Aust Fd Coy	RAS BAALBEK
	2/8 Aust Fd Coy	RAYAK
	22 Aust Fd Pk Coy, 80 Aust LAD	
	23 Aust Corps Fd Pk Coy, 65 Aust LAD	ALMA
	25 Aust Fd Pk Coy, 55 Aust LAD	ALMA Area 16652763
	1 Aust Boring Sec (less dets)	NABLUS
	Dets	ALEPPO Area
SVY	2/1 Aust Corps Fd Svy Coy (less Sec)	SOUK EL GHARB
	Sec 2/1 Aust Corps Fd Svy Coy	QATANA
SIGS	HQ Sigs 1 Aust Corps	ALEY
	HQ Sigs 6 Aust Div, 42 Aust LAD	BAALBEK, Gouraud Barracks
	HQ Sigs 7 Aust Div	TRIPOLI, Rue L'Eveque 16072777
	1 Coy, 56 Aust LAD	DEDDE
Inf		
	HQ 16 Aust Inf Bde, 'K' Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div, 45 Aust LAD	QATANA
	HQ 17 Aust Inf Bde, 'J' Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div, 46 Aust LAD	KFAR AKKA
	HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde, 'J' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div, 47 Aust LAD	ALEPPO
	HQ 19 Aust Inf Bde, 'L' Sec Sigs 6 Aust Div, 79 Aust LAD	EL AINE
	HQ 21 Aust Inf Bde, 'K' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div, 59 Aust LAD	MADJLAYA

Inf (cont'd)			
	HQ 25 Aust Inf Bde)		
	'L' Sec Sigs 7 Aust Div)	TRIPOLI, Legoult Barracks	
	44 Aust LAD)		
	2/1 Aust Inf Bn	QATANA Area	18321679
	2/2 Aust Inf Bn	QATANA Area	17961689
	2/3 Aust Inf Bn (less A,C,D, Coys)	BECH MEZZINE	
	A Coy	CHEKKA	
	C Coy	EL MINA	
	D Coy	KFAR HAZIR	
	2/4 Aust Inf Bn	RAS BAALBEK Sta	
	HQ 2/5 Aust Inf Bn	LES CEDRES Area (Hotel)	18012559
	A Coy		17972511
	B Coy		18222539
	C Coy		18122544
	D Coy	HASROUN Area	17362555
	2/7 Aust Inf Bn	QATANA Area	17641706
	2/8 Aust Inf Bn	RAS BAALBEK	
	2/9 Aust Inf Bn	IDLIB	
	2/10 Aust Inf Bn	ALEPPO	
	2/11 Aust Inf Bn	DJEDEIDE	
	2/12 Aust Inf Bn	ALEPPO, Quartier Vinq Barracks	
	2/14 Aust Inf Bn (less A & C Coys)	SRAR Area	17512756
	A Coy		17672765
	C Coy	SRAR Area	17632755
	HQ 2/16 Aust Inf Bn	SIR Area	17822713
	HQ Coy	SIR Area	17752715
	A Coy		18592700
	B Coy		18162694
	C Coy		17812702
	D Coy		18682648
	2/25 Aust Inf Bn	TRIPOLI, Caserne Bejat Ghanim.	
	2/27 Aust Inf Bn (less A & B Coys)		17632745
	A Coy)	HAZINIYE Area	17722742
	B Coy)		
	2/31 Aust Inf Bn	MERIATA	16922753
	2/33 Aust Inf Bn	TRIPOLI, Legoult Barracks	
MG			
	2/3 Aust MG Bn (less B & D Coys))	FIH	
	66 Aust LAD)		
	B Coy	TRIPOLI, Legoult Barracks	
	D Coy	RAMLIEH	16812747
Pnr			
	HQ 2/2 Aust Pnr Bn)	QATANA Area	
	HQ Coy)		
	A Coy	RAS BAALBEK	
	B Coy	RAYAK	
	C Coy)	QATANA Area	
	D Coy)		
ASC			
	HQ AASC 6 Aust Div	BAALBEK, Gouraud Barracks	
	HQ AASC 7 Aust Div		16172765
	2 Sub-pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk (less det in TRIPOLI Area)	BAALBEK	
	3 Sub-pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk	CHEKKA	
	4 Sub-pk 1 Aust Corps Amn Pk	CHOUEIFAT Area	
	6 Aust Div Amn Coy	EL AINE	
	7 Aust Div Amn Coy		16352770
	1 Aust Corps Pet Pk	BERAGINI	

ASC (cont'd)		
	7 Aust Div Pet Coy	DAHER EL AIN 16152730
	Det 1 Ech 1 Aust C T Sup Coln	BEYROUTH, Qartier Granger
	6 Aust Div Sup Coln	QATANA Area
	7 Aust Div Sup Coln	ALEPPO, Alexandretta Rd
	Det 2 Aust AA Regt AASC Sec	TRIPOLI, Legoult Barracks
	Det 2 Aust AA Regt AASC Sec	RAYAK
	One sub-sec 1 Aust DID	ALEPPO (Near ry sta)
	2 Aust DID	BAALBEK
	3 Aust DID	TRIPOLI, Legoult Barracks
	1 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	EL HAME
	4 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	MADJLAYA Area 16462742
	6 Cypriot Pack Tpt Coy	DJEDEIDE
	6 Ind Mule Coy	ABLAH Area
	10 Ind Mule Coy	16522741
	12 Ind Mule Coy	16522741
	17 Ind Mule Coy	BAALBEK Area
Medical		
	2/1 Aust Fd Amb (less A Coy & Det)	ZEBEDANI
	A Coy	QATANA
	Det	ZAHLE
	HQ 2/2 Aust Fd Amb	HOMS
	A Coy	RAS BAALBEK
	B Coy	BAALBEK
	2/4 Aust Fd Amb (less A Coy)	TRIPOLI, Italian Hosp, 16042777
	A Coy	BTERRAM Area 15852659
	2/5 Aust Fd Amb	ALEPPO, Italian Hosp
	2/6 Aust Fd Amb	ACHACHE 17012749
	2/13 Aust Fd Amb	DHOUR CHOUER 14802190
	14 Lt Fd Amb	TRIPOLI, Hosp Legoult
	2/1 Aust Fd Hyg Sec	BAALBEK
	2/2 Aust Fd Hyg Sec	CHEKKA, Cement Works, 14962635
	2/3 Aust Fd Hyg Sec	EL QRAYE 14512072
	2/1 Aust CCS	Mental Hosp 133213
	2/3 Aust CCS	BEYROUTH, Italian School
	1 Aust MAC -	
	'A' Sec)	JAMHOUR
	'B' Sec)	
	2 MAC	14552070
	Det 2 Aust Base Depot Medical Stores	BEYROUTH
	1 Aust Mob Bact Lab	BEYROUTH, Italian School
	2 Malaria Fd Lab	AIN SOFAR
	1 Aust Anti-Malaria Control Unit)	EL MINA
	2 Aust Anti-Malaria Control Unit)	
	11 Anti-Malaria Control Unit	QOUCEIR
	7 Aust Dental Unit	ABA Area
	9 Aust Dental Unit	LATTAQUIE 15983996
Ord		
	2/2 Aust A Fd Wkshop (less two rec secs)	ABLAH
	4 Rec Sec (less det at ALEPPO)	BEYROUTH, Qartier Petain Barracks
	5 Rec Sec	MEZZE
	2/3 Aust A Fd Wkshop (less three Rec Secs)	BEYROUTH 13002155
	7 Rec Sec	ABA Area
	8 Rec Sec	East of TRIPOLI 16512762
	9 Rec Sec	ALEPPO, Varnieres Barracks

Ord (cont'd)

1 Aust Ord Fd Pk -		
1 Corps Sec	ABLAH	
3 Corps Sec	BEYROUTH	13002155
'A' Div Sec	H4 - temporarily det : under cömd HQ BF in P & TJ	
'B' Div Sec	ALEPPO, Varnieres Barracks	
'C' Div Sec.	TRIPOLI, Legoult Barracks	
3 Replacement Veh Sec	BEYROUTH	13002155
1 Aust T. of C Rec Sec	BEYROUTH	13002155

Pay

1 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office	ALEY
6 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	BAALBEK
7 Aust Div Fd Cash Office	TRIPOLI, Italian School

Vet

1 Cav Mob Vet Sec	ABLAH
4 Cav Mob Vet Sec	BAALBEK (Moving shortly to TRIPOLI Area)

Labour

1217 Ind Labour Coy	RAS BAALBEK Sta

Pro

1 Aust Corps Pro Coy (less two Secs)	ALEY
Two Secs	BEYROUTH
6 Aust Div Pro Coy (less dets at DAMASCUS & ZAHLE)	BAALBEK
7 Aust Div Pro Coy (less det at ALEPPO)	TRIPOLI, Prevote 16122774

Postal

1 Aust Corps Postal	BEYROUTH, Rue du Liban
6 Aust Div Postal (less dets)	BAALBEK
7 Aust Div Postal	TRIPOLI, Italian School

Miscellaneous

1 Aust Corps Emp Pl	ALEY	
6 Aust Div Emp Pl	BAALBEK	
7 Aust Div Emp Pl	TRIPOLI, Italian School	
1 Aust Corps Salvage (less dets)	BEYROUTH	13052180
7 Aust Div Salvage		16352771
1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	BAABDA Area	13152110
6 Aust Div Sec Reception Camp	RAYAK	
7 Aust Div Sec Reception Camp		15252710
7 Aust Div Mob Bath	TRIPOLI, Legoult Barracks	
19 Mob Bath		17362133
7 Aust Div Mob Laundry & Fwd Decn Unit	TRIPOLI, Legoult Barracks	
1 Aust Corps Graves Registration & Enquiries Unit (less det)	DAMASCUS	
Det	BAABDA Area	
1 MH and Infm Sec	ALEY	
3 MH and Infm Sec	TRIPOLI, Italian School	

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GOC	1
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Q	5
SLO	1
CE	1
DDST	3
DDMS	1
ADMS (Dental)	1
DADH	1
ADOS	1
DADOS	2
APM	1
DADPS	1
1 Aust Corps Fd Cash Office	2
Sigs 1 Aust Corps	1
Sig Office	1
1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	2
1 Aust Corps Fd Pun Centre (at 14452070)	1
1 Aust Corps Pro Coy	1
1 Aust Corps Salvage	1
1 MH and Infm Sec	1
AIF (ME) Base Area Sigs	2
Hirings Offr 1 Aust Corps	1
Maj Warton G(R)	1
OC 268 Sec, FS Wing, Int Corps BEYROUTH	1
3 Replacement Veh Sec	1
2 Aust Adv Ord Depot	1
3 Adv Ord Depot	4
Fd Ord Depot DAMASCUS	1
1 Aust Ord Fd Depot	1
Fd Ord Depot BEYROUTH	1
6 Aust Div Postal	1
1 AIF Stationery Depot BEYROUTH	1
HQ BF in P & TJ	6
HQ 10 Corps	4
HQ AIF (ME)	3
HQ AIF (ME) Base Area	2
O 2 E AIF (ME)	1
Aust LO GHQ (MEF)	1
7 CRE Aerodromes	1
Royal Sigs, HAIFA	1
Movement Control BEYROUTH	1
Movement Control TRIPOLI	1
Movement Control HAIFA	1
RTO RAYAK	1
RTO HOMS	1
RTO ALEPPO	1
HAIFA Fortress Area	1
Army Post Office HAIFA	1
Maj Curtis - C/o AACS, BEYROUTH	1
War Diary	2
File	6

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APPX 'A' to Location Statement as at 2359 hrs 26 Oct 41.
Units NOT under Comd 1 Aust Corps but either in Corps area, or, NOT in Corps Area, of interest to 1 Aust Corps.

Unit	Location	Remarks
HQ 10 Corps (less Sigs)	BHAMDOUN	Under Comd HQ BF in P & TJ
Det one Bty 14 Coast Regt RA	TRIPOLI 15922790	" " "
HQ 116 Lt AA Bty) One Tp)	TRIPOLI 15922790	Under Comd 1 Aust AA Bde
4 Aust Hy AA Bty	TRIPOLI 16172783	" " "
Det 1 Aust AA Bde Sig Sec) Det 57 Lt AA Regt Sig Sec) 1 Aust Lt AA Regt Wkshop Sec)	TRIPOLI 16172783	" " "
HQ 2 Aust Hy AA Regt) 6 Aust Hy AA Bty) 2 Aust Hy AA Regt Sig Sec) 2 Aust Hy AA Regt Wkshop Sec)	BEYROUTH	" " "
7 CRE Aerodromes	ALEPPO Aerodrome	(att 18 Aust Inf Bde) Under Comd E-in-C GHQ (MEF)
138 Mech Eqpt Coy -		
1/4 Fwd Construction Gp	HAMA	Under Control 7 CRE Aerodromes
2/4 " " "	ALEPPO	" " "
Adv Remount Sqn, SYRIA	HOMS	Under Comd HQ BF in P & TJ
Remount Depot	ALEPPO	" " "
"B" Sec 3 Res MT Coy	ALEPPO Aerodrome	" " "
Det 4 Bulk Pet Storage Coy	ALEPPO (Near ry Sta)	" " "
8 Ind Mule Coy	BEYROUTH	Under Comd 84 L of C Sub Area
3 Vet Hosp	BEYROUTH	Under Comd HQ BF in P & TJ
HQ 3 Adv Amn Depot	TALIA	" " "
Det Aust Base Amn Depot	TALIA	" " "
1 Aust Ord Amn Coy	TALIA	" " "
Det 1 Aust Ry Svy Coy	MAAMELTEINE	" " "
1 AIF Stationery Depot	Rear Spears' Mission Building, BEYROUTH	

APPX 'B' to Location Statement as at 2359 hrs 26 Oct 41.

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FREE FRENCH FORCES, LEVANT

as on 20th October 1941

HQ Group of Divisions	BEIRUT
No 53 HQ Company	BEIRUT
Reconnaissance Unit for Light Divisional Group	DAMASCUS
Signals Coy	DAMASCUS
23rd North-African Coy	DAMASCUS
Tank Coy	DAMASCUS
Field Park Coy	BEIRUT
1st Light Division HQ	ALEPPO
No 51 HQ Coy	ALEPPO
1st Fusiliers Marins Coy	TRIPOLI
21st North-African Coy	DAMASCUS
1st Artillery Group	DAMASCUS
101st Motor Transport Coy	DAMASCUS
1st Engineer Coy	HOMS
1st Brigade HQ	HOMS
2nd Battalion Foreign Legion	DEIR-EZ-ZOR
3rd Battalion Foreign Legion	HOMS
2nd Brigade HQ	ALEPPO
Bataillon du Pacifique	ALEPPO
No 2 Senegalese Battalion (B.M.2)	ALEPPO
2nd Light Division GHQ	DAMASCUS
No 52 HQ Company	DAMASCUS
2nd Fusiliers Marins Coy	BEIRUT
22nd North African Coy	HOMS
2nd Artillery Group	DAMASCUS
2nd Engineer Coy	BEYROUTH
3rd Brigade HQ	BEIRUT
Marine Battalion (B.I.M.)	BEIRUT
No 1 Senegalese Battalion (B.M.I.)	BEIRUT
No 11 Senegalese Battalion (BM-XI)	BEIRUT
4th Brigade HQ	DAMASCUS
1st Battalion Foreign Legion	DAMASCUS
No 3 Senegalese Battalion (B.M.-3)	SOUEIDA

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AIN SOFAR	147207
AJELTOUN	146225
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ALEPPO Aerodrome	287470
ALEY	138208
ALMA	166276
AMIOUNE	157262
ARBAIN	165277
AZAZ	273515
AZGA	175277
AZMARINE	214457
BAABDA	133211
BAALBEK	195229
BAALBEK Wavell Barracks	194228
BAB	315491
BACHNINE	163267
BANIAS	172360
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BDEBBA	159267
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BECH MEZZINE	157265
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CHEKKA	152265
CHMISTAR	177225
CHOUEIFAT	130208
DADKHINE	209436
DAHER EL AIN	164273
DAMASCUS	203175
DAMOUR	124200
DARAIYA	197168
DARAYAH	147224
DEDDE	157272
DEIR AATIYE	246239
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DIMAS	183183
DJEBLE	170380
DJEIDEH	135217
DJEDEIDE	211255
DJENOUDIE	204438
DJISR ECH CHOGHOUR	207429
DJOUNIEH	141227
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DOUMAR	212181
DOUMMAR	198178
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EL HAME	195180
EL KALMOUNE	156273
EL MINA	159279
EL QRAYE	145208
ENFEH	151268
ERIHA	233429
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HABACHETE	184281
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HALBA	183289
HALBATA	203257
HAMA	245353
HAMATE	148261
HAMIDIYE	171308
HAMMANA	151209
HARIM	225473
HASBAYA	149215
HASROUN	174255
HASSIE	245274
HAZINIYE	178274
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HERMEL	212272
HIJJANE	225157
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JDAIDE	165268
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zone	(.)	1217	Ind	Labour	Coy
left	Ras Baalbek	30	Oct	for	Egypt
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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps,
31 Oct 41
G.1475

6 Aust Div
7 Aust Div
E Coy HQ Gd Bn

BGS ADC G I
A Q

VISIT OF GOC - in - C

With ref to 1 Aust Corps G.1455 of 29 Oct 41, confirmation has been received of the programme of the GOC-in-C's visit, the detail of which is given below.

7 Aust Div will be responsible for the programme for the morning of 3 Nov at ALEPPO.

Saturday, November 1st

1300 Depart JERUSALEM
1745 Arrive BEIRUT; See General SPEARS
1900 Arrive AIN SOFAR

Sunday, November 2nd

0800 Depart AIN SOFAR
1000 Arrive BAALBEK
See Maj-General HERRING at 6 Aust Div HQ
Recce OUTSIDE
Lunch on Road
1800 Arrive ALEPPO

Monday, November 3rd

0830 Depart ALEPPO
A.M. Inspect 18th Aust Inf Bde and Royals (usual duties not to be interrupted).
P.M. Recce ANTIOCH ROAD
1800 Return ALEPPO

Tuesday, November 4th

0830 Depart ALEPPO - Lunch on road
1400 Arrive HEBEL. Meet Maj-General HERRING and Staff Officers 6 Aust Div
Proceed LEBEL via ANTI-LEBANON
1800 Arrive AIN SOFAR

Wednesday, November 5th

0830 Depart AIN SOFAR
1100 Arrive QATANA. Meet Lt-General HOLMES and 10th Corps Staff
Lunch on road
1900 Arrive JERUSALEM.

Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

COPY

SUBJECT: Reorganisation of Comd

SECRET
HQ BF in P & TJ
CR/PAL/17944/SD
30 Oct 41.

10 Corps
1 Aust Corps
10 Armd Div
Northern L of C District
84 L of C Sub Area
85 L of C Sub Area
Lydda Area
Jsm Area
AIF Base Area, T.J.F.F.
Tps RAFA Arab Legion
Tps AQABA

GHQ MEF
HQ AIF
HQ BTI
HQ BTE
NO i/c Palestine Ports
NO i/c Syrian Ports
HQ RAF (Palestine
Spears Mission (Syria)
HQ FFF
GOC
BGS
A/Q
All Branches I.G. Police, Palestine

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1. (a) HQ P & TJ will cease to exist with effect from 0001 hrs 1 Nov 41.

(b) At this time HQ Ninth Army will open.
The Area under Comd will be:-
The territory of SYRIA and LEBANON, except for the existing modification of the boundary with British Troops in IRAQ, viz:-
excl NINTH ARMY KAMESHLE to point where road MOSUL - DEIR EZ ZOR crosses IRAQ - SYRIAN frontier.

(c) At the same time HQ Pal Base and L of C Area will open. The Area under Comd will be the political territories of PALESTINE and TRANSJORDAN including RAFA Base Depots.

(d) Both of these HQ will be located in JERUSALEM until 22 Nov 41, on which date HQ Ninth Army will close at JERUSALEM and open at BROUMANA 142216 SYRIA.

2. In the first instance Palestine Base L of C Area will be under Comd Ninth Army for all purposes. It is anticipated however that for certain matters connected with base installations HQ Pal Base and L of C Area will be placed directly under GHQ MEF at a later date.

3. When Ninth Army opens on 22 Nov at BROUMANA, 84 and 85 L of C Sub Areas will come directly under Comd. Until this date 84 and 85 L of C Sub Areas will remain under Comd Northern L of C District.

(Sgd) D. McCONNELL
Brigadier G.S.

DISTRIBUTION by 1 AUST CORPS

6 Aust Div	CCRA	CRE C Tps
7 Aust Div	CE	DADPS
G	CSO	Pay
I	DDST	1 Aust Corps Reception Camp
G(R)	DDMS	Camp
A	ADOS	APM
Q	DADOS C Tps	WD. BB

APPENDIX "DD"

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TO MILPAL rptd Austbase 6 Aust Div 7 AustDiv (copies to G I DADPS Chief Sig Master)

FROM Austcorps	Originator's Number 0 731	Date 30	In Reply to Number

sitrep	8	(.)	6	aust	div
cav	regt	moved	palestine	to	aleppo
arrived	29	oct	(.)	2	coy
sigs	6	aust	div	moved	baalbek
to	khassa	30	oct	(.)	all
informed					

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SIGNED

T.H.I.

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APPENDIX "CC"

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

SECRET

HQ 1 Aust Corps
29 Oct 41
G.1461.

HQ P & TJ

Copy - Q

Tps for Security Guards - SYRIA

1. The working party strengths of 16 and 19 Aust Inf Bdes is being reduced to a considerable extent by the use of tps for guard duties on installations and dumps of various natures with the result that the progress in the construction of defence works is being retarded.

2. To free the guards of this nature, provided by 16 and 19 Aust Inf Bdes, for work on the defences, 6 Aust Div have applied for one coy of 2/6 Aust Inf Bde to be moved to SYRIA to arrive at BAALBECK on 6 Nov.

3. Additional accommodation is not required for this coy as the accommodation already provided for the present guards is available. It is probable that the coy could be moved in unit tpt.

4. Could arrangements be made for the move of this coy to BAALBECK to arrive on the date given?

Lt-Gen
Comd 1 Aust Corps.

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TO MELPAL rptd 6 Aust Div 7 Aust Div (Copies to G I Chief Sig Master DADPS

FROM AUSTCORPS			Originator's Number 0 724	Date 29	In Reply to Number
Sitrep	7	(.)	4	Cav	Mob
Vet	sec	moved	from	Baalbek	to
Tripoli	area	came	under	comd	7
aust	div	28	Oct	(.)	6
aust	div	salvage	moved	from	Al Mejdal
to	Baalbek	28	Oct		

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SIGNED Lt-Col

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SUBJECT: Move of 10 Corps

SECRET

HQ BF in P & TJ
CR/PAL/17814/21/SD
29 Oct 41

10 Corps
1 Aust Corps
Northern L of C District

BGS A/Q G(O) A Q X - for infm

1. HQ 10 Corps will move to DAMASCUS as soon as accommodation can be provided under arrangement to be made by HQ Northern L of C District.

2. Date to move will be arranged by 10 Corps in consultation with HQ Northern L of C District. Tpt for the move will be provided by 1 Aust Corps.

3. Units of 10 Corps Sigs are not arriving simultaneously but over a period of several months. Some of these units will be required as a temporary measure to augment 3 L of C. Sigs which is performing the duty of sigs for this HQ. Order of Battle of 10 Corps Sigs showing which units are required temporarily by this HQ will be issued separately.

4. It is understood that accommodation in DAMASCUS is now under consideration by HQ 85 L of C Sub-Area and that arrangements can be made for the det 3 L of C Sigs serving HQ 85 L of C Sub-Area to also temporarily serve HQ 10 Corps.

5. It is pointed that when 10 Corps Sigs units join their HQ accommodation may not be available in DAMASCUS for both Corps HQ and Corps Sigs. Hence an alternative location not in DAMASCUS will have to be selected for HQ 10 Corps.

6. HQ Corps will submit proposals to this HQ as soon as possible for this alternative location.

(Sgd) J.A. BAILLON

Brigadier G.S.

Distn by G on 31 Oct to:-

C I AQ CSO CE

APPENDIX "BB"

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TO 6 Aust Div

FROM Austcorps.	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
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23	inf	bde	is	att (.)	ack

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SIGNED (Sgd) H. WELLS Lt-Col

SIGNED

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TO: MILPAL rptd AUSTBASE 6 Aust Div 7 Aust Div (copy to G I Chief Sig Master)

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
AUSTCORPS	G 718	28	

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SIGNED C Robertson Lt-Col

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

MOST SECRET.
HQ 1 Aust Corps
28 Oct 41
G.1443

6 Aust Div
7 Aust Div
10 Corps

DEFENCE OF SYRIA

My G1142 of 28 Sep refers.

In view of the instructions contained in para 9 (a) of GHQ MEF O Instn No 104 of 18 Oct 41 the time allotted to tng and to the construction of defences will be in the following proportion -

Training 1/6
Works etc. 5/6

Brig.
Gs 1 Aust Corps.

MOST SECRET

1 Aust Corps O Instn No 39

Copy No 20

28 Oct 41.

1. This instruction is issued consequent on the instructions issued by HQ P & TJ in CR/PAL/16699/55/G of 13 Oct 41, the text of which is att as Appx X.

2. The demolitions considered in this instn are excl of demolitions required for operational purposes.

3. The areas of responsibility will be:

(a) 6 Aust Div - 6 Aust Div area

(b) 7 Aust Div - 7 Aust Div area as far south as 7 Aust Div adm boundary.

(c) 1 Aust Corps - 1 Aust Corps area less (a) and (b).

4. Responsibility, co-ordination and direction will be as follows:-

Demolitions of	6 Aust Div Area	7 Aust Div Area	1 Aust Corps Area	Direction and Co-ordination by
Signal comns	6 Aust Div	7 Aust Div	CSO	CSO 1 Aust Corps
Rd & ry	"	"	CE	CE 1 Aust Corps
Fixed defences	---	"	CCRA	CCRA 1 Aust Corps
Civil Installations	"	"	CE	CE 1 Aust Corps
Sup & Tpt	"	"	DDST	DDST 1 Aust Corps
Ord Installations	"	"	ADOS	ADOS 1 Aust Corps
Other Military Installations	"	"	Comd or service controlling	Comd or service of 1 Aust Corps Controlling

5. Particular attention is drawn to the last sentence of para 5 and para 6 of Appx X.

6. Schemes on completion will be fwded by the formation, comd, or service responsible to this HQ for transmission to HQ P & TJ.

ACK

Issued through Sigs

Time of Signature 1900 hrs

H H Berryman Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

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3	10 Corps	8	BGS	13	CE	18	File
4	G(R)	9	G	14	DDST	19-20	War Diary
5	CCRA	10	I	15	DDMS	21-24	Spare

MOST SECRET

APPX X

(CR/PAL/16699/55/G of 13 Oct 41)

DEMOLITION SCHEMES - PALESTINE & SYRIA

1. It is intended that comprehensive demolition schemes should be prepared forthwith for all vital points, installations etc., in PALESTINE and SYRIA. This is purely a precautionary measure, and no action will be taken to put such schemes into effect until the beginning of a "preparation period" which will be notified from this HQ.

2. Much preliminary reconnaissance has already been carried out by R.E. and other Services, acting on the instructions of the Demolitions Committee at this HQ. This work will now be co-ordinated within areas, by the Area Comd. Appendix "A" shows what has been done or ordered up to now.

3. Formations and areas will be responsible that demolition schemes are prepared for their areas to include all military installations likely to be of use to the enemy, e.g. road and rail communications, signal communications, fixed defences (R.A.) etc., in the area. Technical advice will be obtained from the Senior R.E. Officer of the area, and local representatives of each different arm of the service should be consulted with regard to the technical aspect of their own installations, e.g. R.A. for C.A. emplacements, R. Sigs for W/T Stations, O.S. for Ordnance depots etc.

4. All schemes must include estimates of the quantities of explosives, or other equipment required to implement them.

5. Schemes will be forwarded by Formation and Area Comds to this HQ. Branches and Directorates at this HQ will be responsible for giving technical advice where necessary, and for ensuring that no installation is overlooked. Branches at this HQ who have already called for schemes from installations will ensure that these are now submitted to Area Comds.

6. It is not desirable to approach the French civil administration of SYRIA in connection with these schemes at present.

7. Demolition of Civilian Installations.

(a) The policy as to whether these should or should not be destroyed in certain circumstances is now being considered on a high level.

(b) No action will therefore be taken in this respect nor will civil authorities be approached. Recommendations will however be made as to names of civil installations which it might be desirable to destroy, should such a policy be decided upon.

(c) The above does NOT include such places as HAIFA refinery and other oil installations for which demolition schemes already exist.

8. Schemes and all details of their preparation will be treated as "MOST SECRET" and communicated only to those officers who require to know them.

MOST SECRET

APPENDIX "A"

1. Recce of roads and railways in SYRIA and preparation of demolition plans have been carried out by C.E. 1 Aust Corps, and C.E. HQ L of C North District for their respective areas. These officers will inform HQ 10 Corps of the work already completed. No demolition scheme has yet been made for 3 Ind Motor Bde area, and this will now be done by that formation.

2. A map is being prepared to show the road and rail demolition scheme for PALESTINE and TRANS-JORDAN and this will shortly be forwarded to those concerned.

3. Demolition plans have been prepared by C.R.E. HAIFA Area for HAIFA town, including docks, civil installations, water supply, Rly workshops, and tn. A scheme also exists for the demolition of HAIFA refinery. A plan for the destruction of the port area is being prepared with R.N.

4. Spears Mission SYRIA have been requested to approach the French authorities with a view to incorporating a demolition chamber in all new or repaired bridges in SYRIA.

5. X., O.S., and S.T. Branches at Force HQ have been requested to prepare demolition schemes for the installations of their own arm of the service. S.T have been requested to list all civil petrol pumps.

6. R.A.F. have agreed to prepare schemes for all R.A.F. stations and installations.

APPENDIX "AA"

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AUSTCORPS	0 713	27	

Sitrep	5	(.)	NIL		

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FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
AUSTCORPS	0 710	26	

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps,
26 Oct 41.
G.1420

CCRA
CRE C Tps
HQ I Aust Corps Sigs
DDST
ADOS
DDMS
I Aust Corps Pro Coy

Copies to – CE
DA & QMG

TNG PROGRAMMES : CORPS TPS

1. In future you will submit to 'G' Branch in brief the tng programme of the units under comd for fortnightly periods commencing with the period 9 Nov to 22 Nov.

2. This report will show each unit and the nature of the tng for the period. Such reports will reach 'G' Branch one week before the commencement of the tng period concerned. Thus your first report is due on or before 2 Nov.

3. Apart from tng pecular to various arms and services, attention shall be given to PAD, AG Tng, march discipline, and concealment (camouflage).

Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

APPENDIX "Y"

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Signed M.L.Carter

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MILPAL.

FROM AUSTCORPS	Originator's Number 0703	Date 24	In Reply to Numbe

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W.D.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps,
24 Oct 41.
G.1410

All Branches,
HQ 1 Aust Corps.

TNG - CORPS HQ PERSONNEL

1. Further to G.1335 of 18 Oct, commencing on Monday 27 Oct personnel of HQ 1 Aust Corps will be organised into four coys each of three pls as shown in Appx 'A' att.

2. Corps HQs is divided into six gps each gp forming two pls which are posted to different coys.

The Heads of the following branches and services are asked to arrange the division of the personnel of the gp in which their personnel will serve into two equal pls and fwd to Camp a nominal roll by 1800 hrs Sunday 26 Oct.

Gp 1	-	G
Gp 11	-	Q
Gp 111	-	ADOS
Gp 1V	-	CE
Gp V	-	Camp
Gp V1	-	TO

3. For the week ending 1 Nov, no tng programme is laid down. The week will be spent in selection and tng of NCOs as pl and sec leaders, although Camp Comd may wish to arrange certain parades of ORs for domestic reasons. A tng schedule is being arranged to commence on Monday 3 Nov. From that date each coy will be on parade for one half day every two days.

Three Sgt instrs are available; each will be responsible for the tng of one pl but their aim will be quickly to train - selected NCOs as pl sgts and sec leaders.

Recreational tng will include swimming pdes, message carrying (over long distances), hare and hounds, organised games. These will be made as competitive as possible with a view to the building up of esprit de corps in pls and secs.

4. Offrs are being apptd to comd coys and pls. It is appreciated that they will not be able to be present on all parades but it is essential that they should take an interest in their comd and get to know their men, so that if this HQ is called on to defend itself each pl and coy will know its leader and have confidence in his leadership.

Offrs could turn out, for example, on recreational tng pdes and on the day when range practice is set down.

5. Orders are being prepared for the actual defence of this HQ and the role of each coy.

6. Evening talks will be given on subjects of general interest in YMCA hall each Wednesday evening at 2000 hrs. The following are listed for the next three weeks:-

Wed 29 Oct	-	The Syrian Operations	- Lt-Col J.D.ROGERS. M.C.
" 5 Nov	-	Aerial Warfare	- Lt-Col C.H.L. ELLIOTT
" 12 "	-	Prisoner of War) Escape Stories) Security)	- Lt-Col K.A. WILLS. M.C.

P. T. O.

Heads of branches and services and Mess secretaries will arrange for the maximum number of NCOs and men to be present. Officers are invited to attend.

J.D. Rogers Lt Col
Jn. Brig
GS 1 Aust Corps.

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ADDL :- A, B, C, D, E, F, Messes
Sgt Nolan
" Thomas
" Gosnell

Appx 'A'

ALLOCATION of PERSONNEL to COYS and PLS.

GP	Branches, Services, Messes etc.	Approx Strength	A Coy			B Coy			C Coy			D Coy		
			No 1 Pl	No2 Pl	No3 Pl	No4 Pl	No5 Pl	No6 Pl	No7 Pl	No8 Pl	No9 Pl	No 10 Pl	No 11 Pl	No12 Pl
1	G - ø I 'B' Mess 'C' Mess	55	y						y					
11	A Q - ø S & T 'D' Mess 'E' Mess	51		øø						øø				
111	ADOS - ø DADOS DDMS 'F' Mess	51			øøø						øøø			
1V	Emp Plat F.S.S. A.P.M. C.E. - ø C.S.O. 'A' Mess	48				x						x		
V	Cipher Camp - ø Fd Cash M.H. & I.Sec Postal L.S.O.	42					xx						xx	
V1	TRANSPORT ø	57						xxx						xxx

ø means :- Responsible for sub-division of Gp into two pls.

Other signs indicate to which pl the two halves of the personnel of any gp are drafted.

APPENDIX "H"

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TO MILPAL

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AUS 1 CORPS	0700	23	

sitrep	1	(.)	nil		

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APPENDIX "V"

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

S E C R E T.

HQ 1 Aust Corps,
22 Oct 41.
G.1387

HQ P & TJ
6 Aust Div
Q OE

MOVE OF 6 AUST DIV UNITS TO SYRIA

Ref GR/PAL/17814/23/SD 6 Oct 41 and
SD/710 20 Oct 41.

1. Plans have been made to have accommodation completed for 6 Aust Div units in the areas shown by the following dates -

6 Aust Div Cav Regt	- Accommodation used by 9 Aust Div Cav is available in ALEPPO area where 6 Aust Div Cav will be stationed for the present.	
2/1 Fd Regt RAA	- DJEDEIDE Area	7 Nov 41
6 Aust Div Pet Coy	- DIMAS Area	8 Nov 41
2/1 Aust A Tk Regt	- ZABBOUD Area	15 Nov 41
2/1 Aust MG Bn	- ZABBOUD Area	15 Nov 41
2/2 Fd Regt RAA	- DIMAS Area	22 Nov 41
2/7 Aust Fd Amb	- QATANA Area	22 Nov 41
One Bn 17 AustInf Bde	- DIMAS Area	22 Nov 41

2. Accommodation plans for the following units of 6 Aust Div have not been finalized.

2/3 Fd Regt RAA.

6 Aust Div Cav Regt (in 6 Aust Div area)
(See para 1 for temporary accommodation).

3. In view of the uncertainity of many factors, the dates of completion given in para 1 should be taken as estimates only, and advice will be fwded when the actual date of completion can be determined for each unit, in time for the particular unit to be moved to SYRIA.

Lt-Gen.
Comd 1 Aust Corps.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

SECRET

HQ 1 Aust Corps
22 Oct 41
G.1388

7 Aust Div
CCRA
Q
ADOS

A/MTB GUNS

The following is a text of a letter received from HQ P & TJ on the above subject -

"1. It has been decided to instal .5 inch Vickers Hy MGs with special locally made mtgs at the u/m ports in an A/MTB role:-

4 at TRIPOLI
4 at BEIRUT
2 at HAIFA

2. These MGs are being used as they are the only suitable type of weapon which can at present be made available.

3. Arrangements will be made by OS Branch of this HQ to issue Vickers Hy MGs with special mtgs direct to the a/m CA units:-

B/M Coast Bty TRIPOLI	4
15 Coast Regt BEIRUT	4
14 Coast Regt HAIFA	2

A total of 1500 rpg .5 inch AP amn will be issued at the same time.
500 rpg will be kept at the Gun and 1000 rpg in local reserve.

4. It is pointed out that tracer .5 inch amn is more suitable than AP for this work.
There is, however, no tracer .5 inch amn in this Comd. An effort is being made to obtain some of this amn, and if received it will be issued in replacement."

(Sgd) H.WELLS Lt-Col
For Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps,
22 Oct 41.
G.1389

TNG IN AIR CO-OPERATION

1. Force propose to institute a lecture campaign with the object of clearing up misunderstandings and misaprehensions in the minds of all ranks concerning Air Co-operation, generally, and the activities of our fighters on operations, in particular.

2. The method to be adopted is the circulation of notes which are to be incorporated in lectures to be delivered to every man in this command by competent officers. The lectures may be delivered in what ever style the particular officer is accustomed to use, but the points mentioned MUST be brought out.

3. The enclosed draft of these notes will give an idea of the lines upon which the lectures are to be given. From replies received a final draft will be made for circulation to lecturers.

4. Please forward - (a) Any ideas you may have as to additions to these suggested lecture notes,

or

(b) Criticisms of them as they stand at the moment.

5. Replies to reach this HQ's not later than 2 Nov 41.

6. Att are the following relevant documents :-

(i) Suggested "Notes on Lectures on Air Co-operation"

(ii) Programme for Tng in Air Co-operation
(The directive mentioned in 3rd last para is NOT yet issued)

(iii) Direct Air Support Training Instruction based on "ME Directive on Direct Air Support" which has NOT yet been issued

C.M. Elliott Lt Col for Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

Schedule "A" to
CR/PAL/18054/SD
dated 19 Oct 41.

Notes for Lectures on Air Co-operation.

" Some have written, that while they were near Dunquerque, they seldom saw our fighting aircraft, though they daily saw many of the enemy. It is true, that our airmen were always outnumbered by the enemy, but their unceasing, heroic and successful efforts to check the enemy bombing were among the main marvels of the time.

A little thought will show the reader that any effective checking of bombing must take place some miles from the target aimed at by the bomber, that is, long before he can be in a position to drop his bombs with effect."

- John Masefield describing the evacuation from Dunquerque in his book "The Nine Days Wonder".

1. Further instances of the same complaint are given in Western Desert and Iraqui Campaigns (Fighters occupied with Fleet to detriment of troops on Syrian Coast. HAIFORCE at PALMYRA etc., etc)

2. The Battle of Britain is now considered to have saved the British Empire, yet the British Civilian is more familiar with the appearance of the German bomber than "The few to whom we owe so much"

3. The enemy bombers actually attacking our troops are only those which have escaped our fighters many miles away. Therefore troops must learn to defend themselves against them. They must however be given facilities for training to this end.

4. "Seeing is not always believing" e.g. bullets "bouncing off aeroplanes" really are hits. The tracer element, only, bounces off and is in reality an indication of a direct hit.

5. Statistics from Syria and Western Desert showing how small are our casualties in spite of heavy air bombardment (e.g. a hundred heavy calibre bombs on 1 ESSEX in thirty minutes - one man killed one truck set on fire.)

6. You do not see the Navy but it delivers the goods.

7. All points brought out in C in Cs letter on this subject, CRME/30547/G(O) of 27 Aug 41.

PROGRAMME FOR TNG IN
AIR COOPERATION

A. Coordinated Lectures.

It is considered that the utmost effort should be made to train all ranks in every aspect of air co-operation and individual offensive action against hostile aircraft. In particular, it is desired to remove certain misapprehensions and misunderstandings which have undoubtedly arisen in connection with this subject since the beginning of the war. To this end, lectures will be given immediately on the lines indicated in Schedule "A" attached, to all ranks in this Command. These lectures will be delivered by competent officers, under unit arrangements, and although the lecturers may retain whatever style they are accustomed to use, ALL the points in Schedule "A" MUST be brought out.

B. Programme of Training.

As far as the exigencies of the services concerned will permit, the following Programme of Training will be carried out over the next six months :-

Stage I: Practice in Aiming at and Recognition of Aircraft.

Aircraft will visit regiments weekly and carry out the following manoeuvres over the troops in the field :-

(a) Simulation of Dive-bombing.
(b) Simulation of Low-flying attacks.
(c) Firing of pre-arranged Verey Light signals at varying levels to accustom troops to the appearance of aircraft at different heights.

Stage II: Firing Practice at Kite Targets.

Wind sleeves will be flown behind kites attached to moving MT. This is a useful method in introducing an initial stage in firing practice at aerial targets. This stage will be carried out under unit arrangements and the necessary equipment will be drawn from Ordnance, when available, on the authority of this letter.

Stage III: Firing Practice at Aircraft.

Aircraft will visit regiments weekly with towed targets to afford firing practice for A.A.M.G. and S.A.

Stage IV: Demonstration of Air Attack on Troops in the Field and Air Support.

This demonstration will fulfill the dual purpose of instructing both Army and RAF personnel. It will take place in two parts.

Part 1. Air Attack and Fighter Protection

Under Bde arrangements a full scale concentration, approach and attack will be carried out by troops of the [illegible]

;arfare will be assumed to have been initiated and the fullest use will be made of all camouflage expedients available. This will train RAF personnel in the appearance, from the air, of troops in action.

Luring this exercise, aircraft will carry out attacks at each stage, giving as realistic an impression as possible of enemy bombing, machine-gunning, gas-spray and gas-bombs.

Fighter aircraft will engage the attacking bombers and demonstrate tactics used for protection of troops on the ground.

Part 2. Air Support

A demonstration of direct air support will be given in which the Commander on the ground calls for air assistance to deal with enemy opposition which is holding up his advance.

Complete details of Stage IV and instructions for those taking part in the demonstration will be issued at a later date.

Every effort will be made to give one demonstration on the above lines to each bde in the Comd.

In this connection attention is drawn to MIDDLE EAST (Army and RAF) Directive on Direct Air Support, an advance copy of which together with Instruction No. 1 is enclosed.

Regarding paras 8, 9 and 10 it is important that Comds staff and fwd tps should be trained to such an extent that the procedure outlined in the Directive becomes automatic.

Until aircraft become available, as much tng as possible will be carried out to ensure that the system of communications is understood. Information signals can be used to represent the AIR support lines.

SECRET.

ARMY AND ROYAL AIR FORCE MIDDLE EAST,

DIRECT AIR SUPPORT TRAINING INSTRUCTION.

No. 1.

1. The Training Instruction which is issued to all Army and RAF Units concerned with Direct Air Support deals with the training to be carried out in order to implement the organisation and methods of producing Air Support which are contained in the Middle East Directive on Direct Air Support.

Further Direct Air Support Training Instructions will be issued to both Services from time to time as found necessary.

FORMATION OF AIR SUPPORT CONTROLS.

2. No.1. (Australian) and No.2. (New Zealand) Air Support Controls will be formed by 6 OCT 41 for allotment to HQ Eighth Army.

3. No. 3, 4 and 5 Air Support Controls will be formed in due course.

4. No.6 Air Support Control (RAF Element only) to operate with an Armoured Division will be formed by 8 OCT 41.

5 Further Air Support Controls (RAF Elements only) for operating with Armoured Divisions will be formed as required.

AFFILIATIONS.

6. Affiliations of RAF Squadrons to Army formations for training will be made by Commands and Groups wherever possible. Owing to operational requirements, it will not be possible for RAF formations or squadrons to be affiliated to many Army formations for training except for occasional short periods.

7. Initial training in many phases of the application of Direct Air Support can be carried out by units and lower formations of both services on their own, so that full value can later be taken of the available short periods of combined training. The lines on which the initial training may be carried out by each service are given below.

ARMY TRAINING.

8. Commanders and Staffs should be instructed in :-

(a) The Air Support Control procedure
(b) The capabilities and limitations of Direct Air Support Attack.
(c) The selection of targets
(d) The siting of tentacles
(e) Staff Duties in originating demands for air support
(f) The use of map reference and time codes
(g) R/T communication to aircraft.

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9. Forward Troops will require training in

(a) The selection of targets
(b) Recognition system
(c) Indicating targets to aircraft

10. The various aspects of Direct Air Support will be considered in all exercises with and without troops. RAF Officers should be present at all forms of training if possible.

RAF TRAINING.

11. Pilots and Crews. As all RAF Medium Bomber and Fighter Squadrons may be called upon to operate in a Direct Air Support role, all pilots should be conversant with the procedure, which will also necessitate :-

(a) A high standard of map reading
(b) A knowledge of minor military tactics
(c) The ability to recognise types of ground forces
(d) A quick, simple and accurate method of briefing
(e) Practice in direction on to a point by R/T from the ground.
(f) Practice in the recognition system with ground forces.

AIR SUPPORT CONTROLS.

12. The effective working of an Air Support Control is dependant primarily on efficient wireless communication and good signal procedure.

All signallers and wireless operators must understand the Control system and realise that immediate action is required on all messages, in order to save seconds of time.

13. The control HQ should practice operating at various distances between Tentacles and Landing Grounds. The mobility of the Control HQ should also be considered.

14. The full Control procedure involving Reconnaissance and Support Aircraft should be practiced whenever possible. Single aircraft can be used to represent formations, but in such cases, it must be remembered that certain phases of the procedure, such as briefing, leaving the Landing Ground and locating Ground signs in the forward area may take longer with a formation.

15. The Army - RAF Control Staff must be trained to answer requests for air support in accordance with the general directive issued by the Formation Commander to which the Control is attached.

APPENDIX "U"

(SET - /)

MOST SECRET

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps
21 Oct 41
G.1375

6 Aust Div
7 Aust Div
10 Corps
Maj C.P.F. Warton, O.B.E.
CE

G(R) - SYRIA

1. The following is a copy of the text of HQ P & TJ CR/PAL/17622/2/G(R) of 16 Oct 41.

"1. With effect from the receipt of this order the G(R) Defence Scheme of Syria will come under the command of 1 Aust Corps for all purposes except operations, training, the issue of G(R) special stores and the administration of special funds.

2. The Headquarters of this scheme are at HQ 1 Aust Corps, the Commander is Major C.P.F. WARTON O.B.E.

3. The organization is widely scattered throughout SYRIA the present strength is:-

Officers	21
O.Rs	32
Vehicles	3

4. The appointment of DAQMG(R), has been abolished."

2. In this connection the following infm is supplied:-

Maj C.P.F. Warton's personnel are based on the following centres:-

ALEPPO - Capt Foley - 8 other offrs & 15 ORs
LATTAKIA - Lieut Schott - 7 " " " 16 "
DAMASCUS - " O'Brien - 1 " "

Capt Foley and Lieut Schott are being instructed to report to CRE 7 Aust Div within the next week to ensure co-ordination of demolition schemes in 7 Aust Div area.

3. It is advised that any demolitions prepared by G(R) are for use after the particular area has been occupied by the enemy.

4. It is desired that formations facilitate the work of the G(R) organization as far as possible.

(Sgd) H.WELLS LT-Col
For Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

ARMY FORM C.2126.

MESSAGE FORM

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TO: 7 Aust Div 18 Aust Inf Bde Copy - Q

FROM: Aust Corps | Originator's Number: G 688 | Date: 21 | In Reply to Number:

Warning Order (.) 6 Aust Cav Regt (.) Regt relieves 9 Aust Cav Regt (.) personal equipment only will accompany (.) on arrival takes over G1098 equipment tpt asm and accommodation stores from 9 Aust Cav then returns Palestine (.)

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FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number

signal	strength	offrs,	O/Rs,	baggage	9
Aust	Cav				

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APPENDIX "T"

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

SECRET.

HQ 1 Aust Corps
20 Oct 41.
G.1357

AQMG (M)
HQ Mov & TnSyria
Sub Area -(Beirut)

MEASURES TO COMBAT PARATPS

1. It is regretted that agreement with the arrangements suggested is not feasible for the following reasons.

By the reading of Para 3 of CR/PAL/15629/2/G your arrangements for outside ry employees to be notified is at direct variance with the Force letter which states -

" NO particular instructions will be issued to ry employees."

The reasons for this instn are believed to be two:

(a) To prevent a crop of alarmist reports such as arrived in extraordinary numbers in Greece.

(b) Not to organise a ready made reporting channel for misuse by 5th Columnists. Also in the reporting of crashes, paratps, etc., it is considered that in the event of such happening an employee will report it without any instructions.

2. The reports, to be of value for operational purposes, must arrive quickly through normal reporting channels where arrangments can be made for these reports to be dealt with.

3. It is assumed that foreman gangers use the ry telephone to keep in touch with their chiefs and it is considered that this is the channel of reporting that it is desired to use.

For instance it is assumed that at ALEPPO, HOMS, RAYAK etc., there are ry officials to whom reports are made by foreman gangers etc. It is with these ry officers that it is desired that area commanders establish liaison and communication, and for the reasons given it is desirable for this arrangement to be known to as few ry employees a s possible.

4. It would be appreciated if you could supply a list of the ry centres and the appointments of the ry officers to whom foreman gangers (or their equivalent in this country) report, so that corps of areas can be informed and the necessary liaison established.

5. As requested, your file is returned herewith.

Brig
GS I Aust Corps.

APPENDIX "S"

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Army Form C.2123.

MESSAGE FORM

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TO

6 Aust Div

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
AUSTCORPS	0680	19	0/252

6 Aust Cav will relieve 9 Aust Cav at ALEPPO on present tasks coming under comd 7 Aust Div for the present (.) when accommodation committments at DJEDEIDE have been completed and if ROYALS ^ at ALEPPO the question will be reviewed

THIS MESSAGE MAY BE SENT AS WRITTEN BY [redacted] DRLS

Signed Lt-Col

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MOST SECRET

1 Aust Corps O Instn No 38 Copy No 19

19 Oct 41.

Ref map 1: 200,000 sheets

To Comd 5 Cav Bde.

1. HQ P & TJ have advised that it is intended that 5 Cav Bde will take part in the defence of SYRIA and the LEBANON (CR/PAL/17783/6/G of 13 Oct 41.)

2. The enemy may

(a) Attempt to capture SYRIA by "blitz" methods.

(b) Concentrate a force of mtn, inf, and armd divs to capture SYRIA by more deliberate methods.

(c) Leave a force to contain our forces in the LEBANON and with his remaining forces by-pass the LEBANON and push on towards the CANAL.

If (a) fails, and in case (b) the enemy finding himself blocked on the main approaches to the LEBANON and the CANAL may attempt to outflank our main defensive posns by moving through the mountainous country which is between them.

3. Generally your probable tasks will be -

(a) To deny infiltration by the enemy in the mountainous areas.

(b) To give warning of and delay any enemy attempt to cross the mountains with large forces.

4. At present your tasks will be confined to recces of the following areas, to familiarise comds with their areas and to determine the size of the force required in each area. Recces should be carried out by as many offrs and senior NCOs of the units of 5 Cav Bde as possible.

(a) The area TELL KALLIAKH 1930 - KIZLAKHER STA 2130 - HERMEL 2127 - HALBATA 2025 - LES CEDRES 1825 - HALBA 1828.

(b) The ANTI LEBANON from incl the track HASSIE 2427 - HASBIYA 2327 - to excl the rd DAMAS - BEIRUT.

(c) The ANTI LEBANON from excl rd DAMAS - BEIRUT to incl the rd QUNEITRA - MERDJAYOUN.

5. The following reports will be rendered to this HQ (4 copies)

(a) Reports on possible enemy lines of approach in the above areas.

(b) Your recommendation as to the allocation of units of 5 Cav Bde to these areas.

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H W Berryman Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

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APPENDIX "R"

(SET - 1)

W.D
7 Aust Hills

MOST SECRET

1 Aust Corps O Instn No 37

Copy No 17

18 Oct 41

Ref 1/200,000 HOMS

Paras 1 and 2 are issued to confirm the decisions taken on the ground at DJEDEIDE 16 Oct 41.

1. The posn to be prepared will include THE WRECKIN on the right, and PIQUET HILL on the left. (Both features as pointed out on the ground).

The A Tk obstacle will be based on the creek which passes through DJEDEIDE 2125.

2. The posn will be prepared for a garrison of

(a) Three inf bdes fwd.

(b) One inf bde in res and to prepare a posn 3 to 4 miles south of LABOUE 2024 to block the approach to DJEDEIDE from the south.

3. Formations will recce and prepare posns for additional units as shown

6 Aust Div	One A fd regt
	One med regt
	One mtn bty
7 Aust Div	One mtn bty.

4. The priority and policy to be followed in the construction of the SYRIAN defences is laid down in CR/PAL/17783/6/G of 14 Oct 41 which is att as Appx A to this order.

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GS 1 Aust Corps.

APPX A

MOST SECRET

Subject :- Defence of SYRIA.

HQ B.F. in P. & T.J.
CR/PAL/17783/6/G.
14 Oct 41.

1 Aust Corps (with copy for 10 Corps).

3 Ind Motor Bde)
North L of C District)
5 Cav Bde) for information.
10 Armd Div)
G.H.Q., M.E.F.)

Copies to :- G(SD)., G.S.I., R.A., R.E., X., A., Q.,

1. In planning and construction of defences in SYRIA and the LEBANON a clear distinction must be drawn between, on the one hand, what is required to defeat a mechanized "blitz" and, on the other hand, what is required to defeat a deliberate staged attack.

2. Our immediate object is to be able to defeat a "blitz" carried out by panzer divs supported by motorized divs. In the following paragraphs certain considerations for obtaining this object are set out for guidance.

3. It is a matter of first priority to ensure that tank obstacles and mine fields and the layout of A/T guns is completed. For the present mines will not actually be laid but they will be held in readiness in suitable locations and all preparations made (incl survey) to enable this to be done quickly.

4. Arrangements must be made for the protection of the flanks of fortresses against turning movements by motorized infantry, who will not in the first instance be able to operate very far from their transport.

5. All localities must be prepared for all-round defence against unexpected penetration by A.F.V's.

6. Anti-tank defence must be co-ordinated in depth between A/T guns and Field Arty. The responsibility for this co-ordination rests with the Field Arty Commander.

7. Plans must be prepared and routes selected for moving into or debouching, from within defended areas or from selected lying up areas, by armoured forces with a counter attack role.

8. Preparations must be made for a suitable administrative layout for dealing with a "blitz". Included in this is the necessity for holding reserves of all natures within defended localities.

9. The G.O.C. in C. directs that, until such time as measures, such as are outlined above, to defeat a "blitz" have been completed, arrangements to defeat a deliberate attack will not be undertaken.

(Sgd) D.F. McCONNELL
Brigadier G.S.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps.
18 Oct 41.
G.1335

All Branches,
HQ 1 Aust Corps

TNG - CORPS HQ PERSONNEL

1. It is essential that the method and nature of the tng of Corps HQ personnel be revised to -

(i) give more adequate tng periods (fewer but longer).

(ii) build up an organization capable of defending this HQ.

2. The following plans are therefore proposed:

(i) The 300 men of Corps HQ will be divided into coys and pls. As far as possible pls will be composed of men who work or live together, but the personnel of any branch will be in at least two pls, each pl being in a different coy so that not more than half of any branch would parade at the same time.
Offrs will be appointed to Comd coys and pls. Suitable NCOs will be selected as sec leaders.

(ii) Tng syllabi in future will allow two days (and in case of range practice - 4 days) for each item. Parades will normally be of ½ day duration - 0900 hrs to 1200 hrs and 1400 hrs to 1700 hrs. Each coy will attend one half day parade each two days.

(iii) The constitution of pls required careful consideration. As an example, a possible arrangement is as follows:-

G & I together with clerks, draughtsmen, batmen, and staffs of B & C messes comprise approx 50 men. Similarly A, Q, and DDST comprise an equivalent number including staffs of D & E messes. In each case these 50 men would be divided into two pls.
Camp will draw up a plan for the allocation of all personnel on this basis.

3. These proposals will enable sound and efficient education in weapon tng: in sec, pl, and coy exercises: in anti-gas tng: in hygiene and in physical fitness. Such tng will have as its objective the gradual preparedness of Corps HQ personnel for the defence of this HQ against any type of attack, the plans for which are in preparation.

4. Above all, it is essential that the utmost co-operation be given by Heads of all branches. It is felt that there will be less dislocation of office work under a scheme which takes half of the staff for ½ day every two days than under the present arrangement which takes one quarter of the staff for an hour each day; but it is vital to the plan that a <u>full half</u> should parade.

There can be no question but that tng will be more interesting and more efficient under the new system.

5. Have you any modifications to suggest?

4

W.B. Bergquist Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

HQ 1 Aust Corps
18 Oct 41.
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Copy to HQ AIF (ME)

SKI TPS- TNG and EQPT.

1. The distinct possibility of operations in the near future on the snow covered ground suggests that immedia te consideration should be given to the provision of trained ski tps within 1 Aust Corps.

A tentative proposal is put forward that 500 Offrs and men (four Coys) in each of 6 Aust Div and 7 Aust Div to be equipped and trained for this purpose.

The situation as regards proficient ski-ers, tng of additional personnel, eqpt and clothing is as follows;-

2. NUMBERS OF PROFICIENT SKI-ERS.

It is estimated that in each div there are approx thirty all ranks reasonably proficient. This number could be possibly be increased to about 100 within the AIF if a search were made amongst personnel in AIF Base Area and Reinforcement depot.

3. TNG OF ADDITIONAL PERSONNEL.

This constitutes a problem. Whislt most of the personnel in para 2 could be used as instrs to a limited extent, it is very desirable, in fact, essential that there be at least ten efficient instrs of which perhaps only three could be provided within the Corps

The instrs required would need to teach the art of ski-ing and also versed in the use of ski tps for operations. Of the latter Australian personnel would have no knowledge whatever.

Australian tps are versatile and selected personnel would undoubtedly quickly become proficient in ski-ing but your assistance would be required in the provision of capable instructors.

It is possible that several officers of the Chasseurs Alpine may be serving with the Free French Forces and could be made available in this regard.

A French ski school and barracks was established at LES CEDRES. These will accommodate about 400 men whilst additional men could be accommodated at the hotels there.

Snow has already fallen in the area of LES CEDRES and tng could therefore be commenced at once.

4. EQPT and CLOTHING
(a) EQPT

A preliminary survey indicates that there are approximately 500 pairs of skis in this CORPS area inc BEYROUTH; of these approx 100 pairs are at LES CEDRES whislt the remainder are in shops and privately owned. Many may not be fit for service use and a carefdl check of this eqpt is essential.

Additional skis would be required and it is suggested that enquiries be made to see what number are available in CAIRO and JERUSALEM and if the number is still insufficient, that supplies be imported from America or Australia. Shipments might be more expeditious from Australia. where reasonable stocks are carried for winter sports in the Aust Alps.

With skis are included sticks (or stocks), bindings, edges skins, ski-tips and waxes and such spare parts as :-

Parts of bindings and heel straps
Sections of edges and screws
Buckles and webbing for skins
Rivets and baskets for sticks
Irons for waxing.

(b) CLOTHING

Very little clothing is available locally. It has been suggested that battle dress is suitable, but an expert has advised that this is not so because the rough nature of the fabric holds the snow which is melted by the heat of the body and so soaks into the material.

The ideal fabric for jackets is GRENFELL cloth- a special weave cotton fabric. This may be avialable in the ME but if not JAPARA cloth or a good GABADINE may be available.

Failing these, additional battle dress uniforms, plus lumber jackets or leather jerkins and waterproof golf trousers would at least temporarily enable tng to proceed .

Other items of clothing immediately requir ed are:-

Gloves or gauntlets or mittens
Goggles; snow
Sox or stockings
Caps (Cap FS might serve but larger peak is preferable)
Boots, ski with ridged heel.
For actual patrol work, white clothing will of course be required .
Of these the boots may prove the most difficult to obtain, but if necessa ry army boots could be converted.

5. If these propos a ls meet with your approval a start will be made at once to collect all material that is available in the ME Could an early reply be given plea se?

Would you advise the likelihood of obtaining seven or eight instrs for us and are you agreeable to our requisitioning private eqpt.

Lt-Gen.
Comd 1 Aust Corps.

APPENDIX "P"

(SET -)

Reserved

APPENDIX "Q"

(SET - 1)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps.
17 Oct 41.
G.1340

SIGNAL PROCEDURE

1. The New Signal Procedure will be introduced as from 0001 hrs 18 Oct 41.

2. All code names for Formations and Units will be abolished, except for use within the Bn and the danger zone, which is 3000 yds from the front line.

3. As far as Corps H Q. is concerned, code names are abolished.

4. Names of all Units will be written, in abbreviated form in clear, both in the "address to" and the text of the messages and memos.

5. Clear names will be used in telephone conversations, but security must always be borne in mind whilst discussing employment, role, future movements, strengths etc., of all Units.

C M Elliott Col for Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO SKIN NEJA rptd LAMP (copy G, I, CSO, Log, BB, file, WD)

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
CHAT	0 669	17	

ref	G1327	of	16	Oct	(.)
system	begins	0001	hrs	LOCAL	TIME
rpt	LOCAL	TIME	18	Oct	(.)
allot	bn	and	regt	internal	code
names	from	your	pressnt	divisional	code
names					

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means.

Signed

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Signed C.H. Hewitt Lt-Col

Originator's instructions Degree of priority IMPORTANT

Time of origin 1000

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APPENDIX "O"

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MESSAGE FORM

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TO MILPAL (copy I)

FROM AUSTCORPS	Originator's Number 0 666	Date 15	In Reply to Number

from	Gen	Lavarack	for	Gen	Wilson
(.)	owing	to	lack	of	internment
facilities	BSM	unable	apprehend	approx	1200
German	agents	and	sympathisers	(.)	urge
accommodation	at	TYR	be	completed	immediately

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ORIGINATOR'S INSTRUCTIONS DEGREE OF PRIORITY: IMMEDIATE

TIME OF ORIGIN: 1135

SIGNED: Lt-Col

SIGNED

T.H.I.

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C.W.O.

MOST SECRET

1 AUST CORPS O INSTN No 36

Copy No 17

15 Oct 41.

1. Ref 1 Aust Corps O Instn No 32 of 17 Aug 41 and HQ P & TJ O Instn No 58 of 5 Oct 41.

2. 6 Aust Div will be responsible for the BILGE demolitions previously allotted to 6 Div in 1 Aust Corps O Instn No 32 and message O 315 (copies att to 6 Aust Div only).

3. CSO 1 Aust Corps will co-ordinate sig arrangements vide para 4 of HQ P & TJ O Instn No 58 and fwd four copies of the plan to this HQ.

4. The remaining arrangements, incl local protection and tpt, will be the responsibility of

6 Aust Div for BILGE

7 Aust Div for BOATSWAIN

Two copies of orders issued by formations for these schemes will be fwded to this HQ.

5. Personnel detailed for duty for BILGE and BOATSWAIN will be trained in their duties prior to their employment on the SYRIAN Defence Scheme.

6. Formations will report, submitting progress reports if necessary, when training, preparation and parties for these schemes are complete.

7. It is essential that the plans be kept secret from the local inhabitants and IPC employees. For this reason offrs during recce of their tasks will assume the role of PAD offrs.

ACK

F.H. Berryman Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

Issued through Sigs

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APPENDIX "N"

(SET -/)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

MOST SECRET.

HQ 1 Aust Corps
14 Oct 41.
G.1305

6 Aust Div
7 Aust Div

DEFENCE OF SYRIA

Further to 1 Aust Corps O Instn No.33 Para 4.

The following additional infm is now to hand :-

1. It has not been possible to obtain definite information from GHQ as to Corps Tps which will or will not be available particularly for 10 Corps.

Aust Corps is the only Corps which at the present has its own quota of Corps Tps, and provision of Corps Tps for remaining corps will depend on the situation at the time.

2. Bearing this in mind planning for the construction of defence will be carried on the basis that the following will be available :-

(a) Med Regts R.A. - one per corps.

(b) A Fd Regts R.A. - one per corps.

(c) Lt AA Regt - two per corps of three Divs.
one per corps of two Divs.

(d) Svy Regt - one per corps. (Only one Regt exists at present, but if each corps makes provision for the various posts required, it can then be used where it is most needed.

H.Wells Lt-Col
for Brig
GS 1 Aust Corps.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

MOST SECRET.
HQ 1 Aust Corps
14 Oct 41.
G.1301

7 Aust Div (2)

REF 1 AUST CORPS OP INSTN No 35.

The following instructions which have been received from HQ P & TJ will be read in conjunction with 1 Aust Corps O Instn No 35

" 1. The decision whether or not tocarry out the demolitions must depend on the development of the general strategical situation and the progress of operations.

2. It is only in circumstances which have not yet arisen that the demolitions will be carried out.

The group of demolitions you referred to will NOT, therefore, be carried out without previous reference to this HQ.

3. The guards on these demolitions are for the following purposes:-

(a) To protect the demolitions.

(b) To prevent sabotage to the railway or any attempt by the enemy to carry out the demolitions which we have prepared"

ACK.

Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

APPENDIX "K"

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Reserved

APPENDIX "L"

(SET)

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APPENDIX "M"

(SET - 1)

WD

SECRET

1 AUST CORPS OO NO. 7.

Copy No. 28

13 Oct 41

Ref maps 1/200,000 series, 1/1,000,000 SYRIE & LIBAN French series.

1. 6 Aust Div takes over comd from 6 Div 2100 hrs 13 Oct.

2. Formations and units in Appx "A" att come under comd formations as shown w.e.f. 2100 hrs 14 Oct.

3. 7 Aust Div will be responsible for 18 Aust Inf Bde area w.e.f. 2100 hrs 14 Oct.

4. 7 Aust Div will take over the responsibility for demolitions in accordance with 1 Aust Corps O Instn No. 35 of 18 Sep (Copies Nos 9 & 10 of this instn are att to 7 Aust Div copy of this order).

5. Boundaries 1 Aust Corps:

(a) Northern - The frontier between SYRIA and TURKEY

(b) Eastern - (ref 1/1,000,000 map) - Adjoins 3 Indian Motor Bde - All excl - eastern boundary of the VILAYET of ALEPPO (boundary marked -·-·- on ref map) from the frontier 22 miles west of TELL ABIAD to RAMLE - thence river EUPHRATES to MESKENE - DIBSI - ESRIYE RR - EL KOM - EL HEIR - BIR NEJIB - BIR MRABBA - DAMLOURK OUARQA.

(c) Southern - To be defined in detail later. Generally all incl HIJJANE 2215 and the rd DAMAS - BEYROUTH but excl 85 and 84 L of C Sub-Areas at DAMAS and BEYROUTH respectively.

(d) Western - The Coast line.

6. Inter-div boundary (no alteration south of the 37 grid line) All incl 7 Aust Div - From the corps eastern boundary - the 37 grid line to the stream at 213370 - stream to JEIR JEMLE 2035 thence rd MASSIAF 2034 - BARCHINE 2032 - CHINE 2131 thence KITZLAKER STA 2130 - trig 830 2129 - trig 1375 2028 - trig 2215 1927 - trig 2254 1927 - QORNETT EL ACHRA 1926 - trig ARASSIA 1825 thence SW along the watershed of the LEBANON Range.

7. Areas of responsibility

(a) 6 Aust Div - The Corps area south and east of the inter-div boundary.

(b) 7 Aust Div - The Corps area north and west of the inter-div boundary.

H Wells Lt Col
for Brig
GS 1 Aust Corps.

ACK

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APPX "A"

Issued in conjunction with 1 Aust Corps O O No. 7 dated 13 Oct 41

A. Under Comd 7 Aust Div

HQ 18 Aust Inf Bde
'J' Sec Sigs
47 Aust LAD
'B' Sec FSS 1 Aust Corps
255 Sec FSS

9 Aust Div Cav Regt
82 Aust LAD

HQ Royals
A Sqn
B Sqn

2/9 Aust A Fd Regt
2 A Fd Regt Sig Sec
68 Aust LAD

2/9 Aust Inf Bn
2/10 Aust Inf Bn
2/12 Aust Inf Bn
7 Aust Div Sup Coln
2/5 Aust Fd Amb
9 Rec Sec 2/3 Aust A Fd Wkshop
B Div Sec 1 Aust Ord Fd Park
Sec 7 Aust Div Pro Coy

B. Under Comd 7 Aust Div

on completion of present tasks.

2/9 Aust A Fd Coy — ALEPPO

C. Remains under Comd 1 Aust Corps

Det DID AASC — ALEPPO

D. Reverts to Comd 7 Aust Div

2/4 Aust Fd Coy — RAS BAALBEK

E. Comes under Comd 6 Aust Div

2/2 Aust Pnr Bn (Complete)

MESSAGE OUTWARDS

To: IBEN SKIN RPTD LAMP NEJA GLDM OSDA 10 Corps
(Copies to - CCRA CRE C Tps Engrs CSO E Coy HQ Gd Bn
GOC BGS G I A Q CE DDST DDMS ADOS DADOS Pay
Postal Pro Salvage Unit 1 Aust Corps Reception Camp
File Log WD BB

From: CHAT 0 649 13

cond passes from IBEN to SKIN 2100 hrs 13 Oct (.) all informed

(Sgd) H.WELLS Lt-Col TOO 0940

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FROM			Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
and	(d)	w e f	2100	hrs	14
Oct	(.)	orders	follow		

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SIGNED Lt-Col

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TO

SKIN NEJA UDOB (Copy CR O I A Q)

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
CHAT	O 651	13	

warning	order	(.)	(a)	NEJA	area
of	responsibility	extended	to	include	UDOB
area	(.)	(b)	18	Aust	Inf
Bde	Gp	comes	under	comd	NEJA
(.)	(c)	FYLA	reverts	to	comd
NEJA	(.)	(d)	JEHU	complete	comes
under	comd	SKIN	(.)	(b)	(c)

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APPENDIX "J"

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

MOST SECRET
HQ 1 Aust Corps
10 Oct 41
G.1265

Copy

HQ P & TJ

PROGRESS REPORTS

--- The pro formas of 6 Div and 7 Aust Div showing the progress made on the defensive posns are att.

At this stage it will be realised that it is not possible to give accurate figures as to the totals required in many cases and that these totals are liable to alter as recces and defences develop. At the same time the figures for work completed should be accurate although the percentage figure will vary with any alteration made in the total of any particular item.

The numbers and sites for first priority pillboxes have been received for DJEDEIDE and TRIPOLI. Contracts for the inf pillboxes for TRIPOLI are being finalised; those for DJEDEIDE will be somewhat delayed due, to the alteration in plan decided on in conjunction with the C-in-C and the GOC-in-C.

10 Corps is engaged on recce for the QATANA - DIMAS area; but time has not permitted detailed recces to be completed to date.

(Sgd) J.D.L. Lt-Gen.
Comd 1 Aust Corps.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps
10 Oct 41.
G.1269

Force HQ

DEFENCE OF AERODROMES

1. Ref CR/ PAL/17631/G of 7 Oct para 1 : in view of the last para of the joint Army and RAF memo "Defence against air-borne landing attacks" it appears that prime responsibility rests on the RAF station comd, it is therefore recommended that he or an RAP rep should be present at these preliminery recces.

Lt-Gen.
GOC 1 Aust Corps.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE — SECRET.

HQ 1 Aust Corps
10 Oct 41
G.1271.

10 Corps
6 Aust Div
7 Aust Div
I

FORMATION OF No 263 WING RAF.

The following information is extracted from ME air Order No 293 :-

"INFORMATION

1. As the requirements for Fighter defence of Palestine and Syria have now been crystalised, it has been decided to absorb the existing fighter organisation into a fighter wing. The new Wing to be known as No 263 Wing.

INTENTION.

2. To form No 263 Wing HQ, Sector Operations Room and Filter Room at Beirut, and Sector Operations Rooms at Tripoli and Haifa w.e.f. 6.10.41.

EXECUTION.

Establishment.

3. The proposed establishment for No 263 Wing will be forwarded later.

Formation.

4. No 263 Wing will form at Beirut and will comprise:-

(i) Wing HQ Fighter Sector and Operations Room Filter Room	Located at Beirut
(ii) Fighter Sector Operations Room	Located at Tripoli
(iii) " " " "	Located at Haifa.

Control

5. No 263 Wing will come under the Operational and administrative control of HQ, P & TJ.

Function

6. To exercise operational control of such Fighter Squadrons and A.M.B.3's as may be allotted from time to time.
With ref to para 5 no furthe infm is yet to hand.

Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

HQ 1 Aust Corps
10 Oct 41.
G.1272

HQ P & TJ

PROGRESS REPORTS.

CR/PA L/17783/2/G of 7 Oct 41 refers.

1. In most cases provision has not been made yet for alternative positions for fd arty A Tk guns, nor has provision been made for med arty and FS or SR posts.

2. To enable work to be commenced as early as possible formations were instructed to concentrate on task of first priority and recce and construction has followed on the same plan.

3. At the moment it is not practicable to state the total number of each item required for each area and the report on progress should be taken as a report on the essential work which had to be undertaken initially rather than a complete and final picture of the total that would be required.

4. As the position is developed and further recce is made, more accurate figures for the total construction required will be built up.

Lt-Gen.
Comd 1 Aust Corps.

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LAMP(Copies by hand to G, DADOS C Tps, DADPS, Chief Sigmaster)

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
GHAT	0241	10	

Location	(.)	Adv HQ	SKIN	moved	from
Julia	to	Baalbek	9	Oct	(.)
HOCK	moved	from	Palestine	to	Qatana
183186	arrived	9	Oct	(.)	UNNE
moved	from	Homs	to	Beirut	10
Oct	came	under	comd	HELE	(.)
SOFI	moved	from	Choueifat	to	Baalbek 9 Oct.

This message may be sent AS WRITTEN by any means.

N.Carter Lt.

Signed

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Signed

Originator's instructions Degree of priority

by DRLS

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APPENDIX "H"

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps
8 Oct 41
G/1250

HQ BF in P & TJ

Copy to: Spears Mission
(Syria)
CE

ROADS - BASSITE BAY AREA

1. In reply to your CR/PAL/27636/1/G of 3 Oct it is advised that at the request of this HQ, Spears Mission (Syria) have arranged that all work on roads between the main rd ANTIOCH - LATTAQUIE and the beach near BASSITE Bay will cease.

2. As far back as 30 Aug this HQ was advised by a G(R) Offr that work was being done on a rd between QUARATATE and the beach. This rd appeared to be of no value to us whilst it could be of material value to tps landing on adjacent beaches.
A request was therefore made that all work should cease and HQ Free French agreed that they would issue instructions accordingly.

3. GHQ Liaison Sqn report now indicates that these instructions were not complied with or alternatively that work is now being done on a different rd in that same area.

4. The whole area is now tabu, but the unit in that area is being asked to watch the situation and report to this HQ.

(Sgd) J.D. ROGERS Lt-Col.

For Lt-Gen.
Comd 1 Aust Corps.

MESSAGE INWARDS

To MILPAL rptd AUSFORCE AUSTCORPS AUSBASE

From 6 AUST DIV 0 5084 7

Adv HQ 6 Aust Div closes JULIS 2350 hrs.9 Sept, open BAALBEK same hour (.) Rear HQ remains JULIS (.) acknowledge

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AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps,
7 Oct 41
G.1240

HQ AIF (ME)

Abbreviations for Aust Units

1. In view of the new signal procedure and the use of official abbreviations in lieu of code names in most signal traffic it is recommended that drastic cuts be made in the present abbreviated titles of Aust Units. As 'Aust' must be included by order of GHQ, it is suggested that the '2nd' and oblique strokes are NOT necessary for use abroad, and that there will be no confusion in Australia as 'Aust' is not used there in unit titles. Abbreviations should be on the lines of:-

1 Aust Corps	1 Aust Fd Regt	7 Aust Fd Amb
6 Aust Div	8 Aust Fd Bty	3 Aust Hyg Sec
16 Aust Bde	7 Aust Fd Coy	4 AGH
6 Aust Cav	5 Aust Bn	Aust Con Depot
		1 Aust A Fd Wkshop

2. With ref to 1 Aust Corps circular 68 of 15 May: frequent enquiries are made for copies, but we have none. It is felt that the issue is now within the province only of HQ AIF ME. When a new issue is made it is suggested that the following alterations be made:-

AG for A Gas

Cam for Camflg

Con for Conval

(Sgd) J.D.L. Lt-Gen
Comd 1 Aust Corps.

APPENDIX "G"

(SET -/)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

SECRET.
HQ 1 Aust Corps
7 Oct 41.
G.1237

7 Aust Div.

DEMOLITIONS!

7 Aust Div SG 64/6/78 of 4 Oct 41 refers.

1. It is agfeed that preparations for demolitions should proceed in accordance with the information given in the above letter.

2. In this regard the following instns have been issued by HQ P & TJ.

Preparations of demolitions in demolition schemes will now be carried out, but demolitions will NOT be charged. Priority for preparation of demolitions will be:-

(a) Area outside the LEBANON quadrilateral.

(b) Area outside " " " .

Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

END

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

SECRET
HQ 1 Aust Corps.
6 Oct 41.
G.1233

P A D

1. The enemy may employ one or a combination of any of the following weapons or methods in an air attack on SYRIA:-

(a) HE bombs
(b) Incendiary bombs
(c) MG straffing
(d) Gas bombs or gas spray

The possibility of the use of gas from the air must not be overlooked; but initiation of CW in the near future is not regarded as probable.

2. The object of PAD schemes developed by formations and units under comd 1 Aust Corps will be to provide protection to military personnel and army property from such enemy air attacks, incl gas.

3. Att as Appx 'A' is a specimen PAD scheme which will be followed in outline by all Corps units and units att. Such individual schemes will be introduced forthwith; and HQ 1 Aust Corps informed of (a) the identities of the area and sector PAD offrs, and (b) the exact area covered by the scheme (sketches will be fwded).

4. Where more than one unit is located in the same barracks, billet or camp area, unit PAD schemes will be amalgamated, and a distribution of responsibility allotted to unit comds. Such infm will be incorporated in the sketches fwded.

5. Additional instns are att as Appx 'B'.

6. The urgent need for effective preparation against a sudden air attack is stressed. Gas is the one unused enemy weapon; if it is used, the enemy will certainly attempt to achieve surprise.

C M R Eliott Lt Col for Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

DISTRIBUTION -

6 Div	1	1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	1	DDST	8
6 Aust Div	5	1 Aust Corps Salvage Unit	1	DDMS	6
7 Aust Div	5	G	1	ADOS	4
Rear HQ 1 Aust Corps	1	Tech Offr (CW)	1	DADOS	1
CCRA	2	I	1	Camp	2
CRE 1 Aust C Tps	5	A	1	APM	2
CSO	2	Q	1	DADPS	1
E Coy Aust HQ Gd Bn	1	CE	1	War Diary	2
				File	5

For infm -

HQ BF in P & TJ	2	HQ AIF (ME) Base Area	2	X Corps	1
HQ AIF (ME)	4	HQ AIF (ME) Reinft Depot	2	84 L of C Base Sub Area	1
				85 L of C Base Sub Area	1

APPX "A"

SPECIMEN PASSIVE AIR DEFENCE SCHEME

PAD Scheme for .....

No .....,

Date .....

Description of Area

1. (a) This area consists of all offices, huts, etc in..... as shown in att map.

(b) It is divided into sectors as shown in the above map.

Organization

2. The Area PAD Offr is.....
The Sector PAD Offrs are -

(1).....
(2).....
(3).....

Information

3. The object of this scheme is -

(a) To organize protection against all forms of air attack.
(b) To lay down the services required for t hat purpose.

Shelters

4. (a) Slit trenches will be dug near all offices, messes and sleeping accommodation, and will be dispersed as far as possible.
Trenches will be sited to conform as far as possible with general alarm posts. Where possible personnel will use their allotted slit trenches.

(b) Shelters within existing buildings

Splinter and blast-proof protection will be provided for all windows of rooms occupied by personnel, and where necessary for walls to a height of 5 ft.
Where possible rooms more likely to withstand splinter and blast effects should be chosen for -

(a) Operations Room.
(b) Telephone Switchboard
(c) Comd Post.

These rooms must be given full protection and where necessary ceilings will be strutted.

Fire Points

5. Fire points will be provided in all buildings. Buckets of water, and of dry sand, as well as stirrup pumps, will be provided where possible. All ranks will be taught to handle anti-incendiary appliances.

Protection against Gas

6. The Gas Defence and Cleansing Centre will be at.....
It will be the base for the Decn Squad, the eqpt for which will be stored there.

Warning Signals

7. Signals will be made by the sentry on the general warning siren installed....., the whistle, or rattle.

Appx "A" (contd)

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They will be -

.....

(a) Series of short blasts on the general warning siren or whistle	...	Hostile Aircraft : this is always a potential spray attack.
(b) Vocal Alarm "GAS SPRAY"	...	Gas Spray
(c) Sounding of Trench Rattle	...	Local Gas Alarm
(d) Two long blasts on whistle repeated at 5-sec intervals	...	All Clear

.....

The ALL CLEAR will be sounded by a PAD Offr.

NOTE : Instead of the general warning siren a L.P. alarm may be used.

.....

8. The Demolition and Rescue party will be based at ..... and will consist of .....Engr personnel will be used if available. Inclusion of personnel with experience in the building trade is essential.

Intercomm

9. The Comd post will be at ..... Emergency and alternative comms will be by DRs operating from Comd Post.

10. The First Aid Post will be established at .....

11. The Police Post will be at .....
Traffic Posts will continue to be manned during air attack.

General

12. (a) Manning details of this scheme will be notified in an appx thereto. 100% reserves will be provided.

(b) All centres will be clearly sign-posted and all ranks will make themselves familiar with the locations.

(c) All PAD Eqpt will be inspected at regular intervals by PAD Offr, who will also be responsible to the CO for the unit PAD tng.

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... ...

APPX 'B'

PAD Instns

1. To prevent crowding, dispersion areas will be arranged for personnel to go to on an air raid alarm.

2. Dispersion of dangerous and/or inflammable stores is important. ASC and Ord dumps or depots are particularly concerned.

3. Sig units will be schooled in the methods of reporting and transmitting warnings and alarms.

4. In an air raid the existing lighting system may fail. HQs of formations and units, particularly medical, will ensure that alternative lighting facilities (such as hurricane and petrol lamps, and candles) are immediately available.

5. The effectiveness of present blackout measures will be investigated. Consideration will be given to the probability that, during an air raid, many blackened glass windows, skylights, and doors, will be destroyed, thereby exposing uncovered lights. Steps to be taken to improve the present situation incl .

(a) Removal from sockets of all unnecessary light globes,
(b) replacement of unnecessarily strong lights by weaker lights,
(c) use of dark curtains rather than darkened glass to implement blackout instns, and
(d) the use of effective lamp shades or covers in all rooms and corridors.

6. Great danger exists, during an air raid, where protective measures have NOT been taken to prevent the splintering of glass windows and skylights. "In the United Kingdom the highest percentage of casualties has been caused by broken glass."

Ref GHQ (MEF) PAD Instn No 3 of 24 Oct 40, white muslin or oiled calico will be att to the inside surfaces of "certain windows, glass doors, and skylights." Authority to indent for muslin and calico is contained in CRME/8586/3/Q of 10 Apr 41.

Whenever possible during an air raid windows and skylights will be left open.

7. HQ 1 Aust Corps will be notified at the earliest of the number of casualties and extent of damage incurred from an air raid (see 1 Aust Corps SO for War paras 4 and 18).

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MESSAGE FORM

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

(ABOVE THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

TO HEJA

FROM CHAT	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
	O 618	5	

As	result	of	conference	on	A Tk
pillboxes	CHAT	&	Oot	(.)	desire
HEJA	construct	Mock	up	A Tk	pillboxes
in	conjunction	with	VUPI	(.)	Maxwell
attended	conference	has	details		

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 PRIORITY

TIME OF ORIGIN 1340

SIGNED

SIGNED Lt-Col IMMEDIATE

T.H.I.

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

SYSTEM IN	TIME IN	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER	SYSTEM OUT	TIME OUT	READER	SENDER

T.O.R.

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MESSAGE FORM

Serial No.

CALL AND INSTRUCTIONS	IN	No. of Groups. GR.	Office Date Stamp
	OUT		

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TO

LAMP (Copies by Hand to DADOS C Tps, DADPS, DADH, WD, BB, Log Sub File)

FROM	Originator's Number	Date	In Reply to Number
CHAT	0 021	5	

location	(.)	JARU	moved	4	Oct
from	BEYROUTH	to	MEZZE	190174	(.)
det	GIVU	moved	4	Oct	from
BEYROUTH	to	ALEPPO	(.).	5	Oct
MINO	moved	from	MEZZE	to	E4
and	one	div	sec	SURU	moved
from	[illegible]	[illegible]	to	E4 (.)	all informed

This [illegible] may be sent AS WRITTEN [illegible] any means.

If liable to be [illegible] or fall into enemy hands this message must be sent IN CIPHER.

Originator's instructions
Degree of priority

Time of origin 1815

Signed

Signed Lt-Col

(BELOW THIS LINE IS FOR SIGNALS USE ONLY.)

T.H.I.

System in	Time in	Reader	Sender	System out	Time out	Reader	Sender	System out	Time out	Reader	Sender

T.O.R.

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APPENDIX "F"

(SET _/)

TOUR OF SYRIAN BATTLEFIELDS by C-in-C 6 Oct 41.

	Arrive	Depart	Remarks.
HAIFA to		0800	With GOC and Brig Stevens
Turn Off at 113173	0940	0945	Meet Brig Plant and BGS
MERDJAYOUN	1100	1115	15 mins allowed
JEZZINE	1245	1300	15 mins allowed
Lunch	1300	1400	1 hr allowed
DARB ES SIM 116177	1500	1515	15 mins allowed
RAS NEBI YOUNES 118191 / DAMOUR	1550	1615	Meet Maj Gen Allen Total of 3/4 hr allowed.
BEYROUTH	1845		

This leaves 15 mins spare.

Arrangements made for:

Capt MORSE RN 1700 - BEIRUT

Gen SPEARS 1800 - DETAILS to be passed to Capt MORSE RN by Spears Mission.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps,
5 Oct 41.
G.1224

SIGNAL SECURITY and INTELLIGENCE

PROCEDURE to PREVENT LEAKAGE of INFORMATION

In continuance of CRME/1909/G(O) of 20 Sep 41, and ROYAL SIGNAL TRAINING MEMORANDUM No 2 parts 1, 11, and 111.

1. Appx "A" att gives the detailed programme for the introduction of the new procedure. All concerned will make the necessary preparations to carry out this programme.

2. The new procedure is designed to promote greater signal security in Signal traffic and it is essential that it be thoroughly understood by all staff and signal personnel.

3. Adequate preliminary instruction will be given to ensure that all units are in a position to adopt the new procedure with a minimum of delay and dis-organisation.

4.(a) The daily change of frequency in operation within this Corps will continue.

(b) The new Call-signs will replace the present wave-code and terminal letter system at 0001 hrs on 17 Oct 41, and the new charts which are being issued will show frequencies only.

(c) Commencing from 10 Oct 41, all frequencies will be changed daily at 0001 LT.

H Wells Lt Col
for Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

DISTRIBUTION

6 Div	28	A	1
7 Aust Div	30	Q	1
CCRA	3	CE	1
CRE C Tps	5	DDST	5
CSO	1	DDMS	5
1 Aust Corps Sigs	3	ADOS	4
2/2 Aust Pnr Bn	1	DADOS	1
1 Aust Corps Reception Camp	1	Camp	1
GOC	1	APM	1
G	1	File	5
I	1		

P.T.O. - Appx "A"

APPENDIX "A"

D. 1		D. 1 is 27 Sep 41.
D. 6		Pamphlets leave GHQ and arrive Force HQ.
D. 7	3 Oct	Pamphlets leave Force HQ and arrive Corps HQ.
D. 8	4 Oct	Distribution below Corps.
D. 9	5 Oct	Pamphlets reach all Units.
D.11	7 Oct	Bde etc., Sig Officers attend Div conference.
D.10 to D.20 inclusive.		6 to 15 Oct. Period of practice by Units on dummy circuits during which staff officers will be practiced in the use of the new R/T procedure.
D.18	13 Oct	Bde etc. Sig Officers with R.A.C. and R.A. reps attend Div conference.
D.19	14 Oct	O.C., Div Sigs attend Corps conference to clear up any queries (Aust Corps only).
D.20	15 Oct	C.S.O's Corps attend "Army" conference at Force HQ.
D.22	17 Oct	New procedure operates from 0001 LT.
D.26	21 Oct	Force HQ reports progress to GHQ.
D.36	30 Oct	New procedure considered to be "run-in".

APPENDIX "E"

(SET - /)

APPENDIX "D"

(SZT -)

Reserved

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

MOST SECRET.

HQ 1. Aust Corps
2 Oct 41.
G. 1186.

7 Aust Div (3)

C-in-C's Tour -5-9 Oct 41

Furtherto 1 Aust Corps G 1173 of 1 Oct 41.

The C-in-C's programme on 6 Oct 41 includes inspections of the scenes of the main battles in the Coastal MERDJAYOUN and JEZZINE Areas.

The GOC desires that the offrs who commanded in these particular actions be present to explain them personally to the C-in-C in accordance with the following programme.

(a) Maj-Gen A.S.ALLEN, CB,CBE,DSO,VD, for DAMOUR RV main rd RAS NEBI YOUNES 118191 at 1515 hrs 6 Oct 41.

(b) Brig E.C.P.PLANT,DSO,OBE, for JEZZINE
(c) Brig F.H.Berryman, CBE,DSO,for MERDJAYOUN.
} RV turn off 113173 at 0930 hrs 6 Oct 41.

(d) Brig. J.E.S.Stevens, DSO,ED, for advance up the coast, LITANI and SAIDA.
Brig Stevens to stay at the Windsor Annexe Hotel, HAIFA, the night 5/6 Oct and be at call during the evening 5 Oct if required for explanation of these actions.

Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

Copy - BGS.

APPENDIX "B"

(SET -1)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

S E C R E T.

HQ 1 Aust Corps
1 Oct 41
G.1175

7 Aust Div
1 AA Def Bde
84 L of C Sub Area - For infm.

TRIPOLI.

1. It is understood that a Station Comd will be appointed to comd the Coast and AA Defences at the port of TRIPOLI and to control the adm installations. He will come under comd 84 L of C Sub Area.

2. In theevent of serious operations he would come under comd 7 Aust Div. The CD and AA guns will be sited for their primary role but in addition the possibility of a secondary role in the defence of TRIPOLI should be examined. The Station Comd and 7 Aust Div will discuss this matter and prepare the necesdary plan.

Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

W.D

MOST SECRET

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

HQ 1 Aust Corps
1 Oct 41
G. 1173

6 Div (2)
7 Aust Div (2)
E Coy HQ Gd Bn

Copy -
GOC — Q
G — CC
I — ADC
A — 10 Corps

C-in-C's Tour --- 5 - 9 Oct 41

1. With ref to the following itinerary of the C-in-C's tour. 6 Div and 7 Aust Div will submit copies of the proposed programmes for the C-in-C's visit to DJEDEIDE and TRIPOLI respectively.

2. The provision of Bantam Cars for the inspection of the DJEDEIDE posn should be considered.

October 6th
0830 Depart HAIFA
Proceed to BEIRUT accompanied by General LAVARACK
Meet Captain MORSE, R.N. and General SPEARS
Sleep AIN SOFAR

October 7th
0830 Depart AIN SOFAR
1000 Arrive TRIPOLI
Visit 7 Aust Div HQ. Interview General ALLEN.
Inspect locality and certain Australian units.
(Programme to be arranged by 7 Aust Div)
1600 Depart Tripoli
1700 Arrive COL DES CEDRES

October 8th
0830 Depart COL DES CEDRES
1000 Arrive DJEDEIDE. Inspect locality.
1700 Depart RAYAK by air

(Signed) H. Wells Lt.Col
for Brig
GS 1 Aust Corps

HQ 1 Aust Corps
G.1176

7 Aust Div

Arrangements made, should include a guard to ensure the safety of the C-in-C during his stay at the COL DES CEDRES.

The guard mounted by 1 Aust Corps for the C-in-C's stay at AIN SOFAR will be :
1 offr, 1 sgt, 2 cpls, the number of posts and prowler guards necessary together with reliefs for same

Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps

APPENDIX "A"

(SET - 1)

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE

MOST SECRET.

HQ 1 Aust Corps.
30 Sep 41
G.1163

7 Aust Div
6 Div

Relief of 23 Inf Bde - ALEPPO

This has been put forward and will commence in the next few days. On account of the urgency and the "Q" problems involved it has been decided that 18 Aust Inf Bde will relieve the 23 Inf Bde and will take over their equipment. Rear parties of 18 Aust Inf Bde will hand over their equipment at DJEDEIDE to the incoming bde of 6 Aust Div.

2. Details regarding move and handing over of the equipment are being dealt with at a conference at Force HQ on 1 Oct 41.

Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps.

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

MOST SECRET.

HQ 1 Aust Corps.
1 Oct 1941
G.1171

6 Div
7 Aust Div
10 Corps - for infm

Delaying positions and demolitions.

The recommendations of formation in accordance with Para 1 of 1 Aust Corps Op Instn No 34 of 13 Sep 41 have not been received.

2. The recommendations are urgently requieed for the purpose stated in the instn and will be fwd at the earliest possible date.

3. In the event of formation recommendations not being available, infm will be submitted giving the date on which recommendations will reach this HQ.

Brig.
GS 1 Aust Corps

AUSTRALIAN IMPERIAL FORCE.

MOST SECRET.

HQ 1 Aust Corps
1 Oct 41.
G.1172

10 Corps.
6 Div.
7 Aust Div.

PILL BOXES.

With the near approach of winter the time still remaining for the construction of concrete works is limited.

In order that full advantage may be taken of the good weather formations will submit as early as possible, but not later than the dates shown, the infm listed below, to enable construction to commence at the earliest possible date.

1. Numbers and locations of each type of pillbox (A Tk, Vickers, and infantry).
There possible the locations will be shown on a copy of the largest scale map that is available. It will be necessary for the locations given to be pegged out on the ground.

2. Infm required by 7 Oct 41.

10 Corps	-	QATANA JABAL MAZAR (ANTI-BLITZ ONLY)
6 Div	-	DJEDEIDE
7 Aust Div	-	TRIPOLI (Priority task vide Corps Instn No 33 (a))

3. Infm required by 21 Oct 41

10 Corps	BARADA GORGE
	JABAL MAZAR (Complete)

GS 1 Aust Corps